

# *Alaska 200 Club*

## *33<sup>th</sup> Report*

*2014*



The Alaska 200 Club emblem portrays a Steller's Jay, *Cyanocitta stelleri stelleri* [Gmelin, 1778 {Vancouver Island, British Columbia}], new to ornithology in July 1741 when discovered at Kayak Island (Southcoastal Alaska) by George Wilhelm Steller. This find convinced Steller that the expedition had indeed reached the New World, and in a manner, establishing the Steller's Jay as the first bird to the Alaska list. In the background is the vessel *Saint Peter* which carried Bering, Steller, and contingent to Alaska.

## THIRTY-THIRD REPORT OF THE ALASKA 200 CLUB

The Alaska 200 Club, formed in 1979, is a membership of people that have recorded 200 or more species of birds, wild, alive and unrestrained in Alaska (*Charter members = Roster numbers 1-12*). This report summarizes 200 Club data through the end of 2013 and includes all 2013 updates sent to the Club Administrator by January 10, 2014.

The club roster stood at 278 members at the end of 2012. Fourteen new members joined the club in 2013: Tashia DiMarzio (279), Sadie Ulman (280), Mike Resch (281), Carol Griswold (282), Marlys Tedin (283), Marjorie Ward (284), Thomas Evans (285), Marvin Veselka (286), Jim Hebert (287), Simon Wigren (288), John Haddix II (289), Scott Schuette (290), David Nelson (291), and Erik Henderson (292). David Sonneborn remains at the top of the list, still the only birder to have reported seeing more than 400 species in Alaska. Thomas Evans, Chris Maack, and Scott Schuette reported now seeing 300 or more species in Alaska. Fifty-one members of the club have now reached that level.

Table 1 summarizes the membership ranking at the end of 2013, based on species total, and includes the year of each member's most recent update. Seventy members provided updates for this report.

The Alaska 200 club follows the CHECKLIST OF ALASKA BIRDS, including the "unsubstantiated" list (but excluding species introduced or of questionable origin). This list is compiled by the Alaska Checklist Committee and is maintained by the University of Alaska. The recently published 20<sup>th</sup> edition of the Checklist includes three new species added to the main list (Common Chiffchaff, Flesh-footed Shearwater, and Common Redstart). The Flesh-footed Shearwater was moved to the main list from the unsubstantiated list. Therefore, the total number of species known to occur or to have occurred naturally in Alaska, as of 1 January 2014, as reflected in the latest edition of the Checklist, is 501. Twenty-five additional species are on the unsubstantiated list. The Checklist can be found at the University of Alaska Museum of the North's Ornithology web page.

The URL for the Alaska 200 Club website is: [http://home.gci.net/~juneaubird/club\\_index](http://home.gci.net/~juneaubird/club_index).

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**TABLE 1.**  
**ALASKA 200 CLUB MEMBERSHIP STATUS THROUGH 2013**

Member	Member Roster	Residence	Total List	Year	
				Joined	Update
Sonneborn, David	30	Alaska	413	1981	2013
Tobish, Theodore	11	Alaska	396	1979	2013
Heinl, Steve	150	Alaska	389	1991	2013
Isleib, Pete!	6	Alaska	387	1979	1993
Zimmerman, Steve	86	Washington*	375	1986	2013
Scher, Buzz	49	Alaska	372	1982	2013
Gibson, Dan	3	Alaska	367	1979	2013
Levison, James	230	Alaska	361	2001	2013
Peavler, Larry	26	Indiana	356	1980	2013
Gordon, Richard	25	Alaska	355	1980	2009
Lehman, Paul	257	California	355	2008	2013
Benter, Brad	258	Alaska	355	2009	2013
Clark, Ed	218	Alaska	353	1999	2013
Oakley, Lisa	28	Alaska	348	1980	2013
Sykes, Paul	19	Georgia	347	1980	2013
Doyle, Terry	130	Alaska	343	1990	2013
Delap, David	201	Alaska	342	1998	2013
Pourchot, Pat	225	Alaska	342	2000	2013
Lang, Aaron	252	Alaska	336	2007	2013
Dittrick, Bob	248	Alaska	335	2007	2013
Porter, David	235	Alaska	333	2003	2013
Schwan, Mark	75	Alaska	331	1985	2013
Komito, Sandy	97	Florida	330	1987	2013
DeCicco, Lucas	270	Alaska	329	2011	2013
MacIntosh, Richard	10	Alaska	326	1979	2013
Smith, Macklin	152	Michigan	326	1992	2012

