

BIRD SIGHTINGS

May-June 2016

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The first week of May barely got into the fifties, stalling migration, but in the second week temperatures increased, and on May 8 birders all over the state experienced the first wave of May migrants. The high for the month reached 92° in Boston on May 28. The last week of the month was warm, bringing another wave of late migrants. The drought continued with just 2.83 inches of precipitation, nearly an inch below the average.

June was dry with only 1.33 inches of rain recorded in Boston, 2.35 inches below normal. Most of it fell on June 5, leaving the rest of the month with less than half an inch, causing many communities to issue watering bans. The high for the month was 87° on June 21 and 29.

R. Stymeist

WATERFOWL THROUGH ALCIDS

Unusual waterfowl included a Ring-necked Duck that spent June at Horn Pond in Woburn, a Lesser Scaup that spent the entire period at Quabbin Park, and a **King Eider** that lingered in Gloucester as late as June 26. A **Pacific Loon** in Nantucket Harbor was in poor condition and was eventually taken to a wildlife rehabilitator.

Black Vulture is becoming relatively common in the western part of the state, but a May 30 sighting may be a new state high, as one observer counted 43 birds feeding on a cow carcass. **Mississippi Kite** is annual during spring migration on outer Cape Cod but unusual inland, so the sighting of one in Williamstown on May 29 was exciting. Sandhill Cranes have been reported regularly in Worthington since 2013, and they were finally confirmed breeding on May 28 when they were photographed with young. A pair of Sandhills has been seen regularly at Burrage Pond WMA in Hanson and may be the next to be confirmed breeding.

Western Massachusetts featured some shorebird excitement during this period. On June 28 an **American Avocet** was photographed in Sheffield. This appears to be the first Berkshire County record and only the third western Massachusetts occurrence: the first was in Longmeadow in August, 1974, and a second appeared in Sunderland in November, 2003. Only one day later on June 29, a **Ruff** was discovered at Silver Lake in Pittsfield. It was initially thought to be a Lesser Yellowlegs, but the observer took a photograph, which was analyzed by an eBird reviewer who made the identification. This species is uncommon enough along the coast but is exceptionally rare inland. This is only the second Berkshire County report, the first being on May 23, 1970, at Ashley Falls. Other noteworthy sightings in the western part of the state included a rare spring American Golden-Plover in Pittsfield on May 20 and a remarkable 250 Semipalmated Sandpipers in Longmeadow on May 30.

Another noteworthy shorebird was a **Black-necked Stilt** that spent a week in May in West Harwich. In addition to the Pittsfield **Ruff**, there were **Ruffs** at Crane Beach in Ipswich on June 5 and on Plum Island on June 21. During the 5-year Breeding Bird Atlas (Mass Audubon, 2007-2011) there was only one confirmation of breeding for Wilson's Snipe, so the discovery of an adult with recently fledged young at October Mountain in Washington was very exciting.

As many as four Little Gulls were reported from Provincetown throughout the month. A **Franklin's Gull** was discovered at Race Point in Provincetown on June 12, and the same

observer sighted one again on June 23; photographs of the two birds indicated two different individuals.

There were up to five **Gull-billed Terns** reported during the period, although the single tern at Race Point on June 12 could easily have been one of the two photographed in Wellfleet on June 17. **Caspian Tern** is a regular, if uncommon, spring migrant, but this year there were an unusual number reported, most in the first week of May. Often persistence is rewarded, and such was the case for Peter Flood, a birder who regularly surveys the seabirds at Race Point in Provincetown. On May 8, Peter spotted a spectacular breeding-plumaged **White-winged Tern**, a rare Eurasian vagrant, and managed to get word to two other Race Point regulars who were also rewarded with views of this mega-rarity. This is only the second Massachusetts record for this species, the first being over a half a century ago in 1954.

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Brant				6/5	Plymouth B.	3	S. Zende#
5/3	Newbypt	225	R. Heil	White-winged	Scoter		
5/3	Brewster	70	W. Mumford	5/12	Turners Falls	1	E. Huston
5/16	E. Boston (B.I.)	25	P. Peterson	5/19	Hinsdale	1	J. Pierce
6/18	Eastham	1	K. Schopp	6/1	N. Truro	14	B. Nikula
Wood Duck				Black Scoter			
5/1	ONWR	6	BBC (J. Center)	5/3	Pittsfield (Pont.)	2	J. Pierce
5/26	GMNWR	40	A. Bragg#	6/2	P.I.	2	S. Sullivan
Gadwall				6/5	Plymouth B.	9	S. Zende#
5/4-27	Worc. (BMB)	1	J. Liller + v.o.	Long-tailed Duck			
6/7	P.I.	18	R. Heil	5/3	P.I.	3100	R. Heil
Eurasian Wigeon				5/4	Pittsfield (Pont.)	1	R. Wendell
5/4	Nantucket	1	T. Pastuszak#	Bufflehead			
American Wigeon				5/10	Stoneham	10	J. Kovner
5/1	P.I.	1	N. Landry	5/10	Malden	2	C. Kaynor
5/2	Spencer	1	M. Lynch#	6/4	Plymouth	1	N. Marchessault
American Black Duck				Common Goldeneye			
5/10	P.I.	35	R. Heil	5/1	Revere	1	G. d'Entremont#
Blue-winged Teal				5/13	N. Truro	1	C. Caron#
5/5	Belchertown	1	L. Therrien	Hooded Merganser			
5/14	Burrage Pd WMA	2	G. d'Entremont#	5/15	GMNWR	17	USFWS (S. Arena)
5/20	Williamstown	2	C. Johnson	6/16	Pittsbridge	6	J. Pierce
6/17	P'town	2	B. Nikula	6/18	Washington	2	J. Pierce
6/22	P.I.	1	T. Wetmore	Common Merganser			
Northern Shoveler				5/14	Burrage Pd WMA	1	G. d'Entremont#
5/8	Turners Falls	3	S. Desrosier	5/28	Huntington	2	M. Lynch#
5/9	W. Boylston	6	D. Grant	6/25	Sandisfield	2 f + 4yg	M. Lynch#
5/9	S. Quabbin	2	L. Therrien	Red-breasted Merganser			
5/13	Wayland	2	B. Harris	5/1	P'town	500	B. Nikula
5/17	E. Boston (B.I.)	2	S. Zende#	5/7	Wachusett Res.	1	J. Bourget#
5/18, 6/1	P.I.	10, 5	T. Wetmore	5/13	S. Quabbin	1	L. Therrien
Green-winged Teal				Ruddy Duck			
thr	P.I.	55 max	v.o.	5/3	Waltham	7	J. Forbes
5/1	Lexington	5	J. Forbes	5/4	Chestnut Hill	44	D. Scott
5/29	Washington	3	J. Pierce	5/7	Pembroke	11	BBC (GdE)
5/31	E. Boston (B.I.)	1	S. Zende#	6/24	P.I.	2	T. Wetmore
6/1	Nantucket	2	L. Dunn	Northern Bobwhite			
Ring-necked Duck				5/20	N. Truro	1	B. Nikula
5/3	Sterling	4	J. Johnson	5/21	Chatham	1	G. d'Entremont#
5/6	Westboro	4	T. Spahr	6/11	P'town	2	B. Nikula
6/thr	Woburn (HP)	1	v.o.	6/22	Eastham (F.H.)	1	J. Hoye#
Lesser Scaup				Ring-necked Pheasant			
thr	Quabbin Pk	1	L. Therrien	5/25	Newbypt	1	MAS (D. Moon)
King Eider				6/19	Lenox	1	SSBC (GdE)
6/26	Gloucester	1	K. Testerman	Ruffed Grouse			
Common Eider				5/10	Ware R. IBA	3	M. Lynch#
6/11	Manchester	27	J. Berry#	6/15	Mashpee	3	J. Pratt
6/29	Boston H. 474 f, 333 yg		C. Trocki#	6/18	Savoy	3	M. Lynch#
Harlequin Duck				6/26	Holden	3	M. Lynch#
5/14	Chilmark	4	B. Burke	Red-throated Loon			
5/19	Nantucket	1	S. Kardell#	5/4, 6/4	P.I.	76, 6	v.o.
Surf Scoter				6/4	N. Truro	3	B. Nikula
5/2	Turners Falls	5	J. Coleman	6/thr	P'town	2	B. Nikula

