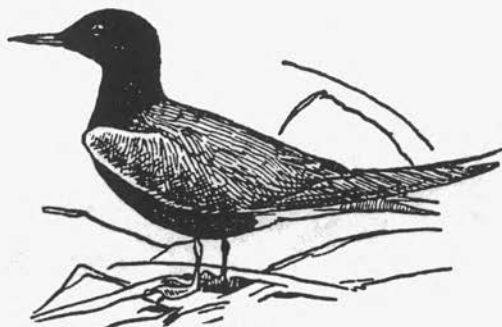


FIELD RECORDS

AUGUST 1991



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Hurricane Bob on August 19 dominated the month's weather. The rapid forward speed of "Bob" minimized the period of the strongest winds in our area. The peak gust recorded at Boston was 64 mph from the northwest. Cape Cod suffered the most damage, losing many trees, and electric power in some sections was out for nearly a week. The hurricane brought with it the heaviest rains of the month: over two inches fell in the Boston area in just ten hours. Total rainfall for the month was 5.27 inches, 1.59 inches over average. Except for during the hurricane, no thunderstorms occurred in the month. A small tornado was noted in Georgetown on August 15. The high temperature mark for the month was 93 degrees on August 17, and eight days reached 90 degrees. The low was 57 degrees on August 25.

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LOONS THROUGH WOODPECKERS

The story for the month of August was the occurrence of extralimital birds most probably caused by the course and intensity of Hurricane Bob.

Terns and shorebirds that normally appear in small numbers at summer's end appeared in much greater numbers. Examples included Caspian, Royal, Forster's, and Black terns and Black Skimmers. More rarely seen terns that appeared briefly included Gull-billed, Sandwich, Bridled, and Sooty terns. Unusual shorebird sightings included a Wilson's Plover on the Vineyard, a Black-necked Stilt Sandpiper in Falmouth, an American Avocet at Plum Island, Long-billed Curlews, one of which appeared on the Vineyard two weeks before the hurricane, and a Little Stint at Plum Island, also before the hurricane.

Other storm-related birds include a Black-capped Petrel at Eastham on the day of the hurricane, two inland Leach's Storm-Petrels, one in Clinton and one in Worcester, and a White-tailed Tropicbird found dead in Eastham.

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DATE	LOCATION	NUMBER	OBSERVERS	AUGUST 1991
Red-throated Loon				
4, 31	N. Monomoy, Nahant	1 br pl, 1	B. Nikula#, R. Forster#	
Common Loon				
21	Clinton (Wachusett Res.)	4	P. Brown	
Pied-billed Grebe				
23	Stoughton	1	R. Titus	
29	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	1	LCES (J. Hill)	
31	P.I.	1	P. + F. Vale	
Black-capped Petrel				
19	Eastham (S. Sunken Meadow Beach)	1	R. Heil + J. Smith	
Greater Shearwater				
20	Provincetown, Eastham	4, 2	K. Jones	
26	East of Monomoy	200	V. Laux	
Sooty Shearwater				
26	East of Monomoy	35	V. Laux	
Manx Shearwater				
19, 20	Nantucket, Provincetown	1, 1	F. Gallo, K. Jones	
26	M.V.	4	V. Laux	
Wilson's Storm-Petrel				
11	Stellwagen	200	J. Berry	
26	East of Monomoy	100	V. Laux	
Leach's Storm-Petrel				
19, 20	Nantucket, Clinton	1, 1	F. Gallo, S. Carroll# + v.o.	
20	Worcester	1 dead	fide R. Jenkins	
White-tailed Tropicbird				
22	Eastham (Kingsbury Beach)	1 sub ad (dead)	E. Cudihy (fide K. Jones)	

