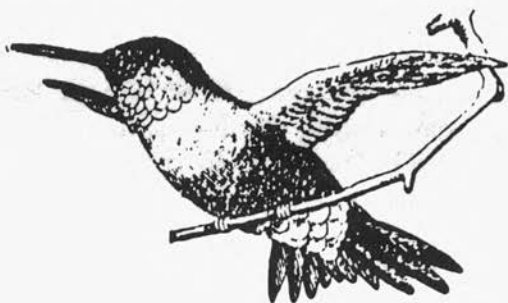


# BIRD SIGHTINGS

## SEPTEMBER 1994

### SUMMARY



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September was very cloudy and cooler than normal, with frequent rain showers. The temperature averaged 64.2°, just below normal. The high mark was 87° on the 17th, and the low for the month was 50° on September 3. In Boston, rainfall totaled 4.58 inches, 1.52 inches above normal. Measurable amounts fell on 12 days, including eight consecutive days from September 22-29. The heaviest rains fell north of Boston, with some suburbs reporting over double the amounts recorded in Boston. Sunshine was seen only 53 percent of the possible time, a good 10 percent less than the past average. Winds were out of the northwest almost exclusively through midmonth.

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#### LOONS TO WOODPECKERS

September is a month of great diversity among waterbirds and seabirds. As is often the case with these groups of birds, inclement weather tends to force them down to aggregate in numbers or, in the case with seabirds, to bring them close to shore for land-based observation. The only storm of note came on Labor Day weekend, and produced modest results. Early in the morning of September 5, shearwaters and storm-petrels were seen at Race Point, Provincetown, before viewing conditions deteriorated. Elsewhere on September 5, observations came from scattered locations on Cape Cod Bay, but didn't become interesting until early afternoon, when storm-petrels began appearing at First Encounter Beach, Eastham. The flight gained momentum as the afternoon progressed. By late afternoon, the birds appeared tired, some were passing over the beach, and others were flying over the flooded marsh. As observers departed the area individual birds were noted flying inland, and in early evening storm-petrels were located flying and rafted up in Town Cove, Orleans. At dawn the following morning storm-petrels were still present at First Encounter, but many were far offshore at the edge of the tidal flats. However, those that were flying over the flats afforded excellent views of the subtle field identification marks. Red-necked Phalaropes were also well reported during this storm. Jaegers, often a feature of such storms, were present, with Parasitites predominating at Sandy Neck, Barnstable, and Pomarines at First Encounter Beach.

Later in the month an extended period of weather dominated by easterly winds prevailed from the 21st to the 27th with heavy rains on the 23rd. Although this period was generally unproductive, several shearwaters and a Northern Fulmar were seen in Rockport. Twelve Northern Fulmars at Jeffries Ledge on the 29th may have resulted from this weather pattern.

Pied-billed Grebes continued to be reported in encouraging numbers. The most unusual report among waterfowl was of a presumed migrant Common Merganser at Wachusett Reservoir on the early date of the 10th. Heron numbers decreased progressively through the month. A fair number of American Bitterns were reported. A single Least Bittern, seldom encountered during migration, also was reported. Equal numbers of both Little Blue and Tricolored herons were reported, an indication of the scarcity of Little Blue Herons this year. Most Glossy Ibis had departed before the month began.

Hawkwatchers staffed traditional watch sites in anticipation of the Broad-winged Hawk blitz. This year major movements occurred on the 14th-15th and again on the 18th. Other migrant hawk species were recorded in good numbers on those dates but their migration was more evenly distributed through the month. An early Golden Eagle was reported from Framingham, and an immature Swainson's Hawk spent two days in Provincetown. Merlins seemed to be very widely reported, but Peregrine Falcon numbers seemed to be low with no obvious migrant days. A Clapper Rail was seen in Eastham, the most reliable location in the state for this scarce species. A Common Moorhen in West Roxbury was an unusual location, and an American Coot appeared early at Plum Island on the 22nd.

In general, the shorebird migration was disappointing. Species with notably low numbers were Whimbrel; Hudsonian Godwit; White-rumped, Pectoral and Stilt sandpipers; and Long-billed Dowitcher.

The western contingent of shorebirds also fared poorly. Only a handful of Baird's Sandpipers were found, and Western Sandpipers were in low numbers. Buff-breasted Sandpiper fared better, but most reports were of single individuals. Conversely, Marbled Godwit appeared in good numbers but at only two locations. Two species that are rare but annual, American Avocet and Ruff, were reported from non-traditional shorebird hotspots.

The highlight among gulls and terns was a **Franklin's Gull** found in Provincetown on the 10th. Nearly half of all fall reports for this species occur in the first two weeks of September. Only two Little Gulls were seen, and two reports of Common Black-headed Gulls represented summering individuals. A few kittiwakes were seen during the early September storm. Caspian Terns were scarce, and a late Arctic Tern was found in Chatham. Numbers of Forster's Terns were way down from last year's exceptional flight. Although fairly numerous early in the month, Black Terns were unreported later.

Both cuckoo species were very scarce in sharp contrast to their widespread appearance during the summer months. The Common Nighthawk migration wound down early in the month. Ruby-throated Hummingbird appeared to be well reported. A *Selasphorus* hummingbird was carefully observed in Sandwich on the 30th. Only one migrant Red-headed Woodpecker was noted, and a few Yellow-bellied Sapsuckers had appeared by month's end.