Dunn, Jon	29	California	322	1981	2012
Tans, Gordon	13	Michigan*	321	1980	2012
Fox, Delesta	176	Alaska	319	1994	2013
Proctor, Noble	48	Connecticut	317	1982	1994
Johnson, Jennifer	255	Alaska	317	2007	2013
Muller, Bill	153	New Jersey	315	1992	2012
Wagner, George	43	Illinois	311	1982	1988
Cudney, Mark	269	California	311	2011	2013
Dearborn, Judy	217	Alaska	310	1999	2013
Schuette, Scott	290	Alaska	310	2013	
Canterbury, Dan	140	Florida	309	1991	2006
Lee, Dwight!	105	Arizona	308	1987	1995
Toebe, Dianne	243	Alaska	308	2006	2013
Narins, David	134	Florida	306	1990	2011
Balch, Lawrence	18	Illinois	304	1980	2011
Maack, Chris	173	Alaska	304	1993	2013
Steurer, Timothy	275	Alaska	304	2012	2012
Byrd, Vernon	1	Alaska	303	1979	2010
Hall, George	5	Vermont*	303	1979	1989
Jolis, Jennifer	46	Alaska	302	1982	2013
Lewis, Robert Jr.	83	New Jersey	302	1986	2005
Wulkowicz, Stan	116	North Carolina	301	1989	2008
Evans, Thomas	285	Alaska	301	2013	
Huntington, James	267	Iowa	300	2010	
Meiklejohn, Brad	277	Alaska	300	2012	
Smith, Sean	204	Texas*	298	1998	2010
Walsh, Peter	85	Arizona*	297	1986	1996
Chaffin, David	170	Tennessee	296	1993	2010
Agler, Bev	211	Alaska	293	1999	2011
Troy, Declan	45	Alaska	292	1982	2013
Russell, Ken	149	Alaska	292	1991	2013

