

CHECKLIST OF THE BIRDS OF KIMIWAN LAKE AREA



The junction of the Peace Parkland and Dry Mixedwood natural regions and several flyways at Kimiwan Lake, mean that the area has rich and diverse bird communities. This checklist includes 233 species of birds that have been seen within 15 km of Kimiwan Lake.

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Codes used in Checklist

ABUNDANCE

- Common**
- present in considerable numbers over most of the checklist area
 - easily found on most outings
- Uncommon**
- present in low numbers over most of the checklist area or limited to specific locations, where it may be present in large numbers
 - unlikely to be found on a regular bases outside those locations
- Rare**
- present most years, but in very low numbers; often restricted to specific sites
 - not often seen, even at preferred locations
- Occasional**
- very rare: few records; not expected annually
 - includes over-wintering records of species that normally migrate
- Vagrant**
- species far outside normal range or dispersal limits, including exceptional out-of-season records
 - only two or tree records known for the species

NESTING STATUS

B breeds regularly

NOTES

Common Name	Nesting	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Loons, Grebes													
<input type="checkbox"/> Common loon	B				.....							
<input type="checkbox"/> Pied-billed grebe	B				.....							
<input type="checkbox"/> Eared grebe	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Horned grebe	B				.....							
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-necked grebe	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Western grebe					.....							
Pelicans, Herons, Allies													
<input type="checkbox"/> American white pelican					.....							
<input type="checkbox"/> Double-crested cormorant					.....							
<input type="checkbox"/> American bittern	B				.....							
<input type="checkbox"/> Great blue heron	B				_____								
Waterfowl													
<input type="checkbox"/> Tundra swan					_____							_____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Trumpeter swan	B				.....							
<input type="checkbox"/> Greater white-fronted goose					_____							_____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Snow goose					.....							
<input type="checkbox"/> Canada goose	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Ross' goose					.....							
<input type="checkbox"/> Green-winged teal	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Blue-winged teal	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Cinnamon teal	B				.....							
<input type="checkbox"/> Mallard	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Pintail	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Shoveller	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Gadwall	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> American wigeon	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Eurasian wigeon					○								
<input type="checkbox"/> Canvasback	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Redhead	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Ring-necked duck	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Greater scaup					.....							
<input type="checkbox"/> Lesser scaup	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Long-tailed duck (oldsqaw)					.....							
<input type="checkbox"/> Surf scoter					.....							
<input type="checkbox"/> White-winged scoter	B				.....							
<input type="checkbox"/> Common goldeneye	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Barrow's goldeneye					.....							
<input type="checkbox"/> Bufflehead	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Common merganser	B											
<input type="checkbox"/> Hooded merganser						•							
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-breasted merganser												
<input type="checkbox"/> Ruddy duck	B				_____								
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Hawk's, Falcon's, Allies													
<input type="checkbox"/> Osprey	B											
<input type="checkbox"/> Bald eagle	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Golden eagle												
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern harrier	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Sharp-shinned hawk	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Cooper's hawk	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern goshawk	B				.....							
<input type="checkbox"/> Broad-winged hawk	B				.....							
<input type="checkbox"/> Swainson's hawk					.....							
<input type="checkbox"/> Rough-legged hawk		•	•		_____					_____		•	•
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-tailed hawk	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> American kestrel	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Merlin	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Peregrine falcon					.....					.....