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Date	Location	Number	Observers	Date	Location	Number	Observers
Red-throated Loon				6	Eastham (F.E.)	35	B. Nikula#
18	Barnstable (S.N.)	1	T. Raymond#	18	Barnstable (S.N.)	25	S. Perkins#
Common Loon				22	WBWS	100	S. Perkins#
5	Barnstable (S.N.)	12	M. Lynch#	23	Rockport (A.P.)	350+	R. Heil
10	Duxbury B.	16	W. Petersen#	29	Jeffries Ledge	70	C. Leahy#
24	Lakeville	8	W. Petersen#	Great Cormorant			
24	Wachusett Res.	24	M. Lynch#	3	S. Monomoy	1 imm	S. Perkins#
Pied-billed Grebe				3	Marblehead	1	P. + F. Vale
11	Ipswich	2	J. Berry#	18	Barnstable (S.N.)	1 imm	S. Perkins#
17, 24	Lakeville	5, 13	W. Petersen#	Double-crested Cormorant			
22	P.I.	6	W. Drew#	10	Wachusett Res.	88	M. Lynch#
25	GMNWR	2	G. d'Entremont#	16	S. Dart (A.Pd)	255	LCES (J. Hill)
25	Westport	7	M. Boucher	25	Orleans	450+	M. Lynch#
25	Cambridge (F.P.)	6	R. Stymeist#	26	Elizabeth I.	450+	P. Trimble
Horned Grebe				American Bittern			
24	Lakeville	4	W. Petersen#	3	Newburyport	1	H. D'Entremont#
Northern Fulmar				17	Scituate	1	W. Petersen#
23	Rockport (A.P.)	1	R. Heil	21	E. Sandwich	1	S. + E. Miller
29	Jeffries Ledge	12	C. Leahy	22	P.I.	1	W. Drew#
Cory's Shearwater				25	Boston (Logan)	2	R. Stymeist#
5	Provincetown	20	R. Heil	25	Eastham	1	M. Lynch#
18	Barnstable (S.N.)	1	G. d'Entremont#	25	GMNWR	1	G. Wood
25	Provincetown	11	M. Lynch#	Least Bittern			
Greater Shearwater				21	E. Sandwich	1	S. + E. Miller
5	Provincetown	6	R. Heil	Great Blue Heron			
5	Barnstable (S.N.)	1	M. Lynch#	7	Duxbury	5	K. Anderson#
23	Rockport (A.P.)	2	H. Wiggin#	22	P.I.	8	W. Drew#
28	Jeffries Ledge	6	S. Carver	25	Boston (Logan)	15	R. Stymeist#
Sooty Shearwater				25	Truro	16	M. Lynch#
23	Rockport (A.P.)	2	H. Wiggin#	Great Egret			
Manx Shearwater				3, 21	Lexington	2, 1	M. Pelikan
3	Chatham (S.B.)	2	W. Petersen#	11	Worcester	1	R. Bradbury
5	Barnstable, Eastham	1, 1	R. Forster#	15	Holden	1	R. Bradbury
Wilson's Storm-Petrel				16, 21	S. Dart (A.Pd)	44, 41	LCES (J. Hill)
5	Provincetown	8+	R. Heil	22, 30	P.I.	28, 17	W. Drew#
5	Eastham (F.E.)	600	R. Forster#	Snowy Egret			
6	Eastham (F.E.)	100+	B. Nikula#	thr	P.I.	155 max 9/22	W. Drew#
Leach's Storm-Petrel				4	S. Dart. (A.Pd)	200	J. Berry
3	Chatham (S.B.)	1	R. Stymeist#	18	WBWS	25	G. d'Entremont#
5	Yarmouth	12	W. Petersen#	24	Squantum	11	G. d'Entremont#
5	Provincetown	100+	R. Heil	26	Cuttyhunk I.	12	P. Trimble
5	Eastham (F.E.)	1400	R. Forster#	Little Blue Heron			
6	Eastham (F.E.)	100	B. Nikula#	16	S. Dart (A.Pd)	1	LCES (J. Hill)
25	Provincetown	1	M. Lynch#	22	WBWS	1 imm	L. Jonsson
26	Charlestown	1	fide S. Perkins	22,30	P.I.	1	W. Drew#
storm-petrel species				Tricolored Heron			
5	Orleans	300+	B. Nikula#	3	S. Monomoy	1	B. Nikula#
6	Eastham (F.E.)	300+	B. Nikula#	4	P.I.	1	D. Chickering
Northern Gannet				16	S. Dart (A.Pd)	1	LCES (J. Hill)



