

BIRD SIGHTINGS

JUNE 1993

SUMMARY

Black-tailed Godwit
June 23, 1993
N. Monomoy Island
Chatham, MA
Photo by Blair Nikula



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June 1993 was warm, very sunny, and dry. The temperature averaged 69.5 degrees, 1.8 degrees above normal. The high was 93 degrees on June 26, one of four days with temperatures above 90 degrees. Rainfall totaled only 1.75 inches, 1.34 inches below normal. Thunderstorms occurred on four days. One storm on June 28 caused a small tunnel cloud in Needham and locally severe storms with damaging winds and hailstones in some western communities. R. H. S.

LOONS THROUGH RAILS

Observers saw all shearwater species from land, including a nice assemblage that gathered in the channel in Chatham just east of Chatham lighthouse. The only report from Stellwagen Bank was of 300 Wilson's Storm-Petrels. Are we in for another summer of diminished sightings from this former hotspot? Heron reports were fairly routine. A few reports of American Bittern provided faint hope for this scarce species. The Little Egret discovered in May continued throughout June. Yellow-crowned Night-Heron is only rarely reported as a proven breeding species, but most reports of adults in June suggest breeding activity. Hingham was a new location this year for Yellow-crowned Night-Heron reports. An impressive number of Black-crowned Night-Herons were present at Mystic Lake in Medford during the alewife run. A report of Green-winged Teal with young in Medfield was unexpected.

June is usually unproductive for raptors, but some surprises occurred this year. A pre-dusk roost of 30 Turkey Vultures in Haverhill was unusual, both for its location (most roosts are in Worcester County and the Blue Hills) and the large number of birds. Bald Eagle fortunes continued to soar with the discovery of a nest with two young in Middleboro. This is the first nest found away from the Quabbin area and in the most likely location for the species to nest to the east of Quabbin. Two reports of American Swallow-tailed Kite may have been the same individual.

Soras and Virginia Rails were quite well represented, possibly because of optimal water levels for nesting. A single report of a Common Moorhen is very discouraging. The single American Coot represented a wayward straggler. R. A. F.

Red-throated Loon			
10	P.I.	3	S. Charette#
Common Loon			
5, 12	Plymouth, Sharon	3, 1	BBC (G. d'Entremont), fide S. Arena
Pied-billed Grebe			
27	E. Boston	2	S. Zende
Greater Shearwater			
27	Provincetown	3	P. Champlain
Sooty Shearwater			
5-6, 27	Chatham, Provincetown	200, 1	W. Harrington#, P. Champlain
30	Barnstable (S.N.)	6	P. Trimble
Manx Shearwater			
5	Chatham	1	W. Harrington#
Wilson's Storm-Petrel			
5-6, 19	Chatham, Nantucket	5+, 10	W. Harrington#, E. Cutler
19	Stellwagen	300	E. Salmela
Northern Gannet			
5-6, 10	Chatham, P.I.	100, 1	W. Harrington#, S. Charette#
19	Nantucket Sound	2	E. Cutler
Great Cormorant			
12	W. Yarmouth	1	G. Martin#
American Bittern			
thr, 6	P.I., Bolton	1, 1	v. o., M. Lynch#
25, 29	Brookfield, E. Boston	1, 1	M. Lynch#, L. Rogers
Least Bittern			
thr, 5	Wayland, W. Newbury	4 max, 1 ad	S. Arena, J. Berry

