

# BIRD SIGHTINGS

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## November-December 2016

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Temperature and precipitation were near average in November and December. Total snowfall was 5.9 inches in Boston, most of which fell on December 17, which, unfortunately, was also the date of several Christmas Bird Counts. November averaged 46°, one degree above normal. The high temperature of 70° was on November 2 and an additional six days during the month had readings in the 60s. The first frost in Boston was on November 21 when the high temperature reached only 38°. Rainfall totaled 2.7 inches in Boston, 1.29 inches less than average, most of which fell on just two days.

The average temperature in December was 35°. In Boston, the high was 58° on December 27 and the low was a cold 4° on December 16. Most areas outside of Boston experienced below zero readings that day along with wind that made it unbearable to be out. Total precipitation for the month was 3.25 inches in Boston, just about a half inch below average.

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### WATERFOWL THROUGH ALCIDS

The first **Pink-footed Goose** in Massachusetts occurred less than 20 years ago, an individual that spent several months in Dennis from January 16 to April 11, 1999. Several more have been reported since then, but never as many as were seen during this reporting period. The first was discovered in West Newbury on November 6 and was seen in the same area until December 2. Presumably the same individual was regularly seen in Ipswich through the end of the month. On December 4, one was seen flying over Cape Cod, but was not relocated. Also on December 4, one was discovered at Cambridge Reservoir in Waltham, and presumably the same bird was relocated in Concord on the 7th and seen sporadically through the 15th. Connecticut River Valley birders weren't left out, as a Pink-footed Goose was seen in the Hadley area December 6–19.

These geese were not the only exciting waterfowl. The **Greater White-fronted Goose** reports in Hampden, Southwick, and Agawam surely represented the same individual, and one reported from Amherst, although a significant distance away, appeared in a hiatus in sightings from farther south along the Connecticut River, so it was probably the same bird. On December 28 there was a report of two **Ross's Geese** on Plum Island, but subsequent examination determined that one was a Snow x Ross's Goose hybrid. A flock of 32 Brant flying over Quabbin Park was interesting. **Cackling Geese** were well reported during this period.

There was a time when Fresh Pond in Cambridge was one of the best places in the state to find Canvasbacks, with counts over 100 in the 1990s. Numbers have dwindled since then, with only one seen during this reporting period.

On November 15 there was a remarkable fallout of 38 Red-throated Loons on Pontoosuc Lake in Pittsfield but this number was eclipsed the following morning when 53 were counted. While single Red-throated Loons are regular inland at this time of year, this number is apparently the second largest tally, topped only by 150 at Turners Falls in November 1985.

Sandhill Cranes are becoming more common in Massachusetts, and in this reporting period there were several reports of large flocks.

Sea watchers at outer Cape Cod were treated to some spectacular birding during this period. Several **Black-headed Gulls** were reported, and up to seven **Little Gulls** was a high count for recent years. On December 4 a **Franklin's Gull** was photographed off Truro and as many as 68 Iceland Gulls were reported at Race Point. The most exciting sighting was of an **Elegant Tern** off Wellfleet on November 19. This is only the third record for this species in Massachusetts; the first spent most of August 2002 off Chatham, the second seen for only a single day at Plum Island on July 23, 2011.

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<b>Pink-footed Goose</b>							
11/6-12/2	W. Newbury area	1 ph	R. Gervais + v.o.	11/12	Newton	5	H. Miller
12/3-31	Ipswich	1 ph	v.o.	11/16	Pittsfield (Pont.)	6	J. Pierce
12/4	Waltham	1 ph	C. Cook#	11/19	Arlington Res.	6	J. Forbes
12/4	Brewster	1 ph	B. Delaney	12/18	Eastham	5	D. Clapp#
12/6-19	Hadley	1 ph	Therrien + v.o.	Northern Pintail	P.I.	150 max	v.o.
12/7-15	Concord	1 ph	J. Forbes + v.o.	11/11	P'town (R.P.)	30	S. Arena
				11/24	GMNWR	5	A. Bragg#
				12/11	Duxbury B.	12	R. Bowes
				12/22	Randolph	2	P. Peterson
<b>Greater White-fronted Goose</b>					Green-winged Teal		
11/1-12/4	Hampden	1	A. Downey	thr	P.I.	415 max	v.o.
11/8-25	Ipswich	1-2	N. Dubrow + v.o.	11/8	W. Roxbury	24	P. Peterson
12/6	Amherst	1	L. Therrien	11/16	Quabog IB'A	27	M. Lynch#
12/21-31	Southwkh/Agawam	1	J. Zepko	11/21	Cambr. Res.	31	R. Styneist
<b>Snow Goose</b>				12/4	Wayland	55	J. Forbes
11/1	Marlboro	6	G. Gove	12/21	Quabbin (G25)	12	B. Lafley
12/22	Topsfield	2 imm	B. Hobbie	12/31	Shrewsbury	2	P. Morlock
12/24	Danvers	6	J. Keeley				
<b>Ross's Goose</b>					Canvasback		
12/28-31	P.I./Ipswich	1 ph	Wetmore + v.o.	thr	Cambr. (F.P.)	1	B. Miller
<b>Ross's Goose x Snow Goose</b>				12/11	Turners Falls	1	P. Gagarin
12/28-31	P.I./Ipswich	1 ph	v.o.	12/13	Randolph	1	T. O'Brien#
<b>Brant</b>				12/20	Nantucket	37	L. Dunn
11/4	Quabbin Pk	32	L. Therrien	11/6-12/18	Somerville	1	A. Gantz + v.o.
11/17-12/2	Hadley/Amherst	1	L. Therrien	12/4-31	Waltham	1	C. Cook#
12/7	E. Boston (B.I.)	15	P. Peterson	12/30	Edgartown	1	S. Whiting#
12/13	Winthrop B.	20	S. Zendeh#	12/31	Nantucket	9	J. Trimble#
<b>Cackling Goose</b>					Ring-necked Duck		
11/20	Northampton	2	K. Yakola	thr	Waltham	250 max	J. Forbes
11/21	Turners Falls	2	J. Coleman	11/6	Pittsfield	1700	J. Pierce
11/24	Quabbin Pk	1	L. Therrien	11/8	Cambr. (F.P.)	168	R. Styneist
12/2	P'town (R.P.)	1	S. Arena	12/3	Groveland	175	G. d'Entremont#
12/4	Lakeville	1	N. Marchessault#	12/11	Stockbridge	114	J. Pierce
12/8	Wachusett Res.	1	M. Lynch#	12/17	Randolph	300	G. d'Entremont#
12/13	Rehoboth	2	J. Eckerson				
12/24	Agawam	1	S. Motyl				
<b>Wood Duck</b>					<b>Tufted Duck</b>		
11/4	Concord	10	P. Peterson	11/1-12/4	Groveland	1	v.o.
11/9	Petersham	18	M. Lynch#	12/11-22	Haverhill	1	v.o.
12/27	Jamaica Plain	33	P. Peterson	12/31	Nantucket	1	S. Williams#
<b>Gadwall</b>					<b>Greater Scaup</b>		
11/19	Marion	80	G. d'Entremont#	11/12	Holland	13	M. Lynch#
12/3	Waltham	9	J. Forbes	11/16, 12/30	Waltham	8, 5	J. Forbes
12/5	Quincy	10	P. Peterson	11/19	Lakeville	167	G. d'Entremont#
12/12	P.I.	41	R. Heil	11/21, 12/26	Wachusett Res.	68, 34	M. Lynch#
<b>Eurasian Wigeon</b>				12/20	Falmouth	850	P. Crosson
11/5-10	P.I.	1	D. Chickering + v.o.	12/31	Nantucket	215	S. Williams#
12/6	Swansea	1	M. Iliff				
<b>American Wigeon</b>					<b>Lesser Scaup</b>		
thr	P.I.	15 max	v.o.	11/10	Pittsfield (Pont.)	28	J. Pierce
thr	Waltham	50 max	J. Forbes	11/17	Clinton	22	M. Lynch#
11/16	Cambr. Res.	57	R. Styneist	11/19	Lakeville	22	G. d'Entremont#
11/26	Plymouth	75	SSBC (GdE)	11/20	Nantucket	30	S. Kardell#
<b>American Black Duck</b>				12/3	Groveland	50	G. d'Entremont#
thr	P.I.	1525 max	v.o.	12/11	Haverhill	56	S. Mirick
12/13	Barnstable	1200	P. Crosson	12/27	W. Barnstable	385	J. Trimble#
<b>Blue-winged Teal</b>					<b>King Eider</b>		
11/3	GMNWR	1	K. Dia#	11/2-16	Ipswich (C.B.)	1 m ad	N. Dubrow
12/14	Orleans	1	B. Delaney	11/15-24	Bourne	1	P. Crosson#
<b>Northern Shoveler</b>				12/14	P'town (R.P.)	1	C. Hagenlocher
11/3	P.I.	12	S. Babbitt	12/17	Falmouth	1	K. Yakola