<b>Cooper's Hawk</b>				<b>Virginia Rail</b>			
17	Lakeville	2	W. Petersen#	3	P.I.	1	G. d'Entremont#
18	Concord (NAC)	2	R. Forster	3	S. Monomoy	1	W. Petersen#
18	Harvard	2	M. Lynch#	10	Eastham	1	J. Hoye#
21	GMNWR	2-3	M. Pelikan	17	Sandwich	1	P. Trimble
26	W. Boxford	2	T. Walker#	<b>Sora</b>			
4-25	Reports of indiv. from 12 locations			17	DWWS	1	W. Petersen#
<b>Red-shouldered Hawk</b>				25	Boston (F.Pk)	1	T. Aversa
thr	E. Middleboro	2+	K. Anderson	26	GMNWR	3	J. Young
3	Princeton	1	M. Pelikan	30	Sandwich	1	T. Aversa
10	Scituate	1	W. Petersen#	<b>Common Moorhen</b>			
15	Worc. (BMB)	1	M. Lynch#	thr	P.I.	1 imm	v. o.
18	Harvard	2	M. Lynch#	27	W. Roxbury	1 imm	T. Aversa
25	Marshfield	1 ad	J. Center	<b>American Coot</b>			
30	W. Boxford	2	T. Walker#	22	P.I.	1	D. Chickering
<b>Broad-winged Hawk</b>				<b>Black-bellied Plover</b>			
11, 12, 18	Wellesley	101, 59, 25	R. Forster	3, 10	Newburyport	300, 200	M. Lynch#
15	Worc. (BMB)	26	M. Lynch#	7	Duxbury B.	724	K. Anderson#
13	Woburn	28	M. Rines	8	Chatham (S.B.)	1800	B. Nikula
14	Mt. A.	31	R. Stymeist	<b>American Golden-Plover</b>			
14, 15	Wachusett Mt.	2471, 3056	EMHW	1	Newbury	7	J. Hoye#
15, 18	Mt. Watatic	9094, 507	EMHW	2	P.I.	2	G. Wood
18	Wachusett Mt.	3124	EMHW	3, 4	Nantucket	7 + 2	S. Perkins, J. Smith
18	Bolton Flats	1039	EMHW	3	S. Monomoy	7 ad	W. Petersen#
18	Sudbury	53	R. Forster	10	Duxbury B.	1 juv	W. Petersen#
18	Harvard	256	M. Lynch#	18-21	Arlington Res.	3	K. Hartel#
20	Lexington	56	M. Rines	22	Bourne	1	S. + E. Miller
20	Wayland	165	S. Arena	25	Boston (Logan)	23	R. Stymeist#
<b>Swainson's Hawk</b>				<b>Semipalmated Plover</b>			
8-9	Provincetown	1 ph	P. Champlain	5	Nahant	150	J. Brown#
<b>Red-tailed Hawk</b>				8	Chatham (S.B.)	400	B. Nikula
18	Harvard	6	M. Lynch#	7	Duxbury	85	K. Anderson#
<b>Golden Eagle</b>				10	Newburyport	300+	M. Lynch#
11	Framingham	1 imm	K. Hamilton	<b>Piping Plover</b>			
<b>American Kestrel</b>				3	S. Monomoy	5	B. Nikula#
9	Holliston	6	R. Forster#	5	Eastham	4	W. Petersen#
12	S. Dartmouth	5	M. Boucher	15	Chatham (S.B.)	5	H. Coolidge#
13	Everett	5	J. Berry	<b>Killdeer</b>			
15	Mt. Watatic	47	EMHW	3	Newbury	60	J. Brown#
15, 18	Wachusett Mt.	30, 24	EMHW	24	Concord (NAC)	74	J. Hoye#
18	Bolton Flats	71	EMHW	24	W. Bridgewater	63	W. Petersen#
18	Easton	7	S. Arena	24	Westboro	38	M. Lynch#
<b>Merlin</b>				<b>American Oystercatcher</b>			
18	Cuttyhunk I.	4-5	S. Perkins#	3-5	Nantucket	14	S. Perkins
thr	Reports of indiv. from 17 locations			13	Monomoy	82	B. Nikula#
<b>Peregrine Falcon</b>				18	S. Dartmouthy	4	S. Sweet#
7	Duxbury B.	1	K. Anderson#	26	Cuttyhunk I.	2	P. Trimble
14	Bolton	1	R. Bradbury	<b>American Avocet</b>			
16	S. Dart. (A.P.)	1	LCES (J. Hill)	26	Barnstable	2	B. Henchey
17	Lakeville	1	K. Holmes#	<b>Greater Yellowlegs</b>			
20, 30	P.I.	1, 1	W. Drew#	thr	P.I.	69 max 9/20	W. Drew#
21	S.B./N. Monomoy	4	S. Perkins#	8	N. Monomoy	350	B. Nikula
25	Westport	1	M. Boucher	17	Scituate	80	W. Petersen#
26	Cuttyhunk I.	2	P. Trimble	25	E. Boston (B.I.)	108	S. Zende#
30	ONWR	1	M. Pelikan	<b>Lesser Yellowlegs</b>			
<b>Ruffed Grouse</b>				thr	P.I.	108 max 9/20	W. Drew#
2	Quabbin (G45)	12	T. Aversa	19-25	GMNWR	15	S. Perkins#
19	Newbury	1	D. Chickering	<b>Solitary Sandpiper</b>			
19	E. Middleboro	1	K. Anderson	3	Belmont	4	L. Taylor
25	Topsfield	1	J. Brown#	13	Northbridge	3	R. Bradbury
25	Milton	1	G. d'Entremont	19-25	GMNWR	8	S. Perkins#
30	Harvard	2	M. Pelikan	26	W. Boxford	2	T. Walker#
<b>Wild Turkey</b>				1-25	Reports of 1-2 indiv. from 7 locations		
thr	Sherborn	23	E. Taylor	<b>Willit</b>			
24	Easton	2	K. Ryan	14	N. Monomoy	50	B. Nikula#
30	ONWR	9	M. Pelikan	<b>Spotted Sandpiper</b>			
<b>Northern Bobwhite</b>				4	P.I.	2	D. Chickering
thr	Yarmouthport	14	E. Miller	18	Wenham	3	J. Berry
10	Eastham	10	J. Hoye#	24	ONWR	2	J. Hoye#
<b>Clapper Rail</b>				26	Cuttyhunk I.	1	P. Trimble
25	Eastham	1	M. Lynch#				