DATE	LOCATION	NUMBER	OBSERVERS
Least Bittern (continued)			
13, 19	P.I., Milford	1, 1	BBC (E. Nielsen), M. Lynch#
27	Salem	1	I. Lynch
Great Blue Heron			
thr	Westboro, Wayland	35, 7 max	E. Taylor, S. Arena
13	GMNWR	4	P. + F. Vale
Great Egret			
thr, 27	P.I., Ipswich	15 max 6/13, 23	v. o., J. Berry
Little Egret			
thr	Nantucket	1	v. o.
Snowy Egret			
thr	Salem, P.I.	15 max, 35 max	J. Berry, v. o.
2, 4	S. Dart. (A.Pd), Quincy	12, 21	LCES (J. Hill), M. Rines
Little Blue Heron			
thr, 25	P.I., N. Monomoy	1 or 2, 1 ad	v. o., W. Petersen#
Tricolored Heron			
10-20, 12	P.I., W. Yarmouth	1, 1	v. o., G. Martin#
Cattle Egret			
thr	Ipswich/Essex	7 max	v. o.
Green-backed Heron			
thr	Wayland, P.I.	5 max, 6 max	S. Arena, v. o.
19	IRWS	5	fide S. Arena
Black-crowned Night-Heron			
thr	Medford, Ipswich	197 max 6/22, 8 max	M. Rines, J. Berry
5, 20	Plymouth, Wayland	4, 7	BBC (G. d'Entremont), S. Arena#
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron			
thr, 5	Hingham, Westport	4 max, 1	K. Ward + v. o., H. Wiggin#
Glossy Ibis			
thr, 13	P.I., S. Dartmouth	25 max, 2	v. o., M. Boucher
14, 19	Ipswich, IRWS	8, 7	BBC (J. Berry), fide S. Arena
Whooper Swan			
1-5, 10-23	Beverly, P.I.	3	v. o.
Brant			
18, 19	Boston H., Ipswich (C.B.)	2, 1	L. Sager, D. Rimmer
Wood Duck			
thr, 4	Wayland, W. Newbury	21 max, 13	S. Arena, R. Heil
13, 17	GMNWR, Salem	21 ad + 66 yg, 10 P. + F. Vale, I. Lynch	
19, 26	IRWS, Milford	15, 45	fide S. Arena, T. Aversa
Green-winged Teal			
4-23, 17	P.I., Medfield	11 max, pr + 2 yg v. o., E. Morrier	
27	E. Boston	2	S. Zende
Blue-winged Teal			
thr, 1-11	P.I., Wayland	1-4, 1 m	v. o., S. Arena
17, 19	Salem, Beverly	3, pr	I. Lynch, J. Brown#
27	Cumb. Farms	1 f	K. Anderson
Gadwall			
thr	P.I., S. Dart. (A.Pd)	57 max 6/23, 1-3	v. o., LCES (J. Hill)
Oldsquaw			
4, 18	Marblehead, Boston H.	1 m, 1	T. Aversa, L. Sager
White-winged Scoter			
thr, 5	Chatham, Plymouth	3, 4	B. Nikula, BBC (G. d'Entremont)
Hooded Merganser			
5	Quabbin (G45)	2 f + 5 yg	M. Lynch#
Ruddy Duck			
1-4	W. Newbury	1 m	R. Heil
Turkey Vulture			
13	Newbury, S. Dartmouth	4, 3	BBC (E. Nielsen), M. Boucher
14, 30	Quabbin (G40), Haverhill	5, 29	M. Lynch#, J. Hogan
Osprey			
thr, 11	S. Dart. (A.Pd), Arlington	8 or 9, 1	LCES (J. Hill), M. Rines#
13, 15	P.I., Wayland	3, 1	BBC (E. Nielsen), S. Arena
22, 29	Ipswich (C.B.), S. Carver	2, 1	D. Rimmer#, J. Shaw
American Swallow-tailed Kite			
11, 30	Brewster, Acoaxet	1, 1	T. + R. Noyes, R. Clifton
Bald Eagle			
thr, 8	Middleboro, N. Monomy	nest + 2 yg, 1 imm	S. Kunz#, B. Nikula
17, 22	N. Truro, Wellfleet	1, 1 imm	K. Jones, K. Jones
26	Plymouth, Chatham	1 imm, 1 imm	S. Arena, B. Nikula
Northern Harrier			
2, 22	P.I., Plymouth	1, 1 m	D. Chickering, T. Aversa
Sharp-shinned Hawk			
5	Quabbin (G45)	1	M. Lynch#

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Cooper's Hawk thr, 16-24 19	S. Dartmouth, Plymouth (MSSF) IRWS	1	1, 1 M. Boucher, G. d'Entremont fide S. Arena	
Northern Goshawk thr, 17	Lincoln, Dunstable	pr n, 1	v. o., L. Taylor	
Red-shouldered Hawk thr	Reports of 1 or 2 individuals from 11 locations			
Broad-winged Hawk 4, 9	Newbury, Brockton	2 imm, 1	T. Aversa, G. d'Entremont	
Red-tailed Hawk 4	W. Newbury	10 ad	R. Heil	
American Kestrel thr, 1	Wayland, N. Medfield	pr, pr	S. Arena, E. Morrier	
Ring-necked Pheasant 4, 5	W. Newbury, Groveland	10 m, 5 m	R. Heil, J. Berry	
Ruffed Grouse 12, 20 22, 25 26	Sharon, Milton Plymouth, Groveland Holliston	3 ad + 7 yg, 2 yg f + 10 yg, f + 8 yg f + 7 yg	fide S. Arena, G. d'Entremont T. Aversa T. Aversa	
Wild Turkey 4, 5 12	W. Newbury, Boxford S. Groveland	2, 2 2	R. Heil, J. Brown# fide R. Stymeist	
Northern Bobwhite thr, 5 9, 25 27, 30	Plymouth (MSSF), Westport N. Medfield, W. Roxbury Cumb. Farms, HRWMA	4 max, 1 1, 1 1, 3 m	G. d'Entremont, H. Wiggin# E. Morrier, W. Petersen K. Anderson, T. Aversa	
Virginia Rail thr, 6 17, 19 19, 21	Wayland, Bolton Flats Salem, IRWS Milford, P.I.	14 max, 14 7, 4 3, 3	S. Arena, M. Lynch# I. Lynch, fide S. Arena M. Lynch#, BBC (W. + P. Drew)	
Sora 2, 6 19, 21	S. Dart. (A.Pd), Bolton IRWS, P.I.	1, 6 1, 1	LCES (J. Hill), M. Lynch# fide S. Arena, BBC (W. + P. Drew)	
Common Moorhen 1, 6	Bolton Flats	1	E. Salmela, M. Lynch#	
American Coot 26	Milford	1	T. Aversa	

SHOREBIRDS THROUGH TERNS

Shorebird reports during June represented an interesting mix of northbound migrants, wandering nonbreeders, and early southbound migrants. June may be the best month to search for the unexpected. This year's highlight was a very bright **Black-tailed Godwit**, discovered at North Monomoy Island on June 23 and present through the end of the month. This sighting is only the second record for Massachusetts and one of very few for the Atlantic coast. Good numbers of White-rumped, Pectoral, and Stilt sandpipers appeared early in the month. Piping Plovers were present in very encouraging numbers at Crane Beach in Ipswich, where 17 pairs were recorded. The Willet population is doing well on North Monomoy.