King Eider (continued)				12/3	Quabog IBA	570	M. Lynch#
12/20	Rockport	1	B. Harris	Red-breasted Merganser			
12/31	Salisbury	1 f	J. Berry	11/28	Acoaxet	109	M. Lynch#
Common Eider				11/28	Pittsfield (Pont.)	4	J. Pierce
11/2	E. of Chatham	25000	B. Nikula#	12/1	Tolland	3	D. Holmes
11/6	P.I.	220	S. Sullivan	12/12	P.I.	220	R. Heil
11/18	Boston (Deer I.)	146	R. Stymeist#	12/26	P'town	1500	S. Arena
12/26	Tuckernuck	30246	S. Kardell# (CBC)	Ruddy Duck			
Harlequin Duck				11/7	W. Newbury	320	J. Berry#
thr	Rockport (H.P.)	38 max	v.o.	11/12	Holland	95	M. Lynch#
11/8	P'town (R.P.)	2	B. Nikula	11/24	Lincoln	58	J. Forbes
11/20	Nantucket	6	S. Kardell#	11/26	Eastham	90	S. Finnegan#
11/27	Manomet	10	S. van der Veen	11/26	Pembroke	94	SSBC (GdE)
12/2	P.I.	10	T. Wetmore	11/27	Nantucket	126	K. Blackshaw#
12/11	Duxbury B.	4	R. Bowes	12/7	W. Newbury	150	MAS (D. Moon)
12/14	Cohasset	2	E. Lipton	Ring-necked Pheasant			
Surf Scoter				11/13	Rowley	2	J. Berry#
11/2	Chatham	2000	J. Junda#	12/11	Quabog IBA	3	M. Lynch#
11/5	Wachusett Res.	4	M. Lynch#	Ruffed Grouse			
11/18	Boston (Deer I.)	46	R. Stymeist#	11/14	Windsor	2	M. Lynch#
White-winged Scoter				Red-throated Loon			
11/2	Chatham	1000	J. Junda#	thr	P.I.	111 max	v.o.
11/4	Pittsfield	3	J. Pierce	11/12	Medford	1	J. Layman#
11/6, 26	S. Quabbin	2	L. Therrien	11/15, 16	Pittsfield (Pont.)	38, 53	J. Pierce
11/6	Ludlow	2	S. Motyl	11/28	Westport	38	M. Lynch#
11/19	Ipswich (C.B.)	700	J. Berry#	12/26	P'town (R.P.)	36	S. Arena
11/29	Orleans	3000	S. Sullivan#	Pacific Loon			
Black Scoter				11/5	Salisbury	1	M. Iliff
11/4	S. Quabbin	16	L. Therrien	11/19	P'town (R.P.)	1	S. Arena
11/19	Ipswich (C.B.)	1600	J. Berry#	Common Loon			
11/19	Truro	3000	M. Faherty	thr	P.I.	45 max	v.o.
11/23	Pittsfield (Onata)	74	G. Hurley	11/5, 12/1	Wachusett Res.	25, 16	M. Lynch#
12/31	Wellfleet	4500	S. Arenat#	11/26	Manomet	336	SSBC (GdE)
Long-tailed Duck				Pied-billed Grebe			
11/4, 25	Quabbin Pk	26, 4	L. Therrien	11/10	W. Newbury	2	P. Vale#
11/10	Pittsfield (Onota)	7	J. Pierce	11/26	P.I.	2	N. Landry
11/18	Boston (Deer I.)	37	R. Stymeist#	Horned Grebe			
12/1	Wachusett Res.	3	M. Lynch#	11/5, 12/26	Wachusett Res.	4, 1	M. Lynch#
12/12	P.I.	85	R. Heil	11/19	Quabbin (G 37)	7	J. Hoye#
12/26	Tuckernuck	9300	S. Kardell# (CBC)	11/19	Lakeville	20	G. d'Entremont#
Bufflehead				11/27	Dennis (Corp. B.)	11	C. Bates
11/6	Quabbin (G35)	25	B. Lafley	11/28	Westport	17	M. Lynch#
11/28	Westport	254	M. Lynch#	12/13	Winthrop B.	6	S. Zendeh#
12/12	P.I.	212	R. Heil	Red-necked Grebe			
Common Goldeneye				thr	P.I.	16 max	v.o.
thr	P.I.	25 max	v.o.	11/6	Ludlow	3	S. Motyl
11/19	Lakeville	89	G. d'Entremont#	11/7	Quabbin Pk	3	L. Therrien
12/1	Randolph	28	P. Peterson	12/3	Cambr. (F.P.)	2	J. Young
12/11	Haverhill	26	S. Mirick	12/13	Winthrop B.	31	S. Zendeh#
12/26	Wachusett Res.	53	M. Lynch#	12/24	Dennis (Corp. B.)	15	P. Flood
Barrow's Goldeneye				Northern Fulmar			
11/7	Dorchester	1 m	J. Benson#	11/2	Stellwagen	1	J. Sender
11/19-25	Marlboro	1	M. Sovay + v.o.	11/11	Orleans	1	N. Dorian
12/2-14	Salisbury	1 m	v.o.	Cory's Shearwater			
12/3, 28	Agawam	1	D. Holmes	11/1, 20	P'town (R.P.)	3000, 1	B. Nikula
12/8	Westport	1	M. Iliff	Great Shearwater			
12/8-17	Somerset	1	E. Lipton + v.o.	11/4	P'town (R.P.)	4900	S. Arena
12/16	Wachusett Res.	1	M. Lynch#	11/11	P'town (R.P.)	1875	S. Arena
12/18	Boston (Deer I.)	1	S. Sullivan#	11/20	P'town (R.P.)	1020	B. Nikula
12/thr	Fairhaven	1	v.o.	11/20	P.I.	1	R. Secatore
Hooded Merganser				12/11	N. Truro	2	B. Nikula
11/6	Brighton	52	R. Stymeist	Sooty Shearwater			
11/16	W. Newbury	90	S. Riley#	11/4	P'town (R.P.)	38	S. Arena
11/19	Lakeville	53	G. d'Entremont#	11/20	P'town (R.P.)	2	B. Nikula
12/10	Woburn (HP)	75	A. Gurka#	11/24	P'town (R.P.)	1	S. Arena#
12/11	Wakefield	72	P. + F. Vale	Manx Shearwater			
12/16	Wachusett Res.	104	M. Lynch#	11/4, 12/11	P'town (R.P.)	82, 2	S. Arena, M. Iliff
Common Merganser				11/4	Chatham	112	B. Harris
11/12	Wakefield	77	P. + F. Vale	Northern Gannet			
11/16	Lincoln	41	J. Forbes	11/4	P'town (R.P.)	9750	S. Arena
11/26	Pembroke	42	SSBC (GdE)	11/5	Ipswich	170	J. Berry#
11/27	Pittsfield (Pont.)	279	J. Pierce	11/7	Eastham	2000	B. Nikula

