



Sooty Tern
N. Monomoy I., MA
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Field Records

June 1985

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June 1985 was cooler and cloudier than usual with only slightly more than the normal amount of rain despite rainfall on seven consecutive days. The average temperature was 64.8°, 3.2° below normal, tie for the seventeenth-coolest June in 115 years of record. The month's high was but 84° on June 6 and 7. The mercury reached only 58° on June 29, setting a new low record maximum for that date; the previous record was 60° set in 1888. Rainfall totaled 3.92 inches, one inch more than last June, making it the first month since last October to have higher than normal rainfall. Thunderstorms occurred on five days, one more than average.

LOONS THROUGH HERONS

During a northeasterly storm in late June, several pelagic species were seen from coastal locations, notably Sandy Neck in Barnstable and Race Point in Provincetown. At Sandy Neck three Manx Shearwaters, twenty Northern Gannets as well as 50 Leach's Storm-Petrels were seen. At Provincetown six Manx Shearwaters and as many as twenty Sooty Shearwaters were seen, and at least ten Leach's Storm-Petrels were counted. More surprising were three Long-tailed Jaegers, a Sabine's Gull, and a Caspian Tern. An adult Great Cormorant was found in Osterville. Last year the first record of breeding in Massachusetts for Great Cormorant was documented in near-by Buzzards Bay.

Heron reports were ho-hum with the most interesting being at least ten different Yellow-crowned Night Herons reported from seven locations. R.H.S.

SPECIES/DATE	LOCATION	NUMBER	OBSERVERS	JUNE 1985
Common Loon:				
11,22	Annisquam, P.I.	1 br. pl., 3	H.Wiggin, G.d'Entremont	
Pied-billed Grebe:				
4,18,19	S.Monomoy	1 calling	W. deRagon	
Northern Fulmar:				
2,29;30	Stellwagen, 20 mi. south of Noman's Land	10, 2, 1	BBC, T.Rumage; W.Manter#	
Greater Shearwater:				
2	Stellwagen	1	BBC	
Sooty Shearwater:				
2,28	Stellwagen, P'town	6, 20+	BBC, B.Nikula	
Manx Shearwater:				
27	Barnstable (Sandy Neck)	3	W.Petersen#	
28	P'town	6+	B.Nikula	
Wilson's Storm-Petrel:				
2	Stellwagen	400	BBC	
28	P'town	2000	W.Bailey#	
Leach's Storm-Petrel:				
27	Barnstable (Sandy Neck)	50	D.Sibley# + v.o.	
28	P'town	10+	B.Nikula# + v.o.	
Northern Gannet:				
2,14	Stellwagen	2, 5	BBC, K.Holmes	
27,28	Barnstable (S.N.),P'town	20 subad., 5	W.Petersen#, B.Nikula	
Great Cormorant:				
4	Osterville	1 ad.(details)	R.Forster	
Double-crested Cormorant:				
thr.	Everett	max. 100+ (6/17)	J.Berry	
American Bittern:				
22	Wayland	1	R.Forster	
Least Bittern:				
3,5;8	P.I.; W.Harwich	1; 1 f.	BBC; J.Hines	
9,11	Wayland, N.Monomoy	1, 1	R.Forster, B.Nikula	

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Great Blue Heron:				
thr.	6 locations	21 individuals	v.o.	
Great Egret:				
thr., 10	P.I., S.Dartmouth	max. 3 (6/3), 2	BBC(W.Drummond)+v.o., R.Maker	
Snowy Egret:				
thr.	Saugus/Revere	max. 11 (6/4)	J.Berry	
thr.	P.I.	max. 24 (6/30)	D.Oliver# + v.o.	
8	N.Monomoy	35	BBC	
Little Blue Heron:				
1,20	S.Dartmouth, S.Monomoy	1, 1 imm.	G.Fernandez, W.deRagon	
25,26	N.Monomoy, P.I.	1 imm., 1 pied	B.Nikula, H.Wiggin	
Tricolored Heron:				
25,28	N.Monomoy	1	B.Nikula + v.o.	
Cattle Egret:				
3,14	Essex, Gay Head	2, 1	D.Arvidson#, C.Witham	
Green-backed Heron:				
thr.	P.I.	max. 18 (6/24)	BBC(Olivers) + v.o.	
Black-crowned Night Heron:				
thr.	P.I., Watertown	max. 12 (6/3 + 6/30), max. 40	v.o., M.Hall + v.o.	
Yellow-crowned Night Heron:				
1,4	Mt.A., Brookline(Leverett Pond)	1 ad., 1 ad.	J.Barton, J.Pass	
3-24	P.I.	max. 3 (6/6)	BBC(M.Kasprzyk) + v.o.	
6,10	S.Dartmouth, Yarmouthport	2, 1 ad.	G.Fernandez, R.Scott	
20-21,21	Annisquam, S.Monomoy	1, 1 ad.	J.French, W.deRagon + v.o.	
Glossy Ibis:				
thr.	P.I.	max. 7 (6/23)	W.Petersen# + v.o.	
thr.	Chatham/Monomoy	max. 14	v.o.	
1+10, 4	Ipswich, Revere	11+12, 11	J.Berry	

