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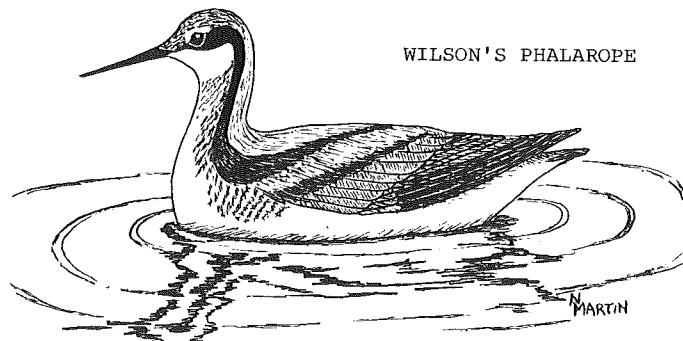
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This year again, we had a warmer than average spring, not as warm perhaps as last year, but still one of the warmer ones of recent memory. The winter of 1986-87 started off as if it really meant business. November, December and especially January produced staggering amounts of snow, particularly in the southern mountains. Then, just as many of us were about to give up, the capricious quality of northern New England weather showed itself, and we got almost no snow in February and relatively little in March and April. Temperatures, however, stayed cold in February and early March so that there was little melting of the accumulations of November to January.

March was generally dry, with a fair amount of sunshine. Precipitation throughout the state averaged about an inch below normal. Most of the precipitation occurred on the last two or three days of the month. Monthly average temperatures were above normal throughout. The snowfall in the first two days of the month produced more in the north than in the south. Cold arctic air gripped Vermont during the middle period of the month, and on the 10th-11th temperatures in the north reached  $-10^{\circ}$  to  $-20^{\circ}$  F. for the lowest readings of the month.

From March 31 through the first week of April we were hit with a complex storm system which produced very heavy rain, particularly in the south. Waves of low pressure, moving along the front, produced several periods of precipitation. Temperatures fluctuated from the 50's and 60's down to the 20's. Severe flooding occurred on many of the state's waterways and many roads were washed out. At Burlington the highest temperature of the month was  $68^{\circ}$  F. on 3/25, and the lowest was  $-2^{\circ}$  F. on 3/11. April, as noted, started out on a rainy note. Precipitation totals for the month were two inches above normal in the south, and a half inch below normal in the north. Statewide the month was about  $5^{\circ}$  warmer than the long-term mean and the second warmest April since 1968. Following the early stormy period the temperatures warmed up nicely, into the upper 60's and 70's by the 11th in many areas. The closing days of the month saw a drop in temperatures and a return to snowy conditions. Two disturbances moving through from the 28th to the 30th produced 2-6 inches of snow in the south and anywhere from 1 to 8 inches in the northeast. This was the third consecutive month with above normal sunshine in Burlington. The highest temperature at Burlington in April was  $83^{\circ}$  F. on 4/21, and the lowest was  $20^{\circ}$  F. on 4/2.

May was by far the driest May since 1982 for Vermont as a whole. The statewide average temperature was very close to the May normal. Temperatures were averaging below normal, until the last few days of the month, when an early summer heat wave pushed monthly averages up to about normal levels. Cold fronts during the middle of the month produced some record low temperatures. Burlington tied a record low of  $29^{\circ}$  F. on the 16th, and broke another record low with  $31^{\circ}$  F. on the 19th. The Bermuda high moved in on the 27th and after that there were a number of severe thunder-



WILSON'S PHALAROPE

storms, mostly in the northern part of the state. Heavy rain, strong winds and large hail were reported in the Burlington area with numerous trees and power lines down. A tornado was reported in Williamstown.

The highest temperature for the month in Burlington was  $92^{\circ}$  F. on 5/30 during the Bermuda high period, the lowest was  $25^{\circ}$  F. on 5/3.

How did this affect the migration? The flood periods in late March and early April had a decided effect on the waterfowl migration, or at least on the birdwatchers ability to monitor it. After a rather dull March with a late ice-out in the Connecticut River Valley, Friday April 3 was the day when all the "quality" waterfowl were seen at Herrick's Cove (Rockingham). This was a reasonably decent day in between the flood periods. The next two days flooding and heavy rains resumed and it was difficult for many birdwatchers to get to the areas. By the time the weather had cleared and the waters had receded later in the week most of the birds were gone, not to be seen again this spring. When the Connecticut River is running as high and fast as it was during that period, nothing much is seen on the river except in such sheltered places as Herrick's Cove, Roundy's Cove and the Retreat Meadows.

The cold weather the first half of May caused, for the most part, a later than average arrival of insectivorous migrants. In the latter days of the month, as it warmed up, migrants streamed through and by the close of the period the picture was normal. The peak days at the VINS banding station in Woodstock were May 15th and May 18th.

As to changes in species numbers, many observers reported declines or increases in various species, groups, families, et al.. Many of these showed no clear trend, but for two groups, the swallows and thrushes, which everyone, who had a comment, reported as late and in poor numbers. One's thoughts go back to June and July of 1986 with its heavy rains and strong winds. Then there were many reports, some from non-birders, of observed nesting failures et al.. It seems that that period may have played a part in 1987's reported declines.

The writer observed a Bank Swallow colony at a South Londonderry site, where during the heavy rains of June 1986 the rushing waters of the West River caused the bank to collapse in the colony area. Thereafter only a few Bank Swallows were seen, and this year the colony shrank from a thriving 30-40 pairs to a handful. Presumably not only nesting failures but mortality among the adults was involved.

As far as rarities go, we had some, maybe less

than in some previous years: MUTE SWAN - two, BARROW'S GOLDENEYE, WILSON'S PHALAROPE, VARIED THRUSH, WESTERN Tanager, LOGGERHEAD SHRIKE, and WESTERN MEADOWLARK. Others of interest, somewhat less rare: Red-throated Loon, Bald Eagles (several), Spruce Grouse (several), Monk Parakeet (exotic), Snowy Owl, Three-toed Woodpecker\*, Carolina Wren, "Brewster's" Warbler (several), and Orchard Oriole (several).

Despite some overall cool temperatures there were a number of very early dates for the following: Pied-billed Grebe, Red-shouldered Hawk, Broad-winged Hawk, Sora, Northern Flicker, Eastern Phoebe, Eastern Kingbird, Tree Swallow, Marsh Wren, Hermit Thrush, Wood Thrush, Brown Thrasher, Black-throated Green Warbler, Chipping Sparrow and White-crowned Sparrow.

The Birdathon was taken mostly on May 23, a few on May 24th and 25th. Participants recorded 182 species (+ 1 hybrid) on the Birdathon. The team of Walter Ellison, Nancy Martin, Dan Crook and Jean Sangdahl topped with 147, a new record for them. Second place with 138 went to Doug and Chris Kibbe, Don Clark, and Cheryl Boise. Third place, with 122 went to Jeremy Coleman and Tait Johansson. There was a tie for fourth place at 121 between the Sally Laughlin-Betty Rist team and Marion Metcalf. Eleanor Ellis and Hugh Putnam had 113. Four other teams had 100+.

A total of 236 species (+ 1 hybrid and 1 exotic) were reported for Spring 1987.

#### LOONS AND GREBES

Red-throated Loon: 1 5/23 Lake St. Catherine (NER, JRL, BR, MC). Common Loon: first 1 4/9 Lake Carmi (PJM), on 4/15 1 Newport (REG, OAG), 1 St. Albans (RBL), 1 4/17 Missisquoi NWR (hereafter MNWR) (JBG), 5 4/18 Grand Isle (DLC, WAM), numerous reports after that, 1 5/23 Somerset Res. (RSK, BCB, et al.), 1 5/30 Glover (AMAS). High count 13 4/23 Winhall Hawk Lookout, overhead (WJN). Pied-billed Grebe: first 1 3/8 Clarendon (CJF), 1 3/8 Vernon (WGE, NLM), 1 3/27, 29 Leicester Jct. (SSW, MBN), 1 3/27 Charlotte (WAM), 1 3/29 Alburg (RBL), 1 4/11 Dead Creek WMA (hereafter DCWMA) (JRA), 1 4/11 Bellows Falls (SBL), 1 4/15 Barton River Marshes (hereafter BRM) (REG, OAG) present in this area through the period (m.ob.), 1 4/18 Sand Bar WMA (hereafter SBWMA) (SBL, BLR, DLC), 1 4/30 Allen Bros. Marsh, Westminster (AMD), 1 5/3 Thurman W. Dix Res., Orange (MFM, ATA) present through the period (m.ob.), 2 5/16 SBWMA (JDM). High count 20 at MNWR (JBG). Horned Grebe: first 1 4/2 Panton (MBN), 2 4/3 Herrick's Cove (hereafter HC) (REG, OAG, AMD), 2 4/11 Charlotte (WAM, DLC), 1 4/14 Grand Isle (RBL), 16 4/15 Grand Isle (RBL), 50+ 4/16 N. Hero (RBL, CCR) the high count, 2 4/18 N. Hero (SBL, BLR, DLC). Red-necked Grebe: 1 4/3 HC (REG, OAG, AMD), 6 Bellows Falls, 3 Vernon 4/5 (REG, OAG), 1 4/5 Addison (ATA), 6 4/15 Grand Isle (RBL), 1 4/18 Grand Isle (WAM, DLC).

