



FIELD RECORDS

MAY 1989

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The month of May was mostly normal weatherwise. The temperature averaged 59.4 degrees, less than one degree above normal, and the rainfall at 3.54 inches was just 0.02 inch more than average. The highest temperature recorded in Boston was 82 degrees on May 22, and the lowest was 44 degrees on May 9. Measurable rain fell on eleven days with a trace on five days, leaving fifteen days with none, two more than average. Southwest winds occurred on May 4, 7, 8, 14, 29, and 30, and southerly winds occurred on eight additional days, leaving only one period, May 16-24, without a southerly flow.

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LOONS THROUGH GALLIFORMES

On May 20 a Red-necked Grebe in breeding plumage was noted at Revere Beach, where a Red-throated Loon was also seen. On Milk Island off Rockport, 989 Double-crested Cormorant nests were counted along with 878 Herring Gull nests and 1187 Great Black-backed Gull nests. Least Bitterns were noted at two locations, and Tricolored Herons were reported from six locations. A Snowy Egret with distinct orange lores and feet was seen at Martha's Vineyard on May 30.

Individual Snow Geese were seen at Plum Island and at South Monomoy, and a Eurasian Wigeon was reported from West Harwich. Common Eiders were noted at four locations and included a pair nesting on Bird Island in Buzzards Bay. The nesting of eiders in Buzzards Bay is presumed to be the result of their having been introduced on Penikese Island some time ago. Surf Scoters were seen at Heards Pond in Wayland, the first in the Sudbury River Valley for the observer. At North Monomoy the number of Red-breasted Mergansers decreased from 1100 to 75 as the month progressed.

Turkey Vultures were noted at many locations throughout the month. An American Swallow-tailed Kite was reported from Truro on May 9. Immature Bald Eagles were noted at eight locations throughout the month. Cooper's Hawks were found nesting in Middleboro. A late Rough-legged Hawk was noted in Lincoln on May 14. Many of the hawk reports are from the Eastern Massachusetts Hawk Watch and include 174 kestrels migrating at Plum Island on May 3.

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DATE	LOCATION	NUMBER	OBSERVERS	MAY 1989
Red-throated Loon 18; 20	P.I.; Newburyport, Revere	1 or 2; 1, 1	A. Williams; R. Stymeist#	
28	N. Monomoy	2	D. F. Oliver#	
Common Loon 13, 14	P'town, Gloucester	20, 4	B. Nikula, BBC (J. Nove)	
17, 19	P.I., S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	7, 36	T. Aversa, LCES (J. Hill)	
20, 21	Revere, Lakeville	3, 4	R. Stymeist#, K. Holmes	
Pied-billed Grebe 4, 27	Milton, Lynnfield	1, 2	P. O'Neill, R. Stymeist#	
Red-necked Grebe 20-31	Revere	1 br pl	R. Stymeist# + v. o.	
Sooty Shearwater 19	Nomans Land	1	G. Martin	
Wilson's Storm-Petrel 19, 21	Nomans Land, Stellwagen	15, 4	G. Martin, K. Holmes	
Northern Gannet 2	Wareham, Scituate	250, 22	B. Blodget, S. Hecker	
13, 21	P'town, Stellwagen Bank	75, 3	B. Nikula, K. Holmes	
Great Cormorant 15-31	Marion	2 imm	I. Nisbet	
7, 20	N. Scituate, Quincy	4 imm, 3 imm	G. d'Entremont#	
20, 29	Lakeville, Plymouth	2, 6 imm	W. Petersen, E. Nielsen#	
Double-crested Cormorant thr	Newburyport	20-100	v. o.	
7, 14	Lawrence	215, 310	V. Yurkunas	
6, 18	Manchester, Rockport	42, 989 nests	BBC (G. Hotz), B. Blodget	

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American Bittern 3, 4 14, 17 17, 19; 20	Holliston, P.I. Bolton, Sudbury P.I.; IRWS	1, 4 3, 3 1, 1; 1	T. Aversa, W. Drew# M. Lynch#, R. Forster D. F. Oliver; J. Brown	
Least Bittern 19, 28	S. Hanson, E. Boston	1, 1	W. Petersen, T. Aversa	
Great Blue Heron 4, 27	P.I., Westboro	3, 22	W. Drew#, E. Taylor	
Great Egret thr 8, 13 14, 29	S. Dart. (Allens Pd) Hingham, W. Harwich Essex, M. V.	5 max 5/19 1, 2 5, 5	LCES (J. Hill) P. Thayer, B. Nikula J. Berry, BBC (D. Davis)	
Snowy Egret 6 8, 14 14; 27, 30	Essex, Quincy Hingham, Essex Newburyport; M. V.	3, 3 19, 20 8; 19, 1	BBC (G. Hotz), E. Taylor P. Thayer, J. Berry K. Griffis#; BBC (D. Davis), J. Berry	
Little Blue Heron 14, 19	Essex, Duxbury	2 or 3, 1	J. Berry, W. Petersen	
Tricolored Heron 7, 9 10, 13 20, 21; 29	N. Scituate, N. Monomoy Tisbury, E. Boston P.I.; S. Monomoy	1, 2 1, 1 1, 1; 1	P. O'Neill, B. Nikula B. Labrie#, R. Stymeist# R. Heil, A. Williams; R. Donovan	
Cattle Egret 4, 9, 14	Ipswich	7, 5, 2	J. Berry	
Green-backed Heron 4, 6 7, 15; 23, 26	MNWS, Essex Mt. A., P.I.; P.I., Boston	1, 1 1, 4; 4, 2	W. Drew#, BBC (G. Hotz) M. Lynch#, T. Aversa	
Black-crowned Night-Heron 13, 14	Mt. A., Gloucester	5, 3	M. Lynch#, BBC (J. Nove)	
Glossy Ibis 6, 14 17, 28	Essex Ipswich, E. Boston	20, 31 45, 3	BBC (G. Hotz), J. Berry W. Petersen, T. Aversa	
Mute Swan thr thr 27, 28	S. Dart. (Allens Pd) P.I. M. V., Plymouth	41 max 5/23 12 max 5/7 13, 9	LCES (J. Hill) D. Chickering + v. o. BBC (D. Davis), G. d'Entremont#	
Snow Goose 4-15, 20	P.I., S. Monomoy	1, 1	W. Drew# + v.o., W. Harrington + v. o.	
Brant 4-18 6-16 6, 8 19, 27	Newburyport Quincy Manchester, Boston Quabbin, Nahant	250 max 5/17 450 max 5/7 14, 75 70, 1	W. Petersen + v. o. G. d'Entremont + v. o. BBC (G. Hotz), J. Brown T. Gagnon, D. F. Oliver#	
Wood Duck 6, 7 7, 17 10, 21	Norfolk, Natick Boxford (C.P.) Worcester, Stoneham	3, 4 4, 5 3 pr, 1 f + 11 yg	E. Taylor BBC (P. Stevens), E. Taylor M. Lynch#, T. Aversa	
Green-winged Teal 4-14	P.I.	170 max 5/4	W. Drew# + v. o.	
American Black Duck 4, 15	P.I.	149, 51	W. Drew#	
Blue-winged Teal thr; 4, 15	DWWS; P.I.	1 or 2; 4, 7	G. d'Entremont#; W. Drew#	
Northern Shoveler 4, 15	P.I.	6, 2	W. Drew#	
Gadwall 4-30	P.I.	10 max	W. Drew# + v. o.	
Eurasian Wigeon 3	W. Harwich	1	B. Nikula	
Redhead 10, 14-18 19-31	Edgartown, P.I. Boston	2, 1 m 1 m	B. Labrie, G. d'Entremont + v. o. T. Aversa	
Greater Scaup 4-23; 6	P.I.; Brookfield, Newbypt	2 m; 2, 6	v. o.; M. Lynch#, D. F. Oliver#	
Common Eider 14, 15 28, 30-31	Gloucester, Marion (Bird I.) Manomet, M. V.	30, pr w/nest 5, 6	BBC (J. Nove), I. Nisbet G. d'Entremont#, J. Berry	
Harlequin Duck 1-7	N. Scituate	3 (1 m)	G. d'Entremont	
Oldsquaw 7-17	Newburyport	800-1000	v. o.	

