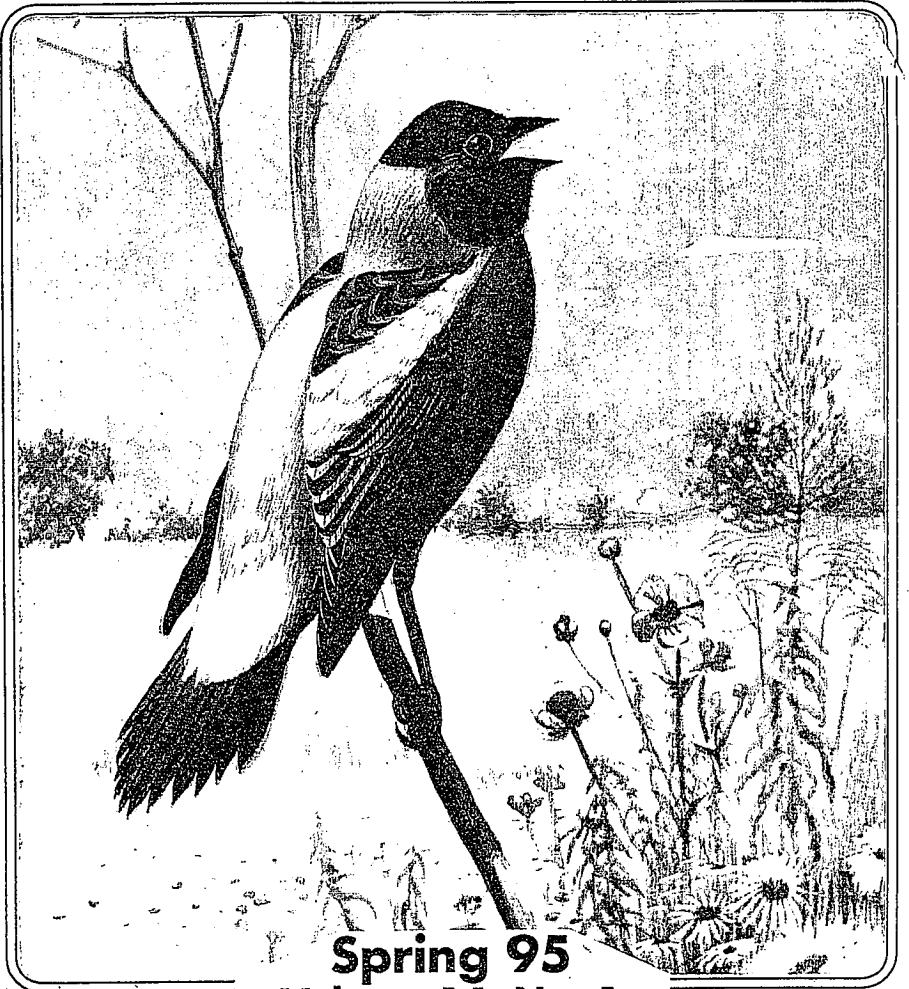


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## From the Editor

Welcome to all our new subscribers and a thank you to everyone who has sent in their renewal. If you haven't mailed your renewal yet, please send it right away so you won't miss any future issues.

As I mentioned in the last issue, Andrea Robbins has retired as editor of the Winter Season. We are pleased to welcome Alan Delorey as the new Winter Editor. Al has extensive experience birding in New Hampshire and is the author of the upcoming book, *A Birder's Guide to New Hampshire*. He will be starting right away with the beginning of the winter season on December first.

This spring season contained some reports with interesting notes on the slips. Although difficult to present in the listings, I would like to share a few of them with you. Stanley Drew had this comment on a large flock of Canada Geese in Newmarket on March 6: "many of these geese engaged in displays of neck dipping and rolling much like a kayak — flat on their backs, feet up in the air — waving feet and wings as they rolled upside down. First time I've seen this." Of a Barred Owl visiting his residence in Sandwich on April 25, Tony Vazzano noted that it "perched over pond at 7:15 am. Dropped down to middle of pond, submerged to belly, and plucked a frog. Took it into the woods. It returned five minutes later and repeated the show." (And again for the next five days.) And Jack Verville was thrilled to see a Northern Goshawk diving on a Wood Duck at Clough State Park in Weare on April 27 which "apparently struck feathers with talons and duck fell into the water. Hawk dove again but duck flew off at an angle and escaped."

These interesting and enjoyable observations remind us that there's always something new and exciting to see when we venture out birding, even among the common species in our own backyard. It's what many of us enjoy so much about this hobby of birdwatching, and what we at *NH Bird Records* are trying to promote.

Good birding to all!

Rebecca W. Suomala  
Managing Editor November, 1995

### Standard Abbreviations Used

ASNH	Audubon Society of New Hampshire	NHBR	<i>NH Bird Records</i>
BBC	Brookline Bird Club	NWR	National Wildlife Refuge
BBS	Breeding Bird Survey	R.	River
CA	Conservation Area	Rd.	Road
CBC	Christmas Bird Count	Rt.	Route
CBC-CW	Christmas Bird Count, count week	St. Pk.	State Park
CC	Country Club	SPNH	Society for the Protection of NH Forests, Concord Center
FT	Field Trip	WMA	Wildlife Management Area
LPC	Loon Preservation Committee	WMNF	White Mountain National Forest
NA	Natural Area	WS	ASNH Wildlife Sanctuary



# Spring Season

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On the heels of an unusually warm winter, the spring season started out with above normal temperatures. In New Hampshire, March averaged 2.5° above normal, making it the warmest March since 1983. On March 8, thermometers hit 50° in Concord, 20° above the 30-year average. This warm spell appears to have pushed the earliest migrants, blackbirds and Killdeer, into the state in good numbers. The month's second "heat wave" stretched from March 13 to 23, when temperatures averaged 10° above normal. During this period the second wave of early migrants such as phoebes and Tree Swallows arrived. Needless to say, the warm weather resulted in early ice-out on most New Hampshire lakes, which may have affected waterfowl migration.

After all that warmth, April averaged a surprising 3.2° below normal. A large part of the chill came during the evening of April 5, when temperatures plummeted 20° to 30° below normal across the northeast. Combined with high winds, these near-zero temperatures certainly had an effect on birds, but our data shows only an absence of reports for some early migrants that were already in the state (e.g., woodcock, phoebe, Golden-crowned Kinglet). Finally, at month's end, a warm front moved up the east coast, and although it didn't quite reach New Hampshire, it was probably responsible for large numbers of migrants on April 28 through 30.

May weather was fairly normal, averaging only slightly cooler and drier than the 30-year mean. Although temperatures rose 15° above normal on May 24, this was too late in the season to have any noticeable effect on migrating birds, the vast majority of which were already in the state at that time.

Spring 1995 was another exceptional season for unusual birds. Topping the list is the first state record of **White-faced Ibis**, found with a flock of glossies at Great Bay. Runners-up include two **Least Bitterns**, **Tricolored Heron**, **Black Vulture**, **Black Skimmer**, **Acadian Flycatcher**, **Hooded and Yellow-throated Warblers**, and a "**Pink-sided**" **Junco**. Also of note were several holdovers from the winter: **Eurasian Wigeon** and **Townsend's Solitaire** around Great Bay, and **Iceland and Glaucous Gulls** from several locations. It was also a good spring for waterfowl migration, and the passerine movement at the end of April was notable for its high diversity and numbers.

*Peter Hunt*

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## Loons through Ibis

Perhaps because of the early thaw, there were few reports of large inland concentrations of Common Loons. With so much more open water available, the loons may have dispersed among several different lakes and ponds. Steve Mirick once again turned in an impressive grebe count for the New Hampshire coast, this time from mid-March. I encourage other observers to undertake similar efforts: pick a common ocean bird and count the numbers every now and then. If nothing else it may get your name mentioned in this summary! An immature Great Cormorant on Mascoma Lake in Enfield during most of May was believed to be the same individual that visited the lake the previous fall. If anyone is still skeptical that Double-crested Cormorants are increasing inland, the flock of over 300 seen on Moore Reservoir should erase all doubt. This was, not surprisingly, the largest flock seen by the observer in his 25 years of birding in Littleton.

Least Bitterns are declining throughout the Northeast, perhaps due to habitat loss. Thus it was reassuring to have two in the state this spring, one in Derry and one in Durham, although neither bird elected to remain in its respective marsh for more than a day. Other noteworthy herons were a very early Great Egret along the coast, first seen in mid-March and staying through the month, and a Tricolored Heron in Rye. And it was another good spring for ibis. High numbers continue to be reported in April and May around Great Bay, and this year meticulous scanning of the glossies located the first state record of White-faced Ibis, the glossy's western counterpart. The bird was seen by numerous observers, as well as photographed, but it was never relocated on subsequent days.

<i>date</i>	<i>#</i>	<i>town</i>	<i>location</i>	<i>observer(s)</i>
<b>Red-throated Loon</b>				
03-22	2	Rye	off shore	R. Quinn
05-21	4		NH coast	R. Quinn, G. Robbins, I. MacLeod
05-22	3	Hampton	Hampton Beach n.	D. & A. Strong
<b>Common Loon</b>				
04-03	3	Moultonborough	Squam Lake	A. Groth
04-20	2	Sandwich	Kasumpe Pond	T. Vazzano
04-21	1	Jefferson	Cherry Pond	M. Suomala
04-22	1	Littleton	Samuel Moore Dam	B. Bradley
05-17	16	Littleton	Samuel Moore Dam	B. Bradley
<b>Pied-billed Grebe</b>				
03-20	1	Haverhill	Connecticut R., N. Haverhill	B. Bradley
03-31	1	Plainfield	River Rd.	D. Crook
04-01	1	Rye	Eel Pond	A. & B. Delorey, Brookline Bird Club
04-02	2	Newington	Great Bay NWR	A. & B. Delorey
04-18	2	Dummer	Pontook Reservoir	J. Brown, P. Emery
04-23	1	Springfield	McDaniel's Marsh	P. Hunt, D. Crook

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04-26	3	Orford	Upper Baker Pond	A. Ports
05-17	3	Sutton	Cascade Marsh	P. Newbern
<b>Horned Grebe</b>				
03-18	45	Hampton	North Beach	S. Mirick
04-25	3	Franklin	Webster Lake	K. Elkins
04-30	5	Errol	Lake Umbagog	E. Connors
<b>Red-necked Grebe</b>				
03-18	125		NH coast	S. Mirick
05-02	1	Errol	Lake Umbagog, Black Is. Cove	E. Connors
05-07	2	Moultonborough	Squam Lake	A. Groth
05-09	3	Enfield	Mascoma Lake	P. Hunt
05-14	1	Rye	near Rye Ledge	D. Donsker, M. Resch, R. Balerviez, R. Silva
05-16	4	New London	Pleasant Lake	R. Vernon
<b>Great Cormorant</b>				
03-25	25	Rye	NH coast	P. Hunt, D. Crook
03-25	1	Concord	Merrimack R. n. of dam	P. Hunt, D. Crook
04-01	1	Newington	Goat Island	R. Quinn, S. Mirick
05-06	1	Enfield	Mascoma Lake	P. Hunt, D. Crook
05-22	2	Rye	Pulpit Rocks vicinity	D. & A. Strong
05-26	1	Enfield	Mascoma Lake	P. Hunt, D. Crook, L. Bunten
<b>Double-crested Cormorant</b>				
03-27	1	Stratham	Squamscott R. at trestle	S. Drew
03-30	1	Manchester	Merrimack R.	G. Mitchell
04-01	3	Hampton	Hampton Beach	G. Sweeney
04-01	6	Newington	Goat Island	R. Quinn, S. Mirick
04-27	325	Littleton	Samuel Moore Dam	P. Powers, E. Emery
<b>American Bittern</b>				
04-09	1	Exeter	wastewater treatment plant	S. Mirick, D. Balerviez
04-11	1	Keene	Beaver Brook Assoc.	M. Wright
04-13	1	Hampton	Hampton Marsh	M. Suomala
04-18	1	Rumney	Quincy Bog NA	A. Ports
<b>Least Bittern</b>				
05-20	1	Derry	Ballard Marsh	D., J. & A. Strong, L. Nawrock
05-29	1	Durham	Durham Pt. Rd., Horsehide Creek wetland	M. Suomala
<b>Snowy Egret</b>				
04-13	1	Hampton	yacht club	R. Aaronian
04-15	2	Rye	Saunders marsh	R. Aaronian
05-08	2	Rye	NH coast	J. Romano, S. Walker
<b>Great Egret</b>				
03-18	1	Rye	Odiorne Pt. St. Pk.	S. Mirick
03-25	1	Rye	Rye Harbor St. Pk.	P. Hunt, D. Crook