#### CORMORANT THROUGH HERONS

Double-crested Cormorant: first 5 3/3 MNWR (JBG), 1 4/4 HC (ATA), 5 4/5 Young Isl. (DLC, WAM), 1 4/6 Vernon (REG, OAG), 2 4/11 Springfield (AMD), 120+ 4/12 Young Isl. breeding colony (RBL, SBL, BLR, DLC), 1 4/15 Crown Pt. (SSW), 2 4/19 Norwich (RLH), 175 5/3 Young Isl. (WAM) the high count, 2 5/22 Bellows Falls (TEJ), 2 5/23 S. Bay Newport (PFW, SAW). American Bittern: first 1 4/10 West Rutland Marsh (hereafter WRM) (LPS) early, 2 4/11 WRM (BLR), 1 4/12 Mud Creek (WAM), 1 4/15 BRM (REG, OAG), 2 4/20 Colchester (WDB), 1 4/23 Brandon (SSW), 4 4/25 WRM (JMN), the high count 25 at MNWR (JBG). Least Bittern: 2 5/23 WRM (WJN, SBL, BLR, DPK, CDK, DC, CB et al.), 1 5/24 WRM (LPS), up to 10 at MNWR (JBG). Great Blue Heron: first 1 3/18 MNWR (JBG), 1 3/23 Shelburne (MPB), on 3/25 1 Grand Isle (DJH), 1 Hartford (CCR), 1 E. Montpelier (RM, MFM), 1 Malletts Bay (JDM), 2 3/27 Springfield (REG, OAG), 3

-12- 3/27 HC (TEJ), 2 3/28 SBWMA (RBL), 1 3/29 Burlington (ATA, WAM, DLC). High counts: 33 5/16 Champlain Valley (JDM), up to 100 in March MNWR (JBG), peak of 600 breeding birds (JBG). Great Egret: 1 4/17 SBWMA (SBL, BLR, DLC), 1 5/14 Otter Creek WMA (DHH), 1 5/23 DCWMA (SBL, BLR). Snowy Egret: 2 5/13 Young Isl. (RBL), 1 5/14-16 Grand Isle (DJH). Cattle Egret: 1 4/18 Burlington Intervale (JDM), 3 5/2 Grand Isle (DJH), 12 5/13 Young Isl. (RBL), 1 5/24 S. Hero (DAD), 8 5/29 Grand Isle (DJH). Green-backed Heron: 1 5/2 Shelburne (MPB), 1 5/3 Monkton (JRA), on 5/9 1 DCWMA (WAM), 2 Manchester (RuS), 2 Westminster (AMD), 1 5/10 Dorset (EFG), 1 5/11 Shelburne (WAM), 1 5/11 HC (WJN). High count 4 5/13 Westminster (REG), up to 20 at MNWR (JBG). Black-crowned Night-Heron: first 1 4/11 HC (REG, JMN, WGE, NLM et al.) rare away from Champlain Valley, 2 4/14 Bixby Isl., Grand Isle (RBL), 6 4/18 Young Isl. (WAM, DLC), 50 4/25 Bixby Isl. (RBL) the high count, 1 4/26 Lake Shaftsbury (RSK), 1 5/3 DCWMA (REG, MBN), 1 5/10 Shelburne (MPB), 3 5/13 Somerset Res. (WME), 2 5/22 DCWMA (TEJ, JJC), 2 5/30 Brandon (SSW), up to 20 at MNWR (JBG). Three locations away from the Champlain Valley is unusual.

#### WATERFOWL

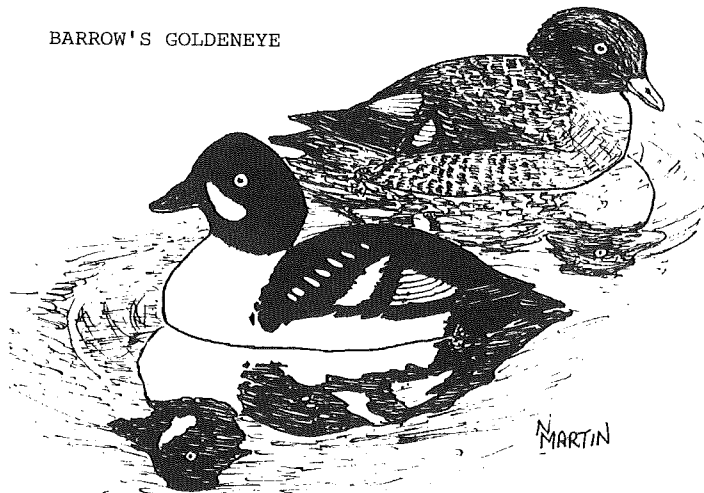
MNWR high counts are given separately from the others. Mute Swan: an adult present on a pond in Arlington for a period in May (RuS, GLS) (ed. note: the tame behavior of this bird would indicate that it was probably not of wild origin, but an escape or release. It may well be in the same category as Mute Swans this editor observed in 1985 and 1986 on the Connecticut River in Rockingham); an imm. reported at Dufresne Pond, Manchester 3/24 present for at least two weeks (RuS, JP et al.). Tundra Swan: pair reported 4/23 on the Mettawee R. at Pawlet (RTC, KEC fide NS): no details. Snow Goose: "several thousand" Grand Isle 3/20-30 (RBL) the high count, 52 3/26 Charlotte (WAM), 28 3/28 Winoski River Delta (hereafter WRD) (JDM), on 3/29 570 Colchester (WAM, DLC), 50 Ferrisburg (JID, MCD), 200 Mallett's Bay (JDM), 200 4/2 Ferrisburg (JID, MCD), 35 4/5 DCWMA (MBN), 120 4/8 Brandon (SSW), 100 4/10 Woodstock (SBL), 15 4/10 New Haven (WS), on 4/11 63 Blodgett's Beach, Burlington (WAM), 100 Lake Carmi (PJM), 10 DCWMA (JRA), 6 Lincoln Hill (PAT et al.), 1 4/17-19 Gale Mdw. (Winhall) (WJN). Late dates: 2 5/16 WRD (JDM), 1-2 5/23-24 WRD (m.ob.), 1 5/26 Alburg (RBL), 1 5/29 DCWMA (ATA), reports heavily concentrated in the Champlain Valley. Canada Goose: 3 3/8 Vernon (WGE, NLM), 310 3/8 Shelburne/Charlotte (WAM, DLC), 2 3/14 Lamoille R. (JDM), 200 3/22 Converse Bay (MBN), 7 3/23 Brandon (SSW), on 3/24 2 Pawlet (CJF), 12 Shelburne (MPB), 4 E. Dorset (RuS), 1 3/27 HC (WJN), 10 3/27 Westminster West (REG, OAG), 815 3/28 DCWMA (MBN), 1 3/29 Burlington (ATA), 1 3/29 Woodstock (CRP). High counts: 1277 3/28 DCWMA (WAM, DLC), 1000 4/12 New Haven (WS), peak at MNWR only 75 (JBG). Wood Duck: first 2 3/8 Shelburne (WAM, DLC), 1 3/22 Rutland (CJF), 5 3/23 Westminster (REG, OAG), 11 3/27 Rutland (CJF), 3 3/27 S. Hero (DJH), on 3/28 1 Springfield Mdw. (AMD), 2 Leicester Jct. (SSW), 8 Shelburne/Ferrisburg (WAM, DLC), 2 SBWMA (JDM), 45 3/29 Westminster West (REG, OAG) the high count, 10 4/2 Rockingham (WJN), 5/23 DCWMA "female very agitated as a large fish attacked ducklings" (ATA), f. with brood of 22 5/23 Westminster (DPK, CDK, DC, CB). Peak count of 225 at MNWR included ducklings (JBG). Green-winged Teal: first 1 3/24 Leicester Jct. (SSW), 1 3/28 WRD (JDM), 10 3/28 Champlain Valley (WAM, DLC), 13 3/29 Colchester Pt. (WAM, DLC), 1 3/31 Springfield (REG, OAG), on 4/3 10 Springfield (REG, OAG), 1 Bellows Falls (AMD), 10 DCWMA (WAM), 11 4/4 Weybridge (MBN). High count 45 4/29 HC (AMD). Peak at MNWR 150 (JBG). American Black Duck: 2 3/3 New Haven (MBN), 7 3/5 Rutland (WGE, NLM), 1 3/7 Grand Isle Ferry (ATA), 2 3/7 Weybridge (WGE, NLM), 4 3/8 Westminster (REG, OAG), 198 3/8 Vernon (WGE, NLM)

