

BIRD SIGHTINGS

September-October 2015

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September was exceptionally mild with four days in the 90s and a high of 96° on September 8. Rainfall was almost nonexistent until the very last day of the month, when a torrential storm dropped 2.46 inches of rain in Boston. The total for the month was 3.93 inches, the first month since June with more rainfall than normal.

October was another warm month. There were six days in the 70s, and the high in Boston was 76° on October 12. No killing frost was recorded. The low for the month was 42° degrees on Halloween. Rainfall totaled 1.74 inches, 2.2 inches below average for October.

R. Stymeist

WATERFOWL THROUGH ALCIDS

On September 10, a fishing boat captain photographed a **Masked Booby** over West Atlantis Canyon on the edge of the continental shelf about 90 miles south of Nantucket. On October 15, a Masked Booby was seen off Cape May, New Jersey, likely the same bird. Although regularly seen off Cape Hatteras, North Carolina, this bird is exceptionally rare north of there and a first record for Massachusetts. A **Brown Booby** was seen through the period off outer Cape Cod. It is undoubtedly the same individual seen off and on as long ago as June 20.

A **Brown Pelican** was seen on Nantucket on September 2, shortly after one was reported off South Beach in Chatham on August 31. Although the observer of the Nantucket bird did not age it, the South Beach bird was an adult, and it is fair to assume it was the same bird. Inland in Southborough an immature Brown Pelican was found dehydrated and malnourished hiding under a tractor-trailer and was taken to the Tufts Wildlife Clinic for rehabilitation.

A **Purple Gallinule** was discovered at the Westboro Wildlife Management Area on October 21, where it lingered for two days allowing many birders to enjoy it. Common Gallinule has been reported fairly regularly at Great Meadows NWR, but a sighting of two in Westport was interesting for that location. An **American Avocet** spent two days in Edgartown.

Two adult **Sabine's Gulls** were seen off Provincetown on September 12, and sightings of a single bird continued through September 20. On September 13, an observer on Tuckernuck Island photographed a **Bridled Tern**. There were sightings on July 11 and August 19 in this same area, which undoubtedly represented the same individual.

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Greater White-fronted Goose	10/5-31	Turners Falls	1	E. Huston + v.o.	10/25-31	E. Gloucester	1 m	C. Haines
	10/9	Sheffield	1	J. Pfeifer	Ring-necked Duck			
Snow Goose	9/26	Quabbin	2	C. Allen#	9/5	Camb. (F.Pd)	2	M. Filosa
	9/26	Barre Falls	1	D. Schilling#	10/10	W. Newbury	58	J. Berry
	10/9	Gill	5	J. Smith	10/21	Haverhill	200	S. Mirick
	10/17	Paxton	1	R. Jenkins	10/24	Waltham	250	J. Forbes
Brant					10/24	Pittsfield (Mud)	540	S. Kellogg
	9/26, 10/18	Quabbin Pk	2, 72	L. Therrien	10/30	Marlboro	70	J. Lawson
	10/9	Duxbury B.	68	R. Bowes	Greater Scaup			
	10/12	Revere (POP)	70	L. Ferraresso	9/26	Randolph	2	G. d'Entremont#
	10/18	Gill	7	J. Smith	10/21	Haverhill	2	S. Mirick
	10/27	P.I.	50	D. Adrien	10/29	Wachusett Res.	44	M. Lynch#
Cackling Goose					10/31	Waltham	3	J. Forbes
	10/3	Lee	1	I. Davies	10/31	Turners Falls	2	J. Rose
	10/5-13	Turners Falls	1	E. Huston + v.o.	Lesser Scaup			
	10/21-31	Acton/Concord	3	D. Sibley#	9/10	Westport	1	L. Waters
Mute Swan					10/4	Sterling	2	S. LaBree
	9/7	Ipswich	2 ad	J. Berry	10/18	Pittsfield (Onota)	4	J. Pierce
	10/9	Waltham	11	J. Forbes	10/20	Groveland	10	D. Chickering#
	10/11	P.I.	2 ad	J. Berry#	10/29	Turners Falls	3	J. Rose
	10/12	Acoaxet	226	M. Lynch#	King Eider			
	10/24	Westboro	83	M. Lynch#	9/26	N. Truro	1 f	M. Iliff#
Wood Duck					Common Eider			
	9/17	Wayland	132	B. Harris	9/13	Westport	41	M. Lynch#
	9/27	Ware R. IBA	33	M. Lynch#	10/4	Rockport (A.P.)	959	B. Harris#
	10/1	GMNWR	80	A. Bragg#	10/21	N. Truro	1500	B. Nikula
	10/18	Lexington	55	J. Forbes	10/31	E. Gloucester	107	J. Berry#
	10/21	Woburn (HP)	27	D. Williams	Harlequin Duck			
Gadwall					10/28	Rockport (A.P.)	26	R. Heil
	9/29	P.I.	7	J. Berry	Surf Scoter			
	10/thr	Longmeadow	3	v.o.	10/4	Rockport (A.P.)	608	B. Harris#
	10/15	Truro	7	M. Lynch#	10/9	Turners Falls	3	S. Motyl
	10/24	Cheshire	3	C. Blagdon	10/19	P.I.	200	T. Wetmore
	10/31	E. Gloucester	3	J. Berry#	10/21	N. Truro	1500	B. Nikula
Eurasian Wigeon					10/26	Wachusett Res.	3	B. Kamp
	9/19	Plymouth	1 m	D. Peacock	White-winged Scoter			
	9/27-10/30	P.I.	1 m	T. Wetmore#	10/4	Rockport (A.P.)	171	B. Harris#
American Wigeon					10/8	Wachusett Res.	14	J. Lawson
	9/10	Westport	4	L. Waters	10/18	S. Quabbin	48	L. Therrien
	9/13	Acoaxet	11	M. Lynch#	10/19	P.I.	400	T. Wetmore
	10/14	P.I.	96	L. Ferraresso	10/21	N. Truro	1000	B. Nikula
	10/24	Waltham	45	J. Forbes	Black Scoter			
	10/31	Turners Falls	2	J. Rose	10/18	Wachusett Res.	96	K. Bourinot#
American Black Duck					10/18	S. Quabbin	29	L. Therrien
	9/29	P.I.	470	J. Berry	10/19	P.I.	100	T. Wetmore
Blue-winged Teal					10/26	Orange	12	B. Lafley
	9/1-10/17	P.I.	20 max	v.o.	10/28	Rockport (A.P.)	1000	R. Heil
	9/1	Lynn	9	R. Heil	Long-tailed Duck			
	9/10	Turners Falls	4	J. Smith	10/26	Waltham	7	J. Forbes
	9/12	Westport	23	L. Waters	10/26	Wachusett Res.	21	B. Kamp
	9/12	Lynn	15	R. Heil	10/28	Rockport (A.P.)	425	R. Heil
	9/13	Acoaxet	9	M. Lynch#	10/31	S. Quabbin	38	L. Therrien
	9/24	Whately	7	J. Rose	10/31	P.I.	35	T. Wetmore
Northern Shoveler					Bufflehead			
	9/16	GMNWR	2	C. Cook	10/28	Gloucester (E.P.)	26	L. Ferraresso
	10/14	P.I.	4	D. Chickering	10/29	Wachusett Res.	29	M. Lynch#
	10/18	Foxboro	2	B. Cassie	10/31	Southboro	25	M. Lynch#
	10/22	Westboro	10	S. Arena	10/31	P.I.	40	T. Wetmore
Northern Pintail					Common Goldeneye			
	thr	P.I.	125 max	v.o.	10/29	Wachusett Res.	4	M. Lynch#
	10/1	GMNWR	1	A. Bragg#	10/29	Lincoln	3	J. Forbes
	10/12	Acoaxet	1	M. Lynch#	10/30	Marlboro	35	J. Lawson
Green-winged Teal					10/31	Southboro	48	M. Lynch#
	9/8	Lynn	41	R. Heil	Barrow's Goldeneye			
	9/13	Acoaxet	17	M. Lynch#	10/30	Southboro	1	J. Lawson
	9/14	P.I.	160	R. Heil	Hooded Merganser			
	10/4	Saugus	21	S. Zende#	10/22	Ipswich	14	J. Berry
	10/16	Longmeadow	39	M. Moore	10/24	Winchester	12	J. Garp
	10/25	Quabog IBA	16	M. Lynch#	10/25	Quabog IBA	41	M. Lynch#
Redhead					10/28	Chestnut Hill	25	P. Peterson
	10/25	Randolph	2	V. Zollo	Common Merganser			
					9/19	Quabbin (G35)	12	B. Zajda
					10/26	Waltham	14	J. Forbes