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<b>Little Blue Heron</b>				
05-20	1	Hampton Falls	Depot Rd.	P. Hunt
05-29	2	Rye	Rt. 1A pools just s. of Odiorne Pt.	St. Pk. M. Suomala
<b>Tricolored Heron</b>				
05-29	1	Rye	Rt. 1A pools just s. of Odiorne Pt.	St. Pk. M. Suomala
<b>Black-crowned Night-Heron</b>				
05-12	1	Hampton	Fuller Acres marsh	G. Sweeney
05-15	5	Hampton	Fuller Acres marsh	G. Sweeney
05-19	1	Newington	Goat Is., Little Bay	R. Quinn
05-20	1	Newmarket	Fish Pier	D. & A. Strong
05-21	1	Stratham	Chapman's Landing	R. & M. Suomala, S. Mirick
<b>Glossy Ibis</b>				
04-15	38	Stratham	Chapman's Landing	S. Mirick
04-22	52	Hampton	Hampton salt marsh	S. Mirick
04-25	32	Hampton Falls	Depot Rd.	M. Martin, et al.
05-13	22	Greenland	along Newington Rd.	A. & B. Delorey
<b>White-faced Ibis</b>				
04-15	1	Stratham	Chapman's Landing	S. Mirick, D. Abbott, A. & B. Delorey, D. Finch, P. Hunt

## Waterfowl

All in all, good numbers and an impressive variety of waterfowl were reported from all parts of the state this spring. After an exciting winter waterfowl season on Great Bay, it was not surprising to find several species lingering through March and early April. Among these were a flock of as many as seven Snow Geese, the Eurasian Wigeon (present from November 5 to April 15), a few American Wigeon, and two Canvasbacks. Once migration picked up, however, the bay was but one of several good areas for ducks. Other locations included the Connecticut and Merrimack valleys, the Lakes Region, and Lake Umbagog—in other words, most of the water in the state.

Above-average numbers were reported for several species including Gadwall (at least 10 birds at three sites), Northern Pintail, American Wigeon, Ring-necked Duck, and Common Merganser (note especially the counts for Great Bay). Most Wood Ducks arrived well ahead of their median arrival date. A male scaup lingered into late May at Eel Pond in Rye, where its reclusive habits made observation difficult. It was identified as both species by various observers, and I feel is best referred to as "scaup species". The uncounted Brant in Durham were heard passing overhead in two flocks during the night. Sea ducks also received more attention than usual this spring, with high counts of three species on April 29 (and shame on me for not counting the White-winged Scoters). Inland, there were numerous records of Red-breasted Mergansers and a remarkable fallout of Oldsquaw and scoters on Lake Umbagog on May 16.

<i>date</i>	<i>#</i>	<i>town</i>	<i>location</i>	<i>observer(s)</i>
<b>Snow Goose</b>				
03-04	5	Newmarket	Moody Pt.	H. Chary, et al.
03-18	7	Newmarket	Moody Pt., Great Bay	A. & B. Delorey
03-22	4	Durham	Mast Rd. fields	C. Federer, M. Davis
04-04	43	New London	Burpee Hill Rd.	P. & Z. Curtiss
04-04	20	Dublin	Mud Pond	D. Belknop
04-05	77	Northfield	Zion's Hill	B. Presby
04-08	164	Newmarket	mud flats off Bay Rd.	M. Suomala
04-17	50	Keene	Rts. 9 & 10 at Washington St.	M. Wright
05-01	20	Franklin	Webster Lake	K. Elkins
<b>Brant</b>				
03-18	1	Rye	harbor at Star Is.	S. Mirick, D. Green
04-12	11	Seabrook	mouth of Hampton R.	R. Quinn
05-21		Durham	Mast Rd.	S. Mirick
<b>Canada Goose</b>				
03-01	120	Walpole	Connecticut R. n. of Westminster Bridge	H. Beck
03-06	162	Newmarket	Moody Pt.	S. Drew
03-08	95	Salem	Town Farm Rd.	K. Folsom
03-20	102	Weare	Lake Horace inflow	I. MacLeod
03-21	1100	Stratham	Sandy Pt.	S. Drew
04-12	150	E. Kingston	Bodwell's Field	S. Drew
<b>Wood Duck</b>				
03-08	6	Newmarket	Great Bay	G. Mitchell
03-10	9	Merrimack	Merrimack R.	R. Andrews
03-14	2	Haverhill	Connecticut R., N. Haverhill	B. Bradley
03-15	4	Concord	Merrimack R., Fort Eddy Rd. boat ramp	R. Quinn
03-19	11	Auburn	Claire's Landing, Massabesic Lake	G. Mitchell
03-23	17	Peterborough	Contoocook R. above falls at Rts. 202/136	R. Frechette
03-25	26	Peterborough	Contoocook R. above falls	R. Frechette
03-29	10	Lyme	River Rd.	P. Hunt
04-07	13	Laconia	Laconia CC	H. Anderson
04-22	22	Errol	Magalloway R. boat launch	M. & R. Suomala
05-26	30	Exeter	wastewater treatment plant	P. Hunt, D. Crook, L. Bunten
<b>Green-winged Teal</b>				
03-18	16	Newmarket	Moody Pt., Great Bay	A. & B. Delorey
03-19	6	Haverhill	Connecticut R.	E. Emery, P. Powers
03-25	40	Newmarket	Bay Rd.	P. Hunt, D. Crook
04-07	45	Stratham	Chapman's Landing	S. Mirick
04-22	30	Errol	Lake Umbagog	M. & R. Suomala
<b>American Black Duck</b>				
03-11	93	Haverhill	Connecticut R., N. Haverhill	B. Bradley
03-13	300	Stratham	Great Bay, Sandy Pt.	J. Romano, S. Walker
04-08	70	Errol	Androscoggin R.	C. Martin, A. Desmarais
<b>Northern Pintail</b>				
03-08	2	Durham	Moore fields, Rt. 155A	S. Mirick
03-09	1	Haverhill	farm field, N. Haverhill	B. Bradley
03-12	4	Plainfield	River Rd.	J. Rychlik

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03-25	6	Newmarket	Bay Rd.	P. Hunt, D. Crook
04-07	5	Boscawen	big bend in Merrimack R.	R. Quinn
04-09	18	Haverhill	Connecticut R.	E. Emery, P. Powers

### **Blue-winged Teal**

04-08	2	Stratham	Chapman's Landing	M. Suomala
04-17	2	Rye	pond just s. of Wallis Sands	T. Vazzano
04-19	1	Orford	Reed's Marsh	B. Bradley
04-20	2	Canterbury	Peverly Meadow	R. Quinn
04-23	1	Newington	Great Bay NWR	A. & B. Delorey
05-21	1	Hollis	Rt. 122 farm pond	A. Strong

### **Northern Shoveler**

04-07	5	Manchester	Lake Massabesic	G. Mitchell
04-08	1	Cambridge	Androscoggin R.	C. Martin
04-08	1	Errol	13 Mile Woods, Rt. 16	J. & N. Ely
05-08	2	Exeter	wastewater treatment plant	J. Romano, S. Walker

### **Gadwall**

03-17	2	Tilton	Winnisquam R. s. of Silver Lake	P. Hunt
03-25	2	Newington	Stubbs Pond, Great Bay NWR	S. Mirick, ASNH FT
04-08	6	Newington	Great Bay NWR	A. & B. Delorey
04-22	2	Errol	just s. of Androscoggin State Wayside (Rt. 16)	M. & R. Suomala

### **Eurasian Wigeon**

03-25	1	Greenland	Great Bay	S. Mirick, D. Finch, et al.
04-15	1	Newington	Great Bay NWR	A. & B. Delorey

### **American Wigeon**

03-10	2	Merrimack	Merrimack R. at Thornton's Ferry	R. Andrews
03-11	4	Newmarket	Moody Pt., Great Bay	A. & B. Delorey
03-12	4	Plainfield	River Rd.	J. Rychlik
03-25	30		Great Bay	S. Mirick, ASNH FT
04-16	12	Newington	Great Bay	R. Quinn, G. Robbins, D. Abbott
05-13	2	Newington	Great Bay NWR	A. & B. Delorey
05-22	1	Exeter	wastewater treatment plant	D. & A. Strong

### **Canvasback**

03-10	2	Newmarket	Great Bay	G. Mitchell
03-13	4	Hinsdale	Hinsdale Bluffs on Connecticut R.	A. Greenwood

### **Ring-necked Duck**

03-08	5	Nashua	Nashua R.	R. Andrews
03-10	2	Kingston	Powwow Pond	K. Folsom
03-13	23	Hinsdale	Hinsdale Bluffs on Connecticut R.	A. Greenwood
03-17	156	Salem	World End Pond	K. Folsom
03-18	70	Kingston	Powwow Pond	A. & B. Delorey
03-25	80	Newington	Stubbs Pond, Great Bay NWR	S. Mirick, ASNH FT
03-31	22	Northwood	Northwood Lake	A. & G. Robbins
04-17	76	Auburn	Clark Pond	G. Mitchell
04-23	15	Springfield	McDaniel's Marsh	P. Hunt, D. Crook
05-20	2	Hollis	Beaver Brook	R. Andrews