Northern Gannet (continued)									
11/17	P'town	3000	B. Nikula	11/24	Quabog IBA	8	M. Lynch#		
Double-crested Cormorant				Rough-legged Hawk					
11/6	Winthrop	150	J. Forbes	thr	P.I.	1-3	v.o.		
11/16	P'town	350	B. Nikula	12/19	Sandwich	1	M. Keleher		
11/28	Westport	26	M. Lynch#	12/23	Orleans	1	P. Trull		
12/10	Cambridge	6	R. Styimeist	12/28	Cumb. Farms	1	B. Delaney		
Great Cormorant				12/28	Lee	2	J. Pierce		
11/23	Newton	1	J. Forbes	11/5	Eastham	1 imm ph	K. Yakola#		
11/28	Westport	16	M. Lynch#	11/6, 20	Quabbin Pk	1	Sovay, Therrien		
12/26	Medford	1	J. Forbes	11/6-12	N. Quabbin	1	B. Lafley + v.o.		
American Bittern				11/12	Granville	1	J. Wojtanowski		
thr	P.I.	1		11/19	Sheffield	1	J. Pierce		
11/14-12/15	Woburn (HP)	1	R. Jilek + v.o.	12/1	Ipswich	1	J. Berry		
11/15	Eastham (F.H.)	3	B. Styimeist	11/1-24	Yellow Rail	1	v.o.		
12/18	Barnstable	1	v.o.	Virginia Rail	Eastham (F.H.)	1			
Great Blue Heron				11/24	Quabog IBA	1	M. Lynch#		
11/27	Saugus	8	S. Zendeh#	12/2	Woburn (HP)	1	M. Beyly		
11/28	Acoaxet	7	M. Lynch#	12/18	Salisbury	1	D. Cooper		
12/18	Waltham	3	J. Forbes#	Sora	Barnstable (S.N.)	1	J. Trimble#		
Great Egret				12/27	American Coot				
11/19	Falmouth	2	K. Fiske	11/4	Pittsfield	7	J. Pierce		
11/26	Edgartown	1	T. Doebel	11/25	Woburn (HP)	27	M. Rines		
12/14	Gloucester	1	D. Holmes	11/28	Acoaxet	16	M. Lynch#		
12/21	Fairhaven	1	E. Lipton	12/3	Groveland	45	G. d'Entremont#		
Snowy Egret				12/10	Woburn (HP)	23	A. Gurka#		
11/7	Nantucket	1	R. Ouren	11/1-12/14	Sandhill Crane				
Cattle Egret				Burrage WMA	3	v.o.			
11/9	Wachusett Res.	1	B. Robo	11/5	P.I.	1	D. Adrien#		
11/15	Eastham (F.H.)	1	S. Miller	11/19	Lincoln	9	N. Levy		
Black Vulture				11/21	E. Bridgewater	2	B. Lessard		
12/1	Blackstone	2	B. Robo	11/22-12/14	Swansea	1	E. Lipton#		
12/30	Natick	2	G. Long	11/23	Boxboro	11	D. Kembell		
12/31	Blackstone	3	C. Russell	11/26	W. Bridgewater	2	J. Macomber		
Turkey Vulture				12/4	Lexington	13	D. Scott		
11/10	P.I.	3	R. Heil	12/22	Somerville	3	P. Taylor		
11/28	Westport	2	M. Lynch#	12/22	Boston (F.Pk)	3	C. Dalton		
12/8	GMNWR	1	A. Bragg#	12/25	Peabody	3	S. Babbitt		
12/28	Longmeadow	1	C. Volker	11/1-10	Black-bellied Plover				
Osprey				11/9	P.I.	95 max	v.o.		
12/1	Randolph	1	P. Peterson	11/9	Essex	63	D. Brown#		
12/9	Westport	1	S. Williams	11/12	Quabbin (G35)	2	T. Pirro		
12/9	Braintree	1	J. Sweeney	12/18	Ipswich (C.B.)	3	J. Berry#		
12/12	Mansfield	1	M. Fox	11/13	American Golden-Plover				
12/29	Mashpee	1	M. Keleher	11/13	Newbury	1	S. McGrath + v.o.		
Bald Eagle				11/12-12/12	Semipalmented Plover				
11/6	S. Quabbin	7	M. Lynch#	P.I.	8 max	v.o.			
11/6	Quabbin (G35)	4	B. Lafley	11/13	Brewster	4	W. Mumford		
12/1	GMNWR	4	A. Bragg#	11/10	Plymouth	2	G. Gove#		
12/15	Stoneham	5	S. Riley	11/12	Killdeer				
12/19	Medford	5	G. Campbell	12/12	Hampden	1	A. Downey		
Northern Harrier				12/12	Sharon	2	L. Waters		
thr	P.I.	13 max	v.o.	12/26	Ipswich	3	J. Berry#		
11/3	GMNWR	2	K. Dia#	12/26	American Oystercatcher				
12/7	Cumb. Farms	4	H. Levesque#	11/5	Falmouth	2	R. Farrell		
12/11	Saugus	2	A. Trautmann#	11/5	Chatham	22	P. Trimble		
12/15	Concord (NAC)	2	C. Winstanley	11/5	Nantucket	8	R. Ouren		
12/26	Tuckernuck	6	S. Kardell# (CBC)	11/24	Spotted Sandpiper				
Sharp-shinned Hawk				11/12	Quabbin Pk	1	L. Therrien		
11/1	Concord	2	J. Forbes	11/12	Concord	1	T. Swain		
11/1-19	Barre Falls	11	Hawkcount (DS)	11/13	Greater Yellowlegs				
11/28	Acoaxet	2	M. Lynch#	11/13	P.I.	3	B. Lafley		
Northern Goshawk				12/3	N. Quabbin	22	P. + F. Vale		
11/21	P'town (R.P.)	1	P. Flood	11/13	S. Dartmouth	2	A. Morgan		
12/18	E. Orleans	1	J. Trimble#	12/9	Wakefield	2	L. Ireland		
Red-shouldered Hawk				Willet	11/4	Chatham	1	B. Harris	
11/5	Holden	1	M. Lynch#	12/7	Nantucket	1	G. Andrews		
11/7	W. Roxbury (MP)	1	M. Iliff	12/9	Lesser Yellowlegs				
11/10	P.I.	1	P. + F. Vale	10/01	Quabbin (G43)	1	B. Robo		
12/1	Concord	1	M. Rines	11/6	P.I.	1	S. Sullivan		
12/15	S. Boston	1	P. Peterson						
Red-tailed Hawk									
11/1-19	Barre Falls	59	Hawkcount (DS)						

