

# Field Records

## October 1984



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The temperature averaged 53.3° during October 1984. The high mark was 78° on October 20, the low 33° on October 6. The first three weeks brought much dry and sunny weather - perfect for foliage viewing. Rain totaled 5.18 inches, 1.82 inches more than normal and the most in October since 1962. Most came on the first two days of the month when 3.67 inches fell within twenty-four hours. For the next sixteen days not a drop fell, this was the longest such run since sixteen days in June 1949. The longest run was eighteen days in September 1941. Fog was rather frequent with heavy fog noted on four days, double the average.

### LOONS THROUGH HERONS

Both species of loons were migrating past Sandy Neck in Barnstable during the north-easterlies of October 13-14. More loons were seen moving at the end of the month, again on northeast winds; note nineteen Common Loons inland at Lakeville. An Arctic Loon was reported from Plymouth on October 27. Pied-billed Grebes were reported in fairly good numbers with a total of over seventy individuals noted.

A Brookline Bird Club pelagic trip out of Plymouth on the twenty-eighth reported thirty-five Northern Fulmar, 2 Cory's and over 2,000 Greater shearwaters. Leach's Storm-Petrels were noted from First Encounter and Sandy Neck all during northerly storms. Good flights of Northern Gannets were noted all month with the highest numbers during the northeast blows of October 13-15. On October 15 at First Encounter Beach, Eastham, 8,000+ birds were seen and based on a sample count of 400 birds 62% were juvenile, 32% sub-adult and just 6% adult. Double-crested Cormorants were moving south in large flocks early in the month with just a few Great Cormorants reported.

Six American Bitterns were found at Plum Island at an exceptionally high tide where 53 Great Blue Herons were also counted. At Fort Hill in Eastham 127 Great Blue Herons were tallied on October 7; also at nearby Hemenway Landing a maximum 121 Black-crowned Night-Herons and two Yellow-crowned Night-Herons were also observed. Late Cattle Egrets were found in Ipswich and Glossy Ibis were noted from both Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket and on Plum Island.

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SPECIES/DATE	LOCATION	NUMBER	OBSERVERS	OCTOBER 1984
Red-throated Loon:				
13,14	Barnstable (SN)	50, 200	L.Robinson	
13,17	Truro, Salisbury	6, 3	G.Gove#, J.Grugan	
21	Plymouth-Scituate	20	SSBC	
27,28	Salisbury, Marshfield	13, 84	BBC, D.Clapp	
27-31	Plymouth	1	D.Evered + v.o.	
Arctic Loon: (See article by D. Evered in this issue for details.)				
Common Loon:				
13,14	Barnstable (SN)	15, 20	L.Robinson	
13	Wareham, Truro	17, 4	L.Robinson, G.Gove	
14,25	Nahant, Nantucket	20, 30	S.Zendeh#, M.Litchfield	
27,28	Lakeville, Plymouth	19, 50	W.Petersen, O.Kerr#	
Pied-billed Grebe:				
thr.	S.Monomoy	max. 10 (10/5)	B.Nikula	
7,27	Lakeville	13, 17	W.Petersen#	
7,8	Edgartown, Nantucket	2, 7	SSBC, BBC	
13-31	ten locations	21 individuals	v.o.	
Horned Grebe:				
7,27	Lakeville	6, 33	W.Petersen#	
8,28	P.I., Plymouth	2, 15	R.Stymeist#, W.Kerr#	

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Red-necked Grebe:				
17,27	Salisbury, P.I.	1, 1	J.Grujan, BBC	
Northern Fulmar:				
2,28	Eastham, Stellwagen	1, 35	H.Stabbins, BBC	
Cory's Shearwater:				
28	Stellwagen	2	BBC	
Greater Shearwater:				
13,14	Eastham, P'town	300, 150+	G.Gove#, R.Heil	
28	Stellwagen	2000	BBC	
Manx Shearwater:				
13,14	Barnstable (SN)	1, 4	L.Robinson	
15	Eastham	2	B.Nikula	
Leach's Storm-Petrel:				
2	Eastham (1st Encounter)	5	W.Petersen#	
14,23	Barnstable (SN)	3, 6	R.Abrams, S.Higginbotham	
Northern Gannet:				
3,13	P'town, P.I.	100+, 10	P.Trimble, BBC	
13,14	Barnstable (SN)	600, 7000	L.Robinson	
14	Rockport (AP), Nahant	250, 60	J.Nove#, S.Zendeh#	
15	Eastham (1st Encounter)	8000+	B.Nikula	
27,30	Nantucket (Low Beach)	60, 160	M.Litchfield	
Great Cormorant:				
3,11	P'town, Lakeville	5, 2	P.Trimble, W.Petersen	
28	Arlington, Lexington	1 imm., 1	L.Taylor	
Double-crested Cormorant:				
3,6	P'town, Monomoy	150, 300+	P.Trimble, G.d'Entremont	
6,7	P.I.	1000+, 1300+	R.McHale#, J.Berry#	
12,14	Gloucester, Nahant	800, 250	P.Thayer, S.Zendeh#	
	Other flocks of 15-100 birds in various locations			
American Bittern:				
8,18	Bolton Flats, Randolph	2, 1	S.Carroll#, G.d'Entremont	
27	P.I.	6	G.Gove	
Great Blue Heron:				
thr.	Saugus, P.I.	max. 15 (10/4,10/30), max. 53 (10/28)	J.Berry, P.Roberts+v.o.	
7	Eastham	127	D.Clapp#	
Great Egret:				
thr.	P.I.	1	v.o.	
8,10	S.Dartmouth, Barnstable	3, 3	T.Raymond, R.Prescott#	
24,27	Westport, Eastham	13, 1	R.Laubach, A.Bennett	
Snowy Egret:				
1-18,6-8	Saugus, M.V.	max. 4 (10/1), 5	J.Berry, SSBC	
8	S.Dartmouth, P.I.	15, 12	T.Raymond, BBC	
Little Blue Heron:				
8,13	P.I., Concord	1 pied, 1 imm.	A.Bennett# + v.o., C.Stone	
15,19	Cohasset, Concord (Sud-River)	2 imm., 1 imm.	R.Titus#, E.Morrer	
Cattle Egret:				
2	Ipswich	4	J.Berry	
Green-backed Heron:				
8,14	P.I., Gloucester	2, 1	BBC, BBC	
Black-crowned Night-Heron:				
1,6	Marshfield, Monomoy	23, 16	D.Clapp, W.Petersen	
8,11,21,24	Eastham	120, 121, 38, 25	B.Nikula	
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron:				
8,11,21	Eastham	2, 2, 1	B.Nikula	
8	P.I.	1	J.Smith	
Glossy Ibis:				
6;8	M.V., Nantucket; P.I.	1, 1; 1	R.Stymeist#, BBC; BBC	