Reports of nesting terns were almost nonexistent. Unusual sightings included both Royal and Forster's terns.

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Black-bellied Plover thr, 5 6	N. Monomoy, Plymouth Ipswich	80 max, 13 6	B. Nikula, BBC (G. d'Entremont) BBC (W. Drummond)
Semipalmated Plover 12, 23; 2, 18	N. Monomoy; P.I.	8, 1; 4, 1	B. Nikula, v. o.
Piping Plover thr 25, 28	Ipswich (C.B.) S. Dart. (A.Pd), P.I.	17 pr + 30 yg 6, 4 ad + 7 yg	D. Rimmer LCES (J. Hill), D. Chickering
American Oystercatcher thr, 29	N. Monomoy, Mattapoisett	22 max, 7	B. Nikula, B. Blodgett
Greater Yellowlegs 1-23, 9 25, 29	P.I., Ipswich (C.B.) S. Dart. (A.Pd) N. Monomoy	6 max 6/4, 2 2, 15	v. o., D. Rimmer# LCES (J. Hill), B. Nikula
Lesser Yellowlegs 21; 23, 29	P.I.; N. Monomoy	10; 2, 25	W. Drew#, B. Nikula
Willet thr thr, 20 29	S. Dart. (A.Pd), P.I. N. Monomoy, Rowley Mattapoisett	23 max, 10 max 100 max, 3 2 pr	LCES (J. Hill), v. o. B. Nikula, J. Berry B. Blodgett

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Spotted Sandpiper 17, 27	N.A.C., Cumb. Farms	ad + 3 yg, 4 ad + 2 yg	B. Van Dusen, K. Anderson	
Upland Sandpiper 27	Cumb. Farms	1 or 2	K. Anderson	
Whimbrel 18, 23-28	Scituate, N. Monomoy	1, 1	S. Hecker, B. Nikula#	
25	Ipswich (C.B.)	1	D. Rimmer	
Hudsonian Godwit 29	N. Monomoy	1	B. Nikula	
Black-tailed Godwit 23-30	N. Monomoy	1 br pl	B. Nikula + v. o.	
Ruddy Turnstone 4, 5	Quincy, Plymouth	9, 28	M. Rines, BBC (G. d'Entremont)	
12; 12, 23	P.I.; N. Monomoy	6; 25, 12	BBC (C. Cook); B. Nikula	
Red Knot thr, 5	N. Monomoy, Plymouth	120 max, 8	B. Nikula, BBC (G. d'Entremont)	
Sanderling 5, 14	Plymouth, Ipswich	2, 2	BBC (G. d'Entremont), BBC (J. Berry)	
8, 23	N. Monomoy	40, 2	B. Nikula	
Semipalmated Sandpiper 3, 5	P.I., Plymouth	150, 84	D. Chickering, BBC (G. d'Entremont)	
9; 8, 23	Ipswich; N. Monomoy	112; 200, 6	D. Rimmer; B. Nikula	
Least Sandpiper 10	P.I.	2	S. Charette#	
White-rumped Sandpiper 8, 23; 9	N. Monomoy; Ipswich	50, 2; 3	B. Nikula; D. Rimmer	
21	P.I.	2	BBC (P. + W. Drew)	
Pectoral Sandpiper 8	N. Monomoy	1	B. Nikula	
Dunlin 27	N. Monomoy	1 basic pl	R. Heil	
Stilt Sandpiper 28	N. Monomoy	1	J. Sones#	
Short-billed Dowitcher 8, 17, 29	N. Monomoy	11, 14, 30	B. Nikula	
American Woodcock 4, 12	W. Newbury, P.I.	3, 1	R. Heil, P. + F. Vale	
16, 21	Plymouth, S. Carver	1, ad + 2 yg	G. d'Entremont, J. Shaw	
Wilson's Phalarope thr	P.I.	1 or 2	v. o.	
Parasitic Jaeger 27	N. Monomoy	1	R. Heil	
jaeger species 5-6	Chatham	1 or 2	W. Harrington#	
Laughing Gull 5, 7	Plymouth, Lynn	10, 1	BBC (G. d'Entremont), J. Quigley	
Bonaparte's Gull thr, 11	Ipswich, P.I.	62 max, 51	D. Rimmer, D. Chickering	
26	Lynn, Revere	26, 30	J. Quigley, P. + F. Vale	
Ring-billed Gull 7	Boston Common	105	R. Forster	
Herring Gull x Great 4, 20, 27	Black-backed Gull Lynn	1 ad	J. Quigley	
Royal Tern 18	Scituate	2	S. Hecker	
Roseate Tern 5	Plymouth	6+	BBC (G. d'Entremont)	
Common Tern thr, 5	P.I., Plymouth	30 max, 2000	W. Drew#, BBC (G. d'Entremont)	
26, 30	Revere, Ipswich (C.B.)	21, 15	P. + F. Vale, D. Rimmer	
Arctic Tern 5	Plymouth, Westport	4+, 1 ad	BBC (G. d'Entremont), H. Wiggin#	
20	Chatham (South B.)	5	B. Nikula	
Forster's Tern 28	Chatham (South B.)	1 2S	B. Nikula#	
Least Tern thr	Ipswich (C.B.), P.I.	75-100 pr, 20 max	D. Rimmer, v. o.	
5, 26	Plymouth, Revere	100, 5	BBC (G. d'Entremont), P. + F. Vale	
Black Tern 6, 18	Chatham, Scituate	1, 1	B. Nikula#, S. Hecker	
20, 29	Ipswich, Mattapoisett	1, 1	R. Godafroy, B. Blodget	