WATERFOWL THROUGH WILD TURKEY

Lingering Brant were found in Plymouth and on Monomoy early in the month. The Garganey, first found on May 11, was still present at Plum Island on June 24. The plumage had changed somewhat from the first sightings, according to P. W. Smith who had seen the bird in May, the "head was still ruddy-colored with very indistinct white area behind eye (June 8). On June 15 the ruddy head color was gone, the stripe in face was more prominent and the bird was nearly in full eclipse plumage but had retained display feathers on scapulars. In flight, white-bordered green speculum very prominent. Forward part of mid-wing gray, not blue as in Blue-winged Teal." Other observers commented on the increased amount of white in the face.

Other interesting reports included a well-described immature male King Eider off Provincetown on June 28. There are few summer records for this species. There were several reports of many young Wood Ducks, especially at Great Meadows, and three fledged Hooded Mergansers were found at Oxbow National Wildlife Refuge.

At least three immature Bald Eagles were present on outer Cape Cod and on the islands most of the month. All three were seen together at Monomoy on June 21, and another (or same) immature eagle was observed feeding on a dead gull on Nantucket. A nearly adult-plumaged Golden Eagle was found at West Tisbury, and an immature was reported from Nantucket.

Other raptor highlights included three nests of Northern Harrier located on South Monomoy. Five adult Red-shouldered Hawks were reported in Eastham, and a nest of this species with two young was found in Medfield. A territorial Northern Goshawk was located in Carlisle, and another pair continued in Norfolk.

A female Wild Turkey was found in Middleboro. This is near the site where the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife have released some birds in hopes that they will again establish themselves; after all, it is Plymouth! R.H.S.

Brant:				
1,8	Plymouth, N.Monomoy	3, 4	BBC(G.d'Entremont), R.McHale	
Canada Goose:				
3	P.I.	180	BBC(W.Drummond)	
Wood Duck:				
22	GMNWR	20+	(many ducklings) BBC(B.Howell)	
Green-winged Teal:				
23	P.I.	20	W.Petersen#	
Northern Pintail:				
6	P.I.	3	M.Kasprzyk	

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Garganey:				
1-24	P.I. (from May 11)	1 m.	R.Stymeist + v.o.	
Blue-winged Teal:				
thr.	P.I.	max. 35 (6/21)	R.Forster + v.o.	
Gadwall:				
thr.	P.I.	max. 16 (6/30)	D.Oliver# + v.o.	
King Eider:				
28	P'town	1 imm. m.	R.Heil	
Black Scoter:				
17	Osterville	1 m.	R.Forster	
Hooded Merganser:				
23	Oxbow NWR	3 juv.	R.Stymeist, J.Gordon#	
Red-breasted Merganser:				
22	P.I.	1 f.	G.d'Entremont, R.Campbell	
Turkey Vulture:				
1	Plymouth, S.Dartmouth	1, 1	W.Petersen, G.Fernandez	
16	Bolton, Clinton	1, 1	J.Gordon#	
Osprey:				
6,19	P.I.	1, 1	BBC(M.Kasprzyk), M.Hall	
Bald Eagle:				
thr.	Outer Cape Cod	3 imm.	v.o.	
w/of 6/13	M.V.	1 imm.	M.Scott	
21	S.Monomoy	3 imm. seen together	W.deRagon	
27	Nantucket	1 imm. (feeding on dead gull)	J.Fitch	
Northern Harrier:				
thr.	S.Monomoy	3 nests	W.deRagon	
Sharp-shinned Hawk:				
2	Plymouth	1	G.d'Entremont	
Northern Goshawk:				
1-12,30	Norfolk, Carlisle	2, 1 ad.	B.Cassie# + v.o., R.Crisman	
		"territorial"		
Red-shouldered Hawk:				
thr.,2	E.Middleboro, Eastham	pr., 5 ad.	K.Anderson, J.Aylward	
2	Milford, Plymouth(Myles Standish)	2,1	R.Hildreth, G.d'Entremont#	
9,12	Boxford, Medfield	1, nest + 2 yg.	M.Hall, B.Cassie	
Broad-winged Hawk:				
15	S.Middleboro (Rocky Gutter)	10	SSBC(K.Anderson)	
Red-tailed Hawk:				
2	Milford	2 nests (4 ad., 5 imm.)	R.Hildreth	
Golden Eagle:				
11	W.Tisbury	1 "close to ad. pl."	V.Laux	
25	Nantucket	1 imm.	P.Burehill + v.o.	
American Kestrel:				
17	Lakeville	1 f. + 3 yg (b)	K.Anderson	
23	P.I.	1 f. + 2 yg.	W.Petersen#	
Wild Turkey:				
15	Middleboro	1 f.	W.Petersen#	