Ruddy Turnstone				12/27	Barnstable (S.N.)	1	J. Trimble#
11/26	Manomet	1	SSBC (GdE)	12/4	N. Truro	1 1W ph	B. Nikula#
11/28	Boston	3	S. Zendeh	Iceland Gull	P'town (R.P.)	68 max	
11/30	P.I.	4	T. Wetmore#	thr	Pittsfield	1	J. Pierce
12/4	S. Boston	2	J. Battenfeld	12/9-24	Turners Falls	1-3	v.o.
Red Knot			J. Trimble#	12/11	Framingham	1	v.o.
12/18	E. Orleans	1		12/27	Nantucket	12	N. Jacob
Sanderling			v.o.		Lesser Black-backed Gull		S. Kardell#
thr	P.I.	150 max	G. d'Entremont	11/18	Boston (Deer I.)	1	R. Stymeist#
12/26	P'town (R.P.)	215		11/20	Nantucket	32	S. Kardell#
Semipalmed Sandpiper			MAS (D. Moon)	11/22	P'town (R.P.)	9	M. Illiff#
11/2	P.I.	1	E. Huston	11/23-12/21	Turners Falls	1	J. Smith
Least Sandpiper			M. Beyly	12/7	Sharon	1	L. Waters
11/5	Northfield	1		12/27	Nantucket	25	S. Kardell#
11/18	Arlington Res.	1			Glaucous Gull		
White-rumped Sandpiper			v.o.	11/19	N. Truro	1	S. Arena
11/1-19	P.I.	13 max	P. + F. Vale	12/4	Braintree	2	V. Zollo
Pectoral Sandpiper			S. Zendeh	12/19	Turners Falls	1	J. Coleman
11/4	Nantucket	2	R. Ouren	12/31	P'town (R.P.)	1	S. Arena
11/5	P'town	2	M. Keleher#	12/31	N. Truro	1	B. Delaney#
11/15	P.I.	1	D. Adrien		Common Tern		
Purple Sandpiper			MAS (D. Moon)	11/5, 13	P'town (R.P.)	775, 5	B. Nikula
11/13	Salisbury	40	P. + F. Vale	11/27	Plymouth	1 imm	S. Williams
11/28	Boston	5	S. Zendeh		Forster's Tern		
11/28	Acoaxet	5	M. Lynch#	11/3	Dennis (Corp. B.)	8	K. Fiske
12/14	Rockport	70	MAS (D. Moon)	11/3	P'town (R.P.)	30	P. Crosson#
Dunlin			v.o.	11/4	Dorchester	6	J. Benson
thr	P.I.	267 max	S. Zendeh#	11/11	P'town (R.P.)	2	S. Arena
12/13	Winthrop B.	25	G. d'Entremont	11/13	P'town	11	J. Young
12/26	P'town (R.P.)	170		11/19	N. Truro	1	S. Arena
Short-billed Dowitcher					Elegant Tern		
11/12	P.I.	1	T. Wetmore	11/19	Wellfleet	1 ph	L. Seitz#
12/3	Eastham (F.H.)	3	D. Peacock		Pomarine Jaeger		
Long-billed Dowitcher			G. Andrews	11/20, 12/3	P'town (R.P.)	34, 6	B. Nikula
12/5	Nantucket	1	J. Trimble#		Parasitic Jaeger		
12/31	Eastham (F.H.)	1		11/1-12/11	P'town	25 max	B. Nikula
Wilson's Snipe			S. Zendeh#	11/10, 20	N. Truro	10, 3	B. Nikula
11/27	Saugus	1	B. Harris	11/19	Wellfleet	7	L. Seitz#
12/4	Chatham	1	K. Lynch		Long-tailed Jaeger		
12/13	Salisbury	1	S. Williams#	11/1, 6	P'town (R.P.)	1, 2	Nikula, Arena
12/18	Boston	1	B. Harris	11/20	P'town (R.P.)	1 2W	B. Nikula
American Woodcock			V. Zollo				
11/3	Wayland	2	M. Illiff	11/19, 12/26	P'town (R.P.)	1, 1	S. Arena#
12/11	Cumb. Farms	1	R. Couse	12/31	Wellfleet	2	S. Arena#
12/11	Hanover	1			Common Murre		
12/15	Westport	1		12/4, 26	P'town	70, 199	Nikula, Arena
Black-legged Kittiwake			B. Nikula#	12/29	Rockport (A.P.)	7	R. Heil
11/2	E. of Chatham	200	B. Nikula		Thick-billed Murre		
11/10, 20	P'town (R.P.)	1200, 750		11/4, 12/26	P'town (R.P.)	1, 4	S. Arena
Bonaparte's Gull			Pierce, Ward		Razorbill		
11/6, 19	Pittsfield (Pont.)	2, 2	D. Adrien	11/19, 12/30	P'town (R.P.)	447, 5400	S. Arena
11/8	P.I.	170	B. Nikula	12/14	Cohasset	7	E. Lipton
11/13, 20	P'town (R.P.)	2500, 10000	L. Therrien	12/24	P.I.	60	T. Wetmore
11/21	Quabbin Pk	1			Black Guillemot		
Black-headed Gull			J. Russo#	12/11	Cohasset	1	E. Nielsen
11/6-12	N. Truro	1	B. Nikula	12/14	Gloucester	1	MAS (D. Moon)
11/13, 20	P'town (R.P.)	1 ad, 1 1W	B. Harris	12/22	P.I.	1	T. Wetmore
12/4	Chatham	1 1W	v.o.	12/30	Aquinnah	1	B. Winn
Little Gull					Atlantic Puffin		
11/13-12/20	P'town (R.P.)	7 max	B. Nikula	11/10	P'town (R.P.)	1	B. Nikula
Laughing Gull			J. Forbes	12/20	Stellwagen	4	CBC
11/1-12/11	P'town (R.P.)	500 max	E. Nielsen				
11/6	Winthrop	2					
12/3	Westport	2					