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Black Skimmer 10, 23; 30	N. Monomoy; Eastham	1, 3; 1	B. Nikula, W. Petersen#	

DOVES THROUGH THRUSHES

A **White-winged Dove** appeared briefly at Chappaquidick Island, Martha's Vineyard. This dove can appear at any season. Among the approximately 14 Massachusetts reports, at least 5 reports have occurred in the month of June. Both species of cuckoo were recorded in impressive numbers. Yellow-billed Cuckoos were concentrated in southeastern sections. Although the report of 22 to 30 Whip-poor-wills in Plymouth may seem exceptional, the observer noted that these figures represented a nearly 50 percent decline from previous June censusing efforts conducted from 1988 to 1993. A pair of Red-headed Woodpeckers was reported from Sherborn, where they have been present for several years and presumably breed.

Late flycatcher migrants included both Olive-sided and Yellow-bellied flycatchers. Observers waiting to go to North Monomoy were treated to a rare **Scissor-tailed Flycatcher**, but this sighting was overshadowed by a **Fork-tailed Flycatcher** at Mattapoiset just two days later! An apparently unmated male **Sedge Wren** spent the latter half of the month in Lincoln. Blue-gray Gnatcatcher appears to have declined as a breeder in eastern portions of the state in recent years. A Gray-cheeked Thrush was very late at Marblehead. Excellent counts of Wood Thrush and Veery were the result of coordinated census efforts at Moose Hill in Sharon, Ipswich River Wildlife Sanctuary in Topsfield, and under powerlines in the South Groveland area. R. A. F.

White-winged Dove

12-13	Chappaquidick (M.V.)	1	E. Potter + v. o.
Black-billed Cuckoo			
thr, 11	Wayland, W. Newbury	2, 4	S. Arena, T. Aversa
12	Taunton, Sharon	3, 4	SSBC (A. Leggett), fide S. Arena
12, 19	S. Groveland, IRWS	3, 3	fide R. Stymeist, fide S. Arena
thr	Reports of 1 or 2 individuals from 16 locations		
Yellow-billed Cuckoo			
thr, 12	Easton, Taunton	pr, 6	S. Arena, SSBC (A. Leggett)
13, 19	Westwood, Plymouth (MSSF)	2, 3	E. Neilsen#, R. Stymeist#
thr	Reports of individuals from 7 locations		
Barn Owl			
thr, 30	Newbury, Boston	pr, 1	v. o., R. Stymeist#
Barred Owl			
4, 19	W. Newbury, Boxford (C.P.)	1, 1	R. Heil, T. Aversa
22	S. Middleboro	1	T. Aversa
Common Nighthawk			
4-10	Reports of 1-4 migrants from 10 locations		
Whip-poor-will			
3, 21	Dover, P.I.	1, 3	E. Taylor, BBC (P. + W. Drew)
10, 16, 24	Plymouth (MSSF)	24, 22, 30	G. d'Entremont
Chimney Swift			
thr	N. Medfield	20 pr	E. Morrier
Ruby-throated Hummingbird			
thr	Reports of 1-3 individuals from 12 locations		
Red-headed Woodpecker			
thr	Sherborn	pr	E. Taylor
Red-bellied Woodpecker			
thr, 1-5	Medford, Ipswich	pr n, pr n	M. Rines, J. Berry
4, 12	W. Newbury, Worc. (BMB)	pr n, 1 at hole	R. Heil, fide M. Lynch
thr	Reports of individuals from 5 locations		
Hairy Woodpecker			
thr, 5	Boxford, Groveland	pr + 2 yg, pr n	J. Brown#, J. Berry#
7, 12	N. Medfield, Taunton	pr + 2 yg, 3	E. Morrier, SSBC (A. Leggett)
19, 20	IRWS, Milton (F.M.)	3, 2	fide S. Arena, G. d'Entremont
Northern Flicker			
thr, 12	Sherborn, S. Groveland	15, 25	E. Taylor, fide R. Stymeist
19, 20	IRWS, Milton	19, 6	fide S. Arena, G. d'Entremont
Pileated Woodpecker			
8, 28	Maynard, Topsfield	1, pr	L. Nachtrab, J. Berry
Olive-sided Flycatcher			
5	Plymouth (MSSF), Newbury	1, 1	BBC (G. d'Entremont), BBC (W. Drummond)
Eastern Wood-Pewee			
thr, 4	Medford, W. Newbury	9 max, 14	M. Rines, R. Heil
12	Sharon, S. Groveland	10, 13	fide S. Arena, fide R. Stymeist#
12, 19	Worc. (BMB), IRWS	18, 12	M. Lynch#, fide S. Arena
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher			
4, 7	MINWS, Boston (F.Pk)	1, 1	T. Aversa

