



FIELD RECORDS

MAY 1987

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May 1987 was dry and sunny. There were a few very cool days, but near record heat was present at the end of the month. The temperature averaged 57.2 degrees, 1.3 degrees below normal. The high mark was 93 degrees on May 30; the low was 39 degrees on May 1 and May 14. On May 4, the temperature rose to only 45 degrees to tie the low maximum record set in 1920. On May 5, the high of only 42 degrees broke the old record of 46 degrees set in 1917. Rain totaled only 1.75 inches, 1.77 inches less than normal. Sunshine totaled 66 percent of possible, the most in May since 1977. Southwest winds were recorded on May 1, 14, 21, and 22.

LOONS THROUGH DUCKS

A breeding-plumaged Red-necked Grebe was seen in Nahant on May 23, and an Anhinga was seen flying over Nahant on May 25, making a first state sight record for this species. The length and shape of the tail and the long, thin neck were the predominant features identifying the bird as an Anhinga. (See the article in this issue.) A census of nests on South Monomoy on May 30 totaled 90 active Snowy Egret nests and 201 active Black-crowned Night-Heron nests, the latter being up from last year's high of 176 active nests. A drake King Eider was seen at Plum Island for over a week from May 19 to 27, and a drake Harlequin Duck was present at Nahant on May 13.

G.W.G.

DATE	LOCATION	NUMBER	OBSERVERS	MAY 1987
Red-throated Loon				
16, 31	P.I., Chatham	60, 1	E. Nielsen, S. Dinsmore	
Common Loon				
7, 9	N. Truro	41/2 hr, 39/1.5 hr	B. Nikula	
12, 16	Mt. A., P.I.	2, 8	D. F. Oliver, E. Nielsen	
19, 23	Provincetown, Lakeville	4, 3	B. Nikula, W. Petersen#	
Pied-billed Grebe				
2, 8	Milford	1, 1	R. Hildreth	
25	ONWR	1	BBC (D. + D. Oliver)	
Horned Grebe				
26	Nahant	2	fide S. Perkins	
Red-necked Grebe				
17, 23; 21	Manomet; N. Scituate	1; 3	S. Dinsmore; D. Clapp	
23, 27	Nahant, P.I.	1 br pl, 1	R. Stymeist#, D. F. Oliver	
Northern Fulmar				
29	Jeffreys Ledge	2	S. Dinsmore	
Greater Shearwater				
29	Jeffreys Ledge	1	S. Dinsmore	
Sooty Shearwater				
29	Jeffreys Ledge	2	S. Dinsmore	
Northern Gannet				
2, 16	Stellwagen	15, 4	K. Holmes	
6, 10, 12	Nantucket	200, 400, 200	E. + C. Andrews	
16	Provincetown	40	S. Dinsmore	
Great Cormorant				
23, 29	Lakeville, Manomet	1, 8	W. Petersen#, S. Dinsmore	

DATE	LOCATION	NUMBER	OBSERVERS
Double-crested Cormorant			
thr	Nahant, Saugus	400, 75	R. Stymeist#, J. Berry
1, 7	Easton, Newburyport	46, 150	K. Ryan, J. Berry
Anhinga (first Massachusetts record) (details submitted)			
25	Nahant	1 imm or f	R. Forster + C. Seeckts
American Bittern			
2	W. Newbury	1	BBC (G. d'Entremont)
10	Bolton	4	BBC (M. Lynch)
13	Wayland	2	fide S. Perkins
13	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	1	LCES (J. Lyons)
16, 31	Lynnfield, GMNWR	1, 1	H. Wiggin#, J. Carter
Least Bittern			
26-30	P.I.	1-2	v. o.
Great Blue Heron			
5, 10	W. Bridgewater, Harvard	3, 4	K. Ryan, M. Lynch#
23	Easton, Lakeville	3, 2	K. Ryan, W. Petersen#
Great Egret			
thr	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	4 max 5/26	LCES (J. Lyons)
1, 3	Quincy, W. Newbury	1, 1	K. Ryan, D. F. Oliver
15, 26; 28	Ipswich; Dedham	1, 1; 1	J. Berry; K. Ryan
Snowy Egret			
thr	Saugus	9 max 5/21	J. Berry
thr	S. Monomoy	90 active nests	R. Humphrey
thr	P.I.	25 max 5/27	v. o.
Little Blue Heron			
3; 16, 17	Westwood; Essex	1; 1-2 ad	E. Cutler; B. Cassie#, E. Nielsen
24, 25	Bolton, ONWR	1, 1	M. Lynch#, BBC (D.+ D. Oliver)
Tricolored Heron			
9, 28; 16	DWWS; Harwich	1, 1; 1	D. Ludlow; P. Trimble
25, 26-31	S. Monomoy, P.I.	1, 1	B. Nikula#, v. o.
Cattle Egret			
thr	Ipswich	19 max	v. o.
17, 21	Hamilton, Beverly	1, 4	E. Nielsen, D. F. Oliver
23	Marshfield	1	W. Petersen#
Green-backed Heron			
thr	P.I.	6 max 5/27	v. o.
2, 8	DWWS, Milford	1, 3	D. Clapp, R. Hildreth#
9, 17	Belmont, MV	1, 1	L. Taylor, D. Briggs
Black-crowned Night-Heron			
thr	S. Monomoy	201 active nests	R. Humphrey
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron			
25	Plymouth Beach	1	G. d'Entremont#
Glossy Ibis			
thr	Revere	25 max 5/4	J. Berry
1, 11	Newburyport, Bolton	14, 4	E. Salmela
7, 16	P.I., Ipswich	18, 10	J. Berry
10, 16	Chatham, Rowley	21, 12	W. Harrington, R. Forster
25, 30	S. Monomoy, Essex	2, 7	R. Humphrey, S. Carroll#
Mute Swan			
3, 8	Acoaxet, Mashpee	50, 24	M. Lynch#, P. Trimble
16	Ipswich	pr + 3 yg	J. Berry
23, 25	Milton, Plymouth	2, 5	G. d'Entremont, D. Brown#
Brant			
1-23	Newburyport	400 max 5/10	v. o.
2	Plymouth	75	K. Holmes
Canada Goose			
1, 27	Ipswich, P.I.	100, 500	J. Berry, D. F. Oliver
10-31	Mt. A.	2-7 per day	R. Stymeist + v. o.
Wood Duck			
8; 10	Milford; Bolton, ONWR	13; 6, 2	R. Hildreth; M. Lynch#
23	W. Newbury	f + 13 yg	R. Stymeist#
Green-winged Teal			
thr	P.I.	125 max 5/2	v. o.
3, 25	S. Monomoy	25, 3	B. Nikula

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Green-winged Teal (continued)				
6	Bolton	70	E. Salmela	
8	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	9	LCES (J. Lyons)	
American Black Duck				
thr	S. Monomoy	125 max 5/11	v. o.	
27	P.I.	75	D. F. Oliver	
Northern Pintail				
3, 25	S. Monomoy	6, 4	B. Nikula	
7	Millis	1 f	B. Cassie#	
Blue-winged Teal				
thr	P.I.	30 max 5/2	D. Chickering + v. o.	
3, 25	S. Monomoy	5, 2	B. Nikula	
Northern Shoveler				
thr	P.I.	1 or 2	D. Chickering + v. o.	
3, 25	S. Monomoy	3, 3	B. Nikula	
Gadwall				
thr	P.I.	75 max 5/27	D. F. Oliver + v. o.	
3, 25	S. Monomoy	30, 40	B. Nikula	
American Wigeon				
3, 25	S. Monomoy	2, 3	B. Nikula	
7-30	P.I.	5 max 5/9	v. o.	
23	Scituate	3	W. Petersen#	
Greater Scaup				
3, 16	Newburyport, Nahant	1, 1	M. Lynch#, J. Baird#	
Lesser Scaup				
8	Falmouth	12	P. Trimble	
Common Eider				
7	P.I.	1 m	J. Berry	
King Eider				
19-27	P.I.	1 ad m	A. Williams# + v. o.	
Harlequin Duck				
13	Nahant	1 ad m	L. Pivacek	
Oldsquaw				
1-22	Newburyport	100 max 5/7	v. o.	
8, 10	Nantucket	1000, 50	E.+ C. Andrews	
Black Scoter				
7, 16	N. Monomoy, Nahant	7, 4	R. Humphrey, G. Gove#	
28	Manomet	40	S. Dinsmore	
Surf Scoter				
8, 16	Falmouth, Nahant	12, 20	P. Trimble, R. Stymeist#	
19, 25	P.I., Manomet	1 m, 3	A. Williams, G. d'Entremont#	
White-winged Scoter				
6, 12	Nantucket	500, 100	E.+ C. Andrews	
16, 19	Nahant, P.I.	150, 3 m	R. Stymeist#, A. Williams	
22	Nantucket	2000	fide S. Perkins	
Common Goldeneye				
16, 23	Nahant, Lakeville	1 m, 1	J. Baird#, W. Petersen#	
Bufflehead				
3, 4	S. Monomoy, Salem	40, 10	B. Nikula, J. Berry	
8, 23	Falmouth, Squantum	100, 1	P. Trimble, W. Petersen#	
Common Merganser				
7, 18	W. Harwich, Topsfield	4, 3	B. Nikula, J. Brown	
25	Manomet	1 f	S. Dinsmore#	
Red-breasted Merganser				
thr	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	40 max 5/8	LCES (J. Lyons)	
1-27	Newburyport-P.I.	22 max 5/20	v. o.	
3	Monomoy	1500	B. Nikula	
Ruddy Duck				
3	S. Monomoy	4	B. Nikula	

HAWKS THROUGH BOBWHITE

A Black Vulture was seen flying over Drumlin Farm in Lincoln on May 1. Turkey Vultures were recorded throughout the month, and seven Bald Eagles were noted at as many locations and included

five immature birds. The Eastern Massachusetts Hawk Watch (EMHW) counted an impressive number of migrating hawks including more than 1400 coastally-migrating Sharp-shinned Hawks, Cooper's Hawks, over 500 Broad-winged Hawks migrating over the tip of Cape Cod, and American Kestrels, Merlins, and Peregrine Falcons. A Red-shouldered Hawk nest with one young bird was found in Holliston on a power pole. An immature Red-tailed Hawk was seen at Mount Auburn Cemetery eating an eight-inch long worm. Rough-legged Hawks were seen as late as May 31. The Golden Eagle continued from March through May 11 in the Middleboro area. An immature female Gyrfalcon was picked up dead on Nantucket. An autopsy revealed that it had died of a fungal infection of the lungs. A Chukar was noted at Otis AFB, source unknown. G.W.G.