the high count, 1 3/12 Brandon (SSW), 1 3/14 Connecticut R. (ATA), 4 3/21 Shelburne (WAM), 10 3/20 Charlotte (WAM), 2 3/25 Hartford (CCR), 8 3/27 HC (WJN), 1 3/28 SBWMA (JDM), 29 3/28 Champlain Valley (WAM,DLC), 40 3/30 S. Hero (DJH). Peak at MNWR in April of 350 (JBG). Ducklings reported 5/22 Berlin Res., 5/23 Thurman W. Dix Res. (ATA). Mallard: 2 3/4 Middlesex (ATA), 40 3/5 W. Rutland (WGE,NLM), 38 3/8 Vernon (WGE,NLM), pair 3/8 Clarendon of a drake Mallard mated with hybrid hen Mallard X Black (CJF), 10 3/11 Burlington (WDB), 3 3/11 Westminster (REG,OAG), 20 3/20 Lake Dunmore (SSW), 6 3/21 Shelburne (WAM), 8 3/25 Hartford (CCR), 4 3/27 HC, Allen Bros. Marsh (WJN), 7 3/28 Burlington to S. Hero (JDM), 2 3/28 Springfield Mdws. (AMD). High counts: 73 4/12 Champlain Isl. (WAM), 72 5/23 DCWMA (WAM). Peak of 300 MNWR (JBG) includes ducklings. Brood of 8 yg. 5/23 WRM (LPS). Northern Pintail: 1 3/27 Westminster (REG,OAG), on 3/28 12 Weybridge (MBN), 4 Leicester Jct. (SSW), 19 Ferrisburg/DCWMA (WAM,DLC) the high count, 1 3/29 S. Hero (WAM,DLC), 4 3/29 Grand Isle (SRA), 1 4/3 Roundy's Cove, Rockingham (AMD), 16 4/4 DCWMA (WAM,DLC), 2 4/12 Champlain Isl. (WAM). Peak of 50 3/30 MNWR (JBG). Blue-winged Teal: 1 4/3 Leicester Jct. (SSW), 3 4/4 DCWMA (WAM), 5 4/11 DCWMA (JRA,FAP), 3 4/12 Mud Creek (WAM), 1 4/12 L. Bomoseen (CJF), 3 4/21 DCWMA (LPS), 2 4/25 Springweather NA (AMD). High count 19 5/9 Champlain Valley (WAM). MNWR high count 50 (JBG). Northern Shoveler: 2 4/3 Bellows Falls (REG,OAG), 2 4/8 HC (REG,OAG), 2 WRD and 4 SBWMA 4/11 (JDM), 1 4/12 DCWMA (SBL), 1 4/12 Mud Creek (WAM), 1 4/15 Leicester Jct. (SSW), 3 5/2 DCWMA (WAM), 2 5/9 Ferrisburg (WAM). Peak of 5 MNWR (JBG). Gadwall: first 2 3/28 Leicester Jct. (SSW), 2 4/4 Weybridge (MBN), 2 4/9 Addison (REG,OAG), 4 4/12 Young Isl. (RBL), 7 4/20 "The Gut" (RBL) the high count, 2 5/25 Grand Isle (WAM). Peak of 10 at MNWR (JBG). American Wigeon: 2 3/5 W. Rutland (WGE,NLM), 10 3/29 Grand Isle Ferry (ATA), 6 3/29 S. Hero (WAM,DLC), 2 4/1 Shelburne (WAM), 7 4/3 DCWMA (WAM), 2 4/3 Leicester Jct. (SSW), 1 4/5 Southern Ferry-Lake Champlain (ATA), 4 4/9 Addison (REG,OAG), 9 4/12 Champlain Isl. (WAM) the high count, 2 4/14 Bixby Isl. (RBL), 2 4/18 Pantown (JRA), 2 5/10 S. Hero (DJH), 4 5/13 Bixby Isl. (RBL,DJH), 1 5/16 Young Isl. (RBL,DJH), 1 5/23-24 DCWMA (m.ob.). Peak of 25 at MNWR (JBG). Canvasback: 75 3/28 S. Hero (JDM) the high count, on 3/29 1 Leicester (MBN,SSW), 40 Grand Isle Ferry (ATA), 1 Milton (RBL), 1 4/1 Shelburne Bay (WAM), 2 4/4 SBWMA (JDM), 25 4/5 Vernon (REG,OAG), 2 4/17 Roundy's Cove (REG,AMD). Late f. 5/14-23 HC (REG,AMD,DC,WJN,DPK,TEJ et al.). Redhead: 5 3/28 S. Hero (JDM), 2 4/6 Vernon (REG,JJC), 2 4/16 Retreat Mdws., Brattleboro (WJN). Ring-necked Duck: 3 3/24 Springfield (REG,OAG), 5 3/26 Shelburne (WAM), 2 3/27 Springfield Boat Landing (REG,WJN), 29 S. Hero and 4 WRD 3/28 (JDM), 2 3/28 Bellows Falls (AMD), 81 3/28 Ferrisburg to Shelburne (WAM,DLC), 2 3/29 Allen Bros. Marsh (AMD), 2 4/3 Leicester Jct. (SSW), 67 4/4 SBWMA/N. Hero (JDM), 8 4/4 Lake Bomoseen (CJF), 2 4/5 Weybridge (MBN), 2 4/5 Roundy's Cove (SBL,BLR). High counts 192 3/29 and 194 4/5 Champlain Isl. (WAM,DLC). Peak of 300 at MNWR (JBG). Late dates: 2 5/16 WRD (RBL), 2 5/23 Button Bay SP (ATA), 1 5/23 Birdathon (JL,MWB,BAH). An individual seen 4/10 at DCWMA (WAM) had a bright red bill with a yellow tip! What is the explanation for this? Greater Scaup: 25 3/28 S. Hero (JDM), on 3/29 4 Shelburne (BLR), 4 Colchester 57 S. Hero (WAM,DLC) the high count, 8 4/3 HC/Bellows Falls (AMD,REG), 3 4/3 Leicester Jct. (SSW), 1 4/4 HC (ATA), 22 4/4 Colchester (WAM,DLC), 24 4/5 Champlain Isl. (WAM,DLC), 18 4/11 WRD (JDM), 31 4/12 Champlain Isl. (WAM,DLC), 1 4/15 Leicester Jct. (SSW), 1 4/18 S. Hero Causeway (SBL, BLR), 2 4/30 Thurman W. Dix Res. (ATA), 2 reports 5/23 Birdathon (EE,HSP,WGE,NLM,DHC,SJS). Lesser Scaup: 1 4/5 Champlain Isl. (WAM,DLC), 2 4/15 Crown Point (SSW), 1 5/14-18 HC (AMD,REG, DC). Peak

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of 10 at MNWR (JBG). Certainly under-reported. Scaup sp.: 3 3/29 Salisbury (MBN), 2 4/4 E. Dorset (RuS), 5 4/18 Champlain Isl. (WAM,DLC). Oldsquaw: 4 4/3 Lake Dunmore (SSW), 4 4/3 HC (AMD,REG,OAG), 4 4/24 Kent Pond (DEK). Black Scoter: 2 4/12 Grand Isle (RBL), 1 5/23, 25 L. Champlain (DPK,CDK,CB,DC,LJE,DCD,DHi). White-winged Scoter: 9 5/12 Shoreham (ELW). BARROW'S GOLDENEYE: 2 m. 1 f. on 3/14 Vernon Dam (one ad m. and

BARROW'S GOLDENEYE



ad. f. behaving as a pair) (JJC). Common Goldeneye: 10 3/4 Winooski R. (ATA), 5 3/6 Bellows Falls (REG,OAG), 1 3/7 Grand Isle Ferry (ATA), 4 3/7 Weybridge (WGE,NLM), 1 3/8 Charlotte (WAM,DLC), 9 3/8 Vernon (WGE,NLM), 1 3/14 Connecticut R. (ATA), 2 3/22 MNWR (JBG), 20 3/27 HC (WJN), on 3/29 4 Shelburne (BLR), 1 Grand Isle Ferry (ATA), 1 Leicester Jct. (SSW,MBN), 127 Champlain Isl. (WAM,DLC) the high count, 2 3/31 Lake Carmi (PJM), 2 4/12 L. Bomoseen (CJF), 2 4/24 Weston (DB), 7 5/3 Champlain Isl. (WAM), 1 5/16 SBWMA (PFW). Peak 150 MNWR (JBG) includes ducklings. Bufflehead: 3 3/26 Charlotte (WAM), 1 3/29 Grand Isle (SRA,ATA), 2 4/3 HC (AMD), 6 4/3 Bellows Falls (REG,OAG), 7 4/4 SBWMA/Colchester (JDM), on 4/5 1 Roundy's Cove (SBL,BLR), 15 Colchester (WDB), 2 Addison (MBN), 37 Champlain Isl. (WAM,DLC) the high count, 22 4/10 Shelburne/Charlotte (WAM), 1 4/11 WRD (JDM), 4 6/12 L. Bomoseen (CJF), 2 4/14 Grand Isle (RBL), 9 4/18 S. Hero Causeway (SBL,BLR,DLC), 3 4/22 L. Carmi (PJM). Late: 18 5/3 Champlain Isl. (WAM), 3 5/23 Shelburne Bay (WAM). Peak of 25 MNWR (JBG). Hooded Merganser: 3 3/8 Vernon (WGE,NLM), 2 3/14 Wells River (ATA), 1 3/15 Rutland (CJF), 3 3/21 Lamaille R. (JDM), 1 3/26 Charlotte (WAM), on 3/27 2 Rutland (CJF), 5 HC (WJN), 2 Shelburne (WAM), 2 Springfield (REG,OAG), on 3/28 2 WRD (JDM), 12 3/28 Shelburne/Ferrisburg (WAM,DLC) the high count, 5 3/29 Allen Bros. Marsh (AMD), 8 3/29 Champlain Isl. (WAM,DLC), 9 4/11 L. Carmi (PJM), f. 5/16 Ferrisburg with 16 yg. (JID,MCD), f. 5/23 Gale Meadows using nesting box (WJN). Peak of 30 at MNWR includes ducklings (JBG). Common Merganser: 3 3/3 New Haven (MBN), 2 3/3 L. Carmi (PJM), 30 3/4 Winooski R. (ATA), 55 3/5 Rutland (WGE,NLM), on 3/8 3 White River Jct. (JMN), 34 Vernon (WGE,NLM), 10 Bellows Falls (REG,OAG), 6 Lamaille R. (JDM), 18 3/11 Grand Isle (WAM), 6 3/14 Connecticut R. (ATA), 25 3/22 Charlotte (JID,MCD), 3 3/24 Royalton (AMD), 53 3/26 Shelburne to Charlotte (WAM), 25 3/27 HC/Rockingham (WJN), 71 3/27 Charlotte (WAM), 109 WRD and 5 S. Hero 3/28 (JDM) the high count, on 3/29 8 Shelburne (BLR), 2 Grand Isle (DJH), 2 W. Addison (JRA). High count at MNWR 250 (JBG). Red-breasted Merganser: 12 3/27 Charlotte (WAM), 2 4/3 L. Dunmore (SSW), 8 4/5 Roundy's Cove (SBL,BLR), 1 4/10 HC (REG,OAG), 1 4/11 Grand Isle (DJH), 1 4/11 L. Carmi (PJM), 16 4/12 Champlain Isl. (WAM) the high count, 2 4/12 St. Albans (RBL), 1 4/19 Mt. Holly Hawk Watch-overhead (WJN), 14 4/20 Charlotte (WAM), 2 4/26 Colchester Pt. (WAM), 7 5/2 MNWR (JDM),

2 5/8 L. Champlain (SSW), 5 5/9 WRD (JDM), 1 5/16 WRD -14-  
(JDM), 1 5/23 Birdathon (EE,HSP,ECA).

