

# Field Records

## May 1984



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The month of May was excessively wet, and much of the month was on the cool side, with just normal sunshine. The temperature averaged 58.0°, just 0.5° below normal, but one hot week, May 21-27, averaged nearly 8° above normal. The high was 89° on May 26, the low mark was 41° on May 3. Rain totaled 8.77 inches, 5.25 inches more than normal, thus making May 1984 the second wettest May in 114 years of official records. This was the third wettest month in 167 years of total records. The wettest was 1954 with 13.38 inches, followed by the unofficial 10.38 inches in May 1868. Measurable amounts fell on eighteen days, seven more than average. Thunder was heard on three days, one more than average. Fog was frequent with heavy fog on four days, one more than average. Winds were out of the south on May 7, 8, and 9 and from the southwest on May 11, 12, 15, 19-23, 25, 26, 29, and 30.

In the records that follow you will notice some particularly high counts of many species in the town of Wellesley. Each year for many years a town-wide count comparable to a Christmas Count has been conducted in the spring. This year, according to Ken Winkler, compiler, the counts were generally low, but the species total of 104 was exceeded only by 110 in 1959 and 108 in 1983. Another tradition now in its thirty-third year is the South Shore Bird Club May Day. They logged 137 species to tie with 1981 as the twelfth best total and yet missed Field Sparrow, Bank Swallow and Laughing Gull. R.H.S.

### LOONS THROUGH CORMORANTS

An Arctic Loon was observed at the end of the month at Manomet. The identification was based on the following field marks: "a solid pale gray head and nape; black throat; dark back with conspicuous patches in the scapular region made of bold white spots; straight, fairly slender bill held longitudinally."

"Hundreds" of shearwaters were noted off Nantucket at the end of the month, where Edith Andrews counted 243 in just ten minutes. There were no reports from Nantucket during May 1983. A flight of 210 Northern Gannets early in the month on Nantucket was composed of nearly all immature birds. A Great Cormorant was found in the same area in Lakeville for the second year in a row. R.H.S.

<u>SPECIES/DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>OBSERVERS</u>	<u>MAY 1984</u>
Red-throated Loon:				
22	E.Orleans,P.I.	1 br. pl., 2	A.Williams,R.Forster	
25-28	M.V.	1	BBC(J.Barton#)	
<u>Arctic Loon</u> (Full details on file):				
27-28	Manomet	1	J.Loughlin,T.Lloyd-Evans+v.o.	
Common Loon:				
6,8,11	Mt.A.	1, 1, 1 (all migrants)	R.Stymeist#,A.Scott#+v.o.	
8,20	Concord,Clinton	1, 1	R.Walton,M.Lynch#	
20,24	Monomoy,Westport	6, 6	J.Barton#,R.Laubach	
Pied-billed Grebe:				
22;26,28	Monomoy;P.I.	1; 1, 1	B.Nikula#;R.Stymeist#	
Red-necked Grebe:				
6	N.Scituate	2	W.Petersen	
Northern Fulmar:				
19	20 miles E of Chatham	15	P.Trull	
Greater Shearwater:				
29,30	Nantucket(Cisco)	"hundreds," 59	E.Andrews#	
Sooty Shearwater:				
12,23	Nantucket	5, 2	D.Briggs,E.Andrews	
29,30	Nantucket(Cisco)	"hundreds," 14	E.Andrews#	

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Manx Shearwater:				
13	Woods Hole	1	A.Morgan	
Wilson's Storm-Petrel:				
19	20 miles E. of Chatham	200	P.Trull	
Northern Gannet:				
12,13	Nantucket,P.I.	210 (nearly all imm.), 25	M.Litchfield,J.Grugan	
20,25,30	Monomoy,M.V.,Nant.	14, 1, 22	J.Barton,BBC,E.Andrews	
Great Cormorant:				
6,20	N.Scituate,Monomoy(So.I.)	15+, 1	W.Petersen,J.Barton#	
28,30	Lakeville, Manomet	1 imm., 1	W.Petersen#,R.Heil	
Double-crested Cormorant:				
13,16,28	E.Middleboro	30, 19, 26	K.Anderson	
19	Monomoy(No.I.),N.Scituate	200, 400	J.Barton,SSBC	
19	Ipswich,Newbypt	100 <sup>-</sup> , 50	J.Berry,BBC	
20	Monomoy(So.I.),Squantum	1000 <sup>-</sup> , 25	R.Prescott#,P.O'Neil	
26,28	Framingham,Everett	25 migr., 100+	R.Forster,J.Berry	

#### HERONS

Eighteen American Bitterns were reported during the month as compared with eleven last May. Least Bitterns were more often reported at Hellcat this year than at Stage Island. A pair was studied at close range at Cutler Park in Needham and other individuals were noted in Wayland, Hyannis, Harwich, and in Great Meadows NWR. Birders had trouble finding Cattle Egrets at the usual spots in Ipswich. The birds were seen there on only two occasions. There were at least three adult Yellow-crowned Night-Herons reported; only one was noted in May 1983.

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American Bittern:				
1,13	Lancaster(Bolton Flats)	1, 1	H.Merriman,S.Carroll#	
5,6,9,19	P.I.	1, 1, 2, 2	D.Resnick,J.Grugan,A.Williams,R.Stymeist	
7,11,12	Mt.A.,Nant.,Medfield	1, 2, 1	M.Hall#,D.Briggs#,B.Cassie	
12,18	Monomoy,Woburn	1, 1	D.Holt,C.Jackson	
24,27	Wayland,GMNWR	3, 1	T.Walsh,BBC	
Least Bittern:				
thr.	P.I.(Hellcat,Stage I.)	1-4, 1-2	v.o.	
15-18,18	Hyannis,Needham(Cutler Park)	1, 2	S.Clifton#+v.o.,J.Marshall	
25,30,31	Wayland,GMNWR,Harwich	1, 1, 1	R.Heil,R.Walton,R.Heil	
Great Blue Heron:				
10,20	W.Bridgewater,OxbowNWR	4, 7	W.Petersen,BBC(M.Lynch)	
20	Westboro	31 active nests (4 yg. seen)	G.Gove	
Many other reports of 1-2 individuals from all over our area.				
Great Egret:				
13,18	E.Middleboro,Kingston	1, 1	K.Anderson,R.Forster	
19,20	P.I.	2, 2	G.Gove#,R.Titus#	
26	Medfield,GMNWR	1, 1	W.Regan,C.Turin#	
27	Ipswich	4	BBC(I.Girunas)	
Snowy Egret:				
1,5;13,20	Squantum	2, 6; 16, 12	O.Kerr,G.Wilson;SSBC	
5,6	P.I.,E.Boston	12, 9	SSBC,S.Zendeh	
25-28,27	M.V.,Ipswich	25, 10	BBC(J.Barton),BBC	
Little Blue Heron:				
3,5;10	Essex;GMNWR	1, 1; 1	B.Cassie#,R.Stymeist#;A.Williams	
19,21	Squantum,E.Orleans	1, 1	R.Fox#,D.Williams	
27,29	Milton(Fowl Meadow),P.I.	1, 1	R.Abrams,D.Arvidson#	
Tricolored Heron:				
7,19	Salem,P.I.	1, 1	R.Heil,R.Stymeist#	
25-28,29	M.V.,Marion	2, 2	BBC(J.Barton),E.Cutler	
Cattle Egret:				
2,5	P'town,Ipswich	2, 5	B.Nikula#,M.Argue#	
14-20;22	Middleboro;Monomoy,Ipswich	2-5; 1, 1	K.Holmes;B.Nikula#,T.Raymond	
Green-backed Heron:				
5,6	P.I.,E.Boston	3, 2	SSBC,S.Zendeh	
6,7	Needham,Mt.A.	1, 1	J.Marshall,M.Hall	
19,20	P.I.,Milton(Fowl Meadow)	8, 6	BBC,SSBC	
20,25-28	ONWR,M.V.	4, 6	BBC,BBC	
Black-crowned Night-Heron:				
6	E.Boston,Mt.A.	15, 3	S.Zendeh,P.Hallowell	
7,11	Squantum,Nantucket	4, 6	W.Cornwell#,D.Briggs#	
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron:				
11,14	Nant.(Madaket,Cisco)	1 ad., 1 ad.	D.Briggs#,P.Gardner	
12,22	P.I.	1 ad., 2 ad.	W.Regan,R.Forster#	

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Glossy Ibis:				
1;13,19,20	Squantum	1; 7, 4, 5	O.Kerr;SSBC	
2,5	Plympton,W.Bridgewater	1, 4	D.Briggs,W.Petersen	
6,13	E.Boston(Belle Isle)	2, 2	S.Zendeh	
11,14	P.I.,E.Middleboro	4, 4	J.Berry,K.Anderson	
14,19	Ipswich,Nant.(Quaise)	10, 5	J.Berry,R.Caldwell	

#### WATERFOWL

As usual, Brant continued in good-sized flocks both in Squantum and Newburyport throughout most of the month. Three King Eider and two Harlequin Ducks were found at Chilmark, M.V., and other Harlequins were noted from East Orleans and North Scituate. A large flock of Common Eider, totaling over 1400 individuals, was still present in Boston Harbor as late as May 22; over 950 of these were in the Brewster Spit area. R.H.S.

