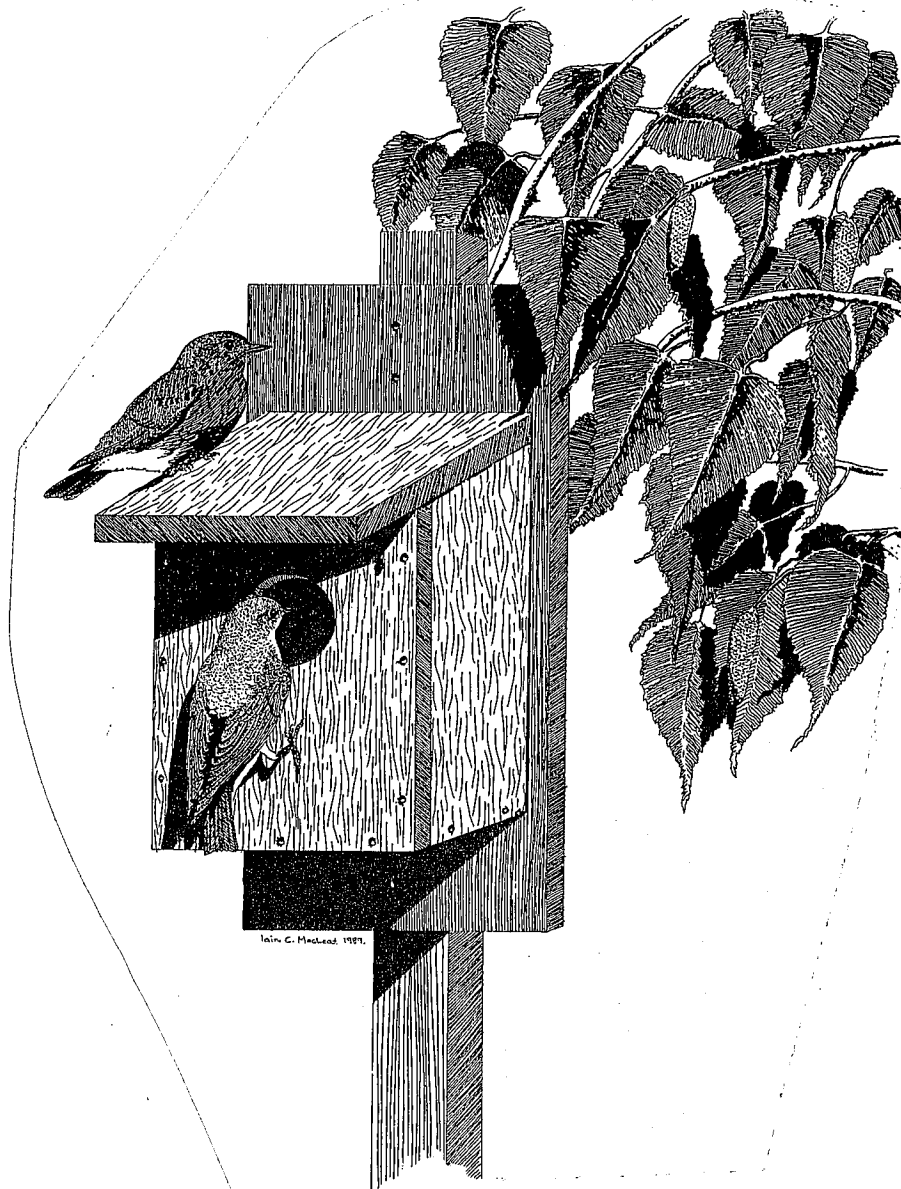


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We continue our quest to publish the *New Hampshire Bird Records* on a timely schedule of four issues per year. Despite the lack of visible results, we have made great strides behind the scenes. Data entry for all seasons is up to date, we are preparing the first two 1990 seasons for publication, and all other seasons are with their seasonal editors. We appreciate your continued patience and support.

If you are not familiar with the *New Hampshire Bird Records*, a brief outline of the procedure follows. All bird sighting slips are received at Audubon House and entered into the computer. The computer printout then goes to the seasonal editor, who interprets the information and writes it up. It is then returned to ASNH where it is readied for final publication. Timely submission (monthly) of bird report slips greatly facilitates this process. A detailed explanation of the reporting procedures can be sent to any interested birder. If you have not reported and would like to receive this information, please contact Becky or Diane at ASNH.

We are excited to report that the number of sightings submitted continues to climb, with over 2000 received for spring of 1990. In response, we have had to implement a more rigorous editing format to keep down the cost of each issue. This means that not every record received will be in the published manuscript. However, each record will be computerized and archived in the files. All records are still of great historical value and it is still extremely important to maintain statewide coverage.

In the 1989 seasons you will find that entire species groups have been deleted. The phenomenon of missing groups results from a need to save space in the final publication, and reflects those species where reports were of little significance. A list of the missing groups and the names of all reporters can be found at the end of each season. Anyone who would like a copy of the full computer printout for a season may obtain one for a small fee. Please contact us directly if you are interested in this service.

We would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to all the many volunteers who helped make this publication possible. We could not do it without them. A special thank you goes to Ruth Lang, Tom McMillan, Marie Neveu, Jill Simmons, and the four seasonal editors. Front and back cover illustrations are by Iain C. MacLeod. Thank you also to those who have made special monetary contributions to *Bird Records*. These go into a restricted fund which is used exclusively for *New Hampshire Bird Records*. This kind of support is extremely important and very much appreciated.

Good birding to all, and let us know what you come across.

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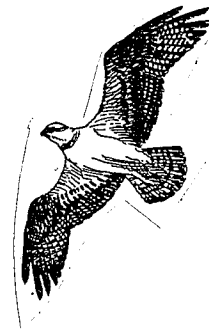


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Summer Season

June 1 through July 31, 1989

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Congratulations and many thanks to all contributors on a well-reported season. Because we are getting close to being on schedule, this support is especially timely. Keep up the good work!

Looking at the season overall, we see that the wet weather of late spring continued into June. Average precipitation across the state was one inch above normal. The area south of Coos Country accounted for most of this, while the region "north of the notches" was drier by comparison. In Maine, the rainy weather was a hardship for some early nesters, but few weather-related nest failures were reported in New Hampshire. Perhaps the warmer than normal temperatures helped bedraggled birds. The dry conditions in the North Country became severe in July, while the rest of the state had average precipitation and temperatures. All in all, conditions were conducive to a decent nesting season.

Historically, nesting season data has come from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Breeding Bird Surveys (BBS). However, more and more data is now coming from the Endangered Species Program (ESP) and field days such as Osprey Weekend (note records for July 15-17 from the Umbagog region). This welcome trend provides us with more accurate numbers, which are reported here along with significant BBS numbers and trends. This mass of BBS data, from over 25 years work, becomes more and more valuable every year. Reporters interested in participating in the BBS may contact Diane De Luca at Audubon House.

The undisputed (and well-publicized) high point of the season was the return of a pair of **Bald Eagles** to the historic nest tree at Lake Umbagog. But the season's most exciting event to this editor was the **Osprey** nesting attempt at Great Bay. Wouldn't it be wonderful to one day have both eagles and Ospreys nesting at Great Bay?

The rest of the hawks were well-reported, as were shorebirds. **Water Pipits** continue to tantalize us as they vie for a place among our nesting avifauna. The total of 24 warbler species is good for the nesting season, but it includes only one rarity—a **Cerulean Warbler**. Waterbirds were well-reported overall, but why were **American Bitterns** low on the BBS routes and better-reported elsewhere? And what's the true status of **Blue-winged Teal** and **Ring-necked Ducks**, both with low reported numbers?

For several years now Tom Arter and Lynn Harper have spent a week on Star Island in late June, and it's always fascinating to see what they come up with. On June 26 this year they tallied a non-breeding **Common Loon**, a **Wilson's Storm-Petrel** (also a non-breeder), a **Red-breasted Nuthatch**, and a **Least Flycatcher** (both N.H. breeders, but certainly not on Star Island). Are these birds sub-adults that are not ready for breeding? Are they unsuccessful nesters? Are they late or early migrants? The allure of islands! I'm hoping to organize some day trips to Star Island during migration—give me a call if you're interested (783-9640).