#### DIURNAL RAPTORS

The spring hawk watch came up with 643 birds, a substantial drop off from last year. Turkey Vulture: 27 were seen by hawkwatchers. Two 3/3 Westminster (REG,OAG), 4 3/14 Weathersfield (PLW), 1 3/14 Thetford (MFM), 2 3/18 Brattleboro (WAM), 2 3/20 Shoreham (SSW), 1 3/23 Moretown (CP), 1 3/26 Clarendon (BLR), 10 3/28 Weathersfield (FMH), 2 3/28 Colchester (JDM), on 3/29 1 Salisbury (MBN), 1 Westminster (AMD), 1 Monkton (RBL). High count 14 5/6 Bristol (JRA). Osprey: 20 were seen by hawkwatchers. One 3/30 Moretown (CP), 1 4/4 HC (ATA), 1 4/11 Wolcott Pd. (fide GPL), 1 4/13 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD), 3-4 4/17-18 HC (AMD,REG,WGE,NLM), 1 4/18 Manchester (RuS), 2 4/18 Dorset (EFG), 1 4/19 Ferrisburg (DLC), 3 4/25 Springweather NA (AMD), 1 4/26 Castleton (JVF), 1 4/27 Woodstock (WGE,NLM). High counts: 4 5/2 Shelburne Pond (MPB), 8 5/2 White River Jct. (WGE,NLM). Pair breeding again, Champlain Valley location (BPG). Bald Eagle: 1 ad. 3/8 White River Jct., from winter (JMN), 1 mid-March Vernon (JJC), 2 (1 ad. 1 imm.) 3/22 Thompson's Pt.-Charlotte (JID,MCD), 1 4/10 DCWMA (JID,MCD), 1 imm. 4/29 Chittenden Res. (DEK), 1 5/14,16 HC (AMD,REG,DC), 1 imm. 5/22 Rockingham Overlook (TEJ), 1 5/23 Shrewsbury (BLR), 1 5/23 Birdathon (JJC,TEJ). Northern Harrier: 11 were seen by hawkwatchers. One 3/11 DCWMA (BLR), 1 3/14 Bradford (ATA), 2 3/20-21 DCWMA (SSW,AMD), 1 3/28 Ferrisburg (WAM,DLC), 1 3/29 Pantan (JRA), 1 3/29 Burlington (ATA), 1 4/2 Weybridge (MBN), 1 4/8 Clarendon (CJF), 1 4/9 Addison (REG), 1 4/10 Rockingham (WJN), 2 4/10 DCWMA (JID,MCD), 1 4/12 Grand Isle (RBL), 2 4/12 Isle La Motte (SBL,BLR,DLC), 1 5/23 Putney (DME). High count 4 4/11 Lincoln Hill (PAT et al.). Sharp-shinned Hawk: 87 were seen by hawkwatchers. One 3/2 S. Burlington (MCR,PWi), 1 3/7 Ferrisburg (CJF,WGE,NLM), 1 3/8,9 Lincoln (JRA), 1 3/9 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD), 1 3/21 Winhall (WJN), 1 3/23 Saxtons R. (REG,OAG), 1 4/2 Woodstock-hit window chasing junco, not hurt, flew off in 5 min. (JMN), 1 4/3 Brandon (SSW), 1 4/11 HC (AMD), 1 4/15 Sheffield (PFW), 1 4/20 Wallingford "struggling to fly off with an ermine in its talons" (MS), 1 5/30 Mt. Horrid (SSW) likely breeder. High count 29 5/2 White River Jct. (WGE,NLM). Cooper's Hawk: 10 were seen by hawkwatchers. One 3/19 Ferrisburg (JID, MCD), 1 4/11 Brandon (SSW), pr. 4/14 Bennington- breeding, on nest (PG), 1 4/14,29 Dorset (EFG), 1 4/15 Newport (REG,OAG), 1 4/21 W. Rutland (SBL), 1 4/29 Dorset-"killed itself flying into window (CSE), 1 4/30 Woodstock (JMN), 1 5/2 Shoreham (ELW), 1 5/2 Lincoln (JRA), 1 5/8 L. Carmi (PJM), 1 5/16 Winhall (WJN), 1 5/24 Champlain Valley (ECA), 1 5/30 Brandon (SSW). High count 3 5/2 White River Jct. (WGE,NLM). Northern Goshawk: 3 were seen by hawkwatchers. One 3/3 Ferrisburg (JID, MCD), 1 3/7 L. Carmi (PJM), 1 3/19 Orange (MFM), 1 3/20 Leicester Jct. (SSW), 1 3/28 Charlotte (WAM,DLC), 1 wintered in Woodstock-"found remains of 2 kills-both Rock Doves" 3/19 (JMN), 1 ad. 4/2 Springweather NA (WJN), 1 4/9 L. Dumore (SSW), 1 4/11 Washington (ATA), pair on territory 5/8 S. Wallingford (CJF), 2 5/16 Reading (FMH,GEH). Red-shouldered Hawk: 13 were seen by hawkwatchers. One 3/4 Norwich (AAB), 2 3/30 Brandon (SSW), 1 4/4 Winhall (WJN), 1 4/18 Mt. Philo (JID,MCD), 1 4/18 Westminster (AMD,REG), 1 4/26 Dorset (EFG), 5 4/26 Lincoln Hill Hawk Watch (MPB et al.) the high count. Broad-winged Hawk: 202 were seen by hawkwatchers. One 3/28 Lincoln (JRA) early, 1 4/9 Addison (REG), 1 4/11,16 Manchester (RuS), 2 4/18 Dorset (EFG), 8 4/19 Mt. Holly Hawk Watch (WJN), 1 4/25 Springweather NA (AMD), 1 4/25 Brandon (SSW), 57 4/26 Lincoln Hill Hawk Watch (MPB et al.), 3 4/28 Mt. Philo (JID,MCD), 72 5/2 White River Jct. Hawk Watch (WGE,NLM) the high count, one seen 5/7 S. Londonderry

carrying a live wriggling snake (WJN). Red-tailed Hawk: 133 were seen by hawkwatchers. One 3/4 Springfield (REG,OAG), 3 3/5 DCWMA (MBN), on 3/7 11 Addison/Panton (WGE,NLM), 1 Georgia (WDB), 7 3/8 Champlain Valley (WAM,DLC), 1 3/13 W. Woodstock (CCR), 7 3/15 DCWMA (WAM), 1 3/16 SBWMA (JDM), 12 3/19 Fuller Mt., Ferrisburg (JID,MCD), 10 3/20 Shoreham/DCWMA (SSW), 2 3/23,24 Woodstock (JMN,CRP), 1 albinistic bird 3/25 Woodstock (JMN), 1 3/25 Weston (WSA). High count 15 4/11 Addison (FAP). Rough-legged Hawk: 3 3/5 DCWMA (MBN), 14 3/7 Addison/Ferrisburg/Weybridge (WGE,NLM), 3 3/12 DCWMA (LPS), 1 3/17 Brandon (TEJ), 1 3/19 Orange (MFM), 5 3/20 Shoreham (SSW), 1 2 3/28 DCWMA (WAM,DLC), 2 3/29 Addison (ATA), 1 3/29 Charlotte (BLR), 1 4/5 Champlain Isl. (WAM), 1 4/9 Duxbury (FAP), 1 4/9 Addison (REG), 1 4/11 DCWMA (MBN), 1 5/5 Shoreham (ELW), peak of 2 at MNWR (JBG). American Kestrel: 30 were seen by hawkwatchers. One 3/6 Rockingham (REG,OAG), 1 3/7 E. Charlotte (ATA), 1 3/7 Pantan (WGE,NLM), 1 3/8 Woodstock (JMN) breast stained with yellow, 1 3/8 Hartland (WGE,NLM), 1 3/10 Windsor (SBL), 1 3/11 Pantan (BLR), 1 3/12 Shelburne (JWF), 1 3/12 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD), 1 3/18 Putney (WAM), 1 3/20 E. Dorset (RuS), 4 3/20 Shoreham/DCWMA (SSW), 1 3/21 Vergennes (WAM). High counts: 9 5/3 Addison (REG,OAG), 9 4/18 Champlain Isl. (WAM,DLC), "nesting in Dorset Hollow, in hole in a dead elm" (EFG). Merlin: 7 were seen by hawkwatchers. One 4/19 Mt. Holly Hawk Watch (WJN), 1 4/20 HC (WJN), 1 April MNWR (JBG), 1 5/3 Bristol Pond (JRA), 6 5/2 White River Jct. (WGE,NLM) the high count. Peregrine Falcon: 1 3/27 Charlotte (WAM), 1 3/28 Deer Leap Bristol (EAD), 1 4/27 E. Wallingford (WJN), 1 5/13 Shoreham (ELW), 1 5/16 DCWMA (JLM), 1 5/23 Birdathon (SH), 1 5/24 Richmond/Williston (MFM), pair 5/30 L. Willoughby (MDB). Three pairs are nesting and one pair courting in Vermont this spring: at sites in the northern Green Mountain, central Green Mountains, Taconic Mountains and at Willoughby (VINS). Cyrfalcon: two reports, unconfirmed: 1 white phase reported 3/20 DCWMA (DB), 1 possible dark phase 4/22 Vershire (BD).

