FALL MIGRATION 1982

1 August-30 November

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The autumn migration in 1982 was at once fascinating and dull, all depending on where one was. If a birder was at Dead Creek Wildlife Management Area, he or she was treated to large numbers of shorebirds and herons attracted to mud flats and small pools because of a management-related draw down of the impoundments of the refuge. If the observer was out on one of the many fine days watching for hawks or warblers, it may have seemed dull indeed.

The autumn of 1982 was fairly mild with temperatures averaging 2 or 3 degrees above the elusive norm. The season was also relatively dry but not remarkably so. There was a general lack of strong cold fronts which led to an autumn with few notable migratory waves.

Much of August birding was focused on Dead Creek, where the shorebird circus provided much entertainment. Twenty-five species were reported with some staggering high counts. Much to the credit of local observers, the mouth of the Winooski River was not orphaned by Dead Creek’s popularity and produced 22 species of shorebird in lesser numbers. The two best times for migrants were the 18th and the 28th, 29th and surrounding dates. A weak cold front passed on 8/18 producing good numbers of warblers in Duxbury; and a very brisk cold front arrived on the 28th and 29th, pushing good numbers of shorebirds into Dead Creek and warblers into some areas.

Neither hawks nor warblers lived up to high expectations during a mild and unspectacular September. The best numbers of migrants accompanied mild cold fronts on 9/7, 9/17, 9/19 and 9/23.

A mild cold front on 10/1 opened a somewhat more lively October. The best waves were on 10/9, when huge numbers of geese were reported; 10/16, when large numbers of sparrows were seen and a good variety of late warblers was reported; and 10/21, which produced a good weekend 10/22-24. The icy cold of the nights during the fourth week of October pushed large numbers of robins, cro crows, grackles and American Tree Sparrows through the state.

A couple of late cold fronts in November produced the only Oldsquaw reports of the season; the best count of Snow Bunting on 11/5 and 6; and good numbers of scoters on 11/13 and 14. The winter incursions that make late fall bearable were absent, with the notable exception of Snowy Owl, at least 4 of which were reported. There were no reports of Pine Grosbeak and crossbills, only one report of redpoll, and only token numbers of Pine Siskin and Evening Grosbeaks (the last perhaps a relief to feeder fillers). The season-long presence of Purple Finch, American Goldfinch, Red-breasted Nuthatch and Boreal Chickadee within their respective Vermont nesting ranges emphasizes the lack of movement by species which reside north of here.

Among the rarities reported the following are considered the most remarkable. What with Dead Creek being drawn down and the mouth of the Winooski River being given regular coverage, shorebirds are prominent. The best shorebirds were Stilt Sandpiper,* Buff-breasted Sandpiper* (reported an unprecedented four times this autumn), Wilson’s Phalarope, WILLET (third record in eight years), and PURPLE SANDPIPER (a first for Records of Vermont Birds, hereafter RVB). Other good reports include 4 GOLDEN EAGLES (an unprecedented number), 2 SANDHILL CRANES over a Hawk Watch in Grafton, COMMON BARN-OWL (a first for the Autumn Records), the first autumn Golden-winged Warbler in 4 years, Prairie Warbler (which is the second consecutive autumn record), Glossy Ibis (for the third consecutive year), Dickcissel, and Connecticut Warbler. In all 235 species were reported, excluding two exotics.

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Black-billed Cuckoo for American Golden-Plover to differentiate from Greater Golden-Plover also to indicate the species Siberian distribution, note hyphen.

Red-necked Phalarope for Northern Phalarope, this species does not breed as far north as does the Red Phalarope therefore the British name is more correct.

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Eastern Screech-Owl for Screech Owl, to differentiate from other Screech-Owls, note hyphen. Western birds are considered specifically distinct from eastern birds.

Northern Saw-whet Owl for Saw-whet Owl, to differentiate from Unsptotaw Saw-whet Owl of Central America.

Three-toed Woodpecker for Northern Three-toed Woodpecker (the British name for this species).

Black-billed Woodpecker for Black-backed Three-toed Woodpecker, these species names are much less complicated in these forms.

Northern Flicker for Common Flicker, there are several species does not breed as far north as does the Red Goshawk therefore the British name is more correct.

Eastern Wood-Pewee, the name Wood-Pewee is now hyphenated.

Northern Rough-winged Swallow, there is now a tropical species of Rough-winged Swallow.

American Crow for Common Crow, this name more appropriately differentiates our crow from other continent's common crows.

Sedge Wren for Short-billed Marsh Wren, this bird inhabits meadows as well as marshes.

Marsh Wren for Long-billed Marsh Wren, this the typical wren of marshland.

Northern Mockingbird for Mockingbird, there are other species of mockingbirds in tropical America.

European Starling for Starling, to differentiate from other starlings in the Old World.

American Tree Sparrow for Tree Sparrow, to differentiate from other introduced Eurasian Tree Sparrow.