#### WATERFOWL

Over two-hundred fifty Wood Ducks were tallied at Great Meadows NWR in Concord on October 19. This is the highest total ever recorded from a single location; the previous high was a maximum of 125 birds seen in Hanson during October 1981. South Monomoy played host to many migrating waterfowl with counts of 300 Green-winged Teal, 100 Northern Pintail, 40 Northern Shovelers, 20 Gadwalls, 150 American and two Eurasian wigeons, 20 Ring-necked Ducks and 135 Ruddy Ducks. Plum Island was also very productive with the following high counts: 650 Green-winged Teal and 140 Northern Pintail. A flock of six wigeon resting on the ocean were possibly all of the Eurasian species. The last Blue-winged Teal were found in Provincetown and in Norton on October 20. Only two Redheads were seen during the month, one each in Edgartown and in Plymouth, but Canvasbacks were noted in good numbers especially at the end of the month. King Eiders were seen in Bourne and in Provincetown and Harlequin Ducks were present on Martha's Vineyard.

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SPECIES/DATE	LOCATION	NUMBER	OBSERVERS	OCTOBER 1984
Mute Swan:				
7	Westport, M.V., Nantucket	28, 50, 62	BBC, SSBC, BBC	
Snow Goose:				
4-16, 4	Katama (M.V.), E.Middleboro	18, 45	R.Wainwright#, K.Anderson	
6, 6-31	P'town, P.I.	50, max. 17	G.d'Entremont#, v.o.	
"Blue Goose":				
14-16	Clinton (Wachusett Res.)	1 ad.	P.Roberts	
Brant:				
2, 8	Plymouth, Wareham	40, 1	SSBC, L.Robinson	
21, 27	E.Boston, Lakeville	15, 60 mig.	S.Zendeh, W.Petersen	
Canada Goose:				
7, 14	Ipswich, Lincoln (Sandy Pd.)	600+, 1100+	J.Berry, R.Stymeist	
27	P.I.	1000	F.Bouchard	
Wood Duck:				
3, 14	Marshfield, Wayland	15, 15	D.Clapp, E.Morrier	
19, 21	Concord (GMNWR), Kingston	250, 50	R.Forster, D. + B.Kiel	
Green-winged Teal:				
thr.	Monomoy	max. 300 (10/6)	B.Nikula# + v.o.	
8, 18	P.I.	350, 650	R.Stymeist#, B.Cassie	
American Black Duck:				
3	outer Cape Cod	150	P.Trimble	
Northern Pintail:				
thr.	S.Monomoy	max. 100 (10/25)	B.Nikula# + v.o.	
8, 18	P.I., Yarmouthport	140, 45	R.Stymeist, J.Aylward	
Blue-winged Teal:				
6	P'town, Truro	7, 8	G.d'Entremont#, R.Campbell#	
7, 19	Squabocket, GMNWR	6, 3	R.Stymeist#, R.Forster	
20	Norton, P'town	3, 1	B.Cassie#, G.d'Entremont#	
Northern Shoveler:				
thr.	S.Monomoy	max. 40 (10/21)	B.Nikula# + v.o.	
19, 20	GMNWR, Norton	14, 2	R.Forster, B.Cassie#	
Gadwall:				
thr.	S.Monomoy	max. 20 (10/25)	B.Nikula# + v.o.	
7, 8	Westport, P.I.	8, 25	W.Drummond#, BBC	
Eurasian Wigeon:				
6, 10, 25	S.Monomoy	1, 1, 2	B.Nikula	
8, 18	Chilmark, Nantucket	1, 1	fide V.Laux, E.Andrews	
28	Ipswich	1	R.Heil	
Wigeon sp.:				
31	Plymouth	6	A.Leggett	
American Wigeon:				
thr.	S.Monomoy, P.I.	max. 150 (10/25), max. 60	(10/13) B.Nikula# + v.o., v.o.	
3-31	Cambridge (Fresh Pond)	max. 23 (10/31)	J.Barton	
18	Nantucket (Long Pond)	189	E.Andrews	
Canvasback:				
8-31	Cambridge (Fresh Pond)	max. 99 (10/31)	D.Flood + v.o.	
27, 28	Randolph, Lakeville	2, 4	G.d'Entremont, W.Petersen#	
Redhead:				
7, 21	Edgartown, Plymouth	1, 1	SSBC	
Ring-necked Duck:				
thr.	S.Monomoy	max. 20 (10/25)	B.Nikula + v.o.	
3-31; 6, 13	Cambridge(Fr.Pd); W.Newbury	max. 80 (10/31);	100+, 205 D.Flood+v.o.; BBC	
7, 27	Lakeville	700, 1000	W.Petersen# + v.o.	
Greater Scaup:				
21, 31	Falmouth, Cambridge	50, 6	P.Trimble, J.Barton	
Lesser Scaup:				
13, 21	Petersham, Plymouth	2, 8	M.Lynch#, SSBC	
27	Lakeville, Randolph	14+, 2	W.Petersen#, G.d'Entremont	
28-31	Cambridge (Fresh Pond)	1-2	v.o.	
Common Eider:				
13	Cape Cod Bay	1000	G.Gove	
13, 14	Rockport, Nahant	520, 400	P.Yawkey, S.Zendeh#	
21	Plymouth	5000	SSBC	
King Eider:				
21, 28	Bourne, P'town	1 m., 1 m.	SSBC, A.Bennett	
Harlequin Duck:				
12-16	Menemsha (M.V.)	1 m.	fide V.Laux	
Oldsquaw:				
14	Sandy Neck	150	L.Robinson	
27	Lakeville	1	W.Petersen#	
Black Scoter:				
13, 14	Barnstable (SN)	400, 150	L.Robinson	
14, 28	Nahant, P'town	10, 40	S.Zendeh, A.Bennett	