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Black Scoter 14, 21 28	Lawrence, P.I. Manomet	36, 1 f 3 (1 f)	V. Yurkunas, A. Williams# G. d'Entremont#	
Surf Scoter 4, 14 18, 21	Hull, Wayland Plymouth, P.I.	5, 2 35, 2 f	P. Thayer, R. Forster G. d'Entremont, A. Williams#	
White-winged Scoter 4, 20 23, 27	Hull, Chatham Naushon, M. V.	49, 200 140, 29	P. Thayer, B. Nikula# G. Martin, BBC (D. Davis)	
scoter species 30	M. V.	9	J. Berry	
Bufflehead 4, 9 4, 7-21	S. Dart. (Allens Pd) Hull, Squantum	17, 4 22, 4 max 5/7	LCES (J. Hill) P. Thayer, G. d'Entremont#	
Hooded Merganser 6, 14	ONWR	3 f, 1 f	M. Lynch#	
Common Merganser 13, 14 29	W. Newbury, Lawrence Harwich (Hinkley Pd)	2, 7 1 f	H. Wiggin, V. Yurkunas R. Rozsa	
Red-breasted Merganser 9, 25, 29 4-23	N. Monomoy S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	1100, 200, 75 104 max 5/4	B. Nikula LCES (J. Hill)	
Ruddy Duck 1, 14; 17	Arlington; W. Newbury	4 m, 1 m; 2	T. Aversa, L. Taylor#; D. F. Oliver	
Turkey Vulture 3, 6 4, 29 16, 20 27; 29 7-30	Milton, Gilbertville Wachusett Mountain Quabbin (G40), Topsfield Westboro; S. Monomoy, Truro Reports of 1 or 2 birds from 13 locations.	1, 5 3, 7 7, 4 3; 3, 3	D. Morimoto, M. Lynch# E. Taylor T. Aversa, R. Stymeist# E. Taylor; P. Trull#, P. + J. Trimble	
Osprey thr 3, 4 27-31, 29 29	S. Dart. (Allens Pd) P.I. M. V., Truro Plymouth; Marion, Lakeville	10 max 5/23 5, 5 55 nests, 3 1 or 2; 1, 1	LCES (J. Hill) EMHW fide J. Berry, P. + J. Trimble G. Gove; E. Nielsen	
American Swallow-tailed Kite 9	Truro	1	M. Tuttle	
Mississippi Kite 19	Truro	1 (no details)	C. Goodrich	
Bald Eagle 7 16, 28 29 29	Middleboro; S. Wellfleet, Truro Quabbin (G40), Harwich Chatham, Truro S. Monomoy	1 imm; 1, 1 1 ad, 1 imm 1 imm, 3 imm 1 imm	K. Holmes; EMHW T. Aversa, J. Welch M. Welch, P. + J. Trimble R. Donovan#	
Northern Harrier 3, 4; 18, 21 29 7-30	P.I. Truro (Pilgrim Heights) Reports of individuals from 4 locations.	5, 7; 2, 2 3 (1 m)	EMHW; A. Williams P. + J. Trimble	
Sharp-shinned Hawk 3, 4; 3, 4 7, 7, 11	P.I.; N. Truro, Hull Truro, Essex, E. Boston	51, 153; 16, 17 20, 21, 13	EMHW; B. Nikula, P. Thayer EMHW	
Cooper's Hawk thr 3, 4; 7 3, 7 7, 20; 6	Middleboro P.I.; Provincetown N. Truro P'town; Freetown	pr at nest 1, 2; 2 1 imm, 1 imm 2 imm, 1 imm; 1	W. Petersen EMHW B. Nikula B. Nikula; K. Holmes	
Northern Goshawk 17	Boxford	3	E. Taylor	
Red-shouldered Hawk 7, 10 13-29	Boxford, S. Duxbury Reports of individuals from 9 locations.	2, 1	BBC (P. Stevens), J. Carter	
Broad-winged Hawk 9, 14 3, 7; 5 20, 29; 29	Middleboro, Newburyport Truro; Mt. Watatic P'town; Truro	1, 1 12, 20; 24 35+, 35+; 155	K. Holmes, K. Griffis# EMHW B. Nikula; P. + J. Trimble	
Red-tailed Hawk thr, 14	Boston, Bolton Flats	pr nest, 3	T. Aversa, M. Lynch#	
Rough-legged Hawk 14	Lincoln	1	J. Carter	
American Kestrel thr, 3	N. Middleboro, P.I.	pr nest, 174	K. Holmes, EMHW	

DATE	LOCATION	NUMBER	OBSERVERS	MAY 1989
Merlin 3, 4 7-27	P.I. Reports of individuals from 5 locations.	2, 2	EMHW	
Peregrine Falcon thr	Boston Reports of individuals from 8 locations.	pr + 2 yg	fide T. French	
Ring-necked Pheasant thr	Quincy, Boston	3 max, 3	G. d'Entremont, T. Aversa	
Ruffed Grouse 14, 21 19, 21	ONWR, Milton W. Newbury, Middleboro	2, 4 drumming	M. Lynch#, G. d'Entremont# H. Wiggin#, K. Holmes	
Wild Turkey thr	Boxford	1-6	v. o.	
4, 7	Plymouth, Topsfield	1, 1	R. Campbell#, BBC (P. Stevens)	
20, 24	Petersham, Groveland	1, 2	M. Lynch#, R. Stymeist#	
27	M. V.	3	BBC (D. Davis)	
Northern Bobwhite thr	Belmont	2	J. Heywood#	
1, 18	Mt. A., Waltham	1, 1	v.o., L. Taylor	
19, 27	Hull, M. V.	1, 9	P. Thayer, BBC (D. Davis)	
28	DWWS, Plymouth	3, 2	G. d'Entremont#	

RAILS THROUGH TERNS

Common Moorhens, a scarce species last year, were reported from three locations on five separate occasions, and one American Coot was noted. A Sandhill Crane was found on two days in the Rowley-West Newbury area.

A Lesser Golden-Plover was present at North Monomoy. A Wilson's Plover was seen on three days at Horseneck Beach in Westport, the first occurrence in several years for this species. Piping Plover reports were encouraging for this endangered species with up to 28 birds seen on one day at Crane Beach and a pair with four eggs reported at Plum Island. American Oystercatchers were seen on Sheep Island in Hingham Harbor and at other more usual locations. Upland Sandpipers were observed in low numbers. A Western Sandpiper, an unusual spring migrant, was reported from North Monomoy on May 30, and a Ruff (reeve) spent eleven or so days in Newburyport Harbor. A pair of American Woodcocks with four young was seen at Plum Island.

Immature Little Gulls were noted at four locations, and Common Black-headed Gulls were seen at three. Two Caspian Terns were seen, one at the beginning of the month and one at the end. At least four Arctic Terns were present in the tern colony on Plymouth Beach. Up to 200 Least Terns were noted from Crane Beach in Ipswich, and three Black Terns were seen at Bird Island.

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King Rail 9, 23; 17, 28	Wayland; E. Boston	1, 1; 1 calling	R. Forster, R. Walton#; T. Aversa	
Virginia Rail 3, 19	Wayland, Whitman	4, 8	W. Petersen#	
14, 21; 20	Bolton; W. Harwich	4, 1; 2	M. Lynch#; B. Nikula#	
21	P.I., Stoneham	2, 1	A. Williams#, T. Aversa	
Reports of individuals from 3 locations.				
Sora 3, 14	Wayland, Bolton	1, 2	W. Petersen#, M. Lynch#	
27, 29	Lynnfield, S. Monomoy	3, 2	R. Stymeist#, P. Trull	
Reports of individuals from 3 locations.				
Common Moorhen 20, 21	P.I.	1, 1	R. Heil#, D. Chickering	
10, 20; 27	Lynnfield; Milford	1, 1; 1	J. Morse, I. Giriunas#; M. Lynch#	
Purple Gallinule 9	Marshfield	1	R. Freedgen	
American Coot 5	GMNWR	1	fide W. Petersen	
Sandhill Crane 21-27	Rowley/ W. Newbury	1	W. Drummond# + B. Drummond	
Black-bellied Plover thr, 14-30	Ipswich, Newbypt	2-46, 2000 max 5/27	D. Rimmer, G. Gove + v. o.	
9-29	N. Monomoy	800 max 5/9	B. Nikula + v. o.	
Lesser Golden-Plover thr	N. Monomoy	1	B. Nikula	
Semipalmated Plover thr	N. Monomoy	20 max	B. Nikula	
14-26	Newburyport-P.I.	15 max 5/21	A. Williams# + v. o.	
16-30	Ipswich	1-38	D. Rimmer	