#### GALLINACEOUS BIRDS THROUGH RAILS

Spruce Grouse: pair courting 4/24 Lewis (DLC), 1 5/8-9 same location (BMP,SBL,BLR,DLC), 1 5/24 Ferdinand (REG,OAG). Ruffed Grouse reported widely--some high counts: 3 4/17, 5/17 Reading (FMH,GEH), up to 5 through period Winhall (WJN). Peak of 20 MNWR (JBG), "declining here" Woodstock (JMN). Northern Bobwhite: 1 5/23 Westminster (DME) release from somewhere. Gray Partridge: 2 3/18 Grand Isle (DJH). Peak of 15 at MNWR (JBG). Ring-necked Pheasant: 1 4/4 Westminster West (AMD). Wild Turkey widely reported: 2 3/3 Norwich (LH), 4 3/7 Grand Isle Ferry landing (ATA), 4 3/11 Grand Isle (WAM,DJH), 15 3/12 New Haven (JRA) the high count, 4 3/19 Thetford (MFM), 1 3/26 MNWR (JBG), 1 4/18 Woodstock (JMN), 1 4/18,5/14 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 4/19,5/6 Westminster (AMD), 1 5/16 Grafton (REG), 1 5/30 St. Johnsbury (SAW). Virginia Rail: 1 4/15 BRM (REG,OAG), 1 4/25 WRM (EFG,JMN), 1 5/3 Colchester (JDM), 1 5/9,22 Allen Bros. Marsh (AMD,TEJ), 1 5/16 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD), 1 5/23 Bennington area (RSK,BCD et al.), 1 5/23 Hamilton Pd., Arlington (RuS), 5/23-24 1-2 WRM (m.ob.), 1-2 BRM, 2 DCWMA, 3 5/25 Grand Isle (DJH). Peak 40 MNWR (JBG). Sora: 1st 4/2 Rockingham (WJN) early, 1 5/17 SBWMA (WAM,PAT), 1 5/23 WRM (m.ob.), 1 5/23 BRM (m.ob.), 2 5/24 Burlington Intervale (WAM), 12 5/29 Grand Isle (DJH). Peak of 75 MNWR (JBG). Common Moorhen: 2 5/3 Colchester (JDM), 2 5/3 Mud Creek (WAM), 1 5/12 BRM (REG,OAG), 3 5/16 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD), 1 5/16 Burlington Intervale (JDM), 2 5/19-20 Allen Bros. Marsh (AMD, REG), 1 5/23-24 SBWMA (m.ob.), on 5/23 1 DCWMA (m.ob.), 1 Bennington (RSK,BCD,ERK et al.), 5 BRM (WGE,NLM,DHC,SJS), 1 5/24 Mud Creek (DAD). Peak 50 at MNWR (JBG). American Coot: 1 4/4 DCWMA (WAM,DLC), 1 4/10 DCWMA (WAM), 1 5/23 BRM

(WGE,NLM,SJS,DHC), 1 5/23 Burlington Intervale (KM,CM,JS).

#### SHOREBIRDS

Black-bellied Plover: 3 5/23 BRM (WGE,NLM,SJS,DHC), 5 5/25 N. Hero (RBL), 1 5/26 Grand Isle (RBL), 3 5/30 Newport Airport (REG, et al.). Semipalmated Plover: 1 Savage Isl. and 1 Bixby Isl. 5/16 (RBL), 3 5/17 Savage Isl. (RBL), 1 5/17 SBWMA (PAT,WAM), 1 5/24 WRD (WAM), 2 5/25 Savage Isl. (RBL), 2 5/28 Alburg (DJH). Killdeer: 2 3/7 Addison (WGE,NLM), on 3/8 10 Champlain Valley (WAM), 1 Brattleboro and 1 Vernon (WGE,NLM), 1 3/19 E. Dorset (RuS), 1 3/22 Shelburne (MPB), on 3/23 1 Rutland (SSW), 4 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD), 1 S. Londonderry (WJN), on 3/24 1 Rutland (LPS), 4 Danby (CJF), 1 Chester (AMD), 1 3/25 Woodstock (CCR) widespread after that. High count 16 3/28 DCWMA (WAM,DLC). Many reports of eggs and yg. by late May. Peak of 25 at MNWR (JBG). Greater Yellowlegs: 3 5/2 DCWMA (WAM), 6 5/3 Charcoal Creek, Swanton (WAM), 2 5/4 Springfield Mdws. (WJN), 3 5/5 MNWR (JBG), 1 5/7 S. Londonderry (WJN), 1 5/8 DCWMA (SSW), 1 5/8 HC (WJN), 1 5/10 WRD (JDM), 1 5/13 HC (AMD), 1 5/17 Rockingham (REG,OAG), 1 5/18 Lake Carmi (PJM), 1 5/23 Craftsbury (BCW), widespread 5/23 Champlain Valley (m.ob.). Peak of 10 in May at MNWR (JBG). Unusual for this species not to be recorded in April. Lesser Yellowlegs: 3 5/3 DCWMA (MBN), 3 5/3 Charcoal Creek, Swanton (WAM), 3 5/9 Ferrisburg (WAM), 2 5/16,17 Grand Isle (DJH), 1 5/17 Westminster (AMD), 1 5/19 Shelburne Bay (WAM), 1 5/30 Newport (ELW). Solitary Sandpiper: 4 5/3 Westminster West (AMD), 1 5/9 DCWMA (WAM), 6 5/9 Middlebury (MBN), 2 5/11 Springfield Mdws. (WJN), 1 5/11 W. Glover (REG,OAG), 12 5/16 Westminster West (REG,OAG) the high count, on 5/17 1 Weybridge (MBN), 3 Sherburne (WGE,NLM), 6 Grand Isle (DJH), 2 5/21 Gale Mdws. (WJN), 1 5/22 Branch Pd. Sunderland (TEJ,JJC), 1 5/23 DCWMA (SBL,BLR), 1 5/23,24 S. Hero (RBL), 1 5/26 Isle La Motte (RBL), 1 5/30 Orleans (AMAS). Spotted Sandpiper: 1 4/26 Otter Creek (JRA), 1 4/26 Pawlet (CJF), 3 4/29 Chittenden Res. (DEK), 1 5/2 Shelburne (MPB), 4 5/2 W. Arlington (CJF), on 5/3 1 Thurman W. Dix Res. (MEM), 1 L. Dunmore (SSW), 1 Westminster W. (AMD), 1 DCWMA (MBN), 2 5/4 MNWR (JBG), 1 5/5 S. Londonderry (WJN), 1 5/6 and 2 5/8 Shoreham (ELW), 1 5/6 Grand Isle (RBL), on 5/10 1 Manchester (RuS), 1 WRD (JDM). High count 32 5/25 Champlain Isl. (RBL). Upland Sandpiper: 1 4/25 W. Haven (WGE,NLM), 1 4/27 and 2 4/29 to 5/28 Shoreham (ELW), 1 4/30 Vernon (JJC), 2 5/16 Shelburne (MPB), 5/23 DCWMA (m.ob.), 1 5/29 MNWR (JBG), 1 5/30 Newport Airport (AMAS). Ruddy Turnstone: 1 5/26 Alburg (RBL,DKL), 1 5/27 Bixby Isl. (CCR,RBL). Semipalmated Sandpiper: 3 5/13 Bixby Isl. (RBL), 1 5/16 Savage Isl. (RBL), 3 5/16 DCWMA (JID,MCD), 3 5/19 Westminster (REG,OAG), 1 5/25 Swanton (RBL), 2 5/25 Savage Isl. (RBL). Least Sandpiper: 1 5/8 Shelburne (WAM), 1 5/13 Bixby Isl. (RBL), 11 5/16 Savage Isl. (RBL), 3 5/17 Westminster (AMD), 16 5/17 Grand Isle (DJH), 9 5/18 Westminster (REG,OAG), 2 5/19 Shelburne Bay (WAM), 7 5/19 Savage Isl. (RBL), 25 5/20 "The Gut" (RBL), 6 5/24 Colchester Pt. (JDM), 67 5/25 Champlain Valley (RBL) the high count. Pectoral Sandpiper: 1 5/16 WRD (JDM). Dunlin: 1 5/3 Charcoal Creek (WAM), 5 5/16 Savage Isl. (RBL), 1 N. Hero, 2 Gull Isl. and 1 Swanton 5/25 (RBL). Short-billed Dowitcher: 5 5/19 Savage Isl. (RBL), 40 5/23 HC (DPK,CDK,CB,DC), 4-6 5/23 S. Bay-Newport (WGE,NLM,SJS,DHC), 11 5/24 WRD (WAM), 12 Bixby Isl., 2 S. Hero and 4 Savage Isl. 5/25 (RBL), 1 5/26 Grand Isle (RBL). Whimbrel\*: (awaiting further details) 2 probables 5/14 Grand Isle (fide DJH). Common Snipe: first 1 3/14 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD), 1 3/27 Grand Isle (DJH), 1 3/28 Shelburne (MPB), 2 3/30 L. Carmi (PJM), 1 3/30 E. Dorset (RuS), 1 4/4 Washington (ATA), 2 4/11 SBWMA (JDM), 1 4/11 WRM (SBL), on 4/12 6 Champlain Isl. (WAM), 1 Winhall

(WJN), 1 Woodstock (CRP). High count 8 4/18 Champlain Isl. (WAM,DLC), 10 5/23 Brighton/Ferdinand (WGE,NLM,DHC,SJS). Peak of 150 at MNWR (JBG). American Woodcock: 2 3/24 Shrewsbury (LPS), on 3/27 1 Winhall (WJN), 1 Lincoln (JRA), 1 Shelburne (MPB), 1 3/28 Rutland (CJF), 1 3/30 Woodstock (JMN), 1 4/5 Washington (ATA), 1 4/5 Barre (MEM), 1 4/8 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 4/12 Brandon (SSW), 1 4/12 Townshend (REG) "nest with 4 eggs". High counts 5 4/8 Shrewsbury (LPS), 10 5/23 Brighton/Ferdinand (WGE,NLM,DHC,SJS), peak of 50 at MNWR (JBG). Wilson's Phalarope: 1 f. photographed 5/20 "The Gut" Grand Isle (RBL).