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Surf Scoter:				
13,14;23	Barnstable (SN)	6000, 1500; 3500	L.Robinson; S.Higginbotham	
White-winged Scoter:				
13,14	Barnstable (SN)	2500, 600	L.Robinson	
Common Goldeneye:				
11	Lakeville	2	W.Petersen	
Bufflehead:				
13,30	Wareham, Salem	2, 20	L.Robinson, J.Berry	
31	E.Boston, Cambridge	17, 6	S.Zendeh#, J.Barton	
Hooded Merganser:				
27	Cambridge, Eastham, Randolph	1, 16, 1	J.Cumming#, A.Bennett, G.d'Entremont	
28	Waltham (Camb. Res.)	13	L.Taylor	
Common Merganser:				
28,31	P'town, Cambridge (Fresh Pond)	10, 21	A.Bennett, J.Barton	
Red-breasted Merganser:				
13,14	Barnstable (SN)	1200, 500	L.Robinson	
20,28	Winthrop, Nantucket	130, 2000+	J.Cumming, E.Andrews	
Ruddy Duck:				
thr.	S.Monomoy	max. 135 (10/25)	B.Nikula	
7	Plymouth, Squibnocket	2, 1	W.Petersen, R.Stymeist#	
27,28	Braintree, Norton	75, 108	G.d'Entremont, B.Cassie	

#### RAPTORS

A total of nine Turkey Vultures were reported during the month with the latest seen in Middleboro on the 20th. Two Bald Eagles were noted during October. Golden Eagles were found at Plum Island and at Manomet; both these birds were sub-adults. There were forty-four sightings of Peregrine Falcon reported with more than half from the Cape and the islands. A light gray Gyrfalcon was well observed hunting Black Ducks at Logan Airport in East Boston and two days later was reported from Plymouth. R.H.S.

SPECIES/DATE	LOCATION	NUMBER	OBSERVERS	OCTOBER 1984
Turkey Vulture:				
4,7	Gloucester, Ipswich	2, 1	P.Major, J.Berry	
8	Newburyport, Essex	1, 1	R.Stymeist#, J.Berry	
12,13	Milton, Petersham	1, 2	R.Titus, M.Lynch#	
20	Middleboro	1	K.Holmes	
Osprey:				
10,11	W.Peabody, Middlesex Fells	1, 3	G.d'Entremont, P.Roberts	
13,14	Concord, Wayland	3, 1	G.d'Entremont, E.Morrier	
21,23	Woburn, Cambridge	1, 1	D.Williams, P.Pratt	
27,28	Lakeville, Arlington	1, 1	W.Petersen#, L.Taylor	
Bald Eagle:				
9,19	Scituate, Needham	1 imm., 1 ad.	L.Brigham, fide D.Arvidson	
Northern Harrier:				
thr.	Monomoy, P.I.	max. 6+ (10/10),	max. 9 (10/6) v.o., v.o.	
6-8	M.V., Nantucket	10, 19	SSBC, BBC	
Sharp-shinned Hawk:				
6-8	Nantucket	7	BBC	
12,21	Canton, S.Monomoy	13, 8+	R.Titus, B.Nikula	
	other reports of single birds from ten locations			
Cooper's Hawk:				
6,11,17,31	E.Middleboro	1	K.Anderson	
7,12	Hingham, Canton	1, 1	R.Campbell, R.Titus	
24	Concord	1	R.Forster	
Northern Goshawk:				
6	E.Middleboro	1	K.Anderson	
16,18	Lincoln	1 mig., 1 mig.	R.Forster	
Red-shouldered Hawk:				
12	Canton	1	R.Titus	
Red-tailed Hawk:				
thr.	E.Middleboro	1-2	K.Anderson	
6-7,6-8	M.V., Nantucket	4, 13	SSBC, BBC	
12,30	Canton, Middleboro	5, 3	R.Titus, D.Briggs	
Rough-legged Hawk:				
20	P'town	1 lt.	G.d'Entremont#	
Golden Eagle:				
28,29	P.I., Manomet	1 sub. ad., 1 sub. ad.	G.Soucy#+P.Roberts,D.Evered#	
American Kestrel:				
6-8	M.V., Nantucket	6, 7	SSBC, BBC	
28,31	P.I., E.Boston	3, 2	P.Roberts, S.Zendeh#	

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Merlin:				
6-8,7	M.V., P.I.	4, 2	SSBC, R.Forster	
7-8,28	Nantucket, Halifax	2, 1	BBC, K.Anderson	
	other reports of 1-2 individuals from 12 locations			
Peregrine Falcon:				
thr.	S.Monomoy, N.Monomoy	total 15±	v.o.	
1-15,2-12	M.V., Nantucket	max. 10, max. 4	v.o.	
1-21,8	P.I., Chatham	1, 2	v.o., J.Russell	
	other reports of single individuals from 12 locations			
Gyrfalcon:				
22,24	E.Boston, Plymouth	1 imm.	N.Smith, D.Evered	

#### GROUSE THROUGH CRANES

Clapper Rails were found at two coastal locations with one to two heard or seen on three occasions at Eastham. A Sandhill Crane was found and seen for about nine days on Martha's Vineyard, and ten days later, the same or another Sandhill Crane was seen flying in from the ocean at Great Point on Nantucket. The bird was being harassed by the local gulls, and it was heard to call as it disappeared in flight to the west.

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Ruffed Grouse:				
13	Petersham	5	M.Lynch#	
Northern Bobwhite:				
3,7	Falmouth, Scituate	5, 25	P.Trimble#, W.Petersen#	
16,18;20	Westport; Middleboro	10; 4	R.Laubach#; K.Holmes#	
Clapper Rail:				
21	S.Monomoy	1	B.Nikula#	
20;21,24	Eastham	1 heard; 1, 2	G.d'Entremont#; B.Nikula	
Virginia Rail:				
8,14	Nantucket, Wayland	1, 1	BBC, E.Morrer	
20	Eastham	1	G.d'Entremont#	
Sora:				
6-8,27	Nantucket, Truro	1, 1	BBC, A.Bennett	
Common Moorhen:				
8,13	P.I., GMNWR	1, 1 imm.	BBC, G.d'Entremont#	
American Coot:				
7,8	M.V., Nantucket	2, 2	SSBC, BBC	
25,27	S.Monomoy, Norton	75, 25	B.Nikula, B.Cassie	
31	Cambridge	10	J.Cumming#	
Sandhill Crane:				
7,8,15	M.V.	1	J.Bryant# + v.o.	
25	Nantucket	1 (details)	M.Litchfield	

#### SHOREBIRDS THROUGH ALCIDS

Lesser Golden-Plover were well reported. A number of shorebirds were reported with the highest October counts in BOEM's 12 years of record. These included Semipalmated and Piping plovers, Greater and Lesser yellowlegs, Hudsonian Godwit, Sanderling, and Pectoral Sandpiper. White-rumped Sandpipers were present in high numbers at Orleans and on Monomoy.