RAILS THROUGH TERNS

Six Virginia Rail chicks were noted on Plum Island. An alternate-plumaged Lesser Golden-Plover was seen on North Monomoy for two days, June 10 and 11. Young Piping Plover were noted at two locations and included a nest with three eggs at Duxbury Beach. Willets are increasing in number of birds and in number of locations where they are seen. Upland Sandpipers seem to be doing well at military airports with nine to eleven at Hanscom and ten or so pair at Otis Air Force Base. The occurrence at twenty-five White-rumped Sandpipers is a high count for June. There are only three other June reports of Pectoral Sandpipers. The Ruff at Plymouth Beach continued into this month, and the one on Martha's Vineyard was, for that location, the first record of a breeding-plumaged Ruff, the only June record for that species, and the first recorded Ruff in over 25 years there.

A number of pelagic species were reported around the time of the nor'easter on June 27 and included Long-tailed, Pomarine, and Parasitic jaegers, Sabine's Gull, and Caspian and Royal terns. An adult Franklin's Gull, in breeding plumage, was seen on the beach at Plum Island (PRNWR), standing in a group of Ring-billed Gulls. The gull was seen for two days there immediately after the storm. One or two Gull-billed Terns spent a week at Plum Island and were seen by many. As many as 400 Arctic Terns were seen at North Monomoy on June 2 with half of these being "portlandica" birds (see BOEM 8:91, June 1980, for a discussion of the portlandica designation). This is an almost unprecedented number of adult Arctic Terns and they were probably blown in from their northward migration route by a storm. A Sooty Tern was photographed at North Monomoy

on June 21. A Black Skimmer nest with three eggs was found on New Island, Orleans, and up to six Black Skimmer were present on Monomoy although there was no evidence of nesting there. G.W.G.

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Clapper Rail: 16	Yarmouthport	1	R.Scott	
Virginia Rail: 3,3-21	P.I., S.Monomoy	8 (6 chicks), 1	BBC, W.deRagon	
8,15	W.Harwich, S.Dartmouth	1, 1	J.Hines, G.Fernandez	
22	GMNWR	1	BBC	
Common Moorhen: 15,22;18-19	GMNWR; S.Monomoy	1, 1; 1	A.Williams, BBC; W.deRagon	
Black-bellied Plover: 2,21,28	N.Monomoy	500, 200, 400	B.Nikula	
5-30	P.I.	max. 20	v.o.	
Lesser Golden-Plover: 10-11	N.Monomoy	1 ad. plum.	B.Nikula	
Semipalmated Plover: thr.	N.Monomoy	max. 16 (6/28)	v.o.	
2;6,23	Marblehead; P.I.	2; 2, 3	R.Forster; BBC, W.Petersen#	
Piping Plover: 1,20	Plymouth	5+, 4 ad.+4 yg.	BBC, D.Clapp	
1,17	N.Monomoy, Osterville	2,10	SSBC, R.Forster	
25	Duxbury	6 ad.+ 4yg. + 3 eggs	D.Clapp	
Killdeer: thr.	P.I.	max. 6	v.o.	
American Oystercatcher: thr.	N.Monomoy, S.Monomoy	10 pr., 5-6 pr.	R.Humphrey#	
1,4	Plymouth, Quincy	1, 2	BBC, G.Reams	
8	Chatham	3	J.Hines	
Greater Yellowlegs: thr.	P.I.	max. 4 (6/22)	v.o.	
2,27	Duxbury, Scituate	1, 1	D.Clapp	
Lesser Yellowlegs: 21,25	S.Darmouth, N.Monomoy	1, 2	G.Fernandez, B.Nikula	
23-30	P.I.	max. 4 (6/30)	v.o.	
Willet: thr.	N.Monomoy, P.I.	20+ pr., max. 7	R.Humphrey#, v.o.	
5,22	S.Dartmouth, Barnstable	3, 3+	G.Fernandez, W.Petersen	
25	Duxbury	5	D.Clapp	
Spotted Sandpiper: thr.	P.I.	max. 2 (6/6)	v.o.	
17	Osterville	5 pr.	R.Forster	
Upland Sandpiper: thr.	Lincoln, Bourne	max. 9ad. + 2chicks, 10+pr.	J.Carter, R.White	
thr.	Newburyport	max. 2	v.o.	
30	Halifax	5	K.Anderson	
Whimbrel: 2-9	N.Monomoy	max. 7 (6/2)	R.Humphrey# + v.o.	
Ruddy Turnstone: 1-21	N.Monomoy	max. 200 (6/24)	R.Humphrey# + v.o.	
1,4	Plymouth, Nantucket	125, 18	BBC, E.Andrews	
Red Knot: 1-21	N.Monomoy	max. 150 (6/2)	B.Nikula + v.o.	
Sanderling: 1-16	N.Monomoy	max. 700 (6/2)	B.Nikula + v.o.	
Semipalmated Sandpiper: 1-9, 5	N.Monomoy, P.I.	max 200 (6/2), 50	N.Nikula, BBC	
14	Plymouth	8	R.Forster	
Least Sandpiper: 1,28	N.Monomoy	25, 3	SSBC, B.Nikula	
3,24	P.I.	12, 1	BBC	
White-rumped Sandpiper: 1-21, thr.	N.Monomoy, P.I.	max. 25 (6/2), max. 3	v.o.	
14,17	Plymouth, Osterville	7, 1	R.Forster	
Pectoral Sandpiper: 20,24-25	Plymouth, N.Monomoy	1, 1	D.Clapp, R.Humphrey#	
Dunlin: 1,5	N.Monomoy, P.I.	1, 2	SSBC, BBC	
Ruff: 1-2	Plymouth	1 m. (from May)	v.o.	
22-25,30	M.V., P.I.	1 m., 1	fide V.Laux, R.Kirker	