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Mute Swan:				
3,9-21	Waltham(Camb.Res.),Arlington	2, 1	L.Robinson,M.Rosenfeld	
9,13	S.Carver,Acoaxet	pr. at nest, 51	K.Anderson,J.Marshall	
Snow Goose:				
6	P.I.	10	R.Heil	
"Blue Goose":				
6	P.I.	1 imm.	R.Heil	
Brant:				
1;13,19,20	Squantum	375; 75, 104, 200	O.Kerr;SSBC	
thr.	Newburyport	max. 650 (5/20)	R.Titus+v.o.	
15,19	Scituate,Plymouth	64, 180	R.Titus,R.Fox#	
19,27	Monomoy,Scituate	400, 44	J.Barton#,W.Petersen	
Canada Goose:				
2	Marshfield	3 downy yg.	R.Langley#	
Wood Duck:				
2,13+27	Middleboro,GMNWR	5, 15 + 12	K.Anderson,BBC	
18,20	Kingston,Wayland	10, 25	R.Forster	
20,27	ONWR,Ipswich	6, 4	BBC	
Green-winged Teal:				
5,6	W.Bridgewater,P.I.	10, 40	W.Petersen,BBC	
20	Monomoy(So.I.)	18	J.Barton,R.Prescott	
American Black Duck:				
29	P.I.	1 ad. + 11 yg.	D.Arvidson	
Northern Pintail:				
5,20	Newbypt,Monomoy(So.I.)	1, 12	SSBC,J.Barton#	
Blue-winged Teal:				
5,19;13 on,27	P.I.; Lancaster,Scituate	35, 40; pr., 2	BBC;S.Carroll#,W.Petersen	
Northern Shoveler:				
thr.	P.I.	max. 6 (5/5)	W.Harrington#+v.o.	
20	Monomoy(So.I.)	4	J.Barton#	
Gadwall:				
thr.	P.I.	max. 55 (5/3)	P.Hallowell+v.o.	
22	Monomoy(So.I.)	15	B.Nikula#+v.o.	
American Wigeon:				
20;23	Wayland,Monomoy(So.I.);P.I.	1 m., 4; 2 m.	K.Hamilton,R.Prescott#;A.Williams	
Ring-necked Duck:				
1,4,8	P'town,Clinton,Wakefield	2, 2 pr., 1	A.Williams,H.Merriam,BBC	
Greater Scaup:				
11	Newburyport	2 m.	J.Berry	
Common Eider:				
2,15	E.Orleans,Scituate	83, 45	A.Williams,R.Titus	
20,22	Monomoy(So.I.),E.Orleans	50, 8	J.Barton#,A.Williams	
22	Boston Harbor	1400	H.Merriam and J.Hatch	
950 of these	were counted at Brewster Spit in Boston Harbor.			
25-28	M.V.	125	BBC(J.Barton)	
King Eider:				
14-19	Chilmark(M.V.)	2 imm. m., 1 f.	W.Manter+v.o.	
Harlequin Duck:				
1-19,1	Chilmark(M.V.)E.Orleans	2 m., 1 imm. m.	W.Manter+v.o.,A.Williams	
5	N.Scituate	3	N.+ S. Osborne	
Oldsquaw:				
1-26	Newburyport	2000 (5/5)-1 (5/26)	v.o.	
Black Scoter:				
1,19	E.Orleans,Lynn	15, 2	A.Williams,H.Coolidge#	

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Surf Scoter:				
2,19	E.Orleans,Lynn	4, 1	A.Williams,H.Wiggin#	
20	Monomoy(So.I.)	1	J.Barton	
White-winged Scoter:				
19	Lynn	100	H.Coolidge,H.Wiggin	
Bufflehead:				
2,6	E.Orleans,Saugus	27, 8	A.Williams,C.Jackson	
7+8,25-28	Salem River,M.V.	5, 1	J.Berry,BBC	
Hooded Merganser:				
19-22,27	P.I.,Harvard	1-2, 1-2	C.Floyd#+v.o.,H.Merriam	
Common Merganser:				
9,23	Westport,Millis	2, pr.	R.Laubach,E.Taylor	
Red-breasted Merganser:				
19,26	P.I.,Newburyport	11, 3	G.Gove#,R.Stymeist#	
Ruddy Duck:				
thr.,20	P.I.,Monomoy(So.I.)	max. 4, 12	J.Berry#+v.o.,J.Barton#	

#### RAPTORS

An American Swallow-tailed Kite was noticed flying over the Fenn School in Concord on May 30. As you may recall, one was seen last May by another lucky observer at Chatham. Another possible kite was seen for just a few seconds over Plum Island on May 29 (heading towards Concord?). The observers were familiar with kites and noticed the typical kite-like flight, but could not find the bird again.

Accipiters were migrating early in the month at Truro and Plum Island. Northern Harriers were seen on several occasions performing courtship flights in Truro. A Peregrine Falcon was observed taking a Least Sandpiper on the third attempt at Newburyport Harbor.

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Turkey Vulture:				
1,2	Plymouth,E.Orleans	1, 1	MBO staff,A.Williams	
2,3	Harwich,Truro	6, 4	J.Aylward#,B.Nikula#	
5	Westport,Lakeville	5, 2	R.Laubach,K.Holmes	
6,8	Middleboro,Dedham	1, 5	D.Briggs,S.Higginbotham	
12,25	Westport,Hingham	1, 1	J.Marshall,N.Osborne	
Osprey:				
25-28,28	M.V.,Acoaxet	14, 20	BBC(J.Barton),BBC(W.Smith)	
Reports of single individuals from 10 other locations.				
American Swallow-tailed Kite:				
30	Concord(Fenn School)	1	P.Stowe	
kite, species:				
29	P.I.	1	J.McLean,D.Arvidson	
Bald Eagle:				
19,27	Wellesley,Monomoy	1, 1 imm.	C.Ewer,R.Prescott+v.o.	
Northern Harrier:				
thr.	Truro	6+(2 m., 4 f.)	B.Nikula+v.o.	
1-26	P.I.	max. 6 (5/5)	W.Harrington#+v.o.	
2,5	Middleboro,Halifax	1, 2	K.Anderson,W.Petersen	
5,6	Lynnfield,Saugus	1, 2	W.Harrington#,C.Jackson	
9-26,13-19	E.Middleboro,Wayland	1-3 daily, 1	K.Anderson,R.Walton	
15	Lincoln,Marshfield	1, pr.	S.Melvin,R.Titus	
19,20	Newbypt,E.Boston	1, 1	R.Stymeist#,S.Zendeh	
Sharp-shinned Hawk:				
1,6	P.I.	40, 24	P.Roberts,S.Bolton	
3,6,12	Truro 18 (2.5 hrs.),	165 (4.0 hrs.), 5 (0.5 hr.)	B.Nikula#	
6	N.Scituate,Saugus	10 (1.5 hrs.), 2	W.Petersen,C.Jackson	
20	Westboro	1	M.Lynch,S.Carroll	
Cooper's Hawk:				
1,10	P'town,Wollaston	1, 1	A.Williams,D.Brown	
2,3,6	Truro	3, 1, 2	B.Nikula#	
Northern Goshawk:				
thr.	Norfolk,Holliston,Medfield	pr. at each	B.Cassie	
5,20	Cohasset, ONWR	1 ad., 1 m.	N.+ S.Osborne,M.Lynch#	
20,21	Concord,Lincoln(DFWS)	1, 1	R.Walton,R.Forster	
Red-shouldered Hawk:				
2-31,16	E.Middleboro,Beverly	1-2 regularly, 1	K.Anderson,R.Heil	
19,27	Wellesley,Lincoln	1, 1	C.Quinlan,J.Carter	
Broad-winged Hawk:				
6	Truro	34	B.Nikula+v.o.	

A few other reports of 1-2 individuals from various locations.

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American Kestrel:				
1	P.I.	19	P.Roberts	
Merlin:				
2,5	Mt.A.,P.I.	1, 7	C.Jackson,W.Harrington#	
5	Halifax,W.Newbury	1, 1f.	W.Petersen,D.Resnick#	
6,6+12	P.I.,Truro	1, 1 + 1	BBC,B.Nikula#+v.o.	
12,13	Nant., Chatham	1, 1	D.Briggs#,D.Holt	
14	Newburyport -P.I.	3	R.Forster	
Peregrine Falcon:				
1	P.I.	1	P.Roberts,F.Bouchard	
1;2-11	Eastham; Monomoy 1 ad. (dead);	1 ad., 1 imm.	P.Trull;D.Holt+B.Nikula#+v.o.	
4,5,6	M.V.,P'town,Eastham	1 ad., 1 imm., 3	W.Manter,CCBC,G.Adami	
12;13,19	Nant.;Newbypt	1; 1 ad.	D.Davis;C.Leahy#+v.o.	

#### RUFFED GROUSE THROUGH SANDHILL CRANE

Northern Bobwhite were calling in Newton and in Belmont, both unusual locations for these birds. A Clapper Rail was discovered at Belle Isle and another was heard calling at Plum Island; no King Rails were reported either seen or heard calling anywhere in the state!

A Purple Gallinule was well observed in the Brant Point section of Nantucket for two days. As you may remember, recent records for this species during the month of May include a bird in Falmouth in 1982 and just last May at Fowl Meadow in Milton. Only one American Coot was reported all month and very few Common Moorhens were noted. A Sandhill Crane was seen for two days at Plum Island where it was observed pursuing a Red Fox along the edge of the marsh. Rick Heil relates: "When the fox retreated, the crane would spring up into the air, as much as four feet, on outstretched wings while calling the typical low rolling 'gar-oo-oo-oo.' The fox was clearly intimidated by this strange and impressive bird and dashed away through the tall grass." R.H.S.