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<b>Greater Scaup</b>				
03-25	1000		Great Bay	S. Mirick, ASNH FT
04-20	10	Greenland	Sandy Pt.	G. Mitchell
04-25	4	Auburn	Little Massabesic Lake	G. Mitchell
05-09	3	Enfield	Mascoma Lake	P. Hunt
<b>Lesser Scaup</b>				
03-13	1	Concord	Horseshoe Pond	R. Quinn
03-19	2	Charlestown	Connecticut R. s. of sewage treatment plant	P. Hunt, D. Crook
04-10	2	Rye	Eel Pond	J. Romano
04-22	2	Dummer	Pontook Reservoir, n. end	M. & R. Suomala
04-23	1	Exeter	wastewater treatment plant	D. & T. Donsker, R. Balerviez
<b>Scaup sp.</b>				
05-22	1	Rye	Eel Pond	D. & A. Strong
<b>Oldsquaw</b>				
04-29	4	Enfield	Mascoma Lake	P. Hunt, T. Hall
05-05	1	Concord	Merrimack R., Fort Eddy Rd. boat ramp	R. Woodward
05-16	5	Errol	Lake Umbagog, Pine Pt.	E. Connors, J. Fair
<b>Black Scoter</b>				
04-29	75	Rye	NH coast	P. Hunt, T. Hall
05-07	2	Moultonborough	Squam Lake	A. Groth
05-16	15	Errol	Lake Umbagog, Pine Pt.	E. Connors, J. Fair
05-26	2	Rye	Concord Pt.	P. Hunt, D. Crook, L. Bunten
<b>Surf Scoter</b>				
04-29	150	Rye	NH coast	P. Hunt, T. Hall
05-16	18	Errol	Lake Umbagog, Pine Pt.	E. Connors, J. Fair
05-26	50	Rye	NH coast	P. Hunt, D. Crook, L. Bunten
<b>White-winged Scoter</b>				
04-13	8	Gilmanton	Crystal Lake	W. Arms
05-16	65	Errol	Lake Umbagog, Pine Pt.	E. Connors, J. Fair
05-21	220	Rye	Pulpit Rocks	S. Mirick, R. & M. Suomala
05-22	17	Gilmanton	Crystal Lake	W. Arms
05-27	1	Wentworth	Rt. 25	A. Ports
<b>Common Goldeneye</b>				
03-14	16	Haverhill	Connecticut R., N. Haverhill	B. Bradley
04-08	32	Errol	Androscoggin R.	C. Martin, A. Desmarais
04-12	17	Rye	Eel Pond	R. Quinn
05-20	1	Hollis	Beaver Brook Assoc.	R. Andrews
05-21	1	Enfield	Mascoma Lake	P. Hunt, J. Rychlik
<b>Bufflehead</b>				
03-13	8	Hinsdale	Hinsdale Bluffs on Connecticut R.	A. Greenwood
03-20	2	Northwood	Northwood Lake	A. & G. Robbins

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04-08	10	Kingston	Powwow Pond & Great Pond	D. Kirwan, L. Ring
05-16	3	New London	Great Brook cove, Pleasant Lake	R. Vernon

### **Hooded Merganser**

03-08	4	Salem	Spicket R.	K. Folsom
03-09	1	Pittsfield	Suncook R.	A. Robbins
03-10	4	Merrimack	Merrimack R.	R. Andrews
03-11	41		Great Bay	A. & B. Delorey

### **Common Merganser**

03-18	262	Stratham	Sandy Pt., Great Bay	A. & B. Delorey
03-25	500		Great Bay	S. Mirick, D. Finch, ASNH FT
03-30	60	Franklin	Webster Lake	K. Elkins

### **Red-breasted Merganser**

04-20	2	Monroe	Connecticut R.	P. Powers, E. Emery
04-27	3	Littleton	Samuel Moore Dam	P. Powers, E. Emery, B. Bradley
04-29	2	Whitefield	airport marsh	J. Brown, J. Ely
04-29	250	Rye	Seal Rocks	P. Hunt, T. Hall
05-21	1	Enfield	Mascoma Lake	P. Hunt, J. Rychlik

## **Diurnal Raptors**

The hawk migration was uneventful as usual in spring, although there were a few highlights to keep observers on their toes. First among these was the Nashua **Black Vulture**, presumably the same individual that was recorded on the Christmas Count and only the fourth record for the state. As this species continues its northward expansion in the east, keep a careful eye on all those flocks of Turkey Vultures. In the interest of space, I have opted not to list many records of Osprey or Bald Eagle, both of which were reported in good numbers throughout the state (30+ eagle reports alone). Harriers were also well-reported (60+), including an individual on the coast in early March that was probably an overwintering bird. The only reports of large numbers of migrating hawks come from Deering, where the highlight was the Red-shouldered Hawk flight on March 19 and 20. Other raptors tallied at this site pale by comparison but include single-day movements of Northern Goshawk (three on March 19), red-tail (seven on March 20), and broad-wing (19 on April 30). Merlins were well-reported, but the only Peregrines came from traditional nesting sites in the north.

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<b>Turkey Vulture</b>				
03-04	1	Deering	E. Deering Rd.	I. MacLeod
03-16	17	Canterbury	Boyce Rd.	D. Stavros
03-29	18	Ashland	landfill near Rt. 93	C. Martin
03-29	30	Hooksett	Exit 11, Rt. 93	C. Perkins, B. Kelliher, et al.
04-22	18	Littleton	Dell Rd.	B. Bradley

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<b>Black Vulture</b>				
04-21	1	Nashua	Clovercrest Dr.	B. Harris
<b>Osprey</b>				
03-27	1	Kingston	Powwow Pond	G. Mitchell
03-31	1	Durham	Dame Rd.	D. Hughes
04-04	1	Pittsfield	Tilton Hill Rd.	A. Robbins
<b>Northern Harrier</b>				
03-04	1	Seabrook	Rt. 286 marsh	A. & B. Delorey
03-13	1	Hampton	North Beach marsh, end of Fuller Acres	G. Sweeney
03-17	1	Haverhill	Connecticut R., N. Haverhill	P. Powers
<b>Red-shouldered Hawk</b>				
03-08	1	Kensington	Cottage Hill	G. Gavutis
03-12	1	Moultonborough	Lake Winnepesaukee	G. Randall
03-19	2	Chester	Hillside Haven	B. Delorey
03-19	21	Deering	E. Deering Rd.	I. MacLeod
03-20	11	Deering	E. Deering Rd.	I. MacLeod
<b>Broad-winged Hawk</b>				
04-17	1	Walpole	Merriam Rd.	R. Ritz
04-18	1	Mason	Rt. 123	R. Andrews
04-20	1	Laconia	Laconia CC	H. Anderson
04-21	1	Durham	downtown	M. Davis
04-22	5	Nashua	Greeley Pk.	R. Andrews
04-30	19	Deering	E. Deering Rd.	I. MacLeod
<b>Merlin</b>				
04-11	1	Concord	Turkey Pond	I. MacLeod
04-22	1	Hampton	Hampton Beach St. Pk.	S. Mirick
04-29	1	N. Hampton	Little Boars Head	P. Hunt, T. Hall
05-09	1	Auburn	Massabesic WS	I. MacLeod, R. Moore, et al.
05-13	1	Newington	Great Bay NWR	A. & B. Delorey
05-14	1	Rye	Eel Pond	D. Donsker, M. Resch
<b>Peregrine Falcon</b>				
03-16	1	Stark	Devils Slide cliff	C. Martin, L. Houghton
04-16	2	New London	Square Ledge	A. Greenwood, et al.
04-17	1	Marlborough	Spaulding Hill	J. Broyles, J. Scicotte
04-17	3	Harts Location	Frankenstein Cliff	M. Suomala
04-21	3	Franconia	Eagle Cliff	M. Suomala



## Grouse through Alcids

A somewhat tame Chukar, obviously an escaped or released bird, visited feeders in the Nashua area in late March and early April. There was good marsh coverage this May, with both Virginia Rail and Sora reported from several locations and Common Moorhen at Great Bay NWR in Newington.

In the past, I have complained in this space about the paucity of spring shorebird reports, and this year is no exception. However, personal experience suggests that this year, at least, it was because there were very few shorebirds to report. There are two explanations for this absence: either birds simply skipped New Hampshire this year, or numbers were low in general. Near-normal numbers in Massachusetts suggest the former, although I have no good explanation for it. Still, there were a couple of notable records, including several Red Knots (rare in spring) and large numbers of Purple Sandpipers, especially notable because this species was relatively scarce this past winter in the state.

After several winter reports throughout the state, it was not unusual to have three Iceland and five Glaucous Gulls reported this spring, with some lingering into May. All were first- or second-year birds. Least Terns again made an appearance along Route 286 in Seabrook, and two Black Terns along the Connecticut River in Littleton were a rare spring occurrence. Stealing top honors in this section, however, was the **Black Skimmer** photographed in Durham. This is only the fourth record for the state in the last 20 years.

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<b>Spruce Grouse</b>				
03-17	1	Errol	e. of Errol Hill	C. Martin, L. Houghton
05-14	1	Sandwich	Algonquin Trail, Sandwich Mt.	J. Romano, et al.
05-27	1	Waterville Valley	E. Sleeper Trail	E. MacKinnon
05-29	1	Success	Success Trail	G. Spencer
<b>Chukar</b>				
03-23	1	Nashua	Scott Ave.	A. Gaimare
<b>Virginia Rail</b>				
05-11	1	Exeter	wastewater treatment plant	D. Donsker
05-13	3	Weare	Clough St. Pk.	D. & J. Strong
05-16	1	Dummer	Pontook Reservoir marsh	M. Suomala
05-19	2	Concord	Steeplegate Mall marsh	D. Strong
05-20	3	Derry	Ballard Marsh	D., J. & A. Strong
05-26	2	Canterbury	sod fields wetland near Rt. 93	M. Suomala
<b>Sora</b>				
05-14	1	Exeter	wastewater treatment plant	D. Donsker, M. Resch, R. Balerviez, R. Silva
05-19	2	Hopkinton	Chase Marsh	D. Strong
05-21	1	Durham	marsh on Packers Falls Rd.	R. & M. Suomala, S. Mirick

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<b>Common Moorhen</b>				
05-13	1	Newington	Great Bay NWR	A. & B. Delorey
<b>American Coot</b>				
04-13	1	Exeter	wastewater treatment plant	M. Suomala
04-30	1	Exeter	wastewater treatment plant	S. Mirick
<b>Black-bellied Plover</b>				
05-14	75	Seabrook	Hampton Harbor mud flats	R. & M. Suomala
05-21	1	Concord	NH Technical Institute	R. Woodward, B. Goodwill
05-26	30	Seabrook	Hampton Harbor mud flats	P. Hunt, D. Crook, L. Bunten
<b>Semipalmated Plover</b>				
05-14	23	Seabrook	Hampton Harbor mud flats	R. & M. Suomala
05-30	8	Hampton Falls	Depot Rd. pool	D. & D. Strong
<b>Killdeer</b>				
03-02	1	Manchester	Merrimack R. bank at water treatment plant	K. Metz
03-05	2	Deering	E. Deering Rd.	I. MacLeod
03-18	20	Londonderry	high school	H. Chary
04-07	27	Laconia	state prison grounds	H. Anderson
<b>Greater Yellowlegs</b>				
04-06	5	Hampton Falls	Hampton salt marsh	G. Mitchell
04-07	1	Stratham	Chapman's Landing	S. Mirick
04-30	2	Orford	Reed's Marsh	B. Bradley
05-07	1	Monroe	farm pond	S. & M. Turner, E. Emery
05-18	1	Merrimack	Pearson Rd.	V. Rancourt
<b>Solitary Sandpiper</b>				
05-12	4	Concord	Leightnen Pk., Contoocook R.	R. Suomala, J. Bourne
05-12	1	Pittsfield	Tilton Hill Rd.	G. Robbins
<b>Willet</b>				
05-09	8	Seabrook	Blackwater R.	D. Strong
05-10	1	Hampton	Hampton Beach marsh e. of Rt. 101	G. Sweeney
<b>Spotted Sandpiper</b>				
04-29	1	Springfield	McDaniel's Marsh	P. Hunt, T. Hall
05-03	1	Milan	York Pond fish hatchery area	M. Suomala
05-04	3	Merrimack	Merrimack R.	R. Andrews
<b>Upland Sandpiper</b>				
04-19	4	Newington	Pease Airfield	D. De Luca
04-26	16	Newington	Pease Airfield	D. De Luca
05-10	24	Newington	Pease Airfield	D. De Luca
05-22	17	Newington	Pease Airfield	D. De Luca
<b>Ruddy Turnstone</b>				
05-22	1	Seabrook	Hampton Harbor	D. & A. Strong
05-29	2	Seabrook	Hampton Harbor mud flats	M. Suomala