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Black Vulture				
1	DFWS	1	J. Bradley (fide R. Forster)	
Turkey Vulture				
1-10, 2	Truro, Milford	14 max 5/9, 2	EMHW, R. Hildreth	
2	Dover, N. Truro	8, 4	M. Kasprzyk, B. Nikula	
9, 10-17	Provincetown, Nantucket	11, 1	P. Trimble, B. Perkins + v. o.	
12, 31	Provincetown, Barre	17, 8	B. Nikula, G. Gove#	
Osprey				
thr	S. Chatham	pr nesting	B. Nikula + v. o.	
1-10, 2	Truro, P.I.	7 max 5/1, 5	EMHW	
2, 8	Mashpee	6, 8	J. Aylward#, P. Trimble	
13, 10	Acoaxet, Mt. A.	18, 3	D. F. Oliver, v. o.	
Bald Eagle				
1	Brockton	1 ad	S. Peak	
19, 26	N. Monomoy	1 imm	S. Dinsmore, R. Humphrey	
1, 16	Truro, W. Barnstable	2 imm, 1 imm	R. Humphrey, P. Trimble	
27, 31	Wayland, P.I.	1, 1 imm	J. Hines, E. Nielsen	
Northern Harrier				
thr	N. Truro	1-2 m + 3-4 f	B. Nikula	
1, 2, 8	P.I.	11, 14, 10	EMHW	
8	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	3	LCES (J. Lyons)	
9	P'town	5	P. Trimble	
12, 29	Concord	1, 1	J. Carter	
Sharp-shinned Hawk				
1-3, 7-10	N. Truro	261 total	EMHW	
1-3, 8	P.I. (Lot #1)	561 total	EMHW	
2, 3, 7, 9	P.I. (Hellcat)	309 total	EMHW	
1, 2, 9, 10	E. Boston	102 total	EMHW	
2, 2	Winthrop, Nahant	63, 40	EMHW	
2, 9, 10	Hull	119 total	EMHW	
9, 10	Wachusett, Swampscott	20, 24	EMHW	
1-10	Many other reports of 1-40 birds.			
Cooper's Hawk				
1	N. Truro	10	R. Humphrey	
2, 3, 9, 10	N. Truro	2, 1, 3, 1	EMHW	
9	Provincetown	2	P. Trimble	
2-11	Reports of individuals from 6 locations.			
Northern Goshawk				
thr	Boxford (C.P.)	pr nesting	v. o.	
2, 3	Belmont, Quabbin (G40)	1 ad, 1 imm	D. Campbell, M. Lynch#	
2, 22	Bolton, Holliston	1, 1	E. Salmela, R. Hildreth	
Red-shouldered Hawk				
thr	Boxford (C.P.)	2	v. o.	
1, 10	Truro, Hanson	1, pr	R. Humphrey, W. Petersen	
22	Holliston	1 ad + 1 yg, nest	R. Hildreth	
2-25	Reports of individuals from 7 locations.			
Broad-winged Hawk				
1-3, 7, 9, 10	N. Truro	525 total	EMHW	
1-9, 7	P.I., Provincetown	30 total, 26	EMHW, P. Trimble	
1, 2	Newbury, Dover	15, 13	BBC (D. F. Oliver), M. Kasprzyk	
9, 10	Wachusett	9, 4	EMHW	
30, 31	ONWR, Barre	pr, 4	T. Aversa, G. Gove#	
1-10	Reports of 1-30 birds from 7 locations.			

DATE	LOCATION	NUMBER	OBSERVERS	MAY 1987
Red-tailed Hawk				
1, 2, 9, 10	N. Truro	6, 7, 7, 1	EMHW	
2, 31	Mt. A., Milford	1 imm, 1 ad + 2 yg	J. Heywood, R. Hildreth	
Rough-legged Hawk				
1, 9	N. Truro	2, 1	EMHW	
9, 16	Provincetown	1, 2	P. Trimble	
1, 9	W. Bridgewater, Wachusett	1, 1	W. Petersen, EMHW	
Golden Eagle				
1-11	Middleboro	1 ad	K. Holmes, T. Westgate	
American Kestrel				
1, 2, 7, 9, 10	N. Truro	6, 3, 1, 3, 4	EMHW	
1, 2, 9	E. Boston	4, 5, 1	EMHW	
1-3, 8	P.I. (Lot #1)	98, 21	EMHW	
2	Winthrop, Nahant; P.I.	14, 7; 15	EMHW; BBC (G. d'Entremont)	
9, 10	Mt. Wachusett, Hull	9, 10	EMHW	
Merlin				
1, 2, 10	N. Truro	2, 1, 2	EMHW	
1-9	P.I.	11 total	EMHW	
17, 18	P.I., Newburyport	1 m, 1 f	E. Nielsen	
1-23	Reports of individuals from 6 locations.			
Peregrine Falcon				
thr	Boston	pr nesting	J. Berry + v. o.	
1, 2, 3	P.I.	2, 3, 1	EMHW	
2, 9	N. Truro	2, 1	EMHW	
2-16	Reports of individuals from 6 locations.			
Gyrfalcon				
5	Muskeget I.	1 f (dead)	D. Beattie + B. Perkins	
Chukar				
22	Otis AFB	1	P. Trimble + B. Nikula	
Ruffed Grouse				
2, 23	Quabbin (G40)	3, 2	M. Lynch#	
4, 16	IRWS, Boxford (C.P.)	3, 4 drumming	J. Berry, G.Gove#	
16, 24	W. Newbury, Milton (F.M.)	1 drumming, 1	G.Gove#, D. F. Oliver	
Northern Bobwhite				
9, 17, 30	Belmont	2	L. Taylor	
15	M. V.	7	D. Davis#	

RAILS THROUGH ALCIDS

A Sandhill Crane spent a day at Nine Acre Corner in Concord before being chased out of a cornfield by dogs. A Wilson's Plover was observed at North Monomoy. The following was excerpted from the observers' notes.

The bird was noted as a plover, having a stocky body shape, upright posture, and typical bill shape. The bill was dark, thick, and was proportionately larger than the bill of a nearby Piping Plover. The forehead was white and this white extended in an unbroken line to a point just above and behind each eye, making a white supercilium. A faint rusty patch was visible above the supercilium. The bird had an incomplete black breastband widest near the shoulder and narrow in the middle of the breast. A white collar extended around the back of the head. The legs appeared fairly long and were dull pink.

A full report of this sighting is included elsewhere in this issue.

An American Avocet was observed at Allens Pond in South Dartmouth. This is only the second May record since 1973. Avocets are most frequently seen in Massachusetts in August and September with a total of fifteen independent *BOEM* records in those months. A Curlew Sandpiper in breeding plumage was present at Newburyport for several days, where an adult male Ruff with a black ruff was also seen. See the last issue of *Bird Observer* for a summary of the status of Curlew Sandpiper in Massachusetts. An adult Franklin's Gull spent one afternoon in a field on Scotland Road in West Newbury. G.W.G.

King Rail				
16, 22	Milford	1 heard	R. Hildreth	
Virginia Rail				
4, 7	Ipswich, P.I.	1, 1-2	J. Berry	
10, 12	Bolton, Lynnfield	2, 8	BBC (M. Lynch), BBC (W. VanCor)	

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Virginia Rail (continued)				
16	Harwich, Milford	3, 2	P. Trimble, R. Hildreth	
27, 31	Wayland, Whitman	3, 2	R. Forster, W. Petersen	
Sora				
2, 3	P.I., GMNWR	2, 1	D. F. Oliver, T. Raymond	
12, 22	Lynnfield, Milford	13, 2	BBC (W. VanCor), R. Hildreth	
23, 27	Marshfield, Wayland	2, 4	W. Petersen, R. Forster	
Common Moorhen				
9	P.I.	3	BBC (D. F. Oliver)	
16	P.I.	1	BBC (W. Drummond)	
30	P.I.	1	M. Lynch#	
2, 8, 16	Milford	1, 3, 3	R. Hildreth	
American Coot				
23	Scituate	1	W. Petersen	
Sandhill Crane				
3	Concord (Nine Acre Corner)	1	R. Walton	
Black-bellied Plover				
thr	N. Monomoy	1000 max 5/31	B. Nikula	
thr	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	119 max 5/19	LCES (J. Lyons)	
thr	Newburyport	900 max 5/17	v. o.	
28, 29	Saugus	25, 100	J. Berry	
Lesser Golden-Plover				
8, 31	Plymouth, Newburyport	1, 1	K. Holmes, E. Nielsen	
Wilson's Plover (details submitted)				
31	N. Monomoy	1	S. Dinsmore + R. Humphrey	
Semipalmated Plover				
9, 23	P.I., Newburyport	2, 300	BBC (D. F. Oliver, BBC (K. Griffis)	
10-31	N. Monomoy	30 max 5/18	B. Nikula	
16, 25	Topsfield, Nahant	1, 90	R. Forster	
Piping Plover				
thr	P.I.	1-3	v.o.	
thr	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	8 max 5/26	LCES (J. Lyons)	
9, 31; 18	Mashpee; Acoaxet	2, 2; 2	P. Trimble; M. Lynch#	
22	Nantucket	4-5 pr	fide S. Perkins	
Killdeer				
22, 24	Newburyport, Bolton	13, 4	S. Carroll#	
American Oystercatcher				
thr	N. Monomoy, S. Monomoy	10 pr, 7 pr	R. Humphrey	
thr	Eastham, Chatham	3, 1 pr.	R. Humphrey	
8, 23	Mashpee, Squantum	1, 1	P. Trimble, W. Petersen#	
American Avocet				
13	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	1	LCES (J. Lyons)	
Greater Yellowlegs				
thr	P.I.-Newburyport	200 max 5/23	v. o.	
1	Squantum	49	K. Ryan	
8	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	15	LCES (J. Lyons)	
Lesser Yellowlegs				
3, 7	Middleboro, Easton	2, 1	K. Holmes, K. Ryan	
9, 10	Provincetown, Bolton	4, 1	B. Nikula, M. Lynch#	
Solitary Sandpiper				
6-18, 12	Bolton, Concord (9 Acre)	10 max 5/11, 5	E. Salmela, R. Forster	
16	Topsfield, Uxbridge	8, 3	G. Gove#, R. Hildreth	
Reports of individuals from 9 locations.				
Willet				
thr	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	10 max 5/13	LCES (J. Lyons)	
thr	N. Monomoy	31 max 5/31	B. Nikula#	
7-30	P.I.	4 max 5/30	v. o.	
23	Squantum	1	K. Ryan	
Spotted Sandpiper				
thr	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	6 max 5/13	LCES (J. Lyons)	
12, 19	Concord (9 Acre), Everett	12, 3	R. Forster, J. Berry	
10, 23	Gloucester, Newburyport	4, 4	BBC (D. F. Oliver), S. Carroll#	
24	Bolton	5	M. Lynch#	