Pacific Loon	6/23-30	Nantucket	1	B. Perkins	6/25	P.I.	40	T. Wetmore	
Common Loon	thr	P.I.	22 max	v.o.	6/16	Magnolia	50	J. Hoye#	
	5/4	S. Quabbin	19	L. Therrien	6/24	P.I.	47	J. Keeley#	
	5/8	P'town (R.P.)	183	S. Arena	6/24	E. Boston (B.I.)	21	DCR (S. Riley)	
	6/26	Wachusett Res.	14	K. Bourinot#	5/14	Manchester	3	J. Hoye#	
	6/26	E. of Chatham	16	B. Nikula#	6/19	DWWS	1 imm	G. Gove#	
Pied-billed Grebe	6/19	Bolton Flats	1	S. Arena	6/24	E. Boston (B.I.)	1	DCR (S. Riley)	
	6/20	Richmond	1	J. Pierce	6/25	Acton	1	W. Martens	
	6/28	Easthampton	1	D. McLain	5/14	W. Harwich	1	J. Restivo#	
Horned Grebe	5/5	Richmond	2	T. Collins	5/14	S. Dart. (A.Pd)	1	E. Lipton	
	5/13	N. Truro	1	L. Waters#	5/31	Fairhaven	2	N. Smith	
	6/25	Hyannis	1	J. Barnard	6/16	Magnolia	1	J. Hoye#	
Red-necked Grebe	5/2	Turners Falls	5	J. Coleman	6/24	Essex	1	J. Garrett	
	5/4	S. Quabbin	3	L. Therrien	5/18	DWWS	1	K. Rawdon#	
	5/4	P.I.	1	MAS (D. Weaver)	5/14	Sheffield	4	K. Schopp#	
	5/7	GMNWR	1	C. Winstanley	5/21	Topsfield	4	J. Berry#	
	5/13	P'town (R.P.)	1	H. Yelle#	6/2	Worc. (BMB)	6	J. Liller	
Northern Fulmar	6/25	Stellwagen	1	W. Lackey#	6/4	Millis	5	W. Webb#	
	6/26	E. of Chatham	1	P. Flood#	5/30	Medford	27	M. Rines	
Cory's Shearwater	5/29-6/30	P'town	88 max	v.o.	6/20	P.I.	16	D. Adrien	
	6/9	N. Truro	30	B. Nikula	5/1	S. Dartmouth	2	A. Morgan	
	6/26	E. of Chatham	300	B. Nikula#	5/19-6/30	Barnstable	1	N. Villone#	
	6/26	Stellwagen	270	BBC (I. Giriunas)	6/7	Woburn (HP)	1	M. Ashleigh	
Great Shearwater	6/9	P'town	30	B. Nikula	6/28	P.I.	2	D. Adrien	
	6/12	Nantucket	150	T. Pastuszak#	5/2	Rowley	473	O. Burton#	
	6/25	Stellwagen	500	W. Lackey#	5/8	Mt.A.	9	B. Black#	
	6/26	E. of Chatham	1200	B. Nikula#	5/18	Natick	6	J. Jones	
Sooty Shearwater	5/28, 6/9	P'town	1, 120	B. Nikula	5/21	Pittsfield	4	T. Collins	
	6/4	N. Truro	15	B. Nikula	6/11	Manchester	41	J. Berry#	
	6/8	Stellwagen	1000	L. Waters#	thr	Essex County	1	v.o.	
	6/12	Nantucket	50	T. Pastuszak#	Black Vulture	5/5	Athol	2	G. Watkevich
	6/26	E. of Chatham	3500	B. Nikula#	5/11	Uxbridge	2	J. Lawson	
Manx Shearwater	5/4-6/17	P'town	8 max	B. Nikula	5/11	Gardner	5	T. Pirro	
	6/26	E. of Chatham	2	P. Flood#	5/25	Blackstone	2	R. Holden	
	6/26	Stellwagen	5	BBC (I. Giriunas)	5/27	Mt. Wachusett	2	T. Pirro	
Wilson's Storm-Petrel	6/7	P'town	96	S. Arena	5/30	Ashley Falls	43	K. Schopp	
	6/8	Stellwagen	160	L. Waters#	6/11	Holyoke	2	M. Lynch#	
	6/18	Orleans	55	L. Waters#	5/14	P'town (R.P.)	46	L. Waters#	
	6/26	E. of Chatham	125	B. Nikula#	5/24	Ware	30	P. + F. Vale	
Northern Gannet	6/3	P.I.	4	T. Wetmore	6/11	Holyoke	38	M. Lynch#	
	6/7	P'town	26	S. Arena	6/15	N. Truro	28	Hawkcount (DM)	
Double-crested Cormorant	5/10	P.I.	295	R. Heil	Osprey	5/3	Burrage Pd WMA	6	P. Peterson
	6/11	Manchester	175	J. Berry#	5/9	N. Truro	15	Hawkcount (DM)	
	6/14	Medford	61	R. Stymeist	5/14	P.I.	10	J. Trimble	
Great Cormorant	5/14	N. Scituate	3	G. d'Entremont#	5/15, 5/29	N. Truro	1, 2	Trimble, Hawkct.	
	6/9	Westport	1	M. Iliff	5/29	Williamstown	1 ph	M. Morales	
	6/16	Outer Brewster I.	1	R. Stymeist#	6/6	N. Truro	1	Hawkcount (DM)	
American Bittern	5/12	Bolton Flats	4	D. Grant	6/7	Eastham	1	M. Lowe	
	5/19	Ware R. IBA	2	M. Lynch#	Bald Eagle	5/7	S. Quabbin	pr n	M. Lynch#
	5/29	Washington	5	J. Pierce	5/10	P.I.	5	R. Heil	
	6/16	Stockbridge	4	J. Pierce	5/10	Waltham	2	J. Forbes	
	6/26	GMNWR	2	USFWS (S. Arena)	5/14	Wayland	2	B. Harris#	
Least Bittern	6/10-11	GMNWR	7	USFWS (S. Arena)	6/9	Framingham	pr n, 1 juv	B. Dinerman	
	6/19	Bolton Flats	3	S. Arena	5/9-15	P.I.	13	Hawkcount (UG)	
Great Egret	5/9	Burrage Pd WMA	10	P. Peterson	6/20	Bolton	1	S. Miller	
	6/16	Magnolia	40	J. Hoye#	6/27	Nantucket	5	B. Foehring	
					Sharp-shinned Hawk	5/9	N. Truro	47	Hawkcount (DM)