There were two reports of the scarce Red-throated Loon: one was noted at Long Pt. in Ferrisburg on 11/15 (JID,MCD); and 1, perhaps the same bird, was seen in Shelburne Bay from 11/20-29 (DLC,BDE, et al.). The 140 Common Loons reported was the same as the previous year's total. Adults were seen with well grown young through August on Thumam K. Dlx Reservoir (hereafter TDWR). Migrants were first noted in early Sept.; the highest number reported was 66 on 10/28-29 in Grand Isle (HBE). Only five Pied-billed Grebes were reported for the season from 9/21 when 1 was seen at Herrick's Cove (hereafter HC) to 11/21 when 1 was found on the last of a series of dates on Tinmouth Pd. (CJF). The Horned Grebe was reported in only token numbers for the third consecutive year. Thirty were reported; the first was a very early arrival on 9/11 at the Lower Otter Creek in Ferrisburg (RD); the best count reported was 4 on 11/27 at Mallett's Bay in Colchester (JDM). A total of 7 Red-necked Grebes was reported: 3 were seen on Shelburne Bay on 10/19 (DLC), 1 was noted at the same location on 10/27 (DLC), 2 were located there from 11/18-20 (DLC,JDM), and 1 was found at the Tri-town Water Plant in Addison on 11/20 (WGE,NLM). Numbers of the Double-crested Cormorant continue to increase, especially on L. Champlain. One hundred were seen throughout August in the vicinity of Young Is. on 8/15. A total of 50 were noted in Norwich (1), Pittsfield (4), Fairlee (1), Hardwick (3), Derby (3), and North Hero (38). The species was reported into the fourth week of Oct. Fifteen American Bitterns were reported, nearly half (7) were split between Dead Creek Wildlife Management Area (hereafter DCWMA), and the mouth of the Winooski River (hereafter MDW) in Colchester. A very late specimen was recovered in Montpelier on 11/14 (JID,JDS). A single m. Least Bittern sighted in DCWMA on 8/29 (WGE,NLM) was found early in American Bitterns, possibly on 8/29 with a maximum count of 4 on the latter date. Others were a specimen from South Reading on 8/3 (fide VINS), and 1 on the Lamoille River in Milton on 8/4 (DLC). There were three reports of Snowy Egrets from DCWMA on 8/21 (WGE,NLM), 1 at Missisquoi National Wildlife Refuge (hereafter MNWR) 9/14 (TM), and 1 at Roundy's Cove in Rockingham on 9/24 (DLC). There was a single probable report of an ad. Little Blue Heron from McCuoen's Slough in Addison on 9/11 (RD). A small white heron was sighted from a car on the White River in the Village of Bethel on 8/15. Egrets of any kind are rare in the Vermont 'Piedmont' (BMC). There were five reports of Cattle Egret: 1 was seen at MNWR on 8/15 (JID,MCD); a phenomenal 58 were sighted in DCWMA on 8/29 (WGE,NLM); 2 were seen in Addison on 8/22 (WGE,NLM); 4 were seen at DCWMA from 9/1 to 9/22 (m.ob.); and 1 was sighted in Montpelier on 11/9, constituting at least the fifth November record over the last eight years (LEJ, Follett, et al.). The 150, common Green Heron reported: an excellent high count of 18 was achieved on 8/6 at Shelburne Pd. (JID,MCD); the species was noted into Oct. for the third straight year, with 1 in Panton on 10/3 (JRA) and another seen 'along the Missisquoi River.' (in Lowell?) on 10/13 (TP). The Black-crowned Night-Heron was noted at the Intervale in Burlington, on the Otter Creek in Rutland, at Shoreham, and at DCWMA, where maxima were 14 on 8/22 and 9/26 (WGE,NLM). In addition, the last were 2 on 10/6 (WGE). There were two reports of the rare Glossy Ibis, an immature was seen in Winooski on 9/24 (DF, et al.); and 1 was sighted at the MRW 9/5 (JDM).
American (JIO, MCD); Bd. re Camel's Watches~management and 3 were at MWR on 9/18. Gray Partridge was found in Southanton on Bd. MWR noted at Mud Creek on 10/24 (OLe). There were 7 reports of the Common Moorhen (GAME on draw down at DCWMA GOL18). Mon Mergansers were reported on dates throughout the season, including 20 on 10/25-11/10 (DLe), and 8 in Shoreham on 10/29 (ElW). All 3 Oldsquaw records fall within a two day period: 2 were reported on 10/22 (JID, MCD), 2 and a drake were on Timmond Pd. 11/6 (CIF), and a single imm. was seen at Chimney Pt. in Addison on 11/6 (JSA). There were 4 reports of the Black Scoter, 6 on CIFA on 10/22 (KAN), on 10/24-50 on L. Moxey and 13 on L. Farellie (WGS, NLM, MFE), 20 on Shelburne Pd. on 11/10 (MFM), and 11/14 30 on Moxey and 15 on Farellie (WGS, NLM). There were 5 reports of Surf Scoter, all falling within the month of Oct.: 4 on Timmond Pd. on 10/8 (CIF), 3 in Shoreham on 10/14 (ELW), 5 on Caspian L. on 10/23 (WGS, NLM, MFE), and 3 on Shelburne on 10/25-11/10 (DLC, MM), and 9 in Shoreham on 10/29 (WGS). There were only two reports of White-winged Scoter: 1 was shot by a hunter at HC on 10/16, in spite of the "coot's" lamented absence this season, and 1 on 11/13 (ELW). About 420 Common Goldeneye were reported. High counts included: 125 in the Burlington area on 11/13 (JDM), 30 on L. Moxey on 11/14 (WGS, NLM), and 4 on Burlington on 11/25 (WGS, OMS). Fifty Bufflehead were reported: the earliest report was 2 on 10/10 on Shelburne Pd., 1 leading count was 11 on 11/13 in the Burlington area (JDM). Hooded Mergansers numbered 60 this autumn. A female was noted with 4 juveniles on 8/10 on West Mt. Rd. in Middlebury (PES). The highest count for this species was at the 11.3 mile mark on Southbluff Rd. on 11/20 at Chimney Pt. in Addison (WGS, NLM). Over 195 Common Mergansers were reported on dates throughout the season, the best count submitted was 38 on 11/27 at Shoreham (ELW). There were four reports of Red-breasted Merganser: 2 on Caspian L. on 10/23 (WGS, NLM, MFE), 6 on L. Moxey on 10/24 (WGS, NLM, MFE), 4 in Shoreham on 11/14 (ELW), and 2 on Shelburne Pd. on 11/19 (MFM). There were two records of the scarce Red-eyed Duck, 1 seen on the Digital Plant Rd. in South Burlington on 11/7 (WGB, NLM), and a f. on 11/10 in Shelburne Pd. (MFM).

**VULTURES, HAWKS & FALCONS**

Turkey Vultures continue to be reported in excellent numbers, with observers reporting on hawk watches and over 100 were noted by independent observers. High counts ranged between 10 and 14 and originated from such places as, Sand Bar WMA, DCWMA, and HC. Late individuals included 2 on 10/17 at Shoreham, reported on Caspian L in all previous counts. 11/15 in the "harvest season" (JDF, fide JDS). The autumn of 1982 will probably go down in hawk-watching history as among the least productive of all. However, a few highlights stand out: 223 was reported on Hawk Watches. High counts were 25 on 9/3 at DCWMA (JDMUC, and 35 from White Rocks Mt. on 9/4 (RWP, MBE). A total of 13 Merlins was reported from 8/21-10/7, with 6 on Hawk Watches. The management draw down at DCWMA provided an excellent food source for recently hatched young Peregrine Falcons. Many observers who visited DCWMA in search of shorebirds were treated to sightings of this superb bird as well; perhaps as many as 4 imm. Peregrines were seen there for the season. The two were found to hawk sites at White Rocks Mt. in Willfording and Hurricane Mt. in Keene, N.Y. Of particular interest was the presence of an adult in mid-August; it could not be determined if this bird was "hawk bird" from a previous release or not. Four other Peregrines were reported including three on Hawk Watches, (mob.)

