

BIRD SIGHTINGS

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 1992

SUMMARY



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Both November and December were cloudy and wet. The temperature averaged 38.3 degrees over the two-month period, with November slightly below normal and December slightly above normal. The high was 64 degrees on November 13, and the low was 13 degrees on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Measurable rainfall amounts fell on 26 days. In December the highest rainfall amount in any 24-hour period was 5.14 inches on the 11th and 12th, a new record for December and the most in any month since 8.40 inches fell on August 18 and 19, 1955. Snowfall totaled 10.3 inches. The first trace of snow for the season fell on November 8, but most of the snow came during the December 11-13 storm, which was accompanied by high winds and characterized by very wet and sticky snow. This was the largest December snowstorm since 12.9 inches fell on December 4 and 5, 1981. The storm affected eastern Massachusetts areas differently. The South Shore and Cape Cod mostly had very heavy rain. Sustained winds battered coastal areas, with devastating results for homeowners. Inland locations north and west of Boston had significant snow accumulations. The Blue Hills Observatory in Milton recorded 19 inches of snow at the summit. Reports of about one foot of snow were common at lower elevations, with amounts increasing to about two feet in communities further to the southwest. The Worcester airport set a record with three feet of snow. R. H. S.

LOONS THROUGH DUCKS

The December 11-13 storm rivaled the notorious Halloween storm of October 1991 and had a significant effect on offshore seabirds. Like the Halloween storm, the December storm was unusual for its intensity and duration, lasting for several days. On page 98 is a more detailed account of the storm. The summary below includes highlights of sightings during the storm.

A November storm produced excellent numbers of loons. The number of Horned Grebes reported from Nantucket and Wareham were higher than usual. The December count of storm-driven Red-necked Grebes from Sandy Neck may represent the highest count ever seen flying by a coastal vantage point. During the December storm, Northern Fulmars were reported in unusual numbers from Rockport and Eastham. Heron reports were very scanty. The most interesting reports were late appearances by all three species of egrets.

The Cape Cod Bird Club (CCBC) conducted its tenth annual lake and pond waterfowl survey on the first weekend in December, and Take A Second Look (TASL) continued its periodic surveys of Boston Harbor. Both surveys provide useful baseline data to measure whether perceived increases or decreases are real. On Cape Cod, the total number of waterfowl tallied was the lowest ever. Of the 20 species recorded in ten years combined, 16 were found in below average numbers. Five species—Canada Goose, Mallard, Black Duck, Ring-necked Duck, and American Coot—were recorded in the lowest numbers ever. In particular coot continued a steady ten-year decline. Good numbers of scaup, Bufflehead, and Hooded Mergansers were recorded. Highlights included a Tundra Swan and a Greater White-fronted Goose, both of which put in cameo appearances on the stormy Saturday of count weekend.

Another Greater White-fronted Goose returned to an established wintering area on the Acushnet River. Freshwater duck totals were rather routine. Northern Pintail was numerous only at Plum Island, and Northern Shoveler appeared in appreciable numbers only at Monomoy. Winter specialties, such as King Eider, Harlequin Duck, and Barrow's Goldeneye, were poorly represented. Noteworthy was a flock of Harlequin Ducks at nontraditional Marblehead during the storm. An exceptional flight of scoters and eiders was observed at Gay Head, Martha's Vineyard, on November 6.

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Red-throated Loon

11/1, 11/10	Norfolk, P.I.	1, 39	B. Cassie, K. Disney
11/16, 11/24	Winthrop, Barnstable (S.N.)	14, 410	R. Stymeist, R. Abrams
11/29, 12/4	Cambridge (F.P.), Nantucket	1, 55	P. Roberts, J. Papale
12/11, 12/13	Rockport, Eastham (F.E.)	41, 100	R. Heil, R. Forster#

DATE	LOCATION	NUMBER	OBSERVERS	NOV./DEC. 1992
Arctic/Pacific Loon				
12/27	P.I.	1	M. Lynch#	
Common Loon				
11/1, 11/2	Norfolk, Nantucket	3, 10	B. Cassie, J. Papale	
11/10, 11/14	P.I., Lincoln	22, 2	K. Disney, R. Forster#	
11/15, 11/24	Lakeville, Barnstable (S.N.)	2, 370	W. Petersen, R. Abrams	
12/13, 12/24	Barnstable, Wachusett Res.	300, 4	T. Cameron#, R. Bradbury	
loon species				
11/24	Barnstable (S.N.)	330	R. Abrams	
Pied-billed Grebe				
11/5	New Bedford, Wellesley	6, 8	M. Sylvia, C. Quinlan	
11/16, 11/21	Cambridge (F.P.), Medford	3, 6	R. Stymeist, BBC (J. Kennedy)	
12/1, 12/5-6	Nantucket, Cape Cod	3, 63	J. Papale, CCBC	
Reports of 1 or 2 individuals from 9 locations.				
Horned Grebe				
11/4, 11/14	Cambridge (F.P.), Nantucket	2, 100+	J. Barton, J. Papale#	
11/14, 11/15	Lakeville, Bourne	11, 67	BBC (D. Davis), R. Stymeist#	
11/16, 11/22	Wareham, Boston H.	124, 243	M. Sylvia, TASL (M. Hall)	
11/28, 12/13	Wachusett Res., Barnstable (S.N.)	16, 26	M. Lynch#, R. Forster#	
Red-necked Grebe				
11/11, 11/13	Provincetown, P.I.	3, 10	S. Perkins#, K. Disney	
11/22, 11/29	Boston H., Rockport	28, 11	TASL (M. Hall), M. Lynch#	
12/13	Barnstable (S.N.), Eastham (F.E.)	51, 3	R. Forster#	
Northern Fulmar				
12/11, 12/13	Rockport (A.P.), F.E.	115 lt, 50+	R. Heil, S. Perkins#	
Greater Shearwater				
11/11	Eastham, Provincetown	7, 8	S. Perkins#	
12/13	Eastham (F.E.)	1	B. Nikula#	
shearwater species				
12/13	Eastham (F.E.)	1	W. Petersen#	
Leach's Storm-Petrel				
11/1	Barnstable (S.N.), off P'town	1, 1	H. Ferguson, BBC (G. d'Entremont)	
Northern Gannet				
11/1	Mass. Bay-Cape Cod Bay	750	BBC (G. d'Entremont)	
11/24, 11/27	Barnstable, E. Orleans	630, 300	R. Abrams, W. Petersen	
11/28, 12/3	S. Monomoy, Wellfleet	400+, 400	B. Nikula#, A. Strauss	
12/4, 12/11	Nantucket, Rockport	2000, 550	J. Papale, R. Heil	
12/11, 12/13	Barnstable (S.N.), Eastham (F.E.)	451, 100	M. Sylvia, v. o.	
Great Cormorant				
11/22, 12/19	Boston H., Salisbury	71, 43	TASL (M. Hall), J. Berry	
Double-crested Cormorant				
11/14, 11/22	Southboro, Boston H.	1 imm, 57	R. Forster#, TASL (M. Hall)	
American Bittern				
11/8, 11/19	P.I., E. Boston (B.I.)	1, 1	BBC (S. Charette), L. Rogers	
11/22	Squantum	1	TASL (M. Hall)	
Great Blue Heron				
11/11, 11/22	Eastham, Boston H.	50, 28	S. Perkins#, TASL (M. Hall)	
11/27, 12/6	E. Orleans, Westport	50, 29	W. Petersen, M. Sylvia	
12/16	Boston (Logan)	16	N. Smith	
Great Egret				
11/14, 12/6	Westport, Chatham	2, 1	R. Stymeist#, D. Scott	
12/27	Centerville	1	R. Jenkins#	
Snowy Egret				
12/28	Hyannisport	1	P. Trimble#	
Cattle Egret				
11/2-4, 11/19-20	Franklin, Bridgewater	1, 1	P. Mastromatteo, J. Libby	
Black-crowned Night-Heron				
thr, 11/6	Boston (Fens), E. Boston	1-3, 1	K. Hudson, T. Aversa	
11/14, 12/6	Westport, Lynn	1, 2	M. Rines#, BBC (J. Quigley)	
Tundra Swan				
12/5	Provincetown	1	K. Jones	
Mute Swan				
11/1-30, 11/28	Arlington, S. Monomoy	8 max, 24	L. Taylor, B. Nikula#	
12/6, 12/5-6	Westport, Cape Cod	55, 226	M. Boucher, CCBC	
Greater White-fronted Goose (Greenland form)				
12/5, 12/15-31	WBWS, New Bedford	1 ad, 1 ad	S. Perkins#, D. Zimmerlan	
Snow Goose				
11/1-30	P.I., Essex	13 max, 1	W. Drew# + v. o., T. Young	
12/19	Falmouth	1	B. Nikula#	
Brant				
11/16, 11/22	Wareham, Boston H.	7, 1516	M. Sylvia, TASL (M. Hall)	
11/23, 11/30	Eastham, S. Dartmouth	93, 36	A. Strauss, M. Boucher	