Sharp-shinned Hawk (continued)				5/18	Wachusett Res.	3	B. Kamp
5/9-10	P.I.	271	Hawkcount (UG)	5/20	E. Boston (B.I.)	5	S. Zende#
5/14	W. Warren	2	B. Zajda	Piping Plover			
6/17	Southwick	2	S. Kellogg	5/14	P'town (R.P.)	11	L. Waters#
Cooper's Hawk				5/24	P.I.	36 pr	USFWS
5/8	Wompatuck SP	2	BBC (E. Giles)	5/29	Plymouth B.	19	SSBC (GdE)
5/9	P.I.	20	Hawkcount (UG)	6/15	Monomoy	67	J. Layman
Northern Goshawk				6/18	Orleans	17	L. Waters#
5/10	P.I.	1	U. Goodine#	6/19	Revere B.	22	R. Stymeist
6/18	Savoy	1	M. Lynch	Killdeer			
Red-shouldered Hawk				6/7	Saugus	13	S. Zende#
5/9	Burrage Pd WMA	2	P. Peterson	6/15	DFWS	10	P. Sowizral
5/20	Carlisle	2	A. Joslin	6/28	P.I.	18	R. Heil
5/26	Wendell	2	M. Lynch#	American Oystercatcher			
6/4	Skinner SP	2	BBC (L. Ferraresso)	5/17	Chatham	19	J. Pratt
6/4	October Mt.	2	K. Schopp	6/1	Monomoy	23	J. Layman
Broad-winged Hawk				6/14	E. Boston (B.I.)	10	DCR (S. Riley)
5/8	Quabbin Park	12	J. Hoye#	6/15	Winthrop	12	C. Trocki#
5/10	Newbypt	3	P. + F. Vale	6/27	Nantucket	20	S. Keene
5/19, 6/7	N. Truro	49, 22	Hawkcount	Black-necked Stilt			
5/19	Ware R. IBA	3	M. Lynch#	5/17-23	W. Harwich	1	D. St. Onge#
Clapper Rail				American Avocet			
thr	Fairhaven	4 max	C. Longworth	6/28	Sheffield	1 ph	K. Schopp#
5/8	Harwichport	1	B. Nikula	Spotted Sandpiper			
6/14	Wellfleet	2	E. Lipton	5/4	Chestnut Hill	6	D. Scott
6/27	S. Dart. (A. Pd)	1	D. Hlousek	5/15	Saugus	10	S. Zende#
King Rail				5/21	Topsfield	6	J. Berry#
5/3-6/5	Burrage Pd WMA	1-2	v.o.	5/28	Huntington	16	M. Lynch#
Virginia Rail				6/26	Wachusett Res.	7	K. Bourinot#
5/19	Ware R. IBA	4	M. Lynch#	Solitary Sandpiper			
6/10-11	GMNWR	32	USFWS (S. Arena)	5/4	Quabog IBA	2	M. Lynch#
6/11	Burrage Pd WMA	3	P. Peterson	5/7	GMNWR	3	C. Winstanley
6/12	IRWS	2 ad, 1 juv	MAS (Baird)	5/11	P.I.	3	T. Wetmore
6/25	Brookfield	4	R. Jenkins	5/14	Wenham	2	J. Berry
Sora				5/20	Rowley	1	P. + F. Vale
5/10	P.I.	2	E. Labato	Greater Yellowlegs			
5/14	Wayland	2	B. Harris#	thr	P.I.	31 max	v.o.
5/18	Lenox	3	S. Kellogg#	5/3	Newbypt H.	135	R. Heil
5/21	Topsfield	2	J. Berry#	Willet			
6/10-11	GMNWR	5 ad	USFWS (S. Arena)	thr	P.I.	60 max	v.o.
6/19	Bolton Flats	2	S. Arena	5/8	GMNWR	2	W. Martens
Common Gallinule				6/2	Monomoy	60	J. Layman
5/7-6/19	Bolton Flats	1-2	v.o.	6/15	Winthrop	7	C. Trocki#
5/7	Belchertown	1	L. Therrien	Lesser Yellowlegs			
5/7-11	Longmeadow	1	v.o.	thr	P.I.	114 max	v.o.
5/8	Concord	1	J. Forbes	5/14	Agawam	2	S. Kellogg
5/14	Wayland	1	B. Harris#	5/17	E. Boston (B.I.)	10	S. Zende#
American Coot				Upland Sandpiper			
thr	GMNWR	1-2	v.o.	thr	Westover	19 max	v.o.
5/2	Quabbin Pk	1	L. Therrien	5/2, 27	Camp Edwards	6, 5	D. Kim
5/14	DWWS	1	E. Giles	5/10	P.I.	1	E. Labato
5/18	Longmeadow	1	S. Motyl	5/10	Nantucket	1	S. Kardell
6/4	Plymouth	1	N. Marchessault	5/11	Westfield	3	S. Kellogg#
Sandhill Crane				5/13	Bedford	1	P. + F. Vale
thr	Burrage Pd WMA	2	v.o.	5/29	Plymouth	5	SSBC (GdE)
5/8	Oxbow NWR	1	B. Murphy	Whimbrel			
5/12-21	Bolton Flats	1	D. Grant + v.o.	5/8	Ipswich (C.B.)	1	N. Dubrow
5/20	Concord	1	C. Winstanley	5/11	P.I.	8	M. Watson
5/28	Worthington	pr + 1 yg	M. Lynch#	5/14	Duxbury B.	1	R. Bowes
6/26	Cumb. Farms	1	N. Marchessault#	5/21	Manomet	1	B. Z.
Black-bellied Plover				Hudsonian Godwit			
5/7	GMNWR	3	C. Winstanley	5/12	Newbypt H.	3	P. Roberts#
5/8	Wachusett Res.	3	M. Lynch#	5/18, 6/2	P.I.	1	T. Wetmore
5/14	Duxbury B.	62	R. Bowes	Ruddy Turnstone			
5/14	P.I.	67	J. Trimble	thr	P.I.	32 max	v.o.
5/21	Chatham	500	C. Goodrich	5/14	Duxbury B.	98	R. Bowes
American Golden-Plover				5/21	Chatham	40	C. Goodrich
5/14	Duxbury B.	2	R. Bowes	6/1	Plymouth B.	9	S. Zende#
5/14	P.I.	1	S. Miller#	Red Knot			
5/20	Pittsfield	1	K. Hanson	thr	P.I.	32 max	v.o.
Semipalmated Plover				5/14	Wellfleet	12	L. Waters#
5/14	P.I.	22	J. Trimble	5/20	Duxbury B.	15	R. Bowes
5/15	Northampton	3	L. Therrien	6/1	Chatham	80	J. Layman

Red Knot (continued)				Franklin's Gull			
6/1	Plymouth B.	8	S. Zende#	6/12, 23	P'town (R.P.)	1, 1	B. Nikula#
Sanderling				Iceland Gull			
5/13	P.I.	50	T. Wetmore	5/7, 6/7	P'town	9, 4	S. Arena
5/14	Duxbury B.	39	R. Bowes	5/27	Truro	1	B. Harris
Semipalmated Sandpiper				Lesser Black-backed Gull			
thr	P.I.	380 max	v.o.	5/7	Wachusett Res.	3	J. Bourget
5/21	Chatham	1000	C. Goodrich	6/1, 11	N. Truro	12, 70	B. Nikula
5/30	Longmeadow	250	L. Richardson	6/12	P'town (R.P.)	42	S. Arena#
6/3	Monomoy	500	J. Layman	6/18	Orleans	5	L. Waters#
6/5	Plymouth B.	35	S. Zende#	Glaucous Gull			
Least Sandpiper				5/9-13	P'town	2	S. Williams#
thr	P.I.	200 max	v.o.	Least Tern			
5/14	Duxbury B.	36	R. Bowes	5/2	Nantucket	32	L. Buck
5/16	W. Harwich	250	M. Keleher	5/29	Plymouth B.	75	SSBC (GdE)
5/17	E. Boston (B.I.)	60	S. Zende#	6/2	Ipswich (C.B.)	100	J. Berry#
White-rumped Sandpiper				6/7	P.I.	75	R. Heil
5/14-6/30	P.I.	10 max	v.o.	Gull-billed Tern			
5/14	Duxbury B.	3	R. Bowes	6/11-17	P.I.	1-2	S. Sullivan + v.o.
5/20	Chatham	8	M. Faherty#	6/12	P'town (R.P.)	1	P. Flood
6/7	P'town	3	S. Arena	6/17	Wellfleet	2	L. Waters#
6/24	E. Boston (B.I.)	1	DCR (S. Riley)	Caspian Tern			
Pectoral Sandpiper				5/2-4	Pittsfield (Onota)	2-4	R. Wendell#
5/9	Stockbridge	1	S. Kellogg	5/2	Watertown	1	S. Perkins
5/20	Rowley	2	P. + F. Vale	5/2	Turners Falls	3	J. Coleman
5/28	Longmeadow	1	L. Richardson	5/3	Pittsfield (Pont.)	1	J. Pierce
Purple Sandpiper				5/3	Northampton	1	D. McLain
5/3	P.I.	15	R. Heil	5/7	Newbury	2	S. Grinley#
5/14	N. Scituate	30	G. d'Entremont#	5/7	Northfield	1	E. Huston
5/16	Manomet	1	T. Lloyd-Evans	5/7	S. Hamilton	1	D. Walters
Dunlin				5/7	P'town (R.P.)	1	P. Flood
thr	P.I.	55 max	v.o.	5/7-08	Ipswich (C.B.)	1	N. Dubrow
5/14	Duxbury B.	453	R. Bowes	5/8	Sudbury	1	T. Spahr
5/18	Wachusett Res.	1	B. Kamp	5/8-09	Burrage Pd WMA	1	D. Furbish + v.o.
5/21	Chatham	3000	C. Goodrich	5/9, 12, 19	P.I.	1, 1, 1	v.o.
Stilt Sandpiper				5/14	Marshfield	1	S. Whitebread
5/17-26	P.I.	2	D. Larson + v.o.	5/20, 6/19	N. Truro	1	Young, Nikula
Ruff				5/20	Duxbury B.	1	R. Bowes
6/5	Ipswich (C.B.)	1 f	N. Dubrow	5/29-30	Wachusett Res.	1	B. Kamp + v.o.
6/21	P.I.	1 m ph	S. Wilson#	Black Tern			
6/29	Pittsfield	1	R. Wendell	5/2	Cheshire	1	J. Pierce#
Short-billed Dowitcher				5/2	Pittsfield	1	K. Schopp#
thr	P.I.	220 max	v.o.	5/6	P.I.	1	D. Adrien
5/11	Nantucket	6	L. Buck	5/12, 6/23	P'town (R.P.)	3, 1	Flood, Nikula
5/11	S. Dart (A.Pd)	7	N. Sylvia	White-winged Tern			
5/17	E. Boston (B.I.)	34	S. Zende#	5/8	P'town (R.P.)	1 ph	P. Flood#
5/24	Whately	12	J. Rose	Roseate Tern			
5/30	Longmeadow	1	L. Richardson	5/2	Nantucket	18	L. Buck
Wilson's Snipe				5/8	P'town (R.P.)	102	S. Arena
6/18	Washington	1 ad + 1 yg	J. Pierce	5/9	Nantucket	56	S. Kardell
American Woodcock				6/7	P.I.	25	R. Heil
5/20	P.I.	16	P. + F. Vale	Common Tern			
Wilson's Phalarope				thr	P'town	1400 max	B. Nikula
thr	Rowley/P.I.	2	v.o.	thr	P.I.	1500 max	v.o.
5/30	Manomet	1	M. McMahon	5/2-4	Pittsfield (Onota)	2-5	v.o.
5/31	E. Boston (B.I.)	1 f	S. Zende#	5/3, 7	S. Quabbin	4, 2	L. Therrien
Red-necked Phalarope				5/21	Medford	4	O. Inbar
5/7	GMNWR	1	C. Winstanley#	6/10	S. Monomoy	10000 pr	USFWS
Black-legged Kittiwake				Arctic Tern			
6/1, 11	N. Truro	15, 15	B. Nikula	5/7, 6/25	P'town	1, 2	B. Nikula
6/7	P'town	17	S. Arena	6/16	Chatham	2	J. Layman
Bonaparte's Gull				Forster's Tern			
thr	P'town	2000 max	B. Nikula	5/3	S. Quabbin	1	L. Therrien
5/3	S. Quabbin	3	L. Therrien	6/10	P.I.	1 ph	S. Sullivan
5/4	Pittsfield (Onota)	31	T. Collins	Royal Tern			
6/13	Newbypt	13	J. Berry	5/28, 6/4	P'town	1, 1	B. Nikula
Little Gull				6/3	Nantucket	1	L. Buck
thr	P'town	4 max	B. Nikula	6/12, 25	P'town	3, 1	B. Nikula#
6/11	N. Truro	1 IS	B. Nikula	6/19	Elizabeth I.	1	M. Sylvia
Laughing Gull				6/22	Ipswich (C.B.)	1	D. Williams
thr	P'town	1000 max	B. Nikula	Black Skimmer			
6/1	Plymouth B.	150	S. Zende#	5/26	Edgartown	12	S. Whiting#
6/28	P.I.	2	T. Wetmore	6/5	Plymouth B.	2	S. Zende#