Upland Sandpiper				3	S. Monomoy	1	S. Arena#
3	Newburyport	1	K. Ryan#	4, 5	Nantucket	3 + 1	S. Perkins, J. Smith
14	Barnstable	4	H. Coolidge#	5	Nahant	1	J. Brown#
Whimbrel				19-25	GMNWR	1	S. Perkins#
5	P.I.	3	K. Ryan#	7	Duxbury B.	1	M. Kasprzyk#
7	Duxbury B.	1	M. Kasprzyk#	Ruff			
12	S. Dartmouth	5	M. Boucher	17	GMNWR	1	E. Nielsen#
17	Truro	3	J. Young	Short-billed Dowitcher			
Hudsonian Godwit				10, 17	Scituate	45, 34	W. Petersen#
3	Newburyport	9	R. Forster#	16	P.I.	107	W. Drew#
14	N. Monomoy	5	B. Nikula	21	Chatham (S.B.)	8	S. Perkins#
24	P.I.	1	D. Chickering	Long-billed Dowitcher			
Marbled Godwit				2, 20	P.I.	15, 4	W. Drew#
thr	N. Monomoy	10 max	J. Sones#	Common Snipe			
10	Duxbury B.	6	W. Petersen#	3	P.I.	1	M. Lynch#
Ruddy Turnstone				American Woodcock			
3	P.I.	20+	M. Lynch#	24	Middleboro	6	W. Petersen#
7	Duxbury B.	25	M. Kasprzyk#	Wilson's Phalarope			
Red Knot				3	Chatham (S.B.)	1	R. Stymeist#
5	P.I.	15	K. Ryan#	Red-necked Phalarope			
7	Duxbury B.	144	M. Kasprzyk#	5	Rockport	225	C. Leahy
8	Chatham (S.B.)	300	B. Nikula	5	Eastham (F.E.)	75	R. Heil#
Sanderling				5	Barnstable (S.N.)	200	W. Petersen#
4	Duxbury B.	404	M. Kasprzyk#	5	Yarmouth	50	W. Petersen#
5	Nahant	350	J. Brown#	phalarope species			
8	Chatham (S.B.)	1400	B. Nikula	5	Dennis (C.B.)	20+	B. Nikula#
Semipalmated Sandpiper				5	Orleans	4	B. Nikula#
5	Nahant	750	J. Brown#	Pomarine Jaeger			
7	Duxbury B.	128	M. Kasprzyk#	5	Nantucket	1	J. Smith
8	N. Monomoy	100	B. Nikula	5	Eastham (F.E.)	4	R. Forster#
10	Newburyport	800+	M. Lynch#	6	Eastham (F.E.)	10	B. Nikula#
Western Sandpiper				29	Jeffries Ledge	1	L. Jonsson#
5	Nahant	3	J. Brown#	Parasitic Jaeger			
7	Chatham (S.B.)	1	S. Perkins#	5	Dennis (C.B.)	1	B. Nikula#
7	P.I.	2	G. Wood	5	Barnstable (S.N.)	8	W. Petersen#
16	Revere	4	R. Stymeist	7, 13	Chatham (S.B.)	3, 2	S. Perkins
Least Sandpiper				18	Barnstable (S.N.)	4	T. Raymond
1-26	P.I.	60 max	v. o.	jaeger species			
4	Cumb. Farms	3	K. Anderson	5	Dennis (C.B.)	4	B. Nikula#
7	Chatham (S.B.)	15	S. Perkins#	6	Eastham (F.E.)	30+	B. Nikula#
7	Duxbury B.	38	M. Kasprzyk#	18	Barnstable (S.N.)	1	G. d'Entremont
13	Northbridge	3	R. Bradbury	Laughing Gull			
19-25	GMNWR	60	S. Perkins#	3	Marblehead	15	R. Forster
White-rumped Sandpiper				18	Cuttyhunk I.	125	S. Perkins#
1-26	P.I.	20 max	v. o.	20	Lynn	40	J. Quigley
5	Nahant	5	J. Brown#	21	Chatham (S.B.)	200	S. Perkins#
7	Duxbury B.	4	M. Kasprzyk#	25	Winthrop	60	M. Pelikan
24	W. Bridgewater	1	W. Petersen#	Franklin's Gull			
Baird's Sandpiper				11	Provincetown	1	P. Champlain
2	P.I.	2	W. Drew#	Little Gull			
10	S. Monomoy	1	J. Sones#	3	Newburyport	1 juv	M. Lynch#
18	Scituate	1	D. Morimoto	25	Winthrop	1 ad	M. Pelikan
Pectoral Sandpiper				Common Black-headed Gull			
7	Duxbury B.	2	M. Kasprzyk#	3	N. Monomoy	1 ad	W. Petersen#
9	P.I.	6	T. Aversa	17	N. Monomoy	1 2W	B. Nikula#
15	Holden	1	R. Bradbury	25	WBWS	1	J. Sones
18	S. Dart (A.Pd)	6	S. Perkins#	Bonaparte's Gull			
19-25	GMNWR	20+	S. Perkins#	3, 10	Newburyport	150, 60	M. Lynch#
20	Scituate	3	T. Aversa	13	Essex R.	200+	T. Young
Dunlin				18	Lynn	20	J. Quigley
16-30	P.I.	235 max	W. Drew#	Lesser Black-backed Gull			
21	Chatham (S.B.)	800	S. Perkins#	3	S. Monomoy	1 ad	B. Nikula#
25	Eastham	80+	M. Lynch#	10	Duxbury B.	1 3W	W. Petersen#
Stilt Sandpiper				13	N. Monomoy	1 ad	B. Nikula#
3	P.I.	1	G. d'Entremont#	23	Gloucester	1 imm	R. Heil
7	Chatham (S.B.)	2	S. Perkins#	27	Dennis	1 ad	K. Hamilton
9	Lexington	1 juv	C. Floyd	Black-legged Kittiwake			
16	Easton	1	K. Ryan	5	Nantucket	7	J. Smith
Buff-breasted Sandpiper				5	Dennis (C.B.)	1 imm	B. Nikula#
1	Katama	1	A. Brown	5	Eastham (F.E.)	2 imm	R. Heil#
2-22	P.I.	1	v. o.	18	Barnstable (S.N.)	5	G. d'Entremont#

