

Snapshot Day 10/7/08
Other Observations

RM Site
Time

Other Observations

RM 300

Garter snake along the shore

MCS students enjoyed a day in our outdoor classroom. Although the weather and water were cold, the students took the opportunity to wear boots, waders and gloves to take water samples and search for macroinvertebrates. Students remarked about the clarity of the water and the overall peacefulness of the scene, and about how grateful they are to call this end of the Hudson "home".

RM 138

Eagle & Geese

RM 133

10:20 AM Large Flock of Geese heading South

10:40 AM Much smaller flock heading South

RM 102

A flock of swan flew in and swam around most of the day, immature bald eagle, several cormorants, mallard duck

RM 92

3 migrating butterflies

RM 84.5

9:30 AM Bald Eagle

RM 78

It was quite a day at the river. We saw four people other than ourselves using the park. There were a few birds, a sail boat and one small motor boat.

RM 57

2 double crested cormorants

10 ring billed gulls

1 herring gull

26 American Crow

3 Monarch butterfly

1 Great Egret

RM 31

11:35 AM 4 ducks close to shore

Osprey

Geese

RM 30

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Upon arrival at the beach we were in complete shade. This made for a very cold day at the beach. During low tide the beach is exposed for approximately 12-20 ft. We did not catch much in our area because the beach is located in a cove like inlet area. During high tide the entire beach area is covered in water. Although the day was cold we had a great time and we look forward to next year.

RM 28

Great estuary within an estuary observed between the Hudson and the Byack Brook

RM25

Current differs from the main stem here. At 10:35 AM you could visually see the switch in current as a line of froth in the water as the main stem shifted differently then the shallows.

Rm 18

Hummingbirds, minnows, crab, not lots of people fishing, train and factory workers

RM 17

Unidentified warbler hopping on the rocks

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Birds observed - Bluejays, salt marsh sparrows, swift, mockingbird, crow red rail hawk, black crown night heron

RM 10

pigeons, seagulls, squirrels

RM 7 LGH

Trawl net became fouled by 2 old fish traps. Traps covered with seaweed and housed a few mussels and sea squirts. Traps also accumulated marine debris - plastic bags, old cups, old can & piece of tire.

RM 7 CW

Rocks, blue sky, water has small waves, no clouds today, birds, water greenish blue, water and wind are cold,

RM 5.5

Birds - seagulls, geese and ducks

RM 4 SB

Seagulls, fish, feathers in the water

RM 2.5 CS_Calhoun

If you are closer to the water it looks green, from far away it looks blue

RM -7

11:30 AM to
12:10 PM

Minerva (boat) anchored and during the switch in the currents it turned the entire boat so that it faced the other direction!