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Wilson's Plover 9-11	Westport	1 f	J. Hill + v.o.	
Piping Plover thr 2, 7; 10 4, 9, 19 17, 26 25, 29 29	Ipswich Scituate; Acoaxet S. Dart. (Allens Pd) P.I. M. V., N. Monomoy Plymouth	12-28 pr, 1; 3 4, 2, 3 3 (including pr + 4 eggs), 6 4, 2 1	D. Rimmer S. Hecker, P. O'Neill; R. Forster LCES (J. Hill) T. Aversa, W. Drew# D. Rimmer, BBC (J. Barton) E. Nielsen#	
Killdeer 13, 26	P.I.	7, 12	W. Drew#	
American Oystercatcher thr 3, 4-18 25; 29, 31	N. Monomoy Chatham, Hingham Bay M. V.; Edgartown	25 max 35, 1 or 2 7; 2, 2	B. Nikula W. Bailey, fide P. Thayer D. Rimmer; J. Berry	
Greater Yellowlegs 4, 9 6, 14 7-26	S. Dart. (Allens Pd) New Braintree, Bolton Flats Newburyport-P.I.	28, 43 9, 16 110 max 5/14	LCES (J. Hill) M. Lynch# K. Griffis + v. o.	
Lesser Yellowlegs 14, 26 10, 28	Newburyport, P.I. Concord, E. Boston	15, 4 3, 2	K. Griffis#, W. Drew# R. Forster, T. Aversa	
Solitary Sandpiper 6, 14 17, 23 7-21	New Braintree, Bolton Rowley, Topsfield	3, 4 1, 1	M. Lynch# W. Petersen#, T. Aversa	
Willet thr thr 6-20	N. Monomoy S. Dart. (Allens Pd) Newburyport-P.I.	40 max 5/25 14 max 5/9 8 max 5/20	B. Nikula LCES (J. Hill) W. Petersen# + v. o.	
Spotted Sandpiper 4-22, 6 4-31 14, 23 26	Marlboro, Clinton S. Dart. (Allens Pd) Gloucester, Topsfield P.I.	1, 2 6 max 5/19 5, 9 4	R. Graefe, M. Lynch# LCES (J. Hill) BBC (J. Nove), T. Aversa W. Drew#	
Upland Sandpiper 7, 14 14, 19 20, 29	Newbury, Newburyport Halifax, Otis AFB Ipswich, Hanscom AFB	2, 2 1, 6 1, 4	BBC (P. Stevens), T. Aversa W. Petersen, P. Trimble J. Brown, J. Carter	
Ruddy Turnstone 15, 28 29	Newburyport, Winthrop Plymouth, N. Monomoy	8, 55 104, 200	M. Lynch#, T. Aversa G. Gove#, BBC (J. Barton)	
Red Knot 19, 29	Plymouth, N. Monomoy	1, 50	W. Petersen#, BBC (J. Barton)	
Sanderling thr	N. Monomoy	1500 max 5/9	B. Nikula	
Semipalmented Sandpiper 7, 26 9-31	Newburyport, P.I. N. Monomoy	1, 12 200 max 5/29	G. Gove, W. Drew# BBC (J. Barton) + v. o.	
Western Sandpiper 30	N. Monomoy	1 (no details)	R. Donovan#	
Least Sandpiper thr 4-23 7-26 14	N. Monomoy S. Dart. (Allens Pd) Newburyport-P.I. Concord, Bolton	100 max 38 max 5/9 3500 max 5/17 11, 18	B. Nikula LCES (J. Hill) W. Petersen# + v. o. R. Forster, M. Lynch#	
White-rumped Sandpiper 7-26, 9-31	Newbypt, N. Monomoy	5 max 5/7, 4 max	G. Gove + v. o., B. Nikula + v. o.	
Pectoral Sandpiper 7; 13, 16	Newburyport; P.I.	6; 1, 1	G. Gove#; D. Chickering	
Purple Sandpiper 7, 20 20	N. Scituate, P.I. Nahant	30, 26 80	G. d'Entremont, D. Rimmer W. Petersen#	
Dunlin thr 4-19 15, 27	N. Monomoy S. Dart. (Allens Pd) Newburyport, M. V.	700 max 5/25 50 max 5/4 40, 6	B. Nikula + v. o. LCES (J. Hill) M. Lynch#, BBC (D. Davis)	
Ruff 6-17	Newburyport	1 f	G. Gove + v. o.	
Short-billed Dowitcher 15, 20-29 25	Newbypt, N. Monomoy Ipswich	20, 3-6 22	M. Lynch#, B. Nikula + v. o. D. Rimmer	

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Common Snipe 11, 14	Newton, Rowley	1, 1	N. Komar, J. Heywood#	
American Woodcock 12-25, 21	Plymouth, W. Newbury	2, 2	G. d'Entremont	
7, 21	Ipswich, P.I.	3-4, pr w/4 yg	J. Berry, D. Chickering	
29	Edgartown	2-3	J. Berry	
Red-necked Phalarope 21	Stellwagen Bank	1	K. Holmes	
Red Phalarope 30	N. Monomoy	1	R. Donovan#	
E. Boston	3, 9	J. Quigley		
29	N. Monomoy, Chatham	100, 30	BBC (J. Barton), R. Rozsa	
Little Gull 12, 15	N. Monomoy, Marion	1 imm, 1 imm	B. Nikula, I. Nisbet	
15, 16	Plymouth, Manomet	1 imm, 1 imm	J. Atwood	
Common Black-headed Gull 5, 28; 6-20	E. Boston; Newbypt	1; 1 or 2	J. Quigley; D. F. Oliver + v. o.	
9	Provincetown	1 ad	L. MacIvor	
Bonaparte's Gull 14; 28	Lynn, Newbypt; E. Boston	100, 50; 16	J. Quigley, T. Aversa; J. Quigley	
Ring-billed Gull 4, 21	Lynn, E. Boston	240, 235	J. Quigley	
Herring Gull 18	Rockport	878 nests	B. Blodget	
Iceland Gull 17, 20	P.I., N. Monomoy	1, 1	W. Petersen#, P. Trimble#	
Great Black-backed Gull 18	Rockport	1187 nests	B. Blodget	
Black-legged Kittiwake 21	Stellwagen Bank	2	K. Holmes	
Caspian Tern 2, 26	Wareham, P.I.	1, 1	B. Blodget, G. Gove#	
Roseate Tern 25-31	M. V.	50 max	J. Berry + v. o.	
29	Plymouth, N. Monomoy	12, 2	G. Gove, BBC (J. Barton)	
Common Tern 4, 7	Hull, Quincy	50, 75	P. Thayer, G. d'Entremont#	
3, 8	Boston, Newburyport	2, 8	M. Hall, K. Griffis	
27, 29	M. V., N. Monomoy	58, 200	BBC (D. Davis), BBC (J. Barton)	
Arctic Tern 19-29, 28	Plymouth, N. Monomoy	4 max, 2	G. Gove + v. o., D. F. Oliver#	
Least Tern 7-31	Ipswich	5-200	D. Rimmer	
9-23	S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	3-5	LCES (J. Hill)	
13, 26	P.I.	5, 9	W. Drew#	
27, 29	M. V., N. Monomoy	31, 4	BBC (D. Davis), BBC (J. Barton)	
Black Tern 22, 28	Marion, N. Monomoy	3, 1	I. Nisbet, D. F. Oliver#	

CUCKOOS THROUGH WAXWINGS

Over 17 reports of Black-billed Cuckoos were received, up from 10 last year; 6 Yellow-billed Cuckoos were reported, up from 4 last year. A Barn Owl was found roosting in an abandoned building on Deer Island in Boston Harbor, and a pair at Felix Neck Wildlife Sanctuary on the Vineyard had two young at the end of the month. Great Horned Owls, including several young birds, were noted from seven locations. In Middleboro a young owl fell out of the nest after a storm. After observers placed the young owl in a basket nailed to a tree, the two adult birds came back to care for the owlet in its makeshift nest.

A census of Whip-poor-wills at Myles Standish State Forest in Plymouth yielded encouraging results; May weekly totals were 21, 16, 65, and 37 singing birds. On the north shore, 6 birds were noted, 2 at Rowley and 4 in Newbury. Common Nighthawks were back on territory by midmonth. It was a poor spring migration for Ruby-throated Hummingbirds: only 10 individuals were reported. Red-headed Woodpeckers were seen in three locations, and Red-bellied Woodpeckers were noted from five spots. A Red-bellied nest was found on the Vineyard.

Eleven Olive-sided Flycatchers were reported in May, an increase from the 4 reports of last May. Yellow-bellied Flycatchers numbered 14 birds, up from 5 in 1988. On Martha's Vineyard a Scissor-tailed Flycatcher remained through May and into the summer.

The low numbers of swallows shown here may simply reflect a lack of reports; however, counts of Purple Martins on Plum Island gave a low maximum of 15. Three pairs of Fish Crows were nesting in Mount Auburn Cemetery, and good numbers were found on Outer Cape Cod.

It was another good year for Winter Wren observations with reports from eight locations, probably all breeding locales. Carolina Wrens were reported from virtually "everywhere" on Cape Cod, and many more reports came from areas north of Boston. The last migrant Ruby-crowned Kinglet was noted on May 20. Blue-gray Gnatcatchers were seen in many locations with several nests found.