Common Merganser (continued)			9/13 Ipswich (C.B.)	1 dead	J. Berry#
10/27 Worcester	15	L. Hennin	9/16 Stellwagen	90	B. Nikula#
10/29 Wachusett Res.	34	M. Lynch#	10/11 E. of Chatham	8	B. Nikula#
Red-breasted Merganser			10/28 Rockport (A.P.)	3	R. Heil
10/10 Wachusett Res.	1	M. Lynch#	Wilson's Storm-Petrel		
10/13 Turners Falls	2	J. Coleman	9/3 Stellwagen	65	S. Moore#
10/19 P.I.	55	T. Wetmore	9/6 waters off M.V.	50	S. Whiting#
10/24 S. Quabbin	2	L. Therrien	9/22 P'town	2	B. Nikula
Ruddy Duck			9/27 off P'town	16	B. Nikula#
10/1, 28 Chestnut Hill	1, 75	P. Peterson	Leach's Storm-Petrel		
10/5, 20 Groveland	6, 125	D. Chickering	9/26 P'town	4	B. Nikula
10/22 Melrose	21	D. + I. Jewell	10/2 Sterling	1	N. Paulson#
10/23 W. Newbury	116	J. Nelson	10/4 Barnstable (S.N.)	23	M. Malin
10/24 Waltham	30	J. Forbes	10/4 Rockport (A.P.)	33	B. Harris#
Northern Bobwhite			10/4 Manomet	50	B. Zuzevich
9/26 Cumb. Farms	2	V. Zollo	Masked Booby		
10/31 Eastham (F. H.)	5	G. d'Entremont#	9/10 Atlantis Canyon	1 ph	J. Huckemeyer
Ruffed Grouse			Brown Booby		
9/27 Falmouth	5	M. Malin	9/1-10/3 P'town	1 ad	R. Schain + v.o.
10/5 Quabbin (G5)	1	B. Zajda	9/22 N. Truro	1	S. Mirick
10/29 Manomet	1 b	T. Lloyd-Evans	9/24 Orleans	1	P. Trull
Red-throated Loon			Northern Gannet		
10/18 Quabbin Pk	1	L. Therrien	10/19 P.I.	150	T. Wetmore
10/26 Wachusett Res.	1	B. Kamp	10/23 P'town (R.P.)	3000	B. Nikula
10/28 Rockport (A.P.)	52	R. Heil	10/28 Rockport (A.P.)	2060	R. Heil
10/28 E. Brookfield	1	J. Lawson	Double-crested Cormorant		
10/30 P.I.	35	T. Wetmore	9/9 Winthrop	141	R. Stymeist
Pacific Loon			9/13 Acoaxet	410	M. Lynch#
10/28 Rockport (A.P.)	1	R. Heil	10/1 Chestnut Hill	150	P. Peterson
Common Loon			10/25 Essex	7800	D. Brown
9/28 Wachusett Res.	24	M. Lynch#	10/31 E. Gloucester	660	J. Berry#
10/10 N. Quabbin	22	S. Surner	Great Cormorant		
10/10 Russell	10	T. Swochak	9/19 P.I.	1	G. d'Entremont#
10/19 P.I.	20	D. Adrien	9/30 Wilmington	1	S. Sullivan
10/28 Rockport (A.P.)	107	R. Heil	10/10 Quabbin (G43)	1	S. Surner#
Pied-billed Grebe			10/12 Acoaxet	3	M. Lynch#
9/19 P.I.	4	N. Landry	Brown Pelican		
10/8 GMNWR	3	A. Bragg#	9/2 Nantucket	1	T. Levine
10/17 Burrage WMA	6	L. Ferraresso#	9/21 Southboro	1 imm	D. Ford#
10/20 Groveland	3	D. Chickering#	American Bittern		
10/30 Waltham	3	J. Forbes	10/13 P.I.	1	L. Ferraresso
Horned Grebe			10/17 Newton	1	BBC (L. Ferraresso)
10/18 Wachusett Res.	4	K. Bourinot#	10/17 Chestnut Hill	1	B. Hodson#
10/22 P.I.	5	T. Wetmore	Great Egret		
10/29 Quabbin (G52)	5	B. Zajda	9/13 Longmeadow	3	M. Moore
Red-necked Grebe			9/21 P.I.	250	D. Adrien
10/12 Quabbin (G5)	4	B. Zajda	10/10 Westport	100	P. Champlin#
10/15 Pittsfield (Onota)	3	J. Pierce	10/14 E. Boston (B.I.)	16	R. Stymeist
10/18 Wachusett Res.	2	K. Bourinot#	10/31 Woburn (HP)	1	M. Rines
10/28 Rockport (A.P.)	19	R. Heil	Snowy Egret		
Northern Fulmar			9/25 Hadley	1	L. Therrien
9/23 Manomet	17	M. Iliff	9/26 P.I.	150	T. Wetmore
9/24 Eastham(F.E.)	65	B. Nikula	9/29 Chatham	26	R. Prescott#
9/26 P'town	280	B. Nikula	10/14 Ipswich	3	J. Berry
10/11 E. of Chatham	55	B. Nikula#	Little Blue Heron		
10/28 Rockport (A.P.)	5	R. Heil	9/17 Ipswich	1	J. Berry
Cory's Shearwater			9/20 Revere	1	A. Trautmann
thr P'town	700 max	B. Nikula	9/21 Gloucester	2	P. Brown
9/16 Stellwagen	800	B. Nikula#	9/24 Squantum	1	M. Iliff
10/8 Eastham(F.E.)	75	B. Nikula	Cattle Egret		
10/25 P.I.	15	E. Nielsen	10/23 P.I.	1	E. Labato
10/28 Rockport (A.P.)	347	R. Heil	Green Heron		
Great Shearwater			9/3 GMNWR	2	A. Bragg#
thr P'town	15000 max	B. Nikula	9/10 Woburn (HP)	2	M. Rines
9/16 Stellwagen	5000	B. Nikula#	9/26 Northboro	2	M. Lynch#
10/11 E. of Chatham	700	B. Nikula#	10/10 Cuttyhunk	1	E. Lipton
10/28 Rockport (A.P.)	2850	R. Heil	Black-crowned Night-Heron		
Sooty Shearwater			9/2 P.I.	20	T. Wetmore
thr P'town	160 max	B. Nikula	9/28 Eastham	25	R. Prescott#
9/16 Stellwagen	60	B. Nikula#	10/21 Worcester	3	R. Quimby
10/28 Rockport (A.P.)	2	R. Heil	Yellow-crowned Night-Heron		
Manx Shearwater			9/5 Dartmouth	3	A. Morgan
thr P'town	155 max	B. Nikula	9/10 P.I.	13	D. Prima