## DOVES THROUGH FINCHES

**White-winged Doves** were noted from Nantucket and Edgartown, and two individuals were found in the Fenway Victory Gardens in Boston. These reports follow sightings of two White-winged Doves that visited a feeder on Nantucket this past August. Last year there were good numbers of Snowy Owls found during this period, but this year there were reports from only two locations, one on Nantucket and five at Logan Airport. Short-eared Owls fared better this year compared to last year; a total of 21 individuals were noted including an amazing seven on Tuckernuck Island. The banders at Drumlin Farm had a record season with a total of 371 Saw-whet Owls captured, with 71 banded in the first 19 days of November; another 48 Saw-whets were banded during November at Lookout Farm in Northbridge.

There were two reports of **Rufous Hummingbirds** including one continuing from last month in Westboro and another banded in Falmouth. **Red-headed Woodpeckers** were reported from Northampton, Belchertown, and in the Quabog IBA in central Massachusetts.

A **Hammond's Flycatcher** was discovered in the Middlesex Fells reservation in Medford, only the fifth record for the state and a first record for Middlesex County. Excellent photographs as well as several audio recordings clinched the identification; the previous record was from Fairhaven on New Year's Day 2016. The cooperative **Gray Kingbird** first noted on October 23 continued in Hyannis until November 2. There were two **Ash-throated Flycatchers**, one in Osterville and the other at the Gay Head area of Aquinnah. Late reports of Least Flycatchers came from Cambridge and Westboro. The **Bell's Vireo** first noted on October 12 when it was netted and banded at Manomet was seen by many birders at nearby Holmes Farm until November 25.

A **Sedge Wren** continued at Fort Hill in Eastham and another was located in Sandwich. **Townsend's Solitaires** were discovered in Somerset and Essex. A **Mountain Bluebird**, a first record for Franklin County, was discovered at Turners Falls on November 13. A Swainson's Thrush was photographed and confirmed on the late date of November 6 in Boston. The 21 species of warblers noted during this period included **Yellow-throated Warblers** from Orleans and Marblehead. Some late December reports included a Yellow Warbler in Brewster and a Prairie Warbler in Chatham. Rounding out the rarities was the continuing **Harris's Sparrow** in Westboro, another Harris's at a feeder in Dalton in Berkshire County, **Western Tanagers** in Gloucester and Lexington, and **Painted Buntings** in Melrose and Nantucket.

The winter finch flight was for the most part lukewarm with reports of just single Pine Grosbeaks and only one White-winged Crossbill, but Red Crossbills were seen regularly at Plum Island and Salisbury State Park.