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Upland Sandpiper			
thr	Concord (Hanscom AFB)	9 max 5/17	J. Carter + v. o.
2, 5	N. Truro, Otis AFB	1, 13	B. Nikula, P. Trimble
3, 7	Middleboro, DWWS	2, 4	K. Holmes, D. Ludlow
9	Newburyport	2	BBC (D. F. Oliver)
16	Newburyport	2	BBC (W. Drummond)
23	Halifax	1	W. Petersen#
Whimbrel			
8	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	1	LCES (J. Lyons)
24, 31	P.I., N. Monomoy	3, 1	S. Dinsmore
Ruddy Turnstone			
thr	N. Monomoy	150 max 5/31	B. Nikula
18, 30	Acoaxet, Plymouth	3, 134	M. Lynch#, G. Gove#
15-30	Reports of individuals from 4 locations.		
Red Knot			
thr	N. Monomoy	100 max 5/31	B. Nikula
19	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	1	LCES (J. Lyons)
26	Newburyport	1	R. Forster
Sanderling			
thr	N. Monomoy	2000 max 5/31	B. Nikula
25	Nahant	200	R. Forster
Semipalmated Sandpiper			
thr	N. Monomoy	1000 max 5/31	B. Nikula
thr	P.I.-Newburyport	500 max 5/23	v. o.
Least Sandpiper			
thr	N. Monomoy	80 max 5/18	B. Nikula
thr	P.I.-Newburyport	300 max 5/20	v. o.
thr	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	65 max 5/19	LCES (J. Lyons)
8, 12	Mashpee, Concord (9 Acre)	40, 35	P. Trimble, R. Forster
White-rumped Sandpiper			
thr	N. Monomoy	20 max 5/20	B. Nikula
13	Acoaxet, Newburyport	2, 15	D. F. Oliver, R. Forster
Pectoral Sandpiper			
7	P.I., Topsfield	1, 2	S. Dinsmore, D. F. Oliver
24	N. Middleboro	3	K. Holmes
Purple Sandpiper			
8, 23	Mashpee, N. Scituate	10, 20	P. Trimble, W. Petersen#
23, 26	Lynn	100, 30	R. Stymeist#, R. Forster
Dunlin			
thr	N. Monomoy	800 max 5/2, 10	B. Nikula
thr	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	81 max 5/19	LCES (J. Lyons)
thr	P.I.-Newburyport	300 max 5/23	v. o.
13	Acoaxet	75	D. F. Oliver
Curlew Sandpiper (details submitted)			
19-22	Newburyport	1 ad br pl	H. Wilson + v. o.
Ruff			
3	Newburyport	1 ad m (black)	G. Gove#
30-31	N. Monomoy	1 F	S. Dinsmore, B. Nikula
Short-billed Dowitcher			
thr	N. Monomoy	100 max 5/18	B. Nikula
10-31	Newburyport	150 max 5/23	v. o.
8-26	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	28 max 5/19	LCES (J. Lyons)
24	Chatham	140	S. Dinsmore
Common Snipe			
9, 10	GMNWR, Bolton	4, 1	BBC (W. Gette), M. Lynch#
16, 23	Rowley, Newburyport	1, 1	B. Cassie#, BBC (K. Griffis)
American Woodcock			
4, 6; 9	Ipswich	1 m; 1 f on nest	J. Berry
15, 24	Quabbin (G40), Bolton	10, 1	M. Lynch#
Wilson's Phalarope			
7-30	P.I.	4 max 5/19	A. Williams# + v. o.
14, 23	DWWS, N. Monomoy	pr, 1	D. Ludlow#, B. Nikula
Red Phalarope			
31	N. Monomoy	1	R. Prescott

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Laughing Gull				
2, 14	Stellwagen, Concord (9 Acre)	2, 1 ad	K. Holmes, S. Perkins#	
23	Nahant, Newburyport	1, 1	R. Stymeist#	
Franklin's Gull				
6	W. Newbury	1 ad	R. Davis + B. Horn	
Little Gull				
1, 6	Squantum	1	fide S. Perkins	
6, 7	Newburyport	1 ad, 1 imm	S. Dinsmore, J. Berry	
26, 31	Newburyport, N. Monomoy	1, 1 imm	B. Nikula, R. Forster	
Common Black-headed Gull				
thr	N. Monomoy	1 ad	B. Nikula, R. Humphrey	
6	Newburyport	1	fide S. Perkins	
Bonaparte's Gull				
8, 20	Lynn, Newburyport	125, 20	J. Quigley, fide S. Perkins	
Herring Gull				
thr	N. Monomoy	179 nesting pr	R. Humphrey	
Iceland Gull				
3, 6	Newburyport	2, 1 (2W)	M. Kasprzyk, H. Wilson	
7	Newburyport	1 (1S)	S. Dinsmore	
12	Nantucket	1	E. Andrews	
Lesser Black-backed Gull				
13-14	Concord (9 Acre)	1 (1S) ph	R. Forster, R. Walton	
29	Annisquam	1 ad	H. Wiggin	
Glaucous Gull				
25	Plymouth Beach	1 (2S)	G. d'Entremont#	
26	Nahant	1 (2S)	fide S. Perkins	
Great Black-backed Gull				
thr	N. Monomoy	673 nesting pr	R. Humphrey	
Black-legged Kittiwake				
31	N. Monomoy	2 imm	S. Dinsmore	
Caspian Tern				
6	Cape Cod Bay	1	K. Holmes	
16	Concord (9 Acre)	2	R. Forster#	
Roseate Tern				
11, 31	Marion, Mashpee	350, 10	R. Forster, P. Trimble	
Common Tern				
thr	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	11 max 5/6	LCES (J. Lyons)	
11; 8, 31	Marion; Mashpee	300; 12, 20	fide S. Perkins; P. Trimble	
22	Newburyport	15	M. Lynch#	
Arctic Tern				
23, 30	Plymouth	1, 2	W. Petersen#, G. Gove#	
25	S. Monomoy	12	B. Nikula#	
Least Tern				
thr	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	16 max 5/26	LCES (J. Lyons)	
9-31	P.I.	15 max 5/30	v. o.	
31	Mashpee	150	P. Trimble	
Black Tern				
14, 25	Chatham, Newburyport	1, 2	S. Dinsmore	
Black Skimmer				
2; 30-31	WBWS; N. Monomoy	1; 3, 2	R. Prescott; S. Dinsmore	
Black Guillemot				
2	off Provincetown	4	K. Holmes	

CUCKOOS THROUGH OWLS

Reports of cuckoos were even fewer than last year, with only individuals being noted, and only three Yellow-billed Cuckoos reported. A Great Horned Owl nest with one young bird was noted in Abington. Three pairs of Short-eared Owls were present at South Monomoy. G.W.G.

Black-billed Cuckoo			
15, 17	Mt. A., Millis	1, 1	R. Stymeist#, M. Kasprzyk
23	W. Newbury	1	BBC (K. Griffis)
25	ONWR	1	BBC (D. + D. Oliver)
29, 30	Marblehead, Hanson	1, 1	L. Sager, W. Petersen

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Yellow-billed Cuckoo				
16, 18	Provincetown, Uxbridge	1, 1	S. Dinsmore, M. Lynch#	
29	Middleboro	1	D. Briggs	
Common Barn-Owl				
15	M. V.	1	D. Davis#	
Eastern Screech-Owl				
15, 16	Hardwick, Woburn	1, 1	M. Lynch#, R. Stymeist#	
23, 25	Lexington, Rowley	1, 1	R. Stymeist#, J. Brown	
Great Horned Owl				
thr	Abington	nest + 1 yg	W. Petersen	
2-15	Mt. A..	1	v. o.	
11, 13	Topsfield, Millis	1, 1	J. Brown, R. Forster	
10, 15	Clinton, Hardwick	1, 1	M. Lynch#	
Barred Owl				
15, 16	Quabbin (G40), Boxford (C.P.)		2, 2 M. Lynch#, G. Gove#	
Short-eared Owl				
26	S. Monomoy	3 pr	fide S. Perkins	
Northern Saw-whet Owl				
15, 22	Quabbin (G40), Brewster	1, 2	M. Lynch#, B. Nikula#	

GOATSUCKERS THROUGH WAXWINGS

Nighthawks were first reported at midmonth, but no reports were received from their traditional haunts in Boston, Brookline, and Cambridge. Is the construction of so many taller buildings having an effect on their former nesting sites? Only 4 Whip-poor-wills were reported during the month, compared with 23 birds in May 1986. On May 10, one individual at Mount Auburn Cemetery was seen by over two hundred birders as it rested in the evergreens over the grave of Peter Bent Brigham. Hummingbird reports were few; three individuals were seen around a ship off Gloucester.

Reports of nesting kingfishers were received from three locations. A pair at the Cambridge Cemetery had to build a new nest three times in two weeks when workers continued to use the soil for the official business of the cemetery.

Interesting woodpecker reports included 8 Red-bellieds, compared with just 4 seen last May. Only a single Red-headed was noted, compared with 6 last year. A Black-backed Woodpecker seen May 12 on Nantucket was especially noteworthy. A migrant Yellow-bellied Sapsucker was found on Plum Island on the late date of May 16.

Nine Olive-sided Flycatchers were reported this May, compared with only 4 in May 1986. It was a good year for Empidonax flycatchers, with reports of 24 Yellow-bellied, 9 Acadian, 14 Alder, 22 Willow, and 57 Least flycatchers. Most sightings, with the exception of Least Flycatchers, came after the middle of the month. There was also a good flight of Eastern Kingbirds, with as many as 30 individuals noted on Plum Island on May 27.

Blue Jays were migrating in small flocks throughout the month. The largest flock was noted at North Scituate on May 21. Fish Crows were found nesting again this year at Mt. Auburn, and there were reports from Boxford State Forest for the second month in a row, suggesting breeding or at least a range expansion north of Boston.

A Marsh Wren was found in the rhododendrons at Eddy Pond, a first record for Mt. Auburn. Winter Wrens were noted from four locations, though none after May 7. The last migrant Ruby-crowned Kinglets were noted on May 18. A total of at least 56 Blue-gray Gnatcatchers were reported during the month, up 11 from May 1986.

Nine pair of Eastern Bluebirds nested in the boxes provided at the High Ridge Conservation Area in Westminster. Other bluebirds nested in Plymouth, Spencer, and at Quabbin. Fifteen Gray-cheeked Thrushes were reported this May, compared with 11 last year. It was generally a good flight year for all the thrushes in eastern Massachusetts. Gray Catbirds were everywhere in good numbers, with especially high counts at Plum Island. Water Pipits were reported from four locations, and Cedar Waxwings were noted in large flocks on the last days of May.

R. H. S.

Common Nighthawk			
15	Mt. A., Wayland	1, 30	v. o., R. Forster#
15, 17	Quabbin (G40), Topsfield	2, 1	M. Lynch#, J. Brown
20, 26	IRWS, Mt. A.	1, 5	D. F. Oliver, v. o.