Yellow-crowned Night-Heron (cont.)				10/12	Granville	1	Hawccount (JW)
9/28	Eastham	16	R. Prescott#	10/13, 15	Shatterack Mt.	1, 1	T. Swochak
10/1	P'town	2	M. Faherty#	10/21, 24	Barre Falls	1, 1	Hawccount (DS)
Glossy Ibis				10/23	Methuen	1	K. Wilmarth
9/3	Gloucester	1	S. Moore#	10/27	Granville	1	Hawccount (JW)
Black Vulture					Clapper Rail		
9/12, 10/8	Mt. Wachusett	1	Hawccount	10/8-10	Fairhaven	1	L. Waters
9/29	Carlisle	1	D. Brownrigg		Virginia Rail		
Turkey Vulture				9/10	GMNWR	2	A. Bragg#
9/1	Wachusett Res.	25	S. Olson	9/19	Belchertown	1	L. Therrien
9/10	Granville	180	Hawccount (JW)	9/19	Quabbin Pk	3	L. Therrien
9/10, 10/10	Shatterack Mt.	157, 70	Hawccount (TS)	10/25	Quabog IBA	1	M. Lynch#
9/17	Mt. Watatic	27	B. Rusnica		Sora		
10/7	P.I.	20	MAS (B. Gette)	9/15	W. Roxbury (MP)	5	M. Iliff
10/19	Worcester	100	P. Dufault	9/17	GMNWR	2	M. Stone#
10/22	Barre Falls	52	Hawccount (DS)		Purple Gallinule		
Osprey				10/21-23	Westboro	1	J. Lawson + v.o.
9/1-28	Mt. Wachusett	186	Hawccount (SO)		Common Gallinule		
9/5-26	Mt. Watatic	71	Hawccount (TP)	9/2-25	GMNWR	1	v.o.
9/11-27	Barre Falls	50	Hawccount (DS)	9/10	Westport	2 imm	L. Waters#
Bald Eagle					American Coot		
9/1-29	Mt. Wachusett	118	Hawccount (SO)	9/16	Easthampton	1	D. Pritchard
9/5-26	Mt. Watatic	55	Hawccount (TP)	9/27, 10/15	GMNWR	2, 21	K. Dia#
9/11-26	Barre Falls	26	Hawccount (DS)	10/18	Pittsfield (Onota)	29	J. Pierce
10/2-30	Mt. Wachusett	27	Hawccount (SO)	10/20	Groveland	116	D. Chickering#
Northern Harrier				10/21	Haverhill	30	S. Mirick
9/4-26	Mt. Wachusett	15	Hawccount (SO)	10/29	Jamaica Plain	15	J. Novak
9/10	Shatterack Mt.	14	Hawccount (TS)		Sandhill Crane		
9/10	Granville	23	Hawccount (JW)	9/7	Worthington	4	P. & D. Paul
9/15-25	Barre Falls	10	Hawccount (DS)	9/15	Hadley	2	B. Thompson
10/10	P.I.	5	P. + F. Vale	10/8	Cumb. Farms	1	S. Williams
10/12	Cumb. Farms	5	G. d'Entremont	10/12	Hudson	1	G. Freedman
Sharp-shinned Hawk				10/21	Burrage WMA	2	D. Chandler
9/1-29	Mt. Wachusett	302	Hawccount (SO)		Black-bellied Plover		
9/5-26	Mt. Watatic	263	Hawccount (TP)	thr	P.I.	50 max	v.o.
9/12-26	Barre Falls	105	Hawccount (DS)	9/19	Quabbin (G35)	6	B. Zajda
10/thr	Barre Falls	150	Hawccount (DS)	9/26	N. Monomoy	1700	K. Yakola#
10/2-30	Mt. Wachusett	94	Hawccount (SO)	10/4	Edgartown	126	J. Nelson
10/9-24	Malden (PR)	39	Hawccount (CJ)	10/21	GMNWR	4	R. Stymeist
Cooper's Hawk					American Golden-Plover		
9/1-27	Mt. Wachusett	63	Hawccount (SO)	thr	P.I.	4 max	v.o.
9/5-26	Mt. Watatic	77	Hawccount (TP)	9/8	Holden	4	M. Lynch#
9/11-26	Barre Falls	14	Hawccount (DS)	9/12	Easthampton	12	B. Zajda#
10/1-30	Barre Falls	35	Hawccount (DS)	9/12	Orleans	4	J. Trimble#
10/4-30	Mt. Wachusett	17	Hawccount (SO)	9/25	PRNWR	7	B. Harris
Northern Goshawk				9/27	Orange	4	B. Lafley
9/17	Ware R. IBA	1	M. Lynch#	10/4	Saugus	4	S. Zende#
9/18	Mt Tom	1	Hawccount (TG)		Semipalmated Plover		
9/19	Quabbin (G35)	1	B. Zajda	thr	P.I.	102 max	v.o.
9/29, 10/6	Longmeadow	1, 1	Hawccount	thr	Lexington	20 max	v.o.
10/7, 30	Shatterack Mt.	1, 1	Hawccount (TS)	9/8	Lynn	38	R. Heil
10/19	Wilbraham	1	Hawccount (DS)	9/13	Ipswich (C.B.)	300	J. Berry#
10/22	Barre Falls	1	Hawccount (DS)		Piping Plover		
10/26	Granville	1	Hawccount (JW)	9/8	P.I.	2	BBC (D. Williams)
Red-shouldered Hawk				9/13	Chatham (S. B.)	11	S. Williams
9/1-23	Mt. Wachusett	10	Hawccount (SO)	10/22	Orleans	2	P. Trull
9/10	Shatterack Mt.	8	Hawccount (TS)		Killdeer		
9/20	Mt. Wachusett	4	Hawccount (SO)	9/7	Lynn	120	R. Heil
Broad-winged Hawk				9/10	Newbury	50	D. Larson
9/3-27	Mt. Wachusett	11171	Hawccount (SO)	10/14	GMNWR	40	J. Forbes#
9/5-26	Mt. Watatic	5692	Hawccount (TP)	10/18	Newburyport	64	P. + F. Vale
9/10, 24	Shatterack Mt.	3009, 1483	Hawccount		American Oystercatcher		
9/10, 21	Granville	1694, 301	Hawccount	9/9	E. Boston (B.I.)	6	R. Stymeist
9/11-27	Barre Falls	3127	Hawccount (DS)	9/19	Wellfleet	3	BBC (R. Stymeist)
9/15, 17	Mt. Wachusett	2027, 5433	Hawccount	9/23	Squantum	2	D. Brown
9/16, 26	Barre Falls	1089, 601	Hawccount	10/7	Winthrop B.	1	P. Peterson
9/17, 26	Mt. Watatic	2475, 769	Hawccount	10/11	Squantum	2	V. Zollo
Rough-legged Hawk					American Avocet		
10/18	Mt. Wachusett	4	Hawccount (SO)	9/16-17	Edgartown	1	C. Leuchtenburg#
10/26	P.I.	1	J. Eleanor		Spotted Sandpiper		
Golden Eagle				9/1	Lynn	7	R. Heil
9/15, 24	Mt. Wachusett	1, 1	Hawccount (SO)	9/20	Leicester	4	M. Lynch#
10/7	Mt. Wachusett	2	Hawccount (SO)	9/26	Ipswich	5	J. Berry