**UPLAND GAME BIRDS THROUGH CRANE**

A Sandhill Crane was found in Swanton on 11/25 (MU). W. J. Norse reports a Partridge of unknown species, possibly "Gray" at HC on 11/2; this is the second record of an exotic game bird from this location. Who is releasing these birds? Reports of the Ring-necked Pheasant were hard to come by, with most reports limited to Vermont winters: 1 was seen this autumn in Shoreham on 10/1 (ELW). There was a single report of Spruce Grouse, 2 encountered at Moses Bog in Ferdinand on 10/16 (WGS, NLM, et al.). The New England population of Spruce Grouse was in low to modest numbers; the highest counts reported were 15 on 9/5 at Gilte Mt. in Norwich (WGS, NLM), and 7 on Canal's Hump on 10/24 (DLC). There were 7 reports of the Wild Turkey (Formerly Turkey), from Reading, Timthumb, Woodstock, Ferrisburg, and Stowe, with 2 reported on 9/29 (JID, MCD) and 2 on 10/20 (JID, MCD). The only report of the Mallard (Ducks) was on 9/29 in the Burlington area (JDM). There was a single report of the American Coot, 1 seen at S. Branch in Ferrisburg on 8/21 (JID, MCD); 7 were sighted at DCWMA on 9/9 (KAN), and 3 were at MWR on 9/18 (JID). There was a single report of the American Oystercatcher, 1 seen at Sandhill Cranes soaring over town Farm Hill in Crafton on 9/17.
**SHOREBIRDS**

The draw down of DCWMA during summer and early autumn for carp and cat-tail control led to the dominant theme in shorebird reporting for autumn 1982. Virtually everyone went to Dead Creek this fall, and just about everyone was richly rewarded. Shorebirds were seen in large numbers and high diversity at DCWMA during Aug. and Sept. with a total of 25 species reported from Dead Creek for the autumn. Records of shorebirds will be presented for DCWMA first and for other locations second. Thirty-three Black-bellied Plovers were reported from DCWMA from 8/8-10/6, the best count 14 on 8/24 (AP). Others reported were 3 at MWR on 9/11 (TM), and 1 each day on 9/15 & 25 at MWR (JDM). A total of 27 Lesser Golden-Plovers (formerly American Golden-Plover) was reported at DCWMA from 8/18-10/6, the most on a given date was 4 on 9/26 (WS,NLM). Five others were seen at MWR on 9/25, 10/16 and 10/23 (JDM). About 200 Semipalmated Plovers were reported at DCWMA from 8/10-10/6 with a max. of 39 on 9/12 (WS,NLM). Twenty-five were reported from the Burlington area in Aug., and Sept. Better than 1100 Killdeer were noted at DCWMA, the high count was 210 on 9/1 (WS,NLM,FO,WM). Very late were 4 at Shelburne Bay from 11/18-20 (DC, JDM). The Greater Yellowlegs was reported at DCWMA from 8/4-10/Late Sept., with 73 noted, with the high of 10 occurring on several dates during the season. At least 30 others were reported with most seen in the Champlain Lowlands; the last reported were 2 at Shelburne Bay & Burlington on 11/1 (NLM). A phenomenon 550 Lesser Yellowlegs were reported from DCWMA from 8/1-10/6; most seen on a single day were 128 on 8/1 (WS). Others reported were 1 on 10/9 at the MWR (JDM), and 2 surprisingly late "summer yellowlegs" were seen at TWDR 10/29-11/4 (MFM). Solitary Sandpipers were recorded at DCWMA from 8/1-9/12, a total of 25 was sighted with a max. of 12 on 8/1 (WS). Fifteen others were reported with a high of 8 on 8/17 from So. Hinesburg (WGB), and a late date of 10/31 when 1 was located at New Haven jet. (KG). The best shorebird seen away from DCWMA this autumn was the Willet seen at the MWR on 10/9 by J. D. Marsh. Fifty-seven Spotted Sandpipers were reported at DCWMA from 8/1-9/11, the best counts were 15 on 8/4 (WS), and 15 again on 8/8 (WS,NLM). Twenty-eight others were reported with a max. of 12 on 8/6 at Shelburne Pk. (JDM,NLM); the last reported was 1 on 10/7 at Denby (CGF). A total of 19 Upland Sandpipers was reported from DCWMA and vicinity from 8/7-9/7; the best number recorded was 13 on 8/8 (WS,NLM). One individual was also reported at Shelburne Pk. on 8/4 (WS,NLM) and 8/12 at Panton (JDM,NLM), and 1 heard overhead at night in Hartford at 11:15 p.m. on 8/27 (KG). An experienced and respected observer communicated by word-of-mouth report to your editor of a mid-August sighting of a Whimbrel from DCWMA (GEH), unfortunately there is not written report or photo to back up this report. There were 2 reports of Ruddy Turnstone; 1 was seen at the MWR on 8/29 (WS,NLM), and 1 was sighted at DCWMA on 9/1 (WS,FO,WM,WM). There was a single report of Red Knot, a bird exhibiting the rusty wash and prominent pale back-feather edging of a juvenile, seen at the MWR from 8/29-9/6 (WS,NLM,JDM). The six reports of Sanderling are as follows: 1 found at the MWR on 8/15 (JDM), 1 seen in Burlington on 8/1 (MWR), 1 on 9/8 (MWR), 1 at Norford L. on 9/9, and 5 at Burlington on 9/4 (WS,NLM,JDM, et al.), 2 at Blodgett's in Burlington on 9/9 (WSN), and 9 sighted at DCWMA on 9/18 (WS,NLM,et al.). Semipalmated Sandpipers were reported at DCWMA from 8/1-9/26 totalling about 1170 Birds, the maximum was 23/5 on 8/9. Fifty-nine were also reported from the Burlington area. One noted on the late date of 10/23 at the MWR could have been a Western, but there is nothing in the report to inform us how the observer came to a determination. Forty-nine Semipalmated Sandpipers was reported from the MWR on 9/9 (NLM). The most abundant shorebird at DCWMA this autumn was the Least Sandpiper, about 1750 were reported from 8/1-9/26 with a single day high of 250+ on 9/1 (WS,NLM,FO,WM). Twenty-one others were reported from other locations. There were three reports of the uncommon White-rumped Sandpiper at DCWMA: 1 on 8/24 (FO,WM), 1 on 9/3 (JDM, NLM), and another on 9/12 (JRA). The last was 1 at the MWR on 10/23-30 (JDM). An incredible at Bailey's Sandpipers was reported at DCWMA from 8/14-9/25; the best count submitted was an eye-opening 18 w 9/6 (WS,NLM,FO,WM). The only other Bailey's reported was on 8/29 from the MWR (WS,NLM). Pectoral Sandpipers at DCWMA totalled 278 from 8/10-6/with a 130 w 8/20 (WS,WM,FO,WM). The total for the season, 10/25, was w 9/18 at Shoreham (GM), 8 at S. Slagen, Ferrisburg on 9/13 (JDM,NLM), and 5 at the MWR from 10/16-23 (JDM). Perhaps not totally unexpected but still a first for the MWR was a lone PURPLE SANDPIPER at McCuen Slang in Addison on 11/6, the first reported in many years in many areas of Vermont. This bird was in the Green Mt. State (JSA). A total of 41 Dunlin was reported at DCWMA from 9/3-10/6 with a max. of 22 on the former date (JDM,NLM). Others reported included 1 on 9/9 at Blodgett's (NLM, FO) 9 at the MWR on 9/19 (JDM), 1 at Blodgett's on 9/15 (DC), and 9 at the MWR on 9/25 (JDM). There was a single report of the rare STILT SANDPIPER, 2 were seen at DCWMA on 9/9 (WM,WM). There were 4 reports of the very rare BURR-HEADED SANDPIPER: a juvenile was seen at the MWR on 7/4 (JDM), 1 was seen at DCWMA on 9/5 (JDM), and 1 on 9/11 (WS). Exciting, was a possible RUFF which flashed by four observers at DCWMA on 9/1. Two of the observers have had a good deal of experience with this chunky Eurasian wader (FO,WM,ES,WS). There were 3 reports of the Short-Billed Dowitcher all from DCWMA: 4 on 8/4 (JDM,NLM), 1 on 9/8 (WS,NLM,ES), and from 8/13-14 (JSA,et al.). Eight unidentified Dowichers were seen on 10/9 at the MWR may well have been Long-Billed (JDM). Fifty-nine Western Sandpipers were reported at DCWMA with a maximum of 19 on 9/8 (WS,NLM). Unlike other species of shorebird, the snipe was probably under-reported. Seventeen others were reported, the latest being 1 at the Shelburne Fishing Access on 11/20 (JDM). Only 24 American Woodcock were reported. C. J. Frankewicz who actively pursued woodcock as a sportsman reported far fewer than normal in his extensive experience. The last reported was 1 on 11/15 at Reading (PMH). At least three WILSON'S PHALAROPES were seen at DCWMA this autumn: 1 was noted there from 8/12-14 (m.ob.); 2 were present on 8/20; and 1 was seen the next day (m.ob.). Red-necked Phalaropes (formerly Northern Phala- rope) were reported in impressive numbers at DCWMA from 8/1-11, as many as 9 on a single date; perhaps as many as 15 may have occurred (m.ob.). A single unidentified Phalarope was reported from Norford L. in Thetford on 9/20 (HJ, JDM).