Eastern Bluebirds were found nesting in at least fourteen communities. Gray-cheeked Thrushes were reported from just three locations. Veery, Hermit, and Swainson's thrushes were reported in considerably lower numbers than in past years. American Pipits were noted from Rowley, Ipswich, and Bolton. R.H.S.

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Black-billed Cuckoo				
14	Cambridge (F.P.)	1	J. Barton	
20	Middleboro, IRWS	3, 2 or 3	W. Petersen, J. Brown	
20, 21	Ipswich, Bolton Flats	1, 1	R. Stymeist#, M. Lynch#	
22, 25	Wayland, Waltham	1, 2	R. Forster, L. Taylor	
26, 29	Wellesley, Abington	1, 1	R. Forster, W. Petersen	
29	W. Newbury, S. Monomoy	1, 1	W. Drew#, R. Donovan#	
29, 31	Annisquam, Acton	1, 1	H. Wiggin, R. Forster	
Yellow-billed Cuckoo				
14, 21	Topsfield, Bolton Flats	1, 1	J. Brown, M. Lynch#	
21, 29	ONWR, Groveland	2, 2	M. Lynch#, R. Stymeist#	
Barn Owl				
20	Winthrop (Deer I.)	1	S. Zendeh#	
29	Edgartown (Felix Neck)	4 (2 yg)	J. Berry	
Eastern Screech-Owl				
1-10, 19, 20	Mt. A., Arlington, IRWS	1, 2, 1	v. o., L. Taylor#, J. Brown	
Great Horned Owl				
1-19, 5	Weston, Carlisle	pr w/ 1 yg, pr w/ 1 yg	B. Howell, S. Wurts	
8, 19	N. Middleboro, Boxford	2 ad w/ 1 yg, 1	K. Holmes, J. Brown	
19; 20	Sudbury, Ipswich, Rutland	2; 2, 1	R. Forster; C. Floyd#, M. Lynch#	
Barred Owl				
thr	Lincoln (Mt. Misery), Boxford (C.P.)	1, 2 or 3	D. Bechar, J. Brown# + v. o.	
thr	Ipswich (Willowdale)	2	G. Gove#	
10-19, 12	S. Wellfleet, Bridgewater	1, 2	fide M. O'Connor, K. Holmes	
20	Middleboro, Lakeville, Bridgewater	1, 1, 1	W. Petersen#	
20	Petersham	1	M. Lynch#	
Short-eared Owl				
thr	Nantucket	10 pairs	K. Coombs	
29	S. Monomoy, N. Truro	1, 1	R. Donovan#, P. + J. Trimble	
Northern Saw-whet Owl				
19	Wellfleet	1	R. Prescott#	
Common Nighthawk				
19, 20	Wayland, Petersham	1, 1	R. Forster, M. Lynch#	
21	Brookline, Littleton	1, 1	R. Stymeist#, J. Mitchell	
25, 26	IRWS, Boston (Fenway Park)	5, 5+	D. Chickering, T. Aversa	
28	Ipswich, E. Boston	2, 10+	J. Brown, T. Aversa	
Whip-poor-will				
thr	Plymouth (M. Standish)	65 max 5/18	G. d'Entremont#	
14, 19	Clinton, Dover	1, 1	M. Lynch#, E. Taylor	
19, 27	Middleboro, Rowley	4, 2	W. Petersen#, R. Stymeist#	
27	Newbury	4	D. F. Oliver	
Chimney Swift				
thr	Cambridge (F.P.)	40 max 5/16	J. Barton	
3	Wayland, Hull	1, 2	W. Petersen#, P. Thayer	
3, 6	Cambridge, Ipswich	4, 6+	J. Barton, J. Berry	
6	Gilbertville, Worcester	30+, 6	M. Lynch#	
Ruby-throated Hummingbird				
12-31, 12	Mt. A., Bridgewater	1-3 daily, 1	v. o., K. Holmes	
14	ONWR, Newbypt	1, 3	M. Lynch#, K. Griffis#	
19, 31	Nahant, Wayland	1, 1	E. Taylor, W. Petersen#	
Belted Kingfisher				
thr	Mt. A.	pair nesting	v. o.	
Red-headed Woodpecker				
12, 17-18	Gloucester, P'town	1, 1	R. Buchsbaum, R. Everett + v. o.	
31	Holbrook	1	B. Sorrie#	
Red-bellied Woodpecker				
5, 6	Dennis, Ipswich	1, 1	R. Fisher, J. Berry	
9, 22	Townsend, Lincoln	1, 1	G. Wyman, W. Preston	
27	M. V.	3 at nest	BBC (D. Davis)	

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Yellow-bellied Sapsucker 1-6, 4-9	Mt. A., Boston	1-3, 1	R. Stymeist# + v. o., P. O'Neill# + v. o.	
Downy Woodpecker 7	Lincoln	17	BBC (J. Nove)	
Hairy Woodpecker 27, 28	Acoaxet, Harwich	1 feeding yg, pr nesting	M. Lynch#, R. Rozsa	
Pileated Woodpecker thr, 19	Weston (2 locations)	pr nesting, 1	R. Stymeist#, B. Howell	
	Boxford (C.P.), IRWS	1 or 2, 1 or 2	v. o., J. Brown + v. o.	
13, 20-21	High Ridge, Milton	1, 1	M. Lynch#, G. d'Entremont#	
20-22, 23	Framingham, Lincoln	1, 1	R. Forster	
Olive-sided Flycatcher 20	Topsfield, Saugus	1, 1	J. Mizner#, C. Jackson	
21, 23	ONWR, Quincy	1, 1	M. Lynch#, D. Brown#	
26; 27	Mt. A.; MNWS, P.I.	1; 3, 1	A. Strauss; R. Stymeist#, D. Chickering	
29	Annisquam, Groveland	1, 1	H. Wiggin, R. Stymeist#	
Eastern Wood-Pewee 12	Boston (Franklin Park)	1	T. Aversa	
15-31, 15	Mt. A., Lincoln	6 max 5/26, 1	v. o., W. Petersen	
General arrival reported starting 5/20.				
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher 20	Quabbin (G40)	1	M. Lynch#	
23, 26	Mt. A.	2, 3	R. Stymeist#, BBC (P. Shapiro)	
26, 31; 26	Boston, P.I.	1, 1; 4	T. Aversa; G. Gove#	
26, 30	Cambridge (F.P.)	1, 1	J. Barton	
Acadian Flycatcher 21, 26	P.I., Mt. A.	1, 1	W. Drummond; R. Stymeist#	
27	Nahant	1	D. F. Oliver	
Alder Flycatcher 20, 24	IRWS, Cambridge (F.P.)	1, 1	J. Brown, J. Barton	
27-29, 29	Nahant, Abington	1, 1	D. F. Oliver + v. o., W. Petersen	
Willow Flycatcher 20	Lynnfield, IRWS	2, 1	R. Stymeist#, J. Barton	
20	Wayland, Framingham	1, 1	R. Forster	
21, 23	Bolton Flats, Brookline	7, 1	M. Lynch#, H. Wiggin	
Least Flycatcher 6, 7, 14, 21	ONWR	1, 1, 3, 1	M. Lynch#	
10, 12, 19	Cambridge (F.P.)	1, 2, 1	J. Barton	
11, 31; 13	Boston; High Ridge	1, 1; 6	T. Aversa; M. Lynch#	
14-26; 14, 21	Mt. A.; Bolton Flats	3 max 5/19; 2, 2	v. o.; M. Lynch#	
15	W. Newbury, P.I.	1, 3	H. Wiggin, M. Lynch#	
16	Quabbin (G40)	7	T. Aversa	
Eastern Phoebe thr	Mt. A., Natick	5 max, 4	v. o., E. Taylor	
7	Lincoln, N. Middleboro	4, 6	BBC (J. Nove), K. Holmes	
21	Bolton Flats, ONWR	3, 4	M. Lynch#	
Great Crested Flycatcher 1, 5-31	MNWS, Boston (Franklin Park)	1, 5 max 5/20	R. Wolanin, T. Aversa	
7-31, 7	Mt. A., Hanson	1-3 daily, 1	v. o., W. Petersen	
7	Bridgewater, Lincoln	1, 1	K. Holmes, BBC (J. Nove)	
12-31, 14	Sherborn, Newbypt	5, 4	E. Taylor, K. Griffis	
14, 20	ONWR	1, 5	M. Lynch#, V. Yurkunas	
14, 21	Bolton Flats, Weston	3, 4	M. Lynch#, BBC (B. Howell)	
Eastern Kingbird 1	Belmont, Hull	1, 1	J. Heywood, P. Thayer	
5-31, 5-31	Mt. A., Cambridge (F.P.)	20 max 5/25, 13 max 5/26	v. o., J. Barton	
7	Middleboro, N. Scituate	1, 2	K. Holmes, W. Petersen	
14, 23	Newbypt, P.I.	8, 40 migr	K. Griffis, S. Perkins	
27, 29; 27-29	P.I.; M. V.	12, 21; 9	D. Chickering; BBC (D. Davis)	
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher 20-31	M. V.	1	fide G. Ben-David	
Horned Lark 14, 26	P.I., Barnstable (S.N.)	1, 2 or 3 pair	G. d'Entremont#, B. Sorrie	
Purple Martin thr, 19	P.I., Framingham	15 max 5/7, 1	v. o., R. Forster	
21, 27	Rowley, Kingston	2, 3+ pairs nesting	G. d'Entremont, W. Petersen	
Tree Swallow thr	Cambridge (F.P.)	60 max 5/14	J. Barton	
14	Newburyport area	1500+	BBC (K. Griffis)	
N. Rough-winged Swallow thr, 8	Waltham (Potters Pd), Hull	6 max, 12	J. Heywood + v. o., P. Thayer	
Many reports of 1-4 individuals throughout the month.				