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<b>White-winged Dove</b>			<b>Long-eared Owl</b>		
11/19	Nantucket	1	S. Kardell	12/27	Barnstable
11/26	Edgartown	1 ph	M. Gilmore#	Short-eared Owl	1
12/11-31	Boston (Fens)	2 ph	J. Trimble + v.o.	11/13-12/11	Barnstable
<b>Barn Owl</b>			11/19 P.I.		
11/6	Orleans	1	K. Yakola#	11/27	DWWS
<b>Great Horned Owl</b>			12/thr Saugus		
12/6	Swampscott	3	J. Paluzzi	12/13	Cumb. Farms
12/11	Quabog IBA	4	M. Lynch#	12/26	Tuckernuck
12/26	Ipswich	4	J. Berry#	Northern Saw-whet Owl	
12/29	Concord	3	C. Corey	11/1-12	Northbridge
<b>Snowy Owl</b>			11/1-19 DFWS		
12/14	Nantucket	2	H. Young#	11/29	Rutland
12/18	Boston (Logan)	5	N. Smith	12/4	Sudbury
<b>Barred Owl</b>			<b>Rufous Hummingbird</b>		
12/11	Quabog IBA	3	M. Lynch#	11/thr	Falmouth
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Rufous Hummingbird (continued)								
11/1-13	Westboro	1	S. Williams	12/11	Saugus	100	A. Trautmann#	
Belted Kingfisher				12/26	Ipswich	180	J. Berry#	
11/17	GMNWR	2		12/31	Dighton	200	G. d'Entremont	
12/10	S. Quabbin	3	A. Bragg#	Tree Swallow				
12/11	Wakefield	2	M. Lynch#	11/3	Mashpee	150	M. Keleher	
American Kestrel			P. + F. Vale	11/28	Nantucket	23	L. Dunn	
11/6	Saugus	2	S. Zendeh#	12/27	Barnstable	1	J. Trimble#	
Merlin				12/30	Chilmark	26	B. Styimeist	
11/15	P.I.	2	D. Adrien	11/24	Otis	5	J. Forbes	
12/20	P'town (R.P.)	2	S. Arena	11/27	Tolland	30	M. Lynch#	
Peregrine Falcon			R. Heil	12/7	Ipswich (C.B.)	4	J. Berry	
11/10	P.I.	3	S. Arena	12/8	P.I.	8	T. Wetmore	
11/24	P'town (R.P.)	3	P. Trimble#	12/10	Lincoln	4	P. Peterson	
12/18	S. Chatham	3	B. Rusnica	12/1	DFWS	2	P. Sowizral	
12/30	Medford	3		12/10	Lincoln	2	P. Peterson	
Red-headed Woodpecker			D. Allard#	12/15	GMNWR	2	A. Bragg#	
thr	Belchertown	1	M. Lynch#	12/22	Randolph	3	P. Peterson	
11/19-12/31	Northampton	1		House Wren				
12/28	Quabog IBA	1	P. Sowizral	11/1	Fall River	2	L. Abbey	
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker			S. Williams	11/7-13	Westboro	1	T. Bradford	
12/13	DFWS	1	D. Berard	Winter Wren				
12/19	Westboro	1		11/16	Medford	3	R. LaFontaine	
12/20	Worcester	1	M. Lynch#	11/19	S. Brookline	4	P. Peterson	
Pileated Woodpecker								
11/5	Holden	2	M. Lynch#	Sedge Wren				
11/19	Quabbin (G 37)	2	J. Hoye#	thr	Eastham (F.H.)	1	v.o.	
12/22	GMNWR	2	A. Bragg#	12/17	Sandwich	1	J. Trimble#	
12/30	Wayland	2	G. Long	Marsh Wren				
Least Flycatcher				11/3	N. Truro	5	E. Lipton	
11/1-16	Cambr. (F.P.)	1	J. Trimble	12/1	Eastham (F.H.)	6	M. Faherty	
11/16	Westboro	1	T. Spahr	12/27	Barnstable	7	J. Trimble#	
<b>Hammond's Flycatcher</b>				12/29	GMNWR	3	A. Bragg#	
11/7-15	Medford	1	LaFontaine + v.o.		Blue-gray Gnatcatcher			
Eastern Phoebe				11/23	Nantucket	1	T. Pastuszak	
11/26	Northampton	1	L. Therrien	12/2	Chatham	1	A. Kneidel#	
12/26	Barnstable	1	P. Crosson#		Golden-crowned Kinglet			
12/30	Falmouth	1	J. Sherwonit	11/9	W. Newbury	10	P. Peterson	
Ash-throated Flycatcher				11/11	P.I.	10	G. Vigna	
11/1	Gay Head (MV)	1	A. Keith	12/1	GMNWR	7	A. Bragg#	
12/27	Osterville	1	E. Banks#	12/4	Ware R. IBA	11	M. Lynch#	
Gray Kingbird				12/10	Lincoln	8	P. Peterson	
11/1-2	Hyannis	1	v.o.		Ruby-crowned Kinglet			
Northern Shrike				11/6	Lexington (DM)	6	M. Rines#	
11/6	P'town (R.P.)	2	Nikula, Arena	12/11	DFWS	1	P. Sowizral	
12/23	Orleans	2	P. Trull	12/17	Braintree	1	G. d'Entremont#	
White-eyed Vireo				12/27	Arlington	1	K. Hartel	
11/2	Rockport	1	B. Harris		Eastern Bluebird			
11/7	Plymouth	1	D. Furbish	11/9	Hardwick	11	M. Lynch#	
<b>Bell's Vireo</b>				11/16	Lexington (DM)	6	M. Rines	
11/5-25	Manomet	1	b phA. Kneidel+v.o.	12/1	GMNWR	9	A. Bragg#	
Blue-headed Vireo				12/1	DFWS	10	P. Sowizral	
11/8	Woburn (HP)	1	R. Jilek	12/11	Quabog IBA	8	M. Lynch#	
11/12	Rockport	1	B. Harris		Mountain Bluebird			
12/4	Chatham	1	B. Harris	11/13-16	Turners Falls	1	J. Smith	
Warbling Vireo				12/6	Somerset	1 ph	J. Eckerson	
11/4	WBWS	1	J. Junda#	12/18	Essex	1 CBC	(D. Peterson)	
Red-eyed Vireo				Swainson's Thrush				
11/2	Gloucester	2	B. Harris#	11/6	Boston (Fens)	1 ph	J. Trimble#	
11/8	P.I.	1	S. Zhang		Hermit Thrush			
11/10	DWWS	1	H. Levesque	11/6	Boston (RKG)	2	R. Styimeist	
Fish Crow				11/28	Westport	4	M. Lynch#	
11/26	Manomet	5	SSBC (GdE)	12/1	Lexington (DM)	4	M. Rines	
12/21	Worcester	1	J. Lawson	12/10	Eastham (F.H.)	2	G. d'Entremont	
12/23	Dorchester	1	P. Peterson	12/13	Ipswich	2	J. Berry	
			J. Forbes		Gray Catbird			
12/29	Waltham	2		thr	Reports of indiv. from 12 locations			
Common Raven					Brown Thrasher			
11/6	Mt. Wachusett	28	R. Chase	12/8	Williamstown	1	M. Morales	
12/15	GMNWR	3	A. Bragg#		American Pipit			
Horned Lark			v.o.	11/1	P.I.	7	D. Williams	
thr	P.I.	80 max		12/13	Concord (NAC)	20	P. Peterson	
11/15	Acton	35	J. Forbes					
12/7	E. Boston (B.I.)	30	P. Peterson					