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Ruffed Grouse:				
11-31,12	E.Middleboro.W.Newbury	1-2, 1	K.Anderson,H.Wiggin#	
20,27	ONWR,Ipswich	3, 2	M.Lynch#,BBC	
Northern Bobwhite:				
10,20	Newton,Belmont	1, 2 calling	O.Komar#,L.Taylor	
25-28,28	M.V.,Millis	50, 4	BBC,B.Cassie	
Clapper Rail:				
6,26	E.Boston(Belle Isle),P.I.	1, 1	S.Zendeh,R.Stymeist	
Virginia Rail:				
5,7	Lynnfield,Middleboro	10+, 1	W.Harrington#,D.Briggs	
13+27,14	GMNWR,Bedford	2 +2, 3	BBC,J.Carter	
19,24	Marshfield,Wayland	4, 6 heard and seen	R.Fox#,T.Walsh	
Sora:				
5,7	Lynnfield,Wayland	4+, 4	W.Harrington#,K.Hamilton	
13,27	GMNWR	6, 2	BBC(J.Kenneally,C.Turin)	
13,20	Lancaster(Bolton Flats)	2, 3	S.Carroll#,M.Lynch#	
Purple Gallinule:				
14,15	Nant.(Brant Pt.)	1 ad.	S.Newell+v.o., fide E.Andrews	
Common Moorhen:				
thr.,8	P.I.,Wollaston	1-4, 1	v.o.,D.Brown	
13,23	GMNWR,Medford	3, 1	BBC,C.Jackson	
American Coot:				
10,13	GMNWR	1, 1	A.Williams,BBC	
Sandhill Crane:				
27-28	P.I.	1 (ph.)	v.o.	

#### PLOVERS THROUGH RAZORBILLS

A Wilson's Plover was seen on Plymouth Beach on the 15th. Of the eight records of this species in BOEM, all but one have been in May and five of these have been in the first two weeks of the month. Most were seen or reported on only one day. All have been coastal, 3 from Plymouth, 3 from Nauset Beach, 1 from S. Dartmouth, and 1 from Ipswich. They were seen each year 1974 to 1978 inclusive, with two different birds seen on the same dates (5/3) at Nauset and Plymouth in 1978. The last two were at Plymouth in 1983 and 1984 and there may have been one there in 1982; that report is being checked now.

Four Lesser Golden-Plover spent most of the month at Monomoy, and three winter-plumaged birds were seen at Newburyport across from the airport. Most past May records for golden-plover have been of single birds so it is somewhat unusual to have two reports this year of three and four birds. A pair of Piping Plover was seen at a nest with four

eggs at Third Cliff, Scituate. Ten oystercatcher nests were found at Monomoy where at least twenty-five birds were present. Three American Oystercatchers were seen flying south over the salt pannes at Plum Island on May 29. Two Willets were seen displaying at Plum Island, and one was flushed from a nest at Plumbush.

Upland Sandpipers were reported from as many as fourteen locations, possibly a hopeful sign that they are taking over additional habitat in the state and that the population in eastern North America is expanding. A Marbled Godwit was present on Monomoy for one day; they have been seen in only five of the past twelve Mays. A good number of Ruddy Turnstones accumulated at Monomoy during the month as did Red Knots with this being the highest May count in the last twelve years. Two inland Dunlin were unusual for this species. Two Curlew Sandpipers, both adults in breeding plumage, were present on the same dates, one at Squantum and one at Monomoy. Wilson's Phalaropes were also noted inland where they are rare in the spring and uncommon in Plymouth County.

Up to four adult Little Gulls were present for most of the month in Newburyport Harbor. A pair of Common Black-headed Gulls had a nest and two eggs at Monomoy, constituting the first U.S. breeding record for this species. They were suspected of breeding in North America at Newfoundland in 1977, and in 1982, two nests containing chicks were found at Madeleine Is., Quebec. There has been considerable speculation as to when these birds would begin nesting in the U.S. Last year a single bird spent a lot of time in the tern and Laughing Gull colony on Monomoy but never found a mate - a pioneer for this year's attempt at breeding.

Iceland and Glaucous gulls, mostly young birds, were still present at coastal locations. A Gull-billed Tern, an adult in breeding plumage, was seen at Nelson's Island in Rowley. Caspian Terns were passing through in the early part of the month, and Common Terns were seen at many coastal locations. Least Terns had one or two large colonies at Plum Island with 75 to 120 birds estimated at the south end of the island. Black Terns and Black Skimmers were noted on several occasions and a Razorbill was seen at Monomoy on May 10.

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<b>Black-bellied Plover:</b>				
thr.	Monomoy	max. 950 (5/13)	B.Nikula#	
6,13,24	E.Boston	4, 300, 700	S.Zendeh	
20,25-28	Squantum,M.V.	300, 50	SSBC,BBC	
19,20	Newbypt,Marshfield-Duxbury	50, 100	BBC,BBC	
<b>Lesser Golden-Plover:</b>				
1-22,26	Monomoy	max. 4 (5/3-5), 1 ad.	B.Nikula#, SSBC	
5	Newburyport	3	v.o.	
<b>Wilson's Plover:</b>				
15	Plymouth Beach	1 (ph.)	D.Bolster(fide T.Lloyd-Evans)	
<b>Semipalmated Plover:</b>				
13-29	P.I.- Newbypt	max. 31 (5/29)	v.o.	
15,29	Scituate	35, 50	R.Titus,W.Petersen	
17-28	Monomoy	max. 50 (5/19)	v.o.	
<b>Piping Plover:</b>				
thr.	P.I.	2	v.o.	
19	Monomoy,Plymouth,Ipswich	1, 1, 6	J.Barton#,SSBC,J.Berry	
28	S.Dartmouth,Scituate	2, pr. + nest w/4 eggs	R.Laubach,N.Osborne	
<b>Killdeer:</b>				
1,24	E.Boston	1, 4	K.Norris,S.Zendeh	
13,20	Squantum	1, 2	SSBC	
29	P.I.	8	D.Arvidson	
<b>American Oystercatcher:</b>				
thr.	Monomoy	max. 25+ (10 nests found)	v.o.	
12,24	P'town,Westport	4, 3	C.Smith#,R.Laubach	
25-28,27	M.V.,Cuttyhunk	14, 2	BBC,S.Walker	
29	P.I.	3	D.Arvidson#	
<b>Greater Yellowlegs:</b>				
5,6	W.Bridgewater;P.I.-Newbypt	35, 200	W.Petersen,BBC	
9-14	E.Middleboro	max. 9(5/9)	K.Anderson	
6,13	E.Boston,Scituate	11, 25	S.Zendeh,SSBC	
20	Monomoy	12	BBC	
<b>Lesser Yellowlegs:</b>				
5,6;5,6	W.Bridgewater,Newbypt	2, 6; 30, 20	W.Petersen;BBC	
15,19	Scituate,Monomoy	2, 2	R.Titus,BBC	
<b>Solitary Sandpiper:</b>				
5,5-15	Lancaster,Millis	5, max. 7	H.Merriman,B.Cassie	
9,10	ONWR,Concord	6, 3	M.Lynch#,R.Forster	
15,17	Scituate,Yarmouth	8, 4	R.Titus,R.Scott	
19,20	Wellesley,SRV	5, 12	K.Winkler#,R.Forster#	
6-21	One or two birds reported from each of twelve locations.			

