

# Middle Pacific Coast Region

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It was one of the wettest springs on record, with record-breaking precipitation in March, and significant storms throughout the Region in April and May. Negative effects of the inclement weather on bird populations were probably many; examples noted were the Fork-tailed Storm-Petrel wreck in mid-April, and nesting failures with Sandhill Cranes in *Modoc* and mud swallows in *Marin* (JE). Banding totals at the Coyote Creek Riparian Banding Station, *Santa Clara*, showed the overall passage of land-bird migrants to be about a week late but very strong, especially for Swainson's Thrush, Warbling Vireo, Orange-crowned Warbler, and Wilson's Warbler. A low pressure system from the southwest May 12–18 produced a significant amount of migrant fallout activity everywhere in the Region.



Abbreviations: B.S.O.L. (*Big Sur Ornithological Lab, Monterey*); C.V. (*Central Valley*); Cyn. (*Canyon*); F.I. (*Southeast Farallon Island*); H.S. (*Hayward Shoreline, Alameda*); S.F. (*San Francisco*); ph. (*photo on file with Regional Editors*). All records from F.I. and Palomarin should be credited to Point Reyes Bird Observatory.

## Loons to Tropicbirds

California's 3rd **Arctic Loon** inhabited Bodega Harbor, *Sonoma*, May 5–June (A. Wight, ph. †RAR, †JM, †CC, m.ob.) and the bird may have been present 2 weeks earlier (DAsh, *vide JM*). Three different Yellow-billed Loons were seen and videotaped offshore Monterey Mar. 19 (AB, DLSh, ph. LLu), proving that two immatures had wintered there, both since December. The adult was in alternate plumage when last seen Mar. 26 (AB, DLSh).

The Laysan Albatross that frequented Pt. Arena Cove, *Mendocino*, for months was joined in synchronized flying by a 2nd individual Mar. 22 (D. Wilcove, †SCR)! One was seen through Mar. 27 (m.ob.). Have they settled somewhere on our n. coast as pre-breeders? Another onshore Laysan Albatross was rescued Mar. 27 in Benicia, *Solano*, and released at Pt. Reyes Apr. 1 (D. Rice). In the C.V., a **Northern Fulmar** on Clif-

**Arctic Loon at Bodega Harbor, California, May 6, 1995. Third state record. The large white flank patch is obvious here, and the heavy bill and head can be discerned. Photograph/Ruth A. Rudesill.**

ton Court Forebay May 14 made the first record for both *Contra Costa* and the Region's entire interior (†SAG). A Manx Shearwater was reported from F.I., Mar. 22 (*vide KH*). Black-vented Shearwaters remained numerous to Mar. 6, when 171 passed Pigeon Pt. (PJM), and three flew N past El Jarro Pt., *Santa Cruz*, as late as Apr. 20 (DLSu).

Strong winds produced a wreck of Fork-tailed Storm-Petrels the full length of our coast Apr. 15–21. The peak was 300 in Monterey Harbor Apr. 18 (DR), many of which fell prey to W. Gulls (SFB, JSO). Not obviously wind related, a smaller onshore movement occurred May 14–20, especially at Bodega Harbor, where the peak was 12 May 18 (RS). Separate reports of a **Black Storm-Petrel** in Monterey Harbor Apr. 19 & 21 (W. Torduff, G. Chaniot) rest on its blackish color and size larger than the surrounding Fork-tailed. The earliest previous records have been in May.

Always a Regional rarity, an ad. **Red-billed Tropicbird** was 19 mi off Ano Nuevo I., *San Mateo*, May 16 (†J. Poklen). A Brown Pelican soaring inland from Aromas to Prunedale Apr. 20 was a first for *San Benito* (KVV). A first nesting for e. S.F. Bay was the colony of Pelagic Cormorants on W. Brothers I., *Contra Costa*, where there were 13 nests by May 21 (†SAG). An imm. Magnificent Frigatebird at Santa Cruz Apr. 28 (K. Alley) was early and immediately followed a storm of subtropical origin.