**GULLS & Terns**

The last records of the Bonaparte's Gull include 2 at Shoreham on 8/6 (AW), a juvenile at DCWMA on 8/8 (WS,NLM), and 5 at the MWR on 8/15 (JDM). The best numbers of the sea- son were reported in late Nov. with 175+ at the Shelburne Fishing Access on 11/10 (MWR,WM), and 124+ at St. Albans Bay on 11/4 (NLM). Norwchester as to location were also reported in Greensboro on 10/23 (WS,NLM,et al.). The Ring-billed Gull is nearly ubiquitous in the Champlain Lowlands' high COUNTS submitted include 315 at DCWMA on 8/29 (WS,NLM), 700 at Burlington, the Champlain Valley at 130, East Montpelier on 11/17 (MWR,WM), and 201 at Burlington on 11/20 (DC). Very few reports of the Herring Gull were received, the best number 200+ on 11/4 at Burlington (WS,NLM). The slow rise in the numbers of Great Black-backed Gull reported to dramatic upswing was reported with this chunky Eurasian gull rising in Greensboro on 10/23 (WS,NLM,et al.).
Black-backed capital of VT on 11/23 (NMJ). The great majority of Common Terns reported was seen at the traditional MWR staging area; 50 were seen there on 9/4 (m.ob.); the species was last noted there on 9/11 when 6 were found (JDM).

DOVES THROUGH OWLS

The Rock Dove remains common in its usual haunts. The Mourning Dove was widely reported in good numbers; the highest count submitted was 76 on 8/14 at DOWMA (WGE, NMJ et al.). Although the birds have been around before, it always bemused this observer when he gets wind of parrots and their ilk making an appearance in Vermont. This autumn 2 birds which fit the description of Black-hooded Parakeets (Nandayus nenday) were seen in Hartford in late Sept. and early Oct. This species is illustrated (head only) in the 1980 edition of The Field Guide to the Birds. According to Boyle, Paxton and Cutler in Am. Birds 36: 157-161 there is a "thriving" flock of 25 at Conoy i. in Brooklyn, N.Y. Of particular note was the record of a Black-hooded Parakeet in N. Sandwich, N.H. (9/20 (ELW). Inmatures were reported on the following dates in north-central VT: 11/4-5 (SBL, NLM). The Black-billed Cuckoo was very poorly reported: the species was noted sporadically in August in Woodstock (JMN), and 1 was banded on 8/27 at Marshfield (FMH); 6 cuckoos heard during nocturnal migrants 8/12-18 were most likely Black-billeds (WGE). There were 2 reports of the less common Yellow-billed Cuckoo: 1 was seen at Button Bay SP on 8/1 (JDM), and 1 was found in Brandon on 9/12 (SUS). A first for the autumn Records were the 2 COMON BARN-OWLS (formerly Barn Owl) reported in New Haven Jct.; 1 was heard on 9/9 (WGE, JMC).)