As always, even the nesting season has its share of rarities, wanderers, and oddities. Among those not already mentioned are nesting **Least Bitterns** in at least one location, **Snow Goose**, **Brant**, **Tri-colored Heron**, an inland **Little Blue Heron**, **Piping Plover**, **White-eyed Vireo** and a **Yellow-headed Blackbird**. The apparent occurrence of at least one **Red-necked Grebe** and the possibility that it may have nested could have eclipsed the eagles as the highlight of the season. However, the details are sketchy, so we'll have to hope documentation can be obtained next year. This record has some credence as there is an old breeding season record cited in John Terres' *Audubon Encyclopedia*, but it seems very unlikely since at the present time the species nests no farther east than the Great Lakes.



Robert A. Quinn
Seasonal Editor

Loons through Herons

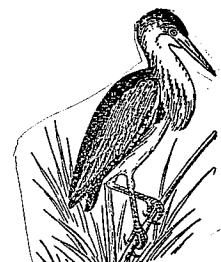
The 467 adult **Common Loons** tallied by the Loon Preservation Committee produced 70 young this year, which is in line with numbers for the last several years. **Double-crested Cormorants** are being reported from a wider range of inland sites than ever before. The big story of the summer, if correct, would be the apparent nesting of **Red-necked Grebes** in Meredith.

Most of the herons, including **American Bitterns**, were well-reported. The honors for diligence in counting go to Steve Mirick, who tallied 153 immature **Great Blue Herons** at a Durham rookery. An immature **Little Blue Heron** inland had adequate substantiating details, but the **Yellow-crowned Night-Heron** did not have any details. A **Tri-colored Heron** was a treat. **Green-backed Herons** demonstrate the vagaries of bird reporting—none were reported before June 21, and the vast majority were seen during Osprey Weekend.

<i>date</i>	<i>#</i>	<i>town</i>	<i>location</i>	<i>observer(s)</i>
Common Loon				
06-15	7	Peterborough	Dublin Lake, Cemetery Cove	A. Jones
06-21	4	Barrington	Swain's Pond	P. Smith
06-24	1		Star Is., Isles of Shoals	T. Arter, L. Harper
07-15	4	Whitefield	Big Cherry Pond	J. McIlwaine
07-16	3	Boscawen	Patenaud Pond	F. Laro
07-16	6		NH coast	R.A. Quinn
07-18	8	Wolfeboro	Seaplane Base	M. Horne
07-21	2	Andover	Bradley Lake	G. Bendixon
07-22	5	Manchester	Lake Massabesic	A.& B. Delorey
07-31	3	Northwood	Northwood Lake	G.J. Hammel
Pied-billed Grebe				
06-17	1	Dummer	Pontook Dam	B. Bradley
07-01	1	Errol	Androscoggin R.	D. Evans
07-15	2	Dummer	Pontook Marsh	S. Gallagher, L. Kennard
Red-necked Grebe				
06-05	1	Meredith	Lake Wickwas	N. Harris
07-27	2	Meredith	Lake Wickwas	N. Harris
Wilson's Storm-Petrel				
06-26	1		Star Is., Isles of Shoals	T. Arter, L. Harper
07-12	4		Isles of Shoals	L. Phinney
Northern Gannet				
06-24	1		Star Is., Isles of Shoals	T. Arter, L. Harper
Great Cormorant				
06-25	1		Square Rock, Isles of Shoals	T. Arter, L. Harper
Double-crested Cormorant				
06-03	2	Errol	Mile Long Pond	D. Evans
06-08	1	Concord	Merrimack R.	R.A. Quinn
06-27	1	Bow	Merrimack R.	R.A. Quinn
07-10	1	Monroe	Connecticut R.	B. Bradley
07-19	2	Bow	Turkey R. & Merrimack R.	R.A. Quinn



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American Bittern				
06-01	2	Errol	Harpers Meadow	B. Janeway, S. Swett
06-11	1	Stratford	Rt. 3	D. & B. Killam
06-14	1	Bethlehem	Rocks Estate	J. McIlwaine
06-18	1	Easton	BBS route	B. Bradley
06-19	1	Canterbury	Pevery Meadow	R.A. Quinn
07-15	1	Errol	Harpers Meadow	P. & J. Meyette
07-15	2	Dummer	Pontook Marsh	S. Gallagher, L. Kennard
07-15	1	Wentworths Location	Magalloway R.	R.A. Quinn, L. Constantine
07-18	1	Danbury	Danbury Bog	K.C. Elkins
07-20	3	Franconia	Easton Rd.	J. McIlwaine
Least Bittern				
07-29	1	Rye	Eel Pond	B. Bradley
Great Blue Heron				
06-24	160	Durham	off Dame Rd.	S. Mirick
06-26	1		Star Is., Isles of Shoals	T. Arter, L. Harper
06-30	1	Pittsburg	East Inlet	D. & B. Killam
07-02	1	Columbia	residence	D. & B. Killam
07-05	5*	Hollis	Rocky Pond Rd.	J. Conway
07-19	5*	Epsom	off Swamp and Bay Rd.	J. Anderson
*Nests with young				
Great Egret				
07-28	1	Hampton Falls	marsh	B. Bradley
Snowy Egret				
07-29	20	Rye	Rye Harbor	B. Bradley
Little Blue Heron				
07-28	1	Rye	Rye Harbor	B. Bradley
07-31	1		Contoocook Lake	K. Geiger
Tricolored Heron				
07-15	1	Seabrook	Beckman's Landing	S. Mirick
Green-backed Heron				
06-21	3	New London	Low Plains	R.C. Vernon
06-28	2	Concord	Terrill Pk.	R.A. Quinn
07-04	1	Haverhill	over town center	B. Bradley
07-15	4	Dummer	Androscoggin R.	L. Harper, J. Quinn
07-15	1	Cambridge	Bog Brook	A. & B. Delorey
07-16	1	Andover	Highland Lake	K.C. Elkins
07-16	3		NH Coast	R.A. Quinn
07-17	1	Canterbury	sod farm	R.A. Quinn
07-29	2	Rye	Eel Pond	B. Bradley
Black-crowned Night-Heron				
06-21	4	Durham	Oyster R. Dam	S. Mirick
06-26	4		Star Is., Isles of Shoals	T. Arter, L. Harper
07-19	1	Concord	Terrill Pk.	R.A. Quinn
07-28	2	Hampton Falls	marsh	B. Bradley
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron				
06-02	1	Exeter	Swazey Pkway.	M. Hardy
Glossy Ibis				
07-26	23	Durham	Adams Pt.	S. Mirick
07-28	7	Rye	s. of Rye Harbor	B. Bradley



Waterfowl through Hawks

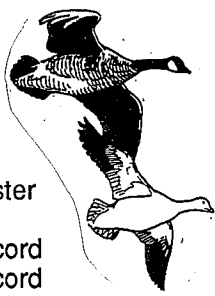
Waterfowl seemed to be better-reported than usual, but why didn't anyone see Blue-winged Teal at Lake Umbagog? Add to this question the puzzle of a large flock of **Canada Geese**, a **Brant**, and a **Snow Goose**, and you have a thoroughly confused editor.

At least there is no confusion over the significance of the successful (albeit human-assisted) nesting of **Bald Eagles** at Lake Umbagog. The unexpected **Osprey** nesting attempt at Great Bay was a highlight for this editor. The ESP reported that 21 pairs of Ospreys produced 19 fledglings.

How times have changed! It seems that **Turkey Vultures** are becoming so common that they do not arouse much attention, except in large flocks (40+) or when seen attacking some young Great Blue Herons on the nest, as witnessed by Betty Swift.

The ESP had eight pairs of **Peregrine Falcons** that fledged 10 young. Several Peregrine reports came from odd places—immature wanderers scouting future nesting sites, perhaps? A **Broad-winged Hawk** nested in downtown Manchester, and the rest of the hawks were fairly well-reported.

