

# *Alaska 200 Club*

## *35<sup>th</sup> Report 2015*



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- FIFTH 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 2015 and includes all 2015 updates that were sent to the Club Administrator by January 10, 2016.

The club roster stood at 298 members at the end of 2014. Eleven new members joined the club in 2015: Ian Bruce (299), Barbara Carlson (300), Laurie Cairns (301), John Cairns (302), Mary Bennett (303), Kitty LaBounty (304), Lucy Pizzuto-Phillips (305), Victoria Vosburg (306), Matt Goff (307), Lynn Barber (308) and Heather Bauscher (309). David Sonneborn remains at the top of the list; still the only birder to have reported seeing more than 400 species in Alaska. Bev Agler and Isaac Helmericks reported seeing 300 or more species in Alaska in 2015. Fifty-five members of the club have now reached that level. Four members passed away in 2015.

Table 1 summarizes the membership ranking at the end of 2015, based on species total, and includes the year of each member's most recent update. Eighty four 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. Changes that will be likely to the 22th edition of the Checklist in 2016 (and therefore were counted in member's totals for this report) include five new species added to the main list (Red-footed Booby, Blyth's Reed Warbler, Yellow-throated Warbler, Hooded Oriole and Pallas's Rosefinch). Blyth's Reed Warbler was moved to the main list from the "Unsubstantiated List". With these changes the Checklist will stand at 510 species, plus 24 on the unsubstantiated list. The checklist can be found at the University of Alaska Museum of the North's Ornithology department web page.

The URL for the Alaska 200 Club website is: [www.alaska200club.com](http://www.alaska200club.com)

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# Alaska 200 Club Membership Through 2015

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Member	Memeber Roster	Residence	Total List	Joined	Updated							
						Muller, Bill	153	New Jersey	315	1992	2012	
Sonneborn, David	30	Alaska	419	1981	2015	Evans, Thomas	285	Alaska	315	2013	2015	
Tobish, Theodore	11	Alaska	397	1979	2014	Wagner, George	43	Illinois	311	1982	1988	
Heinl, Steve	150	Alaska	390	1991	2015	Canterbury, Dan	140	Florida	309	1991	2006	
Isleib, Pete!	6	Alaska	387	1979	1993	Steuer, Timothy	275	California	309	2012	2014	
Zimmerman, Steve	86	Washington*	378	1986	2015	Lee, Dwight!	105	Arizona	308	1987	1995	
Levison, James	230	Alaska	378	2001	2015	Schantz, Timothy!	297	Alaska	308	2001		
Scher, Buzz	49	Alaska	372	1982	2014	Maack, Chris	173	Alaska	307	1993	2015	
Benter, Brad	258	Alaska	370	2009	2015	Hall, George	5	New York*	306	1979	2015	
Gibson, Dan	3	Alaska	367	1979	2014	Narins, David	134	Florida	306	1990	2011	
Lehman, Paul	257	California	365	2008	2015	Agler, Bev	211	Alaska	306	1999	2015	
Peavler, Larry	26	Indiana	364	1980	2015	Balch, Lawrence	18	Illinois	304	1980	2014	
Clark, Ed	218	Alaska	360	1999	2015	Byrd, Vernon	1	Alaska	303	1979	2014	
Sykes, Paul	19	Georgia	356	1980	2015	Helmericks, Issac	263	Alaska	303	2010	2015	
Gordon, Richard	25	Florida*	355	1980	2009	Meiklejohn, Brad	277	Alaska	303	2012	2015	
Pourchot, Pat	225	Alaska	355	2000	2015	Jolis, Jennifer	46	Alaska	302	1982	2014	
Oakley, Lisa	28	Alaska	350	1980	2015	Lewis, Robert Jr.	83	New Jersey	302	1986	2005	
Doyle, Terry	130	Alaska	347	1990	2015	Wulkowicz, Stan	116	North Carolina	301	1989	2008	
Lang, Aaron	252	Alaska	345	2007	2015	Huntington, James	267	Iowa	300	2010	2012	
DeLap, David	201	Alaska	343	1998	2015	Smith, Sean	204	Ontario, CA*	299	1998	2014	
Dittrick, Bob	248	Alaska	341	2007	2015	Walsh, Peter	85	Arizona*	297	1986	1996	
DeCicco, Lucas	270	Alaska	341	2011	2015	Troy, Declan	45	Alaska	296	1982	2015	
Porter, David	235	Alaska	340	2003	2014	Russel, Ken	149	Alaska	296	1991	2015	
Schwan, Mark	75	Alaska	338	1985	2015	Chaffin, David	170	Tennessee	296	1993	2010	
Schuette, Scott	290	Alaska	338	2013	2015	Gill, Robert	71	Alaska	294	1981	2015	
Johnson, Jennifer	255	Alaska	335	2007	2015	Prentki, Richard	241	Alaska	294	2006	2015	
Komito, Sandy	97	Florida	331	1987	2014	Burden, Kenneth	91	Washington	293	1987	2015	
Hajdukovitch, Nick	294	Alaska	330	2014	2015	Bergy, Arthur	82	Pensylvania	291	1986	2002	
MacIntosh, Richard	10	Alaska	327	1979	2015	Bruce, Ian	299	Alaska	291	2015		
Smith, Macklin	152	Michigan	326	1992	2012	Haney, Chris	110	Pennslyvania*	290	1988	2005	
Dunn, Jon	29	California	324	1981	2014	Sauer, Jeff	228	Alaska	290	2000	2015	
Dearborn, Judy	217	Alaska	323	1999	2015	Elder, Eli	32	Ohio	289	1981	2002	
Toebe, Dianne	243	Alaska	323	2006	2015	Johnson, Steve	36	B.C., Canada	288	1981	2007	
Tans, Gordon	13	Nicaragua*	322	1980	2015	Freist, Betty	212	Alaska	287	1999	2015	
Fox, Delesta	176	Alaska	319	1994	2013	Schiwitters, Michael	224	Montana	284	2000	2014	
Proctor, Nobel!	48	Connecticut	317	1982	1994	Day, Bob	2	Alaska	283	1979	2014	
Cudney, Mark	269	California	316	2011	2015	Tans, Peggy	14	Nicuragua*	281	1980	2014	