An American Avocet was present at Sandy Neck, constituting the third BOEM October record. American Oystercatchers now occur routinely in October, and this month's records bear this out. The Eurasian Curlew, which had been present at Tuckernuck and then on North Monomoy Island last month, was again reported on October first from the latter site. As noted last month, this was the third occurrence of this species in Massachusetts, all in the last decade.

Stilt Sandpiper is a relatively rare October bird here, and there is only one other October occurrence of Buff-breasted Sandpiper in BOEM records, that being a bird seen on and off until December 1 on Nantucket in 1980. The individual Wilson's Phalarope reported on South Monomoy Island on October 6-7 represents another species of unusual occurrence in October.

Pomarine and Parasitic jaegers were seen at coastal locations, and an unidentified skua was seen on the BBC pelagic trip at month's end. The skua was in a plumage which makes identification of Great and South Polar skua extremely difficult even under optimum conditions. Sabine's Gulls were seen early in the month at Barnstable and at Monomoy. An adult Herring x Great Black-backed Gull was noted on North Monomoy. The bird was intermediate in size, shape, and plumage. Caspian Terns were seen inland at the Norton

Reservoir, and one was seen at Plum Island. A very late juvenile Least Tern was reported from Provincetown on October 28 where four Black Terns were noted until mid-month. Among the alcids reported were Dovekies, Murres, Razorbills, and Atlantic Puffins, with 11 of the latter (all subadults) seen on the BBC pelagic trip. Two puffins had been reported this past August; certainly these reports reflect the reintroduction of puffins at Eastern Egg Rock in Maine.

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Black-bellied Plover:				
thr.	N.Monomoy	max. 1000 (10/6)	B.Nikula	
5,15	Westport, Scituate	45, 75	R.Laubach, R.Titus	
6,21	P.I., Ipswich	90, 175	BBC, J.Berry	
25	Nantucket	120	M.Litchfield	
Lesser Golden-Plover:				
6,7	N.Monomoy, P.I.	8, 5	W.Petersen#, R.Forster	
12,21	Everett, Ipswich	2, 6	J.Berry	
22,27	Nantucket, Halifax	19, 4	E.Andrews, W.Petersen	
10,12,13	Concord	2, 3, 3	R.Forster	
	ten other reports of 1-6 birds			
Semipalmated Plover:				
thr.	N.Monomoy	max. 100 (10/7)	B.Nikula	
6,14	M.V., Gloucester	20, 11	SSBC, BBC	
21,27	Woburn, Scituate	4, 15	D.Williams, W.Petersen#	
Piping Plover:				
6,7	M.V.	1-2, 1	SSBC, R.Stymeist#	
6	Monomoy	2	B.Nikula#	
Killdeer:				
3,7	Bridgewater, Westport	31, 42	D.Clapp, R.Laubach	
13,15	Concord, M.V.	115, 40	R.Forster, fide V.Laux	
27,28	Halifax, Lexington	20, 13	W.Petersen#, L.Taylor	
American Oystercatcher:				
6,8,28	N.Monomoy	17, 8, 8	B.Nikula#	
7,19	M.V., Nantucket	3, 6	SSBC, B.Sorrie#	
American Avocet:				
25,27	Barnstable	1, 1	H.Nickerson, H.Ferguson	
Greater Yellowlegs:				
3,6	WBWS, P.I.	40, 300+	P.Trimble, BBC	
18,28	Quincy, E.Boston	40, 70	v.o.. J.Cumming	
Lesser Yellowlegs:				
3,5	WBWS, Halifax	10, 7	P.Trimble, K.Anderson	
8,13	W.Newbury, P.I.	25, 50	R.Stymeist#, BBC	
27,28	Halifax, E.Boston	10, 1	W.Petersen#, S.Zendeh#	
Solitary Sandpiper:				
3,7	Truro, Nantucket	1, 1	P.Trimble, BBC	
20	P'town	3 imm.	G.d'Entremont#	
Willet:				
7,13;28	N.Monomoy; P'town	3, 1; 1	B.Nikula; A.Bennett	
Spotted Sandpiper:				
7,18	Westport, Medford	2, 2	BBC, N.King	
20, 21	Norton, Plymouth	1, 1	B.Cassie#. SSBC	
Whimbrel:				
7	Dartmouth	1	BBC	
Eurasian Curlew:				
1	N.Monomoy	1	v.o.	
Hudsonian Godwit:				
6-28	P.I.	max. 43 (10/27)	BBC + v.o.	
6-8	M.V.	2-3	v.o.	
28	Halifax	1	K.Anderson	
Marbled Godwit:				
1-8	N.Monomoy	1	v.o.	
14-27	Wollaston	1	D.Morimoto + v.o.	
Ruddy Turnstone:				
28	Winthrop	20	J.Cumming	
Red Knot:				
thr.	N.Monomoy	max. 90 (10/18)	B.Nikula	
21;21,27	Scituate; P.I.	4; 30, 21	SSBC; J.Cumming, BBC	
Sanderling:				
thr.	Orleans	max. 1000 (10/6)	B.Nikula	
7,8	Nantucket, P.I.	55, 180	BBC, C.Floyd#	
14,28	Nahant, Winthrop	250, 28	S.Zendeh, J.Cumming	
Semipalmated Sandpiper:				
3,6	WBWS, P.I.	15, 35	P.Trimble, BBC	
7,12	Nantucket, Orleans	48, 125	BBC, B.Nikula	
27	Scituate	6	W.Petersen#	