## Hérons to Waterfowl

An ad. Little Blue Heron in Alviso, *Santa Clara*, May 6–13 (m.ob.) was the only report. Cattle Egrets were few, with one in *Humboldt* Apr. 18–29 (GjH) and ≤18 in *Monterey* Mar. 25–Apr. 25 the only ones coastally. A paucity of White-faced Ibis reports from the C.V. made it difficult to evaluate the species' status there this season, except that the colony at Mendota W.M.A., *Fresno*, remained vigorous, with 1332 flying to and from there Apr. 23 (PJM).

Up to 40 Greater White-fronted Geese at Pt. Reyes May 20–27 (RS, NWh, JM) were exceptionally late coastally. Two blue-morph Ross' Geese were among many Ross' staging at Lower Klamath N.W.R., *Siskiyou*, Mar. 25 (RE). The Emperor Goose at Bodega, *Sonoma*, present since winter, was last seen June 6 (BRe). Unusual away from its wintering or staging areas, an "Aleutian" Canada Goose flew by Pigeon Pt., *San Mateo*, Mar. 4 (†RSTh).

Four Eur. Green-winged Teal Mar. 1–Apr. 29 and approximately 33 of 36 Blue-winged Teal Mar. 1–May 14 were coastal and expected numbers during spring (m.ob.), but a lack of reports from the C.V. suggested some Blue-winged Teal went unreported. A Eur. Wigeon at Bolinas Lagoon, *Marin*, May 15 (RS) was the last reported. Only one of four Tufted Ducks Mar. 4–Apr. 21 was known to have wintered in the S.F. Bay Area (m.ob.). More unusual was a well-documented Tufted Duck × scaup sp. in *San Mateo* Mar. 15–21 (†ph. RSTh, †DSg, D. Heim). Winter's strong showing of Oldsquaws continued into spring, with 15–16 reported. All were along the immediate coast, except for singles at H S, *Alameda*, Apr. 2–14 (RSa, JMR) and Mare Is., *Solano*, Mar. 12–Apr. 17 (W. Neville, RLCL). An impressive >33,000 Surf Scoters passed by Pigeon Pt., Mar. 19. Approximately one-half of those flew by in 2 hours, and 5600 were tallied in 4 minutes (RSTh)!

## Raptors

Bald Eagles at L. Berryessa produced their first nestlings in *Napa* after sporadic nest-building since 1985 (G. Gamble). Illustrating the spread of nesting raptors into urban areas was a Cooper's Hawk nest right over a picnic area and a busy dog walk at Fort Funston, apparently the first for S.F. (DSg). An ad N. Goshawk at Boonville, *Mendocino*, Mar. 5 (RLe) was farther south than this species is usually seen in the Coast Ranges. The Broad-winged Hawk reported at Five Brooks, *Marin*, Mar. 24 (MDH, *fide* HG) could have wintered locally, but the adult at Pescadero, *San Mateo*, May 29 (†BMcK) was clearly a late spring migrant. Six Swain-

son's Hawks near King City, *Monterey*, Apr. 20 were at the same place as a larger flock in April 1994 (J. Banks). Is this becoming a regular stopover? Single Swainson's Hawks passed Soquel, *Santa Cruz*, Apr. 2 (DLSu) and Loma Prieta Ridge, *Santa Clara*, May 19 (SBT, MMR). They are always rare near the coast. Interesting Red-tailed Hawks included one with all-white plumage at Mt. San Bruno, *San Mateo*, Mar. 16 (R. Taini) and a "Harlan's" at Spenceville W.A., *Yuba*, Mar. 4 (†B. Williams). A Ferruginous Hawk at Marina Mar. 31 was the latest ever for *Monterey* (DR). Not normally sociable, eight Golden Eagles soared together at Hopland, *Mendocino*, Apr. 3 (CEV, RJK) and nine roosted in one tree there May 2 (J. Dayton).