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Willet:				
thr.	Monomoy, P.I.	max. 15, max. 5	v.o.	
10	Nahant, Plymouth	1, 1	R.Forster#, MBO staff	
13, 20	Scituate, Westport	3, 2	SSBC, R. Laubach	
25-28, 28	M.V., Squantum	2, 8	BBC, R. Abrams	
Spotted Sandpiper:				
5, 6	W. Bridgewater	2, 5	W. Petersen	
6, 9	Topsfield, Woburn	4, 2	J. Berry, G. Gove	
13, 20	Hardwick, ONWR	3, 3	M. Hall, S. Carroll	
29	P.I.	2	D. Arvidson#	
One or two birds reported from each of fourteen locations.				
Upland Sandpiper:				
thr.	E. Middleboro, Halifax	2-4 pr.	K. Anderson	
6-28	Newburyport area	max. 7 (5/25)	v.o.	
15, 28	Lincoln	max. 5	v.o.	
19	Middleboro	3	SSBC	
One or two birds reported from each of ten locations.				
Whimbrel:				
1, 17	Chatham, Monomoy	3, 1	J. Russell, B. Nikula	
18, 28	Yarmouth, Squantum	1, 2	C. Smith, R. Abrams	
Marbled Godwit:				
19	Monomoy	1	J. Barton#	
Ruddy Turnstone:				
thr.	Monomoy	max. 175 (5/27)	B. Nikula#	
11, 13	Nant., Scituate	7, 12	D. Briggs#, N.+ S. Osborne	
20, 24	Squantum, E. Boston	30, 40	SSBC, S. Zende#	
Red Knot:				
thr.	Monomoy	max. 75 (5/27)	B. Nikula#	
19, 29	Rowley, Squantum	6, 9	G. Gove#, R. Abrams	
Sanderling:				
thr.	Monomoy	max. 2000 (5/17, 5/28)	B. Nikula#	
19	Ipswich	38	J. Berry	
Semipalmated Sandpiper:				
6-31	Monomoy	max. 1500 (5/28)	B. Nikula#	
6, 14	Newbypt-P.I.	2, 1	S. Bolton, R. Forster	
27	Scituate	275	W. Petersen	
Least Sandpiper:				
1-27	Monomoy	max. 450 (5/13)	B. Nikula#	
5-26	Newbypt-P.I.	max. 400 (5/11)	v.o.	
6, 12	W. Bridgewater, Topsfield	125, 50	W. Petersen, G. Gove	
15, 20	Scituate, SRV	90, 170	R. Titus, R. Forster	
White-rumped Sandpiper:				
thr.	Monomoy	max. 35 (5/17)	B. Nikula#	
3-29	P.I.	max. 3 (5/28)	v.o.	
27	Scituate, Squantum	1, 1	W. Petersen, R. Abrams	
Pectoral Sandpiper:				
5, 20	Newbypt-P.I.	3, 4	v.o., R. Titus	
5	Monomoy, W. Bridgewater	1, 3	B. Nikula#, W. Petersen	
Purple Sandpiper:				
5	Revere, Nahant	125, 20	T. Leverich#, SSBC	
19, 22	N. Scituate, Lynn	250, 125	SSBC, R. Forster#	
27, 28	N. Scituate, Scituate	55, 50	W. Petersen, N. Osborne	
Dunlin:				
thr.	Monomoy	max. 1200 (5/3, 5/17)	B. Nikula#	
3-20	Newburyport	max. 150 (5/3)	v.o.	
6, 10; 19	W. Bridgewater; Uxbridge	1, 2; 1	W. Petersen; M. Lynch#	
Curlew Sandpiper:				
27, 28; 28	Squantum; Monomoy	1; 1 (br. pl.)	R. Abrams+v.o.; B. Nikula#	
Ruff:				
5, 6; 13	Newburyport	1 f.; 1	v.o.	
27	Squantum	1	D. Brown	
Short-billed Dowitcher:				
thr.	Monomoy	max. 250 (5/21)	D. Holt#	
5, 20, 23	Newburyport	max. 15 (5/20)	v.o.	
20	Squantum	150	SSBC	
Common Snipe:				
2, 6	Marshfield, E. Boston	4, 1	R.+ J. Langley, S. Zende#	
13, 17	Milton, Concord	1, 2	R. Abrams, J. Carter	
American Woodcock:				
5, 13	W. Newbury, Dedham	2, 1	SSBC, J. Marshall	
19, 25-28	Middleboro, M.V.	2, 1	SSBC, BBC	

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Wilson's Phalarope:				
3-29	P.I.	max. 8 (4 f. + 4 m. 5/7)	v.o.	
5	Revere, Marshfield	1 f., 2	R.Stymeist#, W.Petersen	
18; 20, 23	Monomoy; Monomoy (So. I.)	1; 2	R.Forster; J.Barton, J.Lortie#	
5, 6; 14	W.Bridgewater; Lancaster	1 f; 1 f.	W.Petersen; H.Merriman	
	Uncommon in Plymouth County and rare inland in spring.			
Red Phalarope:				
30	Manomet	1 f. (br. pl.)	W.Smith	
Laughing Gull:				
12, 13	P.I.	2 ad.	T.Leverich#, J.Grugan	
18	Monomoy	450	R.Forster	
25-28, 28	M.V., Acoaxet	2, 3	BBC	
Little Gull:				
6-22	Newburyport	max. 4 ad. (5/6)	v.o.	
Common Black-headed Gull:				
thr.	Monomoy	1 pr. - nest w/2 eggs	B.Nikula#	
	First confirmed U.S. record of nesting.			
5-14	Newburyport	1-2	v.o.	
7, 10	Marion, Marblehead	1 imm., 1 sub-ad.	P.Trull, R.Forster	
25-28	M.V.	1	BBC	
Bonaparte's Gull:				
11, 28	Newburyport	20 imm., 50	J.Berry	
15	Clinton	1	H.Merriman	
Ring-billed Gull:				
5	Newburyport	200+	BBC	
Iceland Gull:				
5, 6	Nahant, Newbypt	1, 1 (2S)	SSBC, T.Walsh	
13, 19	Nant., Plymouth	2, 1	E.Andrews#, SSBC	
25-28	M.V.	1	BBC	
Glaucous Gull:				
5, 24	Newbypt, M.V.	1 (2S), 1 (2 S)	BBC, W.Manter#	
13	Nantucket	1 (2S)	E.Andrews	
Black-legged Kittiwake:				
12, 26	Stellwagen, Monomoy	5, 12	W.Petersen, J.Barton#	
Gull-billed Tern:				
29	Nelson's I., Rowley	1 ad. (br. pl.)	R.Heil	
Caspian Tern:				
5, 6	P.I., N.Scituate	1, 1	SSBC, W.Petersen	
10, 19	Squantum, Newbypt	3, 1	D.Brown, H.Wiggin	
Roseate Tern:				
11, 12	P.I., Nantucket	2, 180	J.Berry, M.Litchfield	
19, 20	Monomoy, Westport	3, 30	BBC, R.Laubach	
Common Tern:				
18, 19	Monomoy, Plymouth	4000, 2500	R.Forster, SSBC	
25-28	M.V.	200	BBC	
	Reported at other coastal locations.			
Arctic Tern:				
19, 27	Plymouth, Monomoy	1, 30	SSBC	
Least Tern:				
12, 19	Nant., Plymouth	125, 25	M.Litchfield, SSBC	
19, 20	Monomoy (No. I.), Monomoy (So. I.)	20, 40	J.Barton#	
26, 29	Westport, P.I. (south end)	22, 75-120	R.Laubach, D.Arvidson	
Black Tern:				
19, 20, 22, 28	Monomoy	1 each day	v.o.	
27	Newbypt, Nant.	1, 1 ad.	R.Forster, E.Andrews#	
Black Skimmer:				
7-8, 8-11	M.V., Squantum	1, 1	V.Laux, R.Emery#	
12-13	Monomoy	1	R.Prescott#	
Razorbill:				
10	Monomoy	1	D.Holt#	

#### MOURNING DOVE THROUGH WOODPECKERS

A Monk Parakeet surfaced in Chatham. Records for this species have been few and far between since the eradication program began a few years ago. Cuckoos were reported from a wide section of the state, but no high numbers from any one location were noticed. On Monomoy, four pairs of Short-eared Owls were watched closely and two nests were actually found on the South Island during the month.

A Chuck-will's-widow was discovered late in the evening of May 21 high in the hemlocks in the Dell at Mount Auburn. The bird was studied well through scopes and was determined to be a female. Whip-poor-wills were reported in average numbers from their usual locations, but Common Nighthawks were down in numbers, especially in the city.



Red-headed Woodpeckers were found in four locations, and Red-bellied Woodpeckers were noted from Rehoboth, Brookline, and the usual Martha's Vineyard spot. The number of Yellow-bellied Sapsucker reports was very low with only two reports all month. R.H.S.