Black Skimmer (continued)			5/13	P'town	1	B. Nikula
6/24 Vineyard Haven	4	S. Whiting	Razorbill			
Pomarine Jaeger			5/4	P.I.	1	T. Wetmore
6/18 P'town (R.P.)	1	S. Arena	5/8	P'town (R.P.)	4	S. Arena
6/26 E. of Chatham	2	B. Nikula#	5/12	Hingham (WE)	2	P. Edmundson
Parasitic Jaeger			6/26	E. of Chatham	1	P. Flood#
thr P'town	12 max	B. Nikula	6/28	Nantucket	1	B. Foehring
6/26 E. of Chatham	3	B. Nikula#	Black Guillemot			
Long-tailed Jaeger			5/14	Gloucester (E.P.)	1	S. + J. Mirick
5/28, 29 P'town	2, 1	B. Nikula	6/12	P'town (R.P.)	1	S. Arena#
Common Murre			6/17	P'town	1	B. Nikula
5/8 P'town (R.P.)	3	P. Flood				

CUCKOOS THROUGH FINCHES

A **Barn Owl** was found roosting in trees at Belle Isle Marsh in East Boston on May 3, only the fifth mainland record in the last ten years. The most recent was at Hanscom Field in Concord in January 2015, and the last time the species was reported in the May-June period was in Salisbury in May 2004. Long-eared Owls are rare breeders in Massachusetts; for the second year in a row a pair of Long-ears successfully fledged young in the Polpis area of Nantucket. Common Nighthawks were on the move, with several high counts noted May 20-22. At Camp Edwards, which is part of Otis Air National Guard Base on Cape Cod, as many as four **Chuck-will's-widows** and 34 Whip-poor-wills were tallied on May 25. Chucks were also found on Nantucket, Plymouth, and in Falmouth. Hawk watchers stationed at lot 1 on Plum Island tallied 32 American Kestrels, 25 Merlins, and two Peregrines on May 9. There were seven reports of Red-headed Woodpeckers during this period, three of which were holdovers from last winter.

The first week of May was cold, a stalled front was keeping the birds to our south, and finally on May 8 a high-pressure cell from Canada brought clearing skies and strong southwest winds to the region. Birders reported fallouts from many areas across the state and especially several coastal points, including Plum Island, Nahant, Eastern Point in Gloucester, and Marblehead Neck. Significant movement was also noted with a warm front beginning on May 21 and again at the end of the month with good numbers of flycatchers.

A total of 34 species of warblers were reported during the period. Highlights included six Golden-winged Warblers compared with just one bird reported in May 2015, nine Orange-crowned, four each of Kentucky and Prothonotary, 14 Hooded, and 12 Ceruleans from eight locations with five being seen at Skinner State Park in Hadley. Other noteworthy spring migrants included good numbers of Olive-sided and Yellow-bellied flycatchers, two reports of Philadelphia Vireo, and three Summer Tanagers.

A **Fork-tailed Flycatcher** was found and photographed at Bear Creek Wildlife Refuge in Saugus where access is restricted to organized groups. On May 1, a **Golden-crowned Sparrow** was discovered at a feeder in Hingham. The homeowner was worried about allowing a deluge of visiting birders, but access was permitted via a sign-up sheet. Eventually over 100 birders were able to see the bird.

The breeding season again saw increased nesting success with Purple Martins in Mashpee. Mary Keleher, who has monitored the nesting sites in town for several years, reported 47 nests with over 200 eggs on June 13. With luck, most will hatch and successfully fledge. Acadian Flycatchers were suspected breeders in four locations and Cerulean Warblers again nested at Skinner State Park; one nest was easily observed from the road; observers reported fledged young being fed by the adults on June 15. As many as four Clay-colored Sparrows were found at Camp Edwards in Otis Air National Guard Base, suggesting that they were again nesting on the property.