## Rails to Shorebirds

Ducting Clapper Rails at H.S. through end of the period suggested breeding there for the first time (RJR). A Com. Moorhen at MacKerricher S.P., *Mendocino*, Apr. 30 (JRW) was rare on the n. coast.

Flooding continued to thwart nesting Sandhill Cranes at Modoc N.W.R., *Modoc*, where up to 75% of nests were lost in May. Coastally, a Sandhill Crane present since fall was last noted in *Monterey* Apr. 19 (m.ob.) and other singles (or the same?) were at the *Marin* headlands May 15 (AMF), Bodega Bay, *Sonoma*, May 19–June 7 (m.ob.), and the Russian R. mouth May 27 (LLu).

Wintering Pacific Golden-Plovers were last noted at Pt. Reyes May 2 (LCo), but two at Montezuma Slough, *Solano*, May 3 (JGE) were migrants. A golden-plover flying N at Pigeon Pt., *San Mateo*, Apr. 20 (PJM) was the only other migrant reported. Two Snowy Plovers at Lower Klamath N.W.R., May 14 (RE) were presumed migrants as they have not nested there in several years.

Among ten Solitary Sandpipers Apr. 8–May 6 was the Region's earliest ever in *Sonoma* Apr. 8 (AW, BDP, DH). One Apr. 14 was thought to be *Sierra's* first (†MMC). This species is very rare in California e. of the Sierra crest during spring. A flock of 19 Wandering Tattlers at El Jarro Pt., *Santa Cruz*, Apr. 20 (DLSu) was an uncommon sight for a species normally encountered singly or in small groups. Four Ruddy Turnstones May 14, one Red Knot Apr. 28, and one Sanderling May 18, all at Lower Klamath N.W.R., were rare (but regular) migrants there (RE). Three Red Knots at McKerricher S.P., *Mendocino*, May 7 (DT) were rare along the n. coast. Single Semipalmated Sandpipers in *Alameda* at Albany Apr. 23 (JM) and H.S., May 1 (RJR) met the recent spring average. The Baird's Sandpiper in Alviso, *Santa Clara*, Apr. 17 (PJM)

marked the lowest spring turnout since 1990. A Pectoral Sandpiper was at College L., *Santa Cruz*, Apr. 19 (DLSu); this species is not as expected in spring as the previous one. Stilt Sandpipers at Novato, *Marin*, Apr. 25 (RS) and Alviso, *Santa Clara*, Mar. 2–4 (†AME, PJM) were only the Region's 4th and 5th in spring. A basic-plumaged Wilson's Phalarope at Ravenswood, *San Mateo*, Mar. 5 was suspected of wintering locally (RSTh). A widely noted passage of Red-necked Phalaropes coastally Mar. 12–29 involving 17 records of at least 330 individuals was unprecedented (m.ob.). Since 1970 there have been less than ten March records of obvious spring migrants. Though strong winds contributed to their presence onshore, an early passage of such scope is difficult to explain.

## Larids to Alcids

An ad. Laughing Gull near Table Rock, *Santa Cruz*, May 24 (†DLSu) fit the usual pattern of alternate-plumaged birds around Monterey Bay in spring/summer. The first three Franklin's Gulls Mar. 19–Apr. 17 were first-year birds. Next came three adults plus a subadult near Davenport, *Santa Cruz*, Apr. 26 (DLSu) that probably were the same four birds that visited Pigeon Pt., *San Mateo*, between Apr. 30–May 16 (RSTh, †SCR, BS). Finally, five adults plus a first-summer bird at Lower Klamath N.W.R., *Siskiyou*, May 28 (BY, CY) showed breeding behavior in the area where California nesting has been proven. An ad. Little Gull flew N past Pigeon Pt., Apr. 11 (BS). An imm. Little Gull at Alviso May 4–11 (PJM, †MMR, †SCR, m.ob.) was *Santa Clara's* first. Perhaps the imm. Little Gull at H.S., *Alameda*, May 16–17 (R. Lindeman, †RJR) was the same bird. An ad. Com. Black-headed Gull visited H.S., April 11 (†RJR).