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Acadian Flycatcher				
4, 5	Medford, Quabbin (G45)	1, 3	M. Rines, M. Lynch#	
13	S. Dartmouth	2	M. Boucher	
Alder Flycatcher				
4	W. Newbury, Bolton	2, 4	R. Heil, M. Lynch#	
8-30, 30	Cambridge, HRWMA	1, 2	R. Forster, T. Aversa	
Willow Flycatcher				
thr	Wayland, Salem	14 max, 4 max	S. Arena, I. Lynch	
thr, 3	P.I., Lynnfield	5 max, 7	v. o., N. Nash	
5, 6	W. Newbury, Bolton	4 m, 12	J. Berry#, M. Lynch#	
8-30, 12	Cambridge, S. Groveland	pr n, 4	R. Forster, fide R. Stymeist	
thr	Reports of 1-3 individuals from 5 locations			
Least Flycatcher				
5, 14	Quabbin (G45, G40)	6, 4	M. Lynch#	
25, 30	Groveland, HRWMA	1 m, 2	T. Aversa	
Eastern Phoebe				
thr, 4	N. Medfield, W. Newbury	3 pr, 12	E. Morrier, R. Heil	
12, 19	S. Groveland, IRWS	11, 12	fide R. Stymeist, fide S. Arena	
Great Crested Flycatcher				
thr, 2	Sherborn, Boston (F.Pk)	6, 6	E. Taylor, T. Aversa	
12	Worc. (BMB), Sharon	8, 15	M. Lynch#, fide S. Arena	
12, 19	Taunton, IRWS	6, 11	SSBC (A. Leggett), fide S. Arena	
Eastern Kingbird				
12, 19	S. Groveland, IRWS	22, 16	fide R. Stymeist, fide S. Arena	
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher				
27	Chatham (Morris I.)	1 imm	R. Heil, J. P. Smith#	
Fork-tailed Flycatcher				
29	Mattapoiset	1	R. Andrews, B. Blodgett	
Horned Lark				
5	Plymouth	3	BBC (G. d'Entremont)	
Purple Martin				
thr, 7	P.I., Ipswich (C.B.)	40 max, 3	v. o., D. Rimmer	
Bank Swallow				
thr	N. Medfield, Ipswich	10, 25 pr	E. Morrier, D. Rimmer	
13	New Braintree	30+	M. Lynch#	
Fish Crow				
5, 11	Plymouth (MSSF), Wellfleet	1, 1	BBC (G. d'Entremont), J. Sones	
Black-capped Chickadee				
12, 19	Sharon, IRWS	57, 77	fide S. Arena	
Tufted Titmouse				
12, 19	Sharon, IRWS	33, 21	fide S. Arena	
Red-breasted Nuthatch				
14, 19	Quabbin (G40), IRWS	4, 10	M. Lynch#, fide S. Arena	
22, 30	S. Middleboro, HRWMA	5, 13	T. Aversa	
thr	Reports of 1 or 2 individuals from 13 locations			
Brown Creeper				
12, 17	Taunton, Dunstable	3, 1	SSBC (A. Leggett), L. Taylor	
22, 26	S. Middleboro, Holliston	2, 4	T. Aversa	
Carolina Wren				
12	Worcester (BMB)	7	M. Lynch#	
15, 28	Brookline (2 locations)	pr + 5 yg, pr + 2 yg	T. Aversa, B. Reilly	
House Wren				
thr, 4	Medford, W. Newbury	2 pr n, 7	M. Rines, R. Heil	
12	Worc. (BMB), Taunton	8, 7	M. Lynch#, SSBC (A. Leggett)	
13	Newbury, S. Dartmouth	5, 5	BBC (E. Nielsen), M. Boucher	
Winter Wren				
4, 12	W. Newbury, Sharon	2 m, 3	R. Heil, fide S. Arena	
15, 19	Brookline, Milton	1 m, 5 (family)	T. Aversa, M. Lynch#	
29, 30	N. Dartmouth, HRWMA	1, 2 m	M. Boucher, T. Aversa	
Sedge Wren				
15-30, 25	Lincoln, W. Brookfield	1 m (ph), 1	S. Ells + v. o., M. Lynch#	
Marsh Wren				
thr, 6	Wayland, GMNWR	21 max, 23	S. Arena, BBC (F. Bouchard)	
6, 13	Bolton, P.I.	5, 20	M. Lynch#, BBC (E. Nielsen)	
17, 19	Salem, IRWS	20, 46	I. Lynch, fide S. Arena	
Golden-crowned Kinglet				
30	HRWMA	1	T. Aversa	
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher				
5, 10	Quabbin (G45), N. Medfield	2, 2	M. Lynch#, E. Morrier	
12, 13	Boxford (C.P.), GMNWR	2, 1	R. Forster#, P. + F. Vale	
19	IRWS	6	fide S. Arena	