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Brant (continued)				
12/1	Nantucket	37	J. Papale	
Canada Goose				
11/15, 11/28	Wakefield, GMNWR	325, 301	BBC (D. Williams), M. Lynch#	
12/23	Clinton	460	R. Bradbury	
Wood Duck				
11/7, 11/8	Brewster, Framingham	15, 6	K. Jones, K. Hamilton	
12/9-31, 12/18	Framingham, W. Newbury	1 m, 1 m	K. Hamilton, R. Heil	
Green-winged Teal				
11/1-30	P.I., Arlington Res.	300+ max, 15 max	v. o., L. Taylor	
11/1, 11/6	Peabody, E. Boston	19, 15	S. Perkins, T. Aversa	
11/28, 12/1	S. Monomoy, E. Boston	20, 5	B. Nikula#, T. Aversa	
American Black Duck				
11/1-30, 11/22	P.I., Boston H.	560 max, 1376	W. Drew#, TASL (M. Hall)	
11/28, 12/6	S. Monomoy, Westport	450, 734	B. Nikula#, M. Boucher	
Northern Pintail				
11/1-30, 11/7	P.I., Ipswich	63 max, 2 f	W. Drew#, BBC (J. Berry)	
12/7, 12/9	Boston (F.Pk)	2, 2	T. Aversa, K. Hamilton	
12/18, 12/31	W. Newbury, E. Orleans	2, 2	R. Heil, A. Williams	
Northern Shoveler				
11/6-12/1, 11/12	E. Boston, Harwich	1 m, 1 m	T. Aversa, K. Hamilton	
11/12, 11/18	Wellesley, Waltham	1, 1	C. Quinlan#, M. Murphy	
11/18-12/31, 11/28	Boston, S. Monomoy	1 m, 45	K. Hudson, B. Nikula#	
11/28	Orleans	1 f	K. Jones	
Gadwall				
11/6-19, 11/7	P.I., Ipswich	3 max, 25	W. Drew#, BBC (J. Berry)	
11/11, 11/14	Belmont, Westport	6, 3	L. Taylor, R. Stymeist#	
11/28, 12/1	S. Monomoy, S. Peabody	40, 12	B. Nikula#, T. Aversa	
12/5-23, 12/17	Boston, Plymouth	1-3, 14	K. Hudson, K. Hamilton#	
Eurasian Wigeon				
thr, 12/6-31	Chatham, New Bedford	1 m, 1 m	v. o., D. Zimberlan	
American Wigeon				
11/1-11/30, 11/1	Arlington, Wareham	75 max, 16	L. Taylor, M. Sylvia	
11/6-11/24, 11/17	P.I., Nantucket	17 max, 38	W. Drew#, J. Papale	
11/28, 12/3	S. Monomoy, Cambridge (F.P.)	40, 22	B. Nikula#, D. Flood	
Canvasback				
thr	Cambridge (F.P.), Lakeville	245 max, 221 max	J. Barton, v. o.	
11/17, 11/28	Nantucket, S. Monomoy	32, 60	J. Papale, B. Nikula#	
12/5-6, 12/22	Cape Cod, Wareham	213, 137	CCBC, M. Sylvia	
Redhead				
11/1-12/3, 11/8	Waltham, Sterling	1 m, 1 f	v. o., B. Kamp#	
11/21, 12/23	Southboro, Nantucket	2, 2 m	C. Quinlan, J. Papale	
12/1-31, 12/8	Yarmouth, Framingham	2, 1	C. Smith#, C. Quinlan	
Ring-necked Duck				
11/1	Wayland, Lakeville	37, 1300	K. Hamilton, W. Petersen	
11/1-30, 11/4	Southboro, Cambridge (F.P.)	500 max, 156	E. Taylor, J. Barton	
11/8, 11/17	Eastham, Nantucket	35, 31	W. Petersen#, J. Papale	
11/28, 12/24	S. Monomoy, Taunton	90, 10	B. Nikula#, G. d'Entremont#	
Greater Scaup				
11/15, 11/17	N. Falmouth, Nantucket	550, 70	R. Stymeist#, J. Papale	
11/22, 11/28	Boston H., Lakeville	448, 400+	TASL (M. Hall), K. Anderson	
12/24, 12/16	Falmouth, Hingham	1750, 50	M. Sylvia, G. d'Entremont#	
Lesser Scaup				
11/1-12/8, 11/1	Lakeville, Ipswich	300 max, 2	W. Petersen, S. Perkins	
11/19, 11/25	Nantucket, Lincoln	1 m, 1	J. Papale, W. Petersen	
11/21, 12/24	W. Newbury, Falmouth	1, 15	H. Wiggin#, M. Sylvia	
Common Eider				
11/6, 11/22	Gay Head, Boston H.	15,000, 5438	V. Laux, TASL (M. Hall)	
11/27, 12/4	E. Orleans, Nantucket	8000+, 3000	W. Petersen, J. Papale	
12/11, 12/26	Rockport, Hull	3100+, 400	R. Heil, E. Taylor	
King Eider				
11/26, 12/13-15	Rockport, Provincetown H.	1 m, 1 m	I. Giriunas, v. o.	
Harlequin Duck				
11/12-12/31, 11/8	Rockport, Wellfleet	6 max, 1 m	v. o., W. Petersen	
11/27, 12/13	Nantucket, Marblehead	2 pr, 12	M. Porny, J. Smith	
Oldsquaw				
11/6, 11/17	Wachusett Res., Nantucket	1, 80+	R. Bradbury, J. Papale	
11/24, 11/30	Barnstable, S. Dartmouth	157, 26	R. Abrams, M. Boucher	
12/11, 12/27	Rockport (A.P.), Nantucket	60, 6500	J. Brown#, J. Papale	
Black Scoter				
11/5, 11/6	Wachusett Res., Gay Head	3, 6000	R. Bradbury, V. Laux	
11/11	Eastham	50	S. Perkins#	