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Bank Swallow 12, 17 12, 21 23	Cambridge (F.P.) P.I., Bolton Flats P.I.	2, 10 18, 15+ 120 migr	J. Barton R. Stymeist#, M. Lynch# S. Perkins	
Cliff Swallow thr, 15 14, 20 29	P.I., Rowley Rutland S. Monomoy, Wenham	1-5, 4 3, 10+ 1, 1	v. o., M. Lynch# M. Lynch# R. Donovan#, BBC (J. Brown)	
Barn Swallow 14 Very few reports of Barn Swallows received.	Gloucester, Newburyport	20, 100	BBC (J. Nove), BBC (K. Griffis)	
Blue Jay 7, 23	N. Scituate (Minot), P.I.	50+ migr, 80	W. Petersen, S. Perkins	
Fish Crow thr 3, 29; 21 7 19, 28	Mt. A. Truro; P'town Hanson, N. Scituate Somerville, Marshfield	3 pairs nesting 11, 7; 10 2, 1 1, 1	v. o. B. Nikula# W. Petersen D. F. Oliver, G. d'Entremont#	
Common Raven thr	Oakham	pair at nest	R. Jenkins	
Tufted Titmouse 7	Lincoln	26	BBC (J. Nove)	
Red-breasted Nuthatch 5, 6 13, 20; 16, 20 18 20, 31	Mt. A., Manchester Ipswich; Petersham Sudbury; P.I., Newbypt IRWS, Holbrook	1, 1 2, 2; 2, 3 1; 1, 1 1, 1	BBC (A. Bennett), BBC (G. Hotz) R. Stymeist#, M. Lynch# R. Forster#, A. Williams J. Brown, B. Sorrie	
Brown Creeper 7, 12 13	Lincoln, Bridgewater Ipswich, Boxford	2, 3 6, 5	BBC (J. Nove), K. Holmes R. Stymeist	
Carolina Wren thr, 7 14, 20 20, 27	Ipswich, Worcester Gloucester, Topsfield Middleboro, Acoaxet	1, 1 3, 1 8, 6	J. Berry, M. Lynch# BBC (J. Nove), J. Brown W. Petersen#, M. Lynch#	
Reports throughout the month from virtually "everywhere" on Cape Cod. (fide B. Nikula)				
House Wren 2, 12; 4 4 7, 14 14	Mt. A.; MNWS Bridgewater, Boston Waltham Gloucester, ONWR	1, 2; 3 1, 1 2, 4 3, 4	v. o.; W. Drew# K. Holmes, T. Aversa L. Taylor BBC (J. Nove), M. Lynch#	
Winter Wren thr thr 6, 7 8-31, 12 20, 31	Boxford (C.P.) Milton (Blue Hills) Manchester, Lincoln Manchester, Weston Petersham, Holbrook	3 singing m 3 max 1, 3 1, 2 m 4, 1	v. o. G. d'Entremont + v. o. BBC (G. Hotz), BBC (J. Nove) H. Weissberg, R. Stymeist# M. Lynch#, B. Sorrie#	
Marsh Wren 14, 15 21	GMNWR, P.I. Middleboro	8, 6 1	BBC (W. Gette), M. Lynch# K. Holmes	
Golden-crowned Kinglet 16, 20	Petersham (Federation State Forest)	1, 2	M. Lynch#	
Ruby-crowned Kinglet 1-20 1, 3; 12 15, 19	Mt. A. P'town; Boston P.I., Boxford	50 max 5/4 30, 35; 1 7, 1	v. o. B. Nikula; P. O'Neill M. Lynch#, J. Brown	
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher thr 1-7, 1-16 3-31, 4 7 7, 14; 11 21, 23 27, 29	Ipswich, Boxford P'town, Mt. A. Wayland, Waltham S. Natick; N. Scituate, Middleboro ONWR; Newtonville Topsfield, Pepperell Kingston, W. Newbury	2 pr, 3 or 4 pr 4 total, 2-4 1, 1 1; 1, 1 1, 4; 2 pr on nest, 1 pr building nest, 2	R. Stymeist# + v. o. B. Nikula, v. o. W. Petersen#, L. Taylor# J. Miller; W. Petersen# M. Lynch#, N. Komar D. Brown#, E. Armstrong W. Petersen#, W. Drew#	
Eastern Bluebird thr thr, 4-26 3, 5-31 7, 13 16, 20 20, 21 21, 27 29, 31	Plymouth (M. Standish) Lincoln, Winchester Milford, Sudbury Bridgewater, High Ridge Quabbin (G40), Sherborn Ipswich, Newbypt Newbury, M. V. Abington, Boston	4+ 2, 2 2, 2 2, 4 5, 5 2, 4 1, 3 1, 2	G. d'Entremont# + v. o. R. Stymeist#, B. Porter T. Aversa, D. Bechar + v. o. K. Holmes, M. Lynch# T. Aversa, E. Taylor J. Brown, G. d'Entremont# A. Williams#, BBC (D. Davis) W. Petersen, T. Aversa	

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Very				
6-21, 6	Mt. A., Freetown	23 max 5/12, 1	A. Bennett + v. o., K. Holmes	
12, 14	Waltham, ONWR	2, 8	L. Taylor, M. Lynch#	
20	IRWS, Petersham	6, 5+	J. Brown, M. Lynch#	
Gray-cheeked Thrush				
14	Brookline	1	H. Wiggin	
15, 21	Newbypt, Mt. A.	1, 1	M. Lynch#, P. Shapiro# + v. o.	
Swainson's Thrush				
11-27, 12-27	Mt. A., Boston (Franklin Park)	8 max, 3 max	v. o., T. Aversa	
14; 15	Brookline; Newbypt, P.I.	4+; 6, 5	H. Wiggin; M. Lynch#	
Hermit Thrush				
thr. 1-17	Plymouth, Mt. A.	3 max, 8 max 5/6	G. d'Entremont#, v. o.	
19	Falmouth (Crane Wildlife Mgmt Area)	10	P. Trimble	
Wood Thrush				
3, 4-24	Ipswich, Mt. A.	1 or 2, 6 max 5/12	J. Berry, v. o.	
6, 11	Freetown, Boston	1, 1	K. Holmes, T. Aversa	
12	Middleboro, Waltham	3, 3	K. Holmes, L. Taylor	
14; 15	Bolton Flats, ONWR; Newbury	2, 7; 2	M. Lynch#; M. Argue#	
20, 27	Brookline, Canton	2, 3	H. Wiggin, E. Taylor	
Gray Catbird				
4-31, 5-31	Mt. A., Cambridge (F.P.)	14 max 5/7, 14 max 5/16	M. Lynch# + v. o., J. Barton	
4	Bridgewater, Ipswich	2, 1	K. Holmes, J. Berry	
14	Gloucester, Newbypt	40, 50	BBC (J. Nove), BBC (K. Griffis)	
20	IRWS, Waltham	16, 13	J. Brown, L. Taylor	
26-29	M. V.	72	BBC (D. Davis)	
Brown Thrasher				
1, 6	Cambridge, Essex	1, 1	F. Bouchard, BBC (G. Hotz)	
15, 28	P.I., Barre	3, 2	M. Lynch#	
American Pipit				
13-14, 14	Rowley, Bolton Flats	3, 1	R. Stymeist#, M. Lynch#	
20, 21	Ipswich	1, 1	W. Petersen#, C. Cook	
Cedar Waxwing				
2, 7	Burlington, Natick	20+, 25	J. Berry, E. Taylor	
Reports of small flocks from many locations especially after midmonth.				

VIREOS THROUGH WARBLERS

The weather this May was far better for migration watching in our area than during the past two years. Winds came from the south on fourteen days, but heavy fog on many of these days prevented any large waves. The general comments on the spring migration were "just so-so" and "not bad, but not outstanding." One observer noted that the migration west of Worcester County was outstanding, especially at South Quabbin.