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Short-billed Dowitcher:				
thr.	N.Monomoy	max. 12 (6/2)	v.o.	
21-30	P.I.	max. 12 (6/30)	v.o.	
American Woodcock:				
23,30	ONWR, Canton	1, 1	J.Gordon#, G.d'Entremont	
Wilson's Phalarope:				
thr., 1	P.I., Ipswich	max 9 (6/1), 1 f.	v.o., J.Berry	
Pomarine Jaeger:				
27	Barnstable	1	L.Robinson#	
Parasitic Jaeger:				
8,28	N.Monomoy, P'town	1, 6+	BBC, B.Nikula	
27	Barnstable	8	W.Petersen#	
jaeger sp:				
27	Barnstable	1	W.Petersen#	
Long-tailed Jaeger (details):				
28	P'town	1 ad. + 1 subad. + 1 imm.	D.Sibley	
Laughing Gull:				
1,8	N.Monomoy	400, 500	SSBC, BBC	
Franklin's Gull:				
28,30	P.I.	1 ad. (details)	R.Secatore + PRNWR staff	
Little Gull:				
1	Newburyport, P.I.	max. 2 (subad.)	v.o.	
7	Orleans (New Island)	1, (1S)	B.Nikula	
Common Black-headed Gull:				
1-24	N.Monomoy	1 ad.	SSBC + B.Nikula	
15,22	Newburyport, P.I.	1, 1 ad.	R.Fox#, G.d'Entremont#	
Bonaparte's Gull:				
thr.	Newburyport	max. 235 (6/24)	(mostly subad.) v.o.	
Ring-billed Gull:				
10,30	Ipswich, P.I.	50, 24	BBC	
Lesser Black-backed Gull:				
2,27	Stellwagen, Eastham	1 (1S), 1 (2S)	W.Petersen#, D.Sibley	
Black-legged Kittiwake:				
7	Orleans	21 imm.	B.Nikula	
Sabine's Gull (details):				
28	P'town	1 (1S)	D.Sibley#	
Gull-billed Tern:				
17-23	P.I.	2-1	BBC (H.Weissberg) + v.o.	
Caspian Tern (details):				
28	P'town	1	D.Sibley	
Royal Tern:				
19,23	Marion, P.I.	1, 1	R.Trull, W.Petersen	
25	P'town	1	D.Sibley	
Roseate Tern:				
1,8	Plymouth	5, 8	BBC, SSBC	
1,8	N.Monomoy	2,22	SSBC, BBC	
Common Tern:				
thr.	Plymouth, N.Monomoy	max. 500, max. 100	v.o.	
thr., 10	P.I., Ipswich	max. 18, 25	v.o., BBC	
Arctic Tern:				
1-8, 1	N.Monomoy, Plymouth	max. 400 (6/2), 4	B.Nikula + v.o., BBC	
5	Orleans	16	fide R.Forster	
Least Tern:				
thr.	Plymouth, N.Monomoy	max. 35, max. 100	v.o.	
5,10	S.Dartmouth, Ipswich	40, 50	G.Fernandez, BBC	
Sooty Tern:				
21	N.Monomoy	1 ad. (ph.)	R.Humphrey + L.MacIvor	
Black Tern:				
11,27	N.Monomoy, Barnstable	1, 1	R.Humphrey, W.Petersen	
Black Skimmer:				
thr.	N.Monomoy, Orleans	max. 6, max. 3	P.Trull#, v.o.	
17-22	P.I.	max. 2	v.o.	

CUCKOO THROUGH WOODPECKER

Both Black-billed and Yellow-billed cuckoos were reported from various locations but in less than normal numbers, especially Yellow-billed. At least eight Barred Owls were noted on June 12 and up to eleven Short-eared Owls were counted on Monomoy. Two Northern Saw-whet Owls were heard calling in Lakeville. Small numbers of Common Night-hawks were noted throughout the month. Red-bellied Woodpeckers were found in Plymouth and in Millis. G.W.G.