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Surf Scoter				
11/6, 11/22	Gay Head, Boston H.	2000, 159	V. Laux, TASL (M. Hall)	
11/28, 12/6	Scusset, P.I.	150, 25	S. Perkins, BBC (S. Moore)	
White-winged Scoter				
11/6, 11/22	Gay Head, Boston H.	10,000, 440	V. Laux, TASL (M. Hall)	
Common Goldeneye				
11/8, 11/22	Petersham, Boston H.	8, 998	R. Bradbury, TASL (M. Hall)	
11/28, 12/10	Lakeville, Wareham	20, 61	K. Anderson, M. Sylvia	
12/16, 12/23	W. Boylston, Framingham	25, 42	R. Bradbury, K. Hamilton	
Barrow's Goldeneye				
11/28, 12/4	Magnolia, Nantucket	1 m, 2	H. Allen + v. o., J. Papale	
Bufflehead				
11/1-30, 11/22	P.I., Boston H.	60 max, 3164	W. Drew#, TASL (M. Hall)	
12/5-6, 12/6	Cape Cod, Westport	1736, 79	CCBC, M. Boucher	
Hooded Merganser				
11/1-30	Winchester, Lexington	48 max, 40 max	L. Taylor, R. Forster#	
11/1-30	Lakeville, Arlington	53 max, 35 max	W. Petersen, L. Taylor	
11/15	Wakefield, S. Monomoy	41, 50	BBC (D. Williams), H. Ferguson	
11/22, 12/5-6	Quabbin (G43) Cape Cod	64, 469	T. Gagnon, CCBC	
12/5, 12/19	Lynn, Boston	38, 13	BBC (J. Quigley), K. Hudson	
Common Merganser				
11/15, 11/20	Lakeville, Worcester	100+, 47	W. Petersen, R. Bradbury	
11/21, 11/25	Southboro, Wakefield	181, 125+	M. Lynch#, P. + F. Vale	
12/2, 12/8	Holden, Wayland	49, 44	R. Bradbury, K. Hamilton	
12/5-6, 12/15	Cape Cod, Medford	243, 35	CCBC, M. Rines	
Red-breasted Merganser				
11/10, 11/22	N. Monomoy, Boston H.	2000, 2981	B. Nikula, TASL (M. Hall)	
12/27	Cambridge (F.P.)	23	D. Flood	
Ruddy Duck				
11/1-30, 11/1	Arlington Res., Framingham	35 max, 65	L. Taylor, K. Hamilton	
11/7, 11/16	Southboro, Cambridge (F.P.)	46, 36	M. Lynch#, R. Stymeist	
11/21, 11/25	W. Newbury, Waltham	94, 70	H. Wiggin#, W. Petersen	
11/25, 11/28	Lincoln, S. Monomoy	65, 15	W. Petersen, B. Nikula#	
12/9, 12/27	Framingham, Cambridge (F.P.)	80+, 1	K. Hamilton, D. Flood	

RAPTORS THROUGH SHOREBIRDS

The two December reports of **Black Vulture** are reflective of the species' continued range expansion to our south. Oddly, the distribution of the increasing number of reports for this species shows little regard for seasonality. As the Osprey population continues to increase, so do reports well past their anticipated departure date. Observers saw a good migration of Red-shouldered and Red-tailed hawks at Wachusett Mountain in early November, but Rough-legged Hawks were scarce. One observer singled out a lone American Kestrel in his report because it was the only one he saw, and a few other observers noted that kestrels were completely lacking. Readers are urged to report kestrel sightings to help determine whether this apparent scarcity represents a decline that is just now becoming apparent.

Although shorebirds were well reported, there were few unexpected occurrences. Most of the species are now expected during November toward the end of their migration. Significantly very few were noted in December. Although not unprecedented, two Spotted Sandpipers in December were unusual. Perhaps the highlight of the December 11-13 storm was the large number of Red Phalaropes, climaxing with over 10,000 at Sandy Neck on December 13.

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Black Vulture				
12/5, 12/20	M.V. (Felix Neck), Cohasset	1, 1	G. Ben David, T. Cameron#	
Turkey Vulture				
11/14	Westport	2	R. Stymeist#	
Osprey				
11/1-3, 11/6	Wayland, Newbury	1, 1	K. Hamilton, K. Disney	
11/28, 12/6	Medford, Milford	1, 1	P. Roberts, C. Quinlan	
Bald Eagle				
11/8; 11/11, 11/28	Wellfleet	1 imm	W. Petersen; K. Jones#	
11/15, 11/28	N. Monomoy, S. Monomoy	1 imm, 1 imm	H. Ferguson, B. Nikula	
12/18, 12/26	W. Newbury, E. Harwich	1 ad, 3	R. Heil, R. Comeau	
12/7	Lakeville	1	D. Zimmerlan	
Northern Harrier				
11/1, 11/15	Sandwich, Middleboro	2, 2	P. Trimble, W. Petersen	
11/20, 12/1	Wayland, Rowley	1, 1	S. Arena, J. Brown#	
12/8, 12/26	P.I., W. Roxbury	3, 2	W. Drew#, T. Aversa	
Sharp-shinned Hawk				
11/7	Wellesley, W. Roxbury	2 migr, 2	R. Forster, T. Aversa	

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Sharp-shinned Hawk (continued)				
11/8, 11/9	P.I., Gay Head	2, 6	J. Berry#, V. Laux	
11/10, 11/14	Sandwich, Westport	2, 2	P. Trimble, R. Stymeist#	
thr	Reports of individuals from 13 locations.			
Cooper's Hawk				
thr	Reports of individuals from 20 locations.			
Northern Goshawk				
11/1, 11/8	Wachusett Mt., Boxford	2 ad, 1	P. Roberts, J. Brown#	
11/10, 11/12	Sandwich, Wellesley	1, 1 ad	P. Trimble, C. Quinlan	
11/27	E. Middleboro, Halifax	1, 1	K. Anderson	
12/26, 12/30	Hardwick, Boxford	1 ad, 1	M. Lynch#, J. Brown#	
Red-shouldered Hawk				
11/1, 11/2, 11/7	Wachusett Mt.	13, 10, 6	EMHW, P. Roberts, EMHW	
11/27, 11/30	E. Middleboro, Natick	1, 1	K. Anderson, B. Boyd	
12/22, 12/23	Easton, W. Roxbury	1, 2	K. Ryan, T. Aversa	
12/26	New Braintree	1 imm	M. Lynch#	
Red-tailed Hawk				
11/1, 11/7	Wachusett Mt.	58, 26	EMHW	
11/1, 11/6	Waltham, Newbury	4, 4	L. Taylor, M. Rines	
11/27, 12/16	Boston, Marlboro	3, 3	K. Hudson, R. Graefe	
Rough-legged Hawk				
11/14, 11/15	Salisbury, Rowley	1 lt + 1 dk, 1	P. Roberts, J. Berry	
11/20, 11/24	Wayland, P.I.	1 dk, 1	S. Arena, W. Drew#	
11/24, 12/6	E. Middleboro, E. Boston	1, 1	K. Anderson, BBC (R. Stymeist)	
12/15, 12/22	Nantucket, N. Middleboro	1, 1	J. Papale, K. Holmes	
Golden Eagle (details submitted)				
11/8	Petersham	1 imm	R. Bradbury	
American Kestrel				
thr	Reports of individuals from 8 locations.			
Merlin				
thr	Reports of 11 individuals from 10 locations.			
Peregrine Falcon				
11/12, 11/14	Ipswich, Nantucket	1 ad, 1 ad	T. Aversa, J. Papale#	
11/20, 11/27	Boston, E. Orleans	2, 1	K. Hudson, W. Petersen	
11/28, 11/29	S. Monomoy, N. Monomoy	1 ad, 1 ad	B. Nikula#, S. Perkins#	
12/13, 12/18	Eastham (F.E.), Boston	1, 1	v. o., K. Hudson	
Ruffed Grouse				
11/15	Bourne, E. Middleboro	1, 1	R. Stymeist, K. Anderson	
11/15, 12/19	Holbrook, Easton	1, 2	G. d'Entremont, K. Ryan	
12/27, 12/31	Ipswich, Rowley	1, 2	J. Brown#, R. Stymeist#	
Wild Turkey				
11/8, 11/16	Barre, Worcester	44, 17	R. Bradbury, R. Bradbury	
11/24-12/31	Sherborn	3	E. Taylor + v. o.	
Northern Bobwhite				
11/1, 11/7	Sandwich, W. Roxbury	40, 8	P. Trimble, T. Aversa	
12/8, 12/26	Nantucket, W. Roxbury	5, 8	E. Andrews, T. Aversa	
Virginia Rail				
11/15, 12/1	W. Harwich, Nantucket	6, 1	B. Nikula, E. Andrews	
Sora				
11/15, 12/20	W. Harwich, Chatham	1, 1	B. Nikula, B. Loughran#	
American Coot				
11/1-30	Arlington, Southboro	31 max, 13 max	L. Taylor, M. Lynch#	
11/1-12/8, 11/7	P.I., W. Newbury	16 max, 6	W. Drew#, H. Wiggin#	
11/15, 11/28	Lakeville, S. Monomoy	12, 6	W. Petersen, B. Nikula#	
12/5-6, 12/9	Cape Cod, Nantucket	3, 13	CCBC, J. Papale	
Black-bellied Plover				
11/6, 11/19; 11/6	P.I.; Winthrop	42, 3; 40	W. Drew#; T. Aversa	
11/7, 11/15	Ipswich, Middleboro	30+, 18	BBC (J. Berry), W. Petersen	
11/15, 11/20	N. Monomoy, Nantucket	300, 13	H. Ferguson, J. Papale	
11/22, 12/5	Boston H., Eastham	13, 2	TASL (M. Hall), R. Forster#	
Lesser Golden-Plover				
11/6, 11/12	Newbury, Ipswich	2, 1	M. Rines, T. Aversa	
11/12, 11/13	Katama, P.I.	3, 1	V. Laux, J. Brown#	
11/15	Middleboro	4	W. Petersen	
Semipalmated Plover				
11/6, 11/12	Revere	5 juv, 3 juv	T. Aversa	
11/6, 11/22	P.I.	6, 1	W. Drew#, T. Young	
Killdeer				
11/14	Lexington, Essex	12, 14	R. Forster, J. Berry#	
11/14, 11/24	Westport, Cumb. Farms	5, 10	R. Stymeist#, K. Anderson	
American Oystercatcher				
11/10	N. Monomoy	7	B. Nikula	