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Western Sandpiper:				
8,12	P.I., Orleans	1, 4	BBC, B.Nikula	
13	N.Monomoy	5	B.Nikula	
Least Sandpiper:				
3-11	Halifax	max. 3	v.o.	
6,13	P.I.	1, 4	BBC	
White-rumped Sandpiper:				
6-27	P.I.	max. 11 (10/8)	v.o.	
8,12,27	Orleans	40, 45, 35	B.Nikula	
thr.	N.Monomoy, S.Monomoy	max. 25 (10/18),	max. 30 (10/7)	B.Nikula
Baird's Sandpiper:				
8,9	Halifax	1	K.Anderson	
8,13	M.V.	1, 2	fide V.Laux	
Pectoral Sandpiper:				
thr.	S.Monomoy	max. 75 (10/7)	B.Nikula	
1-28	N.Monomoy	max. 50 (10/6)	B.Nikula	
3-27	Halifax	max. 210 (10/7)	v.o.	
Purple Sandpiper:				
27	P.I.	4	BBC	
Dunlin:				
thr.	N.Monomoy	max. 1600	B.Nikula	
4-8,27	Halifax	max. 11, 50	K.Anderson, W.Petersen#	
6-27	P.I.	max. 1100 (10/6)	v.o.	
Stilt Sandpiper:				
6,8	P.I.	3, 1	BBC, J.Smith	
Buff-breasted Sandpiper:				
5-8,15	M.V.	1, 1	fide V.Laux	
4-10	N.Monomoy	1	J.Russell#	
Short-billed Dowitcher:				
8,21	P.I.	6, 2	BBC, R.Heil	
6,7	Monomoy, Westport	10, 1	W.Petersen#, BBC	
Long-billed Dowitcher:				
6-28	P.I.	max. 20 (10/21)	v.o.	
3,27	WBWS, Eastham	3, 3	P.Trimble, A.Bennett	
Common Snipe:				
6,14	P.I., Wayland	9, 4	BBC, E.Morrier	
20-28	Norton	max. 40 (10/27)	B.Cassie#	
American Woodcock:				
9,24	Nantucket, Ipswich	1, 1	BBC, J.Berry	
Wilson's Phalarope:				
6-7	S.Monomoy	1	B.Nikula#	
Pomarine Jaeger:				
13,14	Barnstable	2, 1	L.Robinson	
14,20	P'town, Orleans	3, 4	R.Heil, G.d'Entremont	
28	Stellwagen	10	BBC	
Parasitic Jaeger:				
2,13	Eastham, Barnstable	5, 1	W.Petersen#, L.Robinson	
13,20	P'town	10+, 1	B.Nikula, G.d'Entremont#	
jaeger sp.:				
2	Eastham	15	W.Petersen#	
skua sp.:				
28	Stellwagen	1	BBC	
Laughing Gull:				
3,14	P'town, Winthrop	20, 80	P.Trimble, J.Cumming	
24	Westport	200+	R.Laubach	
Little Gull:				
8	N.Monomoy	1 imm.	B.Nikula	
Common Black-headed Gull:				
18,21	N.Monomoy, Manomet	1 (IW), 1	B.Nikula, SSBC	
21,28	E.Boston	3	v.o.	
Bonaparte's Gull:				
6,7	Newburyport, Nantucket	125, 24	J.Berry, BBC	
15,28	Cohasset, Nantucket	150, 38	R.Titus#, E.Andrews	
Ring-billed Gull:				
4,13	Westport	200+	R.Laubach	
24,26	Halifax	100, 150	K.Anderson	
Iceland Gull:				
6,8;13	Nantucket; Gloucester	1, 1; 1 (IW)	BBC; C.Leahy	
Lesser Black-backed Gull:				
2,3;2	Nantucket; M.V.	1 ad.; 1 ad.	E.Andrews#; W.Manter	
4	Gloucester	1 (IW)	C.Leahy	
21,28	N.Monomoy, Stellwagen	1 ad., 1 ad.	B.Nikula#, BBC	

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Black-legged Kittiwake:				
3	Outer Cape Cod	200+	P.Trimble	
28	P'town	7	A.Bennett	
<u>Sabine's Gull:</u>				
1,2	Barnstable	2 imm., 1 imm.	R.Pease	
6	S.Monomoy	1 imm.	W.Petersen#	
Caspian Tern:				
16,20	Norton	2, 1	J.Kricher, B.Cassie#	
27	P.I.	1	BBC	
Common Tern:				
6,21	P.I. Manomet	3, 4	BBC, SSBC	
28	Nantucket, P'town	21, 15	E.Andrews, A.Bennett	
Forster's Tern:				
14,20	P'town, Orleans	3, 4	R.Heil, G.d'Entremont#	
8,13	N.Monomoy	8, 23	B.Nikula	
28	Nantucket	2	E.Andrews	
Least Tern:				
<u>28</u>	P'town	1 juv.	A.Bennett	
Black Tern:				
3;6,8	P'town; N.Monomoy	4; 2, 1	P.Trimble; B.Nikula#	
14	P'town	4	R.Heil	
alcid sp.:				
15	Eastham	9+	B.Nikula	
Dovekie:				
14,22-28	Rockport, Manomet	1, 2-3	M.Kasprzyk, D.Evered	
murre sp.:				
13,14	Barnstable	1, 1	L.Robinson	
Razorbill:				
2,15	Rockport, Eastham	3, 1	J.Smith, B.Nikula	
23,28	Manomet, Marshfield	1, 1	v.o., D.Clapp	
Atlantic Puffin:				
15,28	Eastham, Stellwagen	2+, 11	B.Nikula, BBC	

#### DOVES THROUGH WOODPECKERS

Usually gone by the third week of September, Common Nighthawks and Ruby-throated Hummingbirds were both reported later than normal. One hummingbird, a female or immature, was seen coming to plants on a Newburyport back porch for three days. A Black-backed (three-toed) Woodpecker spent a week or so in a yard in Topsfield, providing many fortunate observers with a rare experience, thanks to the homeowners who reported the bird and generously allowed birders to troop around on their property. G.W.G.

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Mourning Dove:				
13	Concord	150	R.Forster	
Yellow-billed Cuckoo:				
25	Westport	1 (with band)	R.Laubach	
Common Barn-Owl:				
6	Tisbury M.V.	1	R.Stymeist, J.Heywood	
Eastern Screech-Owl:				
6	M.V., Weymouth	2, 1	v.o., G.d'Entremont#	
8,8-9	Newburyport, Westport	1, 1	J.Grigan, R.Laubach	
21	Ipswich	1	J.Berry	
Great Horned Owl:				
4,6	E.Orleans, Wellfleet	2, 1	E.Williams, G.d'Entremont#	
9,10	E.Middleboro, Ipswich	2, 2	K.Anderson, J.Berry	
21	Weston	1	L.Robinson	
Barred Owl:				
3,9	MNWS, Falmouth	1, 1	J.Smith, B.Sorrie	
Short-eared Owl:				
21,27	S.Monomoy, Ipswich	3+, 2	B.Nikula#, M.McClellan	
Common Nighthawk:				
4,11	Yarmouthport, Barnstable	2, 1	J.Aylward, R.Pease	
Chimney Swift:				
6-7,8	M.V., W.Bridgewater	2, 15	SSBC, L.Robinson	
Ruby-throated Hummingbird:				
3,8	Harwich, P.I.	1, 1	P.Trimble, BBC	
14-16	Newburyport	1 f. or imm.	J.Grigan	
21	Brookline	2	fide H.Wiggin	
Belted Kingfisher:				
6-8	Nantucket, M.V.	9, 12	BBC, SSBC	
13,21	Newburyport-P.I., Manomet	3, 3	BBC, SSBC	