Andrew, Johnathan	80	Georgia*	278	1985	1989	Mannix, Chris	278	Alaska	254	2012	2015
Rydell, William	94	California	278	1987	2008	Ward, Maurice	60	Arizona*	253	1984	1991
Yovanovich, Gail	190	New Jersey	278	1996		Peterson, Ted	192	Washington	253	1996	2006
Jonhanson, Bud	202	Arizona	278	1998	2014	DeWitt, Nancy	246	Idaho*	253	2006	2015
Devaney, Laurel	186	Alaska	277	1995	2015	Austin, Mike	109	Texas*	252	1988	2006
Davidson, Harriet	34	Michigan	276	1981	1990	Prentki, Kathleen	266	Alaska	252	2010	2015
Davidson, Wilbur!	35	Michigan	276	1981	1990	Barber, Lynn	308	Alaska	252	2015	
Birsner, Diane	157	Texas*	276	1992	2001	Stallcup, Richard!	20	California	251	1980	1981
Dewhurst, Donna	168	Alaska	276	1993	2015	Maddox, Donna!	138	Texas*	251	1991	1995
Trickey, Kenna Sue	238	Alaska	275	2004	2014	Smith, Lynette	151	Michigan	251	1992	1998
Parker, Helen	63	Arkansas	272	1984	2008	DeWitt, Jim	247	Idaho*	251	2006	2015
Parker, Max!	64	Arkansas	270	1984	2007	White, Clayton	128	Utah	250	1989	
Brooks, William	210	New York	270	1998	2015	Pincelli, F. Thomas	183	Texas*	250	1995	2007
Brooks, Matt	245	Arizona*	270	2006	2010	Burroughs, Ed	37	Virginia*	249	1981	1999
King, Ben	21	New York	269	1980		Cooper, Brian	62	Oregon*	249	1984	1992
Foerster, Cathy	256	Alaska	269	2008	2015	Mulligan, Mike	213	Alberta, Canad	249	1999	2015
Hadley, Raymond!	4	Alaska	268	1979	1995	McGregor, Ian	231	Washington	249	2001	2012
Feldmann, Louann	274	Alaska	267	2012	2015	Westervelt, Susan	254	Alaska	249	2010	2015
Guthrie, Dan	122	California	265	1989	1999	Carlson, Barbara	300	California	249	2015	
Bouton, Jeff	171	Florida*	265	1993	1997	Pitcher, John	15	Vermont*	248	1980	1984
Berns, Shirley	239	Alaska	265	2006	2015	Andres, Brad	215	Colorado*	248	1999	
Siegel, Betty	158	Alaska	263	1992	2009	Herbert, Jim	287	Alaska	248	2013	2015
Blecker, Liz	234	California*	263	2003	2015	Walker, Heathy	92	North Carolina	247	1987	1994
Johnson, Cameale	189	Alaska	262	1995	2013	Kraus, Douglas!	22	Rhode Island	246	1980	1982
Haddix, John II	289	Alaska	262	2013		Lippincot, Cindy	90	Colorado*	245	1987	2000
Greaves, Ed!	118	California	261	1989	2013	O'Neale, Judy	123	Lousiana*	245	1989	2015
Rose, B.J.	120	Missouri	261	1989	2010	Lawhead, Brian	8	Alaska	244	1979	2002
Kessel, Brina	7	Alaska	260	1979	1995	Burroughs, Carol	73	Virginia*	244	1985	1999
Trapp, John	12	Wash. D.C.*	260	1979	1985	Martin, Phillip	39	Alaska	243	1981	1986
Zeillemaker, Fred	54	Idaho*	260	1983	2009	Feltner, Ben	115	Washington	243	1989	1995
Linfield, Roger	184	Colorado	258	1995	2006	Senner, Nathan	208	Alaska	243	1998	2012
Herter, Dale	38	Washington*	257	1981	1990	DiMarzio, Tasha	279	Alaska	243	2013	2015
Pinter, Bob	174	Alaska	257	1993	2002	Spinder, Michael	50	Alaska	242	1983	1988
Matz, George	175	Alaska	257	1993	2015	Rose, Sharon	121	Missouri	242	1989	1996
Hailey, Jim	242	Texas*	257	2006	2015	Tarbox, Ken	261	Alaska	242	2010	2015
Fowler, James, Jr.	148	Michigan	256	1991	2005	Collman, Robin	273	Alaska	242	2012	2015
Hutman, Gary	193	Michigan	256	1996	2004	Rennick, Penny	32	Alaska	241	1981	1990
Budnitz, Norman	264	North Carolina	256	2010	2015	Oberle, Mark	93	Washington	241	1987	2012
Govatski, David	262	New Hampshire	254	2010	2014	Smith, Ed	142	Michigan	241	1991	2006
Lewis, Sherry	147	Alaska	241	1991	2015	Pumell, Robert	96	Wisconsin	230	1987	1988