Last year's nesting pair of Heermann's Gulls returned to Ano Nuevo I., *San Mateo*, and were on eggs May 25 (GJS). Winter's irruption of Glaucous Gulls lingering into March included a documented 3rd-year bird at Gazos Cr., *San Mateo*, Mar. 12 (†BMcK). Surprisingly, only two first-year Glaucous Gulls stayed past March: Alviso Apr. 12–16 (PJM, MMR) and Bolinas May 10 (KH). An alternate-plumaged Sabine's Gull at Hollister sewage ponds Apr. 13 (†KVV) was the first for *San Benito*.

Two Elegant Terns at Pescadero Cr., *San Mateo*, Apr. 30 (DPo) and one at H.S., May 17 (JMR) were the only early reports. An unseasonal first-basic Com. Tern at Mountain View, *Santa Clara*, Mar. 10–16 (†L. Chibana, †SCR *et al.*) was suspected of having wintered in California. A Least Tern appeared at Alameda Apr. 8 (LRF *et al.*). Our only earlier records are: Elkhorn Slough

Mar. 27, 1968 and Pigeon Pt., Apr. 1, 1977. Three Least Terns passing Pigeon Pt., Apr. 11 (BS) were also very early. This species is seldom seen there, probably because most of them migrate across the Santa Cruz Mts. (AB 41: 1483 & 42:130). Two Least Terns followed many Forster's Terns N on this route at Capitola, *Santa Cruz*, Apr. 19 (DLSu). Hayward hosted 110 Least Terns May 11 (RJR, VL), a very large migrant concentration.

Migrant Black Skimmers numbered ≤three at Elkhorn Slough, *Monterey*, Apr. 27–May 2 (J. Gideon, SRv, T. Newberry) and one at Princeton Harbor, *San Mateo*, May 17–18 (BS) before singles settled around S.F. Bay at Charleston Slough, *Santa Clara*, May 8–17 (S. Long, †SCR); Brooks I., *Contra Costa's* first, May 9–14 (SAG, m.ob.); and H.S., May 17 (RJR). By May 26, 2 pairs were courting at H.S. (RJR).

May 1 brought H.S. its first Cassin's Auklet (RJR), which is always very rare inside S.F. Bay. The fresh carcass of a Parakeet Auklet was found on Limantour Beach, *Marin*, Mar. 12 (*vide* RS), providing more evidence that this species came closer than usual to our shores this winter.

### Pigeons to Woodpeckers

Band-tailed Pigeons occasionally wander onto the C.V. floor during any season, as singles in Stockton, *San Joaquin*, Mar. 30 and Apr. 20 attested (DGY). They are regular in the low foothills of the n. Sacramento Valley, but 75 near Redding, *Shasta*, Apr. 14 (BY, CY) was a very high count. Roadrunners in San Jose Mar. 31 (M. Breithaupt) and s. *Yolo* Apr. 16 (M. Schiedt) had few recent precedents. A Burrowing Owl that wintered locally near Shasta Valley, *Siskiyou*, was last observed Apr. 19 (RE). There are few winter records for our mountain valleys. The Barred Owl heard and seen at Stewart's Pt., *Sonoma*, May 26–27 (DN, DE, ANW, BDP, DHO) was presumably the same as one first detected there in 1990 (AB 45:317).