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Black-billed Cuckoo:				
1-8, 2	Holliston, Milford	max. 4, 3	R.Hildreth	
	6 individuals reported from 6 locations			
Yellow-billed Cuckoo:				
11,21	Milton, P.I.	1, 2	R.Forster, D.Arvidson	
30	Concord	1	R.Stymeist	
Eastern Screech-Owl:				
6,29	Holliston, S.Carver	1 calling, 1	R.Hildreth, B.Logan	
Barred Owl:				
3	Concord	2	A.Goldstein	
12	Sherborn, Walpole, Medfield	4, 3, 1	B.Cassie	
Short-eared Owl:				
thr.	N.Monomoy, S.Monomoy	2-3, 4 pr.	v.o., W.deRagon	
Northern Saw-whet Owl:				
29	Lakeville	2 calling	K.Holmes	
Common Nighthawk:				
2,14	Ipswich, Cambridge	1, 5	J.Berry, R.Stymeist	
21,25	Arlington, Watertown	1, 1	R.Stymeist	
20	S.Monomoy	1	W.deRagon	
Whip-poor-will:				
2,6	Milford, Holliston	4, 1	R.Hildreth	
3,21	Newbury	2, 7	BBC, R.Forster	
Chimney Swift:				
5,8	W.Newbury, N.Monomoy	11, 11	BBC	
Ruby-throated Hummingbird:				
2,6	Mt.A., P.I.	1, 1	J.Paputseanos, BBC	
15	S.Middleboro	1	SSBC	
Red-headed Woodpecker:				
2,11	Nantucket	1	E.Andrews#	
12,14	Medfield, Wrentham	1, 1 ad.	B.Cassie, M.Kauffman	
16	Stoughton	1	R.Bender	
Red-bellied Woodpecker:				
2,12	Plymouth, Millis	1, 1	G.d'Entremont, B.Cassie	
Downy Woodpecker:				
15	Watertown	6	M.Hall	
Hairy Woodpecker:				
26	E.Middleboro	2	K.Anderson	
Northern Flicker:				
15	S.Middleboro	18	SSBC	
Pileated Woodpecker:				
30	Sudbury	2	R.Forster	

FLYCATCHERS THROUGH WARBLERS

Migration took its normal course, continuing into the first week of June, especially among the flycatchers and *Oporornis* warblers. Very late migrants or non-breeding wanderers included two other warblers on the twenty-third: a male Bay-breasted Warbler at Watertown and a male Blackpoll Warbler at Plum Island. The former report is the only one beyond June 6 in the last seven years. The latter record, though notably late, is consistent with reports of single Blackpoll individuals from coastal sites during the last week of June for three of the last five years.

Results of two breeding bird censuses were provided this year: one conducted along the Charles River in Watertown on June 13-15 by Maurice Hall and the other organized by the South Shore Bird Club at Rocky Gutter in South Middleboro on the fifteenth. Hall's efforts produced the late Bay-breasted Warbler and several other careful counts which are included in the tabulation. The Rocky Gutter data included several interesting, large counts, including 47 Black-and-white Warblers and 131 Ovenbirds. These warbler numbers are comparable to those logged by Brian Cassie during his Millis census in 1983, though his data was by one person, in a whole town, over the complete month. The 27 Hermit Thrushes at Rocky Gutter constituted the second highest single-day June count in the last seven years, exceeding only by 30 individuals in 1979. The 57 Veerys there was a seven-year high, distantly approached by a report of 39 in one day in 1980.

Eastern Bluebirds were noted on territory in small numbers at several sites, including the traditional Tyngsboro area, Miles Standish State Forest in Plymouth, and the eastern part of the Quabbin Reservation in Petersham. The five Golden-crowned Kinglets in Wareham is suggestive of another breeding location in eastern Massachusetts.

More unusual species reported included a raven both seen and heard several times in Annisquam, and Jackdaw continuing on Nantucket, a Prothonotary Warbler at Lakeville, and a Cerulean Warbler on Martha's Vineyard. Prothonotaries seem to be more common during breeding season in Massachusetts, with reports in three of the last five years,

including two individuals in 1984. The Cerulean Warbler report is the only one for June in the eastern Massachusetts records during the last seven years, and constitutes the first known June record for Martha's Vineyard. L.E.T.