Roy, Kayo	165	Ontario, Canada	241	1993	2000	Vacca, Shelli	137	Washington*	230	1990	1996
Baily, Doug	181	Alaska	241	1994	2008	Hughes, Owen!	169	Alaska	230	1993	2010
MacDonald, Stephen	9	New Mexico*	240	1979	1982	Gambill, Charles W.	78	Texas	229	1985	1991
Sease, John	55	Washington*	240	1983	1988	Gambill, Mary A.	79	Texas	229	1985	1991
Hannabass, Hayden	136	Michigan	240	1990	1993	Hanagan, John!	164	Michigan	229	1993	1998
Cairns, Laurie	301	New York	240	2015		Hawkings, James	42	Y.Territory,CA	228	1982	1989
Cairns, John	302	New York	240	2015		Belyea, Glen	162	Michigan	228	1993	2013
Ostrander, Robert	27	South Carolina	239	1980	1984	Frost, Gerald	272	Alaska	228	2012	2015
Armstrong, Robert	84	Alaska	239	1986	1988	Tedin, Marlys!	283	Alaska	228	2013	
Wulkowitz, Joan	117	North Dakota	238	1989	1990	Fritz, John!	198	New York	226	1997	2007
Walton, Robert	58	Indiana	237	1984	1989	Berrigan, Paul	214	Michigan	226	1999	2002
Walton, Ann	59	Indiana	237	1984	1989	Harris, Mary Claire	233	Alaska	226	2003	2010
Traver, Donna!	166	New York	237	1993	2012	Winkler, Bob	244	Alaska	226	2006	2013
Traver, Donald	167	New York	237	1993	2012	Waltz, Steven	260	Alaska	226	2010	2015
Logan, Jim	180	Alaska	237	1994	2008	Greene, Nicholas	52	Alaska	225	1983	
Senner, Stan	209	Alaska	237	1998	2008	Kertell, Ken	68	Alaska	225	1984	1992
Gifford, Charles	222	Vermont	237	2000	2006	Whelton, Bart	114	Washington	225	1988	
Pfeifer, Karen	253	Alaska	237	2007	2015	Turner, Henry	131	New York	225	1990	1993
Tarbox, Connie	265	Alaska	237	2010	2015	Kemp, William!	155	Arizona	225	1992	2006
LaBounty, Kitty	304	Alaska	237	2015		Jones, Marlin	232	Idaho	225	2002	
Fuller, Jim	223	Iowa	236	2000	2006	Ward, Marjorie	284	Alaska	225	2013	
Stratton, Jim	236	Alaska	236	2004	2015	Tove, Micheal	16	North Carolina	224	1980	
Crowson, Dan	271	Alaska	236	2011	2015	Maynard, William	74	Colorado	224	1985	1987
Stott, William, Jr.	139	Virginia	235	1991	1996	Bangma, Jim	177	New Jersey	224	1994	
Wetzel, Dan	163	Alaska	235	1993	2002	Osborne, Timothy	51	Africa*	223	1983	1995
Roseneau, David	40	Alaska	234	1981	1988	Forsythe, Dennis	127	South Carolina	223	1989	1990
Flower, Richard	77	Arizona	234	1985	2001	Cohn, Jean	197	California	223	1997	
Pederson, Edward	156	Pennsylvania	234	1992	1993	Stone, Robert	199	Texas	223	1997	2011
Paul, Jacqueline	187	Washington	234	1995	2007	Dobbins, Bill	221	Wash. D.C.	223	2000	2001
Heilman, Nita	103	Tennessee	233	1987	1991	Cedarleaf, Jennifer	295	Alaska	223	2014	2015
Heilman, Anne	104	Tennessee	233	1987	1991	Woessner, Warren	126	Minnesota	222	1989	1994
Woodley, Robert	107	Washington	233	1988	2010	Marantz, Curtis	57	California	221	1983	1994
Laasanen, Alvin	159	Indiana	233	1992	2006	Baicich, Paul	108	Maryland	221	1988	1992
Elliot, Valerie	203	Washington*	233	1998	2011	Patel, Niroo	178	New Jersey	221	1994	
Ponti, Jeanne	268	Alaska	232	2011	2015	Sall, Larry	200	Texas	221	1997	2012
Worthington, Pete	191	South Carolina	231	1996	2006	Bouton, William	24	California	220	1980	1992
Ulman, Sadie	280	Alaska	231	2013	2015	O'Neale, Jack!	124	Alaska	220	1989	1992
Griswold, Carol	282	Alaska	231	2012	2015	Whitney, Ernie!	145	Florida*	220	1991	1995
MacDonald, Rob	249	Alaska	220	2007	2009	Funston, Bob	160	Oklahoma	208	1992	
Janik, Stephen	276	Alaska	220	2012	2015	Koella, Jon	172	Tennessee	208	1993	