Lesser Nighthawks were nesting again in Cache Cr., *Yolo*, May 27–June 6 (StH) as three birds and a nest were found. One was just e. of Gilroy, *Santa Clara*, Apr. 18 (JAC, C. Moores) where they formerly bred. Black-chinned Hummingbirds were all as common in the San Jose area as last year (SCR *et al.*). Though not as intensely surveyed as in the past, at least 23 birds were noted, with the first a male at Coyote Cr., *Santa Clara*, Apr. 8 (LCh). A nesting Anna's Hummingbird at Henry Coe S.P., *Santa Clara*, Apr. 16 (JY, AL) was considered a rare breeder that high in this portion of the Diablo Range (WGB). Still "in residence," the ♂ Costa's Hummingbird that wintered in Watsonville, *Santa Cruz*, was observed behaving territorially into May (A. Harold, J. Rosendale). Seven

Costa's in Arroyo Valley, s. of Livermore, May 20 (MMR) included *Alameda's* first nesting record. Nine Calliope Hummingbirds at e. Folsom L., *Placer*, May 6 (BW) was a nice concentration, though the spring passage there is annual. One in the Santa Cruz Mts., May 15 (DLSu) was one of few *Santa Cruz* records.

Last dates for wintering Yellow-bellied Sapsuckers were Ed Levin County Park, *Santa Clara*, Mar. 16 (MMR), and Davis, *Yolo*, Mar. 23 (ANW). One along Butano Cr., *San Mateo*, Mar. 24–28 (BMcK) also may have wintered locally. Rare migrant Red-naped Sapsuckers were at Walnut Creek, *Contra Costa*, Mar. 21–27 (J. Goodman *et al.*) and Canyon Rd., *San Mateo*, Mar. 28–Apr. 2 (BMcK). A courting pair of Red-breasted Sapsuckers near Pescadero, *San Mateo*, in March (†BMcK) successfully nested in a red alder by the period's end; the nearest regular breeding stations along the coast are in n. *Sonoma*. Quite unusual e. of the Sierran crest during spring, a Nuttall's Woodpecker was at Sattley, *Sierra*, Apr. 1 (†EDG).

### Flycatchers to Shrikes

Olive-sided Flycatchers along Long Ridge Rd., *Santa Cruz*, Mar. 27 (DLSu) and at Garin Regional Park, *Alameda*, Mar. 30 (RJR) were two of our earliest on record. Consistent with recent springs, a strong *Empidonax* flycatcher migration was noted for all w. species save the threatened Willow, with only three in the greater S.F. Bay area in May. One hundred twenty-seven Hammond's Mar. 23–May 27 and 22 Dusks Apr. 18–May 16 were numbers that nearly matched the record-breaking totals of 1991. Nearly all were noted in interior woodlands of the greater S.F., Sacramento, and Stockton areas, except for eight Hammond's coastally from *Monterey* to S.F., Apr. 19–May 26 (B.S.O.L., JBo, SRo, SGe, DSg, BS), and single Dusks at the Big Sur R. mouth May 6 (SFB) and in S.F., May 14 (DSg). Impressive was the 37 Hammond's near Del Valle Res., *Alameda*, May 13 (MMR). An unprecedented 34 transient Gray Flycatchers were found over the entire Region w. of the Sierran crest Apr. 14–May 16. Notables were six on the immediate coast May 14–16 (B.S.O.L., RS, JEH), and nine near Folsom Res., *Placer*, Apr. 16–May 14, where two birds stayed the entire date span (†BW).

Wintering E. Phoebes were last noted at Pt. Reyes Station Mar. 14 (MDH), Davis Mar. 16 (EDG), and San Jose Apr. 1 (SCR). Nesting Cassin's Kingbirds were again at the Tracy Golf Course, *San Joaquin*, Apr. 22 (WRH *et al.*), and one at Harkin's Slough May 2 (L. Fisher) was *Santa Cruz's* 2nd. The W. Kingbird at L. Tahoe, *Placer*, May 20 (BW) appeared to be the first for the Tahoe

Basin in spring. A Scissor-tailed Flycatcher was in the Crannell Bottoms, *Humboldt*, May 26 (M. Hinton, †JEH *et al.*).

