

## 2021 Christmas Bird Count Overview

Count Day: Sunday, December 19, 2021

Count Week: 16-18 & 20-22 December 2021

### BEFORE THE COUNT

- Go to the [Matsu Birders Website - Christmas Bird Count](#) page
- Review the available CBC forms and documents
- Print out the Tally Sheet (keep separate sheets for feeder and field counting)
- Review the Participant form so you are familiar with the data collection requirements BEFORE you start your count day! (You need to keep track of time and miles.) See form for details.
- Carefully read the FEEDER and FIELD Counter Instructions as they apply to you.
- Review the Rare Bird Form and Instructions just in case you see a rare or unlisted bird!

### DURING THE COUNT

- Keep track of your participant data
- Notice the species on the Tally Sheet that have stars.
- If you find any rare or unlisted species you need to complete a Rare Bird Form. Be sure to take notes on bird description while you are looking at the bird. Take photos! Even if they are just with your phone. If you have good notes you can easily fill out the form later. See form and directions on the website.
- Keep track of time... Field counters only count Ravens till noon.

### AFTER THE COUNT

NEW!! Online Spreadsheet Data Reporting

- [Spreadsheet Link](#) – from Google but should not require a login. Contact Robin (below) for tech support)
- Carefully read the directions on the first tab of the spreadsheet.
- Each Team Leader (field and feeder) will enter their own data on the spreadsheet.
- Both species count and participant data are entered.
- If you complete the spreadsheet, you do not need to submit a participant form.
- Review your species list and submit Rare Bird Form as needed. (see website for form and instructions.)

### Three ways to report count data

**Preferred:** Use [the online spreadsheet](#)

**OR**

email your results and participant info to [matsubirders@gmail.com](mailto:matsubirders@gmail.com)

**OR**

Call in your count and participant info.

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Robin 907-841-7398 **Call for tech support!**

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**Please submit all data by Monday, December 20, 2021 - 5pm**