<i>date</i>	<i>#</i>	<i>town</i>	<i>location</i>	<i>observer(s)</i>
Snow Goose				
06-12	1	Errol	Errol Hill	D. Evans
Brant				
06-28	1		Star Is., Isles of Shoals	T. Arter, L. Harper
Canada Goose				
06-07	8	Chester	Ware's Pond, Raymond Rd.	A. & B. Delorey
06-12	48	Errol	Errol Hill	D. Evans
06-13	18	Concord	Josiah Bartlett Rd.	J. Philbrick
07-13	2	Concord	Horseshoe Pond	V. Hayden
Wood Duck				
06-21	3	New London	Low Plains	R.C. Vernon
06-28	6	Sandwich	Koenig's Swamp	R.A. Quinn
07-03	1	Kensington		G. Gavutis
07-11	7	Littleton		B. Bradley
07-15	1	Dummer	Androscoggin R.	L. Harper, J. Quinn
07-15	1	Dummer	Magill Bay	A. Tappan
07-15	9	Whitefield	Little Cherry Pond	J. McIlwaine
07-29	6	Rye	Eel Pond	B. Bradley
Green-winged Teal				
06-02	3	Errol	Lake Umbagog	B. Janeway
American Black Duck				
06-01	5	Littleton		B. Bradley
06-26	2		Star Is., Isles of Shoals	T. Arter, L. Harper
07-04	8	Errol	Androscoggin R.	D. Evans
07-09	7	Errol	Leonard Pond	D. Evans
07-15	2	Whitefield	Little Cherry Pond	J. McIlwaine
07-29	6	Bethlehem	bog off Trudeau Rd.	J. McIlwaine
Mallard				
06-15	5	Laconia	Laconia Country Club	H.C. Anderson
06-21	4	New London	Low Plains	R.C. Vernon



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06-28	5		Star Is., Isles of Shoals	T. Arter, L. Harper
07-01	8	Errol	Leonard Pond	G. Gavutis
Blue-winged Teal				
06-01	2	Somersworth	Sunningdale C.C.	S. Mirick
Ring-necked Duck				
07-16	15	Errol	Leonard Pond	D. Evans
07-16	3	Sutton	Cascade Marsh	R.C. & M. Vernon
07-17	6	Errol	Leonard Pond	D. Evans
07-22	14	Errol	Lake Umbagog	S. Bogert, M. Turner
Common Eider				
06-24	20		Star Is., Isles of Shoals	T. Arter, L. Harper
Common Goldeneye				
07-01	10	Errol	Leonard Pond	G. Gavutis
07-05	9	Errol	Androscoggin R.	D. Evans
Hooded Merganser				
06-01	9	Littleton		B. Bradley
06-10	7	Durham	Adams Pt. Rd.	J. Wolf
06-21	3	New London	Low Plains	R.C. Vernon
06-28	8	Sutton	Cascade Marsh	R.C. Vernon
07-05	8	Errol	Leonard Pond	D. Evans
07-15	6	Dummer	Androscoggin R.	L. Harper, J. Quinn
07-15	2	Dummer	Magill Bay	A. Tappan
Common Merganser				
07-02	1	Alton	Sunset Lake	K. Stern
07-31	9	Littleton	dam	B. Bradley
Turkey Vulture				
07-15	2	Haverhill	over Connecticut R.	B. Bradley
07-15	2	Dunbarton	residence	J.L. Simmons
07-27	40	Concord	dump	R.A. Quinn
07-27	5	Littleton		R. Whitcomb
Osprey				
06-01	1	Pittsburg	East Inlet	C. Anderson
06-18	3	Durham	off Dame Rd.	S. Mirick
06-21	1	Penacook	East St.	J. Bourne
07-04	1	Lisbon		B. Bradley
Bald Eagle				
06-02	3	Errol	Lake Umbagog	B. Janeway
06-11	1	Windham	Cobbett's Pond	P. Pherrien
06-16	1	Charlestown	Rt. 12	E. Vanvelsor
06-20	1	Sutton	Keyser Lake	W. Henderson
06-22	1	Hampstead		M.L. Williams
06-26	1	Merrimack	Reeds Ferry School	C. Menard
07-17	1	Concord	E. Concord	S. Morrison
Northern Harrier				
06-07	1	Errol	Androscoggin R.	D. Evans
06-24	1	Stratford	N. Stratford, w. of Rt. 3	R.A. Quinn
07-15	1	Errol	Sweat Meadow	D. DeLuca, S. Walker
07-15	1	Errol	Harper's Meadow	B. Skuly, D. Hoitt, A. Little
07-31	1	Jaffrey		D. Rowell



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Cooper's Hawk				
07-02	1	Columbia	residence	D. & B. Killam, et al.
Northern Goshawk				
06-10	2	Berlin	WMNF, Kilkenny Area	D. De Luca
06-20	1	New London	Bunker Loop	R.C. Vernon
Red-shouldered Hawk				
06-14	1	Bethlehem	Rocks Estate	J. McIlwaine
06-18	1	Alexandria	Wilmot Route	R.C. & M. Vernon
07-07	1	New Hampton	Old Bristol Rd.	L. Emmons
07-11	1	Webster	Ox Pond Hill	B. Janeway
07-15	1	Cambridge	Bog Brook	A. & B. Delorey
07-17	9	Concord	E. Concord	S. Morrison
07-28	1	Tuftsboro	Copps Pond	D. Stavros
Broad-winged Hawk				
06-24	1	New London	Webb Loop	R.C. Vernon
06-25	2	Pittsburg	Day Rd.	R.A. Quinn
06-28	1	Sutton	Cascade Marsh	R.C. Vernon
07-13	2	Sugar Hill	Pearl Lake Rd.	J. McIlwaine
07-18	4	Manchester	Union St.	L. Cotter
Red-tailed Hawk				
06-25	1	Pittsburg	Day Rd.	R.A. Quinn
06-26	2	Woodstock	Rt. 93	D. & B. Killam
American Kestrel				
06-25	2	Pittsburg	Rt. 3	R.A. Quinn
07-19	3	Warner	Pumpkin Hill Rd.	D. Stavros
Peregrine Falcon				
06-01	1	Barrington	Rt. 9	T. Arter
07-06	1	Holderness	E. Holderness	P. Beij
07-16	1	Dixville	Dixville Notch	D. & B. Killam
07-27	1	New Hampton	Old Bristol Rd.	L. Emmons



Grouse through Shorebirds

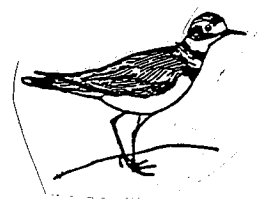
Early migrant shorebirds were reasonably well-reported this summer, with the **Piping Plover** the most noteworthy one. Since they are very early nesters, this individual could have been a post-nesting wanderer from Maine or Massachusetts rather than a local bird.

A **Least Sandpiper** and four **Short-billed Dowitchers** at Star Island in late June and the **Ruddy Turnstone**, **Pectoral Sandpiper**, and **Sanderling** in mid-July were all very early migrants. A **Northern Bobwhite** in Whitefield was rather unusual.

Among nesting shorebirds the **Upland Sandpipers** made the most news, with seven pairs producing at least 10 chicks at Pease Air Force Base. But even more impressive must have been the 37 "Uppies" at Pease in late July.