Repeated visits to the Purple Martin colony site at Kent L., (one of *Marin's* 2 martin colonies) produced a sighting of only one bird Mar. 31 (JE). The scattered nesting sites of this declining species should be monitored regularly. Thirty Bank Swallows at a nest site along the American R., *Sacramento*, Apr. 12 (EDG) was encouraging as recent nesting attempts in the area have been inconsistent due to habitat loss. Slowly extending their range southward, two Gray Jays at Gualala R Regional Park Apr. 23 (RoM, ChW) established *Sonoma's* first record, with one staying until May 27 (DN, LLu). A wandering Clark's Nutcracker at Ano Nuevo Mar. 27 (P Keel, GJS) was *San Mateo's* 2nd. A late migrant Red-breasted Nuthatch was in Pacific Grove, *Monterey*, May 30 (RC, DR).

The Mt. Bluebird in Del Puerto Cyn., *Stanislaus*, May 29 (GFB) was one of few transients ever recorded in May. Lingering Townsend's Solitaires in Cold Cyn., *Yolo*, Apr. 10 (JTr, BMo) and Hopland, *Mendocino*, Apr. 10 (CEV), with four still on Mt. Saint Helena, *Sonoma*, Apr. 14 (ANW), were undoubtedly related to the strong winter influx. The passerine highlight of the Season was the Veery at Moss Landing, *Monterey*, May 19 (†DR, †RC), the Region's 3rd in spring. The wintering N. Shrike at the Ukiah sewage ponds, *Mendocino*, remained until Mar. 25 (CEV).

### Vireos to Warblers

A *plumbeus* Solitary Vireo was in Monterey May 16 (DHp); our Region averages less than one per spring w. of the Sierra, so supporting details are encouraged. *Marin* cornered all three N. Parulas for one of our poorer showings in recent springs: Shields Marsh Apr. 26 (JE), Bear Valley Apr. 26 (RS), and Pt. Reyes May 31–June 2 (RS, JM *et al.*) The Yellow Warbler on Mt. Diablo, *Contra Costa*, Mar. 31 (SAG) was 3 weeks early for the interior. The Magnolia Warbler in Soquel, *Santa Cruz*, successfully wintered until Apr. 14 (DLSu). Our warbler highlight was the ♂ Black-throated Blue Warbler in S F, May 28 (ASH), the Region's 3rd in spring A very rare Yellow-throated Warbler was at Pt. Reyes May 31–June 4 (RS, †JM *et al.*).

Three Palm Warblers at Pt. Reyes Apr 8–22 (LLu, D. Zito), Apr. 9 (B. Walker) and Apr. 27 (RS), and another at B.S.O.L., Apr. 22 better fit the timing pattern of migrants than vagrants. One in Chico, *Butte*, Mar. 11 (†R. Redmond, J. Redmond) probably wintered locally, one of few for the interior. Our lone Blackpoll Warbler was at Pescadero May 29 (RSTh). The Black-and-white Warbler at Tomales Bay S.P., *Marin*, Mar. 21 (CCo)

likely wintered locally, as may have one in the interior at Lodi L., *San Joaquin*, Apr. 8–12 (DGY, WRH, D. Wagner). Last wintering dates for Am. Redstart and N. Waterthrush were Mar. 28 at Branciforte Cr., *Santa Cruz* (DLSu) and Mar. 17 at Matadero Cr., *Santa Clara* (SCR), respectively. A singing Com. Yellowthroat at Spenceville W.A., *Yuba*, May 31 (BW) was a possible nester in an area where recent surveys have revealed none; their breeding status in the Sierran foothills is now problematic due to habitat loss. Two Hooded Warblers met the recent average: Pescadero May 12–13 (RSTh, SCR), and H.S., May 15 (RSL, RJR; *Alameda's* first).