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Yellow-billed Cuckoo				5/1-11	Worc. (BMB)	1	v.o.
5/9	DFWS	1	P. Sowizral	5/1-15	Ipswich	1	v.o.
5/14	Medford	5	M. Rines#	5/12-22	Nantucket	1	S. Kardell#
5/22	Wompatuck SP	6	BBC (E. Giles)	5/16-6/3	Williamstown	1	M. Morales#
5/29	Lenox Dale	4	K. Schopp	5/19	Colrain	1	T. Bullock
6/26	Wellfleet-Truro	8	M. Faherty#	5/28	Gloucester (E.P.)	1	S. Hedman
Black-billed Cuckoo				Red-bellied Woodpecker			
5/9	Burrage Pd WMA	1	P. Peterson	5/14	W. Warren	9	B. Zajda
5/26	MBWMA	5	J. Hoye#	5/21	Topsfield	14	J. Berry#
6/4	Millis	3	W. Webb#	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker			
6/11	MSSF	24	G. d'Entremont	5/9	Quabbin (G54)	5	B. Zajda
6/22	Royalston	3	M. Lynch#	5/11	New Marlboro	11	K. Schopp
Barn Owl				5/21	Great Barrington	16	M. Lynch#
5/3	E. Boston (B.I.)	1 ph	J. Twomey#	6/11	Ware River BBS	8	T. Pirro
Eastern Screech-Owl				6/26	Holden	12	M. Lynch#
5/3	Medford	5	H. Bochner	Pileated Woodpecker			
5/4	Wayland	2	B. Harris	5/10	Ware R. IBA	7	M. Lynch#
Great Horned Owl				5/21	Topsfield	9	J. Berry#
thr	Mt.A.	2	v.o.	6/11	Ware River BBS	5	T. Pirro
5/17	N. Andover	ad +2 yg	J. Berry	Olive-sided Flycatcher			
5/18	Reading	1 ad, 1 yg	D. Williams	5/14-6/11	Reports of indiv. from 12 locations		
Barred Owl				5/26	Wendell	2	M. Lynch
thr	Medford	pr + 4 yg	M. Rines	6/7	ONWR	2	J. Hoye#
5/28	Ashby	2	J. Forbes	Eastern Wood-Pewee			
Long-eared Owl				5/11	DFWS	1	P. Sowizral
5/14	Nantucket	1 ad 2 yg	H. Young#	5/20	MSSF	21	T. Lloyd-Evans#
5/28	Ashley Falls	1	K. Schopp#	5/26	Wendell	19	M. Lynch#
Northern Saw-whet Owl				6/7-8	Ipswich	11	J. Berry
5/20	MSSF	1	T. Lloyd-Evans#	6/11	Ware River BBS	12	T. Pirro
5/24	Camp Edwards	2	J. McCumber#	6/12	Monson	21	M. Lynch#
Common Nighthawk				Yellow-bellied Flycatcher			
5/20	Boston (F.Pk)	6	P. Peterson	5/12	Amherst	1	L. Therrien
5/21	Topsfield	6	J. Berry#	5/16	Cheshire	1	J. Pierce
5/21	Wayland	67	B. Harris	5/17	Ashley Falls	1	K. Schopp
5/22	Sheffield	46	J. Pierce	5/23	Williamstown	1	M. Morales
Chuck-will's-widow				5/26-31	P.I.	3 b	B. Flemer#
5/13-6/31	Falmouth	1	M. Keleher + v.o.	5/28	Rockport	1	B. Harris#
5/19	Nantucket	1	S. Kardell	5/28	MNWS	1	M. Brengle
5/25	Camp Edwards	4	J. McCumber	5/31	Manomet	2 b	T. Lloyd-Evans#
6/23	Plymouth	1	B. Harrington	6/4	Hawley	1	M. Lynch#
Eastern Whip-poor-will				Acadian Flycatcher			
5/20	P.I.	22	T. Wetmore	5/27	Cohasset	2	V. Zollo
5/25	Camp Edwards	34	J. McCumber	5/28	Wompatuck SP	2	G. d'Entremont
6/8-9	MSSF	18	G. d'Entremont#	6/4	Quabbin (G22)	2	E. Huston
Chimney Swift				6/26	Freetown SF	pr n	B. Harris
5/3	Woburn (HP)	85	M. Rines	Alder Flycatcher			
5/6	Jamaica Plain	90	J. Battenfeld	5/13	New Salem	1	G. d'Entremont#
5/7	GMNWR	50	C. Winstanley	5/28	P.I.	7	T. Wetmore
5/16	N. Andover	200	D. Peterson	5/28	Huntington	24	M. Lynch#
Ruby-throated Hummingbird				5/28	Gloucester (E.P.)	4	S. Hedman
5/11	Quabbin Park	5	B. Zajda	6/18	Savoy	11	M. Lynch#
5/20	Milton	6	R. Mussey	Willow Flycatcher			
5/27	P.I.	4	S. Sullivan	5/19	Worc. (BMB)	4	J. Liller
6/18	Savoy	4	M. Lynch#	5/31	P.I.	20	P. + F. Vale
American Kestrel				6/10	GMNWR	12	USFWS (S. Arena)
thr	Woburn (HP)	2 pr n	M. Rines	6/11	Quabog IBA	7	M. Lynch#
5/9	P.I.	32	Hawkcount (UG)	6/16	New Braintree	4	M. Lynch#
5/10	N. Truro	5	Hawkcount (DM)	Least Flycatcher			
5/17	E. Boston (B.I.)	3	S. Zende#	5/10	Medford	1	M. Rines#
6/4	Camp Edwards	3	J. McCumber	5/14	W. Warren	3	B. Zajda
Merlin				5/21	Great Barrington	47	M. Lynch#
5/9	P.I.	25	Hawkcount (UG)	5/26	P.I.	6	P. + F. Vale#
5/10	N. Truro	8	Hawkcount (DM)	6/2	Barre Falls	7	B. Samdahl#
5/10	P.I.	7	Hawkcount (UG)	6/18	Savoy	8	M. Lynch#
6/29	Quabbin Pk	1	L. Therrien	Great Crested Flycatcher			
Peregrine Falcon				5/8	Medford	1	M. Rines#
5/9	P.I.	3	Hawkcount (UG)	5/21	Topsfield	21	J. Berry#
5/21	Haverhill	2 ad n, 4 juv	Mirick	5/26	Wendell	12	M. Lynch#
5/22	Brockton	2	W. Loughlin	5/28	Wompatuck SP	8	G. d'Entremont
5/25	Lawrence	4 juv b	C. Gibson	Eastern Kingbird			
Red-headed Woodpecker				5/3	Burrage Pd WMA	1	P. Peterson
5/1-08	W. Roxbury (MP)	1	v.o.	5/30	P.I.	45	D. + T. Swain

Eastern Kingbird (continued)				6/4	Turners Falls	20 n	M. Lynch#
6/11 Quabog IBA	22	M. Lynch#		6/5	Plymouth B.	20	S. Zende#
Fork-tailed Flycatcher				Cliff Swallow			
6/7-08 Saugus	1 ph	S. Zende# + v.o.		5/10 P.I.		31	R. Heil
White-eyed Vireo				5/21 Tyringham		7	M. Lynch#
5/4 Medford	1	M. Rines		5/23 Lincoln		2	M. Rines
5/4 Clinton	1	M. Lynch#		6/11 Stockbridge		30	S. Kellogg#
5/13 Manomet	1 b	T. Lloyd-Evans#		6/18 Chatham		4	A. Curtis
5/21 Acoaxet	2	G. d'Entremont#		6/19 Lenox		2	SSBC (GdE)
6/4 S. Dart. (A. Pd)	2	B. Cassie		Barn Swallow			
6/18 P.I.	1	J. Offermann		5/7 GMNWR		40	C. Winstanley
Yellow-throated Vireo				5/10 P.I.		320	R. Heil
5/8 Upton SF	2	BBC (N. Paulson)		5/21 Tyringham		65	M. Lynch#
5/13 Skinner SP	7	G. d'Entremont#		Red-breasted Nuthatch			
5/15 Groveland	4	J. Berry#		5/8 Upton SF		6	BBC (N. Paulson)
5/15 Quabog IBA	8	M. Lynch#		6/11 MSSF		20	G. d'Entremont#
6/4 Hadley	4	SSBC (GdE)		6/11 Ware River BBS		8	T. Pirro
6/26 IRWS	2	J. Berry		6/18 Savoy		10	M. Lynch#
Blue-headed Vireo				6/18 Mt. Greylock		7	SSBC (GdE)
5/8 P.I.	11	N. Landry		6/20 Royalston		16	M. Lynch#
5/10 MNWS	8	BBC (L. Ferraresso)		Brown Creeper			
5/17 Medford	6	P. + F. Vale		5/7 Wompatuck SP		7	BBC (GdE)
5/21 Great Barrington	18	M. Lynch#		5/10 Ware R. IBA		9	M. Lynch#
6/18 Savoy	19	M. Lynch#		5/21 Topsfield		6	J. Berry#
Warbling Vireo				5/26 Wendell		8	M. Lynch#
5/11 Medford	14	P. + F. Vale		House Wren			
5/14 W. Warren	15	B. Zajda		5/6 Ipswich		7	J. Berry
5/15 Quabog IBA	21	M. Lynch#		5/10 MNWS		8	BBC (L. Ferraresso)
5/21 Topsfield	43	J. Berry#		5/15 Quabog IBA		20	M. Lynch#
6/11 Quabog IBA	26	M. Lynch#		5/18 W. Newbury		8	P. + F. Vale
Philadelphia Vireo				5/19 Ipswich		5	J. Berry#
5/14 Westport	1	S. Paventy		6/16 New Braintree		13	M. Lynch#
5/28 P.I.	1	P. + F. Vale		Winter Wren			
Red-eyed Vireo				5/8 Milton		1	R. Mussey
5/9 Medford	1	M. Rines		5/8 Upton SF		2	BBC (N. Paulson)
5/26 Wendell	144	M. Lynch#		5/10 Ware R. IBA		5	M. Lynch#
6/4 Hadley	36	BBC (M. Burns)		5/12 Wendell		4	M. Lynch#
6/11 Ware River BBS	43	T. Pirro		5/14 Wompatuck SP		3	G. d'Entremont#
6/18 Savoy	98	M. Lynch#		5/21 Great Barrington		3	M. Lynch#
6/18 Mt. Greylock	76	SSBC (GdE)		5/22 Brookline		1	P. Peterson
Fish Crow				5/23 Hawley		5	M. Lynch#
5/27 P.I.	9	S. Sullivan		6/14 GMNWR		1	P. Peterson
6/3 Beverly	5	K. Elwell		6/18 Savoy		5	M. Lynch#
Common Raven				6/30 Ipswich		1 m	J. Berry
6/4 Hawley	7	M. Lynch#		Marsh Wren			
6/11 Woburn	6	M. Rines#		5/12 GMNWR		34	A. Bragg#
6/16 Carlisle	4	T. + D. Brownrigg		5/21 Topsfield		16	J. Berry#
6/18 Savoy	6	M. Lynch#		5/30 P.I.		20	D. + T. Swain
6/21 Allston	2 ad + 2 juv	S. Carey		5/31 Topsfield		10	J. Berry
Horned Lark				6/11 Lenox		4	S. Kellogg
5/2, 18 Westfield	10, 1	S. Kellogg		6/17 W. Harwich		34	E. Lipton
5/14 Plymouth	2	G. d'Entremont#		6/26 IRWS		6	J. Berry
5/15 Saugus	2	S. Zende#		Blue-gray Gnatcatcher			
Purple Martin				5/1 Wompatuck SP		6	BBC (E. Giles)
thr P.I.	16 max	v.o.		5/3 W. Newbury		7	R. Heil
5/3, 6/30 Mashpee	26, 102	M. Keleher		5/9 Medford		11	M. Rines
5/9 Burrage Pd WMA	5	P. Peterson		5/12 GMNWR		9	A. Bragg#
6/7 Norfolk	8	K. Marie		5/21 Topsfield		22	J. Berry#
6/27 Barnstable	9	K. Fiske#		5/23 Canton		14	P. Peterson
6/30 Wellfleet (WBWS)	3 ad, 2 yg	M. Faherty		6/18 Milton		11	P. Peterson
Tree Swallow				Golden-crowned Kinglet			
5/4 Quabog IBA	1130	M. Lynch#		5/1 P.I.		1	F. Vale
5/10 P.I.	945	R. Heil		5/10 Barnstable		1	P. Crosson
Northern Rough-winged Swallow				5/10 Lexington		1	J. Forbes
5/3 Burrage Pd WMA	4	P. Peterson		5/11 Gloucester (E.P.)		1	J. Nelson
5/4 Quabog IBA	7	M. Lynch#		5/21 Great Barrington		1	M. Lynch#
5/9 Worc. (BMB)	6	J. Liller		6/5 Fall River		2	G. d'Entremont#
5/10 P.I.	5	R. Heil		6/11 Ware River BBS		1	T. Pirro
Bank Swallow				Ruby-crowned Kinglet			
5/8 Burlington	10	M. Rines		5/3 P.I.		12	T. Wetmore
5/10 P.I.	47	R. Heil		5/10 Ware R. IBA		3	M. Lynch#
5/11 Ipswich (C.B.)	15	J. Berry		5/10 Ipswich		2	J. Berry
5/15 Quabog IBA	53	M. Lynch#		5/18 Leominster		1	J. Young