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Mourning Dove:				
19	Wellesley	85	C.Quinlan#	
Monk Parakeet:				
10	Chatham	1	D.Holt+v.o.	
Black-billed Cuckoo:				
9	Manomet(MBO)	1 b.	MBO staff	
19-on,19	P.I.,Sudbury	1-4, 1	R.Stymeist#v.o.,R.Walton	
20	Dover,Lancaster,ONWR	1, 4, 1	F.Hamlen,M.Lynch#,S.Carroll#	
21,23	Lincoln,Brookline	1, 1	J.Carter,H.Wiggin	
24	Lexington,Winchester	1, 1	A.Williams,G.Gove	
25,28	Stoughton,Mt.A.	2, 2	R.Titus,D.Resnick#	
Yellow-billed Cuckoo:				
17,18	ONWR,E.Middleboro	1, 1	M.Lynch#,K.Anderson	
19	Wellesley,Dover,Milton	2, 1, 1	C.Quinlan,F.Hamlen,SSBC	
20	Middleboro,W.Newbury	1, 1	K.Anderson,R.Titus	
22-28,22	Mt.A.,P.I.	1-3 inv., 1	v.o.,J.Carter	
27	GMNWR,Ipswich;Milton(FM)	3, 2; 2	BBC;R.Abrams	
Common Barn-Owl:				
12,25-28	Chatham,M.V.	1, 1	D.Holt,BBC(J.Barton)	
Eastern Screech-Owl:				
thr.	Newbypt(Cemetery),Mt.A.	1, 1	v.o.	
6,19	W.Newbury	1, 1	S.Bolton,R.Stymeist#	
Great Horned Owl:				
thr.	Millis,P.I.,Westboro	4, 2, pr.	B.Cassie,v.o.,v.o.	
5,20	W.Newbury,Clinton	1, 1	D.Resnick#,M.Lynch#	
Barred Owl:				
thr.,19	Boxford,Dedham	3-4, 1	v.o.,J.Marshall	
Short-eared Owl:				
thr.	Monomoy(So.I.)	3 prs. (2 nests found)	D.Holt#+v.o.	
thr.	Monomoy(No.I.)	max. 2 (no evidence of nesting)	D.Holt#+v.o.	
10,25-28	Gloucester,M.V.	1, 2	C.Leahy,BBC	
Common Nighthawk:				
13,19	Nant.,Wellesley	1, 1	M.Litchfield,C.Quinlan	
20	Uxbridge,Westboro	1, 2	M.Lynch#,G.Gove#	
20,21	Framingham,Mt.A.	1, 2	R.Forster,R.Stymeist#	
24,27	Wayland,Hingham	6, 7	T.Walsh,N.Osborne	
Chuck-will's-widow:				
21	Mt.A.	1 f.	E.Neilsen,S.Sweet+v.o.	
	Full details on file.			
Whip-poor-will:				
6,10	Newbypt,Squantum	1, 1	J.Grugan,D.Brown	
19	W.Newbury,Dover	8-10, 1	R.Stymeist#,F.Hamlen	
19	Marshfield-Plymouth,Upton	4, 1	SSBC,M.Lynch#	
21	S.Wellfleet(Marconi),Hamilton-Essex	6, 4-5	A.Williams,J.Berry	
Chimney Swift:				
2	Wayland,Middleboro	2, 2	G.Gove,K.Anderson	
13	E.Boston,GMNWR,Scituate	12, 50, 15	S.Zendeh#,BBC,SSBC	
14,16,19	Mt.A.,Stoughton,Wellesley	25, 15, 87	v.o.,R.Titus,C.Quinlan#	
Ruby-throated Hummingbird:				
6-31,6	Mt.A.,Westport	max. 3 (5/18), 1	T.Leverich#+v.o.,R.Laubach	
9;9,16	Manomet,MNWS	1; 1, 7	MBO staff;A.Williams,C.Blaszczak	
10,12-31	Millis,P.I.	1, max. 4 (5/14)	S.Cassie,v.o.	
19	Wellesley,Marshfield	2, 2	C.Quinlan,R.Fox#	
Belted Kingfisher:				
5	Newburyport area	4	BBC(D.Resnick)	
Red-headed Woodpecker:				
6,7	Mt.A.,Marstons Mills	1, 1	M.Noland,C.Putnam	
17 on,25-28	Revere,M.V.	1, 1	H.Sandberg,BBC	
Red-bellied Woodpecker:				
6,9	Rehoboth,Brookline	1, 1	B.Sorrie,A.Agush	
25-28	M.V.	2	BBC(J.Barton)	
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker:				
1-13,11	Mt.A.,MNWS	1-2, 1	v.o.,D.Brown	
Northern Flicker:				
5	Newburyport area	15	BBC(D.Resnick)	
19	Wellesley	54	C.Quinlan#	
Pileated Woodpecker:				
5,13	Boxford,Hardwick(Quabbin)	1, 1	J.Berry,M.Hall	
19,21	Wellesley,Milton	1, 1	C.Quinlan,J.Paputseanos	

FLYCATCHERS THROUGH CEDAR WAXWING

Acadian Flycatchers totaled twelve individuals, as compared with six in 1982 and just two last May. Recent range expansion and confirmed nesting in several areas in western Massachusetts surely contribute to the increased number of this southern Empidonax.

Hundreds of both Tree and Barn swallows were migrating along the coast near North Scituate all morning on May 6. Purple Martins continue to do well at Plum Island, with each new martin house occupied.

Gnatcatchers were reported everywhere, yet this observer felt it was the poorest year for Mount Auburn records since they started coming into this area. Nests were found in many locations, and Provincetown recorded as many as sixty-six individuals during the month.

It was an excellent flight year for Swainson's Thrushes with high numbers reported from many locations from May 14-22. Gray-cheeked Thrushes were also reported in increased numbers over the past two years. R.H.S.

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<b>Olive-sided Flycatcher:</b>				
16,26	Braintree,P.I.	1, 1	R.Campbell,R.Stymeist#+v.o.	
27,28	MNWS,Newbypt	1, 1	R.Forster,A.Blaisdell#+v.o.	
28,30	Plymouth,Mt.A.	1, 1	W.Smith#,O.Komar#	
<b>Eastern Wood-Pewee:</b>				
11,15	Braintree,Newton	1, 1	R.Campbell,O.Komar	
19	Newbypt,Boxford	1, 1	W.Drummond#,C.Floyd	
20-31,20	Mt.A.,ONWR	1-5, 2	v.o.,BBC	
27	Boxford,Ipswich	9, 4	R.Stymeist#,I.Giriunas#	
28;29	Millis,Annisquam;P.I.	2, 2; 10	B.Cassie,H.Wiggin#;D.Arvidson#	
<b>Yellow-bellied Flycatcher:</b>				
13,22,28	MNWS	1, 1, 2	R.Heil,C.Blaszczak,L.Taylor#	
22-31,22	Mt.A.,Essex	1-3, 1	v.o.,R.Heil	
25,26,28	MBO,Newbypt,P.I.	1 b., 1, 1	MBO staff,BBC,A.Blaisdell#	
<b>Acadian Flycatcher:</b>				
21	E.Middleboro	1	K.Anderson	
21,24	Mt.A.	1, 1	S.Denison#+v.o.,v.o.	
23,26	MBO,MNWS	2 b., 2	MBO staff,R.Heil	
26,27	Newbypt,Wareham	1, 1	T.Lawrence#,L.Robinson	
28	Annisquam,Dedham	1, 1	H.Wiggin,T.Raymond	
<b>Alder Flycatcher:</b>				
20,24	ONWR,Mt.A.	1, 1	S.Carroll#,R.Stymeist	
26,27	Lancaster(Bolton Flats),Wellesley	2, 1	B.Parker,K.Winkler	
28;29	Annisquam,Waltham;Dover	1, 1; 1	H.Wiggin,L.Taylor;T.Raymond	
<b>Willow Flycatcher:</b>				
17,18	Lancaster(Bolton Flats),Ipswich	2, 1	M.Lynch#,J.Berry	
19	Newbypt,Lynnfield	1, 4	D.Briggs#,H.Wiggin#	
20 on,20	Milton(Fowl Meadow),Lancaster	1-2, 3	R.Abrams#+v.o.,S.Carroll#	
27,28	GMNWR,Ipswich	2, 4-5	BBC,J.Berry	
<b>Least Flycatcher:</b>				
1;3,22	MNWS	2; 1, 5	R.Heil;C.Blaszczak	
2-27	Mt.A.	max. 6 (5/12)	L.Robinson#+v.o.	
11,13	Annisquam,Milton(FM)	1, 2	H.Wiggin,R.Abrams	
15,17	Newton,Wellesley	2, 1	O.Komar,K.Winkler	
25-28,28	M.V.,Halifax	6, 3	BBC,W.Petersen	
Other reports of single individuals after May 17 from eight locations.				
<b>Eastern Phoebe:</b>				
19	Wellesley	19	C.Ewer#+v.o.	
Single reports from a wide section of the state.				
<b>Great Crested Flycatcher:</b>				
thr.	Mt.A.	max. 5 (5/25), nearly 3 daily, pr. nesting	v.o.	
2	Wayland,Newton	1, 1	G.Gove,O.Komar	
15,19	Newton,Wellesley	4, 6	O.Komar,C.Ewer#+v.o.	
Other reports 1-2 individuals from various locations.				
<b>Eastern Kingbird:</b>				
1	Middleboro,P.I.	1, 1	K.Holmes,P.Roberts	
5-31,5	Mt.A.,Lynnfield	max. 12 (5/28), 1	R.Stymeist#+v.o.,SSBC	
13,27	GMNWR	6, 6	BBC(Kenneally,Turin)	
13,19	Gloucester,Wellesley	14, 16	BBC(J.Nove),C.Ewer#+v.o.	
20	Milton,Monomoy(So.I.)	8, 14	SSBC,J.Barton#	
23+26,25-28	P.I.area,M.V.	20 + 28, 24	BBC,BBC	
<b>Horned Lark:</b>				
20	Monomoy(So.I.)	24	J.Barton,R.Prescott	