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Common Nighthawk (continued)				
29	Millis	7	R. Forster	
Whip-poor-will				
10, 11	Mt. A., Chatham	1, 2	C. Floyd + v. o., R. Humphrey	
15	Quabbin (G40)	1	M. Lynch#	
Chimney Swift				
1, 2	Millis, Ashby	2, 1	R. Forster, L. Taylor#	
2	P.I.	1	BBC (G. d'Entremont)	
3, 7	N. Middleboro, Mt. A.	2, 3	K. Holmes, D. F. Oliver	
8, 9	Brookfield, Ipswich	3, 5	M. Lynch#, J. Berry	
16	Newburyport	100	BBC (W. Drummond)	
Generally late arrival.				
Ruby-throated Hummingbird				
8, 14	Mt. A.	1, 7	R. Martel#, R. Stymeist#	
10	Cambridge (F.P.)	1	J. Barton	
10	ONWR	1	M. Lynch#	
17, 27	P.I.	2, 1	D. Chickering, D. F. Oliver	
29	Jeffreys Ledge	3 (around ship)	S. Dinsmore	
Belted Kingfisher				
thr	Cambridge Cemetery	pr attempted nesting 3 times	R. Stymeist	
thr	Ipswich	pr nesting	J. Berry	
2, 10	New Braintree, Bolton	3, 3	M. Lynch, S. Carroll	
25	S. Hanson	nest w/ yg	W. Petersen	
Red-headed Woodpecker				
18	Westport	1 ad	M. Lynch, S. Carroll	
Red-bellied Woodpecker				
5-11	Nantucket	pr	E. + C. Andrews	
10, 14-16	Lynn, Yarmouthport	1, 1	J. Quigley, R. Scott	
16	W. Tisbury, MNWS	1, 1	D. Briggs#, fide S. Perkins	
17, 18	Squantum, Westport	1, 1	fide S. Perkins, M. Lynch#	
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker				
10	Gloucester	2	BBC (J. Nove)	
16	P.I.	1	BBC (W. Drummond)	
Downy Woodpecker				
5	Dover (Noanet WR)	10	E. Nielsen	
9, 10	Mt. A., Gloucester	4, 5	S. Carroll#, BBC (J. Nove)	
Hairy Woodpecker				
1, 20	Nantucket	pr	E. + C. Andrews	
16	W. Newbury	pr w/ 3 yg	R. Stymeist#	
19	Worcester	pr at nest	M. Lynch#	
Black-backed Woodpecker				
12	Nantucket (town)	1 m	R. Grimes fide E. Andrews	
Northern Flicker				
2	Quabbin (G40)	6	M. Lynch#	
5, 12, 14	Dover (Noanet WR)	5, 6, 5	E. Nielsen	
9	Mt. A.	7	M. Lynch#	
Pileated Woodpecker				
1, 14	DFWS	1, 1	R. Forster	
2, 4	Petersham, Ipswich	1, 1	E. Nielsen, J. Berry	
19, 24	Topsfield, Royalston	1, 1	J. Brown, M. Lynch#	
24, 31	Westford, Framingham	1, 1	S. Selesky, R. Forster	
Olive-sided Flycatcher				
22, 23	P.I., P'town	1, 1	M. Lynch#, J. Aylward#	
24, 25	P.I., Newburyport	2-3, 1	S. Dinsmore + v. o., v. o.	
25, 26	Dover, Nahant	1, 1	M. Kasprzyk#, R. Forster	
28	Petersham	1	J. Baird	
Eastern Wood-Pewee				
11, 12	Dover, Wayland	1, 1	E. Nielsen, R. Forster	
13	N. Middleboro	1	K. Holmes	
15-31	Mt. A.	6 max 5/23	M. Lynch# + v. o.	
23, 25	Boxford, ONWR	5, 2	R. Stymeist#, BBC (D. + D. Oliver)	
30	Annisquam, P.I.	3, 6	H. Wiggin, M. Lynch#	
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher				
19, 23	Worcester, N. Scituate	1, 1	M. Lynch#, W. Petersen#	
23, 24, 25	P.I.	1	D. Chickering + v. o.	

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Yellow-bellied Flycatcher (continued)				
24, 25	Mt. A., MNWS	6, 2	O. Komar#, R. Forster	
25	Newburyport-P.I.	3	BBC (D. + D. Oliver)	
26, 27	MNWS, Plymouth	1, 7	R. Forster, S. Dinsmore	
29, 31	Cambridge, P.I.	1, 1	J. Barton, E. Nielsen	
Acadian Flycatcher				
18, 26	Mt. A.	1, 1	D. F. Oliver, R. Peterson	
25, 29	Nantucket	1 b, repeat	E. Andrews	
25	MNWS	3	R. Forster	
26	Nahant, MNWS	1, 1	R. Forster	
26	Newburyport	1	R. Forster	
Alder Flycatcher				
12, 19, 27	MNWS; P'town	1; 2, 1	R. Heil; B. Nikula	
23	Quabbin (G40), Hardwick	2, 1	M. Lynch, S. Carroll	
24	Bolton Flats, Royalston	1, 1	M. Lynch, S. Carroll	
24, 25	Marshfield, P.I.	1, 1	D. Clapp, S. Dinsmore	
25, 26	ONWR, Lynnfield	1, 1	BBC (D. + D. Oliver), R. Forster	
30	P.I.	1	M. Lynch#	
Willow Flycatcher				
24-31	P.I.	5 max 5/27	D. F. Oliver + v. o.	
24	Bolton Flats	5	M. Lynch#	
25	ONWR	10	BBC (D. + D. Oliver)	
29, 31	Cambridge, Whitman	1, 1	J. Barton, W. Petersen	
Least Flycatcher				
7	Spencer, Millis	6, 1	M. Lynch#, B. Cassie	
9-25, 9	Mt. A., P.I.	1-3, 1	v. o., BBC (D. + D. Oliver)	
9, 16	Topsfield, Boxford	1, 2	J. Brown, R. Stymeist	
11, 15, 23	Quabbin (G40)	11, 6, 12	M. Lynch, S. Carroll	
18, 19	Cambridge, Boxford	3, 4	J. Barton, W. Drummond	
22, 23	Waltham, Squantum	1, 3	L. Taylor, W. Petersen#	
23, 27	MNWS, P.I.	2, 1	R. Stymeist#, D. F. Oliver	
Eastern Phoebe				
thr	Mt. A., Topsfield	pr n, 2-4	v. o., J. Brown	
thr	Dover (Noanet WR)	7 max 5/5	E. Nielsen	
Great-crested Flycatcher				
3	N. Middleboro	1	K. Holmes	
6-31	Dover (Noanet WR)	7 max 5/13	E. Nielsen#	
6, 26, 29	Cambridge (F.P.)	1, 2, 2	J. Barton	
7	Topsfield, Hanson	1, 1	J. Brown, W. Petersen	
7, 29	Waltham (Met. State)	2, 3	L. Taylor	
7-31	Mt. A.	7 max 5/14	v. o.	
12	Sandwich	2	P. Trimble	
Eastern Kingbird				
2	Quabbin (G40), Topsfield	1, 1	M. Lynch#, J. Brown	
3	Mt. A., Middleboro	1, 1	R. Stymeist, K. Holmes	
7, 8	Waltham, Falmouth	1, 2	L. Taylor, P. Trimble	
8	Milford, Holliston	1, 1	R. Hildreth	
9-31	P.I.	30 max 5/27	D. F. Oliver + v. o.	
9-31	Mt. A.	8 max 5/23	v. o.	
10-31	Cambridge (F.P.)	6 max 5/26	J. Barton	
30, 31	Holliston, Milford	6, 8	R. Hildreth	
Horned Lark				
thr	P.I.	1 or 2	v. o.	
Purple Martin				
thr	P.I.	50 max 5/23	v. o.	
1	W. Newbury	1	BBC (D. + D. Oliver)	
14	Cambridge	1	J. Barton	
Tree Swallow				
thr	P.I.	250 max 5/27	D. F. Oliver + v. o.	
thr	Cambridge (F.P.)	6 max 5/16	J. Barton	
Northern Rough-winged Swallow				
2, 8	Worcester, Falmouth	4, 2	M. Lynch#, P. Trimble	
16	Ipswich, Cambridge	4, 2	J. Berry, J. Barton	
17, 18	M. V., Middleboro	1, 1	D. Briggs	
Very few reports of this species.				

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Bank Swallow				
10, 24	Lancaster, Bolton Flats	10+, 10	M. Lynch, S. Carroll	
25, 27	ONWR, P.I.	20, 15	BBC (D. + D. Oliver), D. F. Oliver	
Cliff Swallow				
11, 16, 23	Paxton	4, 2, 2	M. Lynch, S. Carroll	
11, 16	Newbury, Ipswich	4, 2	D. F. Oliver, J. Berry	
23	P.I.	6-8	R. Stymeist#	
24, 26	Wayland, Rowley	2, 10	R. Forster	
Barn Swallow				
1	W. Newbury	12	BBC (D. + D. Oliver)	
6, 16	Cambridge	6, 18	J. Barton	
11	S. Monomoy	70	R. Humphrey	
19	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	17	LCES (J. Lyons)	
27	P.I.	75	D. F. Oliver	
Blue Jay				
5	Dover (Noanet WR)	27	E. Nielsen	
10, 11, 12, 25	P.I.	26, 17, 12, 1	D. Chickering	
21, 26	N. Scituate, P.I.	100+, 23	D. Clapp, D. F. Oliver	
American Crow				
27	P.I.	25	D. F. Oliver	
Fish Crow				
thr	Mt. A., Hanson	pr n, 2	R. Stymeist#, W. Petersen	
3, 6	Boxford, Cambridge	1, 1	D. F. Oliver, J. Barton	
7, 10; 9	P'town; N. Truro	6+, 2; 2	B. Nikula; R. Humphrey	
23, 30	Halifax, Hanson	2, 6	W. Petersen	
Black-capped Chickadee				
thr	Dover (Noanet WR)	29 max 5/13	E. Nielsen	
9	ONWR	24	BBC (W. Gette)	
Tufted Titmouse				
thr	Dover (Noanet WR)	24 max 5/5	E. Nielsen	
Red-breasted Nuthatch				
2, 9	Quabbin (G40), Mt. A.	8, 4	E. Nielsen, M. Lynch#	
9, 10	P.I., Somerville	2, 1	D. F. Oliver	
9, 10	Ipswich, Topsfield	1, 1	J. Berry, J. Brown	
11	Quabbin (G40), Dover	6, 1	M. Lynch#, E. Nielsen	
16	M. V., Chappaquiddick	1, 1	D. Davis#, D. Briggs	
23	Boxford, Lakeville	1, 1	C. Floyd#, W. Petersen#	
25	Halifax, Mt. A.	1, 1	W. Petersen, R. Stymeist	
White-breasted Nuthatch				
thr	Dover (Noanet WR)	4 max 5/14	E. Nielsen	
Brown Creeper				
thr	Dover (Noanet WR)	8 max 5/8	E. Nielsen	
9, 10	GMNWR, Hanson	4, 2	BBC (W. Gette), W. Petersen	
23	Lakeville, Boxford	2-3, 4	W. Petersen#, R. Stymeist#	
Carolina Wren				
thr	Plymouth (M. Standish)	1-4	S. Dinsmore + v. o.	
8, 10	Falmouth, Gloucester	8, 1	P. Trimble, BBC (J. Nove)	
17	Waltham, Marshfield	2, 3	L. Taylor, BBC (R. Timberlake)	
18	Acoaxet	10+	M. Lynch#	
House Wren				
3, 7	Waltham (Met. State)	1, 3	L. Taylor	
4, 7	Wayland, Spencer	1, 2	H. Parker, M. Lynch#	
9, 10	P.I., Mt. A.	2, 4	BBC (D. + D. Oliver), R. Stymeist#	
10	ONWR, Gloucester	4, 7	M. Lynch#, BBC (J. Nove)	
11, 15	Quabbin (G40)	5, 11	M. Lynch, S. Carroll	
13, 16	Acoaxet, W. Newbury	5, 6	D. F. Oliver, BBC (W. Drummond)	
Winter Wren				
2	P.I.	3	BBC (G. d'Entremont)	
2	Quabbin (G40)	1	E. Nielsen	
5, 7	Dover (Noanet WR), P.I.	1, 1	E. Nielsen, J. Berry#	
7	Brookline (Halls Pd)	1	M. Kasprzyk	
Marsh Wren				
thr	P.I.	15 max	v. o.	
10	Mt. A.	1	D. F. Oliver + v. o.	