<i>date</i>	<i>#</i>	<i>town</i>	<i>location</i>	<i>observer(s)</i>
Spruce Grouse				
07-01	1	Thompson & Meserves Purchase	WMNF, Great Gulf	D. De Luca
07-02	7	Franconia	Kinsman Pond shelter	C. & L. Barber

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Ruffed Grouse				
06-12	5	Errol	Whaleback Pond	D. Evans
06-24	2	New London	Webb Loop	R.C. Vernon
07-29	8	Bristol	E. Bristol	G. Jeffers
Wild Turkey				
06-30	1	Moultonborough	Sheridan Rd.	R.W. Foster
Northern Bobwhite				
06-01	1	Concord	Jensen's Pk.	E. Richards
07-15	1	Whitefield	near Airport Pond	J. McIlwaine
Virginia Rail				
06-17	1	Milan	Pontook Marsh	B. Bradley
07-04	1	Durham	off Packers Falls Rd.	S. Mirick
07-11	5	Durham	Durham Pt. Rd.	S. Mirick
07-15	1	Errol	Harpers Meadow	P. & J. Meyeette
Sora				
07-04	2	Durham	off Packers Falls Rd.	S. Mirick
07-10	1	Errol	Harpers Meadow	D. Evans
Semipalmated Plover				
07-15	6	Hampton		S. Mirick
07-29	48	Seabrook	tidal flat	B. Bradley
07-30	94	Rye	beach across from Eel Pond	B. Bradley
Piping Plover				
07-23	1	Seabrook	Seabrook Harbor	S. Mirick
Killdeer				
06-05	4	Canterbury	sod farm	R.A. Quinn
07-06	6	Littleton	bog	B. Bradley
07-13	11	Littleton	bog	B. Bradley
07-15	9	Haverhill	N. Haverhill	B. Bradley
07-16	19		NH Coast	R.A. Quinn
07-19	17	Concord	NH Tech. soccer field	R.A. Quinn
07-27	15	Concord	Terrill Pk.	R.A. Quinn
Greater Yellowlegs				
07-05	1	Errol	Leonard Pond	D. Evans
07-16	20		NH Coast	R.A. Quinn
07-19	2	Durham	Adams Pt.	S. Mirick
Lesser Yellowlegs				
07-15	25	Hampton	Hampton Marsh	S. Mirick
07-16	64		NH Coast	R.A. Quinn
07-23	10	Durham	Adams Pt.	S. Mirick
Solitary Sandpiper				
07-13	2	Littleton		B. Bradley
07-19	5	Durham	Adams Pt.	S. Mirick
07-29	1	Bethlehem	bog off Trudeau Rd.	J. McIlwaine
Willet				
07-04	10	Hampton	Hampton Salt Marsh	S. Mirick
Spotted Sandpiper				
06-09	1	Dunbarton	Long Pond	J.L. Simmons
06-24	2		Star Is., Isles of Shoals	T. Arter, L. Harper



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07-15	11	Haverhill	Connecticut R.	B. Bradley
07-20	12	Columbia	Connecticut R.	D. & B. Killam

Whimbrel

07-16	9	Seabrook	Seabrook Harbor mussel beds	R.A. Quinn
07-23	1	Rye	Odiorne Pt. St. Pk.	S. Mirick
07-23	2	Seabrook	Seabrook Harbor	S. Mirick
07-28	8	Seabrook	mussel beds	B. Bradley

Ruddy Turnstone

07-27	1	Rye	coastal rocks s. of Rye Ledge	L. Ring
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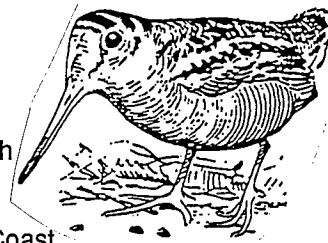
07-29	2	Seabrook		B. Bradley
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Sanderling

07-30	46	Rye	beach	B. Bradley
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Semipalmated Sandpiper

07-16	65		NH Coast	R.A. Quinn
07-28	300	Hampton Falls	mud flats	B. Bradley



Least Sandpiper

06-26	4		Star Is., Isles of Shoals	T. Arter, L. Harper
07-15	15	Hampton	Depot Rd.	S. Mirick
07-16	130		NH Coast	R.A. Quinn
07-27	2	Concord	Terrill Pk.	R.A. Quinn
07-28	30	Rye	s. of Rye Harbor	B. Bradley

Pectoral Sandpiper

07-16	1	Rye	s. of Odiorne Pt. St. Pk.	R.A. Quinn
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Calidris sp.

07-20	2	Concord	Terrill Pk.	R.A. Quinn
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Short-billed Dowitcher

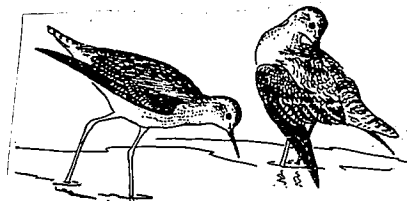
06-29	4		Star Is., Isles of Shoals	T. Arter, L. Harper
07-15	8	Hampton	Depot Rd.	S. Mirick
07-16	20		NH coast	R.A. Quinn
07-28	9	Hampton Falls	mud flats	B. Bradley

Common Snipe

06-04	1	Bethlehem	Rocks Estate	J. McIlwaine
06-24	10	Pittsburg		R.A. Quinn
07-02	1	Whitefield	Cherry Pond area	J. McIlwaine
07-09	3	Errol	Androscoggin R.	D. Evans
07-13	9	Littleton		B. Bradley

American Woodcock

06-02	1	Dunbarton	residence	J.L. Simmons
06-14	1	Durham	Longmaid Farm	S. Mirick
07-06	1	Wolfeboro	E. Wolfeboro residence	C.H. Raddin

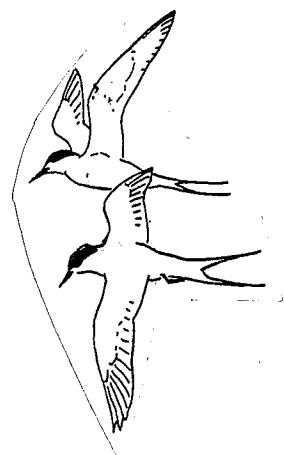


Gulls through Owls

A hearsay report of a **Sandwich Tern** would have been totally ignored if not for the fact that one was seen in Maine and two or three were reported from eastern Canada. Without a written record we can do no more than speculate on the presence of this species. A little better communication would definitely help us all!

Immature **Bonaparte's Gulls** apparently were with us through the entire season, and there was an interesting build-up of **Ring-billed Gulls** in Littleton. **Common Terns** at Star Island and Northwood Lake and a **Roseate Tern** at Seabrook Harbor were significant reports.

<i>date</i>	<i>#</i>	<i>town</i>	<i>location</i>	<i>observer(s)</i>
Bonaparte's Gull				
06-05	3	Errol	Androscoggin R.	D. Evans
06-19	24	Rye	Parsons Creek	P. Morton
07-16	30		Jeness & Rye Beaches	R.A. Quinn
07-30	22	Rye	beach	B. Bradley
Ring-billed Gull				
07-11	34	Littleton	Samuel Moore Dam	B. Bradley
07-15	8	New London	Pleasant Lake	K.C. Elkins
07-16	100		NH coast	R.A. Quinn
07-27	2	Concord	Terrill Pk.	R.A. Quinn
Herring Gull				
06-25	20	Tamworth	Bear Camp R.	R.A. Quinn
Great Black-backed Gull				
06-27	140	Bow	Merrimack R.	R.A. Quinn
06-28	54	Littleton	Samuel Moore Dam	B. Bradley
Roseate Tern				
07-16	1	Seabrook	Seabrook Harbor	R.A. Quinn
Common Tern				
06-13	4	Rye	Seal Rocks	L. Phinney
06-25	2		Star Is., Isles of Shoals	T. Arter, L. Harper
07-16	35		Hampton & Seabrook saltmarsh	R.A. Quinn
07-23	1	Northwood	Northwood Lake	L. Harper, T. Arter
07-29	36	Seabrook	edge of marshes	B. Bradley
Black Guillemot				
06-28	2		Star Is., Isles of Shoals	T. Arter, L. Harper
Mourning Dove				
06-21	4	New London	Low Plains	R.C. Vernon
06-25	8	New London	Auto Survey Route	R.C. Vernon
06-25	10	Pittsburg		R.A. Quinn
06-30	5	Wilmot	Mt. Kearsage	R.C. Vernon
07-10	18	Littleton	Dell Rd.	B. Bradley
07-10	60	Monroe	base of Cumerford Dam	B. Bradley
07-28	5	Columbia	residence	D. & B. Killam
Black-billed Cuckoo				
06-20	1	New London	Bunker Loop	R.C. Vernon
06-25	1	Concord	E. Concord	V. Hayden
07-06	1	Webster	Blackwater Farm	B. Janeway



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07-08	1	Hanover	top of Moose Mtn.	B. Janeway
07-16	1	Canterbury	residence	D. Stavros
Yellow-billed Cuckoo				
06-17	1	Tamworth	Great Hill Rd.	B. Goodwill
07-26	1	Monroe	Connecticut R.	S. Bogert, M. Turner
Great Horned Owl				
06-24	2	Amherst	Souhegan R.	W. Goodwill, K. Pearson
Barred Owl				
06-20	2	Canterbury	Baptist Hill Rd.	R.A. Quinn
07-22	1	Bedford	residence	E. Connor
07-22	1	Dunbarton	residence	J.L. Simmons
07-27	1	Warren	Mud Pond Reservoir	G. Boisvin

Nighthawks through Flycatchers

Common Nighthawks were widely but thinly reported: 62 birds in 16 towns (out of 32 surveyed). The report of a nighthawk in Errol is unusual.