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11/8, 11/14	Eastham (F.E.), E. Orleans	20, 17	W. Petersen#, B. Nikula#	
11/22, 11/26	Quabbin (G43), Wareham	1, 4	S. Sumner, M. Sylvia	
12/1, 12/5	Nantucket, Lynn	4, 3	J. Papale, BBC (J. Quigley)	
Lesser Yellowlegs				
11/1	Ipswich, Rowley	1, 4	S. Perkins#	
11/7	P.I.	1	M. Lynch#	
Spotted Sandpiper				
12/10, 12/18	Centerville, W. Newbury	1, 1	R. Pease, R. Heil	
Hudsonian Godwit				
11/15	N. Monomoy	1	H. Ferguson	
Ruddy Turnstone				
11/20, 11/22	Nantucket, Boston H.	7, 1	J. Papale, TASL (M. Hall)	
12/26, 12/31	N. Scituate, Nantucket	3, 2	R. Forster, G. d'Entremont#	
Red Knot				
11/8, 11/10	P.I., N. Monomoy	1-5, 160	J. Berry#, B. Nikula	
Sanderling				
11/10, 11/13	N. Monomoy, P.I.	1000, 120	B. Nikula, J. Brown#	
11/22	W. Yarmouth, Mashpee	85, 30	P. Trimble, J. Trimble	
11/29, 12/6	Nantucket, Revere	100+, 360	E. Ray, BBC (R. Stymeist)	
Semipalmated Sandpiper				
11/6, 11/11	Revere, Westport	1, 1	T. Aversa, R. Abrams	
11/17	P.I.	2	M. Lynch#	
White-rumped Sandpiper				
11/1, 11/10	Ipswich, N. Monomoy	2, 2	E. Nielsen, B. Nikula#	
11/12	Revere, P'town (R.P.)	14, 6	T. Aversa, K. Jones	
11/22, 11/28	P.I., S. Monomoy	5, 1	BBC (J. Nove), B. Nikula#	
Pectoral Sandpiper				
11/2, 11/7	Wayland, P.I.	15, 2	K. Hamilton, M. Lynch#	
11/14	Lexington	2	R. Forster#	
Purple Sandpiper				
11/2, 11/19	Westport, P.I.	2, 2	M. Boucher, W. Drew#	
11/22, 11/28	Boston H., Scusset	13, 2	TASL (M. Hall), J. Trimble	
11/26	Swampscott	100	TV news fide R. Forster	
Dunlin				
11/1-30, 11/10	P.I., N. Monomoy	450+ max, 850	v. o., B. Nikula	
11/22, 12/18	Boston H., Newbypt	272, 18	TASL (M. Hall), J. Brown#	
12/6, 12/19	Revere, S. Dartmouth	190, 127	BBC (R. Stymeist), M. Boucher	
Long-billed Dowitcher				
11/1-22	P.I.	35 max 11/6	W. Drew# + v. o.	
11/6, 11/16-12/20E.	Boston (B.I.)	2, 1	T. Aversa, v. o.	
Common Snipe				
11/1	Ipswich, Waltham	19, 1	S. Perkins#, L. Taylor	
11/6, 11/21	E. Boston (B.I.), Medfield	1, 1	T. Aversa	
American Woodcock				
11/7, 11/10	Newbury, Sandwich	1, 1	T. Aversa, P. Trimble	
11/20, 11/27	Wellesley, Medfield	1, 1	R. Forster, T. Aversa	
12/3, 12/26	Stoneham, N. Falmouth	1, 1	M. Martinek, I. Nisbet	
Red Phalarope				
11/1, 12/11	Barnstable (S.N.), Rockport	1, 6	H. Ferguson, R. Heil	
12/12	E. Sandwich, S.N.	2400, 70	S. Perkins#	
12/13	S.N., Eastham (F.E.)	10,000+, 4500	R. Forster#, P. Bailey#	
12/14, 12/15	F.E., Sandwich	100, 500	B. Nikula, J. Sones	

JAEGERS THROUGH ALCIDS

A few Pomarine Jaegers were reported incidental to the December storm. Perhaps the most unusual, and undoubtedly related to the storm, was the one at Plum Island on December 19. The only report of a Little Gull was not from a usual location, and Common Black-headed Gulls were firmly ensconced at their wintering quarters in Winthrop. A Mew Gull returned to an area where it has been present in recent winters. Black-legged Kittiwakes were prominent during the December storm. One of the most surprising reports was a very late Royal Tern at Monomoy in late November and a very tardy Forster's Tern graced the Christmas Bird Count in the Westport area.

A scattering of Dovekies and Thick-billed Murres were found both during and unrelated to the December storm, but Common Murres were storm-related. Alcids seen during the December storm included hundreds of Razorbills at various locations, plus 10 Atlantic Puffins at First Encounter Beach. An excellent count of Black Guillemots was at Cape Ann in November and was unrelated to any major weather disturbance. Almost overlooked by the storm was an Ancient Murrelet at Halibut Point, Rockport, on November 29. The

individual was discovered by a group of out-of-state birders and was extensively documented. This west coast alcid has been a consistent fall vagrant across interior portions of the country for the past decade or more, including one in Pennsylvania about two weeks prior to the Cape Ann sighting. However, this is apparently the first observation of this species on salt water in the western North Atlantic. The report is pending evaluation by the Massachusetts Avian Records Committee. R. A. F.