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Marsh Wren (continued)				
12	Lynnfield	8	BBC (W. Van Cor)	
18	N. Middleboro	1	K. Holmes	
31	Whitman	10	W. Petersen	
Golden-crowned Kinglet				
3, 5	Mt. A., Dover	2, 2	R. Stymeist#, E. Nielsen	
7, 31	P.I.	1, 3	D. F. Oliver, E. Nielsen	
23	Lakeville	1 m singing on territory	W. Petersen#	
Ruby-crowned Kinglet				
1-12	Mt. A.	20 max 5/6	v. o.	
1-11	P'town (Beech F)	25 max 5/2	B. Nikula	
1-18	P.I.	40 max 5/2	v. o.	
3, 11	Waltham (Met. State)	6, 1	L. Taylor	
5, 8	Dover (Noanet WR)	6, 9	E. Nielsen	
16	Newburyport	1	BBC (W. Drummond)	
17	Marshfield	1	BBC (R. Timberlake)	
18	Nahant	1	R. Forster	
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher				
thr	Boxford (State Forest)	6 pr	R. Stymeist + v. o.	
thr	Quabbin (G40)	15+ max 5/15	M. Lynch#	
2	Newburyport	2	BBC (G. d'Entremont)	
7	Middleboro	1	K. Holmes	
7, 10	Ipswich, Mt. A.	2, 4	D. F. Oliver, v. o.	
9, 12	P'town, Dover	10, 2	P. Trimble, E. Nielsen	
18	Wayland, Acoaxet	2 at nest, 3	G. Gove, M. Lynch#	
16, 25	P.I., IRWS	2, 1	BBC (W. Drummond), J. Brown	
Eastern Bluebird				
thr	Plymouth (M. Standish)	2 pr n	S. Dinsmore	
thr	Westminster (High Ridge)	9 pr n	fide B. Blodgett	
thr	Quabbin (G40)	6 max 5/23	M. Lynch#	
8, 9	Spencer, DWWS	pr, 1 m	S. Carroll#, D. Ludlow#	
10, 17	Mt. A., M. V.	3, pr	G. Gove + v. o., D. Davis	
22, 25	Needham, Quabbin	1, 4 ad + 2 yg	G. Canavan, P. Comas#	
30	Shrewsbury	2	M. Lynch#	
Veery				
3-25	Mt. A.	16 max 5/23	v. o.	
5-31	Dover (Noanet WR)	7 max 5/13	E. Nielsen	
15, 23	Quabbin (G40)	1, 6	M. Lynch#	
16, 23	Boxford (C.P.)	10, 15	R. Stymeist#	
18	Ipswich (Candlewood Rd)	4	D. F. Oliver	
19	Waltham	2	L. Taylor	
20, 21	Nantucket, P'town	1 b, 1	E. Andrews, B. Nikula#	
23, 31	Lakeville, P.I.	20, 2	W. Petersen#, E. Nielsen	
Gray-checked Thrush				
15-26	Mt. A.	7+ total	v. o.	
18	Cambridge (F.P.), MNWS	1, 1	J. Barton, R. Forster	
23, 25	Nahant, MNWS	1, 2 or 3	C. Floyd#, R. Forster	
25	Newburyport	1	BBC (D. + D. Oliver)	
27	Plymouth	1	S. Dinsmore	
Swainson's Thrush				
10-31	Mt. A.	16 max 5/25	v. o.	
10, 11	Waltham, Dover	1, 1	L. Taylor, E. Nielsen	
19, 23	Ipswich, Nahant	8, 12	D. F. Oliver, R. Stymeist#	
24, 25	Marshfield, MNWS	4, 25	D. Clapp, R. Forster	
25, 31	Newburyport, P.I.	4, 3	BBC (D. + D. Oliver), E. Nielsen	
Hermit Thrush				
1-10, 17	Mt. A.	6 max 5/10, 1	v. o., M. Lynch#	
2	Quabbin (G40)	8	M. Lynch#	
2	Petersham	5	S. Carroll#	
2, 3	Waltham, MNWS	3, 7	L. Taylor, R. Forster	
2	P.I. (Hellcat)	7	D. F. Oliver	
5	Dover (Noanet WR)	4	E. Nielsen	
16, 23	Boxford, Plymouth	4 m, 10	R. Stymeist#, W. Petersen#	
Wood Thrush				
2, 6	Millis, Ipswich	1, 1	B. Cassie#, J. Berry	

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Wood Thrush (continued)				
7, 17, 31	Waltham (Met. State)	1, 3, 3	L. Taylor	
7, 8	N. Middleboro, Brookfield	1, 4	K. Holmes, M. Lynch#	
9	Boxford, P.I.	3, 1	J. Brown, BBC (D. + D. Oliver)	
11-31	Dover (Noanet WR)	7 max 5/19	E. Nielsen	
17	Mt. A.	5	M. Lynch#	
American Robin				
thr	Dover (Noanet WR)	17 max 5/12	E. Nielsen	
thr	Mt. A.	18-20 pr n	R. Stymeist + v. o.	
5	Otis (AFB)	50	P. Trimble	
15, 18	Marlboro	2 ad, 4 yg fledged	R. Graefe	
Gray Catbird				
3, 17, 31	Belmont (incinerator)	1, 9, 10	L. Taylor	
6, 8, 9	Ipswich	1, 1, 5	J. Berry	
6-31	Mt. A.	35 max 5/23	v. o.	
7-31	Cambridge (F.P.)	9 max 5/18, 26	J. Barton	
7-31	P'town (Beech Forest)	20 max 5/24	B. Nikula	
7	Spencer, Leicester	2, 1	M. Lynch#	
8	Falmouth	24	P. Trimble	
9	P.I.	20	BBC (D. + D. Oliver)	
10	Gloucester	25	BBC (J. Nove)	
11-31	Dover (Noanet WR)	6 max	E. Nielsen	
13, 16	Acoaxet, P.I.	25, 60	D. F. Oliver, BBC (W. Drummond)	
23	Quabbin (G40)	16	M. Lynch#	
30	Essex County	50+	J. Berry	
Northern Mockingbird				
thr	Mt. A.	5 pr n	R. Stymeist + v. o.	
Brown Thrasher				
2-31, 2	P.I., Marshfield	5 max, 2	v. o., D. Clapp	
7-31	Mt. A.	2-3 daily	v. o.	
Water Pipit				
2, 17	Topsfield (Fairgrounds)	1, 1	D. F. Oliver, G. Gove#	
6; 7, 9	P.I.; N. Truro	1; 2, 1	S. Dinsmore; B. Nikula	
11	Marlboro (Ft. Meadow Res.)	2	R. Graefe	
Cedar Waxwing				
11, 29	Middleboro, Mt. A.	2, 45+	K. Holmes, R. Stymeist#	
30, 31	P.I., Annisquam	60+, 40	J. Berry, H. Wiggin	

VIREOS THROUGH WARBLERS

The long overdue southwest winds of late April finally arrived on May Day, and the dawn of the new day saw our first wave of passerines. In fact, southwest winds occurred on only three other days in May. It was a good flight year for most of the vireos, with increases of 3 more White-eyed, 22 more Solitary, 13 more Yellow-throated, and 5 more Philadelphia vireos than reported during May 1986. Warbling and Red-eyed vireos were reported in slightly lower numbers than in recent years; however, their totals continue to rise since the lows reached after the big gypsy moth infestation of five years ago.

A total of thirty-five warbler species, plus the two "winged" warbler hybrids, were seen. It was a late arrival; twenty-eight species made their first appearances for the year in the month of May. As in May 1986, this was an unusually high percentage of May first arrivals, probably caused by the lack of suitable migrating conditions in late April. The big waves were on May 2, 9-10, and 27. Bill and Barbara Drummond had a fantastic fallout early on the morning of May 17 at Hellcat Swamp on Plum Island. In a little over an hour they tallied nearly 670 individuals representing 21 species of warblers!

The late southwest winds probably were the most important factor why the warbler migration was off this year at Mt. Auburn Cemetery. Only 29 warbler species were recorded there this May, but it was a good year for Blackburnian, Bay-breasted, and Magnolia warblers, species which normally occur at their highest numbers at midmonth.

Warblers of special note included 1 Yellow-throated, 5 Orange-crowned, 6 Cerulean, 5 Prothonotary, 6 Kentucky, 7 Hooded warblers, and 2 Yellow-breasted Chats.

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DATE	LOCATION	NUMBER	OBSERVERS	MAY 1987
White-eyed Vireo				
2, 9	Middleboro, Ipswich	1, 1	D. Briggs, J. Berry	
8	Falmouth	2	P. Trimble	
11, 13	Plymouth (M. Standish)	1, 1	S. Dinsmore	
13, 18	Acoaxet	1, 5	D. F. Oliver, M. Lynch#	
17	Marshfield	1	BBC (R. Timberlake)	
17	P.I.	1	D. Chickering	
18, 19	MNWS	1, 1	R. Forster, D. F. Oliver	
Solitary Vireo				
thr	Quabbin (G40)	12 max 5/2	M. Lynch#	
thr	Dover (Noanet WR)	3 max	E. Nielsen	
1-16	Mt. A.	2-4 daily, 12 max	5/9 v. o.	
2, 3, 8	Waltham (Met. State)	1, 1, 2	L. Taylor	
7, 9	Newbypt, P.I.	3-4, 4	J. Berry, BBC (D. + D. Oliver)	
9, 10, 24	P'town (Beech Forest)	3, 7, 1	B. Nikula	
17, 24	Cambridge, N. Middleboro	1, 1	J. Barton, K. Holmes	
26	Boxford	1	R. Forster	
Yellow-throated Vireo				
3, 7, 10, 15-16	Mt. A.	1, 1, 1, 2	P. Castle# + v. o.	
8	Middleboro, Worcester	1, 1	K. Holmes, M. Lynch	
10	ONWR	2	M. Lynch#	
10-27	Wayland	1	R. Forster + v. o.	
11, 16	MNWS, Hardwick	1, 3	D. Chickering#, M. Lynch#	
16, 19, 23	Boxford (C.P.)	4, 1, 2	M. Flor#, W. Drummond, C. Floyd#	
22, 30	IRWS, ONWR	1, 1	D. F. Oliver, T. Aversa	
Warbling Vireo				
2; 3, 11	Middleboro; Belmont	1; 1, 6	D. Briggs; L. Taylor	
4-31	Cambridge (F.P.)	10 max 5/29	J. Barton	
8	Spencer	1	M. Lynch#	
8-31	Mt. A.	4 max 5/23	v. o.	
10, 19	P'town (Beech Forest)	1, 1	B. Nikula	
10	Bolton, ONWR	2, 2	M. Lynch#	
31	E. Bridgewater	1	W. Petersen	
Philadelphia Vireo				
12, 15	MNWS, P.I.	1, 1	R. Heil, D. Chickering	
17, 18, 23	Mt. A.	1, 1, 1	E. Nielsen, B. + B. Klunk#, S. Moore	
19	N. Middleboro, Worcester	1, 1	K. Holmes, M. Lynch	
27, 31	P.I.	1, 1	D. F. Oliver, D. Ludlow#	
31	S. Monomoy	1	R. Humphrey	
Red-eyed Vireo				
2, 23	Quabbin (G40)	1, 18	M. Lynch#	
10-31	Mt. A.	8 max 5/20	v. o.	
11-31	Dover (Noanet WR)	11 max 5/19	E. Nielsen	
11-31	P'town (Beech Forest)	5 max 5/24	B. Nikula	
16	P.I., W. Newbury	6, 15	BBC (W. Drummond)	
18, 26; 29	Nant.; Cambr. (F.P.)	3, 1; 4	E. Andrews; J. Barton	
18, 25	Ipswich, ONWR	4, 6	D. F. Oliver	
Blue-winged Warbler				
3, 6	MNWS, W. Newbury	1, 1	R. Forster, S. Dinsmore	
7, 8, 9, 10	Mt. A.	2, 3, 7, 6	v. o.	
7, 8	Leicester	1, 2	M. Lynch#	
9	W. Newbury	3	BBC (D. + D. Oliver)	
9, 16, 30	Ipswich	1, 2, 6	J. Berry	
10	ONWR, Cambridge	3, 1	BBC (M. Lynch), J. Barton	
10	P'town, Topsfield	1, 3	B. Nikula, J. Brown	
13, 30	Acoaxet, ONWR	11, 7	D. F. Oliver, T. Aversa	
17, 18	Nantucket, Uxbridge	1, 3	K. Blackshaw, M. Lynch#	
31	E. Bridgewater, Raynham	1, 1	W. Petersen	
Golden-winged Warbler				
9-31	Ipswich (La Sallette)	2 m + 1 f	J. Berry + v. o.	
10	Nantucket, Harvard	1, 1	S. Perkins#, M. Lynch#	
10, 17, 31	Ipswich (High St.)	1	J. Brown	
17, 22	Yarmouthport	1	J. Aylward#	
26	W. Newbury	1	R. Forster	
24	Royalston	1	M. Lynch#	