Diane De Luca discovered a **Belted Kingfisher** nesting in a low embankment at the edge of—surprise—a logging road in the White Mountains. **Downy Woodpeckers** were low on the BBS, **Yellow-bellied Sapsuckers** continued low, and **Northern Flickers** hit a record low (34, against a median of 72).

Flycatchers are doing poorly as well, if the BBS is any indication. **Olive-sided Flycatchers** continue to be scarce, **Great Crested Flycatchers** were fewer than in recent years, **Least Flycatchers** hit their third-lowest total ever, and **Eastern Kingbirds** fell to their second-lowest total ever. However, **Eastern Phoebes** had their third-highest count ever, according to the BBS numbers.

<i>date</i>	<i>#</i>	<i>town</i>	<i>location</i>	<i>observer(s)</i>
Common Nighthawk				
06-01	1	Tilton	Junction of Rts. 140 & 3	D. Osgood
06-01	1	Hanover	Baker Library	S. Smith
06-02	1	Errol	Rt. 26	D. Evans
06-15	1	Plymouth	Rt. 2	D. Osgood
06-30	1	Barnstead	Big R.	A. & B. Kimball
07-03	1	Groveton	town center	D. & B. Killam
07-15	1	New Hampton	Caswell Pond	E. Emmons, G. Jeffers



Whip-poor-will

06-01	1	Bow		R. Cole
06-11	1	Stratford	cemetery	D. & B. Killam
06-14	1	Bradford		T. Rodd
06-27	1	Concord	Penacook Rd.	B. & H. Janeway
07-01	1	Lee	E. Pinkham Rd.	M. Dusek
07-19	1	Hillsboro	Bear Hill Rd.	L. Peasley

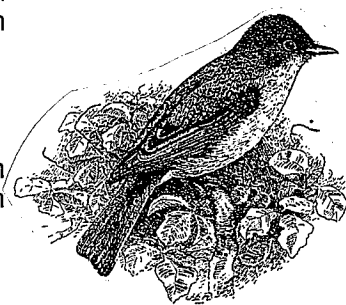
Chimney Swift

07-18	5	Tamworth	Barnstormers Theatre	L.E. & G.B. Schulten
07-22	3	Moultonborough	town center	L.E. & G.B. Schulten

Ruby-throated Hummingbird

06-01	2	Wolfeboro	E. Wolfeboro	D.L. Raddin
06-10	2	Dunbarton	residence	J.L. Simmons

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07-24	2	Lyman	Dodge Pond	M. Turner
Belted Kingfisher				
06-21	2	Berlin	WMNF, Kilkenny Area	D. De Luca
06-28	2	Sutton	Cascade Marsh	R.C. Vernon
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker				
06-24	1	Wolfeboro	E. Wolfeboro residence	D.L. & C.H. Raddin
06-27	1	New London	Carr Ledge	R.C. Vernon
06-28	2	Sutton	Cascade Marsh	R.C. Vernon
06-30	1	Wilmot	Mt. Kearsage	R.C. Vernon
Black-backed Woodpecker				
06-20	1	Cambridge	Rt. 16	K. Dube
06-28	3	Dummer	Rt. 110A	S. Bogert
Pileated Woodpecker				
06-01	2	Sanbornton	Brook Rd.	J. Perkins
06-17	1	Laconia	Laconia Country Club	H. Anderson
06-21	3	New London	Low Plains	R.C. Vernon
06-27	2	New London	Carr Ledge	R.C. Vernon
06-30	2	Wilmot	Mt. Kearsage	R.C. Vernon
Olive-sided Flycatcher				
06-01	1	Errol	Tidswell Pt.	D. Evans
06-02	1	Errol	Harpers Meadow	B. Janeway
06-03	1	Walpole	Merriam Rd.	R. Ritz
06-08	2	Berlin	WMNF, Kilkenny Area	D. De Luca
07-21	1	Landaff	Scotland Brook Refuge	J. McIlwaine
Eastern Wood-Pee-wee				
06-02	1	Chester	residence	A. & B. Delorey
06-25	1	New London	Auto Survey Route	R.C. Vernon
Alder Flycatcher				
06-06	1	Sugar Hill	Old Post Rd.	J. McIlwaine
Willow Flycatcher				
06-01	1	Londonderry	Manchester Airport	R.A. Quinn
06-21	1	New London	Low Plains	R.C. Vernon
07-23	1	Rye	Odiorne Pt. St. Pk.	Odiorne Pt. field trip
Least Flycatcher				
06-21	1	New London	Low Plains	R.C. Vernon
06-24	1	New London	Webb Loop	R.C. Vernon
06-25	1	New London	Auto Survey Route	R.C. Vernon
Great Crested Flycatcher				
06-04	2	Canterbury	Peverly Meadow	R.A. Quinn
06-21	2	Hooksett	River Rd.	R.A. Quinn
06-21	2	New London	Low Plains	R.C. Vernon
06-25	2	New London	Auto Survey Route	R.C. Vernon
07-04	2	Canterbury	Baptist Hill Rd.	R.A. Quinn
07-15	7	Haverhill	Connecticut R. edge	B. Bradley
Eastern Kingbird				
06-21	2	New London	Low Plains	R.C. Vernon
06-24	2		Star Is., Isles of Shoals	T. Arter, L. Harper
06-28	2	Sutton	Cascade Marsh	R.C. Vernon
07-30	5	Wentworth	Town Line Pond area	G.A. & C.R. Ports

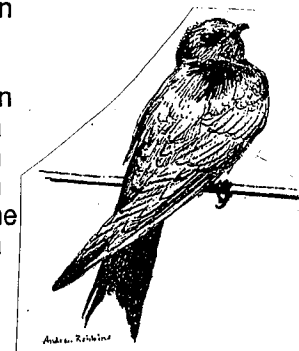


Swallows through Creepers

As gauged by the BBS, swallows had a very poor year. **Tree** and **Barn Swallows** suffered through their third-lowest totals ever, and the dearth of **Cliff Swallows** was frightening (only 14, a record low by a wide margin and far below the median of 66). Numbers for **Barn Swallows** were equally grim (186, compared to a median of 418). Let's hope that this is only a momentary blip.

The paridae and corvidae seem to be doing well, with the **Blue Jay's** record low of 271 (median 396) being the exception. A **Fish Crow** spotted (and presumably heard) by Steve Mirick on the Dover BBS was only the second record for this species in the history of the surveys. **Tufted Titmice**, which first hit double figures in 1980, showed a record high of 67.

<i>date</i>	<i>#</i>	<i>town</i>	<i>location</i>	<i>observer(s)</i>
Purple Martin				
06-21	4	Gilmanton	Rt. 140, Furbish	K. Dymont, D. Stavros
07-15	1	Laconia	Parade & Meredith Ctr. Rds.	L. Emmons, G. Jeffers
Tree Swallow				
06-25	17	New London	Auto Survey Route	R.C. Vernon
07-01	10	Littleton		B. Bradley
07-07	45	Littleton	Samuel Moore Dam	B. Bradley
07-08	12	Chester	residence	A.& B. Delorey
07-10	80	Monroe	Connecticut R.	B. Bradley
07-15	90	Haverhill	N. Haverhill, Connecticut R.	B. Bradley
07-16	500		NH Coast	R.A. Quinn
07-16	48	Littleton		B. Bradley
07-29	500	Moultonborough	Pistol Is., Lake Winnepesaukee	L.E. Schulten
07-29	500		Rye & Hampton marsh	B. Bradley
07-29	100	Raymond	Onway Lake	R. Suomala
Northern Rough-winged Swallow				
06-06	8	Exeter		R. Aaronian
Bank Swallow				
06-06	5	Exeter		R. Aaronian
06-23		Hooksett	Rt. 3A, s. of Gem Evergreen	R.A. Quinn
06-24		Dalton	town gravel pit	R.A. Quinn
06-25		Pittsburg		R.A. Quinn
07-02	16	Whitefield	Airport Pond	J. McIlwaine
07-04		Northfield	town sand pit	R.A. Quinn
07-15	60	Haverhill	N. Haverhill	B. Bradley
07-15	19	Lisbon		B. Bradley
Cliff Swallow				
06-01	6	Gilford	Lake Winnepesaukee	T. Arter, L. Harper
07-02	25	Whitefield	Airport hangers	J. McIlwaine
Gray Jay				
06-29	1	Errol	Lake Umbagog	S. Bogert, M. Turner
07-01	5	Berlin	WMNF, Kilkenny Area	D. De Luca
Blue Jay				
06-20	5	New London	Bunker Loop	R.C. Vernon
06-24	11	New London	Webb Loop	R.C. Vernon
06-25	15	New London	Auto Survey Route	R.C. Vernon