Caspian Tern				24	Middleboro	1	W. Petersen#
21	Manomet	2	M. Kasprzyk	Common Nighthawk			
24	P.I.	1 ad	R. Forster#	9, 17	Worcester	49, 13	M. Lynch#
Roseate Tern				12	Dover	15	E. Taylor
4, 5	Nant.	300 + 200	S. Perkins, J. Smith	13	Dedham	50+	T. Raymond
7-23	Chatham (S.B.)	800	S. Perkins	14, 28	Wellesley	42, 1	R. Forster
Common Tern				1-18	Reports of 1-9 indiv.	from 11 locations	
4	S. Dart (A.Pd)	50	J. Berry#	Whip-poor-will			
10	Eastham (F.H.)	50	J. Hoye#	13	Arlington	1	K. Hartel
21	Chatham (S.B.)	1500	S. Perkins#	Chimney Swift			
Arctic Tern				12	Dover	50	E. Taylor
13	Chatham (S.B.)	1 ad	S. Perkins#	13	Dedham	400+	T. Raymond
Forster's Tern				13, 20	W. Newton	405, 575	T. Kuklinski
3	P.I.	1	R. Forster	28	Wellesley	1	R. Forster
4	S. Dart (A.Pd)	15	J. Berry#	28	Wayland	11	S. Arena
9	Quincy	1	K. Ryan	29	Attleboro	5	K. Ryan
10	S. Monomoy	20+	J. Sones#	29	Worc. (BMB)	3	M. Lynch#
10	Duxbury B.	2	W. Petersen#	Ruby-throated Hummingbird			
18	Barnstable (S.N.)	5	S. Perkins#	1	Easton	2	K. Ryan
25	Truro	4+	M. Lynch#	1-8	E. Boxford	1-2	J. Brown#
Least Tern				1-10	Mattapoisett	6	F. Smith
4	S. Dart (A.Pd)	4	J. Berry#	11	Harwich	3	W. Drew#
5	Nantucket	15	J. Smith	13	Wellesley	2	R. Forster
21	Chatham (S.B.)	1 juv	S. Perkins#	23	Framingham	2	K. Hamilton
Black Tern				1-25	Reports of indiv.	from 8 locations	
3	S. Monomoy	15	W. Petersen#	Hummingbird, <i>Selasphorus</i> species			
4, 5	Nant.	40 + 8	S. Perkins, J. Smith	30	Sandwich	1	T. Aversa
8	N. Monomoy	4	B. Nikula	Belted Kingfisher			
Mourning Dove				24	Wachusett Res.	3	M. Lynch#
18	S. Hanson	500+	W. Petersen	24	Squantum	3	G. d'Entremont#
Black-billed Cuckoo				26	Cuttyhunk I.	3	P. Trimble
1	Worc. (BMB)	1	M. Lynch#	Red-headed Woodpecker			
9	P.I.	1	T. Aversa	1-15	Sherborn	2 ad + 2-3 imm	E. Taylor
Yellow-billed Cuckoo				18	Cuttyhunk I.	1	T. Raymond
7	P.I.	1	L. Nachtrab#	Red-bellied Woodpecker			
17	Chatham	1	S. + E. Miller	4	W. Medford	1	P. + F. Vale
Barn Owl				10	Scituate	1	W. Petersen#
19	Middleboro	2	K. Holmes	18	S. Dartmouth	1	S. Perkins#
Eastern Screech-Owl				Yellow-bellied Sapsucker			
18	S. Dartmouth	4	T. Raymond#	15	Mt. A.	1	D. Cooper
thr	Reports of 1-2 indiv.	from 9 locations		27	P.I.	1	D. Chickering
Great Horned Owl				29	Waltham	1	M. Rines
thr	Yarmouthport	2	E. Miller	Northern Flicker			
3	S. Monomoy	2	W. Petersen#	2	Wayland	12	J. Hoye#
9	E. Middleboro	2	K. Anderson	15	Worc. (BMB)	24	M. Lynch#
18	Wayland	2	J. Hoye#	18	Wenham	20	J. Berry
20-30	Ipswich	2 juv	J. Berry	24	Rockport (H.P.)	12	J. Hoye#
Barred Owl				26	Cuttyhunk I.	12	P. Trimble
17	ONWR	1	M. Pelikan	Pileated Woodpecker			
19	Lexington	1	M. Pelikan	2	Quabbin (G45)	4	T. Aversa
24	Middleboro	1	W. Petersen#	6	Bolton	1	G. Nachtrab
Short-eared Owl				8	Topsfield	2	J. Brown#
30	Nantucket	2	S. Perkins#	13	Hamilton	1	N. Nash
Northern Saw-whet Owl							

#### FLYCATCHERS THROUGH FINCHES

There was a good flight of Yellow-bellied Flycatchers, with at least 10 individuals reported from a wide area compared to only three individuals last September. A single Western Kingbird was noted from Cape Ann, and Olive-sided Flycatchers were noted from four locations. Reports of Red-breasted Nuthatches were few and far between in sharp contrast to last year's major invasion (see article elsewhere in this issue). Carolina Wren totals were also way down from last fall.

**Northern Wheatears**, repeating last year's invasion, were found in five locations, including two inland areas of Fitchburg and Milford. Typically wheatears appear for a day and then disappear, but the individuals at Fitchburg and Crane Beach in Ipswich were present for four days.