The Great Horned Owls were reported: 1 was of known age and sex reported on Sand Rd., Ferrisburg on 11/29 (FIND, JMD); a total of 10 Barred Owls was reported from 13 townships; the only noticeable gap in this species' VT range appears to be western Addison County. A first of a probable hatch year individual was found dead along I-89 on 11/15 in the town of Hartford, the specimen now at VINS (WMS). Three Northern Saw-whet Owls (formerly Saw-Whet Owl) were reported: 1 was banded at Woodstock on 9/17 (VINS); 4 total were banded, 2 at Stockbridge (BMH), and 1/14 at Bridgewater Corners (CCP). In the Editor's opinion, these records, plus the occurrence of an imm. at a lavender feeding station in Dec., imply the per­givinations of a single bird. The high count for Yellow-bellied Sapsucker was 11 on 8/1 at Reading (BMH). But the migration appeared to peak in the third week of Sept. The last reported was 1 seen in Brownsville on 10/8 (BMH). Three seven species were banded at Woodstock, this autumn, with 2 captured at Woodstock (VINS, NMJ); there were at least 10+ in VT. Both Downy and Hairy Woodpeckers were reported in about normal numbers, 1 of the latter and 3 of the former were banded, with 2 caught in Woodstock (VINS, NMJ). There were 2 reports of the Black-backed Woodpecker (formerly Black-backed Three-toed Woodpecker) seen in Woodstock (VINS, NMJ), and a particularly aggressive individual took about five runs at a deer hunter on a stand in Saxtons River on 11/26 (OPH).}

NIGHTJARS THROUGH WOODPECKERS

The Common Nighthawk was reported in relatively low numbers for a conspicuously gregarious late afternoon migrant. The species' migration usually peaks in late Aug. and is concentrated in major river valleys. About 105 were reported this season from 8/6-9/8 when 4 were seen in White River Oct.; the best count submitted was 58 on 9/2 in Windsor (WGE, SBL, NMJ). Three reports of the Whip-poor-will represents an unprecedented number of records of this elusive, strictly nocturnal fall migrant: 1 was heard at DOWMA on 8/23 (JDM); was heard along with an Eastern Screech-Owl on 9/11 at Ferrisburg (JMD), and 1 was flushed from a roadside in the week hours in Andover on 10/3 (WNL). Bul, in The Birds of New York State, indicates an inland late date of 10/16 for the Blend New York State; this date could be pushed back further in the future. There were no particularly high counts of the Chimney Swift and the species was very scarce after Aug. About 60 were reported with a late date of 9/5 at Gile Mt. in Norwich; 3 reports of the Common Nighthawk were submitted with one count on 8/6 at Burlington, 1/4 at Ferrisburg (JMD), and 7 on 9/20 at Duxbury (FAP). The late date for birds definitely of this species was 9/25 when singles were noted at Ferrisburg, Spencer's Cabin in Winhall, and at Colchester. Once again, a Hummingbird in 'female' plumage was seen in late Oct., this time on 10/21 in Woodstock (RMH); since long-distance vagrancy in late autumn has been proven for the very similar Black-chinned Hummingbird, these birds cannot safely be ascribed to species without the examination of the bird in the hand. The Belted Kingfisher was reported throughout the season, up to 10 on a given day; fledged young were reported roosting in an old nesting burrow as late as 8/10 in Shoreham (BMH). The Red-headed Woodpecker was well reported; 1 was present at Ferrisburg during Aug. and Sept. (JMD); 1 was noted in Charlotte on 9/1 (JMD), 1 was seen in Waybridge on 8/14 (WGE), 3 were sighted at Charcoal Creek on 8/17 (FAP); 1 was found at DOWMA on 9/20 (BMH). Immatures were reported on the following dates in east-central VT: 10/5 at Sharon (KH), 10/17 at Stockbridge (BMH), and 1/14 at Bridgewater Corners (CCP). In the Editor's opinion, these records, plus the occurrence of an imm. at a lavender feeding station in Dec., imply the per­givinations of a single bird. The high count for Yellow-bellied Sapsucker was 11 on 8/1 in Reading (BMH). But the migration appeared to peak in the third week of Sept. The last reported was 1 seen in Brownsville on 10/28 (BMH). Three species were banded at Woodstock, this autumn, with 2 captured at Woodstock (VINS, NMJ); both Downy and Hairy Woodpeckers were reported in about normal numbers, 1 of the latter and 3 of the former were banded, with 2 caught in Woodstock (VINS, NMJ). There were 2 reports of the Black-backed Woodpecker (formerly Black-backed Three-toed Woodpecker) seen in Woodstock (VINS, NMJ), and a particularly aggressive individual took about five runs at a deer hunter on a stand in Saxtons River on 11/26 (OPH).
daily in a Woodstock yard (JMN); 14 were banded this autumn with 7 at 9/8 in relation to this fall peak; the latest was 1 banded at Woodstock on 9/14 (VINS). In keeping with its broad environmental tolerance as compared with other flycatchers, the Eastern Phoebe experienced a later migratory peak and occurred later than the other members of this family. High counts were 6 on 9/19 at Reading (FMH) and 54 at Woodstock on 9/21 (JMN); 10 were banded, 9 in Woodstock (VINS,MFM). The last reported was 1 on 10/24 at Lincoln (JRA). Fourteen of the nineteen Great Crested Flycatchers reported this autumn were detected in Woodstock. The last were observed at Woodstock on 9/3 (JMN). As with the Great Crested Flycatcher, the majority of Eastern Kingbirds were seen in Aug., 80 of 86 were reported during the eighth month. This includes the max. of 28 from 8/8 at DCWMA (WGE,NLM); the last was noted on 9/17 at Ferrisburg (ELW). There were 4 reports of 72 Horned Larks, the max. was 67 on 11/6 at DCWMA (WGE,NLM). Thirty-one Purple Martins were reported; latest were 3 at DCWMA on 9/9 (WGE). The Tree Swallow was reported in impressive numbers especially at DCWMA which hosted an amazing number over its exposed flats; the best count reported from was ca. 5000 on 9/20 (ELW); two other counts at DCWMA exceeded 1000 indicating the magnitude of the swallow movement there; the last Tree Swallow was at least two weeks late on 10/27 at the Shelburne Fishing Access (JRA). The Northern Rough-winged Swallow (formerly Washington Swallow), whose migration peaks in late July, was reported in unprecedented numbers: 33 were seen on 8/1 at the Shelburne Fishing Access (JRA); 1 was seen at HC on 8/10 (FMH); 20 were banded in Woodstock on 8/8 (FMH). High counts of the Bank Swallow were at 40 at DCWMA on 8/10 (FAP) and 48 on 9/5 at Burton I. SP (JRA); none were reported later than 9/5. The best count of Cliff Swallow was 30 on 8/9 at Barton (WGE,NLM). The last reported was 3 on 9/5 at VC I. SP (JRA). Along with the Tree Swallows at DCWMA were considerable numbers of Barn Swallows; the best count reported from there was 120+ on 8/8 (WGE,NLM); 1 on 10/15 at Ascutney was about three weeks late (FMH).