Pomarine Jaeger

11/23, 11/24	Eastham (F.E.), Barnstable (S.N.)	6, 5	A. Strauss, R. Abrams
11/29, 12/11	Rockport	1, 1 dk	C. Leahy, R. Heil
12/13	S.N., Eastham (F.E.)	3, 10	v. o., B. Nikula#
12/19	P.I.	1	H. Wiggin#

jaeger species

11/23	Brewster, Eastham (F.E.)	5, 30	A. Strauss
11/24, 12/3	Barnstable (S.N.), Wellfleet	4, 1	R. Abrams, A. Strauss
12/6, 12/12	Eastham (F.E.), S.N.	25+, 31	B. Nikula#, R. Pease#
12/13, 12/14	Eastham (F.E.)	20, 4	B. Nikula#

Great Skua

12/13	Barnstable (S.N.), Eastham (F.E.)	2, 3	R. Donovan#, S. Perkins#
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skua species

12/13, 12/14	Eastham (F.E.)	5, 3 or 4	B. Nikula#
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Laughing Gull

11/8, 11/24	Wellfleet, Barnstable (S.N.)	3, 2 ad	W. Petersen#, R. Abrams
11/28	Scusset	6	S. Perkins#

Little Gull

12/5	Squibnocket (M.V.)	1 ad	G. Daniels
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Common Black-headed Gull

thr, 12/10	Winthrop, Nantucket	21 max 12/20, 1	v. o., J. Papale
12/18, 12/28	Newburyport, Lynn	1, 1 ad	J. Brown#, J. Quigley

Bonaparte's Gull

11/8, 11/15	Salisbury, Rowley	80, 26	J. Berry#, J. Berry
11/16, 11/22	Swampscott, W. Yarmouth	250, 75	R. Stymeist, P. Trimble
11/27, 11/28	P'town, Wachusett Res.	40, 1 ad	K. Jones, M. Lynch#
12/1, 12/6	Nantucket, Revere	830, 1100	J. Papale, BBC (R. Stymeist)

Mew Gull (details submitted)

11/21, 12/20-31	Winthrop	1, 1 ad	J. Barton, S. Perkins + v. o.
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Ring-billed Gull

11/22, 12/9	Cumb. Farms, Wachusett Res.	1000, 1220	K. Anderson, B. Blodget
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Iceland Gull

11/27, 12/4	P'town (R.P.), Nantucket	1, 6 ad	K. Jones, J. Papale
12/12, 12/13	E. Sandwich, S.N.	1 ad, 4	S. Perkins#, T. Cameron#
12/14	Barnstable (S.N.)	1	R. Pease

Lesser Black-backed Gull

11/7, 11/24	Brewster, Winthrop	2 ad, 1	K. Jones, T. Hoogendoorn
11/27, 12/26	N. Truro, Nantucket	1 ad, 1 ad	K. Jones#, C. Jackson
12/28	Lynn	1 ad	J. Quigley

Glaucous Gull

11/11, 11/27	N. Monomoy, P'town (R.P.)	1, 1 ad	B. Nikula#, K. Jones
12/13	S.N., Eastham (F.E.)	3, 1 1W	T. Cameron#, S. Perkins#

Herring x Great Black-backed Gull (details submitted)

12/24	Lynn	1 ad	J. Quigley
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Black-legged Kittiwake

11/12, 11/23	Rockport, Eastham	25, 92	J. Brown#, A. Strauss
11/24	Barnstable (S.N.)	307	R. Abrams
12/11	S.N., Rockport	250, 1320	M. Sylvia, R. Heil
12/12	S.N., Dennis	"thousands," 800	R. Pease, B. Nikula
12/13	S.N., Eastham (F.E.)	200, 1500	T. Cameron#, B. Nikula#

Royal Tern

11/27	N. Monomoy	1	J. Sones#
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Common Tern

11/1, 11/8	Plymouth, Wellfleet	75+, 1	BBC (G. d'Entremont), W. Petersen#
11/27	Provincetown	1	B. Meador

Forster's Tern

11/1, 11/14	Plymouth, Westport	3, 2	BBC (G. d'Entremont), R. Stymeist#
12/19	Westport	1	CBC (D. Emerson)

Dovekie

11/24, 11/28	Barnstable (S.N.), Rockport	7, 3	R. Abrams, R. Heil
12/11, 12/12	Rockport, E. Sandwich	1, 1	R. Heil, v. o.
12/13	Sandwich, Barnstable (S.N.)	3, 6	A. Strauss, R. Forster#
12/13, 12/14	Eastham (F.E.), S.N.	15+, 2	B. Nikula#, A. Strauss
12/19	Lynn	1 dead (ph)	J. Quigley

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Common Murre				
12/11, 12/22-29	Rockport (A.P.), P'town	5, 1 or 2	R. Heil, K. Jones	
Thick-billed Murre				
11/24, 11/29	Barnstable (S.N.), Rockport	3, 2	R. Abrams, M. Rines#	
12/11, 12/13	Rockport, Eastham (F.E.)	2, 1	R. Heil, B. Nikula#	
12/29	Provincetown	1	K. Jones	
Razorbill				
11/8, 11/23	Wellfleet, Brewster	9, 20	W. Petersen#, A. Strauss	
11/24, 11/27	Barnstable (S.N.), P'town (R.P.)	44, 7	R. Abrams, K. Jones	
11/29, 12/11	Rockport	12, 1565	M. Lynch#, R. Heil	
12/13	S.N., Eastham (F.E.)	21, 275	R. Forster#, B. Nikula#	
12/14	Eastham (F.E.)	50	B. Nikula#	
large alcid species				
11/24, 12/13	Barnstable (S.N.), F.E.	37, 800+	R. Abrams, B. Nikula#	
12/14	Eastham (F.E.)	350	B. Nikula#	
Black Guillemot				
11/20, 11/24	Nahant, Barnstable (S.N.)	1, 1	M. Rines#, R. Abrams	
11/28, 12/1	Cape Ann, Cohasset	42, 4	R. Heil, J. Hubbard	
12/11, 12/13	Rockport, Barnstable (S.N.)	24, 2	R. Heil, R. Donovan#	
Ancient Murrelet (details submitted)				
11/29	Rockport (Halibut Point)	1	T. Burke, L. Brinker, R. Kurtz, J. Askildson	
Atlantic Puffin				
11/1, 12/13	Cape Cod Bay, Eastham (F.E.)	1, 10	BBC (G. d'Entremont), W. Petersen#	

OWLS THROUGH FINCHES

At Logan Airport 13 Snowy Owls were banded during November and December, and others were found in a wide area, although mainly along the coast. Unlike last year Short-eared Owls were few and far between, and only one Northern Saw-whet Owl was noted. A Barred Owl was discovered in Arlington by a school teacher in a densely-populated neighborhood. Red-bellied Woodpeckers were widespread, especially on Cape Cod, where over 12 were found during December. Extremely late was an *empidonax* flycatcher at Wellfleet Bay Wildlife Sanctuary. The bird was captured, measurements taken, and identified as a "Traill's" Flycatcher. Also on the late side was a Great Crested Flycatcher at Wellfleet Bay on November 14. The normal late departure is at the end of September. At least ten Western Kingbirds were noted, similar to last year.

The crow roost in Framingham reached a maximum of about 4000 birds on the last day of the year, down about 2000 birds over the past year. Red-breasted Nuthatches were noticeably low in numbers from previous years, and Northern Shrike totaled just 2 individuals compared with about 28 individuals last year. On the other hand, Carolina Wrens exploded, and good numbers of Eastern Bluebirds, Hermit Thrushes, and American Robins were found in many areas. A Varied Thrush met an untimely death by hitting a window in West Tisbury on Martha's Vineyard.

Unusually late warblers included a Worm-eating Warbler and an Ovenbird at Nahant, both about a month and a half beyond their normal departure dates. Other late warblers included Black-throated Blue, Black-throated Green, and Wilson's warblers, and Northern Waterthrush. An *Oporornis* warbler or warblers were found in South Boston in mid-November. The observer was confident he may have seen both a MacGillivray's Warbler and a Mourning Warbler. Orange-crowned Warblers were found in eleven locations, and three individuals were present in Nahant on November 22. Painted Buntings were found in four locations on Cape Cod and represent at least two male individuals. These birds were all reported from feeders, each of which contained millet seed. There was a modest flight of Fox Sparrows, primarily during the first weekend of November, and Clay-colored Sparrows were reported from four locations. Other sparrow highlights included several late Lincoln Sparrows, a Grasshopper Sparrow, and an "Oregon" Junco. A Yellow-headed Blackbird put in a brief appearance at a feeder in Lincoln. "Bullock's" Orioles were reported from Watertown and Plymouth. Winter finch reports were almost nonexistent.