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06-25	1		Star Is., Isles of Shoals	T. Arter, L. Harper
06-27	6	New London	Carr Ledge	R.C. Vernon
American Crow				
06-25	20	New London	Auto Survey Route	R.C. Vernon
06-30	3	Wilmot	Mt. Kearsage	R.C. Vernon
Common Raven				
06-25	1	New London	Auto Survey Route	R.C. Vernon
06-27	3	Walpole	Merriam Rd.	R. Ritz
06-30	4	Wilmot	Mt. Kearsage	R.C. Vernon
Boreal Chickadee				
06-24	1	Pittsburg	Lake Francis St. Pk.	R.A. Quinn
06-25	1	Pittsburg	Day Rd.	R.A. Quinn
07-01	6	Thompson & Meserves Purchase	WMNF, Great Gulf	D. De Luca
Red-breasted Nuthatch				
06-01	2	Wolfeboro	E. Wolfeboro residence	D.L. & C.H. Raddin
06-27	8	New London	Carr Ledge	R.C. Vernon
06-29	1		Star Is., Isles of Shoals	T. Arter, L. Harper
06-30	7	Wilmot	Mt. Kearsage	R.C. Vernon
07-02	1	Moultonborough	Shaker Jerry Rd.	L.E. Schulten
07-06	1	Wolfeboro	E. Wolfeboro residence	C.H. Raddin

Wrens through Thrushes

Reports of **Winter Wrens** were a little lower than they have been the last few years, but the species has recovered well from the lows of a decade ago. No Carolina Wrens were reported.

After receiving only 11 **Eastern Bluebird** reports last year, I asked for more—and did I ever get them! Thanks mainly to Stacey Cole and his loyal readers, almost 300 pairs were reported from over 80 towns. In Rumney, Ann Kent's Annual Survey totalled 37 nesting pairs with at least 63 fledged young, up from 1988's total. **Hermit Thrushes** did well on the BBS, but **Veery**, **Wood Thrush**, and **Swainson's Thrush** were all scarce. The report of two Swainson's Thrushes in New London was most unusual.

<i>date</i>	<i>#</i>	<i>town</i>	<i>location</i>	<i>observer(s)</i>
House Wren				
06-24	1	New London	Webb Loop	R.C. Vernon
07-08	6	Chester	residence	A. & B. Delorey
Winter Wren				
06-01	3	Canterbury	Baptist Hill Rd.	R.A. Quinn
06-24	1	New London	Webb Loop	R.C. Vernon
06-25	1	New London	Auto Survey Route	R.C. Vernon
06-27	3	New London	Carr Ledge	R.C. Vernon
06-30	1	Wilmot	Mt. Kearsage	R.C. Vernon
07-07	1	Moultonborough	Long Is.	L.E. Schulten
Marsh Wren				
07-15	1	Dummer	Pontook Marsh	S. Gallagher, L. Kennard
07-15	1	Errol	Sweat Meadow	D. De Luca, S. Walker
07-28	1	Rye	Eel Pond	B. Bradley



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Golden-crowned Kinglet				
06-24	2	New London	Webb Loop	R.C. Vernon
06-27	4	New London	Carr Ledge	R.C. Vernon
06-30	2	Wilmot	Mt. Kearsage	R.C. Vernon
Ruby-crowned Kinglet				
07-01	2	Thompson & Meserves Purchase	WMNF, Great Gulf	D. De Luca
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher				
06-02	1	Durham	Foss Farm	T. Arter, L. Harper
06-03	1	Durham	Adams Pt.	T. Arter, L. Harper
06-17	1	New Boston	John Newton Dodge Rd.	R. La Penn
Eastern Bluebird				
06-01	19	Windham	Heritage & Bear Hill Rds.	K. Metz
06-01	6	Lempster	residence	J. Grenier
06-06	2	Derry	Old Auburn Rd.	L. Latulippe
06-17	2	Kensington	residence	V. Wadleigh
06-18	2	Laconia	Laconia Country Club	H. Anderson
06-19	4	Littleton		C. Sleeper
06-21	5	Wolfeboro	E. Wolfeboro residence	D.L. & C.H. Raddin
06-23	5	Concord	E. Concord	V. Hayden
06-25	4	Pittsburg	Day Rd.	R.A. Quinn
07-01	2	Bristol	E. Bristol	G. Jeffers
07-26	5	Sanborton	Osgood Rd.	A. Robinson
07-27	2	Chester	residence	A. & B. Delorey
Veery				
06-20	3	New London	Bunker Loop	R.C. Vernon
06-21	4	New London	Low Plains	R.C. Vernon
06-24	6	New London	Webb Loop	R.C. Vernon
07-07	1	Moultonborough	Shaker Jerry Rd.	L.E. Schulten
Gray-cheeked Thrush				
06-26	1	Franconia	Franconia Notch	D. & B. Killam
06-28	2	Franconia	Eagle Lake	B. Janeway
06-28	4	Franconia	Lafayette Ridge	B. & H. Janeway
07-01	3	Thompson & Meserves Purchase	WMNF, Great Gulf	D. De Luca
Swainson's Thrush				
06-03	2	Tamworth	Gardner Hill	B. Steele
06-24	2	New London	Webb Loop	R.C. Vernon
07-26	1	Monroe	Connecticut R.	S. Bogert
Hermit Thrush				
06-24	2	New London	Webb Loop	R.C. Vernon
06-25	2	New London	Auto Survey Route	R.C. Vernon
06-27	5	New London	Carr Ledge	R.C. Vernon
06-30	3	Wilmot	Mt. Kearsage	R.C. Vernon
Wood Thrush				
06-20	1	New London	Bunker Loop	R.C. Vernon
06-21	6	New London	Low Plains	R.C. Vernon
06-24	8	New London	Webb Loop	R.C. Vernon
06-25	10	New London	Auto Survey Route	R.C. Vernon
06-30	2	Wilmot	Mt. Kearsage	R.C. Vernon



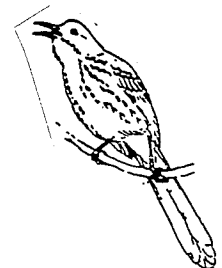
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American Robin				
06-21	5	New London	Low Plains	R.C. Vernon
06-24	15	New London	Webb Loop	R.C. Vernon
06-25	24	New London	Auto Survey Route	R.C. Vernon

Mimids through Vireos

The **Northern Mockingbird** population is leveling off, according to the BBS numbers, while **Brown Thrashers** are almost nonexistent, although a number were reported from around the state. **Water Pipits** were once again seen in appropriate nesting habitat on Mt. Washington, but nesting was not confirmed.

Two species of vireos made news. A **Philadelphia Vireo** was reported in an unlikely part of the state on the Concord BBS route, and a **White-eyed Vireo** was noted in Sugar Hill, which may well be the most northern record for that species.