JAYS THROUGH WRENS

There were two reports of Gray Jay both from the town of Ferrand. 6 were banded there by M. F. Metcalf, and 5 were seen and reported at Woodstock on 10/14 (JMN). The Gray Jay migration peaked in late-Sept. with a high of 111 on 9/25 on Howe Hill in Pomfret (m.obv.); good numbers were reported throughout with the notable exception of Winhall in the southern Green Mts. Thirteen were banded, 9 by M. F. Metcalf (MM,MFM); As is normal the fall migration of the American Crow (formerly Common Crow) peaked in late Oct. A sampling of high counts include: "hundreds in a constant stream" 10/18-31 at Shoreham (ELW); 1645 (1200 in just 10 minutes) at Ferrisburg on 10/10 (JSA); 200 on 8/10 at Reading (FMH); High counts of the Common Raven were 11 at DCWMA on 9/18 (JRA) indicating a great increase in numbers in the Champlain Lowlands; 17 at Woodstock (WGE,NLM) and 17 on 11/3 in Duxbury where "good numbers" were seen "this fall" (FAP). One at Red Rocks Park in South Burlington on 11/20, where the species was unknown until recently (DCWMA). The last reported was 1 on 9/8 at Reading (FMH); and 92 banded for the season (52 at Woodstock and Hartford) (VINS,MFM). All Boreal Chickadees were seen in the Northeast Kingdom this autumn: 5 were banded in Ferrand (MFM), 2 were counted at Duxbury (JMN) and 7 at Woodstock on 9/12 (JRA), 7 were noted at Moose Bog, Ferrand on 10/16 (WGE,NLM, et al.), and 2 were seen at Greensboro on 10/23 (WGE,NLM, et al.). Twenty-six Tufted Titmouses were reported, most prior to Oct. However, the Nuthatch was widely but thinly reported; the best numbers of this species were noted in the northeast; 1 was banded at Marshfield (MM). The White-breasted Nuthatch was noted in about average numbers. About 25 Brown Creepers were reported which were common last year. The Ovenbird was seen and reported as usual in the Champlain Lowlands, especially in the town of Ferrand; 17 were observed in the Ferrand area and 3 were at Milan (JRA). Jack-ans were usually reported in deceptively low numbers. A second brood of the House Wren in Woodstock fledged as late as 9/8; no more than 5 of this species were reported on a given date; the last dates seen in Timesvich were 6 on 10/14 (CIF) and 6 at Woodstock (VINS). A total of 28 Winter Wrens was reported; the highest count was 8 on 9/4 at Reading (FMH), and the latest was seen at Reading on 10/10 (FMH). Nineteen Marsh Wrens (formerly Long-billed Marsh Wren) were reported on nine dates, the max. was 7 at East Creek in Orwell on 8/6 (ELW), the last was 1 at DCWMA on 10/6 (WGE).
Vireos were reported; 13 were at Reading on 8/21 (FMH); but the migration appears to have peaked in mid-Sept., with the last reported being 1 at Woodstock on 9/14 (JMN). There were 12 banded at Woodstock (VINS,MFM). There were only 3 reports of Yellow-throated Vireo; the species was noted throughout Aug., in Woodstock (JMN), but was at Shelburne on 8/6 (JID,MCD). The last put in a late appearance at Woodstock on 9/12 (WJN). A total of 9 Philadelphia Vireos were reported; the usual handful of Warbling Vireos were reported: a few more than usual were reported into Sept. including the last bird on 9/22 at Shoreham (BW). Three were banded at Woodstock (VINS). A total of 9 Philadelphia Vireos were slightly below average. One was seen in Duxbury on 9/19 (FAP), 1 was at Winhall on 8/29 (NWM), 1 was noted at Reading on 9/1 (FMH), 1 was sighted at Woodstock on 9/10 (WGE), 1 was found in Duxbury on 9/8 (FAP); 1 was banded at Marshfield (MEM) and 2 on 9/13 at Woodstock (VINS). A very late individual was seen at Pelham on 9/14 (JMN); the last of the prior year was banded at Woodstock on 9/21 (VINS). A total of 19 Mourning Warblers was reported; the latest was seen at Woodstock on 9/28 (JMN); 1 was at Shoreham on 9/4 (OLe); 10 of the 19 banded were caught at Woodstock (VINS,MFM). High counts were 5 at Woodstock on 9/7 (VINS), 6 on 9/2 at Duxbury (FAP); 13 were at Reading on 8/25 (VINS); 9 were banded at Marshfield for the season (MEM). The autumn migration of the Blackpoll Warbler commences and peaks at later dates than that of the similar Bay-breasted Warbler: the earliest was at Winhall on 9/11 (NWM); the best count was 4 on 9/13 at Woodstock (JMN); 100 were reported on 9/20 at Reading (MEM). The last was a banded f. which met its demise against a downtown Woodstock window on 10/26, the bird proved to have been banded 6 years prior at Prince Edward Pt., Ontario (Qu, a fide WGE). Three of 5 banded were from Marshfield (MEM,VINS). Twenty-five American Redstarts were reported: high counts included 6 on 9/6 in Rutland (RSH), and 8 on 8/20 and 8/25 at Reading (MEM); 13 of 14 banded were caught in Marshfield (MEM, VINS); the last was 1 at Shoreham on 9/27 (EN). The total of 32 Ovenbirds reported is quite good when one considers this species' skulking habits; the high of 4 was achieved on 9/4 at Reading (MEM); 20 were banded, including 19 at Marshfield Rd. (MEM,VINS); 2 observed on Camel's Hump on 10/11 were over a week later than usual (WJN). Seventeen Northern Parulas were reported: a high of 5 was achieved on 8/18 at Hartford (WGE) and the last was 1 at Brandon on 9/26 (JMN). Woodstock (VINS) • Twenty-seven Cape May Warblers were reported: the best counts were 5 at Woodstock and 4 at Duxbury on 8/25 (JMN,FAP), 3 were banded at Woodstock (FAP); the last was a rather late individual on Mt. Mansfield on 10/2 (DLe). Black-throated Blue Warblers often shun the thickets which prove so attractive to other autumn migrant warblers, showing a preference for more wooded habitats; 96 were reported this fall. High counts included 14 on 8/18 at Duxbury (FAP); 13 were banded on 9/11 at Island Pd. (DLe). Thirty-three were trapped at Marshfield Pd. (MEM,VINS). The last date was 9/28 at Duxbury (FAP). Nearly 540 Yellow-rumped Warblers were reported; of this total 240 were reported between 9/21 and 10/9, including the high count of 100 from 10/1-3 at Stowe (JMN); 184 of the 206 banded were handled by H.M. Metcalf with 125 of these at Marshfield (MEM, VINS). There were at least five reports during the latter two weeks of Nov., which is better than twice the normal number. Over 110 Black-throated Gray Warblers were observed max. counts were max. counts were 7 on 8/29 at Woodstock (JMN), 6 at Duxbury on 9/6 (FAP), 6 at Woodstock on 9/13 (JMN) and 6-8 on 9/18 at Waybridge (MEM). 