Spotted Sandpiper (continued)			9/10	Westport	2	L. Waters
10/21	Hingham	1	S. Williams	9/13-10/18	P'town (R.P.)	1 v.o.
Solitary Sandpiper						
9/10	Lexington	2	M. Rines	9/19	S. Monomoy	1 E. Orcutt#
9/11	Mt.A.	2	M. Sabourin#	9/22	Squantum	1 T. O'Neil
9/26	Ipswich	3	J. Berry	10/3	Winthrop	1 P. Peterson
10/3	Leicester	4	M. Lynch#	10/8	Fairhaven	1 L. Waters
10/14	Pittsfield	1	G. Hurley			
Greater Yellowlegs						
thr	P.I.	60 max	v.o.	9/8	Wayland	16 B. Harris
9/6	Lynn	63	R. Heil	9/19	Nantucket	45 V. Laux#
10/7	Winthrop	50	P. Peterson	10/7	P.I.	12 D. Chickering
10/22	GMNWR	13	G. Gove#	10/22	Easton	13 K. Ryan
10/31	Lincoln	7	J. Forbes	10/22	GMNWR	13 G. Gove#
				10/24	Lexington	10 J. Forbes
Willet				Dunlin		
9/5	P.I.	30	BBC (N. Hayward)	9/26	N. Monomoy	1800 K. Yakola#
9/26	Duxbury B.	1	R. Bowes	10/17	Newbypt H.	150 MAS (D. Weaver)
10/11	Nantucket	3	S. Kardell	10/18	GMNWR	1 R. Doherty
10/20	Turners Falls	1	T. Bullock	10/22	E. Brookfield	1 R. Jenkins
Lesser Yellowlegs				10/30	P.I.	275 T. Wetmore
9/7	Lynn	24	R. Heil	10/30	Pittsfield (Pont.)	1 R. Wendell
9/7	GMNWR	9	J. Forbes			
9/17	Lexington	14	M. Rines	Stilt Sandpiper		
10/28	Newburyport	24	MAS (B. Gette)	9/1-10/7	P.I.	6 max v.o.
Whimbrel				9/3	Longmeadow	1 S. Motyl
9/thr	P.I.	7 max	v.o.	9/7	Lynn	3 R. Heil
9/1	Winthrop B.	1	S. Zende#	9/7	Holden	1 J. Bourget
9/11	Hadley	1	L. Therrien	9/10	Westport	2 L. Waters
10/3	Wellfleet	2	SSBC (GdE)	9/24	GMNWR	1 K. Dia#
10/3	Pittsfield (Pont.)	1	I. Davies	9/24	Holden	1 B. Kamp
10/15	Revere	2	M. Resendes			
Hudsonian Godwit						
9/11	Plymouth B.	7	J. Young	9/1	Winthrop B.	1 S. Zende#
9/26	N. Monomoy	1	K. Yakola#	9/2	Longmeadow	1 L. Richardson
10/3	P'town (R.P.)	1	B. Harris	9/4	P.I.	1 J. Berry#
10/17	P.I.	6	MAS (D. Weaver)	9/6	Chatham	2 M. Goldenberg
Marbled Godwit				9/7	GMNWR	1 J. Forbes#
9/2	Nantucket	1	L. Dunn	9/7	Nantucket	2 L. Dunn#
9/8	Westport	3	G. Gove#	9/8	Wayland	1 B. Harris
9/16	N. Monomoy	5	D. Berard#			
Ruddy Turnstone				Short-billed Dowitcher		
9/13	Westport	6	M. Lynch#	9/12	Orleans	67 J. Trimble#
9/22	P.I.	1	T. Wetmore	9/22	P.I.	6 T. Wetmore
Red Knot				Long-billed Dowitcher		
9/3	Revere (POP)	4	P. Peterson	thr	P.I.	1 v.o.
9/14	P.I.	12	J. Berry#	9/13	Lynn	4 R. Heil
9/26	N. Monomoy	700	K. Yakola#	9/19	Chatham	1 B. Harris
Sanderling				10/3	Winthrop	2 P. Peterson
9/13	Ipswich (C.B.)	270	J. Berry#	10/11	Revere	2 S. Riley
9/26	N. Monomoy	2500	K. Yakola#	Wilson's Snipe		
10/15	P'town	148	M. Lynch#	10/4	Saugus	3 S. Zende#
Semipalmated Sandpiper				10/18	Saugus	2 S. Zende#
9/2	P.I.	350	M. Lynch#	American Woodcock		
9/13	Ipswich (C.B.)	300	J. Berry#	9/12	P.I.	5 T. Wetmore
10/22	GMNWR	5	G. Gove#	10/24	Northboro	2 M. Lynch#
Western Sandpiper				Wilson's Phalarope		
9/1	P.I.	10	S. Miller#	9/7	Lynn	1 R. Heil
9/12	Orleans	7	J. Trimble#	9/9	P.I.	1 B. Murphy#
9/13	Ipswich (C.B.)	5	J. Berry#	Red-necked Phalarope		
Least Sandpiper				9/3	Stellwagen	2 S. Moore#
9/5	Holden	19	M. Lynch#	9/6	waters off M.V.	300 S. Whiting#
9/9	Longmeadow	12	S. Kellogg	10/3	Barnstable (S.N.)	14 M. Malin
9/12	P.I.	35	T. Wetmore	10/6	P'town (R.P.)	13 T. Spahr#
9/20	Quabog IBA	12	M. Lynch#	Black-legged Kittiwake		
White-rumped Sandpiper				9/22-10/31	P'town	550 max B. Nikula#
thr	P.I.	35 max	v.o.	9/24	Boston (Deer I.)	2 M. Garvey
10/3	Eastham (F. E.)	3	SSBC (GdE)	10/28	Rockport (A.P.)	77 R. Heil
10/7	Winthrop	2	P. Peterson	Sabine's Gull		
10/8	Fairhaven	11	L. Waters	9/12-20	P'town	1-2 ad B. Nikula#
10/25	Essex	2	D. Brown	9/13	Stellwagen	1 ad, 1 imm E. Dalton
Baird's Sandpiper				Bonaparte's Gull		
9/1	Lynn	1	R. Heil	10/2, 31	S. Quabbin	1, 7 L. Therrien
9/1-13	P.I.	3 max	v.o.	10/8	Brookfield	2 J. Lawson
				10/8, 21	Wachusett Res.	2, 2 J. Lawson
				10/15	P.I.	90 T. Wetmore
				10/22	Ipswich	250 J. Berry
				10/31	P'town	300 B. Nikula

Black-headed Gull				9/8	Westport	100	G. Gove#
9/23	P'town (R.P.)	3	H. Breder	9/20	P.I.	14	J. Keeley#
Little Gull					Forster's Tern		
9/13	Essex	1 ad	D. Brown	9/13	Westport	3	M. Lynch#
9/20-10/30	N. Truro/R.P.	5 max	v.o.	10/3	Eastham (F. E.)	100	SSBC (GdE)
Laughing Gull				10/16	P'town (R.P.)	10	M. Lynch#
9/7	E. of Chatham	600	B. Nikula#		Black Skimmer		
9/12	P'town	700	B. Nikula	9/17	Vineyard Haven	16	C. Leuchtenburg
9/13	Acoaxet	84	M. Lynch#	9/29	WBWS	4	M. Faherty
10/14	Revere B.	96	R. Stymeist	10/4	Edgartown	9	J. Nelson
Iceland Gull				10/12	Revere (POP)	1	E. Harrison#
10/31	P'town (R.P.)	1	B. Nikula	10/17	Wansea	1	M. Eckerson
Lesser Black-backed Gull					South Polar Skua		
9/6	waters off M.V.	1	S. Whiting#	9/13	Stellwagen	1	E. Dalton
9/9-10/31	Pittsfield	1	J. Pierce + v.o.	10/3	P'town (R.P.)	1 ph	S. Arena#
9/14	Northampton	1	B. Bieda		Pomarine Jaeger		
9/14	P.I.	2	R. Heil	thr	P'town	24 max	B. Nikula
9/19	S. Monomoy	107	K. Yakola#	9/6	waters off M.V.	2	S. Whiting#
Least Tern				9/16	Stellwagen	7	B. Nikula#
9/2	P.I.	2	M. Lynch#	10/6	Dennis (Corp. B.)	6	P. Flood#
9/20	Nantucket	2	L. Dunn	10/11	E. of Chatham	3	B. Nikula#
Bridled Tern				10/28	Rockport (A.P.)	9	R. Heil
9/13	Tuckernuck	1 ph	R. Veit		Parasitic Jaeger		
Caspian Tern				thr	P'town	125 max	B. Nikula
9/9-10-22	Reports of 1-2 indiv. from 13 locations			10/4	Dennis (Corp. B.)	12	P. Flood#
9/9	Quincy	3	M. Iliff	10/28	Rockport (A.P.)	1	R. Heil
9/13	Ipswich (C.B.)	3	M. Brengle#		Long-tailed Jaeger		
9/23	Squantum	4	D. Brown#	9/6	Stellwagen	4	P. Flood#
9/24	P.I.	5	S. Miller	thr	P'town	1-3	B. Nikula
9/26	Randolph	3	G. d'Entremont#		Jaeger species		
9/26	Newbury	3	B. Harris#	9/22	P'town	48	B. Nikula
10/4	Sandwich	4	M. Keleher#	10/2	Dennis (Corp. B.)	34	B. Nikula
Black Tern				10/4	P'town (R.P.)	107	B. Nikula
9/3	P'town	25	S. Williams	10/21	P'town (R.P.)	20	B. Nikula
9/6	Nantucket	100	L. Dunn#		Dovekie		
9/10	Westport	4	L. Waters	10/28	Rockport (A.P.)	2	R. Heil
9/13	Ipswich (C.B.)	1	M. Brengle#		Razorbill		
9/18	Westport	1	M. Iliff	10/25	Duxbury B.	1	R. Bowes
Roseate Tern				10/25	P.I.	1	E. Nielsen
9/2	Nantucket	300	L. Dunn#	10/28	Rockport (A.P.)	113	R. Heil
9/7	E. of Chatham	100	B. Nikula#	10/31	P'town (R.P.)	30	B. Nikula
9/12	Orleans	400	J. Trimble#		Black Guillemot		
9/16	Stellwagen	100	B. Nikula#	9/6	Gloucester	2	J. Standley
9/20, 10/10	P'town (R.P.)	600, 2	Davies, Nikula	10/24	off P'town	1	B. Nikula#
Common Tern					Atlantic Puffin		
thr	P'town (R.P.)	3000 max	B. Nikula	10/24	off P'town	3	B. Nikula#
9/7	E. of Chatham	1500	B. Nikula#				

CUCKOOS THROUGH FINCHES

Although Eastern Screech-Owls may be the most abundant owl in Massachusetts, their cryptic habits make them difficult to find. Perhaps the best strategy is to draw them in by imitating them in the dark. Brian Cassie used this strategy to tally 32 Screech-Owls in five days just in the town of Foxboro. The first Snowy Owl of the season was sighted at Sandy Neck in Barnstable on October 25, two more were seen at Logan Airport on October 26, and one was sighted in Wellfleet on the 27th. A Long-eared Owl was a surprise find at Marblehead Neck, and a Short-eared Owl was noted at Rumney Marsh in Revere. This period coincides with the peak movement of Northern Saw-whet Owls. The best conditions for movement occur during a new moon with cold temperatures and a light wind from the north or northeast. Although this season was relatively mild with no big cold front, the banding station at Drumlin Farm did net 104 Saw-whets.