#### GULLS AND TERNS

Bonaparte's Gull: 1 5/3 WRD (JDM), 3 5/7 Waterbury Res. (DEK), 1 5/23 WRD (m.ob.), 6 5/24 Colchester Pt. (WAM), 2 5/26 Grand Isle (RBL,DKL). Ring-billed Gull: 15 3/1 S. Burlington (WDB), 1 3/8 Vernon (WGE,NLM), 1 3/8 Rutland (CJF), 35 3/20 Champlain Valley (SSW), 5 3/23 Westminster (REG,OAG), 2 3/25 Hartford (CCR), 350 3/28 Wallingford to Rutland (CJF), 800+ 3/29 Addison Cty. (JRA) the high count, 500 4/2 Panton (MBN), 1 4/9 Berlin Res. (ATA), 1 4/10 HC (WJN). Peak of 200 at MNWR (JBG). Herring Gull: 37 Brattleboro, 22 Vernon 3/8 (WGE,NLM), 1 3/21 N. Hero (JDM), 50 3/27 HC/Rockingham (WJN), 3 3/28 DCWMA (MBN), 2 3/29 Charlotte (BLR), 1 4/1 dead E. Dorset (RuS), 100+ 4/14 HC/Rockingham (WJN), 150 4/19 I-91 Hawk Watch, Rockingham (WGE,NLM) the high count, 2 4/20 Colchester (WDB), 3 5/11 HC (WJN), 7 5/16 WRD (JDM), 1 5/30 L. Willoughby (ELW). Great Black-backed Gull: 2 3/4 Waterbury (ATA), 2 3/5 Bellows Falls (REG,OAG), 1 Brattleboro, 5 Vernon 3/8 (WGE,NLM), 5 3/21 N. Hero (JDM), 8 3/22 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD) the high count, 1 3/28 DCWMA (WAM,MBN), 2 3/29 Charlotte (BLR), 2 4/5 Chimney Pt. (MBN), 5 4/14 and 6 5/4 HC (WJN), 1 5/8 Shoreham (ELW), 2 5/11 HC (WJN), 2 5/16 S. Burlington (WGE,NLM), 2 5/24 Colchester Pt. (WAM), 3 5/25 Young Isl. (WAM), 1 5/30 Newport (ELW). Peak of 10 at MNWR (JBG). Common Tern: 3 5/3 Champlain Isl. (WAM), 27 5/8 N. Hero (Hen Isl.) (RBL) the high count, 1 5/16 WRD (JDM,WGE,NLM), 10 5/22 Young Is. vicinity (TEJ,JCC), 1 5/24 Colchester Pt. (WAM), 2 5/27 Sherburne-Kent Pd. (CCR) feeding on emerging insects. Black Tern: 1 5/2 DCWMA (WAM), 8 5/3 Champlain Isl. (WAM), 3 5/3 DCWMA (MBN), 1 5/5 MNWR (JBG), 22 5/7 Swanton (RBL) the high count, 5 5/8 BRM (PFW), 4 5/8 DCWMA (SSW), 1 5/10 WRD (JDM), 4 5/16 SBWMA (WGE,NLM), 1 5/22 Berlin Res. (ATA), 9 including f. on nest BRM 5/23 (WGE,NLM,DHC,SJS), 1 5/23 L. Paran, Bennington (RSK,ERK,BCD,RW,EV), 10 5/30 Newport (ELW). Peak of 70 MNWR (JBG). Monk Parakeet (*Myiopsitta monachus*): during April Shaftsbury (MrMi). This species is a native of temperate South America and can tolerate cold climates. In the 70's escaped individuals had become established in the NYC-NJ area as breeders. The New York DEC, fearing it would become a frugivorous pest, undertook to eliminate them. However, some are still around and it could possibly be more frequent in VT. Two other cold weather parakeets-the Rose-ringed Parakeet (*Psittacula krameri*) and the Black-hooded Parakeet (*Nandayus nenday*) are present in the wild state to the south of us and may be breeding. A parakeet seen migrating south at Hawk Mt. (PA) by hawkwatchers was believed to be a Rose-ringed. Black-billed Cuckoo: 1 5/17 Woodstock (CRP), 1 5/20 Woodstock (JMN); on 5/23 1 Chester (VF), 1 WRM (WJN), 1 5/29,31 Dorset (EFC), 1 5/30 Weybridge (MBN). Yellow-billed Cuckoo: 5/23 Birdathon (DPK,CDK,DC,CB), 1 5/25 Birdathon (LJE,DCD,DHI), 1 5/26 Shoreham (ELW). Eastern Screech-Owl: 4/5 and 5/25 Washington (ATA), 5/3 Thurman W. Dix Res. (ATA), 1 5/6 Shoreham (ELW). Peak of 10 at MNWR (JBG). Great Horned Owl: 1 3/2 and 5/7 Dorset (EFC), 1 4/2,22 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD), 1 4/3 DCWMA (WAM), 1 calling Shelburne (MPB), 1 4/12-21 Young Isl. nesting in cormorant nest-photographed (RBL), 1 4/27 Winhall (WJN), 2 5/10



young banded-Milton (PAT), on 5/23 1 Mt. Holly Beaver Pond (WJN), 1 Woodstock (SBL,BLR). Peak of 4 MNWR (JBG). Snowy Owl: 2 3/5 MNWR (JBG), 1 3/5, 7 DCWMA (MBN,WGE,NLM,WAM), 1 3/22 Addison (MEM), until 4/2 Barre Town Elementary School (ATA). Barred Owl: the most widely reported of the owls-reported through the period. High count: 4 4/15 Shrewsbury (LPS). Peak of 3 at MNWR (JBG). Short-eared Owl: 1 3/7 Charlotte (ATA), 4 April MNWR (JBG). Northern Saw-whet Owl: 1 photographed-Barre (HJ), 1 3/4 Norwich "inside barn in evening" (HP), 1 5/30-31 W. Clover (AMAS). Common Nighthawk: 1 5/16 Westminster (REG,OAG), 1 5/20 Rutland (LPS), 1 5/21 and 4 5/22 Rutland (CJF), on 5/23 1 Springfield Mdw. (WJN), up to 8 Rutland (m.ob.), 1 Barre (ATA), 2 5/24 Springfield (WME), 2 5/30 Brandon (SSW). Whip-poor-will: 1 5/10 W. Glover (REG,OAG), 1 5/10 Benson (CJF), 1 5/11-16 Woodstock (JMN), 1 5/19 Woodstock (CRP), 5/22 1 Brattleboro and 1 Vernon (TEJ, JJC), 5/23 Brighton (WGE,NLM,SJS,DHC), Reports seem to be declining. Chimney Swift: 2 4/25 and 3 5/1 Rutland (CJF), 2 4/26 Middlebury (JRA), 1 4/28 Burlington (MPB), 1 4/29 Woodstock (JMN), 1 5/2 Brandon (SSW), 4 5/2 White River Jct. (WGE,NLM), 1 5/9 Vergennes (WAM), 3 5/9 Dorset (EFG), 1 5/9 Manchester (RuS), 8 5/11 Woodstock (SBL), 1 5/12 Springfield 1 5/13 Johnson (VRS). High counts: 250 5/22 (WGE,NLM, DHC,SJS) and 50 5/25 Lyndonville (PFW) "going down chimney" at dusk, 55 5/15 Middlebury (JRA). Ruby-throated Hummingbird: 1 5/10 Shoreham (ELW), 1 5/10 Woodstock (JMN), 1 5/11 Springfield/Rockingham Town Line (WJN), 1 5/12 Manchester (NMR), 1 5/13 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 5/13 Westminster W. (AMD), on 5/15 1 Ferrisburg (JID, MCD), 1 Dorset (EFG). Several observers had a high count of 3. Five were netted at VINS on 5/26, 14 netted for the season (4 m. 10 f.) tail-clipped only (NLM). Belted Kingfisher: 1 3/5 Westminster (REG,OAG), 1 3/5 Woodstock (CRP), 1 3/8 Vernon (WGE,NLM), 1 3/22 Brandon (SSW), 1 3/24 Rockingham (WJN), 1 3/29 SBWMA (CBH), on 4/4 1 Shelburne (WAM), 2 Thurman W. Dix Res. (ATA), 1 Springfield (WME), 1 Lamoille R. (JDM), 1 4/5 Addison (MBN), 1 4/9 WRD (MPB), 1 4/10 Taftsville (JMN). High count: 9 5/11 HC to Springweather NA (WJN). Peak of 10 at MNWR (JBG).

#### WOODPECKERS

Red-headed Woodpecker: 1 May Marshfield (BMP), on 5/16 1 Ferrisburg (CMH fide JID), 1 Ripton (LDM), 1 mouth of Lamoille R. (RBL)-photographed, 1 5/25 Birdathon (LJE,DCD,DHI). Yellow-bellied Sapsucker: 1 4/12 Winhall (WJN), 1 4/12 Washington (ATA), on 4/16 1 Dorset (EFG), 1 Shrewsbury (LPS), 1 Colchester (WDB), 1 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 MNWR (JBG), on 4/18 1 Springfield (WME), 1 Grand Isle (DJH), 1 Manchester (RuS), 1 4/19 S. Strafford (HR), 1 4/19 Woodstock (JMN). High count 9 5/14 Reading (FMH, GEH). Downy Woodpecker: widely reported through the period-some high counts: 5 3/2 Brandon (SSW), 5 4/26 Colchester (WAM), 5 4/29 Shoreham (ELW), 8 5/10 SBWMA (WAM). Two retraps from 1986 at BNP (VINS). Hairy Woodpecker: widely reported through the period-some high counts: 3-period Winhall (WJN), 3-period Londonderry (WSA), 4 3/1 Lake Carmi (PJM), 3 3/21 Woodstock (JMN)-JMN reports 2 competing ad. m. Hairies killed hitting window-3 4/18 Shrewsbury (LPS), 3 5/16, 29 Reading (FMH,GEH). Feeding young in nest outside kitchen window 5/16 Reading (FMH,GEH). Black-backed Woodpecker: 1 4/22 Morgan (REG,OAG), 2 5/6 Sheffield (PFW), 1 5/9 Moose Bog (SBL,BLR,DLC), 1 5/10 Morgan (REG,OAG), 3 5/23 Moose Bog (WGE,NLM,SJS, DHC), 1 5/31 Lewis (AMAS). Three-toed Woodpecker: f. reported 5/9 Craftsbury Common (RSp). Northern Flicker: 2 3/7 Ferrisburg (WGE,NLM) early, 1 3/20 Shoreham (SSW), 1 3/23 Woodstock (JMN), 1 3/27 Allen Bros. Marsh (WJN), 2 3/28 Shelburne (WAM,DLC), 1 3/28 Weybridge (MBN), 3 3/30 Shrewsbury (LPS), 1 3/31 E. Dorset (RuS), 1 3/31 Bellows Falls (REG,OAG), 1 4/2

Ferrisburg (JID,MCD), 1 4/4 Berlin Res. (ATA), 1 4/4 Rutland (CJF), 1 4/5 Springfield (WME), 2 4/8 Lyndonville (PFW). High counts: 8 5/3 Champlain Isl. (WAM), 9 5/23 HC to WRM (WJN). 1 retrap at BNP from 1986 (VINS). Pileated Woodpecker: reported throughout the state. High counts: many observers reported two. Peak of 7 at MNWR (JBG).