38 were banded with 25 netted in Marshfield (MEM,VINS); the last reported was at the MM on 10/16 (JMN). About 100 Magnolia Warbler were reported; good counts included 6 at Duxbury on 9/18 (FAP), 15 at Reading on 8/21 (MEM) and 5 at Woodstock on 8/30 (JMN). Note that all high counts for this canopy dwelling warbler were from Aug. Latest was 1 at Duxbury on 9/28 (FAP); 7 of the 10 banded were processed at Marshfield Rd. (MEM,VINS). Of the 15 banded at Woodstock (VINS) on 8/31, 2 were in White River Jct. on 8/29 (CFB), and 1 was present at Gale Meadows in Winhall on 10/8 (WJN). For the second autumn in succession, there was a single report of Puerto Rican Vireo at Springweather Nature Area in Springfield on 9/17 (WJN). A total of 8 Palm Warblers was reported: 1 was banded at Woodstock on 9/21 (VINS), 1 was seen in Woodstock on 9/24 (WGE), 1 was sighted in Shoreham on 9/30 (ELW), 1 was found in Woodstock on 9/30 (WGE), 1 was at Stowe on 10/2 (JMN). The American Redstart was kind enough to get mist-netted during VINS' annual autumn public banded demonstration on 9/13 at Woodstock (VINS). A total of 19 Mourning Warblers was reported, no more than 2 were seen on a given date and the last was seen at Woodstock on 9/25 (WGE); 8 were banded with 4 each at Woodstock and Marshfield Rd. (VINS,MFM). Nearly 260 Common Yellowthroats were reported, 260 were banded with 101 of them at Woodstock (VINS,MFM). High counts include 10 on 8/18 at Duxbury (FAP), and 10 at Woodstock on 8/25 (VINS); the last was located in Craftsbury on 10/23 (WGE, et al.). There were 40 Wilson's Warblers reported; very early was 1 on 8/3 at Shoreham (EDW); high counts were 5 on 8/31 at Woodstock (VINS), 3 the last was seen at Shoreham on 9/23 (SEM). Nearly 60 Canada Warblers were sighted, 27 of 32 banded were trapped at Marshfield Rd. (MEM,VINS); the high count was 9 on 8/1 at Reading (MEM), and the latest report was 1 at Shoreham and 1 banded at Woodstock on 9/19 (ELW,VINS).
were from mid-Sept., with 5 at HC on 9/7 (WJN) and 6+ daily at Woodstock 9/16-20 (JMN). 12 were banded with 9 caught at Woodstock (VINS, MEM); the last was an imm. male at Woodstock on 9/30 (WGE). Views of the Northern Cardinal (formerly Cardinalis) were widespread but generally localized in lower elevations. Crossbills were seen at 9:45 AM on 8/12 at Woodstock when an amazing 400+ were counted (JID, MCD); other high counts were 70+ at Woodstock on 8/24 (WGE, MEM) and 78 at Burton 1, Sp on 9/5 (DCS); there were two Oct. reports, with one at DCWMA on 10/6 being about two weeks late (WGE). The banded Blackbirds were reported from the Champlain Lowlands including the high of 50+ on 10/1 in Ferrisburg (JID, MCD); the latest report was from Shoreham on 11/15 (WGE). Rusty Blackbirds were reported from 9/1-11/5; most observers reported these birds on a daily basis for the entire season. The max. was 30 on 10/26 at Waybridge where the latest was also reported (MEM). The highest numbers of the Common Grackle were from the fourth week of Oct. with counts of 300+ on 10/29 at Shoreham (WGE), and 1000+ at Rutland on 10/31 (RHH); a few were noted through the end of Nov.

**Finches & House Sparrow**

There are often words in these pages about the status of the "winter finch" flight, whether it was mediocre or good, etc. Well, this autumn there was a new pattern to interpret in this fascinating group, no flight! Not only were Pine Siskins and redpoll barely reported and often seen in the late fall, but there were no (yes, no) records of crossbills or Pine Grosbeaks! About 250 Purple Finches were reported; the species was seen throughout the season in largely modest numbers; the max. was 30 on 11/10 at Springwater NA in Springfield (WGE); 96 were banded with 84 caught in M. F. Metcalf's strategically placed mist-nets next to her Marshfield Pd. feeder (MEM, VINS). The gaps aren't all filled in, but the House Finch is now quite common in many urban areas. Ninety-five birds were captured to date; the largest feeder flocks included 30 at Randolph on 10/26 (MEM), and 24 at Hartford on 11/25 (WGE). There was but a single report of Common Redpoll, 1 noted at Red Rocks Park in So. Burlington on 8/13 (FAP). The last report of Common Redpoll, 1 noted at Woodstock on 9/23 (WGE), was a late date for a good count (JMN); the latest was an imm. lingering to the very doorstep of winter at Timmouth on 11/28 (GTL).
Vermont Bird Records Committee Report

The Vermont Bird Records Committee met 11 September 1983 to review rare bird reports, and dealt with those on hand. The Committee's function is to establish guidelines for the reporting of rarities and to review and verify records of rarities for inclusion in the State Bird List. The Committee's recommendations are followed in publication of records in Records of Vermont Birds.