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Eastern Bluebird				
thr	Boxford, Sherborn	pr + 3 yg, 6	J. Brown#, E. Taylor	
thr, 10	Plymouth, N. Medfield	4 max, 5	G. d'Entremont, E. Morrier	
6, 13	Ipswich, S. Dartmouth	pr + 3 yg, pr + 4 yg	J. Berry, M. Boucher	
Veery				
14	Quabbin (G40), W. Newbury	12, 16	M. Lynch#, R. Heil	
19, 22	IRWS, S. Middleboro	18, 15	fide S. Arena, T. Aversa	
25, 30	Groveland, HRWMA	18, 17	T. Aversa	
thr	Reports of 2-9 individuals from 7 locations			
Gray-cheeked Thrush				
4	MNWS	1 m	T. Aversa	
Swainson's Thrush				
1	Boston (F.Pk)	1	T. Aversa	
Hermit Thrush				
thr	Sherborn/Dover, Plymouth (MSSF)	13, 10 max	E. Taylor, G. d'Entremont	
12, 17-18	Sharon, Brewster	4, 19+	fide S. Arena, B. Nikula	
Wood Thrush				
4, 12	W. Newbury, Taunton	30, 18	R. Heil, SSBC (A. Leggett)	
12, 12	Sharon, S. Groveland	11, 14	fide S. Arena, fide R. Stymeist	
12, 19	Worc. (BMB), IRWS	17, 16	M. Lynch#, fide S. Arena	
20, 30	Milton, HRWMA	13, 14	G. d'Entremont, T. Aversa	
American Robin				
12	Sharon, S. Groveland	19, 42	fide S. Arena, fide R. Stymeist	
12	Taunton, Worc. (BMB)	35, 49	SSBC (A. Leggett), M. Lynch#	
19, 20	IRWS, Milton (F.M.)	37, 21	fide S. Arena, G. d'Entremont	
Gray Catbird				
12	Taunton, Worc. (BMB)	50, 32	SSBC (A. Leggett), M. Lynch#	
12, 19	S. Groveland, IRWS	84, 45	fide R. Stymeist, fide S. Arena	
20	Medford, Milton (F.M.)	57, 23	BBC (M. Rines), G. d'Entremont	
Brown Thrasher				
thr, 7	Medford, P.I.	10 max, 8	M. Rines, D. Chickering	
12	S. Groveland, Worc. (BMB)	6, 9	fide R. Stymeist, M. Lynch#	

VIREOS THROUGH EVENING GROSBEAKS

The census efforts mentioned above resulted in some impressive numbers of Blue-winged, Chestnut-sided, and Prairie warblers, Ovenbird, and Common Yellowthroat. Several reports of Kentucky Warbler suggest that the first breeding record for the state may not be far in the future. A Prothonotary Warbler summered in Concord for the third consecutive year. A Northern Parula and Blackpoll Warbler were unexpected stragglers, but the standout straggler was a Palm Warbler at Plum Island on June 12.

A singing male Dickcissel was a very unseasonal find in Boston. A male Clay-colored Sparrow in Plymouth adds to the increasing breeding season reports for this still-unconfirmed breeder in the state. Grasshopper Sparrow is barely maintaining its tenuous hold in Falmouth. A Pine Siskin in Rutland was a surprise especially because of its scarcity this past winter, but the reports for Evening Grosbeak were even more unusual. The Pine Siskin and Evening Grosbeaks were sighted late in the month and may be post-breeding wanderers from areas north of eastern Massachusetts.

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White-eyed Vireo				
23	N. Dartmouth	1	M. Boucher	
Solitary Vireo				
19, 26	Boxford, Holliston	1 m + 1 yg, 1 m	T. Aversa	
29	Sharon	1 m + yg cowbird	T. Aversa	
Yellow-throated Vireo				
2-15, 4	N. Medfield, W. Newbury	1 or 2, 1 m	E. Morrier, R. Heil	
5, 6	Quabbin (G45), Bolton	2, 1	M. Lynch#	
14, 18	Quabbin (G40), Wellesley	2, 1 m	M. Lynch#, R. Forster	
19	Wayland	1	R. Forster#	
Warbling Vireo				
thr, 5	Wellesley, W. Newbury	5 pr, 3 m	R. Forster, J. Berry#	
13, 19	Concord, IRWS	22, 5	L. Taylor, fide S. Arena	
20, 27	Milton (F.M.), Salem	4, 3	G. d'Entremont, I. Lynch	
Red-eyed Vireo				
thr	Medford, Sherborn	14 max, 20	M. Rines, E. Taylor	
4, 5	W. Newbury, Quabbin (G45)	25, 22	R. Heil, M. Lynch#	
12, 19	Sharon, IRWS	17, 13	fide S. Arena	
Blue-winged Warbler				
2, 4	Boston (F.Pk), W. Newbury	1 migr, 10	T. Aversa, R. Heil	
12	Sharon, Taunton	9, 5	fide S. Arena, SSBC (A. Leggett)	
12	Worc. (BMB), S. Groveland	12, 35	M. Lynch#, fide R. Stymeist	
19	IRWS, MBWMA	7, 8	fide S. Arena, T. Aversa	