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Belted Kingfisher (cont.):				
27,29	Boston, E.Middleboro	1, 1	P.Thayer, K.Anderson	
Red-headed Woodpecker:				
6-13	P.I.	1 imm.	v.o.	
7,21	M.V., S.Monomoy	1, 1 ad.	J.Heywood#, C.Goodrich#	
24,25	Westport, WBWS	1 imm., 1 imm.	R.Laubach, P.Trull#	
Red-bellied Woodpecker:				
6-7	M.V.	2	R.Stymeist, SSBC	
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker:				
6-8;6	M.V.; Scituate	4; 2	R.Stymeist, SSBC; R.Abrams	
6,7	Monomoy, P.I.	2, 3	W.Petersen#, R.Forster	
7,9	Truro, MNWS	1, 3	D.Clapp#, J.Smith	
Hairy Woodpecker:				
4,19	E.Middleboro	1 m. + 1 f.	K.Anderson	
Black-backed Woodpecker:				
18-25	Topsfield	1 m.	J.MacDougall + v.o.	
Northern Flicker:				
6-8	Nantucket	30	BBC	
Pileated Woodpecker:				
20	Weston	1	R.Stymeist	

#### FLYCATCHERS THROUGH VIREOS

A variety of flycatchers was seen on the first weekend of the month, and virtually none reported thereafter. Red-breasted Nuthatch reports consisted of one probable resident individual; conversely, a good Golden-crowned Kinglet flight developed this fall. The 2700 American Robins reported from Lincoln were seen going to a roost. A White-eyed Vireo was seen in Rockport on the 27th, a quite late occurrence.

Among the rarities of the month was a Scissor-tailed Flycatcher seen on Monomoy. Also, a single Gray Jay was observed for a couple of days in the area just east of Quabbin Reservoir. The two Jackdaws continued on Nantucket. Finally, a Northern Wheatear was reported by a single observer at Plymouth but could not be located subsequently by others.

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Eastern Wood-Pewee:				
6-8	Nantucket	1	BBC	
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher:				
6,7	Nantucket, P.I.	1, 1	BBC, R.Forster	
Eastern Phoebe:				
6,7	P.I., M.V.	3, 3	BBC, SSBC	
Great Crested Flycatcher:				
6	Chatham	1	W.Petersen	
Western Kingbird:				
6	M.V.	1	fide V.Laux	
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher:				
21	S.Monomoy	1	H.Stabins#	
Horned Lark:				
27,28	P.I., P'town	75, 40	BBC, A.Bennett	
Tree Swallow:				
3-6,6	Halifax, Monomoy	max. 1800, 500	v.o., W.Petersen#	
6,6-8	M.V., Nantucket	800, 500	R.Stymeist#, BBC	
8,20	P.I., Truro	10, 2	BBC, D.Brown#	
Barn Swallow:				
6-8,20	4 locations, Norton	10 individuals, 1	v.o., B.Cassie#	
Gray Jay:				
27-28	Petersham	1	R.Coyle	
Blue Jay:				
6,6-8	Chatham, M.V.	100, 200	B.Nikula, SSBC	
6-8,21	Nantucket, Ipswich	126, 50+	BBC, J.Berry	
American Crow:				
1,20	Halifax, Belmont	50, 49	K.Anderson, L.Taylor	
Fish Crow:				
28	Arlington	1	L.Taylor	
Jackdaw:				
thr.	Nantucket	2	E.Andrews#	
Red-breasted Nuthatch:				
20	Lakeville	1	K.Holmes	
Carolina Wren:				
7,10	M.V., Westport	4, 3	SSBC, R.Laubach	
21	Falmouth, Plymouth	4, 1	P.Trimble, SSBC	

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Carolina Wren (cont.):				
27	Braintree	1	G.d'Entremont	
House Wren:				
6-7,8	M.V., ONWR	6, 2	SSBC, M.Lynch#	
8,20	P.I., Peabody	1, 1	BBC, R.Heil	
Winter Wren:				
4,6	Chatham, Nantucket	1, 3 b.	W.Bailey, E.Andrews#	
27	Rockport, Eastham	1, 1	I.Giriunas, A.Bennett	
Marsh Wren:				
6,8	M.V., Nantucket	1, 1	fide V.Laux, BBC	
8,25	P.I., Cambridge	1, 1	BBC, L.Robinson	
Golden-crowned Kinglet:				
6-28,7	P.I., Nantucket	max.30(10/28), 32	R.Heil+v.o., BBC	
8,21	Wareham, Falmouth	15, 5	L.Robinson, P.Trimble	
Ruby-crowned Kinglet:				
6,27;6-7	P.I.; M.V.	5, 4; 30	BBC; SSBC	
6,13	P'town, Petersham	10, 22	R.Campbell#, S.Carroll#	
21,27	Weston, Belmont	3, 4	L.Robinson, L.Taylor	
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher:				
4,6	Cambridge, M.V.	1, 1	L.Robinson, SSBC	
7	N.Scituate	1	W.Petersen	
Northern Wheatear:				
27	Plymouth	1	D.Evered	
Eastern Bluebird:				
11-13,13	Medford, P'town	max. 16, 1	P.Roberts, B.Nikula	
13,15	Hardwick, Fall River	4, 13	M.Lynch#, R.Laubach#	
21,25	Lincoln, Millis	3, 6	R.Forster, B.Cassie	
Veery:				
10	MNWS	1	J.Smith	
Gray-cheeked Thrush:				
7-10	Nantucket	2 b.	E.Andrews#	
Swainson's Thrush:				
6-9,20	4 locations, Topsfield	5 total, 1	v.o., S.Carroll#	
Hermit Thrush:				
6-27,6	P.I., Scituate	5 total, 2	v.o., R.Abrams	
7,22	WBWS, Fall River	1, 2	D.Clapp, R.Laubach	
Wood Thrush:				
5	Boston	1	J.Cumming	
American Robin:				
21,28	Medfield, Lincoln	346, 2700	W.Reagan, R.Forster	
Gray Catbird:				
6,6-8	P.I., M.V.	25, 60	BBC, SSBC	
Water Pipit:				
1,6-21	Salisbury, P.I.	12, max. 61(10/6)	S.Carroll#, BBC	
7,10	Nantucket, S.Monomoy	48, 75	BBC, B.Nikula	
13,15	SRV, M.V.	192, 350	R.Forster, fide V.Laux	
27,31	Cambridge, E.Boston	7, 3	BBC, S.Zendeh#	
Cedar Waxwing:				
6,28	Nantucket, Sudbury	20, 18	BBC, R.Forster	
White-eyed Vireo:				
6	S.Peabody, Rockport	1, 1 b.	R.Heil#, R.Norris	
6,27	M.V., Rockport	1, 1	SSBC, T.Martin#	
Solitary Vireo:				
6-7,6-15	M.V., 5 locations	8, 6 total	J.Heywood#, v.o.	
20,27	P'town, P.I.	3, 1	D.Brown#, BBC	
Yellow-throated Vireo:				
5	Rockport	1 b.	R.Norris	
Philadelphia Vireo:				
4,6	Belmont, P'town	1, 1	L.Taylor, R.Campbell#	
6,7	S.Dartmouth, M.V.	1, 1	T.Raymond, R.Stymeist#	
Red-eyed Vireo:				
6-8,25	4 locations, MNWS	6 total, 1	v.o., J.Smith	
28	S.Peabody	2	R.Heil	