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<b>Red Knot</b>				
05-22	2	Seabrook	Hampton Harbor	D. & A. Strong
05-29	8	Seabrook	Hampton Harbor mud flats	M. Suomala
<b>Sanderling</b>				
03-18	82	Rye	Rye Town Beach	S. Mirick
04-29	14	Rye	Jenness Beach	P. Hunt, T. Hall
<b>Least Sandpiper</b>				
05-11	4	Exeter	wastewater treatment plant	M. Suomala
05-14	7	Newington	Great Bay NWR	R. & M. Suomala
<b>Purple Sandpiper</b>				
04-11	80	Rye	Rye Harbor St. Pk.	T. Vazzano
04-22	140	Rye	Ragged Neck, Rye Harbor St. Pk.	S. Mirick
04-29	40	Rye	Rye Ledge	P. Hunt, T. Hall
05-30	4	Rye	Pulpit Rocks	D. & D. Strong
<b>Dunlin</b>				
04-29	100	Hampton	Hampton Beach St. Pk., offshore	P. Hunt, T. Hall
05-22	2	Seabrook	Hampton Harbor	D. & A. Strong
<b>Short-billed Dowitcher</b>				
05-22	4	Seabrook	Hampton Harbor	D. & A. Strong
<b>Common Snipe</b>				
03-25	1	Exeter	wastewater treatment plant	P. Hunt, D. Crook
04-08	5	Boscawen	big bend in Merrimack R.	R. Quinn, R. Woodward
04-20	3	Exeter	wastewater treatment plant	G. Mitchell
<b>American Woodcock</b>				
03-09	1	Concord	Fisk Rd.	J. French
03-14	1	Lee	Stepping Stone Rd.	A. Tappan
03-14	1	Lyme	Goose Pond Rd.	P. Hunt
03-14	1	Hollis	Beaver Brook Assoc.	R. Andrews
<b>Laughing Gull</b>				
05-09	1	Seabrook	Hampton Harbor	D. Strong
05-21	2	N. Hampton	N. Hampton State Beach	R. Quinn, G. Robbins, I. MacLeod
05-26	1	Rye	Odiorne Pt.	P. Hunt, D. Crook, L. Bunten
<b>Bonaparte's Gull</b>				
03-15	1	Rye	Rye Harbor State Beach	S. Drew
04-12	3	Hampton	Hampton R.	R. Quinn
05-20	50	Rye	Odiorne Pt.	P. Hunt
05-26	4	Enfield	Mascoma Lake	P. Hunt, D. Crook, L. Bunten
<b>Iceland Gull</b>				
03-02	1	Portsmouth	NH State Fish Pier	G. Mitchell
03-25	1	Hampton	Rt. 101 marshes	P. Hunt, D. Crook
04-03	1	Manchester	wastewater treatment plant	G. Mitchell

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<b>Glaucous Gull</b>				
03-11	1	Kingston	Powwow Pond	A. & B. Delorey
03-22	2	Lebanon	above Wilder Dam	P. Hunt
04-22	1	N. Hampton	N. Hampton State Beach	S. Mirick
05-09	1	Seabrook	Hampton Harbor	D. Strong
05-20	1	Nashua	Nashua landfill	B. & M. Harris, et al.
<b>Black-legged Kittiwake</b>				
05-21	2	Hampton	NH coast	R. Quinn, G. Robbins, I. MacLeod
05-27	5	Rye	offshore	S. Mirick, D. Donsker
<b>Common Tern</b>				
05-09	20	Seabrook	Hampton Harbor	D. Strong
05-10	8	Hampton	Hampton Beach marsh e. of Rt. 101	G. Sweeney
05-18	48	Hampton	Rt. 101 marsh	A. & B. Delorey
<b>Least Tern</b>				
05-20	2	Seabrook	Rt. 286 ponds	P. Hunt
<b>Black Tern</b>				
05-29	2	Littleton	Samuel Moore Dam	B. Bradley
<b>Black Skimmer</b>				
05-19	1	Durham	Durham town landing	J. & D. Chorlian
<b>Black Guillemot</b>				
03-18	17	Rye	Isles of Shoals	S. Mirick, D. Green
04-01	2	Rye	Odiorne Pt. St. Pk.	R. Quinn, S. Mirick

## Cuckoos through Woodpeckers

There were more cuckoo reports than in the last few years, perhaps an indication that another "invasion" is on the way. The only unusual owl of the season was a calling Eastern Screech-Owl in Peterborough, the first spring record of this species since 1990. It was another busy spring for Northern Saw-whet Owls, with 22 reported (only slightly higher than last year). Both Chimney Swifts and Ruby-throated Hummingbirds were slightly early. This is the third consecutive year that Red-headed Woodpeckers have been reported in New Hampshire in spring. Are we witnessing some sort of increase or just getting lucky? After a year's absence, Red-bellied Woodpeckers were again reported from two locations in their Merrimack Valley stronghold.

<i>date</i>	<i>#</i>	<i>town</i>	<i>location</i>	<i>observer(s)</i>
<b>Black-billed Cuckoo</b>				
05-21	1	Durham	Foss Farm	R. Quinn, G. Robbins, I. MacLeod
05-21	1	Exeter	High St.	E. Ring
05-21	1	Keene	Hilltop Dr. area, near Surrey	A. Greenwood
05-24	1	Keene	Krif Rd.	A. Greenwood
05-27	1	Millford	Souhegan R. floodplain near Amherst	M. Suomala
05-29	1	Canterbury	Canterbury Elementary School	R. Quinn

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<b>Yellow-billed Cuckoo</b>				
05-09	1	Derry	Ballard Marsh	A. Delorey
<b>Eastern Screech-Owl</b>				
04-14	1	Peterborough	The Common	D. Rowell
<b>Northern Saw-whet Owl</b>				
03-02	3	Salisbury	jct. of Mountain Rd. & Beech Hill Rd.	S. Gage
03-13	1	Littleton	Samuel Moore Dam	B. Bradley
03-28	1	Errol	near Errol Dam	P. Tribodeau
04-17	1	Peterborough		D. Rowell, R. Frechette
05-09	1	Gilsum	Hammond Hollow	M. Wright
05-21	2	Deerfield		R. Quinn; G. Robbins, I. MacLeod
<b>Common Nighthawk</b>				
05-15	1	Keene	Ralston St.	M. Wright
05-18	1	Kensington	Rt. 107 residence	G. Gavutis
05-20	4	Stratham	Rt. 108	S. Mirick
05-30	12	Sandwich	Fremont Rd.	M. Timledge
<b>Whip-poor-will</b>				
04-30	1	Merrimack	Rt. 3 across from Budweiser Brewery	R. & J. Allard
04-30	1	Durham	Rt. 155A	S. Mirick
05-13	4	Weare	Clough St. Pk.	D. & J. Strong
05-21	6	Allentown	Bear Brook St. Pk.	R. Quinn, G. Robbins, I. MacLeod
<b>Chimney Swift</b>				
04-22	1	Hampton	Hampton Beach St. Pk.	S. Mirick
04-22	2	Exeter		R. Aaronian
04-27	1	Enfield	Main St.	P. Hunt, M. Stone
04-27	3	Concord	Turkey Pond	I. MacLeod
04-27	1	Nashua	Deerhaven Dr.	R. Andrews
05-15	200	Exeter	high school	A. Prazar
<b>Ruby-throated Hummingbird</b>				
04-26	1	E. Kingston	residence	S. Drew
04-29	1	Peterborough	residence	F. Von Mertens
<b>Red-headed Woodpecker</b>				
03-27	1	Danbury	Wiggin Rd.	P. Lorett
<b>Red-bellied Woodpecker</b>				
03-08	1	Concord	W. Sugarball Rd.	M. Suomala
05-09	1	Hudson	Barrett's Hill	J. & L. Kegley
<b>Yellow-bellied Sapsucker</b>				
04-05	1	Henniker	Shaker Hill Rd.	J. Durgin
04-07	1	Canterbury	Baptist Hill Rd.	R. Quinn
<b>Black-backed Woodpecker</b>				
03-17	2	Errol	e. of Errol Hill	C. Martin, L. Houghton
05-17	1	Albany	Oliverian Brook Trail	M. Suomala
05-21	1	Errol	Androscoggin R. near Rt. 16	C. Martin
05-29	1	Success	Success Trail	G. Spencer



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<b>Northern Flicker</b>				
03-16	2	Rochester	Old Ox Rd. residence	R. Bickford
03-19	1	Newbury	Between the Mountains Farm	G. Stansfield
03-22	1	Peterborough	Nichols Rd.	R. Frechette
04-08	10	Seabrook	Clamshell Rd. marsh	R. Aaronian
04-19	12	Harts Location	Rt. 302, just n. of Nancy Pond trailhead	M. Suomala

## Flycatchers through Wrens

Except for the species that have arrived by early May, flycatchers all showed up at essentially the same time: May 18-20. Among them were 11 Olive-sided Flycatchers, more than in recent years. The star, however, was an **Acadian Flycatcher** heard by an experienced observer in Auburn. Another rarity, a Western Kingbird, was well-described, but it was not accepted by the rare birds committee. Although this species is a regular fall migrant on the east coast, spring records are exceedingly rare, and the committee remained divided in the absence of corroboration by a second observer.

Eastern Phoebes and Tree Swallows arrived at essentially the same time in mid-March, 10 days ahead of their median arrival dates. Both species appear to have been affected somewhat by the April cold snap, as phoebes went unreported between April 3 and 8, perhaps because they withdrew to sheltered locations. Tree Swallows, on the other hand, appeared to have been held up farther south and did not arrive in large numbers until the cold had moderated. The Cliff Swallow in Lebanon is tied for the second earliest arrival on record. For sheer numbers, it is hard to beat the 2000 swallows of all five species at the Exeter waste water treatment plant on May 11.

We don't normally think of early April as the breeding season for passerine birds, but a juvenile Horned Lark at Hampton Beach on April 29 requires us to think again. Given the incubation and nestling periods for this species, plus the fact that the bird in question was capable of flight, there is a good chance that the egg from which it hatched was laid at the end of March!

