

To Thom from BHS
drove the (you) CAN-BOOT-IT VEHICLE BOAT HOUSE to Hunter Camp

5-20-06 Snowy plover: 11 adults found: 8 young
4 ~~adults~~ adults, no young found between Indian Pass
& Rd. 1 adult near \emptyset with territorial behavior
couldn't find young or a nest except for 1 juv.

2 adults with 2 very young offspring abt 1/2 mi
E of closed area

1 adult with recently hatched ² young just
beyond rd 1

2 adults with 3 1/2 grown young near a
good tidal pool at Rio Rd Bch access. It is most likely
your 2nd best shorebird area when ponds are full
as they are currently

1 adult ~~near~~ near ~~mouth~~ beach at mouth
of Cabin Creeks

wilson's plover, 2 adults 5/19 near least tern
colony at Jabiti beach, 5/21 still present. 5/22 also
1 adult 5/20 acting territorial beach near \emptyset Rd

05/20 AMOY, 2 nests with 2 eggs each, 1 at Indian
Pass abt 100m from tide line NE of Closest sand
barrier island, the other abt 100m E of Rio Rd access

05/21 2 AMOY, territorial at least tern nest area Jabiti Bch

5-21-2006. Lake 5 Heronery

Check for nests. 1 pr green herons with nest near boat launch area in willows.

No nest built near site in 2005 near launch.

Stayed 1 hr only incoming birds to lake area sites of nests in past was / GREG & / SNEG

Did not put canoe end but water level in lake dropped so much that water lily(?) area where PUGA (2 seen) is 75% mud flat & will most likely be almost all dry within few days.

We've had very strong winds all day & nite for at least 5 days.

I think almost all nests in heronery are vacated.

The GTBH 2 nests on I rd have 1 bird each ab 75% grown.

estimates on herons seen on island since Thurs by me as follows: (I have seen numerous this year birds)

Brad had a juv YCHH at oyster pond ab 16th? He will give you notes. I saw an adult there also.

ANHINGA seen at flag & oyster ponds

GTIB - adult seen at oyster pond & Sora pond

GREG - EST 110

GTBH - est 30

SN EG - EST 45

GRHE est 14

TRICOLOR H - EST 45

LITTLE BLUE H - EST 55

NO WOODSTORK, BN STILT,
WHITE IBIS SEEN

Least Tern nest site Tahiti Bch, 2006

5-18/4 on nest, 12 adults

5-~~19~~19/ " " 25 "

5-20/ " "

5-21/7 on nest, ab 22 present

5-22/ " "

NO CLSW FOUND ON ISLAND. CHECKED BOAT HSE most days

IN BOAT HSE FOUND 2 dead EUST & 2 NESTS/INACTIVE

PLAYED BARNOWL TAPE ABOUT 15 MIN OFF & ON
AT BOAT HSE 1 hr B-4 daylight 05/21. NO RESPONSE
CHECKED ALL POS NEST LOCATIONS I COULD ACCESS.

BTGR. water level dropped to mud flats by 5/22
is about 1/2 previous locations. ♂'s 1 or 2 ea
location were hanging around & behaving territorial but I
did not see ♀ at sawgrass area near G & Tahiti
Beach, near mouth of Cabin Creek & beach, 3 in saw grass
just N of Hunter's Camp with RWBL's, near Sora pond,
I & Tahiti Rd, ~~at~~ 4 loc along I between 1st pond
& end of BBS rte, flag pond, & canal next to cabin.

♂ & ♀ found at oyster pond dam control (6+), Lake
3 & 4 dam control (8+), also found ♂ only at Lake 5,
near jct of A & B rds. Brad would have seen more
around oyster pond. I didn't go there much. I had several
locations along insulator Rd & at Mesquite Rd there were pairs
at least 14 birds.