Hummingbirds that show up in October always need special scrutiny as they may be vagrants; this year there were three carefully documented reports of Ruby-throated Hummingbirds. In Great Barrington a **Rufous Hummingbird** was found on October 11.

Another *Selasphorus* type hummingbird showed up in Medford on October 12 in the same yard where one was seen on October 17 last year. Hawk watchers on Wachusett Mountain tallied 94 American Kestrels, 25 Merlins, and 31 Peregrines during the month of September. **Red-headed Woodpeckers** were reported from four locations, including two adults and two juveniles from Longmeadow.

The fall passerine migration should have been well underway during this period, but most birders felt it was lackluster, especially in eastern Massachusetts. It was a bit better in western sections of the state. October did see significant movement in mid-month with good numbers of Blackpolls, Palm, and of course Yellow-rumped warblers. There were some exceptional late records: an Acadian Flycatcher banded at Wellfleet on September 29, a Warbling Vireo on Cuttyhunk on October 10, a Louisiana Waterthrush in Southwick on September 11, a Tennessee Warbler in Chatham on October 30, and a Prairie Warbler in Lexington on October 29. At Manomet, late records included a Gray-cheeked Thrush on October 19 and a Swainson's Thrush on October 27, both banded.

Highlights of sparrow migration included a total of **24** Clay-colored, eight Lark, five Grasshopper, and 11 Nelson's sparrows. Many observers commented on the scarcity of Lincoln's and White-crowned sparrows, both noted in lower numbers this year than last year.

Success stories included a record 370 fledged Purple Martins in Rehoboth, and on Plum Island 35 fledged, two better than in 2014. At Manomet a total of **322** Tufted Titmice were banded during October; Manomet's 47 years of banding data have suggested a northward range shift for several species, one of which is the Tufted Titmouse. This was a banner season for vagrants and less common birds. Nine **Western Kingbirds** were seen during the period as compared to just two in 2014. Although there were reports of **Say's Phoebe** from four locations, the two reported on September 7 were undoubtedly the same bird, fortuitously discovered by two different birders on Tuckernuck Island and nearby Esther Island. The bird seen in Chilmark the next day could easily have been the same bird. **Bell's Vireo** has become an almost annual vagrant since 2005; Manomet banded its fourth this year, and others seen in Newbury and Eastham remained for several days. A **Northern Wheatear** took up residence at Wachusett Reservoir in Clinton for six days, and a **Green-tailed Towhee** paid a brief visit to Hatfield on October 27. Rounding out this exciting period were a **Western Tanager** on Plum Island, and four Summer Tanagers, eight reports of Blue Grosbeaks, two **Bohemian Waxwings**, and a **Yellow-headed Blackbird**.

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Yellow-billed Cuckoo			9/10	Russell	19	Hawkcount (TS)
9/8 Longmeadow	1	M. Moore	10/thr	Barre Falls	8	Hawkcount (DS)
10/14 P.I.	1	B. Cleavy#	Peregrine Falcon			
10/15 Fairhaven	1	L. Barteau	9/1-23	Mt. Wachusett	31	Hawkcount (SO)
10/17 Framingham	1	J. Hoye#	9/10	Russell	4	Hawkcount (TS)
Black-billed Cuckoo			9/10	Granville	4	Hawkcount (JW)
9/10 Quabbin Pk	1	B. Zajda	9/12-21	Mt. Watatic	8	Hawkcount (TP)
10/6 Winchester	1	R. LaFontaine	9/17	Mt. Wachusett	4	Hawkcount (SO)
10/11 Nantucket	1	V. Laux	10/thr	Barre Falls	7	Hawkcount (DS)
10/18 Brewster	1 b	S. Finnegan	10/1	P.I.	4	T. Wetmore
Eastern Screech-Owl			Red-headed Woodpecker			
10/17 Halifax	5	SSBC (V. Zollo)	9/29-10/31	Longmeadow	2 ad + 2 juv	M. Moore#
10/18-22 Foxboro	32	B. Cassie	9/30	Ipswich	1 ad	W. Tatro
Great Horned Owl			10/26-27	P.I.	1 imm	S. Babitt#
10/11 P.I.	2	T. Wetmore	10/30-31	W. Roxbury (MP)	1 imm	M. Iliff#
10/17 Halifax	4	SSBC (V. Zollo)	Red-bellied Woodpecker			
10/18-22 Foxboro	2	B. Cassie	9/26	Braintree	6	G. d'Entremont#
Snowy Owl			10/8	Ipswich	6	J. Berry#
10/25 Barnstable (S.N.)	1	D. Bragg	10/31	Southboro	5	M. Lynch#
10/26 Boston (Logan)	2	N. Smith	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker			
10/27 Wellfleet	1	A. Schroeder	9/15	Quabbin (G12)	3	B. Zajda
Barred Owl			9/25	Salisbury	2	S. McGrath
9/29 Berlin	3	R. Langer#	9/25	Sandisfield	4	M. Lynch#
10/11 Ipswich	2	J. Berry#	10/6	Weston	2	J. Forbes
Long-eared Owl			10/7	Winthrop	2	P. Peterson
10/17 MNWS	1	E. Nielsen	Northern Flicker			
Short-eared Owl			9/17	Ware R. IBA	16	M. Lynch#
10/23 Revere	1	M. Resendes	9/25	Malden	10	P. + F. Vale
10/31 P'town	1	L. Waters#	9/25	Sandisfield	24	M. Lynch#
Northern Saw-whet Owl			10/31	Eastham (F. H.)	6	G. d'Entremont#
9/10 Lenox	1	J. Pierce	Pileated Woodpecker			
9/26 Quabbin	2	T. Gagnon#	9/6	Ware R. IBA	5	M. Lynch#
10/thr DFWS	104 b	K. Seymour	9/7	Wendell	5	M. Lynch#
10/thr Northbridge	29 b	B. Milke	9/20	Bolton Flats	2	K. Bourinot#
Common Nighthawk			Olive-sided Flycatcher			
9/9 Pittsfield	66	K. Hanson	9/6	Pittsfield	1	G. Hurley
9/15 Mt. A.	5	A. Parker	9/9	Southwick	1	S. Kellogg
9/24 Westford	1	P. Guidetti	Eastern Wood-Pewee			
10/10 Cambridge	1	G. Dupont	9/5	Waltham	4	J. Forbes
Eastern Whip-poor-will			9/17	Ware R. IBA	6	M. Lynch#
9/6 Townsend	1	R. Templeton	10/11	Nahant	1	K. Dia#
9/12 P.I.	2	T. Wetmore	10/18	Nantucket	1	J. Trimble#
9/15 S. Quabbin	2	L. Therrien	Yellow-bellied Flycatcher			
Chimney Swift			9/3	Pittsfield	1	J. Pierce
9/5 Melrose	18	D. + I. Jewell	9/4, 20	P.I.	1 b, 1 b	B. Flemer#
9/9 Mt. Wachusett	2	S. Olson#	9/6	S. Quabbin	1	L. Therrien
9/23 W. Roxbury (MP)	2	P. Peterson	9/12	Easthampton	1	B. Zajda#
Ruby-throated Hummingbird			9/17	Nahant	1	L. Pivacek
9/5 Mt. Watatic	6	T. Pirro	9/19	Cuttyhunk	1	I. Davies#
9/12 Mt. Wachusett	5	R. Chase	9/22	Squantum	1	T. O'Neill#
9/16 Huntington	7	M. Lynch#	Acadian Flycatcher			
10/1 Brewster	1	D. Clapp#	9/29	WBWS	1 b	J. Junda
10/2 Wayland	1	G. Long	Alder Flycatcher			
10/4 Worcester	1	S. LaBree	9/22	Cambr. (Daneyh)	1	T. Spahr
Rufous Hummingbird			Traill's Flycatcher			
10/11 Gr Barrington	1	G. Ward	9/14	Easthampton	1	L. Therrien
Rufous/Allen's Hummingbird			Least Flycatcher			
10/12 Medford	1	M. Rines#	9/12	Westport	1	L. Waters
Belted Kingfisher			9/15	W. Roxbury (MP)	1	M. Iliff
9/11 P.I.	3	N. Landry	10/8	Brewster	1 b	S. Finnegan
9/17 Ware R. IBA	3	M. Lynch#	Empidonax species			
American Kestrel			10/22	Westport	1 ph	S. Martin
9/1-27 Mt. Wachusett	94	Hawkcount (SO)	Eastern Phoebe			
9/10 Granville	111	Hawkcount (JW)	9/20	Bolton Flats	24	K. Bourinot#
9/10 Shatterack Mt.	47	Hawkcount (TS)	9/25	Sandisfield	41	M. Lynch#
9/15-27 Barre Falls	17	Hawkcount (DS)	10/15	Nahant	12	L. Pivacek
9/16-26 Mt. Watatic	38	Hawkcount (TP)	10/20	Burlington	9	M. Rines
10/2-24 Barre Falls	19	Hawkcount (DS)	Say's Phoebe			
10/4-23 Mt. Wachusett	19	Hawkcount (SO)	9/7	Tuckernuck	1 ph	R. Veit
Merlin			9/7	Esther I.	1 ph	L. Dunn#
9/3-25 Mt. Wachusett	25	Hawkcount (SO)	9/8	Chilmark	1 ph	A. Keith#
9/5-26 Mt. Watatic	45	Hawkcount (TP)	10/10	Eastham	1 ph	B. Lagasse#
9/10 Granville	13	Hawkcount (JW)				