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Purple Martin:				
thr.	P.I.	max. 160 (5/26)	H.Weissberg#+v.o.	
4,5	Clinton,P'town	pr., 6	H.Merriman,B.Nikula	
13,16	Mt.A.,Chilmark,M.V.	1, 20	W.Petersen,W.Manter	
Tree Swallow:				
5,19,26	P.I.	300, 600, 200	BBC	
6	N.Scituate	100's mig.	W.Petersen	
13	GMNWR	250	BBC(J.Kenneally)	
Northern Rough-winged Swallow:				
thr.	Mt.A.,Ipswich	1-4 daily, 2-4	v.o.,J.Berry	
19,20	Wellesley,Uxbridge	12, 15+	C.Ewer#+v.o.,M.Lynch#	
Bank Swallow:				
8,13	Millis,GMNWR	200, 20	B.Cassie,BBC	
16,27	Stoughton,Ipswich	36, 50	R.Titus,BBC	
Cliff Swallow:				
thr.	P.I.	max. 40 (5/26)	H.Weissberg#+v.o.	
5,6	Wellesley,N.Scituate	4, 5	K.Winkler,W.Petersen	
8;13	Millis;Mt.A.,GMNWR	10; 5. 20	B.Cassie;R.Stymeist,BBC	
15,17	M.V.,Wayland	50+, 20	W.Manter#,R.Forster	
Barn Swallow:				
5	P.I.,P'town	50, 100+	BBC(D.Resnick),B.Nikula	
6,13	E.Boston,GMNWR	40, 50	S.Zendeh,BBC	
14	W.Newbury	400+	R.Heil	
Blue Jay:				
10	Hamilton	1 albino	Hagen family	
18,27;19	Chatham;Wellesley	48, 141+; 84	D.Holt;K.Winkler#+v.o.	
Fish Crow:				
thr.	Mt.A.	pr. nesting	v.o.	
6,10	Dedham,Newton	1, 2	J.Marshall,O.Komar	
15-31,28	Stoughton,P.I.	max. 3, 1 (full details)	R.Titus,T.Walsh	
Common Raven:				
25-28	M.V.	3 independent sightings	BBC(J.Barton)	
Black-capped Chickadee:				
19	Wellesley	86	C.Quinlan+v.o.	
Red-breasted Nuthatch:				
3,5	Mt.A.,Boxford	pr., 1	A.Williams,SSBC	
18,20	E.Middleboro,Hardwick (Quabbin)	2, 5	K.Anderson,M.Lynch#	
22	P'town,Waltham	pr., 2	A.Williams,L.Taylor	
Brown Creeper:				
1,2	P.I.,MNWS	10, 8	F.Bouchard,C.Blasczak	
3,5	Dedham,Boxford	4, 6	J.Marshall,J.Berry	
Carolina Wren:				
6,8	Rehoboth,Wollaston	1, 1	B.Sorrie,D.Brown#	
13,19	Acoaxet,Marshfield	9, 2	J.Marshall,R.Fox#	
House Wren:				
1	Boxford,Medford,P.I.	6, 1, 2-3	W.+B.Drummond,P.Roberts,F.Bouchard	
3,6	Needham,Saugus	1, 3	J.Marshall,C.Jackson	
19,22(late)	Wellesley,Mt.A.	6, 1	C.Quinlan#+v.o.,R.Stymeist#	
Winter Wren:				
2,3,5	P'town	1, 1, 1	B.Nikula	
2,3	Newton,Dedham	1, 1	O.Komar,J.Marshall	
5-6,6	Boxford,Mt.A.	2, 1	T.Walsh#+v.o.,R.Stymeist	
8,13	Dover,P.I.	1, 1	F.Hamlen,O.Komar#	
Marsh Wren:				
3 on	P.I.	max. 21 (5/23), 18 (5/19)	v.o.	
13,27	GMNWR	15, 6	BBC(J.Kenneally,C.Turin)	
18,24	Needham,Wayland	4, 6	J.Marshall,T.Walsh	
Golden-crowned Kinglet:				
6,22	Dedham,Essex(Hog I.)	4, 5	J.Marshall,R.Heil	
Ruby-crowned Kinglet:				
1-14	Mt.A.	max. 16 (5/6), 15 (5/2), 10 (5/1,5/5)	v.o.	
3,5	P'town	25, 15	B.Nikula	
17,19	Dedham, Wellesley	1, 1	J.Marshall,K.Winkler	
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher:				
thr.	P'town	total 66 (max. 12+ on 5/12)	B.Nikula#	
1	MNWS,Wayland	2, 1	R.Heil,R.Forster	
1	Saugus,Middleboro	1, 2	L.Pivacek,K.Holmes	
2,3	Newton,Bridgewater	1, 1	O.Komar,D.Briggs	
5,5-23	W.Newbury,Mt.A.	5, 2-4	D.Resnick#,v.o.	

Other reports of 1-3 individuals from 27 locations.

Nesting reported from Scituate, Bridgewater, Boxford, Wayland, W.Newbury.

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Eastern Bluebird: thr.	Plymouth	max. 10 (5/1)	MBO staff+v.o.	
Veery:				
3,5-26	Lancaster (Bolton Flats), Mt. A.	1, max. 10 (5/14)	B. Parker, v.o.	
5,6	Boxford, Newton	2, 2	SSBC, O. Komar	
20	ONWR, Milton (FM)	10, 8	BBC, SSBC	
22,28	MNWS, Millis area	6, 6	C. Blaszczak, B. Cassie#	
Gray-cheeked Thrush:				
12-22	Mt. A.	1-3	v.o.	
11,16;15,17	MNWS; Newton	1, 1; 1, 2	C. Blaszczak; O. Komar	
19	Lynnfield, Newbypt	1, 1	H. Wiggins#, BBC (W. Drummond)	
20	P'town, WBWS, P.I.	1, 1, 1	B. Nikula, D. Reynolds, R. Titus	
21,23	Manomet (MBO), Newbypt	1 (first b.), 1	MBO staff, BBC (A. Blaisdell)	
Swainson's Thrush:				
9,9-31	Braintree, Mt. A.	1, max. 30 (5/14)	R. Campbell, v.o.	
11,13	Manomet (MBO), SRV	1 (first b.), 7	MBO staff, R. Walton	
20	Newbypt, Milton	12, 8 <sub>+</sub>	R. Titus, P. O'Neill#	
22	Newton, Essex (Hog I.)	9, 30-	O. Komar, R. Heil	
22	Newbypt (cemetery)	20	R. Forster#	
Hermit Thrush:				
1-16,22	Mt. A.	max. 7 (5/6), 2	v.o., R. Stymeist#	
15,19	Newton, Plymouth	1, 1	O. Komar, SSBC (Fox)	
Wood Thrush:				
1	Wayland, Manomet (MBO)	1, 1	R. Forster, MBO staff	
2-27	Mt. A.	max. 4 (5/7) and (5/14)	v.o.	
6	Dover, Newton	1, 2	P. Hallowell, O. Komar	
7	Boxford, E. Middleboro	4, 1	W.+B. Drummond, K. Anderson	
19	Wellesley, W. Newbury	3, 6	K. Winkler#, BBC	
27,28	GMNWR, Millis-Medfield	4, 5	BBC, B. Cassie#	
American Robin:				
19	Wellesley	103	K. Winkler#+v.o.	
Gray Catbird:				
thr.	Mt. A.	max. 36 (5/27), 35 (5/28), 20 (5/13)	v.o.	
2,6,8	Dedham, E. Middleboro, Boxford	1, 1, 8	J. Marshall, K. Anderson, W. Drummond#	
13	Gloucester, Acoaxet	42, 32	J. Nove#, J. Marshall	
15,19	South Shore, P.I.	25, 40	R. Titus, BBC	
19,20	Wellesley, Milton	116, 25	K. Winkler#+v.o., P. O'Neill#	
25-28,27	M.V., Ipswich	80, 20	BBC (J. Barton) (I. Giriunas)	
Brown Thrasher:				
thr.	P.I.	max. 30 (5/19)	v.o.	
6,19	Boxford, Wellesley	6, 4	W.+B. Drummond, K. Winkler#	
Water Pipit:				
6,13	W. Bridgewater, N. Scituate	1, 2	W. Petersen, N.+ S. Osborne	
13,20	E. Boston, Concord (9 Acre Corner)	1, 4	S. Zende, R. Forster#	
Cedar Waxwing:				
2,6;13-31	Newton; Mt. A.	1, 2; max. 20 (5/22)	O. Komar; v.o.	
13,27	Sharon, Ipswich	24, 26	D. Clapp, I. Giriunas#	
28	Millis-Medfield, P.I.	30, 10	B. Cassie#, J. Berry	

#### VIREOS THROUGH WARBLERS

Contrary to recent years when easterlies were the rule, winds this May generally favored migration. There were two periods of southwesterly flow during the first half of the month, and southwesterlies actually predominated in the last half. The southwest winds combined with warm temperatures on May 22 constituted ideal conditions, and produced monthly maximum counts for several warbler species in Mount Auburn Cemetery, a remarkable 180 Magnolia Warblers in Essex County, and large numbers of migrant Common Yellowthroats at Marblehead Neck. For the whole month, 36 warbler species (including hybrids) were seen. This is at or slightly below the average for the last few years.

The monthly total of four Philadelphia Vireos, mostly from Mount Auburn, was very close to recent norms. Tennessee Warbler reports were noticeably low compared to recent years; similarly, at two, numbers of Orange-crowned Warblers were down, especially when compared to the eight seen in 1983. Cape May Warbler numbers were good, with a day high of forty at Provincetown equalled in recent years only by a similar number at the same site in 1980.

Of the more unusual and sought-after southern and central warbler species including Yellow-throated, Cerulean, Prothonotary, Worm-eating, Kentucky, and Hooded, all except Prothonotary occurred in numbers above the average for the last five years. Worm-eating and Kentucky warbler reports continued their recent upward trends, with several individuals of the latter species seen in Canton and one in Carlisle, both scenes of spring and early summer records in the last few years.