Bergy, Arthur	82	Pennsylvania	291	1986	2002	Bouton, Jeff	171	Florida*	265	1993	1997
Haney, Chris	110	Pennsylvania*	290	1988	2005	Siegel, Betty	158	Alaska	263	1992	2009
Elder, Eli	32	Ohio	289	1981	2002	Johnson, Cameale	189	Alaska	262	1995	2013
Helmericks, Issac	263	Alaska	289	2010	2013	Haddix, John II	289	Alaska	262	2013	
Johnson, Steve	36	BC, Canada	288	1981	2007	Greaves, Ed!	118	California	261	1989	2013
Gill, Robert	71	Alaska	287	1981	2012	Rose, B.J.	120	Missouri	261	1989	2010
Sauer, Jeff	228	Alaska	287	2000	2012	Kessel, Brian	7	Alaska	260	1979	1995
Prentki, Richard	241	Alaska	286	2006	2013	Trapp, John	12	Wash. D.C.*	260	1979	1985
Schiwitters, Michael	224	Montana	284	2000	2012	Zeillemaker, Fred	54	Idaho*	260	1983	2009
Day, Bob	2	Alaska	282	1979	2012	Blecker, Liz	234	Alaska	260	2003	2012
Freist, Betty	212	Alaska	282	1999	2013	Linfield, Roger	184	Colorado	258	1995	2006
Taylor, Monte	141	California	281	1991	2013	Herter, Dale	38	Washington*	257	1981	1990
Tans, Peggy	14	Michigan*	280	1980	2012	Pinter, Bob	174	Alaska	257	1993	2002
Andrew, Johnathan	80	Georgia*	278	1985	1989	Fowler, Lames, Jr.	148	Michigan	256	1991	2005
Burden, Kenneth	91	Washington	278	1987	2006	Hutman, Gary	193	Michigan	256	1996	2004
Rydell, William	94	California	278	1987	2008	Berns, Shirley	239	Alaska	256	2006	2013
Yovanovich, Gail	190	New Jersey	278	1996		Ward, Maurice	60	Arizona*	253	1984	1991
Jonhnsn, Bud	202	Arizona	278	1998	2012	Peterson,Ted	192	Washington	253	1996	2006
Davidson, Harriet	34	Michigan	276	1981	1990	Austin, Mike	109	Texas*	252	1988	2006
Davidson, Wilbur!	35	Michigan	276	1981	1990	Stallcup, Richard!	20	California	251	1980	1981
Birsner, Diane	157	Texas*	276	1992	2001	Maddox, Donna	138	Texas*	251	1991	1995
Devaney, Laurel	186	Alaska	274	1995	2013	Smith, Lynette	151	Michigan	251	1992	1998
Trickey, Kenna Sue	238	Alaska	273	2004	2013	White,Clayton	128	Utah	250	1989	
Parker, Helen	63	Arkansas	272	1984	2008	Matz, George	175	Alaska	250	1993	2013
Parker, Max!	64	Arkansas	270	1984	2007	Pincelli, F. Thomas	183	Texas*	250	1995	2007
Dewhurst, Donna	168	Alaska	270	1993	2013	Burroughs, Ed	37	Virginia*	249	1981	1999
Brooks, Matt	245	Arizona*	270	2006	2010	Cooper, Brian	62	Oregon*	249	1984	1992
King, Ben	21	New York	269	1980		McGregor, Ian	231	Washington	249	2001	2012
Brooks, William	210	New York	269	1998	2009	DeWitt, Jim	247	Alaska	249	2006	2013
Hadley, Raymond	4	Alaska	268	1979	1995	Pitcher, John	15	Vermont*	248	1980	1984
Guthrie, Dan	122	California	265	1989	1999	Mulligan, Mike	213	AB, Canada.	248	1999	2012