Great Crested Flycatcher			10/24	P.I.	1	E. Labato
9/4	Newton	1	J. Forbes	Northern Rough-winged Swallow		
9/10	P.I.	1	R. Stymeist	9/17	Wayland	55
9/12	Lynn	1	R. Heil	9/29	Longmeadow	8
9/16	Lexington	1	C. Cook	9/30	Wayland	20
Western Kingbird				Bank Swallow		
9/16-17	W. Roxbury (MP)	1 ph	M. McMahon#	9/6	P.I.	3
9/25	Eastham (F.E.)	1	E. Hoopes	9/13	Ipswich (C.B.)	1
10/15	Truro	1	M. Lynch#	10/16	Nantucket	1
10/16	Nahant	1	S. Hepburn	Cliff Swallow		
10/21-28	P.I.	1 ph	H. Zimmern#	9/15	P.I.	2
10/27	Nantucket	1	V. Laux#	9/19	Nantucket	2
10/30	N. Truro	1	D. Reynolds	Barn Swallow		
10/30	DWWS	2	J. McCoy#	9/1	Brookfield	17
Eastern Kingbird				9/13	Ipswich (C.B.)	2
9/2	P.I.	7	M. Lynch#	9/26	Cumb. Farms	5
9/10	Chatham	13	M. Faherty	10/18	Nantucket	3
9/11	Medford	2	N. Robertson	10/24	GMNWR	1
9/16	Sharon	2	V. Zollo	Tufted Titmouse		
9/27	Northboro	1	N. Paulson	10/thr	Manomet	322 b
White-eyed Vireo				Red-breasted Nuthatch		
9/1-10/21	Reports of indiv. from 15 locations			9/6	Ware R. IBA	17
Bell's Vireo				9/19	Quabbin (G41)	4
9/19-21	Newbury	1 ph	S. Sullivan + v.o.	9/27	P.I.	3
10/9	Manomet	1 b ph	T. Lloyd-Evans	Brown Creeper		
10/30	Eastham (F.H.)	1 ph	S. Williams	10/thr	P.I.	22 b
Yellow-throated Vireo				10/10	Plymouth	2
9/12	Orleans	2	J. Trimble#	10/17	Wachusett Res.	3
9/15	P.I.	1	R. Heil	10/24	Westport	2
9/23	Ware R. IBA	1	M. Lynch#	House Wren		
Blue-headed Vireo				9/6	Woburn	10
9/27	Ware R. IBA	14	M. Lynch#	9/16	Huntington	11
9/28	Quabbin (G10)	3	B. Zajda	9/24	Burlington	5
10/10	Plymouth	3	G. d'Entremont#	10/14	Jamaica Plain	2
10/15	Nahant	6	L. Pivacek	10/21	Woburn (HP)	1
10/15	Burlington	3	M. Rines	10/26	Quincy	1
10/29	W. Barnstable	1	S. Matheny	Winter Wren		
Warbling Vireo				10/8	P.I.	1
9/17	Belchertown	4	B. Zajda	10/19	Boston	1
9/21	Watertown	2	R. Stymeist	10/31	Southboro	2
10/10	Cuttyhunk	1	E. Lipton#	Marsh Wren		
Philadelphia Vireo				9/2	P.I.	4
9/thr	Reports of indiv. from 13 locations			9/3	GMNWR	8
9/8, 17, 18	Manomet	1 b, 1 b, 1 b	T. Lloyd-Evans	9/10	Westport	1
9/18	Brewster	6 b	S. Finnegan	9/19	Northfield	2
Red-eyed Vireo				9/28	Amherst	1
9/6	Ware R. IBA	15	M. Lynch#	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher		
9/19	P.I.	9	G. d'Entremont#	9/6	Waltham	3
10/20	Burlington	2	M. Rines	10/12	N. Truro	1
10/31	P.I.	1	S. Miller	10/21	Woods Hole	1
Fish Crow				10/24	Rockport	1
9/12	Hadley	3	B. Zajda#	Golden-crowned Kinglet		
10/30	Boston (BNC)	80	P. Peterson	10/9	Burlington	10
Common Raven				10/10	Wachusett Res.	8
9/16	GMNWR	14	C. Cook	10/10	Plymouth	5
9/23	Mt. Wachusett	25	S. Olson	10/15	P.I.	10
9/26, 10/18	Mt. Watatic	24, 12	T. Pirro	Ruby-crowned Kinglet		
Horned Lark				9/27	Ware R. IBA	15
10/4	Saugus	25	S. Zende#	9/28	Quabbin (G10)	4
10/12	P.I.	20	H. Wales	10/11	Burlington	5
10/12	Winthrop B.	2	S. Riley	10/14	Mt.A.	9
10/15	P'town	19	M. Lynch#	10/15	Nahant	8
10/25	Saugus	4	S. Zende#	10/23	Camb. (Daneyh)	4
Purple Martin				10/24	Fall River	3
9/thr	Rehoboth	88 pr, 370 fl	R. Marr	Northern Wheatear		
9/9	P.I.	35 fl	S. McGrath	10/1-06	Wachusett Res.	1 ph
9/15	Westport	1	M. Iliff	Eastern Bluebird		
Tree Swallow				9/12	Easthampton	21
9/13	Acoaxet	1200	M. Lynch#	10/10	Wachusett Res.	16
9/19	S. Monomoy	20000	E. Orcutt#	10/14	DFWS	18
10/3	Truro	750	SSBC (GdE)	10/31	Barre Falls	12
10/12	Cumb. Farms	250	G. d'Entremont	Veery		
10/20	Southwick	20	S. Kellogg	9/12	Lexington (DM)	2