Weather conditions were optimal for migrating thrushes and warblers on the night of September 4. With winds out of the northeast at 10 mph, a low cloud cover, and light drizzle, 123 Swainson's Thrushes and 27 unidentified warblers were tallied in a one-hour time span in Lincoln. Reports of Philadelphia Vireos were

overwhelming, and 30 species of warblers were tallied, including 7 Golden-winged, 2 Worm-eating, 24 Connecticut (compared with 9 last year), and 16 Mourning warblers and 15 Yellow-breasted Chats.

Among the seedeaters, 5 Blue Grosbeaks, 8 Dickcissels, 9 Clay-colored, 4 Lark, and 25 Lincoln's sparrows were tallied, as well as an immature **Yellow-headed Blackbird** in Bedford. R. H. S.

Olive-sided Flycatcher				11	P.I.	50	M. Pelikan
3 Chatham	1	R. Stymeist#		25	Eastham	1	M. Lynch#
7 Worc. (BMB)	2	M. Lynch#		Fish Crow			
11 ONWR	1	A. Hirschkop#		29	Hanson	1	W. Petersen
14 Medford	1	M. Rines		Common Raven			
Eastern Wood-Pewee				3 Barre		2	M. Pelikan
1, 15 Worc. (BMB)	7, 2	M. Lynch#		15 Mt. Wachusett		2	E. Taylor
2 Quabbin (G45)	12	T. Aversa		Red-breasted Nuthatch			
30 ONWR	1	M. Pelikan		2-13 E. Middleboro		1-2	K. Anderson
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher				3 MNWS		1	R. Forster#
3 S. Monomoy	1	W. Petersen#		10 Truro		1	H. Coolidge#
3 MNWS	1	R. Forster		17 Sandwich		2	G. d'Entremont#
3 P.I.	1	R. Forster		White-breasted Nuthatch			
4 Boston (F.Pk)	1	T. Aversa		2 Quabbin (G45)		27	T. Aversa
10 Milton	1	G. d'Entremont#		Brown Creeper			
13 ONWR	2	T. Aversa		17 Yarmouth		1	G. d'Entremont#
13 Medford	1	M. Rines		28 Mattapoisett		1	F. Smith
14 Worc. (BMB)	1	K. Mills		Carolina Wren			
24 Rockport (H.P.)	1	J. Hoye#		thr Worc. (BMB)		1	M. Lynch#
Alder Flycatcher				3 Chatham		3	R. Stymeist#
16 Chatham	1	R. Forster		6 Rockport		11	M. Rines
"Traill's" Flycatcher				10 Eastham		5	R. Stymeist#
25 GMNWR	1	S. Perkins#		17 ONWR		1	M. Pelikan
Least Flycatcher				House Wren			
7 Worc. (BMB)	1	M. Lynch#		thr Worc. (BMB)		10 max	M. Lynch#
9 P.I.	1	T. Aversa		24 P.I.		3	R. Forster
13 ONWR	1	T. Aversa		25 Topsfield		5	J. Brown#
16 Truro	1	H. Coolidge#		Winter Wren			
Eastern Phoebe				3 P.I.		1	D. Chickering
13 ONWR	25	T. Aversa		11 Chatham		1	P. Trimble
18 Ipswich	18+	L. Taylor#		20 N. Scituate		1	T. Aversa
29 Worc. (BMB)	12	M. Lynch#		29 Boston		2	T. Aversa
Great Crested Flycatcher				Marsh Wren			
3 Chatham	1	R. Stymeist#		19 Yarmouthport		1	S. + E. Miller
3 P.I.	1	D. Chickering		19-25 GMNWR		4	S. Perkins#
3, 10 MNWR	2, 1	R. Forster		20 N. Scituate		1	T. Aversa
13 ONWR	1	T. Aversa		21 Boston (F.Pk)		1	T. Aversa
Western Kingbird				26-29 P.I.		1	G. Wood
5 E. Gloucester	1	C. Leahy		Golden-crowned Kinglet			
Eastern Kingbird				20 N. Scituate		1	T. Aversa
10 Eastham	17	BBC (R. Stymeist)		Ruby-crowned Kinglet			
17 Barnstable	2	G. d'Entremont#		10 Milton		2	G. d'Entremont
18 Chatham	3	G. d'Entremont#		13, 29 Worc. (BMB)		1, 7	M. Lynch#
19 Truro	4	R. Stymeist		28 P.I.		3	T. Young
Purple Martin				Blue-gray Gnatcatcher			
3 Nantucket	1	S. Perkins		3 P.I.		1	G. d'Entremont#
Tree Swallow				4 W. Medford		1	P. + F. Vale
11 P.I.	10,000+	J. Berry#		11 Chatham		4	P. Trimble
16 S. Dart (A.Pd)	5000	LCES (J. Hill)		11 Wellesley		1	R. Forster
22 P'town/Truro	10,000+	S. Perkins#		17 Scituate		1	W. Petersen
25 Westport	10,000	M. Boucher		17 Rockport (H.P.)		1	M. Lynch#
26 Elizabeth I.	300,000+	P. Trimble		Northern Wheatear			
N. Rough-winged Swallow				5-8 Fitchburg		1	T. Mongeon#
1-11 Wellesley	2	R. Forster		7-10 Ipswich		1	R. Hopping + v.o.
Bank Swallow				8 M.V. (Gay Head)		1	G. Daniels
3 Truro	1	W. Petersen#		13 Nantucket		1	D. Sutherland#
11 Ipswich	2	G. d'Entremont#		17-18 Milford		1	R. Hildreth#
17 Barnstable	1	G. d'Entremont#		Eastern Bluebird			
20 Scituate	2	T. Aversa		thr Worc. (BMB)		12 max	M. Lynch#
Cliff Swallow				4 DWWS		15	G. d'Entremont
7, 13 Chatham (S.B.)	20, 2	S. Perkins		11 E. Middleboro		3	K. Anderson
9 P.I.	6	T. Aversa		15-20 Mattapoisett		3	F. Smith
10 Scituate	1	W. Petersen#		Veery			
11 Falmouth	1	P. Trimble		10 Waltham		2	L. Taylor
Barn Swallow				13 Chatham		8+	B. Nikula#