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White-eyed Vireo:				
1-18,13-28	MNWS,Acoaxet	2 max. (5/1), 9	max. (5/24)	v.o.
19,20-23	Newbypt,Mt.A.	1, 1	BBC,	v.o.
Solitary Vireo:				
1-24,6-15	Mt.A.,Newton	4 max. (5/4), 2	v.o.,O.Komar	
10,13	MBO,MNWS	3 b., 7	staff,C.Blasczak	
Yellow-throated Vireo:				
6-22	Mt.A.	5 total	v.o.	
17-20,6-28	ONWR,11 locations	5 max., 11 singles	S.Carroll#,v.o.	
Warbling Vireo:				
1,6-31	Boxford,Mt.A.	6, 4 max.	B.Drummond#,v.o.	
9,19	Woburn,Wellesley	4, 30	G.Gove,v.o.	
20	ONWR	8	BBC	
Philadelphia Vireo:				
13	Mt.A.	1	O.Komar	
22,25-28	Mt.A.,M.V.	2, 1	v.o.,BBC	
Red-eyed Vireo:				
10-11,12-31	Millis,Mt.A.	4, 7 max.	B.Cassie,v.o.	
19,28	Wellesley,Acoaxet	10, 8	v.o.,BBC	
Blue-winged Warbler:				
6-14,8	Mt.A.,N.Andover	3 max. (5/12), 8	v.o.,W.Drummond#	
12,13-20	W.Newbury,Canton	7, 7 max.	BBC,R.Abrams#	
20,27	ONWR,Ipswich	6, 10	BBC	
Golden-winged Warbler:				
6,9	Wareham,N.Andover	1, 2	L.Robinson,B.Drummond#	
16-17,12-23	Mt.A.,W.Newbury	1, 2 max.	v.o.	
28	Groveland	4	W.Drummond#	
"Brewsters" Warbler:				
9,11	N.Andover,MNWS	1, 1	B.Drummond#,A.Williams	
12,27	W.Newbury,Sharon	1, 1	W.Drummond#,R.Segal	
27,28	Ipswich,Groveland	1, 1	BBC,B.Drummond#	
Tennessee Warbler:				
6-31,19	Mt.A.,Wellesley	14 max. (5/21), 7	v.o.,K.Winkler	
20,22	Milton,Newton	4, 4	SSBC,O.Komar	
Orange-crowned Warbler:				
13,28	Mt.A.,P.I.	1, 1	P.Hallowell#,F.Hamlen	
Nashville Warbler:				
1-23,7	Mt.A.,MNWS	8 max. (5/13), 3	v.o.,C.Blasczak	
13,15-17	Gloucester,Newton	2, 3 max.	BBC,O.Komar	
Northern Parula:				
1-25,3	Mt.A.,Dover	30 max. (5/14), 6	v.o.,P.Hallowell	
6-22,12	Newton,P.I.	9 max. (5/15), 50	O.Komar,L.Robinson	
13,20	Gloucester,P'town	18, 20+	BBC,B.Nikula	
Yellow Warbler:				
thr.,11-26	Mt.A.,P.I.	15 max. (5/6), 60	max. (5/19)	v.o.
19, 25-28	Wellesley,M.V.	94, 50	v.o.,BBC	
Chestnut-sided Warbler:				
6-30,7	Mt.A.,Sudbury	6 max. (5/14), 1	v.o.,R.Forster	
11-19,27	MNWS,Ipswich	9 max. (5/11),15	v.o.,BBC	
Magnolia Warbler:				
2-31,3	Mt.A.,Dover	10 max. (5/14), 1	v.o.,P.Hallowell	
13,20	Gloucester,P'town	11, 25+	BBC,B.Nikula	
22,26	Essex County,P.I.	180, 10	R.Forster#,BBC	
Cape May Warbler:				
1,8	MNWS,MBO	2, 1 m.	R.Heil,staff	
10-22,20	Mt.A.,P'town	12 max. (5/14), 40	v.o.,B.Nikula	
Black-throated Blue Warbler:				
1-27,11-17	Mt.A.,Newton	8 max. (5/14), 6 max. (5/15)	v.o.,O.Komar	
12-22,13	P.I.,Gloucester	15 max. (5/12), 7	v.o.,BBC	
Yellow-rumped Warbler:				
1-27,5-22	Mt.A.,P.I.	40 max. (5/13), 50 max. (5/11)	v.o.	
16,26	Wayland,Boxford	120, 1 m.	R.Forster,T.Lawrence#	
27,28	MNWS,Lakeville	2, 1 m.	C.Blasczak,W.Petersen#	
Black-throated Green Warbler:				
1-31,5	Mt.A.,Boxford	20 max. (5/18), 12	v.o.,J.Berry	
11-28,20	P.I.,Milton	5 max. (5/11), 8	v.o.,SSBC	
28	Annisquam,Acoaxet	1, 2	H.Wiggin,BBC	
Blackburnian Warbler:				
10-31,13	Mt.A.,Gloucester	24 max. (5/14), 3	v.o.,BBC	
15-22,22-29	Newton,P.I.	4 max., 10 max. (5/28)	O.Komar,v.o.	
Yellow-throated Warbler:				
from Apr.-27,5	Wareham,M.V.	1, 1	L.Robinson,W.Manter	
9-10,14	Brookfield,Yarmouth	1, 1	B.Blodget#,R.Scott	

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Pine Warbler:				
1-22,5	Mt.A.,W.Newbury	2 migrants, 3	v.o.,BBC	
11-19,25-28	Middleboro,M.V.	5 max., 12	v.o.,BBC	
Prairie Warbler:				
1	MBO,Saugus	1 b., 2	staff,L.Pivacek	
6,28	Wareham,Plymouth	12+, 10	L.Robinson,BBC	
Palm Warbler:				
1-13,3	Mt.A.,P'town	8 max. (5/6), 20	v.o.,B.Nikula	
6,19	W.Newbury,Squantum	11, 1	BBC,SSBC	
Bay-breasted Warbler:				
10-31,19	Mt.A.,Dover	7 max. (5/22), 4	v.o.,F.Hamlen	
22,29	Waltham,P.I.	7, 1	L.Taylor,D.Arvidson#	
Blackpoll Warbler:				
10	Quincy,Millis	1, 1	D.Brown,B.Cassie	
12-31,20	Mt.A.,P'town	15 max. (5/21), 40+	v.o.,B.Nikula	
Cerulean Warbler:				
8,11;12-13	MNWS;Mt.A.	1 m., 1; 1	R.Heil,D.Brown; B.Drummond+v.o.	
12,18	P.I.,Chatham	1, 1 f.	M.Lynch#,R.Forster#	
24,24-25	Hingham,P'town	1 m., 1 f.	N.Osborne,B.Nikula#	
Black-and-White Warbler:				
1-31,11-22	Mt.A.,Newton	25 max. (5/1), 8 max.	v.o.,O.Komar	
19,28	Manchester,Millis	22, 4	BBC	
American Redstart:				
2,2-31	Boxford,Mt.A.	6, 25 max. (5/22)	W.Drummond#,v.o.	
19,22-28	Wellesley,P.I.	25, 20 max.	K.Winkler#,v.o.	
22,28	Scituate,Millis	25+, 6	B.Litchfield#,BBC	
Prothonotary Warbler:				
12	P.I.	1	G.d'Entremont	
Worm-eating Warbler:				
1-2,3	MNWS,Lexington	1, 1	R.Heil,P.Roberts	
6-21,7	Mt.A.,Truro	2 max., 1	v.o.,J.Young	
7,11-21	Squantum,6 localities	1, 7	W.Cornwell#,v.o.	
16,28	MBO,Acoaxet	2 b., 2	staff,BBC	
Ovenbird:				
2-31,6-22	Mt.A.,Newton	20 max. (5/14), 11 max.	v.o.,O.Komar	
12,20	Wareham,Milton	10, 15	L.Robinson,SSBC	
Northern Waterthrush:				
1-25,19	Mt.A.,Middleboro	3 max. (5/16), 4	v.o.,SSBC	
20	Milton,SRV	7, 12	SSBC,R.Forster	
Louisiana Waterthrush:				
thr.,6	Boxford,Rehoboth	5 max., 1m.	v.o.,B.Sorrie	
8,20	Holden,Carlisle	1, 1	S.Carroll#,K.Harte	
Kentucky Warbler:				
1,5;8-20	MBO;Mt.A.	1 b., 1; 3 individuals	staff;v.o.	
10,12	Chatham,Boxford	1, 1	R.Clem,L.Robinson	
12,18-22	P.I.,Carlisle	1, 1	BBC,K.Harte	
19-27,20	Canton,P'town	3 max., 1	v.o.,CCBC	
Mourning Warbler:				
22,22-24	MBO,Carlisle	1 b., 1	staff,K.Harte	
23-29	10 localities	11 singles	v.o.	
Common Yellowthroat:				
2-31,20	Mt.A.,Milton	10 max. (5/22), 100	v.o.,SSBC	
22,23	MNWS,P.I.	85, 34	C.Blasczak,BBC	
25-28	M.V.	125	BBC	
Hooded Warbler:				
1-6,14-22	MNWS,MBO	2 max. (5/6), 3 total b.	v.o.,staff	
17,18	Newton,Milton	1, 1	O.Komar,R.Titus	
25-28,28	M.V.,Acoaxet	1, 1	BBC	
Wilson's Warbler:				
10-31,10	Mt.A.,MBO	3 max. (5/18), 1 b.	v.o.,staff	
19,20	Marshfield,P.I.	6, 6	SSBC,R.Titus	
Canada Warbler:				
10,11	Millis,MBO	1, 1 b.	B.Cassie,staff	
12-31,15-22	Mt.A.,Newton	7 max. (5/22), 9 max.	(5/22) v.o.,O.Komar	
28	P.I.	12	J.Berry	
Yellow-breasted Chat:				
21,24	MBO,E.Orleans	1 b., 2	staff,B.Nikula#	
24	Millis	1	B.Hallett#	

TANAGERS THROUGH SPARROWS

Seven Summer Tanagers were reported, a good number but fewer than the thirteen of last May. There was a very good flight of Rose-breasted Grosbeaks for the second year now.

