

The Big Sit! 2024

The CVWO Hawkwatch participated for the 23rd consecutive year in the annual The Big Sit! competition sponsored by the [New Haven Bird Club](#). This year, the event took place on October 11 and 12 and challenged teams to tally as many species as they can from a 17-foot diameter circle over 24 hours. Leading the count was Andrew Rapp, Jonathan Irons and William Heinle, with backup support from Barbara Giffin, Nancy Barnhart and many visitors throughout the day.



Photos from CVWO's Big Sit team who were situated at the Kiptopeke Hawkwatch platform.

Over 12 hours and 20 minutes, the team notched 83 species, all seen from the hawkwatch platform located in Kiptopeke State Park along the Eastern Shore of Virginia. Raptor activity was down as westerly winds pushed most of the movement to the east, but still, the team spotted eight species of raptor and 12 warbler species.

For the full 2024 The Big Sit! results , click [HERE](#).