Veery (continued)								
13 Mt.A.	3		R. Stymeist	2 Quabbin (G45)	42		T. Aversa	
Gray-cheeked Thrush				10 Eastham	9		R. Stymeist	
25 Billerica	1		R. Stymeist#	10 Nahant	4		R. Forster	
28 Worc. (BMB)	1		M. Lynch#	11 Chatham	6		P. Trimble	
Swainson's Thrush				13, 28 Worc. (BMB)	12, 7		M. Lynch#	
4 Lincoln	123		S. Perkins#	24 P.I.	4		R. Forster	
13 Chatham	6+		B. Nikula#	25 Boston (F.Pk)	5		T. Aversa	
15 Boston (F.Pk)	2		T. Aversa	Blue-winged Warbler				
20 N. Scituate	1		T. Aversa	3 Chatham	3		R. Stymeist#	
28 Worc. (BMB)	5		M. Lynch#	10 MNWS	1		R. Forster	
Hermit Thrush				19 Boston (F.Pk)	1		T. Aversa	
13 Worc. (BMB)	1		M. Lynch#	21 Lexington	1		M. Pelikan	
18 Matapoisset	1		F. Smith	Golden-winged Warbler				
24 Lakeville	1		W. Petersen#	7 Medford	1 f		M. Rines	
Wood Thrush				8 MNWS	1		G. Wood	
2 Quabbin (G45)	2		T. Aversa	11 Chatham	1		B. Nikula#	
8 W. Gloucester	2		T. Young	15 ONWR	1		E. Salmela	
11 Chatham	2		P. Trimble	18 N. Scituate	1		D. Morimoto	
15 Worc. (BMB)	2		M. Lynch#	23 Truro	1 m		T. Aversa	
American Robin				25 Wellfleet	1		M. Lynch#	
20 Worc. (BMB)	270		M. Lynch#	"Brewster's" Warbler				
Gray Catbird				13 ONWR	1		T. Aversa	
thr Worc. (BMB)	60 max		M. Lynch#	"Lawrence's" Warbler				
10 P.I.	40		M. Lynch#	15 Yarmouthport	1		S. + E. Miller	
24 Rockport (H.P.O)	20		J. Hoye#	Tennessee Warbler				
Northern Mockingbird				2 Quabbin (G45)	1		T. Aversa	
3 P.I.	20		M. Lynch#	3 Ipswich	1		J. Berry	
Brown Thrasher				3 ONWR	4		R. Bradbury	
24 Rockport (H.P.)	2		J. Hoye#	15 P.I.	1		J. Hoye#	
27 P.I.	3		D. Chickering	15, 28 Worc. (BMB)	1, 1		M. Lynch#	
28 Worc. (BMB)	3		M. Lynch#	25 Newton	1		R. Forster	
thr Reports of indiv. from 7 locations				27 Wellesey	1		R. Forster	
American Pipit				Orange-crowned Warbler				
15 Scituate	1		J. Norton	3 DWWS	1		J. Hoye#	
17 Cohasset	3		B. Flaherty	4 P.I.	1		T. Young	
19-25 GMNWR	8		S. Perkins#	14 Worc. (BMB)	1		K. Mills	
25 Boston (Logan)	1		R. Stymeist#	Nashville Warbler				
Cedar Waxwing				11 Chatham	3		P. Trimble	
10 Nahant	20		R. Forster	13 ONWR	15		T. Aversa	
21 Worc. (BMB)	128		K. Mills	25 Newton	2		R. Forster	
White-eyed Vireo				26 Cuttyhunk I.	3		P. Trimble	
3 Chatham	1		C. Floyd#	29 Worc. (BMB)	7		M. Lynch#	
18 S. Dartmouth	1		S. Perkins#	30 Belmont	2		M. Rines	
Solitary Vireo				Northern Parula				
2 Quabbin (G45)	5		T. Aversa	3 MNWS	2		R. Forster	
20 Worc. (BMB)	2		M. Lynch#	5 Medford	3		M. Rines	
21 Boston (F.Pk)	3		T. Aversa	10 Waltham	3		L. Taylor	
26 P.I.	3		T. Young	12 Mt.A.	3		R. Stymeist#	
Yellow-throated Vireo				13 ONWR	25		T. Aversa	
2 Quabbin (G45)	5		T. Aversa	28, 29 Worc. (BMB)	22, 33		M. Lynch#	
7 Boston (F.Pk)	1		T. Aversa	Yellow Warbler				
8 Topsfield	1		J. Brown#	24 Squantum	1		G. d'Entremont#	
11 Chatham	1		J. Trimble#	24 W. Bridgewater	1		W. Petersen#	
16 P.I.	1		T. Aversa	26 Cuttyhunk I.	1		P. Trimble	
17 ONWR	1		M. Pelikan	26 P.I.	2		G. Wood	
Warbling Vireo				26 ONWR	1		T. Aversa	
5 Medford	5		M. Rines	29 Worc. (BMB)	2		M. Lynch#	
17 ONWR	4		M. Pelikan	30 Sandwich	1		T. Aversa	
12 Wellesley	2		R. Forster	Chestnut-sided Warbler				
19 Chatham	2		S. + E. Miller	5 Medford	5		M. Rines	
21 Boston (F.Pk)	1		T. Aversa	13 ONWR	6		T. Aversa	
Philadelphia Vireo				24 Middleboro	1		T. Aversa	
3 MNWS	2		R. Forster	26 Cuttyhunk I.	2		P. Trimble	
4 Mt.A.	2		R. Stymeist#	29 Worc. (BMB)	2		M. Lynch#	
10 Eastham	2		R. Stymeist	Magnolia Warbler				
11 Chatham	3		P. Trimble	13 ONWR	40		T. Aversa	
16 P.I.	4		T. Aversa	13, 29 Worc. (BMB)	17, 8		M. Lynch#	
26 Cuttyhunk I.	3		P. Trimble	14 Medford	8		M. Rines	
thr Reports of indiv. from 10 locations				28 P.I.	2		T. Young	
Red-eyed Vireo				30 ONWR	4		M. Pelikan	