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<b>Olive-sided Flycatcher</b>				
05-19	1	Albany	w. loop of Oliverian Brook x-country trail	M. Suomala
05-21	1	Durham	Foss Farm	R. Quinn, G. Robbins, I. MacLeod
05-21	1	Enfield	Bog Rd.	P. Hunt, J. Rychlik
05-22	1	Newington	Great Bay NWR	A. & B. Delorey
05-23	1	Nashua	Nashua R.	R. Andrews
<b>Eastern Wood-Pewee</b>				
05-19	1	Nottingham	Pawtuckaway St. Pk.	R. Quinn
05-20	1	Weare	Clough St. Pk.	R. & M. Suomala
05-21	2	Enfield	Rt. 4A.	P. Hunt, J. Rychlik
05-22	10	Nottingham	Pawtuckaway St. Pk.	D. & T. Donsker

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<b>Yellow-bellied Flycatcher</b>				
05-18	1	Auburn	Lake Massabesic	J. Romano
05-22	1	Derry	Ballard Pond	M. Suomala
05-22	1	Canterbury	Baptist Hill Rd.	R. Quinn
05-22	1	Manchester	Stark Pk.	D. & A. Strong
<b>Acadian Flycatcher</b>				
05-14	1	Auburn	Lake Massabesic	R. Andrews
<b>Alder Flycatcher</b>				
05-20	1	Hollis	Beaver Brook Assoc.	R. Andrews
05-21	2	Salisbury	bridge at W. Salisbury	R. Vernon, ASNH FT
05-21	1	Hollis	Beaver Brook Assoc.	D. & A. Strong
05-22	2	Newington	Great Bay NWR	A. & B. Delorey
<b>Willow Flycatcher</b>				
05-20	1	Weare	Clough St. Pk.	R. & M. Suomala
05-20	2	Concord	Horseshoe Pond	R. Woodward, B. Goodwill
05-22	2	Newington	Great Bay NWR	A. & B. Delorey
<b>Least Flycatcher</b>				
04-29	1	Nottingham	Pawtuckaway St. Pk.	P. Hunt, T. Hall
05-02	1	Weare	Clough St. Pk.	R. Quinn
05-03	1	Milan	Berlin Fish Hatchery	M. Suomala
05-04	1	Canterbury	Baptist Hill Rd.	R. Quinn
05-14	33	Nottingham	Pawtuckaway St. Pk.	A. & B. Delorey
05-25	10	Dunbarton	Kimball Pond	R. Quinn
<b>Eastern Phoebe</b>				
03-17	1	Walpole	Old Stage Rd.	R. Ritz
03-18	1	Dunbarton	residence	L. & B. Cook
03-21	2	Kensington	Rt. 107 residence	G. Gavutis
03-21	1	Concord	Audubon House, Silk Farm WS	I. MacLeod
03-21	1	Nashua	Deerhaven Dr.	R. Andrews
<b>Great Crested Flycatcher</b>				
05-02	1	Monroe	residence	P. Powers
05-05	1	Concord	SPNHF	J. Romano
05-09	1	Bradford	Bradford Bog	D. Kienholz
05-10	1	Concord	SPNHF	R. Quinn
<b>Eastern Kingbird</b>				
04-27	2	Nottingham	Pawtuckaway St. Pk.	G. Mitchell
05-02	1	Concord	SPNHF, floodplain trail	R. Suomala, J. Kanter
05-02	1	Lebanon	Mascoma Lake Dam	P. Hunt
<b>Horned Lark</b>				
03-02	26	Haverhill	farm field, N. Haverhill	B. Bradley
03-13	40	Concord	NH Technical Institute fields	R. Quinn
03-16	30	Milford	Rt. 101W	D. Deifik
03-18	24	Portsmouth	near salt piles	S. Mirick
04-09	100	Durham	Rt. 155A fields	S. Mirick
04-29	2	Hampton	Hampton Beach St. Pk.	P. Hunt, T. Hall

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<b>Purple Martin</b>				
04-29	26	Freedom	Rt. 153 near Ossipee R.	A. & G. Robbins
05-21	6	Laconia	Fun Spot	B. Bradley
<b>Tree Swallow</b>				
03-18	4	Manchester	Merrimack R., Moore's Crossing	K. Metz
03-22	2	Rye	Rye North Beach	R. Quinn
03-22	2	New Boston	Rt. 13 near Mont Vernon line	R. Suomala
03-30	50	Manchester	Merrimack R.	G. Mitchell
04-08	75	Newington	Stubbs Pond, Great Bay NWR	M. Suomala
04-08	60	Concord	Turkey Pond	R. Quinn
04-09	27	Concord	Horseshoe Pond	J. & A. Bohanan
04-14	500	Hollis	Beaver Brook Assoc.	R. Andrews
04-17	90	Littleton	Samuel Moore Dam, Connecticut R.	B. Bradley
04-23	120	Enfield	George Pond	P. Hunt, D. Crook
04-28	180	Littleton	Samuel Moore Dam	B. Bradley
05-11	1500	Exeter	wastewater treatment plant	D. Donsker
<b>Northern Rough-winged Swallow</b>				
04-19	2	Orford	Reed's Marsh	B. Bradley
04-23	1	Exeter	Powderhouse Pond	D. & T. Donsker, R. Balerviez
04-25	4	Nashua	Mine Falls Pk.	R. Andrews
05-11	10	Exeter	wastewater treatment plant	D. Donsker
<b>Bank Swallow</b>				
04-29	1	Epsom	along Rt. 4, near rest area	P. Hunt, T. Hall
04-30	5	Merrimack	Thornton's Ferry	R. Andrews
05-05	60	Concord	SPNHF	J. Romano
05-09	12	Dalton	Connecticut R.	M. Suomala
05-11	100	Exeter	wastewater treatment plant	D. Donsker
<b>Cliff Swallow</b>				
04-13	1	Lebanon	Etna Rd.	P. Hunt et al.
04-26	1	Concord	Horse Hill Rd. bridge	K. Murray
05-09	2	Bartlett	USFS Experimental Forest	M. Suomala
05-11	50	Exeter	wastewater treatment plant.	D. Donsker
<b>Barn Swallow</b>				
04-16	2	Newfields		R. Quinn, G. Robbins
04-18	2	Monroe	residence	E. Emery
04-18	1	Hollis	Proctor Hill	R. Andrews
05-11	400	Exeter	wastewater treatment plant	D. Donsker
<b>Gray Jay</b>				
03-17	2	Errol	e. of Errol Hill	C. Martin, L. Houghton
05-04	1	Cambridge	Androscoggin R. at Rt. 16	C. Martin
05-21	2	Errol	Tidswell Pt. bog	C. Martin, E. Connors
<b>Fish Crow</b>				
03-06	9	Durham	downtown	C. Federer
03-23	1	Derry	Escumruit Rd., Big Island Pond	H. Chary
03-28	1	Durham	Burger King parking lot	D. Strong
05-18	3	Nashua	landfill	D. Strong

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<b>Boreal Chickadee</b>				
03-17	4	Errol	e. of Errol Hill	C. Martin, L. Houghton
05-14	1	Sandwich	summit of Sandwich Mt.	J., D. & J. Romano, D. Spurling
05-23	2	Lincoln	Mt. Liberty	G. Mitchell
<b>Carolina Wren</b>				
03-20	1	Raymond	residence	G. Mitchell
04-02	1	Hudson	Daniel Webster Dr.	C. Laffin
04-02	1	Kensington	Rt. 107 residence	G. Gavutis
05-11	1	Concord	Penacook, near RIVCO	W. Goodwill
05-27	4	Manchester	Douglas St.	P. Hayward
<b>House Wren</b>				
04-27	1	Pembroke	residence	K. Palfy
04-29	1	Gilsum	Hammond Hollow	M. Wright
05-01	2	Pembroke	residence	K. Palfy
<b>Winter Wren</b>				
03-27	1	Salisbury	Mountain Rd.	S. Gage
04-02	1	Newbury	Stoney Brook WS	C. Martin
04-14	1	Dublin	Upper Jaffrey Rd. & Church St.	J. Broyles
04-15	1	Weare	Clough St. Pk.	D. & J. Strong
<b>Marsh Wren</b>				
05-17	1	Sutton	Cascade Marsh	P. Newbern, R. Vernon
05-19	4	Exeter	wastewater treatment plant	D. Strong
05-20	2	Hopkinton	Chase WS	D. Strong

## Kinglets through Vireos

Almost unprecedented numbers of Ruby-crowned Kinglets at the end of April, primarily in the Connecticut Valley and Lakes Region, were probably pushed ahead of the warm front that stopped south of New Hampshire. It was a good spring for Blue-gray Gnatcatchers, especially at Kimball Pond in Dunbarton, where two nests were located on May 25. Bluebirds continue to do well, with 45 records of almost 100 birds scattered throughout the state and season. The Newmarket Townsend's Solitaire, first located in December, was still present in its chosen cedar grove until at least March 25, but no report was submitted to *NH Bird Records* during the spring season. The only Bohemian Waxwings reported were an undisclosed number in a flock of 50 mixed waxwings in Concord, not surprising when one considers that they were unreported during the previous winter.

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<b>Golden-crowned Kinglet</b>				
03-12	6	Deering	E. Deering Rd.	I. MacLeod
03-17	4	Errol	e. of Errol Hill	C. Martin, L. Houghton
03-18	1	Springfield	Morgan Pond	G. Stansfield
04-10	30	Nashua	Spitbrook Rd.	A. Delorey

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<b>Ruby-crowned Kinglet</b>				
04-12	3	Dunbarton	Kimball Pond	R. Quinn
04-14	1	Hollis	Beaver Brook Assoc.	R. Andrews
04-16	2	Pittsfield	Tilton Hill Rd.	G. Robbins
04-23	12	Springfield	McDaniel's Marsh	P. Hunt, D. Crook
04-29	10	Moultonborough	Long Island	A. Groth
04-29	30	Springfield	McDaniel's Marsh	P. Hunt, T. Hall
04-30	7	Sandwich	Squam Lake	A. Groth
05-16	1	Hampton	Fuller Acre	G. Sweeney
<b>Blue-gray Gnatcatcher</b>				
04-19	1	Marlborough	Devan WS	J. & D. Romano
04-23	5	Rye	Odiorne Pt. St. Pk.	R. Bickford
04-25	2	Auburn	Little Massabesic Lake	G. Mitchell
05-06	8	Dunbarton	Kimball Pond	R. Quinn
05-31	1	Haverhill	Beddell Bridge St. Pk.	A. Mudge
<b>Eastern Bluebird</b>				
03-02	7	Hollis	Ridge Rd.	R. Andrews
03-03	12	Newmarket	Moody Pt.	G. Mitchell
03-08	2	Kensington	Rt. 107 residence & Cottage Hill	G. Gavutis
03-08	2	Sunapee	North Rd.	B. Burdett
03-09	1	Walpole	Merriam Rd.	R. Ritz
<b>Veery</b>				
05-07	1	Hinsdale	Wantastiquet State Forest	P. Hunt, D. Abbot, L. Bunten, D. Crook, S. Mirick
05-14	1	Canterbury	Baptist Hill Rd.	R. Quinn
05-14	1	Hampton	Cole St.	G. Sweeney
<b>Gray-cheeked Thrush</b>				
05-20	1	Dixville	Abeniki Mtn.	C. Martin
05-22	1	Nottingham	Pawtuckaway St. Pk.	D. & T. Donsker
<b>Swainson's Thrush</b>				
05-17	1	New London	Esther Currier WMA (Low Plain)	P. Newbern
05-17	1	Newbury	John Hay NWR	J. & D. Romano
05-18	2	Rye	Odiorne Pt. St. Pk.	A. & B. Delorey
05-18	1	Exeter	residence	G. Prazar
05-18	2	Windham	Fosters Pond NA	J. Romano
<b>Hermit Thrush</b>				
04-07	1	Kensington	Cottage Hill	G. Gavutis
04-08	1	Canterbury	Baptist Hill Rd.	R. Quinn
04-13	1	Nashua	Spitbrook Rd.	A. Delorey
04-17	1	Newbury	Stoney Brook WS	C. Martin
<b>Wood Thrush</b>				
04-20	2	Lyman	Dodge Pond	S. & M. Turner
04-27	1	Weare	near Patch Rd. boat ramp	J. Verville, K. Collins, K. Murray
05-02	1	Weare	Clough Pond St. Pk.	R. Quinn
05-02	1	Monroe	residence	P. Powers
05-03	1	Hopkinton	Amesbury Pk. residence	E. Allison