Ruby-crowned Kinglet (continued)				5/22	Wompatuck SP	6	BBC (E. Giles)
5/20	P.I.	1	P. + F. Vale	6/6	Milton	2	P. Peterson
Veery				Louisiana Waterthrush			
5/11	Quabbin (G54)	16	B. Zajda	5/28	Huntington	7	M. Lynch#
5/21	Great Barrington	33	M. Lynch#	6/25	Sandisfield	9	M. Lynch#
5/28	Wompatuck SP	12	G. d'Entremont	6/26	Wendell	2	G. Dysart
6/11	Ware River BBS	28	T. Pirro	Northern Waterthrush			
6/18	Mt. Greylock	15	SSBC (GdE)	5/7	Wompatuck SP	9	BBC (GdE)
6/30	Ipswich	42	J. Berry	5/8	Hamilton	6	J. Berry
Gray-cheeked Thrush				5/8	Upton SF	6	BBC (N. Paulson)
5/17	Mt Holyoke	1	J. Coleman	5/8-27	P.I.	59 b	B. Flemer#
5/17-18	Mt.A.	1	S. Williams + v.o.	5/9	W. Bridgewater	10	B. Loughlin
5/26	P.I.	1	P. + F. Vale#	5/14	Wenham	9	J. Berry
Gray-cheeked/Bicknell's Thrush				5/17	Freetown SF	6	G. d'Entremont#
5/27	Granby	1	L. Therrien	5/26	Wendell	9	M. Lynch#
Swainson's Thrush				Golden-winged Warbler			
5/10	Quabbin (G4)	2	B. Zajda	5/5	Quabbin (G54)	1	B. Zajda
5/12	Medford	5	M. Rines#	5/9	S. Peabody	1	R. Heil
5/17	Manomet	4 b	T. Lloyd-Evans#	5/14	P.I.	1	G. Revelas#
5/18	Boston (F.Pk)	3	P. Peterson	5/18	Andover	1	M. McCarthy
5/26	P.I.	9	S. Miller	5/20	MBWMA	1	J. Smith
6/18	Savoy	3	M. Lynch#	5/20	Adams	1	D. Shustack
6/18	Mt. Greylock	2	SSBC (GdE)	Blue-winged Warbler			
Hermit Thrush				5/14	W. Warren	12	B. Zajda
5/7	Medford	3	M. Rines#	5/15	Quabog IBA	7	M. Lynch#
5/11	Quabbin (G54)	4	B. Zajda	5/17	Acoaxet	5	G. d'Entremont#
5/11	P.I.	3	T. Wetmore	5/25	Pepperell	5	S. Miller#
5/19	Ware R. IBA	37	M. Lynch#	5/26	Bedford	5	MAS (B. Stevens)
5/28	Ashby	3	J. Forbes	6/5	Milton (Fowl M.)	8	SSBC (P. O'Neill)
6/11	MSSF	21	G. d'Entremont	6/16	New Braintree	7	M. Lynch#
6/19	October Mt.	4	SSBC (GdE)	Black-and-white Warbler			
Wood Thrush				5/8	Pepperell	13	A. Bostick
5/14	W. Warren	22	B. Zajda	5/10	MNWS	15	BBC (L. Ferraresso)
5/15	Quabog IBA	25	M. Lynch#	5/11	Medford	31	M. Rines#
5/19	Hamilton	5	J. Berry	5/14	Wompatuck SP	14	G. d'Entremont#
5/25	Pepperell	5	S. Miller#	5/14	P.I.	27	J. Trimble
6/11	Quabog IBA	19	M. Lynch#	5/17	Manomet	32 b	T. Lloyd-Evans#
6/26	Wachusett Res.	9	K. Bourinot#	5/26	Wendell	34	M. Lynch#
Gray Catbird				Prothonotary Warbler			
5/1-28	P.I.	158 b	B. Flemer#	5/10	Ipswich	1	I. Pepper
5/11	Manomet	32 b	T. Lloyd-Evans#	5/11	Nahant	1	L. Pivacek
5/11	Gloucester (E.P.)	81	J. Nelson	5/24	Sheffield	1	K. Schopp
5/15	Quabog IBA	131	M. Lynch#	5/29	GMNWR	1	J. Forbes#
6/11	MSSF	19	G. d'Entremont	Tennessee Warbler			
6/16	New Braintree	81	M. Lynch#	5/14	W. Warren	2	B. Zajda
Brown Thrasher				5/17	Medford	5	M. Rines#
5/7	Medford	2	M. Rines#	5/20	Hingham	2	G. d'Entremont
5/12	Boston (F.Pk)	2	P. Peterson	Orange-crowned Warbler			
5/19	P.I.	10	G. d'Entremont#	5/9	Williamstown	1	C. Johnson#
6/11	MSSF	4	G. d'Entremont	5/9	Brewster	1 b	S. Finnegan
American Pipit				5/10	Manomet	1 b	M. VandenBoom
5/1	Concord (NAC)	1	B. Harris#	5/11	Mt.A.	1	S. Williams#
5/9	P'town (R.P.)	3	S. Williams#	5/12	Boston	1	P. Peterson
5/29	Rockport	1	S. Sullivan#	5/14	S. Quabbin	1	D. Griffiths
6/29	P.I.	1	C. Marchant	5/14	Gloucester	1	S. + J. Mirick
Cedar Waxwing				5/15	P.I.	1 b	B. Flemer#
5/25	Pepperell	80	S. Miller#	5/24	S. Hamilton	1	D. Walters
5/26	P.I.	36	P. + F. Vale#	Nashville Warbler			
5/29	GMNWR	75	J. Forbes	5/8	Nahant	3	L. Pivacek
5/29	Newbury	57	J. Berry#	5/10	Ipswich	3	J. Berry
6/18	Savoy	21	M. Lynch#	5/11	Medford	6	M. Rines#
Ovenbird				5/14	P.I.	4	J. Trimble
5/11	Quabbin (G54)	43	B. Zajda	6/2	Winchendon	7	M. Lynch#
5/14	Wompatuck SP	59	G. d'Entremont#	Mourning Warbler			
5/14	W. Warren	41	B. Zajda	5/14-6/30	Reports of indiv. from 17 locations		
5/17	N. Andover	28	J. Berry	5/26	Wendell	2	M. Lynch#
5/19	Ware R. IBA	150	M. Lynch#	5/26	Medford	2	M. Rines#
6/11	MSSF	101	G. d'Entremont	5/29	Cohasset	2	E. Lipton
6/18	Savoy	63	M. Lynch#	6/3	P.I.	3	B. Harris
Worm-eating Warbler				6/6	MNWS	2	L. Ferraresso
thr	Reports of indiv. from 16 locations			6/18	Mt. Greylock	4	SSBC (GdE)
5/10	Mt Holyoke	2	L. Therrien	Kentucky Warbler			
5/13	Skinner SP	5	G. d'Entremont#	5/1	P'town	1	J. Trimble#