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Northern Gannet				
20	Eastham, Provincetown	4, 5	K. Jones	
26	East of Monomoy	6	V. Laux	
Great Cormorant				
24	Lakeville	1 imm	W. Petersen	
Double-crested Cormorant				
thr, 21	Southboro, Clinton	25 max, 45	E. Taylor, P. Brown	
23, 25	Monomoy, Boston Harbor	1800, 500	K. Jones, G. d'Entremont	
American Bittern				
13	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	1	LCES (J. Hill)	
Least Bittern				
1	W. Newbury	1	H. Weissberg + v.o.	
Great Blue Heron				
thr	GMNWR	50 max 8/17	v.o.	
Great Egret				
thr	P.I., DWWS	40 max 8/21, 45	max 8/29 W. Petersen#, D. Clapp#	
thr	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	35 max 8/6	LCES (J. Hill)	
thr, 13	S. Monomoy, 13	8 max, 1	B. Nikula#, M. Lynch#	
Snowy Egret				
thr	P.I., Saugus	700 max 8/21, 40	max 8/2 W. Petersen#, J. Berry	
thr	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	61 max 8/23	LCES (J. Hill)	
Little Blue Heron				
thr	P.I., S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	17 max 8/21, 2 max	W. Petersen#, LCES (J. Hill)	
4, 30	N. Monomoy, DWWS	1 imm, 1 imm	W. Loughran#, D. Clapp	
Tricolored Heron				
23, 24-26	M.V., P.I.	1, 1	V. Laux, BBC (S. Charrette) + v.o.	
Cattle Egret				
18, 21	Ipswich, P.I.	36, 2	G. Gove, W. Petersen#	
Green-backed Heron				
4, 11	Wayland, Newburyport	7, 15	BBC (B. Howell), BBC (J. Kennedy)	
27	Norfolk	30	B. Cassie	
Black-crowned Night-Heron				
14, 25	GMNWR, Yarmouthport	15, 29	E. Taylor, K. Hamilton	
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron				
3, 21, 28	P.I.	1 imm, 1 imm, 1 ad	M. Rines#, W. Petersen#, T. Aversa	
4, 13, 29	Squantum	1 ad, 1 ad, 1 imm	B. Merrifield, T. Aversa, J. Hoye	
30, 31	Nantucket, Wellfleet	1 ad + 4 imm, 1 imm	N. Claflin, R. Stymeist#	
Glossy Ibis				
thr, 8	P.I., Fall River	25 max 8/1, 20	E. Taylor + v.o., M. Boucher	
12	N. Monomoy	26	B. Nikula	
Mute Swan				
23, 27	Nantucket, Westport	124, 258	J. Papale, T. Aversa	
Brant				
thr	P.I.	1 injured	v.o.	
Canada Goose				
thr	Wakefield, Lexington	250-300, 325-375P.	+ F. Vale, R. Stymeist	
Wood Duck				
3, 4	Wakefield, Wayland	35, 38	P. + F. Vale, BBC (B. Howell)	
27	Norfolk	102	B. Cassie	
Green-winged Teal				
5, 20	E. Boston, P.I.	1, 40	T. Aversa	
Northern Pintail				
25, 31	S. Monomoy, P.I.	1, 1	BBC (S. Whittum), R. Forster#	
Blue-winged Teal				
14, 21	GMNWR, Eastham	1, 5	T. Aversa	
25, 28	S. Monomoy, Cambridge	20, 2	BBC (S. Whittum), D. Flood	
Gadwall				
24	P.I.	48	BBC (S. Charrette)	
American Wigeon				
27, 27-31	Lakeville, Cambridge (F.P.)	1, 6-14	T. Aversa, D. Flood	
31	Essex	3	R. Forster	
Ring-necked Duck				
24, 25	Lakeville, S. Monomoy	9, 1	W. Petersen, BBC (S. Whittum)	
Common Eider				
thr, 11	N. Monomoy, Gloucester	70 max, 20 imm	B. Nikula# + v.o., J. Berry	
23, 24	N. Scituate, S. Monomoy	13, 25	G. d'Entremont, BBC (S. Whittum)	
King Eider (from July)				
1-11	P.I.	1 m	v.o.	
Black Scoter				
20, 31	Provincetown, Cohasset	1, 1	K. Jones, W. Petersen#	
Surf Scoter				
17	Chatham	1	J. Hoye#	

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White-winged Scoter				
4, 13	P.I., Squantum	7, 1	G. d'Entremont#, T. Aversa	
20, 24; 31	Scituate, Duxbury; Nahant	4, 4; 16	W. Petersen; R. Forster	
Bufflehead				
30	Squantum	1	T. Aversa	
Hooded Merganser				
8, 14	S. Monomoy, GMNWR	1, 1	B. Nikula#, T. Aversa	
14, 15-31	Quabbin (G45), Sherborn	1, 3	T. Aversa, E. Taylor	
Red-breasted Merganser				
23, 27	S. Dart. (Allens Pd), Nantucket	1, 1	LCES (J. Hill), D. Harper	
Turkey Vulture				
8	Randolph	17	P. Iarrobino	
Osprey				
thr	P.I., S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	2, 9 max 8/13	v.o., LCES (J. Hill)	
Bald Eagle				
16	Middleboro, Nantucket	1 imm, 1 imm	W. Davis#, E. Ray	
Northern Harrier				
thr	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	3 max	LCES (J. Hill)	
5, 17	Randolph, Boston (Fenway)	1, 1 ph	G. d'Entremont, K. Hudson	
28	P.I.	3	T. Aversa	
Sharp-shinned Hawk				
14	Quabbin (G45)	1 or 2 imm	T. Aversa	
Cooper's Hawk				
9, 24	Wenham, Wachusett Mt.	1, 1	J. Berry#, E. Taylor	
Northern Goshawk				
4, 24	Middleboro, Wachusett Mt.	1, 1	K. Holmes, E. Taylor	
Broad-winged Hawk				
1, 19	Middleboro, Stoughton	1, 1	K. Holmes, R. Titus	
22, 24	Randolph, P.I.	1, 1	G. d'Entremont#	
Merlin				
13, 16	Squantum, Nantucket	1, 1	T. Aversa, E. Ray	
31	P.I.	1	P. + F. Vale	
Peregrine Falcon				
thr	Boston, P.I.	1 ad, 1 imm	v.o.	
8	Arlington	1 imm	M. Rines	
Ring-necked Pheasant				
23	Wayland	4 ad, 7 juv	S. Arena	
Ruffed Grouse				
14	Quabbin (G45)	18	T. Aversa	
Wild Turkey				
6	Boxford	1 f + 8 yg	R. Ledoux	
Clapper Rail				
thr, 17	Squantum, Yarmouthport	1, 1	v.o., K. Hamilton	
Virginia Rail				
3, 4	Chatham (Morris I.), Wayland	1, 4	W. Bailey, BBC (B. Howell)	
23-24	Nantucket	3 max	J. Papale#	
Sora				
thr, 4	Squantum, Wayland	1 or 2, 1	v.o., BBC (B. Howell)	
American Coot				
22	Nantucket	1	D. Harper	
Black-bellied Plover				
thr, 11	Ipswich (C.B.), N. Monomoy	51 max 8/18, 250	D. Rimmer, BBC (G. d'Entremont)	
18, 20	P.I., Clinton (Wachusett Res.)	500, 1	G. d'Entremont, R. Bradbury	
25, 29	Peddocks I., Norfolk	119, 4	BBC (P. Stevens), B. Cassie	
Lesser Golden-Plover				
1, 30	Nantucket, Newburyport	1, 1	M. Litchfield#, C. Paine	
20; 24	Ipswich; Newbury, P.I.	1; 2, 3	D. Rimmer; S. Arena, BBC (S. Charrette)	
24-31, 31	Middleboro, Wachusett Res.	1, 2	W. Petersen + v.o., M. Lynch	
Wilson's Plover				
20	Katama M.V.	1	C. Morano	
Semipalmated Plover				
thr	N. Monomoy	750 max	B. Nikula# + v.o.	
thr	Ipswich (C.B.)	1600 max 8/22	D. Rimmer#	
thr	P.I.	800 max 8/13	R. Forster + v.o.	
thr	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	76 max 8/6	LCES (J. Hill)	
5, 7	Barnstable (S.N.), Squantum	1000, 300	R. Scott#, G. d'Entremont	
Piping Plover				
thr	Ipswich (C.B.)	11 max 8/4	D. Rimmer	
6	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	1	LCES (J. Hill)	
Killdeer				
27	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	28	T. Aversa	
31	Middleboro	24	J. Hoye#	