American Pipit (continued)					11/5	Truro	1	B. Harris
12/18 Ipswich (C.B.)	1	J. Berry#	11/11	Mt.A.			1	J. Barcus
<b>Bohemian Waxwing</b>			Palm Warbler					
12/14 Ipswich	2	A. Steenstrup	11/2	W. Roxbury	2			P. Peterson
Cedar Waxwing		MAS (D. Moon)	11/19	Marion	2	G. d'Entremont#		
11/2 P.I.	150	J. Forbes	11/28	Acoaxet	1	M. Lynch#		
11/30 Waltham	50	M. Lynch#	12/17	Westport	1	E. Nielsen		
12/11 Quabog IBA	49	G. Long	12/23	Milton	1	P. Peterson		
12/30 Wayland	35	P. Christoph	Pine Warbler					
12/31 Lancaster	34	T. Wetmore	12/13	Concord	1	T. Swain		
Lapland Longspur		C. Floyd	12/13	Nahant	1	R. Heil		
11/1 Northampton	2	E. Labato	12/26	Woburn (HP)	1	M. McCarthy		
11/6 Saugus	3	L. Therrien	12/28	Medford	1	J. Layman		
11/13 Eastham (F.H.)	6	S. Zendeh#	12/29	Arlington	2	K. Hartel		
11/30 P.I.	4	L. Waters#	Yellow-rumped Warbler					
12/26 Newbury	6	T. Wetmore	11/6	Lexington (DM)	12	M. Rines#		
12/31 Salisbury	2	C. Floyd	11/13	Worc. (BMB)	3	J. Liller#		
Snow Bunting		E. Labato	12/4	Chatham	117	B. Harris		
thr P.I.	110 max	v.o.	12/7	Ipswich (C.B.)	3	J. Berry		
11/13 Edgartown	63	L. Johnson	12/26	Truro	10	G. d'Entremont		
11/16 Ipswich (C.B.)	100	N. Dubrow	Yellow-throated Warbler					
11/17 P'town (R.P.)	150	E. Lipton	11/9	MNWS	1 ph	A. Sandford#		
11/28 Acoaxet	110	M. Lynch#	11/27	Orleans	1 ph	J. Sweeney		
Ovenbird		R. LaFontaine	Prairie Warbler					
11/1 Medford	1	R. LaFontaine	11/13	Somerville	1	A. Brandt		
11/1-16 Boston (RKG)	1	J. Taylor + v.o.	12/4	Chatham	1	B. Harris		
11/17 Barnstable	1	P. Crosson	Black-throated Green Warbler					
12/10-31 Woburn (HP)	1	A. Gurka + v.o.	11/2	Gloucester	1	B. Harris#		
12/27 Osterville	1	S. Williams#	11/4	Westport	1	C. Blake		
Black-and-white Warbler		Wilson's Warbler	11/4	Chatham	1	B. Harris		
11/4 Medford	1	R. LaFontaine	11/13-12/31	Nahant	1	v.o.		
Orange-crowned Warbler		Reports of indiv. from 14 locations	11/16	Medford	1	R. LaFontaine		
thr		B. Harris	11/1-23	Boston (RKG)	1	J. Taylor		
11/4 Chatham	2	R. LaFontaine#	11/4, 12/4	Chatham	6, 3	B. Harris		
11/6 Lexington (DM)	2	R. Schain#	11/7	Manomet	1 b	T. Lloyd-Evans#		
11/6 Boston (Fens)	2	N. Dorian	11/9	Eastham (F.H.)	3	J. Pratt		
11/8 Medford	2	J. Forbes	11/12	Rockport	3	B. Harris		
Nashville Warbler		M. Mulqueen	11/15-12/31	Nahant	1	v.o.		
11/8 Wayland	1	M. Rines	11/16	Medford	1	R. LaFontaine		
11/15 Boston (RKG)	1	M. Rines	Eastern Towhee					
11/18 Woburn (HP)	1	J. Forbes	12/18	Essex	1	CBC (D. Peterson)		
12/4 Waltham	1	B. Delaney	12/18	W. Boylston	1	P. Meleski		
12/6 Eastham	1	J. Forbes	12/20	Rockport	2	B. Harris		
12/24 Medford	1	G. Perkins	American Tree Sparrow					
Common Yellowthroat		R. Stymeist	11/3	GMNWR	14	K. Dia#		
11/6 Boston (RKG)	2	S. Sullivan#	11/27	Brookline	19	J. Forbes		
12/4 Wilmington	1	R. Murphy	12/11	Quabog IBA	47	M. Lynch#		
12/8 P.I.	1	B. Harris	12/26	P.I.	42	P. + F. Vale		
12/20 Rockport	1	G. Perkins	12/28	Cumb. Farms	40	B. Delaney		
12/26 S. Dart. (A.Pd)	1	S. Finnegan#	Chipping Sparrow					
Hooded Warbler		D. Allard	11/6	S. Hamilton	4	D. Walters		
11/23 Plymouth	1	D. Furbish#	12/2	Malden	2	R. Shaw		
American Redstart		S. Kardell	12/31	Framingham	4	N. Paulson		
11/6 Northampton	1	N. Dorian	Clay-colored Sparrow					
11/7 Plymouth	1	T. Lloyd-Evans#	11/1	Lexington	1	C. Floyd		
Northern Parula		L. Waters	11/2	Medford	1	N. Dorian#		
11/25 Nantucket	1	B. Harris	11/9	Eastham (F.H.)	1	J. Pratt		
Bay-breasted Warbler		P. Peterson	11/25	Carver	1	P. Jacobson		
11/7 Medford	1	G. Richards	12/3	Falmouth	1	D. Peacock		
Blackburnian Warbler		P. Trimble	Vesper Sparrow					
11/8 Brewster	1	S. Finnegan#	11/5	Barnstable	3	P. Crosson		
Yellow Warbler		J. Junda#	11/14	Sandwich	2	P. Trimble		
11/1 WBWS	1	R. Schain	11/15	Salisbury	1 imm	K. Elwell		
11/27 Boston (Fens)	1	P. Trimble	12/10	Lincoln	1	P. Peterson		
12/6 Brewster	1	T. Lloyd-Evans#	12/31	Barnstable	2	N. Villone		
Blackpoll Warbler		L. Waters	Savannah Sparrow					
11/12 Sharon	1	B. Harris	12/12	Eastham (F.H.)	1	A. Kneidel + v.o.		
11/12 Rockport	1	P. Peterson	Savannah Sparrow					
11/13 Brookline	1	G. Richards	11/9	Raynham	10	J. Sweeney		
11/14 Medford	1	T. Lloyd-Evans#	11/25	Edgartown	2	P. Gilmore		
11/14 Manomet	1 b	B. Harris	12/11	Saugus	2	A. Trautmann#		
Black-throated Blue Warbler		Ipswich Sparrow	11/12	Salisbury	4	M. Brengle		
11/4 Chatham	1							