<input type="checkbox"/> Gyrfalcon					.....						.....
Pheasants, Grouse, Allies													
<input type="checkbox"/> Ring-necked pheasant	B				.....							
<input type="checkbox"/> Gray partridge	B				.....							
<input type="checkbox"/> Spruce grouse	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Ruffed grouse	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Sharp-tailed grouse	B				_____								
Rails, Cranes													
<input type="checkbox"/> Sandhill crane													_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Sora	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow rail	B				.....							
<input type="checkbox"/> American coot	B				_____								
Shorebirds													
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-bellied plover					_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Lesser Golden plover					_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Semipalmated plover					_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Killdeer	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> American avocet	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Greater yellowlegs	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Lesser yellowlegs	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Solitary sandpiper	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Willet					.....							
<input type="checkbox"/> Spotted sandpiper	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Upland sandpiper	B											
<input type="checkbox"/> Hudsonian godwit					_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Marbled godwit	B				_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Ruddy turnstone					_____								
<input type="checkbox"/> Red knot					_____								
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Shorebirds (continued)													
<input type="checkbox"/> Sanderling						—	—		—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Semipalmated sandpiper						—	—		—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Least sandpiper						—	—		—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> White-rumped sandpiper					.....							
<input type="checkbox"/> Baird's sandpiper						—	—	—	—				
<input type="checkbox"/> Pectoral sandpiper						—	—	—	—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Dunlin					.....					.....
<input type="checkbox"/> Stilt sandpiper						—	—		—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Ruff						○							
<input type="checkbox"/> Short-billed dowitcher	B					—	—	—	—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Long-billed dowitcher						—	—		—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Common snipe	B					—	—	—	—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Wilson's phalarope	B					—	—	—	—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-necked phalarope						—	—		—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Whimbrel					.....					.....
Jaegers													
<input type="checkbox"/> Parasitic jaeger										○			
Gulls, Terns, Allies													
<input type="checkbox"/> Franklin's gull	B					—	—	—	—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Bonaparte's gull	B					—	—	—	—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Ring-billed gull	B					—	—	—	—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> California gull	B					—	—	—	—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Herring gull					—	—	—	—	—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Common tern	B					—	—	—	—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Forster's tern	B					—	—	—	—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Black tern	B					—	—	—	—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Caspian tern						○							
Doves, Cuckoos													
<input type="checkbox"/> Rock dove	B	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<input type="checkbox"/> Mourning dove	B					—	—	—	—	—			•
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-billed cuckoo								○					
Owls													
<input type="checkbox"/> Great horned owl	B	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<input type="checkbox"/> Snowy owl		—	—	—								—	—
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern hawk owl	B												
<input type="checkbox"/> Barred owl	B												
<input type="checkbox"/> Great gray owl	B	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<input type="checkbox"/> Long-eared owl	B												
<input type="checkbox"/> Short-eared owl	B												
<input type="checkbox"/> Boreal owl	B												
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern saw-whet owl	B												
Nighthawks to Kingfishers													
<input type="checkbox"/> Common nighthawk	B					—	—	—	—	—			