Veery (continued)								
9/22	P.I.	1 b	B. Flemer#	Black-and-white Warbler	9/7	Wendell	4	M. Lynch#
Gray-cheeked Thrush					9/11	Mt.A.	3	M. Sabourin#
9/13, 21	P.I.	1 b, 1 b	B. Flemer#		9/17	Nahant	3	L. Pivacek
9/26	Wayland	8	A. McCarthy#		9/19	Quabbin (G35)	4	B. Zajda
10/14	Brewster	1 b	S. Finnegan		9/20	P.I.	3	J. Keeley#
10/19	Manomet	1 b	T. Lloyd-Evans		10/27	Boston (RKG)	1	R. Doherty
Gray-cheeked/Bicknell's Thrush				Tennessee Warbler	9/3	Pittsfield	2	J. Pierce
9/19	P.I.	1	G. d'Entremont#		9/19	Quabbin (G35)	2	B. Zajda
9/20	Chatham	1 ph	B. Harris		10/1	Pittsfield	3	J. Pierce
9/20	Ipswich (C.B.)	1	N. Dubrow		10/30	Chatham	1	S. Paventy#
9/26	Quabbin	1	T. Gagnon#	Orange-crowned Warbler	10/6	Northampton	2	T. Gagnon
Swainson's Thrush					10/8	Nahant	2	L. Pivacek
9/12-21	P.I.	7 b	B. Flemer#		10/18	Squantum	2	G. d'Entremont
10/27	Manomet	1 b	T. Lloyd-Evans		10/24	Lanesville	2	B. Harris
Hermit Thrush				Nashville Warbler	10/11	Cambridge	2	J. Forbes
9/6	Ware R. IBA	8	M. Lynch#		10/14	Jamaica Plain	2	P. Peterson
10/12	P.I.	12 b	B. Flemer#		10/17	P.I.	3	T. Wetmore
10/18	Squantum	6	G. d'Entremont		10/19	Winchester	2	R. LaFontaine
10/18	Medford	8	R. LaFontaine		10/20	Boston (Fens)	2	P. Peterson
10/21	Quabbin (G5)	10	B. Zajda	Connecticut Warbler	9/1-10/7	Reports of indiv. from 12 locations		
10/22	Lexington (DM)	8	M. Rines	Mourning Warbler	9/11	Lexington	1	B. Stevens#
Gray Catbird					9/16, 18	P.I.	1 b, 1 b	B. Flemer#
9/12	Framingham	21	J. Hoye#		9/17	Ware R. IBA	1	M. Lynch#
9/21	Watertown	10	R. Stymeist		9/21	Wayland	1	B. Harris
9/26	Westboro	46	M. Lynch#	Common Yellowthroat	9/16	Huntington	56	M. Lynch#
10/24	P.I.	3	E. Labato		9/17	Framingham	14	J. Hoye#
Brown Thrasher					9/20	Bolton Flats	17	K. Bourinot#
9/16	P.I.	8	D. Chickering		9/23	Ware R. IBA	15	M. Lynch#
9/19	Aquinnah	1	P. Gilmore#		10/21	Boston (RKG)	3	L. Nichols
10/15	Burlington	1	M. Rines	Hooded Warbler	9/4, 10/10	MNWS	1, 1	Filosa, Taggart
American Pipit					9/7	Nahant	1 m	L. Pivacek
9/19	P.I.	30	P. + F. Vale		9/14	Manomet	1 b	T. Lloyd-Evans
9/26	Northfield	75	E. Huston		9/18	Russell	1	T. Swochak#
10/9	Longmeadow	50	M. Moore		10/8	Salisbury	1 m	E. Labato
10/21	Groton	40	R. Templeton		10/9	Milton	1	E. Lipton
10/22	Gill	100	J. Rose		10/11	P.I.	1	C. Riehl
10/30	Lincoln	26	M. Rines		10/16	Fall River	1	P. Champlin
Bohemian Waxwing					10/23	Mt. Wachusett	1	S. Olson#
10/24	N. Truro	1	J. Kricher#	American Redstart	9/7	Wendell	5	M. Lynch#
10/26	Salisbury	1	T. Spahr		9/11	Mt.A.	16	M. Sabourin#
Cedar Waxwing					9/12	Cambr. (Daney)	4	K. Hartel
9/4	P.I.	35	J. Berry#		9/16	Lexington	5	C. Cook
9/17	Ware R. IBA	51	M. Lynch#		10/18	Nantucket	3	J. Trimble#
10/25	Ipswich	30	J. Berry#		10/31	Eastham (F. H.)	1	G. d'Entremont#
Lapland Longspur				Cape May Warbler	9/7	Granville	2	D. Holmes
10/5	P.I.	2	T. Wetmore		9/9	Pittsfield	3	J. Pierce
10/10	P'town (R.P.)	2	M. Faherty#		9/11	Lenox	4	J. Pierce
10/27	Gloucester	1	J. Nelson		9/11	Mt.A.	2	M. Sabourin#
Snow Bunting					9/13	Boston (PG)	4	R. Stymeist
10/25	Saugus	18	S. Zende#		9/13, 10/31	Winchester	3, 1	R. LaFontaine
10/26	Granville	2	J. Weeks		9/17	Ware R. IBA	3	M. Lynch#
10/27	Gloucester	17	J. Nelson		10/18	Westport	12	P. Champlin
10/30	P.I.	10	T. Wetmore	Magnolia Warbler	9/6	Ware R. IBA	2	M. Lynch#
10/31	S. Quabbin	10	L. Therrien		9/16	Lexington	2	C. Cook
Ovenbird					9/16	Huntington	3	M. Lynch#
9/7	Wendell	2	M. Lynch#		9/20	P.I.	2	S. Williams
9/12	Lexington (DM)	2	M. Rines#		10/18	Nantucket	2	J. Trimble#
10/8	P.I.	2 b	B. Flemer#					
10/26	Boston (RKG)	1	L. Nichols					
Worm-eating Warbler								
9/1	Sudbury	1	T. Spahr	Cerulean Warbler	9/1	Sudbury	1 ph	T. Spahr
9/25	Brewster	1 b	S. Finnegan#					
Louisiana Waterthrush				Northern Parula	9/13	Boston (PG)	4	R. Stymeist
9/11	Southwick	1	S. Kellogg		9/13, 10/31	Winchester	3, 1	R. LaFontaine
Northern Waterthrush					9/17	Ware R. IBA	3	M. Lynch#
9/1	P.I.	2	S. Miller#		10/18	Westport	12	P. Champlin
9/1-10/7	Reports of indiv. from 14 locations							
10/19	Westport	1	L. Waters					
Blue-winged Warbler								
9/17	Wayland	1	B. Harris					
9/17	Nahant	1	L. Pivacek					
9/20	Westboro	1	J. Lawson					