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Golden-winged Warbler				
4, 19; 20	MBWMA; Ipswich	1 m; 1 m	T. Aversa; J. Berry	
12, 26	Sharon (two locations)	1, pr	fide S. Arena, T. Aversa	
"Brewster's" Warbler				
4, 12	W. Newbury, S. Groveland	1 m, 1	R. Heil, fide R. Stymeist	
29	Sharon	1 m	W. Petersen#	
"Lawrence's" Warbler				
4, 13; 12	MBWMA; S. Groveland	1; 1	T. Aversa + v. o., fide R. Stymeist	
Nashville Warbler				
4, 13	W. Newbury, Newbury	1 m, 1	R. Heil, BBC (E. Nielsen)	
14	Quabbin (G40)	1	M. Lynch#	
Northern Parula				
4, 17	MNWS, Truro	1 f, 1	T. Aversa, K. Jones	
Yellow Warbler				
4, 12	W. Newbury, S. Groveland	42, 45	R. Heil, fide R. Stymeist	
13, 19	P.I., IRWS	30, 74	BBC (E. Nielsen), fide S. Arena	
thr	Reports of 10-20 individuals from 5 locations			
Chestnut-sided Warbler				
4, 5	W. Newbury, Quabbin (G45)	22, 7	R. Heil, M. Lynch#	
12, 14	S. Groveland, Quabbin (G40)	27, 5	fide R. Stymeist, M. Lynch#	
19, 30	MBWMA, HRWMA	17, 15	T. Aversa	
Magnolia Warbler				
2, 4, 30	Boston, MNWS, HRWMA	1 m, 2, 3 m	T. Aversa	
Black-throated Blue Warbler				
30	HRWMA	6	T. Aversa	
Yellow-rumped Warbler				
5, 14	Quabbin (G45, G40)	4, 3	M. Lynch#	
16, 30	Plymouth (MSSF), HRWMA	2, 6	G. d'Entremont, T. Aversa	
Black-throated Green Warbler				
5, 19	Quabbin (G45), IRWS	6, 12	M. Lynch#, fide S. Arena	
19	P.I., MBWMA	1, 5	P. + F. Vale, T. Aversa	
22, 24	S. Middleboro, Boston (F.Pk)	2 m, 1 m	T. Aversa	
Blackburnian Warbler				
19	Boxford	3 m	T. Aversa	
Pine Warbler				
5, 12	Plymouth (MSSF), Sharon	9, 8	BBC (G. d'Entremont), fide S. Arena	
19, 22	IRWS, S. Middleboro	5, 15	fide S. Arena, T. Aversa	
Prairie Warbler				
8, 12	N. Falmouth, Worc. (BMB)	16, 14	T. Aversa, M. Lynch#	
12	S. Groveland, Sharon	28, 6	fide R. Stymeist, fide S. Arena	
19, 27	Plymouth (MSSF), MBWMA	15, 14	M. Lynch#, BBC (S. Charette)	
Palm Warbler (details submitted)				
12	P.I.	1	R. Forster#	
Blackpoll Warbler				
12, 27	P.I.	2, 1 m	BBC (C. Cook), E. Salmela	
Cerulean Warbler				
4, 5	MBWMA, Quabbin (G40)	1 m, 1 m	T. Aversa, T. Aversa#	
10	Boxford	1 m	J. Brown#	
Black-and-white Warbler				
4, 5	W. Newbury, Quabbin (G45)	8 m, 5	R. Heil, M. Lynch#	
8, 12	Mashpee, S. Groveland	pr n + 3 yg, 7	T. Aversa, fide R. Stymeist	
19, 22	IRWS, S. Middleboro	13, 12	fide S. Arena, T. Aversa	
American Redstart				
1, 5	Wellesley, Quabbin (G45)	3, 17	R. Forster, M. Lynch#	
13	Concord, P.I.	3, 20	D. Lange#, BBC (E. Nielsen)	
14, 19	Quabbin (G40), IRWS	13, 11	M. Lynch#, fide S. Arena	
Prothonotary Warbler				
thr	GMNWR	1 m	v. o.	
Worm-eating Warbler				
26	Sharon, Westwood	1, 1 m	T. Aversa, H. Coolidge	
Ovenbird				
4, 12	W. Newbury, S. Groveland	24, 26	R. Heil, fide R. Stymeist	
12	Taunton, Sharon	22, 55	SSBC (A. Leggett), fide S. Arena	
19, 22	IRWS, S. Middleboro	32, 41	fide S. Arena, T. Aversa	
Northern Waterthrush				
12, 26	Sharon, Holliston	1, 4	fide S. Arena, T. Aversa	
30	HRWMA	1 m	T. Aversa	
Louisiana Waterthrush				
5, 6	Quabbin (G45), Bellingham	2, 1	T. Aversa#, M. Martinek	
12, 30	Sharon, HRWMA	1, 1	fide S. Arena, T. Aversa	