Andres, Brad	215	Colorado*	248	1999		Traver, Donna	166	New York	237	1993	2012
DeWitt, Nancy	246	Alaska	248	2006	2013	Traver, Donald	167	New York	237	1993	2012
Walker, Heathy	92	North Carolina	247	1987	1994	Logan, Jim	180	Alaska	237	1994	2008
Kraus, Douglas!	22	Rhode Island	246	1980	1982	Senner, Stan	209	Alaska	237	1998	2008
Govatski, David	262	New Hampshire	245	2010	2013	Gifford, Charles	222	Vermont	237	2000	2006
Lawhead, Brian	8	Alaska	244	1979	2002	Prentki, Kathleen	266	Alaska	237	2010	2013
Burroughs, Carol	73	Virginia*	244	1985	1999	Fuller, Jim	223	Iowa	236	2000	2006
Lippincot, Cindy	90	Colorado*	244	1987	1999	Stott, William, Jr.	139	Virginia	235	1991	1996
O'Neale, Judy	123	Louisiana*	244	1989	2009	Wetzel, Dan	163	Alaska	235	1993	2002
Martin, Phillip	39	Alaska	243	1981	1986	Roseneau, David	40	Alaska	234	1981	1988
Feltner, Ben	115	Washington	243	1989	1995	Flower, Richard	77	Arizona	234	1985	2001
Senner, Nathan	208	Alaska	243	1998	2012	Pederson, Edward	156	Pennsylvania	234	1992	1993
Hailey, Jim	242	Texas*	243	2006	2011	Paul, Jacqueline	187	Washington	234	1995	2007
Spinder, Michael	50	Alaska	242	1983	1988	Tarbox, Ken	261	Alaska	234	2010	2013
Rose, Sharon	121	Missouri	242	1989	1996	Feldmann, Louann	274	Alaska	234	2012	2013
Rennick, Penny	32	Alaska	241	1981	1990	Heilman, Nita	103	Tennessee	233	1987	1991
Oberle, Mark	93	Washington	241	1987	2012	Heilman, Anne	104	Tennessee	233	1987	1991
Smith, Ed	142	Michigan	241	1991	2006	Woodley, Robert	107	Washington	233	1988	2010
Roy, Kayo	165	ON, Canada	241	1993	2000	Laasanen, Alvin	159	Indiana	233	1992	2006
Baily, Doug	181	Alaska	241	1994	2008	Elliot, Valerie	203	Washington*	233	1998	2011
MacDonald, Stephen	9	New Mexico*	240	1979	1982	Lewis, Sherry	147	Alaska	232	1991	2008
Sease, John	55	Washington*	240	1983	1988	Pfeifer, Karen	253	Alaska	232	2007	2013
Hannabass, Hayden	136	Michigan	240	1990	1993	Mannix, Chris	278	Alaska	232	2012	2012
Westervelt, Susan	254	Alaska	240	2010	2013	Worthington, Pete	191	South Carolina	231	1996	2006
Foerster, Cathy	256	Alaska	240	2008	2012	Stratton, Jim	236	Alaska	231	2004	2008
Ostrander, Robert	27	South Carolina	239	1980	1984	Pumell, Robert	96	Wisconsin	230	1987	1988
Armstrong, Robert	84	Alaska	239	1986	1988	Vacca, Shelli	137	Washington*	230	1990	1996
Wulkowitz, Joan	117	North Dakota	238	1989	1990	Hughes, Owen	169	Alaska	230	1993	2010
Budnitz, Norman	264	North Carolina	238	2010	2013	Pontti, Jeanne	268	Alaska	230	2011	
Walton, Robert	58	Indiana	237	1984	1989	Gambill, Charles W.	78	Texas	229	1985	1991
Walton, Ann	59	Indiana	237	1984	1989	Gambill, Mary A.	79	Texas	229	1985	1991