<i>date</i>	<i>#</i>	<i>town</i>	<i>location</i>	<i>observer(s)</i>
Gray Catbird				
06-16	2	Wolfeboro	E. Wolfeboro	D.L. Raddin
06-21	2	New London	Low Plains	R.C. Vernon
06-25	5	New London	Auto Survey Route	R.C. Vernon
Northern Mockingbird				
06-01	2	Littleton		B. Bradley
06-14	2	Chester	residence	A. & B. Delorey
06-24	1		Star Is., Isles of Shoals	T. Arter, L. Harper
Brown Thrasher				
06-01	1	Gilmanton	Rt. 107	T. Arter, L. Harper
06-05	1	Concord	sod farm, Locke Rd.	R.A. Quinn
06-10	1	Wolfeboro	E. Wolfeboro residence	C.H. Raddin
06-25	1	New London	Auto Survey Route	R.C. Vernon
07-08	2	Canterbury	flood plain easement	R.A. Quinn
07-17	1	Columbia	residence	D. & B. Killam
07-18	1	Lee	e. of traffic circle	L. Harper, T. Arter
Water Pipit				
06-24	2	Sargents Purchase	Mt. Washington	C. & L. Barber
07-09	1	Sargents Purchase	Mt. Washington	B. Duff
Cedar Waxwing				
06-03	3	Wolfeboro	E. Wolfeboro residence	D.L. & C.H. Raddin
06-21	3	New London	Low Plains	R.C. Vernon
White-eyed Vireo				
07-21	1	Sugar Hill	off Pearl Lake Rd.	J. McIlwaine
Solitary Vireo				
06-20	2	New London	Bunker Loop	R.C. Vernon
06-25	2	New London	Auto Survey Route	R.C. Vernon
06-27	2	New London	Carr Ledge	R.C. Vernon
Yellow-throated Vireo				
06-19	1	Canterbury	near Peverly Meadow	R.A. Quinn
06-28	1	Moultonborough		R.A. Quinn



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Warbling Vireo				
06-02	1	Errol	Harpers Meadow	B. Janeway
06-04	1	Canterbury	Peverly Meadow	R.A. Quinn
06-05	1	Canterbury	sod farm	R.A. Quinn
06-25	1	New London	Auto Survey Route	R.C. Vernon

Red-eyed Vireo				
06-20	6	New London	Bunker Loop	R.C. Vernon
06-24	14	New London	Webb Loop	R.C. Vernon
06-25	21	New London	Auto Survey Route	R.C. Vernon

Warblers

Warblers had their ups and downs, as is typical. BBS totals on the high side were tallied for **Northern Parula, Yellow, Black-throated Blue, Yellow-rumped, and Pine Warblers**. On the low side were numbers of **Chestnut-sided, Magnolia, and Black-throated Green Warblers, and American Redstarts** hit a record low after a decade-long decline.

The **Cerulean Warbler** that spent a day in Webster was the highlight of the season for this group. While the **Tennessee Warbler** in New London in mid-July could have been an unsuccessful nester from farther north or even an early migrant, the habitat is right for nesting and similar sightings have occurred in the past. Only one **Cape May Warbler** was reported, not surprising given the spruce bud worm's decline.

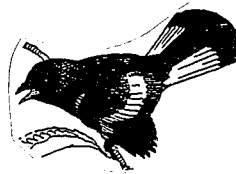
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Blue-winged Warbler				
06-01	1	Chester	Rt. 102	A. & B. Delorey
06-18	1	Madbury	Cherry Ln.	M. Suomala

Golden-winged Warbler				
06-14	1	Durham	Longmaid Farm	S. Mirick

Tennessee Warbler				
07-11	1	New London	Cricenti Bog	R.C. Vernon
07-22	12	Thornton	Hubbard Brook Exp. Stn.	J. Fisher

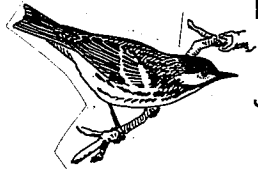
Nashville Warbler				
06-20	1	New London	Cricenti Bog	R.C. Vernon
06-30	3	Wilmot	Mt. Kearsage	R.C. Vernon
07-01	1	Thompson & Meserves Purchase	Great Gulf, WMNF	D. De Luca

Chestnut-sided Warbler				
06-18	1	Madbury	Cherry Ln.	R. & M. Suomala
06-20	2	New London	Bunker Loop	R.C. Vernon
06-23	2	Concord	E. Concord	V. Hayden
06-24	4	New London	Webb Loop	R.C. Vernon
06-25	3	New London	Auto Survey Route	R.C. Vernon
07-31	1	Sugar Hill	Pearl Lake Rd.	J. McIlwaine



Magnolia Warbler				
06-22	2	Bethlehem	Off Trudeau Rd.	J. McIlwaine
06-24	1	New London	Webb Loop	R.C. Vernon
06-27	1	New London	Carr Ledge	R.C. Vernon
06-30	1	Wilmot	Mt. Kearsage	R.C. Vernon

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Cape May Warbler				
06-08	1	Berlin	WMNF, Kilkenny Area	D. De Luca
Black-throated Blue Warbler				
06-24	4	New London	Webb Loop	R.C. Vernon
06-30	1	Wilmot	Mt. Kearsage	R.C. Vernon
Yellow-rumped Warbler				
06-27	2	New London	Carr Ledge	R.C. Vernon
06-30	5	Wilmot	Mt. Kearsage	R.C. Vernon
07-30	5	Wentworth	Town Line Pond area	G.A. & C.R. Ports
Black-throated Green Warbler				
06-20	2	New London	Bunker Loop	R.C. Vernon
06-24	2	New London	Webb Loop	R.C. Vernon
Blackburnian Warbler				
06-13	2	Sugar Hill	Pearl Lake Rd.	J. McIlwaine
06-30	2	Wilmot	Mt. Kearsage	R.C. Vernon
Pine Warbler				
07-15	1	Wolfeboro	E. Wolfeboro residence	C.H. Raddin
Prairie Warbler				
06-01	2	Londonderry	Manchester Airport	R.A. Quinn
06-19	2	Concord	E. Concord pine barrens	R.A. Quinn
06-22	1	Hooksett	Rt. 93 exit	R.A. Quinn
Bay-breasted Warbler				
06-24	1	Harts Location	Mt. Willard	J. McIlwaine
Blackpoll Warbler				
07-01	3	Thompson & Meserves Purchase	WMNF, Great Gulf	D. De Luca
Cerulean Warbler				
06-15	1	Webster	Blackwater Farm	B. & H. Janeway
Ovenbird				
06-20	8	New London	Bunker Loop	R.C. Vernon
06-21	11	New London	Low Plains	R.C. Vernon
06-24	13	New London	Webb Loop	R.C. Vernon
06-25	11	Wilmot	Auto Survey Route	R.C. Vernon
06-27	13	New London	Carr Ledge	R.C. Vernon
Louisiana Waterthrush				
06-17	3	Hancock	Willard Pond	D. Rowell
Mourning Warbler				
06-08	4	Berlin	WMNF, Kilkenny Area	D. De Luca
06-11	1	Columbia	Rt. 3	D. & B. Killam
07-22	2	Thornton	Hubbard Brook Exp. Stn.	J. Fisher
Common Yellowthroat				
06-20	2	New London	Cricenti Bog	R.C. Vernon
06-21	5	New London	Low Plains	R.C. Vernon
06-25	8	New London	Auto Survey Route	R.C. Vernon
06-28	4	Sutton	Cascade Marsh	R.C. Vernon



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Wilson's Warbler				
06-25	2	Pittsburg		R.A. Quinn
Canada Warbler				
06-14	1	Bethlehem	Rocks Estate	J. McIlwaine
06-20	1	New London	Bunker Loop	R.C. Vernon
06-21	1	New London	Low Plains	R.C. Vernon
06-24	2	Durham	off Dame Rd.	S. Mirick
07-31	1	Sugar Hill	Pearl Lake Rd.	J. McIlwaine

Tanagers through Sparrows

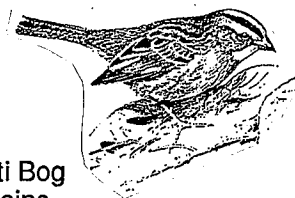
Northern Cardinals hit another record high on the BBS. Rose-breasted Grosbeaks have declined since their big increase in numbers in the late 1970's and came in at their third-lowest total ever. Meanwhile, the Indigo Bunting is on a population rise, reaching its fifth-highest total and being more frequent in the North Country than normal.