Magnolia Warbler (continued)			9/17	Nahant	2	L. Pivacek	
10/26	S. Hamilton	1	D. Walters	9/20	P.I.	2	J. Keeley#
Bay-breasted Warbler				10/11	Worcester	1	J. Lawson
9/6	Pittsfield	1	J. Pierce	10/13	Winchester	1	R. LaFontaine
9/19	Granville	1	S. Kellogg	Yellow-breasted Chat			
9/19	Quabbin (G35)	3	B. Zajda	thr	Reports of indiv. from 13 locations		
10/10	Winchester	1	A. Gurka	9/8	Manomet	2 b	T. Lloyd-Evans
Blackburnian Warbler				10/24	Rockport	2	B. Harris
9/6	Ware R. IBA	4	M. Lynch#	Green-tailed Towhee			
9/19	Quabbin (G35)	4	B. Zajda	10/27	Hatfield	1	D. Pritchard
10/5	Quabbin (G52)	4	B. Zajda	Eastern Towhee			
10/9	Nantucket	1	V. Laux#	9/7	Wendell	43	M. Lynch#
Yellow Warbler				9/10	P.I.	22	R. Stymeist
9/2	Melrose	3	D. + I. Jewell	9/27	Ware R. IBA	13	M. Lynch#
9/15	P.I.	4	R. Heil	10/15	Burlington	5	M. Rines
9/16	Huntington	2	M. Lynch#	10/23	Westboro	4	T. Spahr
10/21	Salisbury	1	T. Spahr	American Tree Sparrow			
Chestnut-sided Warbler				10/11	E. Brimfield	1	B. Zajda
9/6, 17	Ware R. IBA	11, 1	M. Lynch#	10/21	Salisbury	1	T. Spahr
Blackpoll Warbler				10/23	P.I.	1	T. Wetmore
9/11	Mt.A.	2	M. Sabourin#	10/25	Boston (Fens)	1	R. Schain
10/1	Brighton	16	P. Peterson	10/27	GMNWR	1	W. Martens#
10/4	Winchester	10	R. LaFontaine	Clay-colored Sparrow			
10/10	Westport	22	P. Champlin#	thr	Reports of indiv. from 24 locations		
10/30	Boston (BNC)	3	P. Peterson	Field Sparrow			
Black-throated Blue Warbler				9/26	Weymouth	6	G. d'Entremont#
9/7	Wendell	19	M. Lynch#	10/6	P.I.	10	T. Wetmore
9/19	Quabbin (G35)	2	B. Zajda	10/16	Boston (BNC)	4	P. Peterson
10/4	Winchester	2	R. LaFontaine	10/21	Woburn (HP)	4	D. Williams
10/11	Salisbury	2	J. Berry#	10/24	Gloucester	7	B. Harris
10/12	Belmont	2	J. Forbes	Vesper Sparrow			
10/24	Rockport	2	B. Harris	9/24	Hadley	4	L. Therrien
10/25	Chestnut Hill	1	M. Garvey	9/27	Orange	2	B. Lafley
Palm Warbler				10/25	Saugus	2	S. Zende#
9/13	Westport	1	M. Lynch#	Lark Sparrow			
9/20	Bolton Flats	11	K. Bourinot#	9/6	Quincy	1	S. Whitebread
10/6	S. Amherst	27	B. Zajda	9/7	Concord	1	R. Jilek
10/6	Northampton	66	T. Gagnon	9/11	P.I.	1	K. Elwell
10/18	Paxton	45	R. Jenkins	9/12	Concord	1	S. Heinrich
10/21	Groton	30	R. Templeton	9/12-16	Falmouth	1	K. Fiske#
10/31	Longmeadow	2	M. Moore	10/15	Peabody	1	J. McCoy
Pine Warbler				10/15	Lincoln	1	MAS (B. Lawson)
9/13	P'town (R.P.)	32	J. Trimble#	10/22	Winthrop	1	P. Peterson
9/19	Wellfleet	15	BBC (R. Stymeist)	Savannah Sparrow			
9/23	Ware R. IBA	44	M. Lynch#	9/25	Sandisfield	19	M. Lynch#
Yellow-rumped Warbler				9/26	Lexington (DM)	10	M. Rines#
9/7	Aquinnah	1	P. Gilmore#	10/10	Easthampton	52	B. Zajda
10/12	Westport	48	M. Lynch#	10/10	Framingham	43	J. Hoye#
10/15	Nahant	80	L. Pivacek	10/18	Saugus	55	S. Zende#
10/16	DFWS	80	P. Sowizral	Ipswich Sparrow			
10/18	Wachusett Res.	54	K. Bourinot#	10/14	Yarmouth	1	P. Crosson
10/18	Paxton	150	R. Jenkins	10/22	P.I.	1	T. Wetmore
10/22	P.I.	175	P. + F. Vale	Grasshopper Sparrow			
Prairie Warbler				9/16	Hadley	1	L. Therrien
9/6	Ware R. IBA	4	M. Lynch#	9/19	Mt Tom	1	T. Gagnon
10/12	P.I.	1	M. Filosa	10/20	P.I.	1	T. Wetmore
10/29	Lexington	1	R. Stymeist	10/27	Marstons Mills	1	P. Crosson
Black-throated Green Warbler				10/30	Truro	1	S. Williams
9/16	Lexington	4	C. Cook	Nelson's Sparrow			
9/17	Ware R. IBA	22	M. Lynch#	9/19	Hadley	1	J. Coleman
9/19	Quabbin (G35)	6	B. Zajda	10/6	S. Amherst	1	B. Zajda
10/5	Jamaica Plain	4	P. Peterson	10/7	Northampton	1	D. Schell
10/27	Fall River	1	L. Abbey	10/8	Fairhaven	2	L. Waters
10/30	Boston (BNC)	1	P. Peterson	10/13	Ipswich	4	M. Brengle#
Canada Warbler				10/15	P.I.	1	T. Wetmore
9/6	Lexington	1	M. Rines	10/16	Salisbury	1	B. Harris
9/9	Pittsfield	1	J. Pierce	Saltmarsh Sparrow			
9/13	Boston (PG)	1	R. Stymeist	9/22	P.I.	8	T. Wetmore
9/14	P.I.	1 b	B. Flemer#	10/12	Westport	2	M. Lynch#
9/18	Hingham (WE)	1	S. Williams	10/13	Ipswich	15	M. Brengle#
9/19	Shutesbury	1	B. Emily	10/25	Squantum	1	V. Zollo
Wilson's Warbler				Seaside Sparrow			
9/12	Boston (PG)	2	P. Peterson	10/24	Squantum	1	M. Garvey

Fox Sparrow				10/11	Sharon	1	V. Zollo
10/17	Newton	1	M. Garvey	10/18	Nantucket	2	J. Trimble#
10/18	Medford	1	R. LaFontaine	10/21	Brewster	1	J. Hoye#
10/25	Quabog IBA	4	M. Lynch#	Indigo Bunting			
Lincoln's Sparrow				9/12	Easthampton	15	B. Zajda#
9/16	Huntington	6	M. Lynch#	9/16	Huntington	39	M. Lynch#
9/20	Bolton Flats	5	K. Bourinot#	9/26	Lexington (DM)	7	M. Rines#
10/7	Cumb. Farms	4	J. Sweeney	10/15	Nahant	6	L. Pivacek
10/11	Burlington	4	M. Rines#	Dickcissel			
10/14	DFWS	3	P. Sowizral	9/2	P.I.	2	B. Harris
Swamp Sparrow				9/16	Westboro	2	N. Paulson
10/3	GMNWR	26	BBC (B. Volkle)	9/26	Newbury	3	B. Harris
10/10	Plymouth	20	G. d'Entremont#	10/11	Nantucket	4	B. Harris#
10/15	GMNWR	20	K. Dia#	Bobolink			
10/25	Quabog IBA	53	M. Lynch#	9/7	Framingham	26	J. Hoye#
White-throated Sparrow				9/19	Lexington	20	J. Forbes
9/1	Nantucket	1	T. Pastuszak	9/20	Saugus	42	S. Zende#
9/13	Boston (RKG)	1	R. Stymeist	9/20	Bolton Flats	15	K. Bourinot#
10/6	S. Amherst	36	B. Zajda	10/18	Cumb. Farms	3	B. Harris
10/8	Framingham	21	J. Hoye#	Eastern Meadowlark			
10/11	Quabog IBA	43	M. Lynch#	10/11	S. Weymouth	3	SSBC (GdE)
10/18	Boston	114	BBC (R. Stymeist)	10/19	Boston (BNC)	1	P. Peterson
White-crowned Sparrow				10/24	P.I.	1	T. Wetmore
9/26	Boston (Fens)	1	P. Peterson	Yellow-headed Blackbird			
10/10	Easthampton	9	B. Zajda	9/21	Chatham	1	E. Orcutt#
10/10	Westport	3	P. Champlin#	Rusty Blackbird			
10/15	Nahant	4	L. Pivacek	10/5	Belmont	4	J. Forbes
Dark-eyed Junco				10/11	Quabog IBA	11	M. Lynch#
9/15	Mt. Wachusett	6	S. Olson	10/18	Paxton	6	R. Jenkins
9/21	Waltham	1	J. Forbes	10/21	Lynnfield	5	C. Lapite#
10/15	W. Newbury	40	S. McGrath	10/21	Wayland	4	G. Dysart
10/18	P.I.	24	P. + F. Vale	10/21	Groton	4	R. Templeton
10/26	Quabbin (G5)	42	B. Zajda	10/31	Northboro	10	M. Lynch#
Summer Tanager				Orchard Oriole			
9/15	Mashpee	1	M. Keleher#	9/19	P.I.	1	D. + T. Swain
9/17-20	P.I.	1	C. Dengler#	10/20	Boston (BNC)	1	P. Peterson
10/7	Chatham	1	M. Malin	Baltimore Oriole			
10/11	Nantucket	1	T. Pastuszak#	9/11	Mt.A.	3	M. Sabourin#
Scarlet Tanager				9/17	Nahant	2	L. Pivacek
9/6	Ware R. IBA	3	M. Lynch#	9/26	Boston (Fens)	2	P. Peterson
9/23	P.I.	2	P. + F. Vale	10/15	P.I.	1	D. Chickering#
10/7	Nantucket	2	V. Laux#	Purple Finch			
10/29	P.I.	1	T. Wetmore	10/18	Westport	1	P. Champlin
Western Tanager				10/24	P.I.	5	E. Labato
9/19-23	P.I.	1	E. Lipton#	10/27	Burlington	1	M. Rines
Rose-breasted Grosbeak				10/31	Southboro	4	M. Lynch#
9/3	Wayland	7	B. Harris	Pine Siskin			
9/16	Huntington	4	M. Lynch#	9/6	Shutesbury	1	B. Emily
9/17	Newton	3	J. Forbes	9/15	Westwood	1	E. Nielsen
10/14	Nantucket	1	T. Pastuszak#	10/22	Lexington (DM)	1	M. Rines
Blue Grosbeak				10/25	Quabog IBA	42	M. Lynch#
9/19	Harwich	1	B. Harris	10/27	P.I.	25	T. Wetmore
9/20	Cumb. Farms	1	V. Zollo	Evening Grosbeak			
10/6	Northampton	1	L. Therrien	9/6	P.I.	1	W. Tatro#
10/11	Holland	1	B. Zajda	10/30	Greenfield	2	J. Smith

ABBREVIATIONS FOR BIRD SIGHTINGS

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

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