### Tanagers to Finches

The wintering Summer Tanager in Palo Alto was last observed Mar. 19 (SBT). A spring vagrant was at Las Trampas Regional Wilderness, *Contra Costa*, May 27 (BoB). Three coastal Rose-breasted Grosbeaks Apr. 15–May 26 and one slightly inland at Grant L, *Santa Clara*, May 27 (†SCR) equalled an average spring. In addition to a pair of Blue Grosbeaks returning for their 5th year, another pair and three territorial males near San Lucas and King City, *Monterey*, Apr. 22+ (CHO, JBn, H. Kronkhyte *et al.*) gave strong indications the upper Salinas Valley is being recolonized. A singing ♂ Indigo Bunting returned to Rohnert Park, *Sonoma*, May 8–11 (DN, DSh) for its 2nd spring, and another was near Pescadero May 29 (RSTh).

The wintering Green-tailed Towhee in San Jose remained until Apr. 9 (SCR). Several pairs of Chipping Sparrows were nesting again at the Spenceville W.A. in April and at Granite Bay, *Placer*, May 21 (both BW). Current breeding in the lowlands around the C V is very poorly understood! A very rare in spring Clay-colored Sparrow was in Daly City, *San Mateo*, May 28 (DSg), and a Brewer's Sparrow was a vagrant to the coast at Half Moon Bay May 20 (RSTh). Four Vesper and five Savannah sparrows at Martis Creek W.A., *Placer*, May 20 (BW) were acting very territorial, but were probably lingering late. Nesting by either in the C.V. or its foothills would be unprecedented, though Savannahs may breed very peripherally in the Sacramento Delta. Seven Sage Sparrows along the American R., e. of Auburn, *Placer*, May 19 (BW) were from an area where breeding has not been detected since the mid-eighties.

A Grasshopper Sparrow n. of La Honda, *San Mateo*, Mar. 12 (FrT) either wintered locally or was a very early migrant. They again bred along Meiss Rd., e. *Sacramento*, as four territorial males were observed April–May (JTr) A wintering Harris' Sparrow in Cordelia, *Solano*, was last observed Mar. 28 (J&S Tarpley). Rare spring migrants were

noted in W. Sacramento Apr. 22 (V. Turner) and Cosumnes R. Preserve, *Sacramento*, Apr. 30 (K. Rademaker). After a 6-week absence, the four wintering Chestnut-colored Longspurs e. of San Jose reappeared Apr. 1–10 (JiD) before departing.

The Regional conquest by Great-tailed Grackles continued. *San Joaquin's* first appeared in Stockton April 1994 (B. Hockhalter) and was found again this year nearby along the Calavaras R., Mar. 4–Apr. 15 (N. Ballot *et al.*). The county's 2nd was s. of Tracy May 30 (ADeM). *Siskiyou's* first visited both Yreka and Lower Klamath N.W.R., May 1–13 (NEC, RE, SWH, m.ob.). Second county records occurred at Alviso, *Santa Clara*, Apr. 28–May 6 (SBT, †SCR *et al.*) and H.S., *Alameda*, May 14–26 (DES, C. Peddle). Finally, one was in Tiburon, *Marin*, Feb. 25–Mar. 25 (GHg, m.ob.). AN. "Baltimore" Oriole at the Big Sur R. mouth, *Monterey*, May 28 (CHO, CT) was a rare find, but paled next to ♂ **Scott's Orioles** at Golden Gate Park, S.F., Mar. 18–Apr. 9 (ASH, †SCR, m.ob.) and Asilomar, *Monterey*, Mar. 30 (†K. Krause). Finches made little noise except for three Cassin's Finches at Santa Rosalia Mt., Mar. 6 (†DLSu) that established *Santa Cruz's* first well-documented record, and another wandering Cassin's on Mt. Diablo, *Contra Costa*, Apr. 5 (KGH).

### Corrigenda

The Swainson's Hawk published in *AB* 47:450 as being in *Santa Cruz* was actually in *Santa Clara*, and others questioned that the bird could be identified given the view. The N. Parula in *Mariposa* cited in *AFN* 49:5 was in Bear Cr. Canyon June 5.

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