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<b>American Robin</b>				
03-03	100	Durham	Adams Pt.	G. Mitchell
03-06	50	Colebrook	jct. of S. Main St. & Rt. 3	B. & D. Killam
03-16	90	Sullivan	Rt. 9	R. Ritz
03-26	121	Newington	Great Bay NWR	M. & R. Suomala
03-30	120	Sandwich	residence	T. Vazzano
04-08	100	Milford	Purgatory Rd. abandoned gravel bank	J. Broyles, S. Millett
<b>Gray Catbird</b>				
04-26	1	Raymond	residence	G. Mitchell
04-29	1	Hudson	Rt. 3A	R. Andrews
05-01	1	Peterborough	Union St.	M. Johnson
05-02	1	Lee	Steppingstone Rd. residence	A. Tappan
05-02	1	Weare	Clough Pond St. Pk.	R. Quinn
05-02	1	Enfield	Main St. pond	P. Hunt
<b>Brown Thrasher</b>				
04-23	1	Rye	Odiorne Pt. St. Pk.	R. Bickford
04-28	1	Nashua	Deerhaven Dr.	R. Andrews
04-29	1	Rye	Odiorne Pt. St. Pk.	A. & B. Delorey
05-02	4	Weare	Clough St. Pk.	R. Quinn
05-02	4	Enfield	Lower Mascoma Lake	P. Hunt
<b>Bohemian Waxwing</b>				
03-15		Concord	Mountain Rd., E. Concord	S. Morrison
<b>Northern Shrike</b>				
03-01	1	Jackson	Eagle Mountain Rd. residence	R. Heald
03-03	1	Warren	Mt. Moosilauke Carriage Rd.	F. Mattison, J. Carreaux
03-06	1	Lyme	Rt. 10, near the Lyme/Orford border	T. Estill
03-18	1	Canaan	W. Farms Rd.	L. Bunten
03-24	1	Sunapee	Nutting Rd. field	P. Newbern
<b>Solitary Vireo</b>				
04-19	2	Chesterfield	Madame Sherri Forest	J. & D. Romano
04-20	3	Nashua	Spitbrook Rd.	A. Delorey
04-20	1	Canterbury	Baptist Hill Rd.	R. Quinn
04-21	1	Harts Location	near Frankenstein Cliff	M. Suomala
04-21	1	Jefferson	Cherry Pond	M. Suomala
05-07	10	Chesterfield	Pisgah St. Pk.	P. Hunt, D. Abbot, L. Bunten, D. Crook, S. Mirick
05-14	13	Nottingham	Pawtuckaway St. Pk.	A. & B. Delorey
<b>Yellow-throated Vireo</b>				
04-29	1	Lebanon	mouth of Mascoma R.	P. Hunt, T. Hall
05-01	1	Canterbury	Baptist Hill Rd.	R. Quinn
05-09	1	Derry	Ballard Marsh	A. Delorey
05-10	1	Concord	SPNHF	R. Quinn
05-22	8	Nottingham	Pawtuckaway St. Pk.	D. & T. Donsker
<b>Warbling Vireo</b>				
05-02	2		Lower Mascoma Lake	P. Hunt
05-08	1	Weare	Clough St. Pk.	P. Newbern

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05-13	1	Lyman	Dodge Pond	S. & M. Turner
05-13	4	Milford	Souhegan R. near Merrimack Rd.	M. Suomala

### Red-eyed Vireo

05-10	1	Sunapee	North Rd.	P. Newbern
05-14	2	Canterbury	Baptist Hill Rd.	R. Quinn
05-14	1	New London	Pingree Rd.	R. Vernon
05-14	1	Enfield	Rt. 4A near Shaker Bridge	P. Hunt

## Warblers

There were several reports of both Blue-winged and Golden-winged Warblers this season, but note that all the latter are well north and inland. Yellow-rumped Warblers traditionally peak in late April, but this year "peak" is something of an understatement. On April 29, 500 birds were seen in Pawtuckaway State Park alone, with other large flocks in the Connecticut Valley and Lakes Region the same weekend. The fact that this fallout coincides in space and time with the previously mentioned kinglet migration adds credence to the theory that it was weather-related (although one still wonders why there were no kinglets at Pawtuckaway). Further support comes from the fact that there were 14 species of warblers reported in the state that weekend, including two rarities from the south. One of these, a Hooded Warbler in Pawtuckaway, was seen only one day, while the Yellow-throated Warbler was cooperative enough to stay in Weare for three weeks, where it was seen by numerous observers. Other noteworthy late-April warbler activity included at least 12 Palm Warblers and 15 Louisiana Waterthrushes, the latter primarily, as you might have guessed, in Pawtuckaway, and two early Blackburnian Warblers. Not all the warbler activity occurred in April however, as the moderate fallout of Blackburnian and Black-throated Blue Warblers in Newbury on May 19 can attest. Finally, Cerulean Warblers were again observed in Pawtuckaway, where a female carrying nesting material certainly suggests local nesting.

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<b>Blue-winged Warbler</b>				
05-03	1	Lee	Steppingstone Rd. residence	A. Tappan
05-06	1	E. Kingston	residence	S. Drew
05-12	1	Nashua	Mine Falls Pk., Nashua R.	J. Kegley
05-13	1	Weare	Clough St. Pk.	D. & J. Strong
05-14	3	Newington	Great Bay NWR	R. & M. Suomala
05-18	3	Exeter	Pickpocket Rd.	R. Aaronian
05-19	1	Hanover	Dogford Rd.	P. Hunt, D. Crook
05-21	2	Andover	power line on Taunton Hill	R. Vernon, P. Newbern, et al.

### Golden-winged Warbler

05-20	1	Weare	Clough St. Pk.	R. & M. Suomala
05-21	1	Enfield	Enfield Village	P. Hunt, J. Rychlik
05-26	1	Hanover	Goodfellow Rd.	P. Hunt, D. Crook, L. Bunten
05-27	2	Franklin	near Pemigewasset R.	E. Morrier

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<b>Brewster's Warbler</b>				
05-14	1	Durham	Bennett Rd. power line	D. Donsker, M. Resch
<b>Tennessee Warbler</b>				
05-11	2	Bradford	Bradford Bog	D. Kienholz
05-19	2	Nashua	Deerhaven Dr.	R. Andrews
05-22	2	Manchester	Stark Pk.	D. & A. Strong
<b>Nashville Warbler</b>				
05-04	1	New London	Low Plain CA	R. Vernon
05-04	1	Gilsum	Hammond Hollow	M. Wright
05-05	1	Lyman	Dodge Pond	S. & M. Turner
05-07	1	Hinsdale	Wantastiquet State Forest	P. Hunt, D. Abbot, L. Bunten, D. Crook, S. Mirick
<b>Northern Parula</b>				
04-29	1	Nottingham	Pawtuckaway St. Pk.	P. Hunt, T. Hall
05-10	1	Concord	SPNHF	R. Quinn
05-10	1	Bartlett	USFS Experimental Forest	M. Suomala
05-15	6	Rye	Odiorne Pt. St. Pk.	R. Quinn
05-18	20	Rye	Odiorne Pt. St. Pk.	A. & B. Delorey
<b>Yellow Warbler</b>				
04-22	1	Sunapee	Burkehaven Section	B. Burdett
04-26	1	Concord	Turkey Pond	I. MacLeod
04-28	2	Concord	Turkey Pond	R. Quinn
04-29	2	Hopkinton	Bohanan Farm	J. Bohanan
04-30	1	Sandwich	Otter Cove, Squam Lake	A. Groth
04-30	1	Lebanon	mouth of Mascoma R.	P. Hunt, et al.
05-07	14	Canterbury	Riverland CA	R. Quinn
<b>Chestnut-sided Warbler</b>				
05-08	2	Weare	Clough St. Pk.	P. Newbern
05-10	1	Concord	Birchdale Rd.	R. Quinn
05-27	17	Weare	along Piscataquog R.	A. & B. Delorey
05-29	8	Littleton	logging roads	B. Bradley
<b>Magnolia Warbler</b>				
05-04	1	Albany	Swift R., near lower falls	M. Suomala
05-06	1	Sutton	Cascade Marsh	P. Newbern
05-06	1	Dunbarton	Kimball Pond	R. Quinn
05-15	7	Rye	Odiorne St. Pk.	R. Quinn
<b>Cape May Warbler</b>				
05-13	1	Dublin	Dublin School	J. Broyles
05-14	1	Canterbury	Baptist Hill Rd.	R. Quinn
05-14	1	Columbia	residence	D. & B. Killam
<b>Black-throated Blue Warbler</b>				
04-30	1	Canterbury	Baptist Hill Rd.	R. Quinn
05-06	1	Dunbarton	Kimball Pond	R. Quinn
05-07	1	Chesterfield	Pisgah St. Pk.	P. Hunt, D. Abbot, L. Bunten, D. Crook, S. Mirick



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05-07	2	Hudson	Benson's Animal Pk.	J. Kegley
05-19	25	Newbury	Stoney Brook WS, Beech Hill	P. Newbern
<b>Yellow-rumped Warbler</b>				
04-07	1	Boscawen	Hannah Dustin monument	R. Quinn
04-18	1	Concord	Turkey Pond	I. MacLeod
04-19	4	Chesterfield	Madame Sherri Forest	J. & D. Romano
04-29	128	Moultonborough	Squam Lake	A. Groth
04-29	500	Nottingham	Pawtuckaway St. Pk.	M. Suomala, S. Mirick, P. Lecourse
04-29	50	Springfield	McDaniel's Marsh	P. Hunt, T. Hall
04-30	17	Center Harbor	behind Checkers Restaurant	T. Vazzano
04-30	40	Canterbury	Baptist Hill Rd.	R. Quinn
04-30	52	Sandwich	Squam Lake	A. Groth
04-30	40	Lebanon	Boston Lot Lake	P. Hunt, et al.
04-30	100	Nottingham	Pawtuckaway St. Pk.	A. & B. Delorey
<b>Black-throated Green Warbler</b>				
04-29	2	Moultonborough	Squam Lake	A. Groth
04-29	1	Canterbury	Baptist Hill Rd.	R. Quinn
04-29	1	Dunbarton	Mansion Rd.	D. & A. Strong
04-29	1	Hudson	Rt. 3A	R. Andrews
<b>Blackburnian Warbler</b>				
04-29	1	Nottingham	Pawtuckaway St. Pk.	S. Mirick, M. Suomala, P. Lacourse
04-30	1	Lebanon	Boston Lot Lake	P. Hunt, et al.
05-19	10	Newbury	Stoney Brook WS, Beech Hill	P. Newbern
<b>Yellow-throated Warbler</b>				
04-30	1	Weare	Clough St. Pk.	M. & R. Suomala
05-20	1	Weare	Clough St. Pk.	R. & M. Suomala
<b>Pine Warbler</b>				
04-11	1	Durham	near Old Reservoir	M. Davis
04-13	3	Auburn	near n. end Massabesic Lake	M. Suomala
04-14	1	Gilmanton	Crystal Lake	W. Arms
04-15	1	Hudson	Barretts Hill	J. Kegley
04-15	1	Sanbornton	w. side of Winnisquam Lake	G. Gavutis
<b>Prairie Warbler</b>				
05-07	5	Hudson	power lines near Musquash Pond	J. Kegley
05-12	1	Canterbury	Baptist Hill Rd.	R. Quinn
05-16	2	Andover	Taunton Hill	R. Vernon
05-19	1	Sandwich	residence	T. Vazzano
<b>Palm Warbler</b>				
04-13	4	Auburn	Lake Massabesic, n. end	M. Suomala
04-13	2	Concord	NH Fish & Game, Hazen Dr.	R. Suomala
04-17	1	Sandwich	Chick's Corner	T. Vazzano
04-18	6	Windham	Fosters Pond NA	J. Romano
04-19	8	Chesterfield	Madame Sherri Forest	J. & D. Romano
05-06	3	Dunbarton	Kimball Pond	R. Quinn
05-19	1	Dummer	Pontook Reservoir	L. Deming, D. Battaglio