#### WARBLERS

Migration brought a total of 25 species of warbler our way in October this year, including pretty much the expected varieties encompassing typical dates. The two Pine Warblers at the south end of Monomoy were at a rather unusual location. Oporornis warblers were represented by a total of three individuals; one Connecticut and two Mourning, the Plum Island bird occurring late enough that it is hoped it was well observed with MacGillivray's in mind.

L.E.T.

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Tennessee Warbler:				
7	P.I., Scituate	1, 2	R.Forster, W.Petersen	
21	Falmouth	1	P.Trimble	
Orange-crowned Warbler:				
6,7	S.Peabody, Nantucket	1, 2	R.Heil, BBC	
7,31	P.I.; Sudbury	1, 1	R.Forster	
Nashville Warbler:				
7,20	Scituate, S.Peabody	2, 1	W.Petersen, R.Heil	
Northern Parula:				
6-12	4 locations	4 singles	v.o.	
Yellow Warbler:				
8,20	P.I., Truro	1, 1	BBC, G.d'Entremont	
Chestnut-sided Warbler:				
7,9	N.Scituate, MNWS	1, 1	W.Petersen, J.Smith	
Magnolia Warbler:				
6-7,8	Nantucket, P.I.	2, 1	BBC, C.Floyd#	
Cape May Warbler:				
6-7,6-8	M.V., Nantucket	4, 5	SSBC, BBC	
6-8,15	P.I., MNWS	max. 2, 1	v.o., J.Smith	
Black-throated Blue Warbler:				
6,7	P.I., M.V.	1, 2	BBC, R.Stymeist#	
21	Falmouth	3	P.Trimble	
Yellow-rumped Warbler:				
thr. 5-13	P.I., M.V.	max. 100, max. 200 (10/13)	v.o.	
10,21	Lincoln, Hamilton	250 mig., 75	R.Forster, J.Berry	
Black-throated Green Warbler:				
6,7	P'town, Plymouth	2, 2	R.Campbell#, W.Petersen	
7-21,28	4 locations, P.I.	6 total, 1	v.o., R.Heil	
Pine Warbler:				
6,7	S.Monomoy, Truro	2, 3	W.Petersen#, D.Clapp#	
7,21	Lakeville, Falmouth	5, 2	W.Petersen, P.Trimble	
Prairie Warbler:				
6,7	Nantucket, P.I.	1, 1	BBC, R.Forster	
20,25	Truro, Millis	1, 1 m.	D.Brown#, B.Cassie	
Palm Warbler:				
6;10,21	Halifax; S.Monomoy	10; 30+, 30+	K.Anderson; B.Nikula	
27,28	Salisbury, P.I.	4, 2	BBC, P.Roberts	
Bay-breasted Warbler:				
6,6	Scituate, Nantucket	1, 1	R.Abrams, BBC	
7,8	Westport, P.I.	2, 2	BBC	
Blackpoll Warbler:				
6-7,6-8	M.V., Nantucket	10, 7	SSBC, BBC	
7	Westport, Wareham	5, 15	BBC, L.Robinson	
27,29	Westport, Lincoln	1, 1	R.Laubach, R.Forster	
Black-and-white Warbler:				
7,7	Scituate, Westport	1, 1	W.Petersen, BBC	
8,9	P.I., MNWS	1, 2	BBC, J.Smith	
American Redstart:				
6-8,8	Nantucket, P.I.	3, 2	BBC	
13	M.V.	1	R.Titus#	
Ovenbird:				
12	Milton	1	R.Titus	
Northern Waterthrush:				
7,10	M.V., MNWS	1, 2	J.Heywood#, J.Smith	
Connecticut Warbler:				
11	Cambridge	1 m.	L.Robinson	
Mourning Warbler:				
10,27	MNWS, P.I.	1, 1	J.Smith, C.Ewer	
Common Yellowthroat:				
6-7,6-8	M.V., Nantucket	12, 17	SSBC, BBC	
24,27	Truro, P.I.	1, 2	P.Trimble, BBC	
Wilson's Warbler:				
8,11	Nantucket	1, 1 b.	BBC, E.Andrews#	
Yellow-breasted Chat:				
6-7,7	Chatham, Scituate	1, 1	v.o., W.Petersen	
21,27	Plymouth, P.I.	1, 1	SSBC, BBC	

#### SCARLET TANAGER THROUGH EVENING GROSBEAK

White-crowned Sparrows occurred in average to low numbers this fall. A Bobolink was observed at the south end of Monomoy on the rather late date of October 25. Seven thousand Red-winged Blackbirds reported from Ipswich were seen flying into a roost, in groups of up to 100 individuals. A total of over 900 Rusty Blackbirds for the month,

led by the count of 710 at Millis, was notably high compared to recent Octobers. No winter finch flight materialized so far.

Unusual sparrow species reported included single individual Lark, Henslow's and LeConte's, all towards the end of the month. An immature male Yellow-headed Blackbird was seen together with cowbirds for about a week near Nine Acre Corner in Concord. Corn Hill, Truro is a familiar site for Brewer's Blackbird, and was frequented briefly by one individual again this fall.