Sparrows recorded in low numbers on the BBS include Rufous-sided Towhee, Field, Savannah, and Song Sparrows. Chipping Sparrows, on the other hand, were recorded at their second-highest total ever and easily outnumbered Dark-eyed Juncos on the northernmost BBS route (Clarksville).

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Scarlet Tanager				
06-21	1	New London	Low Plains	R.C. Vernon
06-24	2	New London	Webb Loop	R.C. Vernon
06-25	1	New London	Auto Survey Route	R.C. Vernon
Rose-breasted Grosbeak				
06-25	5	New London	Auto Survey Route	R.C. Vernon
06-30	2	Wilmot	Mt. Kearsage	R.C. Vernon
07-10	2	Wolfeboro	E. Wolfeboro residence	D.L. & C.H. Raddin
07-28	3	Wentworth	Town Line Pond area	G.A. & C.R. Ports
Indigo Bunting				
06-01	2	Hillsboro		R. Sprague
06-18	1	Wolfeboro	E. Wolfeboro residence	C.H. Raddin
06-24	1	Franconia	The Basin	R.A. Quinn
06-25	3	Pittsburg		R.A. Quinn
06-30	1	Wilmot	Mt. Kearsage	R.C. Vernon
Rufous-sided Towhee				
06-02	1	Bethlehem	Trudeau Rd.	J. McIlwaine
06-05	1	Concord	sod farm, Locke Rd.	R.A. Quinn
06-19	1	Concord	E. Concord pine barren	R.A. Quinn
06-20	1	New London	Bunker Loop	R.C. Vernon
06-24	2	New London	Webb Loop	R.C. Vernon
06-25	2	New London	Auto Survey Route	R.C. Vernon
06-28	2	Sutton	Cascade Marsh	R.C. Vernon
06-30	1	Wilmot	Mt. Kearsage	R.C. Vernon
Field Sparrow				
06-01	1	Londonderry	Manchester Airport	R.A. Quinn
06-19	2	Concord	E. Concord pine barrens	R.A. Quinn



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Vesper Sparrow				
06-28	3	Henniker	fields near Contoocook R.	B. Janeway
Savannah Sparrow				
06-01	1	Londonderry	Manchester Airport	R.A. Quinn
Sharp-tailed Sparrow				
07-16	1	Hampton	Metal Shop Marsh	R.A. Quinn
Lincoln's Sparrow				
06-11	1	Stratford	Rt. 3	D. & B. Killam
06-25	6	Pittsburg		R.A. Quinn
White-throated Sparrow				
06-20	8	New London	Cricenti Bog	R.C. Vernon
06-21	4	New London	Low Plains	R.C. Vernon
06-25	3	New London	Auto Survey Route	R.C. Vernon
06-30	7	Wilmot	Mt. Kearsage	R.C. Vernon



Blackbirds through Finches

Except for **Bobolinks** and **Red-winged Blackbirds**—which were near record lows—most of the blackbirds were recorded in normal numbers. A photograph of an adult male **Yellow-headed Blackbird** taken in North Hampton on June 17 establishes one of the few summer records for this species.

While **Purple Finches** were low on the BBS, the **House Finch** continues its explosive population growth with another record BBS high of 202 birds (all the more remarkable since their first BBS record was in 1979). **Evening Grosbeaks** were thinly but widely reported from the southern part of the state again this summer.

<i>date</i>	<i>#</i>	<i>town</i>	<i>location</i>	<i>observer(s)</i>
Eastern Meadowlark				
06-01	1	Londonderry	Manchester Airport	R.A. Quinn
06-05	2	Canterbury	sod farm	R.A. Quinn
06-21	2	Bow	PSNH field	R.A. Quinn
06-23	1	Concord	E. Concord	V. Hayden
06-24	1	Dalton		R.A. Quinn
06-24	2	Littleton		R.A. Quinn
06-25	1	New London	Auto Survey Route	R.C. Vernon
06-30	1	Colebrook	Rt. 145	D. & B. Killam
07-02	1	Colebrook	Rt. 3	D. & B. Killam
07-04	4	Canterbury	sod farm	R.A. Quinn
07-29	1	Belmont	Deer Farm	R.A. Quinn
Yellow-headed Blackbird				
06-17	1	N. Hampton	Post Rd.	H. Bauer
Common Grackle				
07-18	100	Canterbury	Baptist Rd.	R. Robinson
Brown-headed Cowbird				
06-24	1		Star Is., Isles of Shoals	T. Arter, L. Harper
Orchard Oriole				
06-17	1	Durham	Dame Farm	S. Mirick

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06-21	3	Durham	off Oyster Rd.	S. Mirick
07-15	2	Seabrook	Beckman's Landing	S. Mirick
Purple Finch				
06-01	5	Canterbury	Baptist Hill Rd.	R.A. Quinn
06-01	20	Littleton		B. Bradley
06-06	2	Moultonborough	Shaker Jerry Rd.	L.E. Schulten
06-07	2	Wolfeboro	E. Wolfeboro residence	D.L. & C.H. Raddin
06-19	1	Durham	Packer Falls Rd.	A. Ablowich
06-20	2	New London	Bunker Loop	R.C. Vernon
06-20	2	New London	Cricenti Bog	R.C. Vernon
06-24	1	Wolfeboro	E. Wolfeboro residence	D.L. & C.H. Raddin
06-25	3	New London	Auto Survey Route	R.C. Vernon
06-25	9	Pittsburg		R.A. Quinn

White-winged Crossbill

07-01	6	Thompson & Meserves Purchase	WMNF, Great Gulf	D. De Luca
07-29	24	Canterbury	Baptist Hill Rd.	R.A. Quinn
07-29	4	Bethlehem	bog off Trudeau Rd.	J. McIlwaine
07-31	2	Greenfield	Mt. Monadnock	J.C. Broyelse

Pine Siskin

06-25	6	Pittsburg	along Rt. 3	R.A. Quinn
07-12	2	Columbia	residence	D. & B. Killam

Evening Grosbeak

06-01	4	Hancock	King's Hgwy. residence	M. Cadot
06-01	2	Canterbury	Baptist Hill Rd.	R.A. Quinn
06-24	1	New London	Webb Loop	R.C. Vernon
07-03	5	Bristol	E. Bristol	G. Jeffers
07-06	1	Sandwich	N. Sandwich	L.E. Schulten
07-10	2	Chester	residence	A. & B. Delorey
07-14	1	Concord	E. Concord	V. Hayden
07-15	30	Littleton		C. Sleeper
07-18	4	Danbury		K.C. Elkins
07-28	3	New Hampton	village	E. Emmons
07-29	6	Andover	village	K.C. Elkins
07-30	1	Columbia	residence	D. Killam
07-31	25	Franconia		I. Thompson
07-31	2	Canterbury	Baptist Hill Rd.	R.A. Quinn

Reports for the following species were received but they do not appear in the listings.

Downy Woodpecker	White-breasted Nuthatch	American Redstart	Dark-eyed Junco
Hairy Woodpecker	Brown Creeper	Northern Waterthrush	Bobolink
Northern Flicker	European Starling	Northern Cardinal	Red-winged Blackbird
Eastern Phoebe	Northern Parula	Chipping Sparrow	Northern Oriole
Black-capped Chickadee	Yellow Warbler	Song Sparrow	House Finch
Tufted Titmouse	Black-and-white Warbler	Swamp Sparrow	American Goldfinch

Reporters for Summer 1989

R. Aaronian	P. Brent	J. Fisher	B. Janeway	K. Metz	D.L. Raddin	R. Sprague
A. Ablowich	M. Cadot	R.W. Foster	G. Jeffers	S. Mirick	E. Richards	D. Stavros
H.C. Anderson	S. Cole	G. Gavutis	E.A. Jones	P. Niswander	L. Ring	B. Steele
G. Beal	A. Delorey	W. Goodwill	A.S. Kent	D. Osgood	R. Ritz	M. Suomala
G. Bendixon	D. De Luca	L. Harper	D. Killam	L. Phinney	D. Rowell	R. Suomala
S. Bogert	K.C. Elkins	N. Harris	S. MacLeod	G.A. Ports	L.E. Schulten	M. Turner
J. Bourne	D. Evans	V. Hayden	J. McIlwaine	R.A. Quinn	J.L. Simmons	R.C. Vernon
B. Bradley						V. Wadleigh