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American Oystercatcher				
thr	N. Monomoy	87 max 8/24	R. Stymeist# + v.o.	
20, 25	Nantucket, Peddocks I.	20, 4	N. Clafin, BBC (P. Stevens)	
29	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	3	LCES (J. Hill)	
31	Cuttyhunk	3	T. Raymond	
Black-necked Stilt				
18	Falmouth	4	A. Cassese	
American Avocet				
20-31	P.I.	1	J. Murray + v.o.	
Greater Yellowlegs				
thr, 4	N. Monomoy, WBWS	200 max 8/11, 220	B. Nikula#, K. Jones	
Lesser Yellowlegs				
thr, 4	N. Monomoy, WBWS	100 max 8/3, 27	B. Nikula#, K. Jones	
11, 24	P.I., Newburyport	60, 65	BBC (J. Kennedy), BBC (S. Charrette)	
Solitary Sandpiper				
6, 8	Boston, Plymouth	1, 1	B. Merrifield, G. d'Entremont	
9, 13	Nantucket, Watertown	2, 1	J. Papale, R. Stymeist	
20, 29-31	Boston (Fenway), DWWS	1, 2 max	K. Hudson, J. Hoye#	
Willet				
thr, 4	N. Monomoy, Revere	70 max 8/4, 1	B. Nikula#, P. + F. Vale	
8, 18	P.I., Nantucket	3, 7	J. Hoye, E. Ray#	
Willet (western race)				
thr	N. Monomoy	5 max	B. Nikula#	
Spotted Sandpiper				
7, 17	Nantucket, Ipswich (C.B.)	4, 6	E. Ray, D. Rimmer	
Upland Sandpiper				
3, 12	W. Roxbury, Middleboro	1, 4	T. Aversa, M. Sylvia	
19, 31	Newburyport, M. V.	1, 15	D. Small#, V. Laux	
Whimbrel				
thr	N. Monomoy	550 max 8/2	B. Nikula#	
thr	Newburyport	43 max 8/4	G. d'Entremont# + v.o.	
1	Nantucket, S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	10, 21	M. Litchfield#, M. Boucher	
Long-billed Curlew				
7, 8	W. Tisbury (Great Pond)	1	K. Chase, S. Whiting#	
20	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	1	M. Sylvia	
Hudsonian Godwit				
thr	N. Monomoy, Newburyport	90 max 8/11, 24	max 8/20 B. Nikula#, G. Gove#	
5	E. Boston, Barnstable (S.N.)	8, 1	T. Aversa, R. Scott#	
Bar-tailed Godwit				
11-14	N. Monomoy	1 (basic pl)	B. Nikula#	
Marbled Godwit				
thr, 17-31	N. Monomoy, Newburyport	3 max, 1	B. Nikula#, H. Weissberg + v.o.	
Ruddy Turnstone				
thr	N. Monomoy, P.I.	250 max 8/14, 20	max 8/4 B. Nikula#, J. Berry#	
5, 25	Barnstable (S.N.), Peddocks I.	100, 25	R. Scott#, BBC (P. Stevens)	
Red Knot				
thr	N. Monomoy	350 max 8/11	B. Nikula#	
thr	Ipswich (C.B.)	260 max 8/10	D. Rimmer#	
31	P.I.	40 (incl. 1 leuc.)	G. Gove#	
Sanderling				
thr	N. Monomoy	1600 max 8/14	B. Nikula#	
thr	Ipswich (C.B.)	630 max 8/25	D. Rimmer#	
4	Revere (Point of Pines)	90	P. + F. Vale	
Semipalmated Sandpiper				
thr	N. Monomoy	1500 max 8/3	B. Nikula#	
thr	Ipswich (C.B.)	1325 max 8/22	D. Rimmer#	
5, 17	Barnstable (S.N.), Squantum	1300, 1000	R. Scott#, G. d'Entremont	
25	P.I.	500	G. Gove	
Western Sandpiper				
6; 14, 31	Annisquam; N. Monomoy	1; 4 ad, 8 ad	H. Wiggins; B. Nikula#	
15-31, 18	Squantum, Nantucket	3 max, 1	J. Hoye# + v.o., E. Ray#	
19-31	P.I.	2 max	v.o.	
Little Stint (details on file)				
4	P.I.	1	T. Cameron#	
Least Sandpiper				
thr, 10	N. Monomoy, Wakefield	300 max 8/3, 35	B. Nikula#, P. + F. Vale	
11, 20	P.I., Nantucket	70, 175	BBC (J. Kennedy), E. Gallo#	
White-rumped Sandpiper				
thr	N. Monomoy, P.I.	60 max 8/31, 30 max 8/13	B. Nikula#, R. Forster#	