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"Lawrence's" Warbler				
17-19	Waltham (Met. State)	1	L. Taylor + v. o.	
"Brewster's" Warbler				
23	W. Newbury	1	R. Stymeist#	
Tennessee Warbler				
8-29	Mt. A.	19 max 5/20	v. o.	
9, 17-19	Topsfield	1, 1 or 2	J. Brown	
11, 17	Dover, Hyannis	1, 1	E. Nielsen, P. Trimble	
17, 31	P.I.	35, 2	W. + B. Drummond, E. Nielsen	
17, 18	Cambridge, Ipswich	5, 6	J. Barton, D. F. Oliver	
18, 31	Nantucket	1 b, 1 b	E. Andrews	
18, 24	Middleboro, P'town	2, 5	K. Holmes, B. Nikula	
Orange-crowned Warbler				
2	Waltham	1	L. Taylor	
4, 9	Mt. A.	1, 1	J. Barton, R. Stymeist#	
9, 19	Lynn, Worcester	1, 1	J. Quigley, M. Lynch#	
Nashville Warbler				
3-22	Mt. A.	14 max 5/9	v. o.	
7, 9-11	Topsfield (High St.)	1, 1 or 2	J. Brown	
8-14, 9	Dover, Waltham	1+, 3	E. Nielsen, L. Taylor	
17	P.I.	10	W. + B. Drummond	
25, 31	P.I.	1, 1	D. Chickering, D. F. Oliver	
18	Middleboro, Nantucket	1, 1b	K. Holmes, E. Andrews	
Northern Parula				
3-29	Mt. A.	15+ max 5/17	v. o.	
5-19	Dover (Noanet WR)	8 max 5/11	E. Nielsen	
7-18	Topsfield	1-4	J. Brown	
7-27	P'town	8 max 5/19	B. Nikula	
7-29	Nantucket	4 max 5/18	E. Andrews	
12	MNWS	35	R. Heil	
8	Leicester, Falmouth	2, 6	M. Lynch#, P. Trimble	
17, 23	P.I.	18, 4	W. + B. Drummond, K. Griffis#	
31	P.I.	4	E. Nielsen	
17, 18	Cambridge, Ipswich	4, 10	J. Barton, D. F. Oliver	
Yellow Warbler				
2; 3, 17	Millis; Belmont	1; 1, 8	M. Kasprzyk#; L. Taylor	
4-31	Cambridge (F.P.)	32 max 5/29	J. Barton	
6-31	Mt. A.	5 max 5/25	v. o.	
7	Spencer	7	M. Lynch#	
8	Falmouth, Brookfield	24, 4	P. Trimble, M. Lynch#	
9-31	P.I.	60 max 5/17	W. + B. Drummond + v. o.	
9, 10	GMNWR, ONWR	50, 20	BBC (W. Gette), BBC (M. Lynch)	
10	Gloucester, Bolton	60, 15	BBC (J. Nove), BBC (M. Lynch)	
Chestnut-sided Warbler				
7-25	Mt. A.	10+ max 5/17	v. o.	
7-31	Topsfield	1-4	J. Brown	
7, 8	Spencer, Leicester	2, 2	M. Lynch, S. Carroll	
8, 17	Waltham (Met. State)	1, 2	L. Taylor	
17, 31	P.I.	55, 8	W. + B. Drummond, E. Nielsen	
30	ONWR	14	T. Aversa	
Magnolia Warbler				
7-31	Mt. A.	25+ max 5/27	v. o.	
8-31	Nantucket	good flight 5 b on 5/29	E. Andrews	
10-29	P'town	15 max 5/24	B. Nikula	
11-29	Topsfield	1-4	J. Brown	
11, 12	Dover, MNWS	3, 21	E. Nielsen, R. Heil	
14, 17	Waltham, Cambridge	1, 3	L. Taylor, J. Barton	
17, 22	P.I.	45, 25+	W. + B. Drummond, M. Lynch#	
31	P.I.	26	E. Nielsen	
Cape May Warbler				
8-19	Mt. A.	8 max 5/10	v. o.	
8, 13	Topsfield (High St.)	1, 1	J. Brown	
10, 11	P'town (Beech Forest)	1, 4	B. Nikula	
17, 26, 29	Cambridge (F.P.)	2, 1, 4	J. Barton	

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Cape May Warbler (continued)				
17, 18	P.I., N. Middleboro	12, 1	W. + B. Drummond, K. Holmes	
18	Ipswich (Candlewood Rd)	1	D. F. Oliver	
Black-throated Blue Warbler				
7-26	Mt. A.	10+ max 5/17	v. o.	
7-17	Topsfield (High St.)	1-2	J. Brown	
8, 11; 10	Dover; Gloucester	1, 3; 5	E. Nielsen; BBC (J. Nove)	
16, 17	Petersham, P.I.	6, 20	M. Lynch#, W. + B. Drummond	
Yellow-rumped Warbler				
1-23	Mt. A.	70+ max 5/9	v. o.	
1-19	Dover (Noanet WR)	36 max 5/8	E. Nielsen	
2, 8, 9, 19	P'town (Beech Forest)	80+, 100, 200, 25	B. Nikula	
2, 11, 23	Quabbin (G40)	22, 18, 10	M. Lynch#	
2	Millis, Ipswich	10+, 10	D. Munafog#, J. Berry	
6-18	Cambridge (F.P.)	39 max 5/8	J. Barton	
9	W. Newbury	35	BBC (D. + D. Oliver)	
9	GMNWR	100	BBC (W. Gette)	
17, 23	P.I., Lakeville	35, 1 or 2 m	W. + B. Drummond, W. Petersen#	
Black-throated Green Warbler				
2, 2-29	Petersham, Mt. A.	3, 10+ max 5/17	E. Nielsen, v. o.	
2, 11, 23	Quabbin (G40)	2, 6, 6	M. Lynch#	
7-24	Topsfield	1-2	J. Brown	
8-19	Dover	9 max 5/11	E. Nielsen	
10, 17	Gloucester, P.I.	11, 42	BBC (J. Nove), W. + B. Drummond	
18, 24	Ipswich, P'town	12, 12	D. F. Oliver, B. Nikula	
31	Annisquam, P.I.	1, 3	H. Wiggins, E. Nielsen	
Blackburnian Warbler				
2, 11, 23	Quabbin (G40)	2, 4, 5	M. Lynch#	
7-19	Topsfield	1-3	J. Brown	
8, 11, 19	Dover	1, 5, 9	E. Nielsen	
9-31, 10	Mt. A., Gloucester	8 max 5/10, 3	v. o., BBC (J. Nove)	
10-29, 17	Nantucket, P.I.	1-4, 50	S. Perkins#, W. + B. Drummond	
18, 24	Ipswich, P'town	4, 10	D. F. Oliver, B. Nikula	
26, 31	Cambridge (F.P.), P.I.	3, 2	J. Barton, E. Nielsen	
Yellow-throated Warbler				
10	Mt. A.	1	R. Donovan, G. Flaherty	
Pine Warbler				
thr	P'town (Beech Forest)	6 max 5/21	B. Nikula	
thr	Concord	2 m	J. Carter	
2, 3	Quabbin (G40), Mt. A.	16, 1	E. Nielsen, R. Stymeist#	
5-19, 11	Dover, Boxford (C.P.)	5 max 5/11, 1	E. Nielsen, J. Brown	
16, 19	Lynnfield, Plymouth	1, 2	R. Stymeist#, D. F. Oliver	
Prairie Warbler				
3, 7	Saugus, N. Middleboro	3, 1	C. Jackson#, K. Holmes	
7-29, 10	P'town, Harvard	1+, 3	B. Nikula, M. Lynch#	
10, 13, 19-20	Mt. A.	2, 1, 1	v. o.	
14-16, 17	Dover, Cambridge (F.P.)	1, 2	E. Nielsen, J. Barton	
17, 19	P.I., Plymouth (M. Standish)	2, 6	W. + B. Drummond, D. F. Oliver	
20, 23	Middleboro, Milton	3, 10	K. Holmes, BBC (G. d'Entremont)	
25	Petersham	6	M. Lynch#	
Palm Warbler				
1-9	Mt. A.	25+ max 5/9	M. Lynch + v. o.	
2; 2, 8	Cambridge; Waltham	3; 3, 5	L. Taylor	
2	W. Newbury	4	BBC (G. d'Entremont)	
3	Saugus	2	BBC (C. Jackson)	
4, 8; 5	Topsfield; Dover	1; 3	J. Brown; E. Nielsen	
7, 8	Cambridge (F.P.)	3, 5	J. Barton	
7, 10	P'town	4, 1	B. Nikula	
11, 24	Quabbin (G40), WBWS	1, 1	M. Lynch#, J. Aylward#	
Bay-breasted Warbler				
8; 8, 17	Brookfield; Ipswich	1; 1, 1 or 2	M. Lynch#, J. Berry	
10-31	Mt. A.	10+ max 5/17	v. o.	
11, 14	Dover	1, 2	E. Nielsen	
11, 18	Topsfield	1, 1	J. Brown	
12; 17, 18	Lakeville; Cambridge (F.P.)	1; 3, 4	K. Holmes; J. Barton	