Hanagan, John!	164	Michigan	229	1993	1998	Baicich, Paul	108	Maryland	221	1988	1992
Tarbox, Connie	265	Alaska	229	2010	2013	Patel, Niroo	178	New Jersey	221	1994	
Collman, Robin	273	Alaska	229	2012		Sall, Larry	200	Texas	221	1997	2012
Hawkings, James	42	YT, Canada*	228	1982	1989	Ulman, Sadie	280	Alaska	221	2013	
Belyea, Glen	162	Michigan	228	1993	2013	Bouton, William	24	California	220	1980	1992
Crowson, Dan	271	Alaska	228	2011	2013	O'Neale, Jack!	124	Alaska	220	1989	1992
Tedin, Marlys	283	Alaska	228	2013		Whitney, Ernie!	145	Florida*	220	1991	1995
Griswold, Carol	282	Alaska	227	2012	2013	MacDonald, Rob	249	Alaska	220	2007	2009
Fritz, John!	198	New York	226	1997	2007	Bradley, Robert	154	Colorado	219	1992	2006
Berrigan, Paul	214	Michigan	226	1999	2002	White, Tony	100	Maryland*	218	1987	1989
Harris, Mary Claire	233	Alaska	226	2003	2010	Esklin, Todd	188	Alaska	218	1995	1998
Greene, Nicholas	52	Connecticut	225	1983		Peluso, Beth	251	Alaska	218	2007	2009
Kertell, Ken	68	Alaska	225	1984	1992	Lehnhausen, Wm.	56	Alaska	217	1983	1984
Whelton, Bart	114	Washington	225	1988		Murphy, Edward C.	72	Alaska	217	1985	1988
Turner, Henry	131	New York	225	1990	1993	Hunn, Eugene	98	Washington	217	1987	1991
Kemp, William!	155	Arizona	225	1992	2006	Straus, Ellen	101	California	217	1987	
Jones, Marlin	232	Idaho	225	2002		Schauer, Amy	111	Oregon*	217	1988	
Ward, Marjorie	284	Alaska	225	2013		Smith, Shirely	143	Michigan	217	1991	2006
Tove, Micheal	16	North Carolina	224	1980		Corder, Marion!	70	Oregon*	216	1985	
Maynard, William	74	Colorado	224	1985	1987	Strauss, James	102	California	216	1987	
Bangma, Jim	177	New Jersey	224	1994		Myers, Dollyann	119	Tennessee	216	1989	
Winker, Bob	244	Alaska	224	2006	2012	Harris, Ed	132	California	216	1990	
Waltz, Steven	260	Alaska	224	2010	2012	Rodstrom, Bill	229	California	216	2001	2006
Frost, Gerald	272	Alaska	224	2012		Smith, David	259	Oregon	215	2009	2013
Osborne, Timothy	51	Africa*	223	1983	1995	Murphy, Steve	47	Alaska	214	1982	1990
Forsythe, Dennis	127	South Carolina	223	1989	1990	Quinlan, Susan	67	Alaska	214	1984	
Cohn, Jean	197	California	223	1997		Clancy, John	99	Massachusetts	214	1987	2005
Stone, Robert	199	Texas	223	1997	2011	Munford, Bob	135	Maryland	214	1990	1991
Dobbins, Bill	221	Wash. D.C.	223	2000	2001	Conti, Georgia	250	Alaska	214	2007	2009
Woessner, Warren	126	Minnesota	222	1989	1994	DiMarzio, Tasha	279	Alaska	214	2013	
Marantz, Curtis	57	California	221	1983	1994	John, Harold	182	Missouri	213	1995	

Bullock, Gary	205	Alaska	213	1998		Glass, Francis	17	Alaska	203	1980	1984
McNeese, Robert	161	Kentucky	212	1992		Miller, Mary	41	Alaska	203	1982	
Rydell, Mary	185	California	212	1995		Friar, James	87	Virginia*	203	1987	
Herbert, Jim	287	Alaska	212	2013		Hill, David	146	Connecticut	203	1991	
Keenleyside, John	53	ON, Canada	211	1983		Wigren, Simon	288	Alaska	203	2013	
Odgers, John	240	Texas	211	2006	2007	Henderson, Erik	292	Alaska	203	2013	
Freese, Frank!	66	Wisconsin	210	1984		Eshbaugh, Richard!	106	Ohio	202	1987	2012
Ward, Roberta	69	Arizona*	210	1984	1991	LaFrambois, Nancy	226	Washington	202	2000	2010
Stewart, Barbara	206	Virginia	210	1998	2009	LaFrambois, Bill	227	Washington	202	2000	2010
Overton, Mike	219	Iowa	210	2000		Nelson, David	291	California	202	2013	
Eshbaugh, Homer	31	Wisconsin	209	1981		Snider, Daniel	89	California	201	1987	
Roby, Daniel	44	Oregon*	209	1982		Madison, Samuel!	133	New York	201	1990	
Smythe, thomas	61	Michigan	209	1984	1994	Williams, James	207	Minnesota	201	1998	
Prybis, Raymond	95	Pennsylvania	209	1987		Lane, Carolina	23	Georgia	200	1980	
Gambill, Charles H.!	112	Ohio	209	1988		Meehan, Rosa	65	Alaska	200	1984	
Anderson, Betty	81	Alaska	208	1986	1987	Schmidt, David	113	Alaska	200	1988	
Funston, Bob	160	Oklahoma	208	1992		Overton, Dixie	220	Iowa	200	2000	
Koella, Jon	172	Tennessee	208	1993		Janik, Stephen	276	Alaska	200	2012	
Han, Frank	129	Washington	207	1990	1991						
Bosse, Walter	179	Rhode island	207	1994		! = Deceased					
Takamine, Joyce	194	Colorado	207	1996	2003	* = Former Alaska Resident					
Toneff, Ann	195	Ohio	207	1996							
Sifford, Jim	125	Texas	206	1989							
Kurtz, Robert	196	New York	205	1996	2012						
Resch, Mike	281	Massachusetts	205	2012							
Maxwell, Bruce	76	California	204	1985							
Friar, Karen	88	Virginia*	204	1987							
Fikejs, Betty	144	Illinois	204	1991							
Long, Bonnie	216	Alaska	204	1999							
Senner, Paul	237	Alaska	204	2004							
Veselka, Marvin	286	Texas	204	2013							