#### FLYCATCHERS

Olive-sided Flycatcher: 1 5/20 Sheffield (PFW), 1 5/21 Duxbury (FAP), 1 WRM and 1 Ira 5/23 (WJN), also on 5/23 1 Champlain Valley (JSA,KMA,WME,SB), 1 Moose Bog (WGE,NLM,SJS,DHC), 1 Barton (REG,OAG), 1 Salisbury (MBB), 1 Chester (VF), 1 5/26, 29 Sheffield (PFW), 1 5/26 Winhall (WJN), 1 5/27 Stowe (WAM), 1 5/30 Barton (AMAS). Eastern Wood-Pewee: on 5/17 1 Brandon (SSW), 1 Fair Haven (EPA), 1 SBWMA (WAM,PAT), 1 5/18 Dorset (EFG), on 5/20 1 Castleton (SBL), 3 Lincoln (JID,MCD), 1 Alburg (DJH), 1 Montpelier (FAP), 1 5/21 Barre (ATA), 1 5/22 Woodstock (JMN), on 5/23 1 Springweather NA (WJN), 2 Reading (FMH,GEH), 3 Shoreham (ELW), 1 Shrewsbury and 1 W. Haven (LPS), 1 W. Glover (REG, OAG), High count 4 5/26 Shoreham (ELW). Yellow-bellied Flycatcher: on 5/23 1 Ira (WJN), 1 Brandon (SSW,EBB, MW,HB), 13 Moose Bog area (WGE,NLM,SJS,DHC). Most arrived in June. Alder Flycatcher: 1 5/8 Woodstock (CRP) exceptionally early, 1 5/20 Dorset (EFG), on 5/21 1 WRM (FAP), 1 Joe's Pond, Cabot (PFW), 1 Winhall (WJN), 1 5/23 and 4 5/26 Sheffield (PFW), on 5/23 1 Newport (PFW,SAW), 6 WRM-Springweather NA (WJN,SBL, BLR) and 7 Brighton (WGE,NLM,DHC,SJS) the high counts, 1 5/25 W. Glover (REG,OAG), on 5/29 1 Dorset (EFG), 1 S. Londonderry (WJN). Willow Flycatcher: 1 5/22 Allen Bros. Marsh (TEJ,JJC,AMD), on 5/23 1 Newport (PFW), 1 Dorset (EFG), 1 Halifax (WHA), 1 Woodstock (SBL,BLR), 2 5/27 Lincoln (JRA), 1 5/29 S. Londonderry (WJN), 1 5/30 Glover and 1 5/31 Bloomfield (AMAS), 1 5/31 Weybridge (MBN). Five new "Traill's" type netted at BNP (VINS). Least Flycatcher: 1 5/4 Dorset (EFG), 1 5/7 Shoreham (ELW), 1 5/8 Woodstock (CRP), on 5/9 1 Ferdinand (SBL), 1 Johnson (VRS), on 5/10 1 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 Brandon (SSW), 1 5/11 Lincoln (JRA), "several" 5/11 Johnson (VRS), 1 5/12 Weybridge (MBN), 1 5/12 Shelburne (WAM), 1 5/13 Allen Bros. Marsh (AMD), 2 5/13 Woodstock (JMN). High counts: 4 territorial m. Woodstock (JMN), 4 5/24 Burlington/Colchester (WAM), 4 Chittenden Brook (SSW), 8 5/15 BNP (VINS). Twenty-six new birds marked at BNP, 6 retraps from 1986 (VINS). Eastern Phoebe: 1 3/11 HC (REG) very early, 1 3/24 E. Dorset (RuS), 1 3/26 and 2 3/27 Rutland (CJF), 1 3/26 Winhall (WJN), on 3/28 1 Sharon (CCR), 2 Milton (PAT), 1 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 Lincoln (JRA), 1 Bellows Falls (AMD), 1 Shelburne (MPB), 3 Brandon (SSW), on 3/29 1 Woodstock (JMN), 1 Wallingford (BLR), 2 Colchester (WDB), 1 Charlotte (WAM). High counts: 6-2 ad. 4 fl.-5/31 Fairfax (PAT), 6 4/23 Lincoln (JRA). Two new banded at BNP (VINS). "Nesting on telephone box under front porch-second nest, first with 5 eggs destroyed by telephone repairman" Woodstock (CRP). Great Crested Flycatcher: 1 4/23 S. Strafford (HR) early, 1 5/5 Randolph (EWC,MCC), 1 5/7 Fairfax (PAT), 1 5/9 Manchester (RuS), on 5/10 1 Grand Isle (RBL), 2 SBWMA (WAM), 2 Brandon (SSW), 1 Colchester (JDM), 6 Benson (CJF), 1 5/11 MNWR (JBG), 1 5/12 and 4 5/13 Shoreham (ELW), on 5/13 2 Grand Isle (DJH), 1 Grafton (REG,OAG). High count 15 5/23 SBWMA (JDM). One new netted at BNP (VINS). Eastern Kingbird: 1 4/21 DCWMA (LPS) very early, 1 5/3 Dorset (EFG), 1 5/3 DCWMA (MBN), on 5/4 1 Brandon (SSW), 1 Rutland (REG, OAG), 1 Shoreham (ELW), 1 5/7 Allen Bros. Marsh (AMD), 1 5/8 HC (WJN), 3 5/8 Newport (PFW), 1 5/9 Middletown Springs (CJF), 1 5/9 Manchester (RuS), 2 5/10 WRD (JDM), 1 5/10 Washington (ATA), 2 5/11 Shelburne (MPB). High counts: 10 5/26 Lincoln (JID,MCD), 27 5/23 HC to WRM (WJN). One new netted at BNP (VINS).

## LARKS THROUGH SWALLOWS

Horned Lark: 20-30 3/1-20 Pawlet (HWB), 30 3/3 Middlebury (JRA), 15 3/4 Putney (REG,OAG), continuously present at DCWMA through March, numbers up to 100 (m.ob.), 16 "Prairie" Horned Larks second week in March Vernon (JJC), 30 3/6 Shelburne (JID,MCD), 126 3/7 Addison (WGE,NLM) the high count, 8 3/8 Vernon (WGE,NLM), 22 3/11 Barton Exit and 15-20 Orleans Exit 1-91 (PFW), 6 4/9 Bridport (MBN), 1 5/3 Shoreham (ELW), 3 5/22 DCWMA (TEJ,JJC), 1 5/30 Newport Airport (PFW). May dates most certainly refer to the race praticola - "Prairie" Horned Lark. Purple Martin: 1 5/1 Grand Isle (DJH), 3 5/2 DCWMA (WAM), 3 5/3 DCWMA (MBN), 1 5/4 Monkton (REG, OAG), 13 5/8 Champlain Bridge, Addison (SSW), 1 WRD and 1 SBWMA 5/16 (JDM), 1 5/18 Shelburne (MPB), 4 5/18 HC (WJN), 4 5/22 DCWMA (TEJ). High count about 100 5/29 Grand Isle (DJH). Tree Swallow: 5 3/8 Shelburne (WAM,DLC) very early, 1 3/25 Grand Isle (DJH), 1 3/27 BNP, Woodstock (CCR), 15 3/28 Westminster (AMD,REG), 5 3/28 DCWMA (MBN), 15 WRD and 2 S. Hero 3/28 (JDM), on 3/29 1 Lake Carmi (PJM), 4 Grand Isle (RBL), 6 3/30 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD), 1 4/1 E. Dorset (RuS), 5 4/2 HC (WJN), 8 4/4 L. Bomoseen (CJF). High counts: 100 4/5 Springfield/Rockingham (SBL,BLR), 100 5/7 HC (WJN). Twelve new netted at BNP, 4 retraps, all 1986 adults (VINS). Northern Rough-winged Swallow: 3 4/25 Castleton (JMN, EFG), 1 5/2 Vernon (JJC), 2 5/3 DCWMA (MBN), 1 5/3 Thurman W. Dix Res. (ATA), 2 5/4 Rockingham (WJN), 2 5/7 Shoreham (ELW), 2 5/8 HC (WJN), 2 Colchester 5/16 (JDM), pair 5/19 Duxbury nesting in holes in concrete retaining wall near Bolton Falls Dam (SBL), 1 5/22 Cogman Pond, W. Haven (SSW). High count 6 5/17 Wolcott (ELW). This species seemed to be late and in poor numbers. Bank Swallow: 1 5/3 Manchester (RuS), 15 5/4 HC (WJN), on 5/16 1 S. Hero (MBN), 4 Charlotte (JID,MCD), 12 Westminster (REG,OAG), 23 5/17 Brandon (SSW), 2 5/20 Pittsford (LPS), 15 5/21 Barre (ATA). Most did not arrive until late in the month. High counts: 50 5/18 Springfield/Rockingham Town Line colony (WJN), up to 100 5/23 Newport (PFW,SAW). This species also seemed late and in poor numbers. Cliff Swallow: 1 4/25 Castleton (JMN,EFG), 1 5/3 Thurman W. Dix Res. (ATA), 1 5/3 Champlain Isl. (WAM), 1 5/4 HC (WJN), 1 5/7 Winhall (WJN), 1 5/8 Newport (PFW), 1 5/11 DCWMA (JRA), 1 5/16 WRD (JDM), 2 5/16 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD), 1 5/22 WRM (SSW). High count only 5 5/31 Island Pond (ELW). Another species that was late and in very poor numbers. Barn Swallow: 4 4/17 Woodstock (JMN), 1 4/23 Dorset (EFG), 1 4/23 L. Bomoseen (CJF), 1 4/25 Shelburne (MPB), 2 4/25 Grand Isle (DJH), 2 4/26 Brandon (SSW), 4 4/26 Lincoln Hill (MPB), 3 4/27 WRM (WJN), 1 4/27 New Haven (JRA), 3 4/30 Shelburne (WAM), 4 4/30 Thurman W. Dix Res. (ATA), 2 4/30 St. Albans (REG, OAG), 1 5/3 Colchester (JDM), 1 5/4 Weybridge (MBN), 1 5/4 Rutland (ELW). High count: 70 5/23 HC to WRM (WJN).