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<b>Bay-breasted Warbler</b>				
05-15	1	Durham	Foss Farm	R. Quinn
05-18	1	Hollis	Beaver Brook Assoc.	D. Strong
05-19	2	Kensington	Rt. 150	R. Aaronian
05-19	1	Sandwich	residence	T. Vazzano
05-19	12	S. Hampton	Brookside WS	D. Strong
<b>Blackpoll Warbler</b>				
05-15	1	Rye	Odiorne Pt. St. Pk.	R. Quinn
05-18	1	Rye	Odiorne Pt. St. Pk.	S. Drew
05-19	1	N. Hampton	residence	D. & T. Donsker
05-19	1	S. Hampton	Burrows Audubon	D. Strong
05-28	11		Lower Mascoma Lake census rt.	P. Hunt
<b>Cerulean Warbler</b>				
05-19	1	Nottingham	Pawtuckaway St. Pk.	D. Strong
05-27	1	Nottingham	Pawtuckaway St. Pk.	I. MacLeod, et al.
<b>Black-and-white Warbler</b>				
04-21	1	Deering	E. Deering Rd.	I. MacLeod
04-27	1	Pembroke	Littlefields Condominiums	W. Goodwill
04-28	1	Canterbury	Peverly Meadow	R. Quinn
04-28	1	Dunbarton	Mansion Rd.	D. Strong
04-28	1	Nashua	Deerhaven Dr.	R. Andrews
05-07	20	Chesterfield	Pisgah St. Pk.	P. Hunt, D. Abbot, L. Buntten, D. Crook, S. Mirick
<b>American Redstart</b>				
05-07	1	Chesterfield	Pisgah St. Pk.	P. Hunt, D. Abbot, L. Buntten, D. Crook, S. Mirick
05-07	1	Canterbury	Riverland CA	R. Quinn
05-09	2	Weare	Clough St. Pk.	P. Newbern, R. Vernon
05-10	3	Concord	SPNHF	R. Quinn
<b>Ovenbird</b>				
04-28	3	Nottingham	Pawtuckaway St. Pk.	G. Mitchell
04-29	1	Springfield	McDaniel's Marsh	P. Hunt, T. Hall
04-30	1	Newbury	residence	P. Newbern
04-30	1	Lee	Steppingstone Rd.	A. Tappan
<b>Northern Waterthrush</b>				
04-23	1	Moultonborough	Unsworth Preserve	A. Groth
04-29	1	Springfield	McDaniel's Marsh	P. Hunt, T. Hall
05-03	1	Bartlett	USFS Experimental Forest	M. Suomala
05-04	2	New London	Low Plain CA	R. Vernon
05-05	2	Lyman	Dodge Pond	S. & M. Turner
<b>Louisiana Waterthrush</b>				
04-27	1	Lebanon	Mascoma R. above Riverside Grill	P. Hunt
04-29	2	Concord	St. Paul's School	W. & S. Fogelman, S. Turner
04-29	12	Nottingham	Pawtuckaway St. Pk.	P. Hunt, T. Hall

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<b>Mourning Warbler</b>				
05-22	1	Manchester	Stark Pk.	D. & A. Strong
05-26	1	Columbia	residence	D. Killam
<b>Common Yellowthroat</b>				
05-04	1	Canterbury	Baptist Hill Rd.	R. Quinn
05-08	1	Rochester	Old Ox Rd. residence	R. Bickford
05-09	1	Newport	athletic fields, Rt. 10	G. Stansfield
05-09	1	Lebanon	Boston Lot Lake	P. Hunt
05-09	1	Weare	Clough St. Pk.	P. Newbern, R. Vernon
<b>Hooded Warbler</b>				
04-28	1	Nottingham	Pawtuckaway St. Pk.	G. Mitchell
<b>Wilson's Warbler</b>				
05-14	1	Nottingham	Pawtuckaway St. Pk.	D. & J. Strong
05-16	1	Rye	Odiorne Pt. St. Pk.	S. Drew
05-18	2	Rye	Odiorne Pt. St. Pk.	A. & B. Delorey
05-18	1	Manchester	Stark Pk.	D. Strong
05-24	2	Hampton	Cole St. by Spring Marsh	G. Sweeney
05-28	1	Lebanon	Mascoma Village	P. Hunt
<b>Canada Warbler</b>				
05-16	1	Wilmot	Campground Rd.	R. Vernon
05-18	2	Exeter	Phillips Exeter Woods	A. & B. Delorey
05-18	1	Manchester	Stark Pk.	D. Strong

## Tanagers through Finches

Further possible holdovers from the mild winter were a Rufous-sided Towhee in Lyme and a Swamp Sparrow in Exeter, both in mid-March and well ahead of their normal arrival dates. Close to being an earliest record was a Lincoln's Sparrow on April 30. Vesper Sparrows are rare as migrants in New Hampshire, especially away from their few breeding areas, so the fact that two migrants were detected this spring is noteworthy. A "Pink-sided" Junco, the Rocky Mountain race of the Dark-eyed Junco, was a bonus visitor to a Chester feeder on March 14. The Lapland Longspurs in Durham were in almost-full breeding plumage, a sight rarely seen in this part of the world.

The earliest weather-related movement of the season was probably the arrival of the first large red-wing and grackle flocks on March 7 and 8, right along with the major warm spell. A flock of 130 Bobolinks in a Milford dandelion field was an incredibly high count, as well as a visual treat. After a good invasion winter, both species of crossbills stayed into May in the northern part of the state. At the opposite extreme, Evening Grosbeaks were rare, and most of those reported were from the species' southern stronghold of Pawtuckaway State Park. Finally, House Sparrows rarely get mentioned in these pages, but a Nashua observer had the opportunity to study an albino individual at her feeder in late April. The bird in question was all white except for dark wing tips.

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<b>Scarlet Tanager</b>				
05-06	1	Nottingham	Pawtuckaway St. Pk.	R. & M. Suomala
05-14	7	Nottingham	Pawtuckaway St. Pk.	A. & B. Delorey
05-15	1	Walpole	Scovill Rd.	R. Ritz
05-15	10	S. Hampton	Brookside WS	G. Gavutis
<b>Northern Cardinal</b>				
05-19	1	Berlin	York Pond Rd.	L. Deming
<b>Rose-breasted Grosbeak</b>				
04-29	2	E. Kingston	residence	S. & M. Drew
04-30	1	Nashua	Clovercrest Dr.	B. & M. Harris, et al.
04-30	1	Kensington	Rt. 107 residence	G. Gavutis
05-01	1	Milford	Federal Hill Rd.	B. Becker
05-01	1	Kensington	Rt. 107 residence	G. Gavutis
<b>Indigo Bunting</b>				
05-16	2	Brookline	residence	M. & C. Neveu
05-16	3	Hudson	Barretts Hill	J. & L. Kegley
05-18	1	Walpole	Merriam Rd.	R. Ritz
05-20	1	Dunbarton	residence	L. & B. Cook
<b>Rufous-sided Towhee</b>				
03-19	1	Lyme	Highbridge Rd.	S. Jenkyn
04-19	1	Newbury	residence	P. Newbern
04-19	1	Kensington	Rt. 107 residence	G. Gavutis
05-02	5	Weare	Clough St. Pk.	R. Quinn
<b>American Tree Sparrow</b>				
04-17	1	Pittsfield	Tilton Hill Rd.	A. Robbins
04-21	3	Littleton	residence	B. Bradley
<b>Chipping Sparrow</b>				
04-14	2	Peterborough	Union St.	M. & R. Johnson
04-16	1	Pembroke	Littlefields Condominiums	W. Goodwill
04-16	1	Pittsfield	Tilton Hill Rd.	A. Robbins
04-18	1	Mason	Depot Rd.	R. Andrews
<b>Field Sparrow</b>				
03-27	1	Nashua	Rt. 111 landfill	M. Suomala
04-02	1	Gilsum	Hammond Hollow	M. Wright
04-02	1	Kensington	Rt. 107 residence	G. Gavutis
04-13	1	Walpole	Crehore Rd.	R. Ritz
<b>Vesper Sparrow</b>				
05-05	1	Canterbury	Shaker Village	R. & M. Suomala
05-07	1	Enfield	Jones Hill Rd.	P. Hunt
05-26	2	Newington	Pease airfield	P. Hunt, D. Crook, L. Bunten
05-27	1	Henniker	Old Concord Rd.	A. & B. Delorey
<b>Savannah Sparrow</b>				
04-13	1	Amherst	Merrimack Rd. fields	M. Suomala
04-19	6	Whitefield	airport field	M. Suomala

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04-20	12	Exeter	wastewater treatment plant	G. Mitchell
04-21	20	Concord	Horseshoe Pond	T. Vazzano
<b>Sharp-tailed Sparrow</b>				
05-21	1	Rye	Rye Harbor St. Pk.	R. & M. Suomala, S. Mirick
05-25	1	Hampton	salt marsh off Rt. 101	D. Donsker
<b>Fox Sparrow</b>				
03-02	1	Monroe	residence	P. Powers, E. Emery
03-07	1	Gilsum	Hammond Hollow	M. Wright
03-09	1	Mont Vernon	residence	M. Suomala
03-21	1	Danville	Main St.	N. Sheridan
03-31	3	Windham	residence	K. Metz
04-06	1	Tamworth	Great Hill Rd.	B. Steele
04-24	1	Albany	Square Ledge	M. Suomala
<b>Lincoln's Sparrow</b>				
04-30	1	Gilsum	Hammond Hollow	M. Wright
05-17	1	New London	Esther Currier WMA (Low Plain)	P. Newbern
05-20	2	N. Hampton	residence	D. & T. Donsker
05-20	1	Canterbury	Baptist Hill Rd.	R. Quinn
05-21	1	Lebanon	near Mascoma Lake Dam	P. Hunt, J. Rychlik
<b>Swamp Sparrow</b>				
03-16	1	Exeter	wastewater treatment plant	G. Mitchell
04-08	1	Concord	Turkey Pond	R. Quinn
04-20	1	Bradford	Bradford Bog	D. Kienholz
04-20	1	Lyman	Flagg Pond	B. Bradley
<b>White-crowned Sparrow</b>				
04-29	1	Newmarket	residence	S. Mirick, P. Lacourse
05-06	1	N. Hampton	Atlantic Ave.	D. Donsker, R. Balerviez
05-10	2	Tamworth	pasture	B. Steele, et al.
05-10	2	Canterbury	Riverland CA	R. Quinn
05-10	1	Enfield	Main St. Pond	P. Hunt
05-10	1	Columbia	Rt. 3S	D. Killam
05-10	1	Gilsum	Hammond Hollow	M. Wright
<b>Dark-eyed Junco - Pink-sided subsp.</b>				
03-14	1	Chester	Hillside Haven	A. & B. Delorey
<b>Lapland Longspur</b>				
04-09	6	Durham	Rt. 155A fields	S. Mirick
<b>Snow Bunting</b>				
03-02	21	Rye	Odiorne Pt. St. Pk.	G. Mitchell
03-10	65	Conway	Saco R. valley agricultural field	C. Martin, P. LaRose
03-13	9	Concord	NH Technical Institute fields	R. Quinn
03-25	1	Hampton	Hampton Beach St. Pk.	P. Hunt, D. Crook
<b>Bobolink</b>				
05-09	2	Auburn	Massabesic WS	I. MacLeod, R. Moore, et al.
05-10	6	Walpole	County Rd. & Old Stage Rd.	R. Ritz