# 2013 CHANGES TO THE CHECKLIST OF ALASKA BIRDS

## ADDITIONS TO THE CHECKLIST

Common Chiffchaff (*Phylloscopus collybita*). One identified 6-7 June 2012 at Gambell, St. Lawrence Island, by P. E. Lehman and K. J. Zimmer et al. (Lehman and Zimmer 2013). (See Gibson et al. 2013, "Third Report of the Alaska Checklist Committee, 2008-2012" at UAM birds website <[www.universityofalaskamuseumbirds](http://www.universityofalaskamuseumbirds)> for 2014 Checklist of Alaska Birds, details of the committee report, and full citation to Lehman and Zimmer 2013). Status: Accidental.

Flesh-footed Shearwater (*Puffinus carneipes*). One identified 21 August 2013 27 miles west-southwest of Icy Bay, Gulf of Alaska, by A. J. Lang et al., photos (UAM) by M. Vaughn. Moved from unsubstantiated list to main Checklist. Status: Casual.

Common Redstart (*Phoenicurus phoenicurus*). One bird, 8-9 October 2013, at St. Paul Island, Pribilofs, by S. Schuette and D. Gochfeld et al., photos (UAM). Status: Accidental. New to North America.

## CHANGES IN NOMENCLATURE AND SEQUENCE

In the 2014 Alaska Checklist there are numerous changes of nomenclature and sequence founded on those incorporated in the American Ornithologists' Union *Check-list of North American Birds* Supplement 54 (Chesser et al. 2013, *Auk* 130:558-571), including a reorganization of sequence of families in Charadriiformes (stilts, oystercatchers, plovers, sandpipers, pratincoles, jaegers, alcids, gulls and terns), such as a complete reorganization of the genus *Calidris*, including the merger of several long-monotypic genera such as *Aphriza* (Surfbird), *Philomachus* (Ruff), *Limcola* (Broad-billed Sandpiper), *Eurynorhynchus* (Spoon-billed Sandpiper), and *Tryngites* (Buff-breasted Sandpiper), reorganization of the sequence of the genera in the family Mimidae and of species in the genus *Haemorhous* (House, Purple, and Cassin's finches).

## STATUS CHANGES

The Checklist Committee changed the status of Buller's Shearwater from less than annual to annual, Great Black-backed Gull from accidental to casual, Caspian Tern from less than annual to annual, Eurasian Collared-Dove from less than annual to annual, Great Crested Flycatcher from accidental to casual, and Asian Brown Flycatcher from accidental to casual.

## CHANGES TO THE UNSUBSTANTIATED LIST

As mentioned above, Flesh-footed Shearwater (*Puffinus carneipes*) has been moved from the unsubstantiated list to the main Checklist. Additions to the unsubstantiated list include two species pairs, Kentish/Snowy Plover (*Charadrius alexandrinus/nivosus*) and Little/Least Tern (*Sternula albifrons/antillarum*). The plover pair is discussed in Third Report of the Alaska Checklist Committee and the tern pair is discussed by Gibson and Byrd 2007, in *Birds of the Aleutian Islands, Alaska*.

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