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Scarlet Tanager:				
4-8,19	8 locations, Nantucket	9 total, 1 b.	v.o., E.Andrews#	
Blue Grosbeak:				
4,28;6	Chatham; M.V.	1, 1; 1	v.o.; fide V.Laux	
12-14,20	Belmont, Harwich	1, 2	v.o., B.Nikula	
Indigo Bunting:				
6,7	M.V., Truro	12, 7	fide V.Laux, M.Lynch#	
27,28	Belmont, Truro	1, 3	L.Taylor, A.Bennett	
Dickcissel:				
7-27,4-6	Truro, M.V.	max. 3, max. 2	v.o.	
3-31,21	8 locations, P.I.	8 total, 3	v.o., R.Heil#	
Rufous-sided Towhee:				
6,6-7	P.I., M.V.	5, 12	BBC, SSBC	
7,7-8	P'town, Nantucket	50+, 11	J.Aylward, BBC	
21,28	E.Boston, Lexington	1, 2 m.	S.Zendeh, L.Taylor	
American Tree Sparrow:				
28-31	4 locations	4 singles	v.o.	
Chipping Sparrow:				
6-13,6-7	P.I., M.V.	max. 11, 25	v.o., SSBC	
6-7,27	Nantucket, Truro	7, 1	BBC, A.Bennett	
Clay-colored Sparrow:				
4,7	Chatham, Scituate	1, 1	W.Bailey#, W.Petersen	
7-9,21	P.I., Salisbury	1, 1	R.Forster#, G.Soucy#	
25	Squantum	1	D.Brown	
Field Sparrow:				
5,13	Lincoln, Westport	2, 6	J.Carter, R.Laubach	
21,27	Scituate, Salisbury	18, 4	SSBC, BBC	
Vesper Sparrow:				
7-20	S.Wellfleet	max. 7	v.o.	
20,27	Middleboro, Belmont	1, 1	K.Holmes, L.Taylor	
Lark Sparrow:				
20	P.I.	1	M.Argue#	
Savannah Sparrow:				
6-8,7-8	M.V., Nantucket	30, 45	SSBC, BBC	
21,27	E.Boston, P.I.	150, 40	S.Zendeh#, BBC	
"Ipswich" Sparrow:				
17-21,17-27	Salisbury, Scituate	1, max. 6	v.o.	
Henslow's Sparrow:				
20-26	Truro	1 (details)	J.Aylward#	
LeConte's Sparrow:				
25	Squantum	1 (no details)	D.Brown	
Sharp-tailed Sparrow:				
7,13	Dartmouth, Salisbury	12, 10	BBC	
27,28	Scituate, Newburyport	6, 50+	W.Petersen#, R.Heil	
Seaside Sparrow:				
7,28	Dartmouth, Newburyport	2, 7	BBC, R.Heil	
Fox Sparrow:				
27,30	Salisbury, Quincy	2, 2	BBC, S.Higginbotham	
Song Sparrow:				
6-8,8	M.V., Lancaster	50, 40	SSBC, S.Carroll#	
19,21	Sudbury, E.Boston	30, 30	R.Forster, S.Zendeh#	
Lincoln's Sparrow:				
7-20,8	Truro, ONWR	max. 2, 4	v.o., M.Lynch#	
11-20,20	Belmont, Middleboro	max. 3, 1	L.Taylor, K.Holmes	
21,27	E.Boston, P.I.	2, 1	S.Zendeh#, BBC	
Swamp Sparrow:				
8,12	Lancaster, GMNWR	37, 55	S.Carroll#, L.Robinson	
18,27	Marshfield, P.I.	12, 15	R.Abrams#, BBC	
White-throated Sparrow:				
6	P.I., Scituate	40+, 40	BBC, R.Abrams	
8,13	ONWR, Petersham	25, 130	M.Lynch#, S.Carroll#	
White-crowned Sparrow:				
6-7,7-28	M.V., P.I.	max. 5, max. 5	v.o.	
6-8,8	Nantucket, ONWR	max. 6, 5	BBC, S.Carroll#	

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White-crowned Sparrow (cont.):				
7-24,17	Truro, Salisbury	max. 15, 10	v.o., J.Grujan	
Dark-eyed Junco:				
6-8,24	Nantucket, Truro	28, 20	BBC, P.Trimble	
25,27	Millis, Salisbury-P.I.	520, 30	B.Cassie, BBC	
Lapland Longspur:				
7,13	P.I., Salisbury	4, 4	R.Forster, BBC	
21,31	Scituate, E.Boston	5, 16	SSBC, S.Zendeh	
Snow Bunting:				
14,27	Nahant, Salisbury	1, 24	S.Zendeh, BBC	
28,30	P'town, Concord	26, 5	A.Bennett, R.Forster	
Bobolink:				
3,7	Halifax, Nantucket	1, 1	K.Anderson#, BBC	
12,25	Bedford, S.Monomoy	1, 1	L.Robinson, B.Nikula	
Red-winged Blackbird:				
8,21	Lancaster, Ipswich	150+, 7000+	S.Carroll, J.Berry	
Eastern Meadowlark:				
5,7	Lincoln, Newbury	3, 15	J.Carter, R.Forster	
27,30	Eastham, Dartmouth	8, 26	A.Bennett, C.Laubach	
Yellow-headed Blackbird:				
7-14	Concord	1 imm. m. (ph)	R.Walton# + v.o.	
8	Harwich	1 (no details)	J.Aylward + C.Smith	
Rusty Blackbird:				
6,7	Halifax, Lakeville	2, 10	K.Anderson, W.Petersen	
20	Millis, Peabody	710, 200	B.Cassie, R.Heil	
30	E.Middleboro	1 m.	K.Anderson	
Brewer's Blackbird:				
20	Truro (Corn Hill)	1 m.	G.d'Entremont,R.Campbell,D.Brown	
Common Grackle:				
16,20	Arlington, Westboro	120, 800	L.Taylor, L.Robinson	
21,23	Braintree, Westport	3000, 200	R.Abrams, R.Laubach	
Brown-headed Cowbird:				
6-7,13	M.V.	80, 150	SSBC, R.Titus#	
20	Belmont	1	L.Taylor	
Northern Oriole:				
6-8,7	Nantucket, Truro	1-2, 1	BBC, M.Lynch#	
Purple Finch:				
7	Nantucket, Scituate	2, 3	BBC, W.Petersen	
House Finch:				
6-8	M.V.	30	SSBC	
Pine Siskin:				
27	Wellesley	1	L.Robinson	
Evening Grosbeak:				
3	MNWS	2	J.Smith	

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A new checklist, prepared by Ruth Ogden of the Tucson Audubon Society, is a handy, pocket-sized booklet of twenty pages. The Check-list of North American Birds, United States and Canada Including Hawaii includes 917 species arranged in the sequence of the A.O.U. Checklist, Sixth Edition with the new common and scientific names given as well as orders and families. There is an index, and introduced birds are marked with an asterisk. Published in 1984, it can be purchased from The Audubon Nature Shop, Tucson Audubon Society, 30-A North Tucson Boulevard, Tucson, Arizona, 85716 for \$1.00.