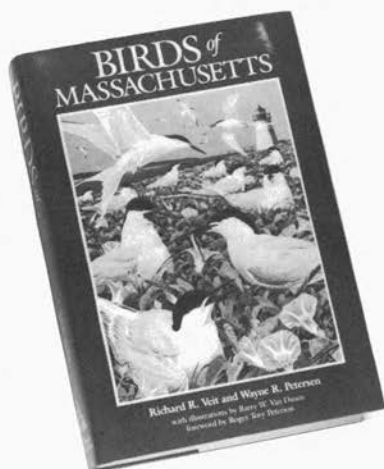
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Kentucky Warbler 5, 10 20-23	ONWR, Milton (Blue Hills) Milton (F.M.)	1, 1 m 1	E. Salmela, R. Abrams G. d'Entremont + v. o.	
Mourning Warbler 2, 3 6; 7, 10	Medford, Boston (F.Pk) Bolton; Mt. A.	1 m, 1 m 1 m; 1 m	M. Rines, T. Aversa M. Lynch#, M. Rines	
Common Yellowthroat 4, 6 12 12, 13 19, 20	W. Newbury, Bolton S. Groveland, Worc. (BMB) Taunton, MBWMA IRWS, Milton (F.M.)	74, 25 93, 53 27, 30 72, 47	R. Heil, M. Lynch# fide R. Stymeist, M. Lynch# SSBC (A. Leggett), BBC (E. Nielsen) fide S. Arena, G. d'Entremont	
Canada Warbler 5, 7 7, 19 26, 30	W. Newbury, Mt. A. Boston, Boxford Holliston, HRWMA	1 m, 2 1 m, pr n 1 m + 1 yg, 3	J. Berry#, M. Rines R. Forster, T. Aversa T. Aversa	
Scarlet Tanager thr, 5 12 12 13, 19	Sherborn, Quabbin (G45) Sharon, S. Groveland Taunton, Worc. (BMB) MBWMA, IRWS	20, 12 10, 16 7, 6 8, 12	E. Taylor, M. Lynch# fide S. Arena, fide R. Stymeist SSBC (A. Leggett), M. Lynch# BBC (E. Nielsen), fide S. Arena	
Northern Cardinal 12, 19	Sharon, IRWS	15, 13	fide S. Arena	
Rose-breasted Grosbeak 4, 12 12, 13	W. Newbury, Worc. (BMB) Sharon, Concord	17, 5 4, 13	R. Heil, M. Lynch# fide S. Arena, D. Lange#	
Indigo Bunting 4, 12 12, 13	W. Newbury, Taunton S. Groveland, MBWMA	5, 4 12, 4	R. Heil, SSBC (A. Leggett) fide R. Stymeist, BBC (E. Neilsen)	
Dickcissel 2	Boston (F.Pk)	1 m	T. Aversa	
Rufous-sided Towhee thr, 4 5, 12 12	Medford, W. Newbury Plymouth, Worc. (BMB) S. Groveland, Sharon	20 max, 34 31, 27 59, 36	M. Rines, R. Heil BBC (G. d'Entremont), M. Lynch# fide R. Stymeist, fide S. Arena	
Clay-colored Sparrow 5-27	Plymouth (MSSF)	1 m	G. d'Entremont + v. o.	
Field Sparrow 12 27	Worc. (BMB), S. Groveland MBWMA	16, 53 11	M. Lynch#, fide R. Stymeist BBC (S. Charette)	
Vesper Sparrow 5, 17 17, 30	Plymouth (MSSF), Groton N. Dartmouth, P'town	1, 2 1, 3	G. d'Entremont, L. Taylor M. Boucher, K. Jones	
Savannah Sparrow 13	P.I.	15	BBC (E. Neilsen)	
Grasshopper Sparrow 8, 19	Falmouth (Crane WMA)	2, 1 or 2	T. Aversa, B. Nikula#	
Sharp-tailed Sparrow thr, 19 25	S. Dart. (A.Pd), P.I. E. Boston (B.I.)	9-11, 7 21	LCES (J. Hill), P. + F. Vale T. Aversa	
Seaside Sparrow 5, 11	Westport, S. Dart. (A.Pd)	1, 3	H. Wiggin#, LCES (J. Hill)	
Song Sparrow 12 19, 20	Worc. (BMB), S. Groveland IRWS, Milton (F.M.)	24, 40 52, 23	M. Lynch#, fide R. Stymeist fide S. Arena, G. d'Entremont	
Swamp Sparrow thr, 19 20, 27	Wayland, IRWS Milton (F.M.), Salem	11 max, 40 9, 7	S. Arena, fide S. Arena G. d'Entremont, I. Lynch	
White-throated Sparrow 5, 20 30	Quabbin (G45), Stow HRWMA	1, 1 3	T. Aversa#, L. Taylor T. Aversa	
Dark-eyed Junco 23	Rutland	1	B. + B. Klunk	
Bobolink 4, 13	W. Newbury, P.I.	44, 20	R. Heil, BBC (E. Neilsen)	
Red-winged Blackbird 6, 12 19	Bolton, Taunton Milford, IRWS	50, 33 35, 139	M. Lynch#, SSBC (A. Leggett) M. Lynch#, fide S. Arena	
Brown-headed Cowbird 12 19	Worc. (BMB), S. Groveland IRWS	19, 38 20	M. Lynch#, fide R. Stymeist fide S. Arena	

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Orchard Oriole thr, 9 12, 20	Wellesley, Boston (F.Pk) P.I., Truro	pr + yg, 4 pr + yg, pr + yg	R. Forster, T. Aversa R. Forster#, K. Jones	
Northern Oriole thr 12 13, 19	Sherborn, Medford Worc. (BMB), S. Groveland MBWMA, IRWS	15, 15 max 20, 29 15, 20	E. Taylor, M. Rines M. Lynch#, fide R. Stymeist BBC (E. Nielsen), fide S. Arena	
Purple Finch 13, 14 19, 20 22, 30	P.I., Quabbin (G40) IRWS, Wayland S. Middleboro, HRWMA	8, 2 2 pr, 2 2, 3	BBC (E. Nielsen), M. Lynch# fide S. Arena, S. Arena T. Aversa	
Pine Siskin 23	Rutland	1	B. + B. Klunk	
Evening Grosbeak 5-6, 22-30 22, 28 30	Chatham, Rutland Concord, Athol Lincoln, Princeton	1, 2 pr 2 pr, 6 2, 1	W. Harrington#, B. + B. Klunk G. Ames, D. Small D. Diggins, B. Van Dusen	

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

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