Indigo Bunting reports were extremely low with no more than two seen together anywhere!

Two Clay-colored Sparrows were banded during the month. These are just the fourth and fifth records for this species during May. A Sharp-tailed Sparrow at Willow Pond, Mt. Auburn, delighted the masses of birders there on May 20. R.H.S.

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<b>Summer Tanager:</b>				
7-8,22	MNWS	1 imm. m., 1 (1st yr. m.)	R.Heil,R.Forster#	
7;13-20	P'town	1, 1+	B.Nikula#+v.o.	
12,12-16	Mt.A.,Chatham	1, 1	D.Lange#+v.o.,V.Cordes#	
19	Newbypt(cemetery)	1	BBC (W.Drummond)	
<b>Scarlet Tanager:</b>				
6-22	Mt.A.	max. 4 (5/22)	v.o.	
7,10	Wayland,E.Middleboro	1, 1	R.Forster,K.Anderson	
12,13	SRV,Milton(FM)	4, 7	R.Walton,R.Abrams	
19	Boxford,Wellesley	10+, 8	R.Stymeist#,K.Winkler#	
20	ONWR,Newbypt(cemetery)	7, 3	M.Lynch#,J.Grugan	
<b>Northern Cardinal:</b>				
19	Wellesley	40	K.Winkler#+v.o.	
<b>Rose-breasted Grosbeak:</b>				
6-31	Mt.A.	max. 16 (5/14), 10 (5/13), 7 (5/6)	v.o.	
7,10	Braintree,Millis	1, 4	R.Campbell,B.Cassie	
12,13	SRV,Milton(FM)	9, 6	R.Walton,R.Abrams	
19	Wellesley,W.Newbury	30, 4	K.Winkler#+v.o.,BBC	
20,27	Milton(FM),Ipswich	12, 12	R.Abrams,BBC	
<b>Blue Grosbeak:</b>				
2,3-19	Mt.A.,P'town	1, max. 3	I.Giriunas#,v.o.	
4,6,24	Quincy,Stoneham,Edgartown	1, 1, 1	D.Brown,A.Newton,V.Laux	
<b>Indigo Bunting:</b>				
thr.	Mt.A.	1-2	v.o.	
Very few reports of this species - only one or two from just a few areas.				
<b>Rufous-sided Towhee:</b>				
2,6	Newton,Saugus(Breakheart)	2, 9	O.Komar,C.Jackson#	
11,19	P.I.,Wellesley	10+, 12	J.Berry,C.Quinlan#+v.o.	
25-28	M.V.	100	BBC(J.Barton)	
<b>Chipping Sparrow:</b>				
thr.	Mt.A.	max. 38 (5/6)	v.o.	
1,19	Newton,Wellesley	15, 39	O.Komar,C.Quinlan#+v.o.	
<b>Clay-colored Sparrow:</b>				
16	Manomet(MBO),Rockport	1 b., 1 b.	MBO staff,R.Norris	
<b>Field Sparrow:</b>				
6,20	Saugus(Breakheart),ONWR	3, 3	C.Jackson,M.Lynch#	
28	W.Newbury,Millis	2, 3	F.Hamlen,B.Cassie#	
<b>Vesper Sparrow:</b>				
12,20	Plymouth,Uxbridge	4, 3	W.Petersen#,M.Lynch#	
20,28	Salisbury,P.I.	1, 1	J.Grugan,T.Leverich	
<b>Savannah Sparrow:</b>				
1,6	Newton,E.Boston	60, 4	O.Komar#,S.Zendeh	
20	Monomoy(So.I.),Marshfield area	24, 20	J.Barton#,BBC	
<b>Grasshopper Sparrow:</b>				
15,25-28	Lincoln,M.V.	1, 10	J.Carter,BBC(J.Barton)	
<b>Sharp-tailed Sparrow:</b>				
13,15	Newbypt,Marshfield	1, 3	O.Komar,R.Titus	
18,20	Monomoy,Mt.A.	1, 1	R.Forster#,H.D'Entremont#+v.o.	
22,26	Newbury,P.I.	1, 2	R.Forster#,BBC	
<b>Song Sparrow:</b>				
19	P.I.,Wellesley	12, 76	BBC,K.Winkler#+v.o.	
<b>Lincoln's Sparrow:</b>				
7,9-22	Lancaster,Mt.A.	1, 5 (total)	H.Merriman,v.o.	
10,12-20	Manomet(MBO),P.I.	first b., max. 4	MBO staff, v.o.	
18,20	Rowley,W.Newbury	3, 2	J.Berry,R.Titus	
20	P'town,Milton(FM)	4+, 3	B.Nikula#,R.Stymeist#	
<b>Swamp Sparrow:</b>				
13,20	GMNWR,Milton(FM)	20, 12	BBC,SSBC	
<b>White-throated Sparrow:</b>				
1-25	Mt.A.	max. 65 (5/6)	v.o.	
17;19	Newton;Wellesley,P.I.	10; 7, 18	O.Komar;C.Quinlan#,BBC	
20,22,28	Monomoy(So.I.),P.I.,W.Newbury	1, 2, 1	J.Barton#,J.Carter,R.Stymeist#	
<b>White-crowned Sparrow:</b>				
8-22	Mt.A.	total 8 individuals	A.Scott#+v.o.	
9 on	Manomet(MBO)	total 8 b. (first b.)	MBO staff	
11,19	Nantucket	6 (2 loc.), 1	D.Briggs#+M.Litchfield,M.Litchfield	
12,14,20	P.I.	3, 7, 7	G.Gove,R.Forster#,R.Titus	

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White-crowned Sparrow cont:

Other reports of 1-2 individuals from a wide section of the state.

Dark-eyed Junco:

1-6,20	Mt.A.,Westport	6 - 5, 1	R.Stymeist#,R.Laubach
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BLACKBIRDS THROUGH EVENING GROSBEAKS

The two North Shore reports of Yellow-headed Blackbird were average compared to recent spring seasons. Orchard Orioles were seen in good numbers and were apparently occupying their regular breeding sites in Rowley and at Horn Pond, Woburn. Pine Siskins, potential breeders in May, continued to be seen in significant numbers at Middleboro. L.E.T.

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Bobolink:

2	Marshfield,Bolton	2, 3	R.+ J.Langley, H.Merriman
6,13	E.Boston,Eastham	60, 30	S.Zendeh,B.Nikula
19,20	Wellesley,Marshfield	81, 300+	C.Quinlan#,BBC
27,28	Ipswich,Millis-Medfield	28, 50	BBC

Red-winged Blackbird:

19	P.I.	400	BBC
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Eastern Meadowlark:

5,27	P.I.,Ipswich	4, 8	SSBC,BBC
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Yellow-headed Blackbird:

11;12,14	Rockport;P.I.	1 f.; 1 ad. m.	R.Norris;W.Reagan,R.Heil
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Rusty Blackbird:

1	Middleboro,Wayland	1, 3	D.Briggs,T.Walsh
19	Wellesley	1	C.Quinlan#

Orchard Oriole:

thr.	Rowley,Mt.A.	pr. nesting, 1-4 birds	v.o.
3,5-6	Cambridge,Wareham	1 m., 1 m. + 1 f.	L.Robinson
6-7;8	Millis;Brookline	1; 1	B.Cassie;J.Paputseanos
7;9	Framingham;Woburn	1; 1 ad. m. + 1st yr. m.+1 f.	K.Hamilton,G.Gove
13,20	Newbypt,Newton	1 imm. m., pr. nesting	BBC,O.Komar
19,26	Wellesley,Westport	2 m., 4	C.Quinlan,R.Laubach

Northern Oriole:

3	Sudbury,Braintree	1, 1	R.Walton,W.Bettinson
5-31	Mt.A.	6 max.	v.o.
10,15	Squantum,Newton	6, 8	D.Brown,O.Komar
19,27	Wellesley,Ipswich	129, 30	C.Quinlan#,BBC

2 - 10 birds reported from 18 locations.

House Finch:

29	P.I.--south end	20	D.Arvidson#
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Feeding in grass at edge of Least Tern colony.

Purple Finch:

3,13	E.Middleboro,Milton	1-4, 4	K.Anderson,R.Abrams
19	P.I.,Dover	6, 5	BBC,F.Hamlen
25-28	M.V.	4	BBC

Pine Siskin:

thr.	Middleboro	14	D.Briggs
11	Bedford,Weston	2, 2	G.Gove,L.Robinson
1-23	M.V.	2	W.Manter

1 - 3 reported from 9 locations.

American Goldfinch:

12	GMNWR	15	BBC
19	Wellesley,P.I.	103, 60	C.Quinlan#,BBC

Evening Grosbeak:

1-5	Mt.A.	max. 10	v.o.
1,23	Middleboro	20, 1	D.Briggs

1 - 2 from 5 other locations.

CORRIGENDA: February 1984

In the records for Field Sparrow, Swamp Sparrow, Eastern Meadowlark, and Purple Finch, the observer's name is misspelled. Instead of R. Lanbach, it should read R. Laubach.

In the summary of HORNED LARK THROUGH EVENING GROSBEAK on page 159, the last sentence in the second paragraph should be deleted, and the preceding sentence should read:

Also in Falmouth, an area where winter counts of Rufous-sided Towhee are usually high, a remarkable eighteen of this species turned up during a single day.