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Eastern Screech-Owl

11/7, 11/9	Easton, Barnstable	1 red, 2	K. Ryan, P. Trimble
11/15, 11/29	Lexington, Mt. A.	1 grey, 1 red	M. Rines, J. Heywood
Great Horned Owl			
11/1	Ipswich, N. Middleboro	pr, pr	J. Berry, K. Holmes
11/17, 11/28-12/31	Lexington, Mt. Auburn	pr, pr	C. Floyd, M. Rines + v. o.
Snowy Owl			
11/1-30	Boston (Logan)	7 b, 5 max 11/22	N. Smith
12/1-31	Boston (Logan)	6 b, 8 max 12/20	N. Smith
11/1-12/31	Cape Cod/Islands	7	v. o.
11/7-12/31, 11/22P.I., Duxbury		1, 1	v. o., S. Hecker
11/20-24, 11/25	Haverhill, Plainville	1, 1	M. Doyle, P. Kaufman
11/24, 12/9	S. Dartmouth, Westport	1, 1	M. Eataugh, F. Sweeney

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Barred Owl				
11/2, 11/22	Arlington, Barre	1, 1	v. o., M. Lynch#	
12/6	Salisbury	1	BBC (S. Moore)	
Long-eared Owl				
11/1-30	Ipswich	1	v. o.	
Short-eared Owl				
11/19, 11/22	E. Boston (B.I.), Boston (Logan)	1, 1	L. Rogers, N. Smith	
12/27	Nantucket	1	G. Andrews	
Northern Saw-whet Owl				
11/20	Petersham	1	R. Bradbury	
Red-headed Woodpecker				
12/19-31, 12/27	Hingham, S. Dartmouth	1 imm, 1	G. d'Entremont#, J. Allen	
12/31	W. Falmouth	1 ad	L. Richer	
Red-bellied Woodpecker				
11/1-30, 12/1-31	Outer Cape Cod, Cape Cod	5, 12+	v. o.	
12/6	Petersham	1	R. Bradbury	
thr	Reports of individuals in eastern	Massachusetts	from 12 locations.	
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker				
11/2, 12/6	Nantucket	1 imm, 1 imm	J. Papale, E. Andrews	
12/10, 12/19	Belmont, E. Orleans	1 imm, 1	N. Harris, K. Hamilton#	
Pileated Woodpecker				
11/22	Barre	1	M. Lynch#	
"Traill's" Flycatcher				
11/27-12/5	WBWS	1	J. Sones + v. o.	
Eastern Phoebe				
11/1	Sandwich, Lancaster	1, 1	W. Loughran, R. Bradbury	
11/1, 11/14	Waltham, Nantucket	1, 1	L. Taylor, J. Papale#	
11/14, 11/18	Middleboro, IRWS	1, 1	BBC (D. Davis), J. Murray	
11/29, 12/29	E. Middleboro, W. Barnstable	1, 1	K. Holmes, B. Meador	
Great Crested Flycatcher				
11/14	WBWS	1	K. Jones	
Western Kingbird				
11/2-15	DWWS	1	D. Clapp + v. o.	
11/6, 11/9, 11/15	Gay Head	2, 3, 4	V. Laux, V. Laux, S. Perkins#	
11/8, 11/12-15	Sudbury, Magnolia	1, 1	T. Gumbard#, K. Disney + v. o.	
11/20, 11/23-29	Nantucket, WBWS	2, 1	H. Foria, K. Jones + v. o.	
Horned Lark				
11/8, 11/10	Salisbury, P.I.	40, 13	J. Berry#, K. Disney#	
11/14, 11/22	Middleboro, Boston	71, 108	BBC (D. Davis), TASL (M. Hall)	
Tree Swallow				
11/29, 12/18	N. Monomoy, Brewster	1, 1	S. Perkins#, M. Rines#	
American Crow				
11/1	Sandwich	260	P. Trimble	
11/20, 12/31	Framingham	500, 4000	E. Taylor	
Fish Crow				
11/15, 11/22	Holbrook, Wellesley	1, 1	G. d'Entremont, R. Forster	
12/11, 12/18-31	Brookline, Framingham	1, 2	H. Wiggin, E. Taylor	
Common Raven				
11/1, 11/2	Wachusett Mt.	5, 5	P. Roberts	
11/22, 11/30	Quabbin (G43), Athol	2, 1	T. Gagnon, K. Hamilton	
Red-breasted Nuthatch				
11/4, 11/28	Harwich/Yarmouthport, Southboro	19, 10+	K. Hamilton, M. Lynch#	
12/26, 12/27	Quabbin (G41), Georgetown	7, 4	M. Lynch#, J. Brown#	
Brown Creeper				
11/2	Nantucket	8	J. Papale	
Carolina Wren				
11/4, 11/12	Belmont, Nahant	2, 2	S. Sanders, T. Aversa	
11/14; 11/15	Westport; Bourne, Falmouth	44; 14, 18	R. Stymeist#	
11/15, 11/23	Holbrook, Nantucket	4, 2	G. d'Entremont, N. Brooks	
11/28, 12/5	Gloucester, Brookline	8, 2	R. Stymeist#, H. Wiggin	
House Wren				
11/15; 12/21	Bourne, Falmouth; Newton	2, 1; 2	R. Stymeist#; N. Komar	
Winter Wren				
11/7, 11/12	Weston, Nahant	2, 4	R. Stymeist, T. Aversa	
11/14, 11/15	Westport, Falmouth	2, 5	M. Rines#, R. Stymeist#	
12/18	W. Newbury	4	R. Heil	
thr	Reports of individuals from 17 locations.			
Marsh Wren				
11/13, 11/15	Cumb. Farms, W. Harwich	3, 5	T. Aversa, B. Nikula	
11/22, 11/25	P.I., Nantucket	1, 2	BBC (J. Nove), J. Papale	
11/27, 11/28	Essex, GMNWR	1, 1	T. Young, M. Lynch#	
12/4	Falmouth, WBWS	1, 1	T. Aversa	