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Olive-sided Flycatcher:				
3,12	Newburyport, Wayland	1, 1	D.Arvidson#, J. Hines	
22	Rockport	1	J.MacDougall	
Eastern Wood-Pewee:				
2	Nahant, MNWS	3, 4	R. Forster	
3	Annisquam, P.I.	2, 2	H.Wiggin, BBC	
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher:				
2	Nahant, MNWS	1, 1	R.Forster	
2,8	Squantum, P.I.	1, 1	R.Emery#, P.W.Smith#	
Acadian Flycatcher:				
2,3	MNWS, Mt.A.	2, 1	R.Forster, J.Paputseanos	
15	Needham	1	J.Marshall	
Alder Flycatcher:				
1-11,2	Milton, Annisquam	1 max., 1	v.o., H.Wiggin	
2,15	Nahant, Lincoln	1, 1	R.Forster, A.Williams	
Willow Flycatcher:				
3-30,11	P.I., Milton	13 max. (6/22), 2	v.o., R.Forster	
22,26	GMNWR, Marshfield	2, 3	BBC, D.Clapp	
Least Flycatcher:				
2	Nahant, MNWS	1, 1	R.Forster	
8	W.Newbury	1	J.Berry	
Great Crested Flycatcher:				
2	MNWS, Mt.A.	3, 1	R.Forster, M.Hall	
6,23	P.I., ONWR	4, 5	BBC, R.Stymeist#	
Eastern Kingbird:				
3-22,13-15	P.I., Watertown	25 max., 6 pr.	J.Heywood#, M.Hall	
10,22	Ipswich, GMNWR	10, 2	BBC	
Horned Lark:				
1,22	Plymouth, P.I.	4, 1	W.Petersen#, G.d'Entremont	
Purple Martin:				
2,3-23	Stellwagen Bank, P.I.	1 m., 75 max.	W.Petersen#, v.o.	
7	M.V.	2	V.Laux	
Tree Swallow:				
3,8	P.I., N.Monomoy	100, 50+	BBC	
Northern Rough-winged Swallow:				
1,6	Plymouth Beach, P.I.	10, 7	BBC, M.Kasprzyk	
13-15, 26	Watertown, Ipswich	3 pr., 5	M.Hall, J.Berry	
Bank Swallow:				
thr., 8	P.I., Plymouth	8 max., 12	v.o., SSBC	
10,23	Ipswich, Tyngsboro	50, 150	BBC	
Cliff Swallow:				
thr., 24	Marshfield, Newbury	23 nests, 25	D.Clapp, R. Forster	
Barn Swallow:				
8,15	N.Monomoy, Needham	50+, 25	BBC, J.Marshall	
Fish Crow:				
1,8	Scituate, Plymouth	1, 1	W.Petersen, SSBC	
Common Raven:				
15	Annisquam	1 (details)	H.Wiggin#	
Jackdaw:				
thr.	Nantucket	1	E.Andrews#	
Red-breasted Nuthatch:				
2,15	Ipswich, S.Middleboro	1, 1	J.Berry, SSBC	
20,22	Hamilton, Annisquam	2, 2	J.Berry, H.Wiggin	
22	Falmouth, Mashpee	2+, 2+	CCBC	
Brown Creeper:				
thr., 10	E.Middlesboro, Mashpee	1 m., 1	K.Anderson, W.Petersen	
10,15	S.Dartmouth, S.Middleboro	2, 14	R.Maker, SSBC	
Carolina Wren:				
1,9	Holliston, Westport	2+, 6 pr.	R.Hildreth, G.Gove#	
13-18,21	S.Dartmouth, Marshfield	2, 1	R.Maker, W.Petersen	
House Wren:				
5,15	S.Dartmouth, Plymouth	5, 5	R.Maker, G.d'Entremont	
Marsh Wren:				
thr., 8	P.I., Needham	18 max., 6	v.o., J.Marshall	
22	GMNWS	4	BBC	
Golden-crowned Kinglet:				
30	Wareham	5	L.Robinson	
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher:				
thr., 7	Wayland, Wellesley	2 pr., 1 pr.	R.Forster, C.Quinlan	