Kentucky Warbler (continued)				6/7	P.I.	60	R. Heil
5/21-22 MNWS	1	J. Smith + v.o.		6/16	New Braintree	28	M. Lynch#
6/8 Marlboro	1	T. Spahr			Chestnut-sided Warbler		
6/26 Freetown SF	1	B. Harris		5/8	Pepperell	5	A. Bostick
Common Yellowthroat				5/12	Wendell	54	M. Lynch#
5/12 GMNWR	25	A. Bragg#		5/14	W. Warren	32	B. Zajda
5/14 W. Warren	27	B. Zajda		5/14	P.I.	8	J. Trimble
5/14 P.I.	52	J. Trimble		6/18	Savoy	53	M. Lynch#
5/21 Topsfield	65	J. Berry#		6/18	Mt. Greylock	16	SSBC (GdE)
6/5 Milton (Fowl M.)	24	SSBC (P. O'Neill)			Blackpoll Warbler		
6/11 MSSF	47	G. d'Entremont		5/17	Manomet	7 b	T. Lloyd-Evans#
6/18 Savoy	61	M. Lynch#		5/21	Topsfield	7	J. Berry#
Hooded Warbler				5/25	Pepperell	6	S. Miller#
thr Reports of indiv. from 12 locations				5/26	Medford	15	M. Rines#
5/14 Medford	2	M. Rines#		5/27	P.I.	10	T. Wetmore
American Redstart				6/26	Mt. Greylock	2	K. Schopp
5/10 Boston	2	P. Peterson			Black-throated Blue Warbler		
5/11 Quabbin (G54)	52	B. Zajda		5/11	Waltham	6	J. Forbes
5/17 Manomet	27 b	T. Lloyd-Evans#		5/11	Ipswich	11	J. Berry#
5/21 Great Barrington	81	M. Lynch#		5/14	P.I.	16	J. Trimble
5/26 Medford	54	M. Rines#		5/17	Medford	11	M. Rines#
5/26 P.I.	39 b	B. Flemer#		6/18	Savoy	16	M. Lynch#
6/11 Quabog IBA	31	M. Lynch#		6/18	Mt. Greylock	21	SSBC (GdE)
6/18 Mt. Greylock	13	SSBC (GdE)			Palm Warbler		
Cape May Warbler				5/1	P.I.	12	J. Keeley#
5/9 Williamstown	2	M. Morales		5/7	Mt.A.	3	P. + F. Vale
5/9 Rowe	2	C. Hyytinen		5/11	Ipswich	5	J. Berry#
5/10 Pittsfield	3	J. Pierce			Western Palm Warbler		
5/14 N. Truro	2	S. Williams#		5/10	P.I.	1	S. Sullivan
5/17 E. Boston (B.I.)	3	S. Zende#			Pine Warbler		
5/18 P.I.	4	T. Wetmore		5/21	Wompatuck SP	27	SSBC (Whitebread)
Cerulean Warbler				6/6	Milton	14	P. Peterson
5/10-6/30 Skinner SP	5 max	v.o.		6/7-8	Ipswich	13	J. Berry
5/13 S. Quabbin	1	L. Therrien		6/11	Ware River BBS	23	T. Pirro
5/16 Medford	1	M. Rines		6/11	MSSF	72	G. d'Entremont
5/21 Nantucket	1	G. Andrews#		6/26	Wachusett Res.	13	K. Bourinot#
5/24 Hadley	1	P. + F. Vale			Yellow-rumped Warbler		
5/28 P.I.	1	B. Buxton#		5/1	Ware R. IBA	35	M. Lynch#
5/29 W Brookfield	1	M. Lynch#		5/3	P.I.	35	T. Wetmore
5/29 Boston	1	S. Jones#		5/3	Mt.A.	30	P. + F. Vale
Northern Parula				5/5	Boston (F.Pk)	35	P. Peterson
5/11 Medford	29	M. Rines#		5/12	Wendell	65	M. Lynch#
5/14 P.I.	26	J. Trimble		6/19	October Mt.	3	SSBC (GdE)
5/17 Mt.A.	16	P. + F. Vale			Prairie Warbler		
5/17 Medford	20	M. Rines#		5/26	Wendell	12	M. Lynch#
6/20 ONWR	1	A. List		6/11	MSSF	49	G. d'Entremont
6/26 Salisbury	1	D. Kraushaar		6/26	Wachusett Res.	4	K. Bourinot#
Magnolia Warbler					Black-throated Green Warbler		
5/8 Nahant	4	L. Pivacek		5/10	Ware R. IBA	36	M. Lynch#
5/17 Manomet	52 b	T. Lloyd-Evans#		5/11	Medford	10	M. Rines#
5/17 Medford	32	M. Rines#		5/14	P.I.	26	J. Trimble
5/17 E. Boston (B.I.)	7	S. Zende#		5/21	Wompatuck SP	10	SSBC (Whitebread)
5/18 Boston	6	P. Peterson		6/18	Mt. Greylock	7	SSBC (GdE)
5/20 P.I.	22	P. + F. Vale		6/18	Savoy	31	M. Lynch#
6/18 Savoy	9	M. Lynch#			Canada Warbler		
6/19 October Mt.	8	SSBC (GdE)		5/9, 26	Medford	1, 7	M. Rines
Bay-breasted Warbler				5/27	P.I.	9	S. Sullivan
5/8 Pepperell	1	A. Bostick		6/13	Concord	3	D. Swain
5/14 Rockport (H.P.)	3	J.+ T. Beers		6/19	October Mt.	2	SSBC (GdE)
5/17 Mt.A.	2	M. Sabourin		6/26	Freetown SF	1	B. Harris
5/21 P.I.	5	S. Miller#			Wilson's Warbler		
5/25 Medford	5	M. Rines#		5/4	Ashley Falls	1	K. Schopp#
Blackburnian Warbler				5/17	Medford	6	M. Rines#
5/14 P.I.	6	T. Wetmore		5/17	Mt.A.	6	M. Sabourin
5/23 Hawley	15	M. Lynch#		5/17	E. Boston (B.I.)	8	S. Zende#
5/26 Medford	4	M. Rines#		5/18	Boston	5	P. Peterson
6/19 October Mt.	12	SSBC (GdE)		5/27	P.I.	3	P. + F. Vale
6/26 Mt. Greylock	13	K. Schopp			Yellow-breasted Chat		
Yellow Warbler				5/14	N. Truro	1	S. Williams#
5/9 Burrage Pd WMA	32	P. Peterson			Eastern Towhee		
5/14 W. Warren	47	B. Zajda		5/8	Upton SF	18	BBC (N. Paulson)
5/15 Quabog IBA	66	M. Lynch#		5/19	Ware R. IBA	57	M. Lynch#
5/21 Topsfield	30	J. Berry#		5/21	Wompatuck SP	32	SSBC (Whitebread)