The Committee expresses its thanks to the many Vermont birders who have sent in Bird Verification Reports (BVRs), thus adding greatly to Vermont's data base. The most careful recording of details of plumage and points of identification are greatly appreciated, and make the Committee's work much simpler.

THE FOLLOWING ACTION WAS TAKEN:

1. 1st, 2nd, & 3rd State Records


Swallow-tailed Kite -2nd State sight record. Middlebury, Addison Co., seen from Route 7 south of Middlebury; 26 May 1983; BCR, MR.

3. Reports Accepted:

GREAT EGRET - Farrell Access, Dead Creek Wildlife Management Area, Addison Co., 31 July 1983; KD.

GLOSSY IBIS - East Montpelier, Washington Co., April 1982; JS.

GLOSSY IBIS (immature) - just north of Weston, Windsor Co., 24 August, 1982; WGE, NLM.

GLOSSY IBIS - Winooksi River, Burlington, Chittenden Co., 5 September, 1982; JDM.

BARROW'S GOLDENeye - Winooksi River, Colchester, Chittenden Co., 26 March 1983; third report to Records of Vermont Birds; JDM.

BALD EAGLE (immature) - Farrell Access, Dead Creek Wildlife Management Area, Addison Co., 31 July 1983; KD.

BALD EAGLE (immature) - Mud Creek Waterfowl Area, Albany, Grand Isle Co., 19 September 1982; JJA, RNS.

BALD EAGLE (immature) - Marshfield Pond, Marshfield, Washington Co., 13 July 1982; MM, BLR.

BALD EAGLE (immature) - Brilyea Access, Dead Creek Wildlife Management Area, Addison Co., 27 July 1982; MM, DM.

BALD EAGLE (immature) - East Creek, Orwell, Addison Co., 6 August 1982; ELW, LWW.

BALD EAGLE (immature) - Lake Road, Shoreham, Addison Co., 5 September 1982; ELW, AN.

BALD EAGLE (immature) - Dead Creek Wildlife Management Area, Addison Co., 21 & 22 May 1983; MM, GNS, WGE.

BALD EAGLE (immature) - Marshfield Mountain, Marshfield, Washington Co., 9 July 1983; TAR, AR.

GOLDEN EAGLES (1 adult, 2 immatures) - Bristol, Addison Co., 4 November 1982; MJM, GNS.

GOLDEN EAGLE (immature) - Molly Stark's Mountain, Buel's Gore, Chittenden Co., 11 November 1982; MJM, GNS.

GOLDEN EAGLE - D.A.R. State Park, Addison, Addison Co., 23 April 1983; PAT.

GOLDEN EAGLE - Salisbury, Addison Co., 6 June 1983; JED.

GyrFalcon (gray phase) - South Burlington, Chittenden Co., 19 December 1982; MJM, WRR, GNS.

GyrFalcon (immature) - Dead Creek Wildlife Management Area, Addison Co., 18 December 1983; WGE, NM, MM.

Sandhill Crane (2) - Grafton, Windham Co., 17 September 1982; second State record, third report to Records of Vermont Birds; DC, SW, MCI.

Willow - Dead Creek Wildlife Management Area, Addison Co., 23 July 1982; sixth State record; JID, MCD.

Willow - Winooksi River, Burlington, Chittenden Co., 9 October 1982; seventh State record; JDM.

Red Knot - Winooksi River, Colchester, Chittenden Co., 29 August 1982; WGE, NM.

Red Knot - Winooksi River, Colchester, Chittenden Co., 5 & 6 September 1982; JDM.

Western Sandpiper - Colchester, Chittenden Co., 9 September 1982; WVN.

Purple Sandpiper - Addison, Addison Co., 6 November 1982; first report to the Records of Vermont Birds; JSA, RNS.

Silt Sandpiper - Brilyea Access, Dead Creek Wildlife Management Area, Addison Co., 25 July 1982; fifth report to Records of Vermont Birds; WGE, NLM.

Silt Sandpiper - Brilyea Access, Dead Creek Wildlife Management Area, Addison Co., 9 September 1982; sixth report to Records of Vermont Birds; WVN.

STILT SANDPIPER - Winooksi River, Colchester, Chittenden Co., 23 July 1983; seventh report to Records of Vermont Birds; JDM.

STILT SANDPIPER - Addison, Addison Co., 28 August 1983; eighth report to Records of Vermont Birds; WJN.

Wilson's Phalarope (5) - Dead Creek Wildlife Management Area, Addison Co., 25 July, 12, 14, 28 & 29 August 1982; seventh report to Records of Vermont Birds; WGE, JID, WBN, MM, EM, SBL.

Phalarope SP. - Norford Pond, Norwich, Windsor Co., 20 September 1982; JCM.

Red-Headed Woodpecker - Ludlow, Windsor Co., 5 December 1982; EE, REP, HSF, AN, JN.

Three-Toed Woodpecker - Albany, Orleans Co., 13 June 1983; EJW, MRR.

Varied Thrush - South Newbury, Orange Co., 12 February 1983; seventh State record; WGE, NLM.

Varied Thrush - Charlotte, Chittenden Co., 20 January - 28 February, 14 March 1983; eighth State record; JID, HNS, JOA.

Common Yellowthroat - Rutland, Rutland Co., 31 December 1982; CJF.

Dickcissel - Woodstock, Windsor Co., 21 October 1982; accepted as hypothetical; WGE.

Orchard Oriole - New Haven, Addison Co., 20 May 1983; KD.

Orchard Oriole - Manchester, Bennington Co., 21 May 1983; RUS, MM, RR.

Orchard Oriole - Weybridge, Addison Co., 22 May 1983; MM.

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