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Ruby-crowned Kinglet				
11/12, 11/13	Nahant, Falmouth	8, 8	T. Aversa	
11/14	Malden, Westport	2, 4	P. + F. Vale, R. Stymeist#	
11/22, 11/29	Boston, Petersham	2, 4	T. Aversa, R. Bradbury	
12/4, 12/6	Falmouth, Nantucket	2, 2	T. Aversa, J. Papale#	
11/20-12/31	Reports of individuals from 8 locations.			
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher				
11/1	Peabody	1 f	E. Nielsen	
Eastern Bluebird				
11/1	Medford, Lancaster	3, 8	P. Roberts, R. Bradbury	
11/3, 11/6	Sherborn, W. Newbury	8, 6	E. Taylor, R. Heil	
11/9, 11/14	Gay Head, Lakeville	22, 12	V. Laux, BBC (D. Davis)	
11/14, 11/28	Sudbury, Sandwich	6, 5	R. Forster#, S. Perkins#	
12/2, 12/8	Upton, Westboro	5, 2	P. Johnson, R. Bradbury	
12/24	Raynham, Taunton	5, 8	S. Arena#	
Hermit Thrush				
11/1, 11/7	Waltham, Cambridge	7, 2	L. Taylor	
11/11, 11/14	Chatham, Westport	2, 15	B. Nikula, R. Stymeist#	
11/15, 11/20	Falmouth, Nahant	4, 3	R. Stymeist#, R. Forster#	
11/21, 11/23	Boston, S. Sandwich	2, 4	K. Hudson, P. Trimble	
American Robin				
11/7, 11/9	Ipswich, Boston	50+, 60	BBC (J. Berry), K. Hudson	
11/9, 11/26	Gay Head, Essex	800, 110	V. Laux, T. Young	
Varied Thrush				
11/17	W. Tisbury	1 dead	C. Crumm	
Gray Catbird				
11/13, 11/14	Falmouth, Westport	10, 9	T. Aversa, R. Stymeist#	
11/15, 11/29	Bourne, Sandwich	5, 3	R. Stymeist#, P. Trimble	
12/4	Falmouth, Barnstable	4, 2	T. Aversa, M. Rines#	
12/9, 12/10	Boston, Nantucket	4, 4	T. Aversa, J. Papale#	
Brown Thrasher				
11/1-12/1, 12/4	Nahant, Falmouth	1, 1	T. Aversa	
American Pipit				
11/1, 11/12	Ipswich	120, 40	S. Perkins, T. Aversa	
11/4, 11/14	Sterling, E. Orleans	30, 5	R. Bradbury, B. Nikula#	
11/28, 12/19	Middleboro, S. Dartmouth	80, 11	W. Petersen, M. Boucher	
Cedar Waxwing				
11/8, 11/9	Wellesley, Gay Head	70+, 200	R. Forster, V. Laux	
11/14, 11/18	Westport, Worcester	90, 150+	R. Stymeist#, R. Bradbury	
12/5, 12/8	Westboro, Marlboro	160, 30	B. Blodget, R. Graefe	
12/22, 12/27	Nantucket, Boxford	70+, 150	N. Brooks, J. Brown#	
Northern Shrike				
11/22, 12/20	Quabbin (G43), WBWS	1, 1	T. Gagnon, D. Clapp#	
White-eyed Vireo				
12/1-4	Westport	1	F. Thurber	
Orange-crowned Warbler				
11/1	Waltham, Malden	1, 1	L. Taylor, P. + F. Vale	
11/5, 11/11	Wellesley, Belmont	1, 1	C. Quinlan, L. Taylor	
11/13, 11/22	Falmouth, Nahant	1, 3	T. Aversa, R. Stymeist#	
12/5, 12/20	WBWS, Chatham	1, 1	D. Reynolds#, P. Trimble#	
12/23, 12/27	W. Roxbury, Yarmouth	1, 1	T. Aversa, B. Scott#	
12/28	Mattapan	1	T. Aversa#	
Nashville Warbler				
11/22	Manchester, P.I.	1, 1	N. Creighton, W. Miller	
12/6	Nantucket	1	J. Papale#	
Black-throated Blue Warbler				
12/5	Taunton	1 m	J. Sweeney	
Yellow-rumped Warbler				
11/1, 11/7	Sandwich, Ipswich	20, 20+	P. Trimble, BBC (J. Berry)	
11/8, 11/15	Salisbury, Essex	7, 15	J. Berry#, T. Young	
12/24, 12/26	Taunton, Hingham	5, 10	G. d'Entremont#	
Black-throated Green Warbler				
11/14	Lakeville	1	BBC (D. Davis)	
Pine Warbler				
11/20, 11/22	Nahant, W. Barnstable	1 or 2, 1	T. Aversa, P. Trimble	
12/1-31, 12/5-31	Bolton, Northboro	3, 1	D. White, B. Volkle	
Palm Warbler				
11/1, 11/28; 11/15	Sandwich; Middleboro	30, 8; 3	P. Trimble; W. Petersen	
11/23, 11/27	Nantucket, E. Orleans	5, 2	J. Papale, W. Petersen	
12/1	E. Boston, S. Peabody	1, 3	T. Aversa	
12/14, 12/18	Nantucket, Newburyport	8, 1	N. Brooks, K. Disney	

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Blackpoll Warbler 11/2, 11/12	Boston (F.Pk), Nahant	1, 1	T. Aversa	
American Redstart 11/11-15, 11/19-20	Truro, S. Boston	1, 1	R. Forster + v. o., R. Donovan	
Worm-eating Warbler 11/12	Nahant	1	T. Aversa	
Ovenbird 11/13, 11/15 11/22, 12/8 12/9	Boston, Holbrook Nahant, Boston Mashpee	1, 1 1, 1 1	L. Kaplan, G. d'Entremont R. Stymeist#, B. Bochan F. LeBaron	
Northern Waterthrush 12/5, 12/20 12/27	WBWS, E. Orleans Hyannisport	1, 1 1	S. Perkins#, R. Forster# J. Sones#	
Oporornis species 11/13, 11/19-20	S. Boston	1	R. Donovan	
Common Yellowthroat 11/13, 11/28 11/28 12/3, 12/24 12/25	Falmouth, Cambridge Orleans, Nantucket Westboro, Raynham E. Orleans	2 m, 1 1, 1 m 1, 1 1	T. Aversa, L. Taylor K. Jones, B. Vigneau# C. Cuiquan, G. d'Entremont# J. Sones	
Wilson's Warbler 12/1	MNWS	1	T. Aversa	
Yellow-breasted Chat 11/13, 11/17-12/4 11/22, 11/28 12/4, 12/19-31	Falmouth, Franklin Belmont, Orleans Falmouth, Nantucket	2, 1 1, 1 1, 1	T. Aversa, M. Chickering L. Taylor, K. Jones T. Aversa, B. Vigneau#	
Blue Grosbeak 11/7	Dorchester	1	R. Donovan	
Painted Bunting 11/22-28, 11/29 11/25-12/31, 12/21-31	Sandwich, Barnstable Brewster, Hyannis	1 m, 1 m 1 m, 1 m	R. Smith, M. Fuller A. Furman, D. Stewart#	
Dickcissel 11/7, 11/8 11/18-12/1, 12/19 12/19-25	Brewster, Sandwich Nantucket, Beverly Nantucket	1, 1 2, 1 1	R. Everett, P. Trimble B. Vigneau#, H. Wiggin# E. Andrews	
Rufous-sided Towhee 11/6, 11/14 11/15, 12/2 12/4, 12/19	Essex, Westport Falmouth, Nantucket Falmouth, S. Dartmouth	1 m, 6 4, 1 1, 3	T. Young, R. Stymeist# R. Stymeist#, J. Papale T. Aversa, M. Boucher	
American Tree Sparrow 11/1, 11/15 11/28, 12/26	Bolton, Rowley Sandwich, Hardwick	60, 20 30, 12	R. Bradbury, J. Berry P. Trimble#, M. Lynch#	
Chipping Sparrow 11/22, 11/28 12/5, 12/19 12/28	Nantucket, Sandwich WBWS, N. Dartmouth Boston	13+, 5 4, 2 1	J. Papale, E. Nielsen# S. Perkins#, M. Boucher T. Aversa#	
Clay-colored Sparrow 11/1-12/19, 11/11 11/30-12/11, 12/19	Sandwich, Eastham N. Dartmouth, Falmouth	1-4, 1 1, 1	P. Trimble#, R. Forster# M. Boucher#, B. Nikula#	
Field Sparrow 11/14 11/15, 11/28 12/19, 12/24	Middleboro/Lakeville, Westport Weymouth/Holbrook, Sandwich N. Dartmouth, Raynham	7, 6 8, 25 25, 20	BBC (D. Davis), R. Stymeist# G. d'Entremont, P. Trimble# M. Boucher, G. d'Entremont#	
Vesper Sparrow 11/1-30, 12/18	Sandwich, Cumb. Farms	10 max, 2	P. Trimble, T. Aversa	
Savannah Sparrow 11/7, 11/14 11/14, 11/28 12/18, 12/19	W. Roxbury, Westport Lincoln, Sandwich Cumb. Farms, S. Dartmouth	16, 8 2, 250 9, 3	T. Aversa, R. Stymeist# R. Forster#, P. Trimble# T. Aversa, M. Boucher	
"Ipswich" Savannah Sparrow 11/10, 11/16 11/20, 11/29 12/19	P.I., Wareham Nahant, Salisbury S. Dartmouth	2, 2 3, 1 2	K. Disney, M. Sylvia R. Forster#, J. Center M. Boucher	
Grasshopper Sparrow 11/28	Sandwich	1	S. Perkins#	
Sharp-tailed Sparrow 11/11	Eastham (F.H.)	4	S. Perkins#	
Fox Sparrow 11/1, 11/5 11/7 11/7, 11/8 11/9, 11/14	Lancaster, Boston W. Roxbury, Wellesley Weston, Belmont Needham, Sudbury	3, 5 5, 2 5, 5 4, 2	R. Bradbury, T. Aversa T. Aversa, R. Forster R. Stymeist#, L. Taylor B. Brush, R. Forster#	