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05-13	130	Milford	Souhegan R. fields near Merrimack Rd.	M. & R. Suomala, N. Waldron
05-14	27	Exeter	wastewater treatment plant	D. Donsker, M. Resch
<b>Blackbird sp</b>				
03-26	3000	Stratham	River Rd.	S. Mirick
<b>Red-winged Blackbird</b>				
03-08	15	Berlin	Argonne St.	K. Dube
03-08	40	Concord	W. Portsmouth St. fields	M. Suomala
03-08	52	Gilsum	Hammond Hollow	M. Wright
03-14	34	Littleton	residence	B. Bradley
03-14	100	Concord	near Mountain Rd.	K. Elkins
03-29	200	Exeter	Exeter CC	A. Prazar
<b>Eastern Meadowlark</b>				
03-16	5	Milford	Rt. 101, w. of town	D. Deifik
03-17	1	Walpole	County Rd.	R. Ritz
03-19	1	Greenland	Emery Farm	S. Mirick
03-28	3	Durham	Rt. 155A field	D. Strong
05-27	6	Henniker	Sparrow Field, Old Concord Rd.	A. & B. Delorey
<b>Rusty Blackbird</b>				
03-22	1	Sandwich	residence	T. Vazzano
03-27	2	Kensington	Kimball Rd.	R. Balerviez
04-09	4	Boscawen	Merrimack County Boat Launch	P. Newbern
04-30	1	Lebanon	mouth of Mascoma R.	P. Hunt, et al.
05-16	1	Stark	Nash Stream Rd.	R. Cook, L. Deming, et al.
05-21	1	Nottingham	Pawtuckaway St. Pk.	R. Quinn, G. Robbins, I. MacLeod
<b>Common Grackle</b>				
03-07	50	Nashua	Clovercrest Dr.	B. & M. Harris
03-08	50	Kensington	residence	G. Gavutis
03-08	65	Exeter	residence	D. & K. Hughes
03-08	20	Concord	W. Portsmouth St. fields	M. Suomala
<b>Orchard Oriole</b>				
05-09	1	E. Kingston	residence	S. Drew
05-11	2	E. Kingston	Barton's MHP, Depot Rd.	D. Kirwan
05-14	1	Newmarket	Moody Pt.	D. Donsker, M. Resch, R. Balerviez, R. Silva
<b>Northern Oriole</b>				
04-28	1	Nashua	Clovercrest Dr.	B. & M. Harris
04-29	1	Chester	Hillside Haven	A. & B. Delorey
05-05	2	Deerfield	Griffin Rd.	I. Shores, et al.
05-06	1	E. Kingston	residence	S. & M. Drew
05-06	1	Kensington	Rt. 107 residence	G. Gavutis
<b>Red Crossbill</b>				
03-02	2	Enfield	Rt. 4A, Lower Mascoma Lake	P. Hunt, D. Crook, M. Suomala
03-13	3	Lyme	Goose Pond Rd.	P. Hunt

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03-25	3	Salisbury	Bay Rd., Blackwater R.	L. Deming
04-01	2	Albany	Lovejoy WS	C. Perks, B. Kelliher
05-21	4	Errol	Tidswell Pt. bog	C. Martin, E. Connors

### **White-winged Crossbill**

03-17	4	Errol	e. of Errol Hill	C. Martin, L. Houghton
03-29	5	Berlin	Argonne St.	K. Dube
04-02	3	Lincoln	Mt. Flume summit	D. Romano
04-09	13	Second College	Grant	A. Greenwood
04-18	2	Mont Vernon	town dump	R. Suomala
05-06	2	Beans Purchase	Carter Dome summit	D. Romano
05-14	1	Sandwich	Algonquin Trail	J.,D.& J. Romano, D. Spurling

### **Pine Siskin**

03-17	100	Errol	e. of Errol Hill	C. Martin, L. Houghton
04-18	8	Chatham	Basin Pond	R. Quinn, T. Chase
05-02	25	Berlin	Argonne St.	K. Dube
05-14	20	Enfield	Main Street Pond	P. Hunt

### **American Goldfinch**

03-02	74	Gilsum	Hammond Hollow	M. Wright
04-08	35	Dunbarton	Mansion Rd.	D.& J. Strong
04-13	30	Gilsum	Hammond Hollow	M. Wright
05-04	14	Gilsum	Hammond Hollow	M. Wright

### **European Goldfinch**

04-12	1	Bedford	Nathan Cutler Dr.	J.& H. Newberry
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### **Evening Grosbeak**

04-30	15	Nottingham	Pawtuckaway St. Pk.	A.& B. Delorey
05-13	2	Walpole	Merriam Rd.	R. Ritz
05-14	22	Nottingham	Pawtuckaway St. Pk.	A.& B. Delorey

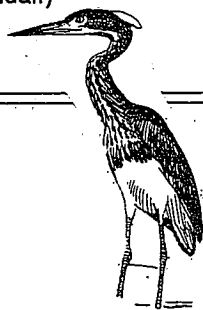
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Green Heron	Lesser Yellowlegs	Black-capped Chickadee
Mute Swan	Semipalmated Sandpiper	Tufted Titmouse
Mandarin Duck	Ring-billed Gull	Red-breasted Nuthatch
Mallard	Herring Gull	White-breasted Nuthatch
Common Eider	Great Black-backed Gull	Brown Creeper
Bald Eagle	Mourning Dove	Northern Mockingbird
Sharp-shinned Hawk	Great Horned Owl	Cedar Waxwing
Cooper's Hawk	Barred Owl	European Starling
Northern Goshawk	Belted Kingfisher	Song Sparrow
Red-tailed Hawk	Downy Woodpecker	White-throated Sparrow
American Kestrel	Hairy Woodpecker	Brown-headed Cowbird
Ring-necked Pheasant	Pileated Woodpecker	Purple Finch
Ruffed Grouse	Blue Jay	House Finch
Wild Turkey	American Crow	House Sparrow

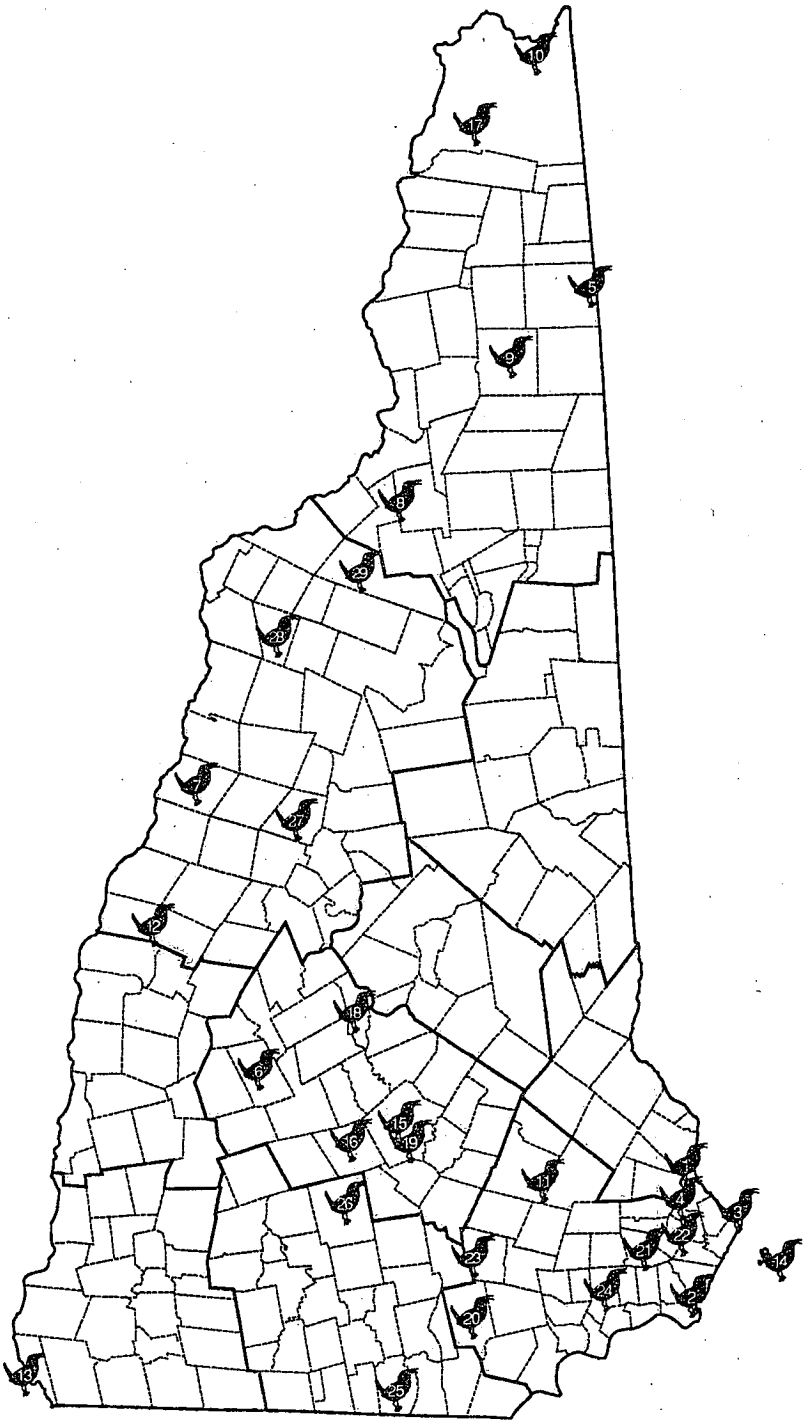
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1. Great Bay
2. Hampton Harbor (Hampton/Seabrook)
3. Odiorne Pt. (Rye)
4. Adams Pt. (Durham)
5. Lake Umbagog (Errol)
6. Cascade Marsh (Sutton)
7. Reed's Marsh (Orford)
8. Pondicherry Wildlife Refuge (Jefferson/Whitefield)
9. Pontook Reservoir (Dummer)
10. East Inlet (Pittsburg)
11. Pawtuckaway State Park (Nottingham/Deerfield)
12. Mascoma Lake (Enfield/Lebanon)
13. Connecticut River (Hinsdale)
14. Isles of Shoals (Rye)
15. Horseshoe Pond (Concord)
16. Elm Brook Park (Hopkinton)
17. Lake Francis, Connecticut Lakes (Pittsburg)
18. Webster Lake (Franklin)
19. Audubon House/Turkey Pond/Silk Farm WS (Concord)
20. Musquash Conservation Area (Londonderry)
21. Powderhouse Pond (Exeter)
22. Chapman's Landing (Stratham)
23. Lake Massabesic (Manchester/Auburn)
24. Powwow Pond (Kingston)
25. Beaver Brook Association (Hollis)
26. Clough State Park (Weare)
27. Quincy Bog Natural Area (Rumney)
28. Scotland Brook Wildlife Sanctuary (Landaff)
29. Trudeau Rd. (Bethlehem)







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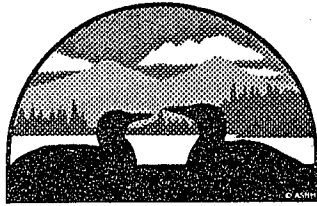
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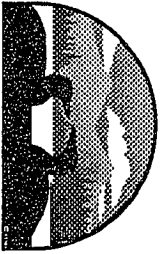
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