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## BIRD SIGHTINGS

With this issue, *Bird Observer* changes the title of its monthly summaries of birds seen in eastern Massachusetts from "Field Records" to "Bird Sightings." The change was prompted by the recent establishment of the Massachusetts Avian Records Committee (MARC), which will be responsible for verifying unusual bird sightings. The MARC will also serve as a repository for the documentation supporting the occurrence of unusual birds within Massachusetts. *Bird Observer* will regularly publish the findings of the MARC and will continue to provide monthly summaries of bird sightings throughout the eastern Massachusetts region. More details on the establishment and function of the MARC will appear in a future issue of *Bird Observer*.

## REMINDER: SPRING WORKSHOPS WITH WAYNE PETERSEN

VAGRANTS AND VAGRANCY, RECORDS AND RARITIES – a workshop for serious birders. Seminar: Friday, March 27. Field Trip: March 29. \$35. THE COMING OF SPRING – a workshop on the return of spring to Massachusetts. Seminar: Friday, April 24. Field Trip: Sunday, April 26. \$35. Details appeared in the December 1991 issue of *Bird Observer*, page 312. For more information, call 617-666-8934 (evenings). To register, please send your name, address, and phone numbers with your check payable to Bird Observer to Bird Observer Workshops, P. O. Box 236, Arlington, MA 02174.