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Fox Sparrow (continued)				
11/5-11/28	Reports of individuals from 6 locations.			
Song Sparrow 11/28	Sandwich	250	P. Trimble#	
Lincoln's Sparrow 11/1, 11/12 12/19	Sandwich, Nahant N. Dartmouth	1, 1 1	P. Trimble, T. Aversa M. Boucher	
Swamp Sparrow 11/1-30, 11/14 11/15 11/25, 11/26 12/4, 12/23	Sandwich, Westport Holbrook, Weymouth Nantucket, WBWS Falmouth, W. Roxbury	40 max, 9 12, 3 3, 10 18, 7	P. Trimble, R. Stymeist# G. d'Entremont J. Papale, K. Jones T. Aversa, T. Aversa	
White-throated Sparrow 11/14, 11/28	Westport, Sandwich	160, 20	R. Stymeist#, P. Trimble#	
White-crowned Sparrow 11/1-30, 11/1 11/2-30 11/2-11/28	Sandwich, Belmont Nantucket Reports of individuals from 5 locations.	20 max, 2 imm 4 max	P. Trimble, L. Taylor J. Papale	
Dark-eyed Junco 11/2, 11/7 11/14, 11/30	Wayland, Weston Lincoln, N. Dartmouth	35, 60 50, 25	S. Arena, R. Stymeist# R. Forster#, M. Boucher	
"Oregon" Dark-eyed Junco 12/5	WBWS	1	S. Perkins#	
Lapland Longspur 11/6, 11/8 11/11	P.I., Salisbury N. Monomoy, Eastham	5, 1 50, 10	S. Charette#, J. Berry# B. Nikula#, S. Perkins#	
Snow Bunting 11/1-22, 11/11 11/11, 11/14 11/22, 12/4 11/1-12/20	P.I., N. Monomoy Provincetown, Nantucket W. Yarmouth, Wareham Reports of 1-85 individuals from 16 locations.	200+ max, 400 500, 400 110, 147	v. o., B. Nikula# W. Petersen#, J. Papale# P. Trimble, M. Sylvia	
Bobolink 11/1, 11/5	Sandwich, W. Newbury	1, 4	P. Trimble, R. Heil	
Red-winged Blackbird thr, 11/1-30 11/6, 11/13 11/27, 12/20	Nantucket, Sandwich Methuen, Cumb. Farms W. Roxbury, Hamilton	59 max, 30 max 600+, 23 8, 2	E. Andrews#, P. Trimble J. Hogan, T. Aversa T. Aversa, J. Brown#	
Eastern Meadowlark 11/1, 12/15	Sandwich, Nantucket	18, 14	P. Trimble, N. Brooks	
Yellow-headed Blackbird 11/18	Lincoln	1 f	A. Ayson	
Rusty Blackbird 11/1, 11/6 11/7, 11/15	Westboro, Methuen W. Roxbury, Wakefield	35, 7 1, 2	C. Quinlan, J. Hogan T. Aversa, BBC (D. Williams)	
Common Grackle thr, 11/1-30 11/6, 11/20	Boston (F.Pk), Sandwich Methuen, Stoneham	12, 22 max 400,000, 8	T. Aversa, P. Trimble J. Hogan, T. Aversa	
Brown-headed Cowbird 11/1, 11/2 11/24, 12/26	Sandwich, S. Dartmouth E. Middleboro, Hardwick	40, 75 25, 8	P. Trimble, M. Boucher K. Anderson, M. Lynch#	
Northern Oriole 11/17, 11/18 11/28-30, 12/12-31 12/15, 12/30	Millis, Lincoln Sandwich, Mansfield Lincoln, Nantucket	1, 1 2, 1 1, 1	P. Iarrobino, M. Rines S. Sweet, G. Dupree P. Swift, J. Papale	
"Bullock's" Oriole (details submitted) 12/6-26, 12/29	Watertown, Plymouth	1, 1	J. Heywood#, J. Atwood	
Purple Finch 11/1, 11/20 11/20, 12/18 12/26, 12/28	Waltham, Natick Wellesley, W. Newbury Hingham, Quabbin (G40)	6, 2 2, 7 3, 31	L. Taylor, E. Taylor R. Forster, R. Heil G. d'Entremont#, R. Bradbury	
House Finch 11/10, 11/14	Wellesley, Lincoln	41, 60	R. Forster, R. Forster#	
Red Crossbill 11/27	Quabbin (G40)	2	J. Johnstone	
White-winged Crossbill 11/30	Athol	2 m	K. Hamilton	
Pine Siskin 11/8	Boxford	1	T. Martin	
American Goldfinch 11/28	Sandwich	175	S. Perkins#	
Evening Grosbeak 12/14, 12/25, 12/31	Holliston, Berlin, Hardwick	2, 10, 1	M. Martinek, P. Iarrobino, R. Bradbury	

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

ad	adult	G45	Gate 45, Quabbin
alt	alternate	H.	Harbor
b	banded	I.	Island
br	breeding	L.	Ledge
dk	dark (phase)	M.V.	Martha's Vineyard
f	female	Mt.A.	Mount Auburn Cemetery, Cambridge
fl	fledged	N.A.C.	Nine Acre Corner, Concord
imm	immature	Nant.	Nantucket
ind	individuals	Newbypt	Newburyport
juv	juvenile	P.I.	Plum Island
loc	location	Pd	Pond
lt	light (phase)	P'town	Provincetown
m	male	Quab.	Quabbin
max	maximum	Res.	Reservoir
mi	mile	R.P.	Race Point, Provincetown
migr	migrating	S. Dart.	South Dartmouth
n	nesting	S.F.	State Forest
ph	photographed	S.N.	Sandy Neck, Barnstable
pl	plumage	S.P.	State Park
pr	pair	Stellw.	Stellwagen Bank
S	summer (1S = first summer)	Worc.	Worcester
thr	throughout	BBC	Brookline Bird Club
v.o.	various observers	BMB	Broad Meadow Brook, Worcester
W	winter (2W = second winter)	BOEM	Bird Observer of Eastern Massachusetts
w/	with	CBC	Christmas Bird Count
yg	young	CCBC	Cape Cod Bird Club
#	additional observers	DFWS	Drumlin Farm Wildlife Sanctuary
A.A.	Arnold Arboretum	DLSP	Demarest Lloyd State Park
A.P.	Andrews Point, Rockport	DWWS	Daniel Webster Wildlife Sanctuary
A.Pd	Allens Pond, S. Dartmouth	EMHW	Eastern Massachusetts Hawk Watch
Arl.	Arlington	FCBC	Felix Cutler Bird Club
B.	Beach	GMNWR	Great Meadows National Wildlife Refuge
B.I.	Belle Isle, E. Boston	IRWS	Ipswich River Wildlife Sanctuary
B.R.	Bass Rocks, Gloucester	LCES	Lloyd Center for Environmental Studies
Buzz.	Buzzards Bay	MARC	Massachusetts Avian Records Committee
C.	Canyon	MAS	Massachusetts Audubon Society
Cambr.	Cambridge	MBO	Manomet Bird Observatory
C.B.	Crane Beach, Ipswich	MDFW	MA Division of Fisheries and Wildlife
Corp. B.	Corporation Beach, Dennis	MNWS	Marblehead Neck Wildlife Sanctuary
C.P.	Crooked Pond, Boxford	MSSF	Myles Standish State Forest
Cumb. Farms	Cumberland Farms, Middleboro-Halifax	NBC	Needham Bird Club
E.P.	Eastern Point, Gloucester	NEHW	New England Hawk Watch
F.E.	First Encounter Beach, Eastham	ONWR	Oxbow National Wildlife Refuge
F.H.	Fort Hill, Eastham	PRNWR	Parker River National Wildlife Refuge
F.M.	Fowl Meadow	SRV	Sudbury River Valley
F.P.	Fresh Pond, Cambridge	SSBC	South Shore Bird Club
F.Pk	Franklin Park, Boston	TASL	Take A Second Look Harbor Census
F.S.F.	Federation State Forest	USFWS	US Fish and Wildlife Service
G40	Gate 40, Quabbin	WBWS	Wellfleet Bay Wildlife Sanctuary
		WMWS	Wachusett Meadow Wildlife Sanctuary