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Baird's Sandpiper				
8-26, 12	P.I., Provincetown	3 max, 1	J. Hoye# + v.o., K. Jones	
16-18, 25	Squantum, S. Monomoy	2, 1	R. Donovan#, BBC (S. Whittum)	
Pectoral Sandpiper				
5, 10	E. Boston, P.I.	1, 3	T. Aversa, J. Berry	
14, 15	GMNWR, Squantum	1, 1	T. Aversa, J. Hoye	
26, 31	Middleboro, Nantucket	2, 13	G. d'Entremont, J. Papale	
Dunlin				
11	N. Monomoy	1	BBC (G. d'Entremont)	
Stilt Sandpiper				
4-31	P.I.	4 max 8/13	R. Forster# + v.o.	
20, 31	Nantucket (2 loc.)	2, 2	F. Gallo, J. Papale#;	
23, 31	S. Dartmouth	1, 1	LCES (J. Hill)	
Buff-breasted Sandpiper				
24, 31	S. Monomoy, Cuttyhunk	1, 1	BBC (S. Whittum), T. Raymond	
Short-billed Dowitcher				
thr, 5	N. Monomoy, E. Boston	1400 max 8/3, 240	B. Nikula#, T. Aversa	
Long-billed Dowitcher				
thr, 8	P.I., N. Monomoy	70 max 8/13, 1	R. Forster#, B. Nikula	
Common Snipe				
26	Middleboro	4	G. d'Entremont	
American Woodcock				
17, 29	Milton, Nantucket	1, 1	G. d'Entremont, J. Papale	
Wilson's Phalarope				
thr, 4	P.I., N. Monomoy	3 max 8/25, 1	G. Gove#, W. Loughran#	
Red-necked Phalarope				
8	S. Monomoy	1 juv	B. Nikula#	
26	East of Monomoy	40	V. Laux	
Red Phalarope				
26	East of Monomoy	1	V. Laux	
Pomarine Jaeger				
26	East of Monomoy	2	V. Laux	
Parasitic Jaeger				
14, 19	N. Monomoy, Eastham	1, 2	B. Nikula, K. Jones	
26	East of Monomoy	4	V. Laux	
Long-tailed Jaeger				
30	off M. V.	1 imm	V. Laux	
Laughing Gull				
thr	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	82 max	LCES (J. Hill)	
5, 19	E. Boston, Squantum	45, 75	T. Aversa	
31	Marblehead-Nahant	85	R. Forster#	
Franklin's Gull (details on file)				
5	Barnstable (S.N.)	1 ad	B. Nikula#	
Little Gull				
21, 31	Lakeville, Nahant	1 ad, 1 ad W	M. Sylvia, R. Forster#	
Common Black-headed Gull				
10	Revere	1	P. + F. Vale	
23	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	3	LCES (J. Hill)	
Bonaparte's Gull				
thr, 10	Newburyport, Wachusett Res.	380 max 8/20, 3	G. Gove + v.o., M. Lynch#	
20, 31	Winthrop, Nahant-Swampscott	96, 550	J. Young, R. Forster	
Ring-billed Gull				
5	Barnstable (S.N.)	200	R. Scott#	
Lesser Black-backed Gull				
9	Wareham	1 ad	R. Titus	
Black-legged Kittiwake				
22	Provincetown	1 juv	K. Jones#	
Sabine's Gull				
26	East of Monomoy	1 ad	V. Laux	
Gull-billed Tern				
1, 20-28	P.I.	1, 1	J. Hoye, J. Murray + v.o.	
20, 22	Clinton, Dorchester	1, 1	R. Bradbury, R. Donovan	
22	Ipswich (C.B.)	1	R. Buchbaum	
Caspian Tern				
20; 21, 25	Barnstable (S.N.); P.I.	1; 1, 1	R. Donovan#; W. Petersen#, M. Lynch#	
22, 26	Dorchester, Provincetown	2, 1	R. Donovan#, K. Jones	
Royal Tern				
14, 19	N. Monomoy, Nantucket	1, 7	B. Nikula, J. Papale	
19	M.V., Wollaston	18, 4-5	V. Laux, S. Higginbotham	
19	Eastham, Onset	1, 2	K. Jones, C. Ewer	
20-26, 20	P.I., Winthrop	1, 1	T. Aversa + v.o., J. Young	
20	Barnstable (S.N.), Ipswich	17, 1	R. Donovan#, D. Rimmer#	

