

**PHOTO FEATURE:
BIRDS OF DECEMBER 1990**



This Sandhill Crane (*Grus canadensis*) was photographed in December in Belchertown and was still present in the area in mid-January, 1991. The crane was very approachable—it was possible to get within fifteen feet of the bird, which suggests it was not a completely wild bird. Photo by Tom Tynning, MAS



This Barnacle Goose (*Branta leucopsis*) was present on the Raytheon property in Lexington on December 6 and 7, 1990. Raytheon reported it to Massachusetts Audubon Society to have it identified but could not, for security reasons, have it announced on the Voice of Audubon. Simon Perkins and Wayne Petersen reported that the goose was wary like a wild bird and aggressive in behavior when approached. Photo by Donald Bernstein, Raytheon