Dickcissel (continued)									
16	Eastham	1	H. Coolidge#	9	Holliston	1	R. Forster#		
17	Bridgewater	1	W. Petersen#	15	N. Reading	3	J. Young		
25	GMNWR	1	G. d'Entremont#	18	Bolton	2	J. Hoye#		
25	Newton	1	R. Forster	19	Concord (NAC)	2	R. Forster		
28	Belmont	1	M. Rines	24	Middleboro	4	W. Petersen#		
Rufous-sided Towhee				24	W. Bridgewater	3	W. Petersen#		
18	Cuttyhunk I.	30+	E. Nielsen#	25	Newton	3	K. Hamilton#		
25	Truro	36	M. Lynch#	28	Worc. (BMB)	7	M. Lynch#		
29	Worc. (BMB)	26	M. Lynch#	Swamp Sparrow					
Chipping Sparrow				25	GMNWR	45	S. Perkins#		
24	Middleboro	65	W. Petersen#	28	Worc. (BMB)	17	M. Lynch#		
Clay-colored Sparrow				White-throated Sparrow					
7	Duxbury B.	1	K. Anderson#	10	Nahant	1	R. Forster		
10, 16, 24	P.I.	1, 1, 1	v. o.	18	Ipswich	2	L. Taylor#		
18	Chatham	1	R. Forster#	20	Worc. (BMB)	5	M. Lynch#		
19	Truro	1	R. Stymeist#	White-crowned Sparrow					
24-26	Mt. A.	1	R. Stymeist#	20	Truro	1	S. + E. Miller		
29	Boston	1	T. Aversa	21	W. Barnstable	1	S. + E. Miller		
29	Belmont	1	L. Taylor	24	P.I.	4	K. Hamilton#		
Field Sparrow				Dark-eyed Junco					
14	S. Dartmouth	18	M. Boucher	28	Worc. (BMB)	1	M. Lynch#		
24	P.I.	5	K. Hamilton#	Bobolink					
25	Milton	3	G. d'Entremont	2	Wayland	3	J. Hoye#		
28	Worc. (BMB)	7	M. Lynch#	13	Woburn	6	M. Rines		
Vesper Sparrow				18	Cuttyhunk I.	4	S. Perkins#		
16	Eastham	1	H. Coolidge#	24	Middleboro	86	W. Petersen#		
30	Sandwich	1	T. Aversa	25	GMNWR	50	G. d'Entremont#		
Lark Sparrow				Yellow-headed Blackbird					
3	S. Monomoy	1	J. Sones#	29	Bedford	1 imm	J. Duggan		
4	Chatham	1	B. Nikula#	Rusty Blackbird					
15	WBWS	1	R. Prescott	20	Provincetown	1	S. + E. Miller		
26	Wayland	1	K. Hamilton	24	W. Bridgewater	2	W. Petersen#		
Savannah Sparrow				25	Wellesley	1	R. Forster		
25	GMNWR	30	S. Perkins#	26	ONWR	2	T. Aversa		
Sharp-tailed Sparrow				Common Grackle					
3	Newbury	12	R. Forster#	10	Framingham	800	E. Taylor		
3	P.I.	20+	M. Lynch#	24	Wayland	250	E. Taylor		
4	S. Dart (A.Pd)	15+	J. Berry#	Brown-headed Cowbird					
17	Scituate	50+	W. Petersen#	11	Rowley	300	G. d'Entremont#		
17	Barnstable	10	G. d'Entremont#	26	Cuttyhunk I.	30	P. Trimble		
24	Middleboro	1	W. Petersen	27	Wellesley	50	R. Forster		
26	GMNWR	2	T. Aversa	Northern Oriole					
Seaside Sparrow				3	Chatham	8	R. Stymeist#		
3	P.I.	1 ad feeding 1 yg	M. Lynch#	15	Mattapoiset	1	F. Smith		
4	S. Dart (A.Pd)	3	J. Berry	26	Cuttyhunk I.	3	P. Trimble		
Song Sparrow				27	P.I.	2	D. Chickering		
26	Cuttyhunk I.	26	P. Trimble	Purple Finch					
28	Worc. (BMO)	34	M. Lynch#	11	E. Middleboro	pr	K. Anderson		
Lincoln's Sparrow				15	Worc. (BMB)	1	M. Lynch#		
				25	P.I.	2	D. Chickering		

#### ADDITION TO MAY 1994 (Vol. 22, No. 5)

##### Swallow-tailed Kite

2 Nantucket 1 G. Soucy, L. Jodrey

#### CORRECTION TO JUNE 1994 (Vol. 22, No. 5, page 275)

##### Bank Swallow

###### read:

19 Grape I. (Boston H.) 44 n J. Brown#

###### should read:

19 Grape I. (Ipswich) 44 n J. Brown#