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Royal Tern (continued)				
23	Lynn, Gloucester	1, 2	J. Quigley, H. Wiggin	
23, 25	S. Monomoy, Duxbury	1, 1	K. Jones, W. Petersen	
31	Scituate	1	J. Hoye	
Sandwich Tern				
19-23	Nantucket	7	fide J. Papale	
19, 20	Rockport, Newburyport	1, 1	D. Nyzio, T. Aversa	
19, 20	M.V.	2, 4	V. Laux	
20, 21-22	Barnstable (S.N.), Provincetown	1, 2 ad + 2 imm	R. Donovan#, K. Jones	
22-24, 22	P.I., Salisbury	2 max, 1	R. Bradbury# + v.o., R. Bradbury#	
23, 23-24	Chatham, S. Monomoy	1, 1	K. Jones	
24, 24	N. Scituate, Squantum	1, 1	W. Petersen, R. Abrams	
Roseate Tern				
11, 20	N. Monomoy, Nantucket	100, 118	BBC (G. d'Entremont), F. Gallo	
20, 21	Ipswich (C.B.), Provincetown	2, 100	D. Rimmer, K. Jones#	
Common Tern				
thr	N. Monomoy	600 max 8/11	BBC (G. d'Entremont)	
thr	Ipswich (C.B.)	41 max 8/20	D. Rimmer	
20	Newton, Clinton	10, 7	O. Komar, R. Bradbury#	
20, 21	Nantucket, Provincetown	140, 200	E. Ray#, K. Jones	
Arctic Tern				
20, 21; 22	Nantucket (2 loc.); Provincetown	1, 1; 1	F. Gallo, N. Claffin; K. Jones	
Forster's Tern				
thr	N. Monomoy, P.I.	4 max, 5 max	B. Nikula#, T. Aversa + v.o.	
13, 24	Wollaston, Squantum	1, 20	T. Aversa, R. Abrams	
17-31	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	19 max 8/26	M. Sylvia# + v.o.	
19, 19-21	Onset, Nantucket	1, 38 total	C. Ewer, fide J. Papale	
21, 22	N. Truro, Mattapoisett	1, 1	K. Jones, M. Sylvia	
22, 23	Fairhaven, S. Monomoy	2, 4	M. Sylvia, K. Jones	
24, 30	Lakeville, Lexington	1, 1	W. Petersen, C. Floyd	
Least Tern				
thr	Ipswich (C.B.)	100 max 8/1	D. Rimmer	
thr	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	23 max 8/29	LCES (J. Hill)	
19	Stoughton	1	R. Titus	
Bridled Tern				
19	Gay Head, Tisbury	2, 1	A. Keith, S. Whiting	
20	Eastham (F.E.)	2	B. Cassie	
Sooty Tern				
19	Oak Bluffs	6	V. Laux	
19, 21	Onset, Nantucket	1 ad, 2 or 3 ad	C. Ewer#, D. Harper	
Black Tern				
4, 11; 20-21	N. Monomoy; Nantucket	3, 1; 15 total	B. Nikula#; fide J. Papale	
20	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	5	M. Sylvia	
20	P.I., Ipswich, Provincetown	2, 1, 5	J. Young#, D. Nyzio#, K. Jones	
21, 25	Ipswich (C.B.), S. Duxbury	6, 3	D. Rimmer#, W. Petersen	
Black Skimmer				
11, 19-23	Orleans, Nantucket	3, 6 total	G. d'Entremont#, fide J. Papale	
19, 20-31	Onset, Ipswich (C.B.)	1, 5 max 8/27	C. Ewer, D. Rimmer#	
20-31	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	93 max 8/25	T. Raymond# + v.o.	
20-31	M.V.	42	V. Laux	
20	Provincetown, Eastham	1, 2	K. Jones	
23, 24	W. Gloucester, Barnstable (S.N.)	6, 2	H. Wiggin, M. Sylvia	
30	Wollaston	4	T. Aversa	
Mourning Dove				
27	Natick	310	B. Cassie	
parrot species				
4	P.I.	1	G. d'Entremont#	
Black-billed Cuckoo				
6, 14; 11	Quabbin (G45); P.I.	1, 1; 1	T. Aversa; BBC (J. Kennedy)	
22, 31	Walpole, Scituate	1, 1	O. Komar, W. Petersen#	
Yellow-billed Cuckoo				
24	N. Scituate	1	W. Petersen	
Short-eared Owl				
8, 21	Nantucket	3, 1	J. Papale	
Common Nighthawk				
6, 13	DWWS, Squantum	1, 1	D. Clapp, T. Aversa	
19, 21	Stoughton, Cambridge	3, 11	R. Titus, R. Stymeist#	
23	Worcester, Westwood	1650, 27	B. Kamp#, E. Nielsen	
23	Jamaica Plain, Watertown	33, 1	J. Young, R. Stymeist#	
25, 25; 27-29	Framingham; Mt.A.	40, 15; 129 total	E. Taylor; R. Stymeist#	
28	P.I., Westwood	12, 15	T. Aversa, E. Nielsen	
29, 31	E. Middleboro	50, 20	D. Briggs	

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Whip-poor-will thr	Plymouth (MSSF)	9 max 8/28	G. d'Entremont	
Chimney Swift 10, 17; 14	Framingham; Cambridge	71, 64; 112	E. Taylor; R. Stymeist#	
Ruby-throated Hummingbird 1, 6; 13	Wellesley; Milton	1 f; 1	R. Forster; T. Aversa	
14	Watertown, Hopkinton	1, 1	R. Stymeist#, G. Gove	
14-31, 16	Millis, Middleboro	1-2, 1	P. Iarrobino, K. Holmes	
20, 28	Sherborn, Wayland	1, 1	E. Taylor, S. Arena	
24, 28	Natick, Cambridge	1, 1	E. Taylor, D. Flood	
Red-bellied Woodpecker 4	Medford (Middlesex Fells)	3	R. Stymeist#	
Pileated Woodpecker 6	Quabbin (G45),	3	T. Aversa	

FLYCATCHERS THROUGH FINCHES

Olive-sided and Yellow-bellied flycatchers, Philadelphia Vireos, and Cape May and Bay-breasted warblers were among the first southbound migrants noted after a week of northwest and northeast winds following Hurricane Bob.

