

# 51<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL FAIRBANKS CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT

Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2011

Compilation at Kunkel Community Center, 4:00 pm

Please contact the coordinator of the area in which you want to count as soon as possible. If you have no preference, or can't reach your coordinator, contact Gail Mayo, 479-2954 or [mayogail@gmail.com](mailto:mayogail@gmail.com)

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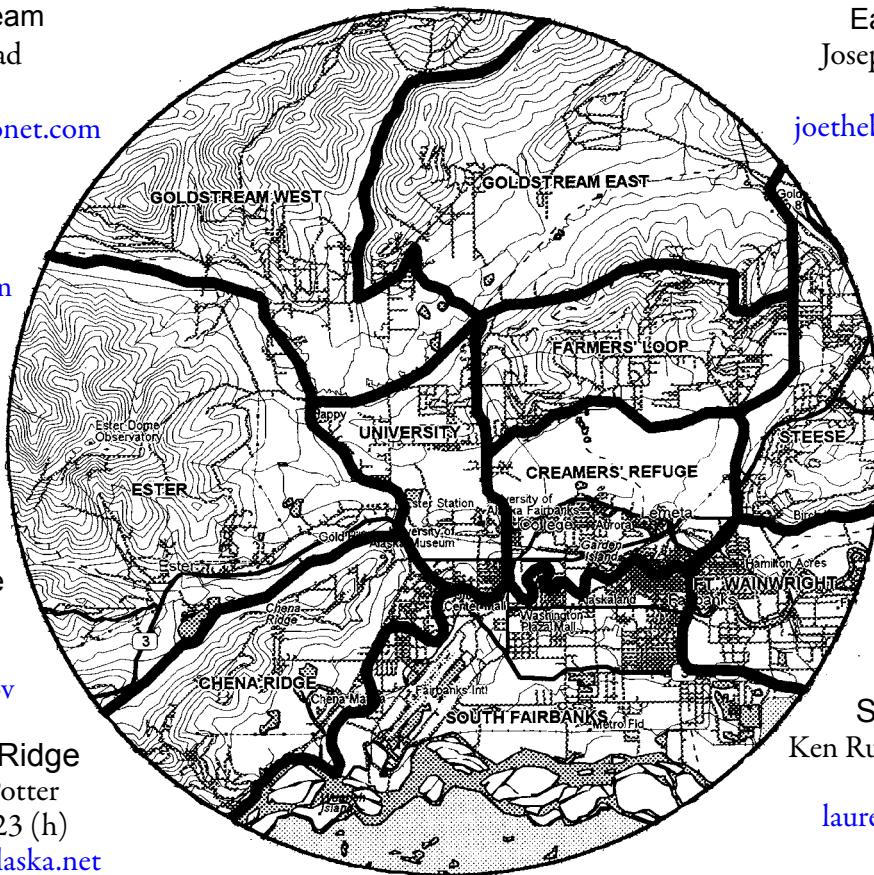
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Each Christmas Bird Count lasts 24 hours and covers a 177 square mile circle that is 15 miles in diameter. The Fairbanks count is centered on the intersection of Dalton Trail and Yankovich Road. The circle includes the top of Ester Dome, parts of the Chena and Tanana Rivers, the dump, and plenty of typical Interior habitat. The **object of the count** is to cover as much of the circle as possible while identifying and counting birds without duplication. Since our daylight hours are limited we need many volunteers willing to cover assigned areas.

- **Field observers** cover an assigned area and record species, numbers, and effort. Please use the data sheet on the next page.
- **Feeder watchers** participate by counting the largest number of birds of each species seen together on that day. Please use the data sheet on the next page.
- During “**count week**” (three days before and after count day) additional species seen or heard within the count circle can be added to the final list of species observed.

A \$5 fee is required from field observers over 18 years old. Observers under 18, feeder watchers, and owl listeners are not required to pay but will not receive the CBC issue of *American Birds* unless they choose to pay. Make sure we have your correct mailing address and let us know if you do not want to receive the CBC issue.

Plan to join us at 4:00 pm for the compilation and supper at the Kunkel Community Center on Goldstream Road near Ivory Jack's. See directions at [www.goldstreamvalley.net/kunkel](http://www.goldstreamvalley.net/kunkel). The doors will be open at 4:00 pm and hot drinks plus hot soup and rolls will be provided. Bring your bird count data and, if you wish, bring a dessert to share. We look forward to seeing you there!

The Christmas Bird Count is on line with data from 1900 to present at [www.audubon.org](http://www.audubon.org).

If you can't attend the compilation, be sure to contact your area coordinator or report your data to 460-4659 (after 4:00 pm). Final results will be available on our website, [www.arcticaudubon.org](http://www.arcticaudubon.org), and published in *The Redpoll*.