All six likely vireo species were seen; however, only one Philadelphia Vireo was reported compared with eight last May. A total of thirty-four species of warblers was noted, down from the thirty-five tallied in 1988 and 1987. There were no reports of Yellow-throated Warbler. At least 10 Golden-winged Warblers were seen, one more than last year, and both hybrid "winged" warblers were recorded.

It was a good year for Northern Parulas, Cape May, Black-throated Blue, and Blackburnian warblers. Reports from May 14 included high numbers of Northern Parulas, Yellow, Chestnut-sided, Cape May, Black-throated Blue, Yellow-rumped, Black-throated Green, and Black-and-white warblers, American Redstarts, and Common Yellowthroats. Reporters noted fewer Northern Waterthrushes, Tennessee, Magnolia, and Prairie warblers than usual.

Warbler species of special interest included 3 Prothonotary Warblers, with one in the Boston Public Garden, 5 Orange-crowned Warblers, a very cooperative Cerulean Warbler that spent three days at Mount Auburn Cemetery, 1 Kentucky Warbler, 5 Hooded Warblers, and 1 Yellow-breasted Chat. R.H.S.

White-eyed Vireo

10, 16	Dartmouth, P.I.	4, 1	R. Forster, D. Chickering
20, 23	Wayland, S. Dart. (Allens Pd)	1, 1	R. Forster#, LCES (J. Hill)
26, 27	Mt. A., Acoaxet	1, 5	BBC (P. Shapiro), M. Lynch#

Solitary Vireo

1-20; 1, 2	Mt. A.; Ipswich	6 max 5/2 +5/6; 1, 2	v. o.; J. Berry
4, 23-31	Waltham (Met. State)	10+, pair on nest	L. Taylor#
4, 7	MNWS, ONWR	3, 2	W. Drew, M. Lynch#
13; 16, 20	Boston; Petersham	5; 5, 6	T. Aversa; M. Lynch#

Yellow-throated Vireo

9-25, 14-31	Wayland (two locations)	1, 2	R. Forster
11-31, 13	ONWR, High Ridge	2-6, 1	E. Salmela + v. o., M. Lynch#
18, 19-31	Wollaston, Boxford	1, 1 or 2 pair	G. d'Entremont#, J. Brown
20, 29	Quabbin (G40), Wenham	4, 2	M. Lynch#, BBC (J. Brown)

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Warbling Vireo 2-31 3, 7 12; 14 20	Cambridge (F.P.) Milford, Waltham Mt. A.; Bolton Flats, ONWR IRWS, Lynnfield	10 max 5/26 1, 1 2; 4, 2 4-6, 6	J. Barton T. Aversa, L. Taylor R. Stymeist; M. Lynch# J. Brown, C. Floyd#	
Philadelphia Vireo 30	MNWS	1	T. Aversa	
Red-eyed Vireo 12-31, 14 17, 20-31 Very few reports received.	Mt. A., Bolton Flats Boxford, Sherborn	6 max, 2 4, 15	v. o., M. Lynch# E. Taylor	
Blue-winged Warbler 4-15; 5, 26 6; 9 14, 21 24, 29 Reports of 1-3 individuals from many locations after May 14.	Mt. A.; Boston Brookfield, ONWR; Middleboro ONWR, Weston Wenham, Abington	5 max 5/9; 2, 1 1, 2; 2 16, 4 10, 6	P. O'Neill + v. o.; T. Aversa M. Lynch#; K. Holmes BBC (M. Lynch#), BBC (B. Howell) BBC (J. Brown), W. Petersen	
Golden-winged Warbler 10; 14, 20, 29 15, 20 29 29	IRWS; Topsfield Wollaston, ONWR Boxford, Groveland Wenham	1; 2 m, 1 f, 1 m 1, 1 1, 2 m 2	W. Tatro; J. Brown G. d'Entremont#, V. Yurkunas R. Stymeist BBC (J. Brown)	
"Brewster's Warbler" 14, 21	Mt. A., Newbury	2, 1	O. Komar + v. o., C. Cook	
"Lawrence's Warbler" 13-31, 15 28-31	Boxford, Wayland Abington	1, 1 1	W. Drummond + v. o., R. Walton J. Carlisle + v. o.	
Tennessee Warbler 7; 9, 10 9-31 26, 27 Very few reports of Tennessee Warblers were received.	N. Middleboro; Boston Mt. A. Boston, Acoaxet	2; 1, 6 6 max 5/25 1, 1	K. Holmes; R. Stymeist, D. F. Oliver S. Denison# + v. o. T. Aversa, M. Lynch#	
Orange-crowned Warbler 6, 13 12; 20	Mt. A. Middleboro, Wollaston; P.I.	1, 1 1, 1; 1	BBC (C. Floyd), M. Lynch# + v. o. K. Holmes, D. Brown; D. F. Oliver	
Nashville Warbler 3-20 4; 7, 14 14, 16 20-27, 21 29	Mt. A. Boston; ONWR P.I., Worcester Canton, Halifax Abington	8 max 5/20 1; 4, 4 3, 2 2, 1 1	v. o. T. Aversa; M. Lynch# T. Aversa, M. Lynch# G. d'Entremont#, K. Holmes W. Petersen	
Northern Parula 1-23 1, 14; 1-27 4, 12; 4 14, 19; 14 14	Cambridge (F.P.) Brookline; Mt. A. Waltham; MNWS P'town; P.I. Bolton Flats, ONWR; Gloucester	17 max 5/14 1, 4; 24 max 5/12 1, 7; 2 40, 15; 20 14, 18; 65	J. Barton R. Stymeist, H. Wiggin; A. Bennett# L. Taylor; W. Drew B. Nikula; T. Aversa M. Lynch#; J. Nove#	
Many reports of 1-5 individuals from a wide area after May 14.				
Yellow Warbler thr 4 4-26, 6-31 6, 10 14 14, 25, 27	Cambridge (F.P.) Bridgewater, Waltham Mt. A., ONWR Manchester, Worcester Gloucester, P.I. GMNWR, Brookline, Acoaxet	25 max 5/17 + 5/19 6, 3 1-7, 4-10 7, 5 50, 75 60, 3 mig, 42	J. Barton K. Holmes, L. Taylor v. o., M. Lynch# + v. o. BBC (G. Hotz), M. Lynch# BBC (J. Nove), BBC (K. Griffis) BBC (W. Gette), H. Wiggin, M. Lynch#	
Chestnut-sided Warbler 5, 5-26 14	Ipswich, Mt. A. Gloucester, Newbypt	1, 1-6 7, 16	J. Berry, v. o. BBC (J. Nove), BBC (K. Griffis)	
Reports of 1-3 individuals from a few locations after May 15.				
Magnolia Warbler 3, 4 5 6-26, 11-27 14 27, 30	Cambridge (F.P.), Marlboro Marshfield Mt. A., Boston (Franklin Park) Gloucester, P.I. Acoaxet, MNWS	1, 1 1 12 max 5/15, 3 max 7, 12 1, 1	J. Barton, R. Graefe W. Petersen v. o., T. Aversa BBC (J. Nove), T. Aversa T. Aversa, M. Lynch#	
Cape May Warbler 9, 10-21 12-17 14	Middleboro, Mt. A. Cambridge (F.P.) Gloucester, P.I.	1, 7 max 5/15 5 max 5/14 5, 3	K. Holmes, v. o. J. Barton BBC (J. Nove), T. Aversa	