Acadian Flycatchers were still singing at Quabbin on August 14, and the first Western Kingbird of the season was found early in the month at Wellfleet Bay Wildlife Sanctuary. Blue-gray Gnatcatchers were well represented, with 8 at one site and 6 at a second site. Thrush reports were discouraging. Observers reported only 8 Hermit and 3 Wood thrushes and 2 Eastern Bluebirds during the month. Large flights of American Robins were noted on August 27 and 29, with counts of 548 and 571, respectively.

An immature male Cerulean Warbler and a female Prothonotary Warbler were seen two days apart at Morris Island in Chatham. Other warbler highlights included two Golden-winged Warblers, a "Lawrence's" Warbler, 2 Hooded Warblers, and 2 Yellow-breasted Chats.

A female **Summer Tanager** was seen well at Plum Island on August 31. Seventeen Indigo Buntings were observed in West Roxbury. A Dickcissel was noted from Corn Hill in Truro, and another visited the feeder at the Monomoy headquarters on Morris Island. In Norfolk a count of 47 Chipping Sparrows was noted. A Clay-colored Sparrow was found at the Glades in North Scituate. A male **Lark Bunting** was well described from Plum Island on August 26. On Nantucket a juvenile-plumaged **Yellow-headed Blackbird** was found. A **European Goldfinch**, origin unknown, was present at a Winchester feeder for about 2 weeks from the end of August into September.

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Olive-sided Flycatcher 20	Worcester (BMB)	2	R. Bradbury
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher 20, 30	MNWS, Manomet	1, 1	T. Aversa#, MBO Staff
Acadian Flycatcher 6, 14	Quabbin (G45)	3 (1 singing), 2	T. Aversa
Willow Flycatcher 3, 4	Wakefield, Wayland	1 ad + 2 imm, 1	P. + F. Vale, BBC (P. + F.Vale)
<i>Empidonax</i> species 23, 24	North Scituate, P.I.	1, 1	G. d'Entremont, G. d'Entremont
Eastern Phoebe 29	Norfolk	23	B. Cassie
Great Crested Flycatcher 5, 9	Wellesley, Nantucket	1, 1	R. Forster, J. Papale
Western Kingbird 8, 26	WBWS, P.I.	1, 1	D. Reid, W. Drummond
31	Nantucket	1	N. Claffin
Eastern Kingbird 4, 14	Wayland, GMNWR	9, 53	BBC (B. Howell), T. Aversa
22, 24	Norfolk, P.I.	78, 50+	B. Cassie, BBC (S. Charette)
Horned Lark 24	South Monomoy	25	BBC (S. Whittum)
Purple Martin 11, 21	P.I., Truro	100+, 3	BBC (J. Kennedy), T. Aversa#
Tree Swallow 28	Ipswich; P'town	20,000; 1600+	D. Rimmer, K. Jones
Northern Rough-winged Swallow 31	Wakefield	2	R. Forster#
Cliff Swallow 20	Newton	1	O. Komar