Eastern Towhee (continued)				6/7-8	Ipswich	10	J. Berry
6/3	P.I.	31	R. Stymeist	6/26	Wachusett Res.	12	K. Bourinot#
6/11	MSSF	131	G. d'Entremont	Rose-breasted Grosbeak			
6/12	MBWMA	18	BBC (S. Hedman)	5/9	Ware R. IBA	12	M. Lynch#
6/26	Holden	18	M. Lynch#	5/9	Waltham	6	J. Forbes
Clay-colored Sparrow				5/10	Medford	11	M. Rines#
5/1-06	Bradford	1	S. Mirick	5/13	Skinner SP	6	G. d'Entremont#
5/13, 6/11	Camp Edwards	2, 4	Pratt, Trimble	5/15	Groveland	9	J. Berry#
Field Sparrow				5/17	Worc. (BMB)	10	J. Liller
5/9	MBWMA	4	S. Riley#	Blue Grosbeak			
5/26	Wendell	8	M. Lynch#	5/31	Sandwich	1	J. Erickson
6/2	Worc. (BMB)	5	J. Liller	6/25-30	Cumb. Farms	2	v.o.
6/4	Westover AFB	5	BBC (L. Ferraresso)	Indigo Bunting			
Vesper Sparrow				5/17	Medford	5	M. Rines#
5/5	W. Roxbury (MP)	1	T. Bradford	5/18	Waltham	5	J. Forbes
5/14	Plymouth	2	G. d'Entremont#	5/28	Huntington	21	M. Lynch#
Savannah Sparrow				5/29	Newbury	6	J. Berry#
5/2	P.I.	15	T. Wetmore	6/12	MBWMA	7	BBC (S. Hedman)
5/7	Cheshire	10	M. Lynch#	6/18	Mt. Greylock	7	SSBC (GdE)
5/10	Rowley	18	J. Berry	Dickcissel			
5/25	W. Roxbury (MP)	10	P. Peterson	5/19	N. Dighton	1	J. Eckerson#
6/7	Saugus	32	S. Zende#	6/1	Hingham	1	S. Williams
Grasshopper Sparrow				Bobolink			
thr	Westover	15 max	v.o.	5/8, 6/7	Saugus	4, 25	S. Zende#
5/2	Westfield	5	S. Kellogg	5/15	Quabog IBA	36	M. Lynch#
5/20	Falmouth	24	H. Clipp	6/4	Westover AFB	20	BBC (L. Ferraresso)
5/27	Camp Edwards	12	H. Clipp	6/7	P.I.	52	R. Heil
5/29	Plymouth	3	SSBC (GdE)	6/15	DFWS	15	P. Sowizral
6/9	Montague	5	J. Coleman	6/16	New Braintree	52	M. Lynch#
6/10	Greenfield	1	B. Lafley	Eastern Meadowlark			
6/25	N. Truro	1 m	M. Faherty	5/7	Cheshire	2	M. Lynch#
Nelson's Sparrow				5/10	P.I.	2	R. Heil
6/3	Ipswich (C.B.)	1	N. Dubrow	5/18	Camp Edwards	7	D. Kim
Saltmarsh Sparrow				6/4	Westover AFB	10	BBC (L. Ferraresso)
thr	P.I.	22 max	v.o.	6/11	Plymouth	2	G. d'Entremont
Seaside Sparrow				6/25	Falmouth	8	F. Bouchard
6/5	S. Dart. (A.Pd.)	5	SSBC (GD)	Yellow-headed Blackbird			
6/19	P.I.	3	T. Wetmore	5/3-05	S. Dartmouth	1	J. Bogart + v.o.
6/24	Newbury	1	J. Garrett	Rusty Blackbird			
Lincoln's Sparrow				5/2	Wayland	10	J. Forbes
5/7	Windsor	2	M. Lynch#	5/8	Hamilton	30	J. Berry
5/11	Medford	2	P. + F. Vale	Orchard Oriole			
5/14	P.I.	2	J. Trimble	5/9	Burrage Pd WMA	12	P. Peterson
5/17	Manomet	3 b	T. Lloyd-Evans#	5/19	P.I.	7	G. d'Entremont#
5/19	Lexington	2	J. Andrews	5/21	Topsfield	5	J. Berry#
Swamp Sparrow				6/1	Winchester	6	R. LaFontaine
5/15	GMNWR	24	USFWS (S. Arena)	6/1	Woburn (HP)	5	M. Rines
5/15	Quabog IBA	21	M. Lynch#	6/7	P.I.	5	R. Heil
White-throated Sparrow				Baltimore Oriole			
5/7	Windsor	39	M. Lynch#	5/9	Burrage Pd WMA	20	P. Peterson
5/11	Medford	31	P. + F. Vale	5/15	Quabog IBA	43	M. Lynch#
5/12	P.I.	30	E. Labato	5/21	Topsfield	41	J. Berry#
6/19	October Mt.	6	SSBC (GdE)	6/16	New Braintree	20	M. Lynch#
White-crowned Sparrow				Purple Finch			
5/1	Wompatuck SP	1	BBC (E. Giles)	5/9	Ware R. IBA	18	M. Lynch#
5/10	Wakefield	1	J. Beers	5/30	P.I.	15	D. + T. Swain
5/11	P.I.	5	MAS (D. Moon)	6/4	Hawley	7	M. Lynch#
5/11	Medford	2	M. Rines#	6/11	MSSF	6	G. d'Entremont
5/19	Westboro	1	B. Robo	6/18	Mt. Greylock	9	SSBC (GdE)
Golden-crowned Sparrow				Red Crossbill			
5/1-06	Hingham	1 ph	C. Harrison#	6/14-25	Mt. Greylock	6 max	J. Pierce#
Dark-eyed Junco				6/27	Belchertown	1	L. Therrien
6/18	Savoy	21	M. Lynch#	Pine Siskin			
6/18	Mt. Greylock	13	SSBC (GdE)	5/4	P'town	1	B. Nikula
6/25	Sandisfield	3	M. Lynch#	6/18	Springfield	2	J. Koon
6/30	Harwich	1	D. Meyer	Evening Grosbeak			
Summer Tanager				5/5	New Salem	2	B. Lafley
5/18	Nantucket	1	T. Pastuszak#	5/13	Warwick	3	G. d'Entremont#
5/23-25	P.I.	1 m	G. Gove + v.o.	5/23	Hawley	5	M. Lynch#
5/28	Gloucester (E.P.)	1	S. Hedman	6/16	Newbury	2	D. Davis
Scarlet Tanager				6/20	Heath	8	D. Potter
5/12	Wendell	36	M. Lynch#	6/24	Shutesbury	2	B. Emily
5/14	W. Warren	7	B. Zajda	6/29	Westminster	2	C. Caron

ABBREVIATIONS FOR BIRD SIGHTINGS

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Locations			
Location-#	MAS Breeding Bird Atlas Block	Newbypt	Newburyport
A.A.	Arnold Arboretum, Boston	ONWR	Oxbow National Wildlife Refuge
ABC	Allen Bird Club	PG	Public Garden, Boston
A.P.	Andrews Point, Rockport	P.I.	Plum Island
A.Pd	Allens Pond, S. Dartmouth	Pd	Pond
B.	Beach	POP	Point of Pines, Revere
Barre F.D.	Barre Falls Dam	PR	Pinnacle Rock, Malden
B.I.	Belle Isle, E. Boston	P'town	Provincetown
B.R.	Bass Rocks, Gloucester	Pont.	Pontoosuc Lake, Lanesboro
BBC	Brookline Bird Club	R.P.	Race Point, Provincetown
BMB	Broad Meadow Brook, Worcester	Res.	Reservoir
BNC	Boston Nature Center, Mattapan	RKG	Rose Kennedy Greenway, Boston
C.B.	Crane Beach, Ipswich	S.B.	South Beach, Chatham
CGB	Coast Guard Beach, Eastham	S.N.	Sandy Neck, Barnstable
C.P.	Crooked Pond, Boxford	SRV	Sudbury River Valley
Cambr.	Cambridge	SSBC	South Shore Bird Club
CCBC	Cape Cod Bird Club	TASL	Take A Second Look, Boston Harbor Census
Corp. B.	Corporation Beach, Dennis	WBWS	Wellfleet Bay WS
Cumb. Farms	Cumberland Farms, Middleboro	WE	World's End, Hingham
DFWS	Drumlin Farm Wildlife Sanctuary	WMWS	Wachusett Meadow WS
DWMA	Delaney WMA, Stow, Bolton, Harvard	Wompatuck SP	Hingham, Cohasset, Scituate, Norwell
DWWS	Daniel Webster WS	Worc.	Worcester
E.P.	Eastern Point, Gloucester		
F.E.	First Encounter Beach, Eastham	Other Abbreviations	
F.H.	Fort Hill, Eastham	ad	adult
F.P.	Fresh Pond, Cambridge	b	banded
F.Pk	Franklin Park, Boston	br	breeding
G40	Gate 40, Quabbin Res.	dk	dark (morph)
GMNWR	Great Meadows NWR	f	female
H.	Harbor	fide	on the authority of
H.P.	Halibut Point, Rockport	fl	fledgling
HP	Horn Pond, Woburn	imm	immature
HRWMA	High Ridge WMA, Gardner	juv	juvenile
I.	Island	lt	light (morph)
IRWS	Ipswich River WS	m	male
L.	Ledge	max	maximum
MAS	Mass Audubon	migr	migrating
MP	Millennium Park, W. Roxbury	n	nesting
M.V.	Martha's Vineyard	ph	photographed
MBWMA	Martin Burns WMA, Newbury	pl	plumage
MI	Morris Island	pr	pair
MNWS	Marblehead Neck WS	S	summer (1S = 1st summer)
MSSF	Myles Standish State Forest, Plymouth	v.o.	various observers
Mt.A.	Mount Auburn Cemetery, Cambr.	W	winter (2W = second winter)
NAC	Nine Acre Corner, Concord	yg	young
		#	additional observers

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