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Black-throated Blue Warbler				
1, 1-23	MNWS, Mt. A.	3, 16 max 5/13	R. Wolanin, v. o.	
14	Gloucester, P'town	35, 20	BBC (J. Nove), B. Nikula	
15	Newbypt, P.I.	15, 4	M. Lynch#	
16, 20	Petersham (Federation State Forest)	5, 8	M. Lynch#	
Yellow-rumped Warbler				
1-26, 1-23	Mt. A., Cambridge (F.P.)	60 max 5/6, 150 max 5/10 v. o.	J. Barton	
3-19, 3	P'town, Milford	150 max 5/3, 75	B. Nikula, T. Aversa	
8, 14	Wayland, Topsfield	125, 45	R. Forster, J. Brown	
14	Gloucester, ONWR	140, 26	BBC (J. Nove), M. Lynch#	
27	P.I., Boston	2, 1	D. Chickering, T. Aversa	
Black-throated Green Warbler				
1, 6	Holliston, Ipswich	2, 3	M. Martinek, R. Stymeist	
6, 7-23	Hamilton, Mt. A.	1, 27 max 5/13	J. Berry, M. Lynch# + v. o.	
7	ONWR, Lincoln	4, 14	M. Lynch#, BBC (J. Nove)	
14	Gloucester, Newbypt	12, 30	BBC (J. Nove), BBC (K. Griffis)	
Blackburnian Warbler				
9-27, 11	Mt. A., Boston	16 max 5/12, 1	A. Bennett# + v. o., T. Aversa	
12, 14	Brookline, Waltham	1, 3	H. Wiggin, L. Taylor	
14, 30	Gloucester, MNWS	5, 2	BBC (J. Nove), T. Aversa	
Pine Warbler				
thr, 2	ONWR, Mt. A.	1 or 2+, 1	M. Lynch#, R. Stymeist#	
6	Hamilton, W. Yarmouth	1, 10	J. Berry, P. Trimble	
6, 21	Manchester, Newbypt	3, 1	BBC (G. Hotz), A. Williams#	
Prairie Warbler				
3, 4-21	Cambridge (F.P.), Mt. A.	1, 1-4	J. Barton, v. o.	
7, 14	N. Middleboro, ONWR	5, 2	K. Holmes, M. Lynch#	
27, 29	Milton, Groveland	5, 7	BBC (G. d'Entremont), R. Stymeist	
Palm Warbler				
1-14, 3	Mt. A., Cambridge (F.P.)	20 max 5/2, 1	v. o., J. Barton	
2, 3	Boston, P'town	6, 40	T. Aversa, B. Nikula	
14	Newbypt, P.I.	1, 1	G. d'Entremont, D. Chickering	
Bay-breasted Warbler				
10, 11-21	Dartmouth, Mt. A.	1, 10 max 5/20	R. Forster, K. Griffis# + v. o.	
12, 14	Boston, Middleboro	1, 1	T. Aversa, K. Holmes	
Very few reports were received.				
Blackpoll Warbler				
6, 12-31	Mt. A.	3, 25 max 5/25	S. Ludwig#, v. o.	
14	ONWR, Gloucester	2, 2	M. Lynch#, BBC (J. Nove)	
19, 27	Boston, Acoaxet	3, 5	T. Aversa, M. Lynch#	
Cerulean Warbler				
7-9	Mt. A.	1	v. o.	
Black-and-white Warbler				
1-20, 2-25	Boston, Mt. A.	10 max 5/21, 28 max 5/1	T. Aversa, A. Bennett# + v. o.	
2, 4	Ipswich, Middleboro	1, 1	J. Berry, K. Holmes	
6-21, 6	ONWR, Freetown	14 max 5/14, 3	M. Lynch#, K. Holmes	
14	P'town, Gloucester	40, 45	B. Nikula, BBC (J. Nove)	
14	Newburyport	60	BBC (K. Griffis)	
American Redstart				
9-26, 9	Mt. A., Middleboro	15 max 5/21, 1	N. Komar# + v. o., K. Holmes	
14	P'town, Gloucester	15, 15	B. Nikula, BBC (J. Nove)	
14, 21; 15	ONWR; Newbypt, P.I.	8, 6; 11, 17	M. Lynch#	
Prothonotary Warbler				
9	Boston (Public Garden)	1	P. O'Neill + v. o.	
9-15, 17	Newton, WBWS	1, 1	H. Kupferman + v. o., R. Everett + v. o.	
Worm-eating Warbler				
6-9, 21; 8	Mt. A.; Middleboro	1, 1; 1	v. o.; K. Holmes	
15, 20-31	W. Newton, Milton	1, 1+	T. Kuklinski, G. d'Entremont#	
23	Brookline, Medford	1, 1	H. Wiggin, P. Roberts	
26	Milton (Blue Hills)	1	A. Strauss	
Ovenbird				
4-27, 4	Mt. A., Middleboro	13 max 5/13, 2	v. o., K. Holmes	
6, 7, 14; 6	ONWR; Hamilton	3, 7, 12; 4	M. Lynch#; J. Berry	
12, 14; 14, 15	Waltham; P.I.	5, 5; 6, 7	L. Taylor; D. Chickering	
16, 27	Petersham, Milton	13, 9	M. Lynch#, G. d'Entremont#	
Northern Waterthrush				
2-23	Cambridge (F.P.)	11 max 5/12	J. Barton	
3, 4-21	Holliston, Mt. A.	2 pr, 3 max 5/9	T. Aversa, v. o.	
7, 11-31	Bridgewater, Boston	1, 3 max 5/12	K. Holmes, T. Aversa	
12, 20; 14	Waltham; Gloucester	3, 3; 3	L. Taylor; BBC (J. Nove)	
14, 31	P.I., Wayland	6, 1	D. Chickering, W. Petersen	

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Louisiana Waterthrush				
thr	Boxford, Milton (Pine Tree Pd)	2 pr, 3 max	v. o., G. d'Entremont + v. o.	
12, 13	Waltham, Milton (Unquity Rd)	1, 1	L. Taylor, P. O'Neill	
14, 15	Lawrence, Sudbury	1, 1	V. Yurkunas, R. Forster	
16, 20	Petersham (Federation S. F.)	1, 2	M. Lynch#	
20, 25, 27	N. Attleboro, Weston, Acoaxet	1, 1, 1	B. Sorrie, D. Morimoto, M. Lynch#	
Kentucky Warbler				
15, 20	Milton (Cemetery, Pine Tree Pd)	1, 1	S. Higginbotham, G. d'Entremont#	
Mourning Warbler				
19, 25	Nahant, Boston	1, 1	H. Wiggin, T. Aversa	
26	Cambridge (F.P.)	1	J. Barton	
26-31, 26-27	Mt. A., P.I.	3 max 5/28, 1	P. Shapiro + v. o., G. Gove + v. o.	
27, 29	Kingston, Nahant	1, 2	W. Petersen, C. Floyd	
29, 30	Stoneham, MNWS	1, 1	T. Aversa	
Common Yellowthroat				
3, 4-25	ONWR, Mt. A.	1, 7 max 5/12	T. Aversa, A. Bennett + v. o.	
5, 6	N. Middleboro, Manchester	1, 3	K. Holmes, BBC (G. Hotz)	
6, 14, 21	ONWR	2, 29, 7	M. Lynch#	
14	Gloucester, Newbypt	20, 50	BBC (J. Nove), BBC (K. Griffis)	
27	Acoaxet, M.V.	14, 27	M. Lynch#, BBC (D. Davis)	
Hooded Warbler				
5, 6	Dorchester, Dover	1, 1	K. Winston, P. Hallowell	
13-14, 14	Brookline, ONWR	1, 1	H. Wiggin + v. o., M. Lynch#	
21	Provincetown	1	A. King#	
Wilson's Warbler				
5, 13-25	Mt. A.	1, 6 max	v. o.	
14, 21	P.I.	4, 4	K. Griffis#, A. Williams#	
21	Cambridge (F.P.)	4	J. Barton	
27, 30	Milton, MNWS	2, 1	BBC (G. d'Entremont), T. Aversa	
Very few reports received.				
Canada Warbler				
10-30; 14	Mt. A.; IRWS, ONWR	6 max 5/21; 1, 1	v. o.; T. Aversa, M. Lynch#	
14-19	Cambridge (F.P.)	4 max 5/14	J. Barton	
21, 27	P.I., Milton	4, 2	A. Williams, G. d'Entremont#	
30, 31	MNWS, Holbrook	8, 1 on territory	M. Lynch#, B. Sorrie#	
Yellow-breasted Chat				
21	West Newbury	1	C. Cook	

TANAGERS THROUGH FINCHES

Only one Summer Tanager was reported compared with 12 last May. Blue Grosbeaks went unreported. A male Painted Bunting was picked up dead in East Orleans, where a Lark Bunting was seen coming to a feeder. A Dickcissel, unusual in the spring, was noted in Essex on May 6. A female Yellow-headed Blackbird was present for three days on Plum island, where, interestingly, a female was photographed on May 10 last year.

There was a poor flight of Lincoln's Sparrows with only one report received—the same as last year. White-crowned Sparrows were reported from just four locations, another low year for this species as well.

A single Evening Grosbeak was noted from Provincetown; last May this species was seen in many spots. An Annisquam observer unboarded his summer home for the first time in two years and found 10 House Finch nests behind the closed blinds and another in his garage. There was a total of 19 young and 16 eggs.

R.H.S.