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Bay-breasted Warbler (continued)				
17, 31	P.I.	36, 4	W. + B. Drummond, E. Nielsen	
18	Uxbridge, Ipswich	2, 8	M. Lynch#, D. F. Oliver	
19, 24	Waltham, P'town	5, 4	L. Taylor, B. Nikula	
Blackpoll Warbler				
10-31	Mt. A.	15 max 5/25	v. o.	
10-31	Nantucket	5 max 5/29	E. Andrews	
10-29	P'town	20 max 5/24	B. Nikula	
11-12	Worcester	1	M. Lynch	
13, 14-28	Dover, Topsfield	1, 1-3	E. Nielsen, J. Brown	
17, 18	P.I., Ipswich	20, 6	W. + B. Drummond, D. F. Oliver	
18, 26, 29	Cambridge (F.P.)	5, 5, 4	J. Barton	
18	Uxbridge	15+	M. Lynch#	
30, 31	Annisquam, P.I.	7, 2	H. Wiggin, E. Nielsen	
Cerulean Warbler				
11, 12	WBWS, Mt. A.	1, 1 f	D. Reynolds, M. + P. Lawrence#	
13, 19	P.I., Boxford	1, 1	J. Grugan, W. Drummond	
28, 29	Petersham, Nantucket	1, 1	J. Baird#, E. Andrews	
Black-and-white Warbler				
2	Petersham, Millis	3, 2	E. Nielsen, M. Kasprzyk#	
2-25	Mt. A.	30 max 5/9	v. o.	
2, 11	Waltham	3, 4	L. Taylor	
3, 3-31	Middleboro, Topsfield	1, 1-6	K. Holmes, J. Brown	
7-31	P'town	6 max 5/10	B. Nikula	
7-18	Cambridge (F.P.)	7 max 5/12	J. Barton	
7, 8-19	Newbury, Dover	5, 10 max 5/8	J. Berry, E. Nielsen	
9, 10	W. Newbury, Gloucester	12, 15	BBC (D. + D. Oliver), BBC (J. Nove)	
17	P.I.	26	W. + B. Drummond	
25	ONWR	10	BBC (D. + D. Oliver)	
American Redstart				
7	N. Middleboro	1	K. Holmes	
7, 19-31	P'town	1, 15 max 5/24	B. Nikula	
9-31	Mt. A.	25+ max 5/17	v. o.	
10-31	Topsfield	1-12	J. Brown	
10, 19	Waltham	1, 9	L. Taylor	
11, 23	Quabbin (G40)	16, 23	M. Lynch#	
11, 12; 12	Dover; MNWS	11, 3; 26	E. Nielsen; R. Heil	
13	Acoaxet	15	D. F. Oliver	
17-19	Cambridge (F.P.)	17 max 5/17	J. Barton	
17, 18	P.I., Ipswich	70, 15	W. + B. Drummond, D. F. Oliver	
23	P'town, Scituate	8, 30+	P. Trimble, W. Petersen#	
30, 31	Annisquam, P.I.	9, 30	H. Wiggin, E. Nielsen	
Prothonotary Warbler				
8, 9	Nantucket, MNWS	1, 1	E. + C. Andrews, R. Heil	
10, 18	WBWS, Uxbridge	1, 1	fide D. Reynolds, M. Lynch#	
23-24	Canton (F.M.)	1	T. Prince + v. o.	
Worm-eating Warbler				
9, 10, 17	Mt. A.	1, 1, 1	M. Lynch# + v. o.	
10, 11-31	Cambridge, Dover	1, 1+	S. + S. Denison, E. Nielsen	
13, 18	Acoaxet, WBWS	1, 1	D. F. Oliver, fide D. Reynolds	
18	Bridgewater, Uxbridge	2, 1	K. Holmes, M. Lynch#	
19	Boxford	1	W. Drummond	
Ovenbird				
3, 5-31	Middleboro, Dover	2, 20 max 5/12	K. Holmes, E. Nielsen	
6-26	Mt. A.	20+ max 5/17	v. o.	
6-18	Cambridge (F.P.)	1+	J. Barton	
7, 8	Spencer, Waltham	1, 1	M. Lynch#, L. Taylor	
8, 10	Hanson, Gloucester	2, 4	W. Petersen#, BBC (J. Nove)	
11, 23	Quabbin (G40)	9, 14	M. Lynch#	
17	P.I.	2	W. + B. Drummond	
18	Uxbridge, Ipswich	20+, 2	M. Lynch#, D. F. Oliver	
24	P'town	3	B. Nikula	
Northern Waterthrush				
2, 4-18	Petersham, Camb. (F. P.)	3, 1	M. Lynch#, J. Barton	
7-26	Mt. A.	3 max 5/13	v. o.	

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Northern Waterthrush (continued)				
8, 11	Middleboro	1, 2	K. Holmes	
11	Lynnfield	1	D. F. Oliver	
12, 13, 19	Dover	2, 2, 1	E. Nielsen	
17, 20-26	P.I., Nantucket	22, 3 b	W. + B. Drummond, E. Andrews	
Louisiana Waterthrush				
thr	Boxford, Dover	5+, 1 or 2	v. o., E. Nielsen	
thr	Petersham, Milton	4+, 1 or 2+	M. Lynch#, R. Campbell#	
thr	Lancaster, Westminster	1+, 2+	S. Bolton, C. Quinlan	
Kentucky Warbler				
8	Eastham	1	fide D. Reynolds	
9	Newburyport	1 f	W. + B. Drummond	
12, 30	MNWS, P.I.	1, 1	R. Heil#, M. Lynch#	
30	Waltham, Westminster	1, 1	L. Taylor, C. Quinlan#	
Mourning Warbler				
19, 23	Belmont, Quabbin (G40)	1, 2	L. Taylor, M. Lynch#	
23, 26	MNWS	1, 1	R. Stymeist#, R. Forster	
25-29	Mt. A.	1 or 2 daily	v. o.	
28	Cambridge	1	H. Pratt#	
30	P.I., S. Monomoy	2, 1	M. Lynch#, R. Humphrey#	
31	Ipswich, P.I.	2, 4	J. Berry, E. Nielsen	
31	Topsfield	1	J. Brown	
Common Yellowthroat				
7, 9	Spencer, W. Newbury	2, 6	M. Lynch#, BBC (D. + D. Oliver)	
10, 17	Waltham	2, 11	L. Taylor	
10-31	Mt. A.	6 max 5/19	v. o.	
11, 15, 23	Quabbin (G43)	8, 11, 33	M. Lynch, S. Carroll	
13, 17	Acoaxet, P.I.	15, 35	D. F. Oliver, W. + B. Drummond	
18, 19	Ipswich, Dover	8, 5	D. F. Oliver, E. Nielsen	
25, 27	ONWR, P.I.	15, 35	BBC (D. + D. Oliver), D. F. Oliver	
29, 31	Cambridge (F.P.), P.I.	6, 25	J. Barton, E. Nielsen	
Hooded Warbler				
2, 8	Quab. (G40), Nant.	1, 1	M. Lynch#, E. Andrews	
9	WBWS, P'town	1, 1	P. Trull, P. Trimble	
16, 17	P'town, WBWS	1, 1	S. Dinsmore, fide D. Reynolds	
18	MNWS	1	D. F. Oliver	
Wilson's Warbler				
9, 10	Waltham, Lancaster	1, 1	L. Taylor, M. Lynch#	
10, 16-31	Mt. A.	3, 6 max 5/26	v. o.	
14-29, 19	Camb. (F.P.), Dover	5 max 5/17, 1	J. Barton, E. Nielsen	
17	P.I.	38	W. + B. Drummond	
19, 21, 24	P'town	1, 4, 8	B. Nikula	
Canada Warbler				
11, 14-29	Dover, Camb. (F.P.)	1, 7 max 5/26	E. Nielsen, J. Barton	
16	Petersham, Newbypt	2, 16	M. Lynch#, S. Dinsmore	
16-30	Mt. A.	13 max 5/26	v. o.	
17	P.I.	35	W. + B. Drummond	
18, 23	Ipswich, Milton	2, 2	D. F. Oliver, BBC (G. d'Entremont)	
24	P'town, Marshfield	6, 6	B. Nikula, D. Clapp	
25, 29	Nantucket	2 b, 3 b	E. Andrews	
31	P.I.	20	E. Nielsen	
Yellow-breasted Chat				
16, 25	W. Newbury, P.I.	1, 1	BBC (W. Drummond), J. Gordon#	

TANAGERS THROUGH GROSBEAKS

A total of 8 Summer Tanagers was reported during the month, four reports from Nantucket and two each from Mt. Auburn and Provincetown. This count is a little less than in recent years during May. Only 3 Blue Grosbeaks were noted, the same as last May. The absence of a good southwesterly flow, especially early in the month, is probably the main reason for these lower numbers. A female Painted Bunting on Nantucket was carefully described, though it was seen for only one day. A singing Dickcissel, very unusual for spring, was observed at Morris Island in Chatham.

The White-crowned Sparrow flight was not as remarkable as last May. A total of about 25 individuals was tallied, compared with about 78 birds in May 1986. The only unusual sparrow reports were of Lark Sparrows at Provincetown and Newburyport.

May 17 was Bobolink Day in eastern Massachusetts and nowhere was that more evident than at Plum Island where Steve Dinsmore estimated over 2000 individuals in about three hours. A late Rusty Blackbird was noted in Waltham on May 8. Orchard Orioles were reported from fifteen locations, though in fewer numbers than last May -- 33 this year, 46 last year. Pine Siskins were reported in good numbers, and observers noted several juvenile birds both in the field and at feeders. R.H.S.

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Summer Tanager				
8, 18	Nantucket	1 imm (dead), 1 f	P. Gardner, E. Andrews	
22	Mt. A.	1	C. Floyd	
16, 23	P'town	1, 1	P. Trimble	
29	Nant. (2 locales)	1 imm m b, 1 m	E. Andrews, J. Perkins	
Scarlet Tanager				
1, 8	Middleboro, Brookfield	1, 1	D. Briggs, M. Lynch#	
8-31	Dover	9 max 5/14	E. Nielsen	
9-28	Mt. A.	12 max 5/17	v. o.	
9, 10	Waltham, Gloucester	1, 2	L. Taylor, BBC (J. Nove)	
11, 14	Middleboro, Sharon	1, 4	K. Holmes, D. Clapp	
15, 18	Quabbin (G40), Uxbridge	8, 5+	M. Lynch, S. Carroll	
19, 19-31	Boxford, Nantucket	8, 4	W. Drummond, E. Andrews	
Northern Cardinal				
thr	Mt. A.	6 br pr	R. Stymeist#	
Rose-breasted Grosbeak				
3-26	Nantucket	13 max 5/20	E. Andrews	
7, 10	Waltham	1, 7	L. Taylor	
7	Spencer	1	M. Lynch#	
9-31	Mt. A.	12 max 5/10	v. o.	
10, 11	Gloucester, Dover	3, 7	BBC (J. Nove)	
19, 24	Boxford, P'town	11, 5	W. Drummond, B. Nikula	
Blue Grosbeak				
1-3	P.I. (from April)	1 m	v. o.	
3-7, 10	Nantucket, Mt. A.	1 imm m, 1	E. + C. Andrews#, M. Kasprzyk	
Indigo Bunting				
thr	Nantucket (Ice Pd)	1+	E. + C. Andrews	
1, 3	Middleboro, Wayland	1, 1	D. Briggs, T. Hart	
12-15, 17	Wakefield, Mt. A.	1, 1	E. Kohler, M. Lynch#	
20, 31	Bridgewater, Topsfield	2, 1	K. Holmes, J. Brown	
Painted Bunting				
12	Nantucket (Brant Pt)	1 f	E. Cordoza, fide E. Andrews	
Dickcissel				
10	Chatham (Morris I)	1 m singing	W. Harrington	
Rufous-sided Towhee				
thr	Dover (Noanet WR)	12 max 5/12	E. Nielsen	
2, 15, 23	Quabbin (G40)	6, 7, 5	M. Lynch#	
2, 9	Millis, P.I.	4+, 25	B. Cassie#, BBC (D. + D. Oliver)	
15, 23	Mt. A., Milton	10, 15	M. Lynch#, BBC (G. d'Entremont)	
Chipping Sparrow				
thr	Dover (Noanet WR)	14 max 5/12	E. Nielsen	
thr	Mt. A.	12+ br pr	R. Stymeist#	
11, 15, 23	Quabbin (G40)	17, 25+, 17	M. Lynch#	
19	Plymouth (M. Standish)	12	D. F. Oliver	
Field Sparrow				
2, 25	W. Newbury, Petersham	6, 5	BBC (G. d'Entremont), M. Lynch#	
Vesper Sparrow				
2, 7, 9	Truro (High Head)	2+	B. Nikula + v. o.	
23	Plymouth, S. Wellfleet	3+, 2	W. Petersen#, J. Aylward#	
24	Gardner (airport)	3+	M. Lynch#	
Lark Sparrow				
3, 24	P'town, Newburyport	1, 1	T. + H. Vose, S. Moore	
Savannah Sparrow				
8, 16	Cambridge (F. P.), Ipswich	5, 15+	J. Barton, J. Berry	