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Nighthawks to Kingfishers (cont'd)													
<input type="checkbox"/> Ruby-throated hummingbird	B					—	—	—	—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Belted Kingfisher	B		•			—	—	—	—	—			
Woodpeckers													
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-bellied sapsucker	B					—	—	—	—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Downy woodpecker	B	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<input type="checkbox"/> Hairy woodpecker	B	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<input type="checkbox"/> Three-toed woodpecker	B												
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-billed woodpecker	B												
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern flicker	B	•	•	•		—	—	—	—	—	—	•	•
<input type="checkbox"/> Pileated woodpecker	B	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Flycatchers													
<input type="checkbox"/> Olive-sided flycatcher	B					—	—	—	—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Western wood-pewee	B					—	—	—	—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-bellied flycatcher	B					.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<input type="checkbox"/> Alder flycatcher	B					—	—	—	—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Least flycatcher	B					—	—	—	—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Hammond's flycatcher						•	•						
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern phoebe	B					—	—	—	—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Say's phoebe	B					—	—	—	—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern kingbird	B					—	—	—	—	—			
Larks, Swallows													
<input type="checkbox"/> Horned lark						.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<input type="checkbox"/> Purple martin	B					.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<input type="checkbox"/> Tree swallow	B					—	—	—	—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Barn swallow	B					—	—	—	—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Bank swallow	B					.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<input type="checkbox"/> Cliff swallow	B					.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jay's Crows, Allies													
<input type="checkbox"/> Gray jay	B	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<input type="checkbox"/> Blue jay	B	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-billed magpie	B	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<input type="checkbox"/> American crow	B					—	—	—	—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Common raven	B	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chickadees to Dippers													
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-capped chickadees	B	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<input type="checkbox"/> Boreal chickadee	B												
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-breasted nuthatch	B	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<input type="checkbox"/> White-breasted nuthatch	B			
<input type="checkbox"/> Brown creeper				
<input type="checkbox"/> House wren	B					—	—	—	—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Winter wren	B					—	—	—	—	—			
<input type="checkbox"/> Marsh wren	B					—	—	—	—	—			
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Kinglets to Thrashers													
<input type="checkbox"/> Golden-crowned kinglet	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Ruby-crowned kinglet	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Mountain bluebird	B											
<input type="checkbox"/> Townsend's solitaire					.....							
<input type="checkbox"/> Hermit thrush	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Swainson's thrush	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Gray-cheeked thrush						.....				.....
<input type="checkbox"/> Veery						_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> American robin	B	.....			_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	.....	
Pipits to Starlings													
<input type="checkbox"/> American pipit						_____				_____			
<input type="checkbox"/> Sprague's pipit	B					.....						
<input type="checkbox"/> Bohemian waxwing	B	_____	_____	_____							_____	_____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Cedar waxwing	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern shrike	B					.....						
<input type="checkbox"/> European starling	B	.....			_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	.....	
Vireos, Warblers													
<input type="checkbox"/> Solitary vireo	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Warbling vireo	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Philadelphia vireo	B					.....						
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-eyed vireo	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Blue-headed vireo							•						
<input type="checkbox"/> Tennessee warbler	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Orange-crowned warbler	B				_____	_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Nashville warbler								•					
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow warbler	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Magnolia warbler	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Cape may warbler	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-rumped warbler	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-throated green warbler	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Palm warbler	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Bay-breasted warbler	B					.....						
<input type="checkbox"/> Blackpoll warbler	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-and-white warbler	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Canada warbler	B					.....						
<input type="checkbox"/> American redstart	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Ovenbird	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern waterthrush	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Common yellowthroat	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Mourning warbler	B											
<input type="checkbox"/> Connecticut warbler	B											
<input type="checkbox"/> Wilson's warbler	B											
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Tanagers, Cardinals, Allies													
<input type="checkbox"/> Western tanager	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Rose-breasted grosbeak	B											
Sparrows, Allies													
<input type="checkbox"/> American tree sparrow						_____				_____			
<input type="checkbox"/> Chipping sparrow	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Clay-coloured sparrow	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Vesper sparrow	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Savannah sparrow	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Le Conte's sparrow	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Sharp-tailed sparrow	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Fox sparrow	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Song sparrow	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Lincoln's sparrow	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Swamp sparrow	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> White-throated sparrow	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> White-crowned sparrow	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Harris' sparrow						.....				.....
<input type="checkbox"/> Dark-eyed junco	B	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____			
<input type="checkbox"/> Lapland longspur						.....				.....
<input type="checkbox"/> Snow bunting		_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Blackbirds, Allies													
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-winged blackbird	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-headed blackbird	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Rusty blackbird	B					.....						
<input type="checkbox"/> Brewer's blackbird	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Common grackle	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Brown-headed cowbird	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern oriole	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Western meadowlark	B					.....						
Finches, Allies													
<input type="checkbox"/> Gray-crowned rosy finch							•						
<input type="checkbox"/> Pine grosbeak	B	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Purple finch	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Red crossbill	B					.....						
<input type="checkbox"/> White-winged crossbill	B					.....						
<input type="checkbox"/> Common redpoll		_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Hoary redpoll			
<input type="checkbox"/> Pine siskin	B					_____	_____	_____	_____	_____			
<input type="checkbox"/> American goldfinch	B					_____	_____	_____	_____				
<input type="checkbox"/> Evening grosbeak	B	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> House sparrow	B	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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