Summer Tanager			
21	Stoneham	1 m	fide M. Martinek
Scarlet Tanager			
7	Brookline, Holliston	1, 1	R. Stymeist, M. Martinek
7	Halifax, Bridgewater	1, 1	K. Holmes
11-31, 13	Mt. A., High Ridge	8 max, 2	v. o., M. Lynch#
16, 20	Quabbin (G-40), Sherborn	5, 5	T. Aversa, E. Taylor
20, 31	Milton, Boston	5, 3	G. d'Entremont, T. Aversa
Rose-breasted Grosbeak			
3-31, 3	Mt. A., Chatham	12 max 5/14, 4	v. o., W. Bailey
3, 7	Milford, Waltham	1, 3	T. Aversa, L. Taylor
12, 14	Boston, P.I.	5, 10	T. Aversa
14	Gloucester, Newbypt	6, 15	BBC (J. Nove), BBC (K. Griffis)
Indigo Bunting			
1, 14-31	Westport, Mt. A.	1, 4 max	K. Preston, v. o.
15, 18	Brookline, Middleboro	1, 2	R. Stymeist, K. Holmes
19-31	Boston (Franklin Park)	4 max 5/31	T. Aversa
Very few reports received.			

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Painted Bunting				
19	E. Orleans	1 dead	fide P. Trull	
Dickcissel				
6	Essex	1	M. Argue#	
Rufous-sided Towhee				
7	Acoaxet, P.I.	15, 20	M. Lynch#, BBC (P. Stevens)	
26-29	M. V.	111	BBC (D. Davis)	
Chipping Sparrow				
thr	Mt. A.	30+	v. o.	
14, 18	Gloucester, Weston	15, 8	BBC (J. Nove), BBC (B. Howell)	
Field Sparrow				
7, 14; 24	ONWR; Holliston	3, 2; 4	M. Lynch#; T. Aversa	
27, 29	Milton, Abington	6, 5	BBC (G. d'Entremont), W. Petersen	
31	Canton (F.M.)	1 ad feeding yg	T. Aversa	
Vesper Sparrow				
14, 20	P.I., Middleboro	1, 1	T. Aversa, W. Petersen#	
28	Plymouth	3	D. F. Oliver#	
Lark Bunting (from April)				
1-4	Orleans	1 m	fide M. O'Connor + v. o.	
Savannah Sparrow				
5	Brighton	16	J. Heywood#	
No other reports received.				
Grasshopper Sparrow				
19, 23	S. Dart, (Allens Pd)	1, 1	LCES (J. Hill)	
20, 28	Middleboro, Falmouth	1, 3	W. Petersen#, G. d'Entremont#	
Sharp-tailed Sparrow				
17, 21	Newbypt, P.I.	2, 5+	W. Petersen#, G. d'Entremont#	
19, 23	S. Dart, (Allens Pd)	21, 21	LCES (J. Hill)	
28, 30	E. Boston, Newbypt	5, 4	T. Aversa	
Seaside Sparrow				
2	Squantum	1	R. Donovan	
4-23, 27	S. Dart, (Allens Pd), P.I.	5 max, 4 or 5	LCES (J. Hill), R. Stymeist#	
Song Sparrow				
thr, 7	Cambridge (F.P.), Lincoln	16 max, 15	J. Barton, BBC (J. Nove)	
14	Gloucester, GMNWR	15, 20	BBC (J. Nove), BBC (W. Gette)	
Lincoln's Sparrow				
12	Mt. A.	1	E. Nielsen# + v. o.	
No other reports received.				
Swamp Sparrow				
14	GMNWR	25	BBC (W. Gette)	
White-throated Sparrow				
1-24, 1-4	Mt. A., Brookline	120 max 5/2, 45	max 5/4 v. o., H. Wiggin	
3, 15; 4	P'town; Wollaston	50, 12+; 21	B. Nikula; G. d'Entremont	
14	Gloucester, Newbypt	20, 50	BBC (J. Nove), BBC (K. Griffis)	
White-crowned Sparrow				
10	Boston	1	D. F. Oliver	
12-19, 14-19	Mt. A., P.I.	4 max, 3 max	v. o.	
14, 20	Provincetown	2, 1	B. Nikula	
No other reports received.				
Dark-eyed Junco				
13	Mt. A., P.I.	1, 1	R. Stymeist, D. Chickering	
14, 16	W. Newbury, Quabbin (G40)	1, 1	R. Stymeist, T. Aversa	
16, 20	Petersham (Federation S. F.)	2, 2	M. Lynch#	
Bobolink				
7	Middleboro, Newbury	10, 18	W. Petersen, BBC (P. Stevens)	
7-16, 9	Cambridge (F.P.), Mt. A.	80 max 5/14, 1	J. Barton, R. Stymeist#	
14	High Ridge, Bolton Flats, ONWR	15+, 30, 4	M. Lynch#	
14, 20	Newbypt, N. Attleboro	70, 2	BBC (K. Griffis), B. Sorrie#	
Red-winged Blackbird				
thr	Cambridge (F.P.), GMNWR	36 max, 100 max	J. Barton, W. Gette + v. o.	
14, 15	Bolton Flats, P.I.	50+, 40+	M. Lynch#	
Eastern Meadowlark				
thr	ONWR	3 max	M. Lynch#	
Yellow-headed Blackbird				
15-17	P.I.	1 f	D. Chickering + v. o.	
Rusty Blackbird				
6; 8, 10	Manchester; Wayland	3; 2, 1	BBC (G. Hotz); R. Forster	
Orchard Oriole				
4-26, 6	Mt. A., Boston	2-4, 1	v. o., T. Aversa	
7, 8-31	Wellesley, Wayland (Heards Pd)	1, 2	R. Forster	
8, 14	Newbury, Cambridge (F.P.)	1, 1	D. Chickering, J. Barton	
18, 20	Sudbury, Sherborn	2, 1	R. Forster#, E. Taylor	

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Orchard Oriole (continued)				
20, 22	Concord, Wayland	1, 2	R. Forster	
20, 31	Middleboro, Squantum	1, 1	W. Petersen, T. Aversa	
Northern Oriole				
4-31, 5-31	Mt. A., Cambridge (F.P.)	8 max, 16 max	5/19	v. o., J. Barton
5-31, 5	Boston (Franklin Park), N. Middleboro	8 max	5/20, 1	T. Aversa, K. Holmes
14, 22	ONWR, Waltham	6, 12	M. Lynch#, L. Taylor#	
Purple Finch				
1, 5	Ipswich, Boston	1, 1	J. Berry, T. Aversa	
6, 7	Hamilton, Hanson	1, 3	J. Berry, W. Petersen	
7, 9	ONWR, Bridgewater	1, 2	M. Lynch#, K. Holmes	
14, 19	P.I., Nahant	5, 2	T. Aversa, H. Wiggin#	
22, 27	Wayland, Kingston	6, 3	R. Forster, W. Petersen#	
House Finch				
12	Annisquam	11 nests (19 yg + 16 eggs)	H. Wiggin	
Evening Grosbeak				
9	Provincetown	1	B. Nikula	

CORRIGENDUM TO MARCH FIELD RECORDS (VOL. 17, NO. 4)

American Kestrel (page 201)				
29	Ipswich, Halifax	4, 25	D. Rimmer, T. Aversa	
should read 29	Ipswich, Newbypt-Salisbury	4, 25	D. Rimmer, T. Aversa	

ADDENDUM TO APRIL FIELD RECORDS (VOL. 17, NO. 4)

Lesser Scaup (page 209)				
16	Falmouth	435	S. Perkins	
Broad-winged Hawk (page 210)				
17	P.I. (Hellcat)	14	EMHW	

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

ad	adult	F.P.	Fresh Pond, Cambridge
b	banded	G37 or 40	Gate 37 or 40, Quabbin
br	breeding	H.	Harbor
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
lt	light (phase)	P.I.	Plum Island
m	male	Pd	Pond
max	maximum	P'town	Provincetown
migr	migrating	Res.	Reservoir
n	nesting	S. Dart.	South Dartmouth
ph	photographed	S.N.	Sandy Neck, Barnstable
pl	plumage	BBC	Brookline Bird Club
pr	pair	DWWS	Daniel Webster Wildlife Sanctuary
S	summer (1S = first summer)	EMHW	Eastern Massachusetts Hawk Watch
thr	throughout	GMNWR	Great Meadows National Wildlife Refuge
v.o.	various observers	IRWS	Ipswich River Wildlife Sanctuary
W	winter (2W = second winter)	LCES	Lloyd Center for Environmental Studies
w/	with	MAS	Massachusetts Audubon Society
yg	young	MBO	Manomet Bird Observatory
#	additional observers	MDFW	Mass. Division of Fisheries and Wildlife
B.	Beach	MNWS	Marblehead Neck Wildlife Sanctuary
C.	cape as in Cape Cod	ONWR	Oxbow National Wildlife Refuge
Cambr.	Cambridge	PRNWR	Parker River National Wildlife Refuge
C.P.	Crooked Pond, Boxford	SRV	Sudbury River Valley
F.H.	Fort Hill, Eastham	SSBC	South Shore Bird Club
F.M.	Fowl Meadow	WBWS	Wellfleet Bay Wildlife Sanctuary