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Blue-gray Gnatcatcher (cont.):				
16,20	Petersham, S.Dartmouth	6, 2	BBC, R.Maker	
Eastern Bluebird:				
thr., 15	Plymouth, S.Middleboro	3pr., 1	v.o., SSBC	
16,23	Petersham, Tyngsboro	8, 4	BBC	
Veery:				
2,15	Nahant, S.Middleboro	1, <u>57</u>	R.Forster, SSBC	
Swainson's Thrush:				
2	Nahant	2	R.Forster	
Hermit Thrush:				
15	Plymouth, S.Middleboro	3, 27	G.d'Entremont, SSBC	
25,30	Wareham, Sudbury	7 m., 1	L.Robinson, R.Forster	
Wood Thrush:				
15,18	S.Middleboro, Lakeville	5, 3	SSBC, K.Holmes	
Gray Catbird:				
thr.	P.I., Annisquam	35 max., 20	v.o., H.Wiggin	
13, 15	Watertown, S.Middleboro	12 pr., 42	M.Hall, SSBC	
Brown Thrasher:				
thr., 8	P.I., Plymouth	10 max., 3	v.o., SSBC	
Cedar Waxwing:				
2,6	Annisquam, P.I.,	18, 30+	H.Wiggin, BBC	
White-eyed Vireo:				
thr., 9	Milton, Westport	2, 5	R.Forster#, G.Gove#	
Yellow-throated Vireo:				
8,22	Holliston, Dudley	1, 1 m.	R.Hildreth, B.Sorrie	
23	Tyngsboro	1	BBC	
Warbling Vireo:				
15	Watertown, Needham	9, 5	R.Stymeist, J.Marshall	
Blue-winged Warbler:				
2,5-15	Hamilton, W.Newbury	1 m., 5 max.	J.Berry, v.o.	
3,23	S.Dartmouth, ONWR	1, 9	R.Maker, R.Stymeist#	
Golden-winged Warbler:				
7,2	Milford, Topsfield	1 pr., 1 f. on nest	C.Quinlan, D.Lange#	
Nashville Warbler:				
1	Annisquam, Plymouth	1 m., 1 m.	H.Wiggin, W.Petersen#	
5	W.Newbury	1	BBC	
Northern Parula:				
8,20	W.Harwich, S.Dartmouth	5, 1	J.Hines, R.Maker	
Yellow Warbler:				
thr., 13	P.I., Watertown	30 max., 18	v.o., M.Hall	
Chestnut-sided Warbler:				
5,15	W.Newbury, S.Middlesboro	1, 3	BBC, SSBC	
23	ONWR	6	R.Stymeist#	
Black-throated Green Warbler:				
thr., 2	E.Middleboro, Ipswich	1 pr., 2 m.	K.Anderson, J.Berry	
15,22	S.Middleboro, Sandwich	9, 2 m.	SSBC, J.Aylward#	
Blackburnian Warbler:				
2	Nahant, Mt.A.	1, 1	L.Pivacek, J.Paputseanos	
7,8	Boxford, P.I.	1 m., 1 m.	M.Hall, P.W.Smith	
Pine Warbler:				
thr.	Framingham, E.Middleboro	2 m., 2 m.	R.Forster, K.Anderson	
15,25	S.Middleboro, Wareham	28, 11 m.	SSBC, L.Robinson	
Prairie Warbler:				
2,25	Milford, Wareham	12, 17 m.	R.Hildreth, L.Robinson	
Bay-breasted Warbler:				
<u>23</u>	Watertown	1 m.	M.Hall	
Blackpoll Warbler:				
3,23	Mt.A., P.I.	1, 1 m.	J.Paputseanos, W.Petersen	
Cerulean Warbler:				
7	M.V.	1 m.	fide V.Laux	
Black-and-white Warbler:				
15,23	S.Middleboro, ONWR	47, 7	SSBC, R.Stymeist#	
American Redstart:				
23,30	ONWR, P.I.	8, 6	R.Stymeist#, BBC	
Prothonotary Warbler:				
22	Lakeville	1	M.Kasprzyk	
Overbird:				
2,15	MNWS, S.Middleboro	2, 131	R.Forster, SSBC	
Northern Waterthrush:				
15	S.Middleboro	12	SSBC	
Kentucky Warbler:				
from May-11,9	Milton, Westport	1 m.(ph.), 1	R.Forster, G.Gove#	

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Mourning Warbler:				
2	Nahant, MNWS	4, 2	R.Forster	
8	Brookline	1	H.Coolidge	
Common Yellowthroat:				
6,15	P.I., S.Middleboro	20, 44	BBC, SSBC	
23	ONWR	13	R.Stymeist#	
Canada Warbler:				
2	Nahant, MNWS	20, 10	R.Forster	
15	S.Middleboro	13	SSBC	

TANAGERS THROUGH GOLDFINCH

A female Summer Tanager was well observed deep in a maple swamp in Middleboro on June 15. The observer who was able to watch this bird from a distance of twenty feet noted "large pinkish bill, the uniform yellow-olive color and the absence of dusky wings." Possibly the bird was an unmated wanderer that simply lingered after the spring migration was over.

At Hanscom Air Force Base in the Bedford-Lincoln area a count of 193 Savannah Sparrows was reported on June 30. Both adults and some recently fledged young were tallied during an early morning survey of the grassy areas between the runways of the facility. Also three singing Grasshopper Sparrows were located as well as a female bird flushed from a nest containing two eggs. At the Crane Wildlife Area in Falmouth six Grasshopper Sparrows were located. Seaside Sparrows were reported from three locations with a maximum of five individuals noted from Plum Island.

At Hanscom Air Force Base about one hundred Eastern Meadowlarks (both adults and fledged young) were tallied on June 30. Orchard Orioles were reported from eight locations, and as many as eighteen Northern Orioles were found along the Charles River in Watertown.

Fourteen Red Crossbills at Gate 40 in East Quabbin was a very interesting report and suggests that possible nesting occurred. A Pine Siskin was noted in West Barnstable on June 21. R.H.S.