Pizzuto-Phillips, Lucy	305	Alaska	220	2015		Han, Frank	129	Washington	207	1990	1991
Bradley, Robert	154	Colorado	219	1992	2006	Bosse, Walter	179	Rhode Island	207	1994	
White, Tony	100	Maryland*	218	1987	1989	Takamine, Joyce	194	Colorado	207	1996	2003
Esklin, Todd	188	Alaska	218	1995	1998	Toneff, Ann	195	Ohio	207	1996	
Peluso, Beth	251	Alaska	218	2007	2009	Vosburg, Victoria	306	Alaska	207	2015	
Lehnhausen, Wm.	56	Alaska	217	1983	1984	Caldwell, Craig	298	Ohio	207	2014	
Murphy, Edward C.	72	Alaska	217	1985	1988	Sifford, Jim	125	Texas	206	1989	
Hunn, Eugene	98	Washington	217	1987	1991	Kurtz, Robert	196	New York	205	1996	2012
Straus, Ellen	101	California	217	1987		Resch, Mike	281	Massachusetts	205	2012	
Schauer, Amy	111	Oregon*	217	1988		Maxwell, Bruce	76	California	204	1985	
Smith, Shirely	143	Michigan	217	1991	2006	Friar, Karen	88	Virginia*	204	1987	
Confer, Keith	296	Alaska	217	2014	2015	Fikejs, Betty	144	Illinois	204	1991	
Corder, Marion!	70	Oregon*	216	1985		Long, Bonnie	216	Alaska	204	1999	
Strauss, James	102	California	216	1987		Senner, Paul	237	Alaska	204	2004	
Myers, Dollyann	119	Tennessee	216	1989		Veselka, Marvin	286	Texas	204	2013	
Harris, Ed	132	California	216	1990		Bennett, Mary	303	Texas	204	2015	
Rodstrom, Bill	229	California	216	2001	2006	Glass, Francis	17	Alaska	203	1980	1984
Smith, David	259	Oregon	215	2009	2013	Miller, Mary	41	Alaska	203	1982	
Hendrickson, Erik	292	Alaska	215	2013	2014	Friar, James	87	Virginia*	203	1987	
Murphy, Steve	47	Alaska	214	1982	1990	Hill, David	146	Connecticut	203	1991	
Quinlan, Susan	67	Alaska	214	1984		Wigren, Simon	288	Alaska	203	2013	
Clancy, John	99	Massachusetts	214	1987	2005	Eshbaugh, Richard!	106	Ohio	202	1987	2012
Munford, Bob	135	Maryland	214	1990	1991	LaFrambois, Nancy	226	Washington	202	2000	2010
Conti, Georgia	250	Alaska	214	2007	2009	LaFrambois, Bill	227	Washington	202	2000	2010
John, Harold	182	Missouri	213	1995		Nelson, David	291	California	202	2013	
Bullock, Gary	205	Washington*	213	1998		Snider, Daniel	89	California	201	1987	
McNeese, Robert	161	Kentucky	212	1992		Madison, Samuel!	133	New York	201	1990	
Rydell, Mary	185	California	212	1995		Williams, James	207	Minnesota	201	1998	
Keenleyside, John	53	Ontario, Canada	211	1983		Read, Larry	293	Alaska	201	2014	
Odgers, John	240	Texas	211	2006	2007	Lane, Carolina	23	Georgia	200	1980	
Freese, Frank!	66	Wisconsin	210	1984		Meehan, Rosa	65	Alaska	200	1984	
Ward, Roberta	69	Arizona*	210	1984	1991	Schmidt, David	113	Alaska	200	1988	
Stewart, Barbara	206	Virginia	210	1998	2009	Overton, Dixie	220	Iowa	200	2000	
Overton, Mike	219	Iowa	210	2000		Goff, Matt	307	Alaska	200	2015	
Eshbaugh, Homer	31	Wisconsin	209	1981		Bauscher, Heather	309	Alaska	200	2015	
Roby, Daniel	44	Oregon*	209	1982		!= Deceased					
Smythe, Thomas	61	Michigan	209	1984	1994	*=Former Alaska Resident					
Prybis, Raymond	95	Pennsylvania	209	1987							
Gambill, Charles H.!	112	Ohio	209	1988							
Anderson, Betty	81	Alaska	208	1986	1987						