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Barn Swallow				
4, 18	Wayland, GMNWR	20+, 50	BBC (B. Howell), BBC (E. Tarry)	
24, 25	S. Monomoy, Boston (Peddocks I.)	50, 48	BBC (S. Whittum), BBC (P. Stevens)	
Fish Crow				
26, 31	Middleboro, Carver	40, 26	G. d'Entremont, W. Petersen#	
Common Raven				
4, 6	Wachusett Res., Quabbin (G45)	1, 1	M. Lynch#, T. Aversa	
Carolina Wren				
24, 31	Scituate, Wellfleet	8, 4	W. Petersen, BBC (R. Stymeist)	
	Reports of 1 or 2 individuals (15 total) from 14 locations.			
House Wren				
4, 17	Wayland, Milton (F.M.)	4, 2	BBC (B. Howell), G. d'Entremont	
16, 23	Annisquam, N. Scituate	4, 1	H. Wiggin, G. d'Entremont	
Marsh Wren				
4, 4	Wayland, P.I.	3, 1	BBC (B. Howell), G. d'Entremont#	
24	P.I.	1	G. d'Entremont	
Golden-crowned Kinglet				
13	Milton (F.M.)	8	T. Aversa	
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher				
4, 6	Wayland, Quabbin (G45)	1, 8	BBC (B. Howell), T. Aversa	
23, 24	N. Scituate, P.I.	6, 1	G. d'Entremont, G. d'Entremont#	
Eastern Bluebird				
8	Ipswich	2	J. Berry	
Hermit Thrush				
1, 8	Plymouth, Fall River	1, 3	G. d'Entremont#, M. Boucher	
8, 25	Plymouth, Hanson	2, 2	G. d'Entremont#, W. Petersen	
Wood Thrush				
17, 28	Milton (F.M.), Stoneham	1, 2	G. d'Entremont, T. Aversa	
American Robin				
17; 27, 29	Milton (F.M.); DWWS	30; 548, 571	G. d'Entremont; D. Clapp	
Gray Catbird				
11, 17	P.I., Milton (F.M.)	45, 60	BBC (J. Kennedy), G. d'Entremont	
23	North Scituate (Glades)	23	G. d'Entremont	
Brown Thrasher				
11	Plum Island	11	BBC (J. Kennedy)	
Cedar Waxwing				
17, 31	Milton (F.M.), Annisquam	60, 45	G. d'Entremont, H. Wiggin	
Solitary Vireo				
6	Quabbin (G45)	5	T. Aversa	
Yellow-throated Vireo				
6, 24	Quabbin (G45), N. Scituate	1, 1	T. Aversa, W. Petersen	
Warbling Vireo				
4, 17	Wayland, Milton (F.M.)	4, 4	BBC (B. Howell), G. d'Entremont	
30, 31	Boston (F. Pk), Wellfleet	3, 3	T. Aversa, BBC (R. Stymeist)	
Philadelphia Vireo				
24, 27	Scituate, Lakeville	3, 1	W. Petersen, T. Aversa	
30	North Scituate	2	D. Clapp#	
Red-eyed Vireo				
17, 31	Milton (F.M.), Nant.	2, 1	G. d'Entremont, J. Papale	
Blue-winged Warbler				
6, 13	Stoneham, Milton (F.M.)	1, 6	M. Martinek, T. Aversa	
14, 23	Quabbin (G45), N. Scituate	3, 1	T. Aversa, G. d'Entremont	
Golden-winged Warbler				
3, 23	Ipswich, N. Scituate	1 m, 1 m	J. Berry, G. d'Entremont	
"Lawrence's" Warbler				
6	Quabbin (G45)	1	T. Aversa	
Nashville Warbler				
22, 22	Nantucket, Squantum	2, 1	D. Harper, G. d'Entremont	
22, 23	Nantucket, N. Scituate	1, 1	D. Harper, G. d'Entremont	
Yellow Warbler				
1, 13	Nantucket	7, 10 b	J. Papale, E. Andrews	
23, 28	Watertown, Cambridge (F.P.)	1, 4	R. Stymeist, D. Flood	
Chestnut-sided Warbler				
6, 20	Quabbin (G45), MNWS	6, 1	T. Aversa, D. Nyzio#	
23, 30	N. Scituate, Boston	2 imm, 2	G. d'Entremont, T. Aversa	
Magnolia Warbler				
28	Stoneham	1	T. Aversa	
Cape May Warbler				
29, 31	Annisquam, Marshfield	2, 1	H. Wiggin, J. Hoye	
Black-throated Blue Warbler				
6, 14	Stoneham, Quabbin (G45)	1, 3	M. Martinek, T. Aversa	
28, 30	Stoneham, N. Scituate	2, 2	T. Aversa, D. Clapp#	

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Yellow-rumped Warbler 31	Wellfleet	1	BBC (R. Stymeist)	
Blackburnian Warbler 14, 16; 31	Quab. (G45), Boston; Wellfleet	2, 1; 1	T. Aversa; BBC (R. Stymeist)	
Pine Warbler 22, 30	Plymouth, Nantucket	1, 3+	G. d'Entremont, J. Papale	
31	Wellfleet	6	BBC (R. Stymeist)	
Prairie Warbler 12, 21	Holliston, P'town	3, 1	T. Aversa, T. Aversa#	
24, 31	N. Scituate, Wellfleet	2, 7	W. Petersen, BBC (R. Stymeist)	
Bay-breasted Warbler 28, 31	Stoneham, Wellfleet	2, 1	T. Aversa, BBC (R. Stymeist)	
Blackpoll Warbler 31, 31	N. Scituate, Wellfleet	1, 1	W. Petersen#, BBC (R. Stymeist)	
Cerulean Warbler 3	Chatham (Morris I.)	1 imm m	W. Bailey	
Black-and-white Warbler 6, 13	Quab. (G45), Milton (F.M.)	4, 3	T. Aversa, T. Aversa	
28, 30	Stoneham, Nantucket	3, 2	T. Aversa, J. Papale	
American Redstart 4, 6	P.I., Quabbin (G45)	5, 16	G. d'Entremont#, T. Aversa	
7, 16	Nantucket, Boston (F. Pk)	2, 3	J. Papale, T. Aversa	
Prothonotary Warbler 5	Chatham (Morris I.)	1 f	W. Bailey	
Ovenbird 22, 31	Squantum, Wellfleet	1, 1	G. d'Entremont, BBC (R. Stymeist)	
Northern Waterthrush 3-31, 5	Annisquam, Chatham	1, 2	H. Wiggin, W. Bailey	
20, 31	MNWS, Wellfleet	2, 4	T. Aversa#, BBC (R. Stymeist)	
Mourning Warbler 24	Scituate	1	W. Petersen	
Common Yellowthroat 17, 31	Milton (F.M.), Wellfleet	36, 16	G. d'Entremont, BBC (R. Stymeist)	
Hooded Warbler 20, 23	MNWS, N. Scituate	1 f, 1 imm m	T. Aversa#, G. d'Entremont	
Wilson's Warbler 23, 30	N. Scituate, Cambridge	2, 1	G. d'Entremont, D. Flood	
Canada Warbler	Reports of 1 to 2 individuals (6 total) from 5 locations.			
Yellow-breasted Chat 24	North Scituate (Glades)	2	W. Petersen	
Summer Tanager (details on file) 31	Plum Island	1 f	R. Forster#	
Scarlet Tanager 6, 7	Quabbin (G45), Medford	11, 2	T. Aversa, M. Rines	
24	Boston (F. Pk)	1	T. Aversa	
Rose-breasted Grosbeak 1, 31	Nantucket, Wellfleet	1 m, 1	J. Papale, BBC (R. Stymeist)	
Indigo Bunting 3	West Roxbury	17	T. Aversa	
Dickcissel 10, 21	Chatham, Truro	1, 2	S. Arena, T. Aversa	
Rufous-sided Towhee 4, 8	P.I., Annisquam	5, 3	G. d'Entremont#, H. Wiggin	
17, 31	Milton (F.M.), Wellfleet	8, 17	G. d'Entremont, BBC (R. Stymeist)	
Chipping Sparrow 29, 29	Norfolk, N. Dartmouth	47, 12	B. Cassie, M. Boucher	
Clay-colored Sparrow 30	North Scituate (Glades)	1	D. Clapp#	
Lark Bunting (details on file) 26	Plum Island	1 m	B. Bradbury	
Savannah Sparrow 11, 25	P.I., S. Monomoy	12, 40	BBC (J. Kennedy), BBC (S. Whittum)	
Sharp-tailed Sparrow thr, 11	S. Dartmouth, P.I.	32 max 8/6, 15	LCES (J. Hill), BBC (J. Kennedy)	
Seaside Sparrow 6, 13; 7	S. Dartmouth; P.I.	3, 5; 1	LCES (J. Hill); T. Aversa	
Song Sparrow 17	Milton (F.M.)	23	G. d'Entremont	
White-crowned Sparrow 15	Nantucket	1	E. Ray	