Summer Tanager:

15	Middleboro	1 f.	W.Petersen
Scarlet Tanager:			
15	S.Middleboro	16	SSBC (K.Anderson)
Indigo Bunting:			
June	Millis	39 singing m.	B.Cassie
Rufous-sided Towhee:			
15	S.Middleboro	90	SSBC (K.Anderson)
Field Sparrow:			
8	Plymouth	8	SSBC (G.Cross)
Vesper Sparrow:			
1	Plymouth (Myles Standish)	3+	W.Petersen#
Savannah Sparrow:			
30	Hanscom AFB	193+ incl. yg.	R.Stymeist+J.Carter+M.Kasprzyk
Grasshopper Sparrow:			
22	Falmouth (Crane area)	6+	CCBC
30	Hanscom AFB	3 singing m., 1 f.on nest w/ 2 eggs	M.Kasprzyk, E.Landre#
Sharp-tailed Sparrow:			
1,6	N.Monomoy, P.I.	10, 20+	SSBC, BBC
9,21	Tisbury, Marshfield	1, 1	O.Kerr#, W.Petersen
Seaside Sparrow:			
thr.	P.I.	max. 5 singing m. (6/21)	R.Forster + v.o.
1,11	Plymouth, N.Monomoy	1, 2	G.d'Entremont, B.Nikula
Song Sparrow:			
4,13	Squantum, Watertown	12 singing m., 16 m.	R.Emery#, M.Hall
Dark-eyed Junco:			
2,30	Sharon (Moose Hill)	1, 2	E.Taylor
Bobolink:			
7, 15	Concord, Falmouth	5 m., 5	J.Carter, G.d'Entremont#
23,30	Rowley, Sharon	50, 15	W.Petersen#, E.Taylor
Eastern Meadowlark:			
1, 8	Medfield, Hanscom AFB	6, nest w/ 5 eggs	R.Forster, J.Carter
30	Hanscom AFB	99+	R.Stymeist, M.Kasprzyk, J.Carter
Orchard Oriole:			
9,12	Sudbury, Ipswich	1, 1 imm.	J.Carter, J.Berry
15,17	Wayland, Marston Mills	4, 1 imm.	R.Forster

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Orchard Oriole (cont.):				
21,22	Woburn, E.Sandwich	1 imm., 1	M.Hall, W.Petersen	
24,29	Newbury, Wayland	1 ad. m., 1 imm.	R.Forster, D.Arvidson#	
Northern Oriole:				
13	Watertown	18 m.	M.Hall	
Purple Finch:				
23	P.I.	6	W.Petersen	
House Finch:				
thr., 13	Annisquam, Watertown	29-35, 10 m.	H.Wiggin, M.Hall	
Red Crossbill:				
16	Quabbin (Gate 40)	14	M.Lynch, S.Carroll#	
Pine Siskin:				
21	W.Barnstable	1	B.Nikula	
American Goldfinch:				
6,13	Hamilton, Watertown	15+, 5 m.	J.Berry, M.Hall	

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

ad.	adult	F.E.	First Encounter Beach, Eastham
alt.	alternate (plumage)	F.H.	Fort Hill, Eastham
b.	banded	F.M.	Fowl Meadow, Milton
br.	breeding	gr.	greater as in Gr. Boston area
dk.	dark (phase)	I.	Island
f.	female	M.V.	Martha's Vineyard
fl.	fledge	Mt.A.	Mt. Auburn Cemetery, Cambridge
imm.	immature	Nant.	Nantucket
ind.	individuals	Newbypt	Newburyport
loc.	locations	P.I.	Plum Island
lt.	light (phase)	P'town	Provincetown
m.	male	R.P.	Race Point, Provincetown
max.	maximum	S.N.	Sandy Neck, Barnstable
migr.	migrating	Stellw.	Stellwagen (Bank)
N.S.E.W.	direction	BBC	Brookline Bird Club
ph.	photographed	BOEM	Bird Observer of Eastern Massachusetts
pl.	plumage	CCBC	Cape Cod Bird Club
pr.	pair	DFWS	Drumlin Farm Wildlife Sanctuary
thr.	throughout	GMNWR	Great Meadows National Wildlife Refuge
v.o.	various observers	IRWS	Ipswich River Wildlife Sanctuary
W	winter (2W = second winter)	MAS	Massachusetts Audubon Society
w/	with	MBO	Manomet Bird Observatory
yg.	young	MNWS	Marblehead Neck Wildlife Sanctuary
#	additional observers	ONWR	Oxbow National Wildlife Refuge
A.A.	Arnold Arboretum	PRNWR	Parker River National Wildlife Refuge
A.P.	Andrews Point, Rockport	SRV	Sudbury River Valley
Buzz.	Buzzards (Bay)	SSBC	South Shore Bird Club
C.	Cape as in C.Cod or C.Ann	WBWS	Wellfleet Bay Wildlife Sanctuary
E.P.	Eastern Point, Gloucester		

CORRIGENDUM TO MAY 1985 FIELD RECORDS

Lesser Black-backed Gull:			
14	Newbypt.	1	J.Grugan
	should read		
14	Newbypt.	1 (1S)	J.Grugan

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