Ipswich Sparrow (continued)					12/30	Eastham (F.H.)	14	J. Trimble#
11/25 Edgartown	6	P. Gilmore	Rusty Blackbird					
11/26 P.I.	2	N. Landry	11/14 Waltham	3		J. Forbes		
Grasshopper Sparrow			12/11 Northampton	7		K. Yakola		
11/19 Wayland	1	B. Harris	12/18 Wayland	7		A. McCarthy#		
12/29 Barnstable	1	J. Trimble#	12/20 IRWS	2		J. Parrot-Willis		
Nelson's Sparrow			12/23 Westboro	4		C. Rosenblatt		
11/9, 12/11 Fairhaven	6, 3	C. Longworth	12/28 Burlington	9		J. Keeley		
12/30 Eastham (F.H.)	3	J. Trimble#						
Saltmarsh Sparrow								
11/13 Fairhaven	1	C. Longworth	11/1 Medford	1		R. LaFontaine		
11/25 Eastham (F.H.)	4	S. Arena	11/5 Hingham	1		BBC (GdE)		
12/13 Barnstable	1	P. Crosson	12/1 Concord	1		J. Keyes		
Seaside Sparrow			12/2 Springfield	1		C. Sherrard		
11/25 Eastham (F.H.)	2	V. Zollo#	12/26 Gloucester	1		B. Harris#		
11/25 Edgartown	2	P. Gilmore						
Fox Sparrow								
11/9 W. Newbury	4	P. Peterson	11/6 Stockbridge	1		r. Laubach		
11/17, 12/7 Lexington (DM)	7, 7	M. Rines	11/6 P.I.	1 ph		S. Sullivan#		
11/22 Wakefield	3	L. Ireland	11/8 Orleans	1		K. Yakola#		
Lincoln's Sparrow			11/8 Quabbin (G52)	1		L. Therrien		
11/6 Boston (RKG)	1	R. Stymeist	11/16 Eastham (F.H.)	1		G. Gove		
11/7 Holliston	1	P. Rennert	11/21 Wachusett Res.	1		M. Lynch#		
11/12 Wakefield	1	D. Williams	11/24 P'town (R.P.)	1		K. Yakola		
Swamp Sparrow								
11/2 W. Roxbury	6	P. Peterson	11/6 Merrimac	1		B. + B. Buxton		
11/6 Boston (RKG)	4	R. Stymeist	11/9 Petersham	3		M. Lynch#		
12/23 Dorchester	5	P. Peterson	11/18 Newton	1		P. Gilmore		
12/29 GMNWR	5	A. Bragg#	11/22 P.I.	5		T. Wetmore		
Harris's Sparrow			11/24 Quabog IBA	1		M. Lynch#		
11/1-07 Westboro	1	v.o.	Red Crossbill					
11/25-12/31 Dalton	1	G. Hurley + v.o.	11/25 Nantucket	3		S. Kardell		
White-crowned Sparrow			11/26-12/31 P.I.	20 max		v.o.		
11/10-23 Concord	2	J. Keyes	12/1 Orleans	14		M. Faherty		
12/1 Wachusett Res.	1	M. Lynch#	12/4-31 Salisbury	21 max		v.o.		
Western Tanager			12/6 W. Boylston	1		R. Schain		
11/6 Gloucester (E.P.)	1	1 phBBC (S. Hepburn)	12/26 Brewster	1		B. Nikula		
11/13-12/13 Lexington	1	M. Rines + v.o.	12/26 P'town	1		S. Arena		
Rose-breasted Grosbeak								
11/19 New Salem	1	S. Cloutier	White-winged Crossbill					
Blue Grosbeak			11/6 S. Quabbin	1				
11/3 Sandwich	1	J. Pratt	Common Redpoll					
Indigo Bunting			11/1 Northampton	23		A. Magee		
11/4 Chatham	1	B. Harris	11/5 Hingham	1		BBC (GdE)		
Painted Bunting			11/12 Eastham	1		J. Trimble#		
11/27 Melrose	1	D. Hefferon	11/28 Mt Washington	12		G. Ward		
11/27, 12/13 Nantucket	1, 2	S. Kardell	12/31 P.I.	3		M. Goetschkes		
Dickcissel			Pine Siskin					
11/1-08 Boston (PG)	1	v.o.	thr					
11/3 Sandwich	1	J. Pratt	Reports of indiv. from 11 locations					
11/6 Lexington	1	M. Rines#	11/6 S. Quabbin	4		M. Lynch#		
11/thr Eastham (F.H.)	1	v.o.	11/13 Merrimac	4		B. + B. Buxton		
12/2 Cambridge	1	M. Sinclair	11/27 Medford	2		M. Rines#		
12/31 Nantucket	1	P. Trimble#						
Eastern Meadowlark			Evening Grosbeak					
11/5 Barre Falls	1	D. Schilling	11/1 Chatham	1		P. Trimble		
11/9 Raynham	1	J. Sweeney	11/3 Nantucket	1		K. Blackshaw#		
12/11 Saugus	3	A. Trautmann	11/12 Westwood	8		E. Nielsen		
			11/12 Belchertown	3		S. Surner		
			11/12 Quabbin Pk	2		L. Therrien		
			11/14 Windsor	2		M. Lynch#		
			11/19 W. Roxbury (MP)	1		M. McCarthy		
			12/24 Hardwick	1		W. Howes		

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## ABBREVIATIONS FOR BIRD SIGHTINGS

### **Locations**

Location-#		NAC	Nine Acre Corner, Concord
A.A.	MAS Breeding Bird Atlas Block	Newbypt	Newburyport
ABC	Arnold Arboretum, Boston	ONWR	Oxbow National Wildlife Refuge
A.P.	Allen Bird Club	PG	Public Garden, Boston
A.Pd	Andrews Point, Rockport	P.I.	Plum Island
B.	Allens Pond, S. Dartmouth	Pd	Pond
Barre F.D.	Beach	POP	Point of Pines, Revere
B.H.I.	Barre Falls Dam	PR	Pinnacle Rock, Malden
B.I.	Boston Harbor Islands	P'town	Provincetown
B.R.	Belle Isle, E. Boston	Pont.	Pontoosuc Lake, Lanesboro
BBC	Bass Rocks, Gloucester	R.P.	Race Point, Provincetown
BMB	Brookline Bird Club	Res.	Reservoir
BNC	Broad Meadow Brook, Worcester	RKG	Rose Kennedy Greenway, Boston
C.B.	Boston Nature Center, Mattapan	S.B.	South Beach, Chatham
CGB	Crane Beach, Ipswich	S.N.	Sandy Neck, Barnstable
C.P.	Coast Guard Beach, Eastham	SRV	Sudbury River Valley
Cambr.	Crooked Pond, Boxford	SSBC	South Shore Bird Club
CCBC	Cambridge	TASL	Take A Second Look, Boston Harbor Census
Corp. B.	Cape Cod Bird Club	WBWS	Wellfleet Bay WS
Cumb. Farms	Corporation Beach, Dennis	WE	World's End, Hingham
DM	Cumberland Farms, Middleboro	WMWS	Wachusett Meadow WS
DFWS	Dunback Meadow	Wompatuck SP	Hingham, Cohasset, Scituate, Norwell
DWMA	Drumlin Farm Wildlife Sanctuary	Worc.	Worcester
DWWS	Delaney WMA, Stow, Bolton, Harvard		
E.P.	Daniel Webster WS		
F.E.	Eastern Point, Gloucester		
F.H.	First Encounter Beach, Eastham		
F.P.	Fort Hill, Eastham		
F.Pk	Fresh Pond, Cambridge		
G40	Franklin Park, Boston		
GMNWR	Gate 40, Quabbin Res.		
H.	Great Meadows NWR		
H.P.	Harbor		
HP.	Halibut Point, Rockport		
HRWMA	Horn Pond, Woburn		
I.	High Ridge WMA, Gardner		
IRWS	Island		
L.	Ipswich River WS		
MAS	Ledge		
MP	Mass Audubon		
M.V.	Millennium Park, W. Roxbury		
MBWMA	Martha's Vineyard		
MI	Martin Burns WMA, Newbury		
MNWS	Morris Island		
MSSF	Marblehead Neck WS		
Mt.A.	Myles Standish State Forest, Plymouth		
	Mount Auburn Cemetery, Cambr.		

### **Other Abbreviations**

ad	adult
b	banded
br	breeding
dk	dark (morph)
f	female
fide	on the authority of
fl	fledgling
imm	immature
juv	juvenile
lt	light (morph)
m	male
max	maximum
migr	migrating
n	nesting
ph	photographed
pl	plumage
pr	pair
S	summer (1S = 1st summer)
v.o.	various observers
W	winter (2W = second winter)
yg	young
#	additional observers

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