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Savannah Sparrow (continued)				
20, 30	Newburyport, P.I.	10, 10	D. F. Oliver, M. Lynch#	
Sharp-tailed Sparrow				
13, 19, 26	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	4, 16, 18	LCES (J. Lyons)	
14, 23	N. Monomoy, DWWS	10, 1	S. Dinsmore, D.Clapp	
20, 30	Newbypt (Plumbush), P.I.	4, 20	D. F. Oliver, M. Lynch#	
Seaside Sparrow				
8, 18, 26	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	1, 2, 3	LCES (J. Lyons)	
23, 30	P.I.	2, 1	R. Stymeist#, M. Lynch#	
Grasshopper Sparrow				
31	Westfield	3	M. Lynch#	
Song Sparrow				
thr	Cambridge (F.P.)	10 max 5/29	J. Barton	
8	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	9	LCES (J. Lyons)	
10	Bolton-Harvard	30	BBC (M. Lynch)	
10	Gloucester	40	BBC (J. Nove)	
24	Bolton Flats	27	M. Lynch#	
Lincoln's Sparrow				
9, 10, 18, 19	Mt. A.	1, 2, 1, 2	v. o.	
11, 17	Lancaster, Waltham	1, 1	E. Salmela, L. Taylor	
17	Cambridge (F.P.)	1	J. Barton	
18-26	P.I.	1+	E. Nielsen + v. o.	
19-20, 25	Topsfield, MNWS	1, 1	J. Brown, R. Forster	
25, 26	Nahant	1, 1	R. Forster	
Swamp Sparrow				
4, 9	Ipswich, P.I.	8, 4	J. Berry, BBC (D. + D. Oliver)	
10, 11	Lancaster, Waltham	6, 10	M. Lynch#, L. Taylor	
White-throated Sparrow				
1-25	Mt. A.	150+ max 5/6-7	v. o.	
3	Saugus	25	BBC (C. Jackson)	
11, 15, 23	Quabbin (G40)	22, 3, 3	M. Lynch#	
26	Cambridge, Nahant	1, 2	F. Bouchard, R. Forster	
White-crowned Sparrow				
4-11, 8	Nantucket, Hopkinton	1, 1	E. + C. Andrews, J. Gordon	
9	Belmont, Quabbin	1, 3	L. Taylor, T. Aversa	
10	Gloucester, Rockport	3, 2	BBC (J. Nove), M. Chelemer	
11, 12-17	Stoneham, Mt. A.	4, 2+	M. Martinek, v. o.	
14, 16	Millis, DFWS	1, 1	M. Kasprzyk, R. Forster	
18	P'town, Essex	2, 3	S. Dinsmore, D. F. Oliver	
19-21	Topsfield	1	J. Brown	
19	P.I.	1	A. Williams#	
Dark-eyed Junco				
1-3	Mt. A.	11 max 5/3	v. o.	
2, 7	P'town	2, 1	B. Nikula	
6	Ipswich	1	J. Berry	
Bobolink				
7	Spencer, Leicester	6, 7	M. Lynch, S. Carroll	
7-18	Cambridge (F.P.)	20 max 5/17	J. Barton	
7	Millis	4+	B. Cassie#	
9	W. Newbury	3	BBC (D. + D. Oliver)	
10	Hanson	1	W. Petersen	
16	Hardwick, Ipswich	25, 50+	M. Lynch#, J. Berry	
17	P.I.	2000+ migrating	in 3 hrs S. Dinsmore	
17	Marshfield	100+	BBC (R. Timberlake)	
Red-winged Blackbird				
thr	Mt. A.	6-10 daily	v. o.	
thr	Dover (Noanet WR)	3-4 daily	E. Nielsen	
22	P.I.	50+	M. Lynch#	
Eastern Meadowlark				
9	W. Newbury	10	BBC (D. + D. Oliver)	
Rusty Blackbird				
8	Waltham	1	L. Taylor	
Common Grackle				
thr	Dover, Mt. A.	10 max, 24 max	E. Nielsen, v. o.	

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Brown-headed thr	Dover, Mt. A.	5 max, 10-16 daily	E. Nielsen, v. o.	
Orchard Oriole				
3, 9, 10, 19	Mt. A.	1, 4, 5, 2	M. Kasprzyk + v. o.	
5-30	Nantucket	5+	E. Andrews + v. o.	
9, 10	N. Middleboro, DWWS	1, 2	K. Holmes, D. Ludlow	
10, 11	MNWS, Newbury	1, 1	M. Chelemer, D. F. Oliver	
11-19	Harwichport	1	B. Nikula	
16-19	Lynnfield	1	B. Cassie + v. o.	
19, 22	Boxford, W. Barnstable	1, 1	W. Drummond, B. Nikula	
23, 25-31	Lakeville, Rowley	1, 3+	W. Petersen#, J. Brown + v. o.	
25	Millis	1	M. Kasprzyk	
29, 31	Halifax, Hanson	1, 1	W. Petersen	
Northern Oriole				
1, 1-31	Middleboro, Nant.	5 or 6, 13 max 5/10	D. Briggs, E. + C. Andrews	
4, 8-31	Wayland, Camb. (F. P.)	1, 8 max 5/14	H. Parker, J. Barton	
8, 9-31	Brookfield, Mt. A.	1, 8 max 5/16	M. Lynch#, v. o.	
9; 9, 17	Ipswich; Waltham	3 m; 1, 11	J. Berry; L. Taylor	
10, 10-31	Gloucester, P'town	3, 10 max 5/24	BBC (J. Nove), B. Nikula	
11-31	Dover (Noanet WR)	14 max 5/12	E. Nielsen	
11, 23	Quabbin (G40)	9, 12	M. Lynch#	
Purple Finch				
1, 2	N. Middleboro, P.I.	1, 5	K. Holmes, BBC (G. d'Entremont)	
2	Quabbin (G40)	12	M. Lynch#	
2-24	P'town	15 max 5/9-10	B. Nikula	
3, 9	Ipswich	1 m, 2 f	J. Berry	
3-13	Nantucket	9 max 5/12	E. Andrews	
7-14, 23	Mt. A.	15 max 5/10, 1	v. o.	
11, 31	Waltham, P.I.	11, 12	L. Taylor, E. Nielsen	
House Finch				
thr	Mt. A.	5 pr n	v. o.	
thr	Annisquam	2+ pr n	H. Wiggin	
Red Crossbill				
1, 2	DFWS, Quabbin (G40)	4, 13	R. Forster, E. Nielsen	
9	Quabbin, Mt. A.	2, 15	T. Aversa, D. Arvidson#	
15, 23	Westwood, Quabbin (G40)	3, 13	E. Nielsen, M. Lynch#	
Pine Siskin				
thr	Arlington	11 max 5/20 including yg	L. Taylor	
1-26	Nantucket	6 max 5/18	E. Andrews	
1-6	Millis	2 ad + 2 yg	R. Forster	
1-30	Middleboro	2 or 3	D. Briggs	
1-16	Dover (Noanet WR)	1 or 2	E. Nielsen#	
8-11, 9	P'town, Mt. A.	3 or 4, 6	B. Nikula, R. Stymeist#	
25, 30	Petersham, Millis	1, 1	M. Lynch#, R. Forster	
Other reports of 1-5 birds from many localities.				
Evening Grosbeak				
1-23	Middleboro	12+	D. Briggs	
2	Quabbin (G40)	4	E. Nielsen	
3, 4, 7	Ipswich	11+, 10+, 2	J. Berry	
10, 11	P'town, Dover	1 or 2, 4	B. Nikula, E. Nielsen	

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

ad	adult	F.P.	Fresh Pond, Cambridge
b	banded	G40	Gate 40, Quabbin
br	breeding	H.P.	Halibut Point, Rockport
dk	dark (phase)	I.	Island
f	female	M.V.	Martha's Vineyard
imm	immature	Mt.A.	Mount Auburn Cemetery, Cambridge
ind	individuals	Nant.	Nantucket
juv	juvenile	Newbypt	Newburyport
loc	location	Noanet WR	Noanet Woodland Reservation
lt	light (phase)	P.I.	Plum Island
m	male	Pd	Pond
max	maximum	P'town	Provincetown
migr	migrating	Quab.	Quabbin
n	nesting	Res.	Reservation
ph	photographed	R.P.	Race Point, Provincetown
pl	plumage	S. Dart.	South Dartmouth
pr	pair	S.N.	Sandy Neck, Barnstable
S	summer (1S = first summer)	Stellw.	Stellwagen (Bank)
thr	throughout	BBC	Brookline Bird Club
v.o.	various observers	BOEM	Bird Observer of Eastern Massachusetts
W	winter (2W = second winter)	CBC	Christmas Bird Count
w/	with	CCBC	Cape Cod Bird Club
yg	young	DFWS	Drumlin Farm Wildlife Sanctuary
#	additional observers	DWWS	Daniel Webster Wildlife Sanctuary
A.A.	Arnold Arboretum	EMHW	Eastern Massachusetts Hawk Watch
A.P.	Andrews Point, Rockport	FCBC	Felix Cutler Bird Club
B.I.	Belle Isle, E. Boston	GMNWR	Great Meadows National Wildlife Refuge
B.R.	Bass Rocks, Gloucester	IRWS	Ipswich River Wildlife Sanctuary
Buzz.	Buzzards Bay	LCES	Lloyd Center for Environmental Studies
C.	cape as in Cape Cod	MAS	Massachusetts Audubon Society
Cambr.	Cambridge	MBO	Manomet Bird Observatory
Corp. B.	Corporation Beach, Dennis	MNWS	Marblehead Neck Wildlife Sanctuary
C.P.	Crooked Pond, Boxford	NEHW	New England Hawk Watch
E.P.	Eastern Point, Gloucester	ONWR	Oxbow National Wildlife Refuge
F.E.	First Encounter Beach, Eastham	PRNWR	Parker River National Wildlife Refuge
F.H.	Fort Hill, Eastham	SRV	Sudbury River Valley
F.M.	Fowl Meadow	SSBC	South Shore Bird Club
		WBWS	Wellfleet Bay Wildlife Sanctuary