# 2015 CHANGES TO THE CHECKLIST OF ALASKA BIRDS

## ADDITIONS TO THE CHECKLIST

**Red-footed Booby** *Sula sula*: one immature, 25 August 2015, southeast of the town of Kodiak, Kodiak Island, R.L. Pitman; and one immature 10 September 2015, off east Chugach Island, Gulf of Alaska L. H. DeCicco (photos).

**Blyth's Reed Warbler** *Acrocephalus dumetorum*: one bird, 18-21 September 2015, Gambell, St. Lawrence Island, P.E. Lehman, M. M. Taylor (photos).

**Yellow-throated Warbler** *Setophaga dominica*: one bird. 22-24 September 2015, Gustavus S. Schaller 9photos), J. D. Levison (photos), E. Johnson.

**Hooded Oriole** *Icterus cucullatus*: adult male, 19-22 September 2015, Juneau, M. Squires (photos), R.H. Armstrong (photos), G. B. vanVliet.

**Pallas's Rosefinch** *Carpodacus roseus*: immature male, 21-24 September 2015, St. Paul Island, Pribilofs, C. Gregory (photos), T. Johnson (photos) D. Gotchfeld (photos).

## CHANGES TO THE UNSUBSTANTIATED LIST

Blyth's Reed Warbler has been moved to the substantiated section of the checklist.

## PENDING CHANGES TO THE LIST

At this time the Alaska Checklist Committee does not have any species in review status.

## STATUS CHANGES

Cook's Petrel is moved from Accidental to Casual. Flesh-footed Shearwater is moved from Casual to Rare. Manx Shearwater is moved from Casual to Rare. Brown Booby is moved from Accidental to Casual. European Golden-Plover is moved from Accidental to Casual. Yellow-bellied Sapsucker is moved from Casual to Rare. Palm Warbler is moved from Casual to Rare.

## OTHER CHANGES

The Family Muscicapidae is now named 'Old World Flycatchers and Chats' from the previous 'Old World Flycatchers and Allies'.

The genus of American Tree Sparrow is *Spizelloides* from genus *Spizella*.

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