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Bobolink				
5, 21	E. Boston (B. I.), Truro	2, 10	T. Aversa, T. Aversa	
25, 27	S. Dart., Halifax	1, 45	M. Boucher, T. Aversa	
Yellow-headed Blackbird				
18	Nantucket	1 juv	E. Ray#	
Red-winged Blackbird				
11	Newburyport	200+	BBC (J. Kennedy)	
Common Grackle				
11	Framingham	300	E. Taylor	
Brown-headed Cowbird				
11	Framingham	50	E. Taylor	
Northern Oriole				
8, 17	Fall River, Milton (F.M.)	4, 7	M. Boucher, G. d'Entremont	
22, 31	Squantum, Wellfleet	5, 4	G. d'Entremont, BBC (R.Stymeist)	
Purple Finch				
10, 24	Plum Island	1 m, 2	J. Berry, G. d'Entremont	
American Goldfinch				
17	Milton (F.M.)	20	G. d'Entremont	
European Goldfinch				
30-31	Winchester	1	B. Saurmon	

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

ad	adult	I.	Island
alt	alternate	L.	Ledge
b	banded	M.V.	Martha's Vineyard
br	breeding	Mt.A.	Mount Auburn Cemetery, Cambridge
dk	dark (phase)	N.A.C.	Nine Acre Corner, Concord
f	female	Nant.	Nantucket
fl	fledged	Newbypt	Newburyport
imm	immature	P.I.	Plum Island
ind	individuals	Pd	Pond
juv	juvenile	P'town	Provincetown
loc	location	Quab.	Quabbin
lt	light (phase)	Res.	Reservoir
m	male	R.P.	Race Point, Provincetown
max	maximum	S. Dart.	South Dartmouth
mi	mile	S.F.	State Forest
migr	migrating	S.N.	Sandy Neck, Barnstable
n	nesting	S.P.	State Park
ph	photographed	Stellw.	Stellwagen Bank
pl	plumage	Worc.	Worcester
pr	pair	BBC	Brookline Bird Club
S	summer (1S = first summer)	BMB	Broad Meadow Brook, Worcester
thr	throughout	BOEM	Bird Observer of Eastern Massachusetts
v.o.	various observers	CBC	Christmas Bird Count
W	winter (2W = second winter)	CCBC	Cape Cod Bird Club
w/	with	DFWS	Drumlin Farm Wildlife Sanctuary
yg	young	DLSP	Demarest Lloyd State Park
#	additional observers	DWWS	Daniel Webster Wildlife Sanctuary
A.A.	Arnold Arboretum	EMHW	Eastern Massachusetts Hawk Watch
A.P.	Andrews Point, Rockport	FCBC	Felix Cutler Bird Club
B.	Beach	GMNWR	Great Meadows National Wildlife Refuge
B.I.	Belle Isle, E. Boston	IRWS	Ipswich River Wildlife Sanctuary
B.R.	Bass Rocks, Gloucester	LCES	Lloyd Center for Environmental Studies
Buzz.	Buzzards Bay	MAS	Massachusetts Audubon Society
C.	Canyon	MBO	Manomet Bird Observatory
Cambr.	Cambridge	MDFW	MA Division of Fisheries and Wildlife
C.B.	Crane Beach, Ipswich	MNWS	Marblehead Neck Wildlife Sanctuary
Corp. B.	Corporation Beach, Dennis	MSSF	Myles Standish State Forest
C.P.	Crooked Pond, Boxford	NBC	Needham Bird Club
E.P.	Eastern Point, Gloucester	NEHW	New England Hawk Watch
F.E.	First Encounter Beach, Eastham	ONWR	Oxbow National Wildlife Refuge
F.H.	Fort Hill, Eastham	PRNWR	Parker River National Wildlife Refuge
F.M.	Fowl Meadow	SRV	Sudbury River Valley
F.P.	Fresh Pond, Cambridge	SSBC	South Shore Bird Club
F.Pk	Franklin Park, Boston	TASL	Take A Second Look Harbor Census
F.S.F.	Federation State Forest	USFWS	US Fish and Wildlife Service
G40	Gate 40, Quabbin	WBWS	Wellfleet Bay Wildlife Sanctuary
G45	Gate 45, Quabbin	WMWS	Wachusett Meadow Wildlife Sanctuary
H.	Harbor		