## **Evergreen Audubon Tidies up Highway 73**

Melissa Leasia. 11/02/2020:

Fifteen dedicated Evergreen Audubon volunteers (including me), under the more than competent leadership of Dwight Souder, combed the shoulders of Highway 73 from the Marshdale Circle south to Grey Fox Road on a beautiful fall morning a few weeks ago. Between the brilliant blue sky, the fall foliage, our orange safety vests and our colorful jackets (it was a bit nippy when we started) we were a colorful bunch!



Susan Krause, Rachel Hutchison, Judy Blake, Megan Fuse, Cindy Barge, Francesa Fuse, and Ava Fuse



Ed Furlong and Janet Lancy

We were pleased to discover that there wasn't as much litter as there has been in the past and attribute that not only to our regular patrols but to the nice job CDOT did cleaning up, landscaping and seeding after the road construction this past summer. Even so, we managed to fill 15 large trash bags with the flotsam and

jetsam of modern highway life. Our cutest find was a lone shark slipper, likely lost by a very small person who was possibly just learning to walk or just learning how to throw things out the car window. We only found one booze bottle but we made up for that with quite a few beer cans. Sadly, for the second time in a row, we found a bird's skull which was likely from a roadkill owl.



Lin Wareham and Jean Bell

It was a joy to see everyone's eyes, to catch up with friends and to be outside making a mile and a half of the world a better place. And, with such a big crew, we got 'er done in record time.

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