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Point Pelee National Park Migration Update for May 3 Yellow-throated, Prothonotary, Prairie, Kentucky Warblers,

Another beautiful day greeted birders in the Park this morning. The sky was clear and the wind slight from the southwest.

This led to a slight “reverse migration” involving several RED-HEADED WOODPECKERS, some ORIOLES, JAYS, BLACKBIRDS, KINGBIRDS, GNATCATCHER and a few other species.

On the beach near the tip, were several sparrow species including one CLAY-COLOURED SPARROW.

A YELLOW-BREASTED CHAT was heard and seen near the display at the tip.

Generally not a huge flood of species and numbers but certainly enough excitement to thrill birders, particularly in the north part of the Park.

At the old admin parking area near the front gates a YELLOW-THROATED WARBLER was first spotted around 10 am.

A bit south of there, at the pull-off to the Sanctuary Pond look-out, there was a PROTHONOTARY WARBLER seen about the same time.

Still further south, a couple of PRAIRIE WARBLERS, and a KENTUCKY WARBLER, were seen at the Dunes picnic area.

No word whether the WORM-EATING WARBLERS of yesterday were located a Dunes or in Tildens Woods.

However, a number of warblers, including ORANGE-CROWNED, TENNESSEE and NASHVILLE were seen in Tildens.

The Woodland Nature Trail had reports of a LOUISIANA WATERTHRUSH, and HOODED WARBLER. And the Redbud side-trail off of the WNT, had reports of HOODED WARBLER, BLUE-WINGED WARBLER, ORANGE-CROWNED WARBLER and a really early report of a CONNECTICUT WARBLER.

Further south in the overgrown Sparrow Field towards the tip, there was a BOBOLINK reported.

Along the road, about half-way from the half-way tram stop to the tram loop at the tip, there was a YELLOW-THROATED VIREO. Also reported yesterday from the Park was a HENSLOW'S SPARROW, a few hundred metres south of the West Beach Parking area on the West Beach trail.

Outside the Park yesterday a MARBLED GODWIT was seen at the Hillman Marsh Shorebird habitat.

Good Birding,

Hike Leaders Pete, Karl, Todd, Justin, Marianne, John and Jeremy

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