## CORVIDS THROUGH CREEPERS

Gray Jay: 1 5/9 Moose Bog (SBL,BLR,DLC), 2 5/31 Lewis (AMAS). Blue Jay: numbers seem normal. Some high counts: up to 30-period Washington (ATA), to 37-period Londonderry (WSA), 28 3/2 Sheffield (PFW), 30 3/2 Woodstock (JMN), 26 5/9 Shrewsbury (LPS). Two retraps at BNP, one originally banded 5/26/81 now at least 7 years old (VINS). American Crow: overwintered in all but the highest mountain areas. Some high counts: "moving all day through the refuge" MNWR 3/1 (JBG), 100+/- Leicester (SSW), 102 3/11 Lyndonville (PFW), 130 3/10 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD) "normally we see 1000+ in this period" (JID), 443 Pantton and 339 Ferrisburg 3/7 (WGE,NLM). Common Raven: occurs about everywhere now. Some high counts: 16 3/6 Hartland (WGE,NLM), 5 4/1 Reading (FMH,GEH), 6 4/20 Winhall (WJN). Nest with young 4/9 Bristol (CCR). Black-capped Chickadee: present everywhere through the peri-

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od. Some high counts: up to 30 Washington (ATA), 21 Londonderry (WSA), 25/day Winhall (WJN), 25 3/28 Reading (FMH,GEH). Four new banded at BNP, 5 retraps banded in 1986 (VINS). Boreal Chickadee: 2 3/11 Sheffield (PFW) present through the period, 1 3/14 Moose Bog (ATA), 6 prs. 5/9 Moose Bog (SBL,BLR,DLC), 14 5/23 Moose Bog area (WGE,NLM,DHC,SJS). Tufted Titmouse: 1 3/3 and 3/29 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD), 1 3/7 Westminster (REG,OAG), 3 3/7 Pantton (WGE,NLM), on 3/8 2 Brattleboro (WGE,NLM), 1 Shelburne (WAM,DLC), 3 Vernon (WGE, NLM), 1 3/14, 19 Colchester (JDM,WDB), 1 3/29 Westminster W. (AMD), 4 4/11 Bellows Falls (AMD) the high count, 1 4/14 HC (WJN), 1 4/18 and 2 5/7 Dorset (EFG), 3 4/25 Essex (WDB), 1 May Proctorsville (TEJ), 1 5/7 Fair Haven (EPA), 3 5/9 Colchester (JDM), 1 5/21 E. Charlotte (JID,MCD), on 5/23 1 Springfield/Rockingham town line (WJN), 1 Putney (DME), 4 5/24 Colchester (WDB) the high count. Red-breasted Nuthatch: resident at higher elevations. Some high counts: 4 5/9 Reading (FMH,GEH), up to 5 daily Winhall (WJN), counts of this species seem to be low. It may be at the low point in its cycle, as it is an irruptive species with sporadic ups and downs. White-breasted Nuthatch: reported widely, both at lower and higher elevations in the the hardwoods. Some high counts: up to 6-period Woodstock (JMN), 5-6 May Manchester (NJR), 4 5/3 Shoreham (ELW), 4 5/16 Reading (FMH,GEH), 4 period Winhall (WJN). Brown Creeper: 3/1-period Fairfax (PAT), 1 3/4 Shelburne (MPB), 1 3/4 Sheffield-at suet (PFW), 1 3/8 Shelburne (WAM,DLC), 1 3/8 Dorset (EFG), 2 3/18 Brandon (SSW), 1 3/19 Essex (WDB), 1 3/24 Reading (FMH, GEH), 1 3/27 S. Hero (DJH), 1 3/29 Washington (ATA), 2 3/30 Shrewsbury (LPS). High count only 2 by several observers.

## WRENS

Carolina Wren: 5/16-30 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD) "returned for third year in a row to same location". House Wren: 1 4/23 Lincoln (JRA), 1 5/3 Springfield (WME), 1 5/4 Brandon (SSW), on 5/6 1 Winhall (WJN), 1 Saxtons R. (REG,OAG), 1 Dorset (EFG), 1 5/7 Rutland (CJF), 1 5/8 Fair Haven (EPA), on 5/9 1 Addison (WAM), 1 Manchester (RuS), 1 Shelburne (MPB), 1 5/10 Pomfret (CMW), on 5/11 1 Woodstock (CRP), 1 Weybridge (MBN), 1 Reading (FMH,GEH). High count 5 5/20 Shoreham (ELW). JMN feels that this species is declining. Winter Wren: 1 4/3 Winhall (WJN), 1 4/5 Shrewsbury (LPS), 1 4/10 Johnson (VRS), 1 4/12 Marshfield (MFM), 1 4/15 W. Woodstock (CCR), 1 4/15 and 2 4/21 Sheffield (PFW), 1 4/16 Brandon (SSW), 1 4/18 Manchester (RuS), 8 4/19 Reading (FMH,GEH) the high count, 4 4/22 Shrewsbury (LPS). Many dates refer to breeders. Marsh Wren: 1 4/22 BRM (REG,OAG) very early, 1 5/2 W. Brattleboro (JJC), 1 5/8 HC (WJN), 2 5/8 Newport (PFW), 11 5/10 DCWMA (JRA), 1 5/16 Colchester (JDM). High count 30 5/26 Isle La Motte (RBL,DKL).

## KINGLETS THROUGH THRUSHES

Golden-crowned Kinglet: wintered in many areas - 1 3/1 Londonderry (WSA), 1 3/7 Ferrisburg (WGE,NLM), 1 3/8 Vernon (WGE,NLM), 27 3/14 Essex (WDB) the high count, 1 3/21 and 3 4/7 Reading (FMH,GEH), 2 3/22 Woodstock (JMN), "all period" Washington-Barre (ATA), 2 4/9 L. Dunmore (SSW), 1 4/10 Winhall (WJN), 1 4/18 Bellows Falls (AMD), 10 4/22 Moose Bog (REG,OAG), 3 5/1 Sheffield (PFW,SAW), 1 5/3 Colchester (JDM), 1 5/8 Shoreham (ELW). Ruby-crowned Kinglet: 1 4/8 Bellows Falls (REG,OAG), 1 4/11-13 Woodstock (SBL), 3 4/15 Winhall (WJN), 1 4/15 Dorset (EFG), 1 4/17 Shrewsbury (LPS), 1 4/17 Brandon (SSW), 1 4/18 Manchester (RuS), 1 4/19 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 4/20 Sheffield (PFW), 2 4/20 Colchester (WDB), 5 4/27 Red Rocks Pk., Burlington (WAM), 1 4/29 Shoreham (ELW), 1 4/29 Lincoln (JRA), 1 4/30 Rutland (CJF). High count 12 5/3 Colchester Area (JDM). Four new banded at BNP, low in comparison to last 2 years (VINS). Blue-gray Gnat-

catcher: 1 5/3 Vernon (JJC), 2 5/6 HC (REG,OAG), 2 5/10 Brandon (SSW), 1 5/10 WRD (JDM), present at SBWMA 5/10-on (m.ob.), high count was 10 there 5/23 (JDM) nest building seen there by many. Two 5/14, 23 W. Haven (LPS), 1 5/14 Shoreham (ELW), 1 5/16 Lewis Creek, Ferrisburg (JID,MCD), 1 5/23 Button Bay (ATA), on 5/30 2 Barton (AMAS), 2 Clover (ELW), 2 Brandon (SSW). Eastern Bluebird: 1 3/10 W. Chittenden (MW), 3 3/14 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD), 1 3/14 Huntington (JWF), 2 3/23 Florence (TR), 1 3/23 Woodstock (JMN) eating sunac fruit, on 3/28 2 Plainfield (MFM), 3 Charlotte (WAM, DLC), 1 Washington (ATA), 1 3/29 Button Bay SP (BLR), 1 4/1 Shrewsbury (LPS). High count 4 4/6 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD). Nesting pair netted at BNP (VINS). Several reports of bluebirds competing with Tree Swallows for nesting sites. Veery: 1 5/3 Woodstock (JMN), 1 5/5 Winhall (WJN), 1 5/8 S. Wallingford (CJF), 1 5/8 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 5/10 SBWMA (WAM), 1 5/10 W. Glover (REG,OAG), on 5/14 1 Sheffield (PFW), 2 Fairfax (PAT), 1 Randolph (MCC), 1 5/16 Mud Creek (JDM), 1 5/16 Colchester (JDM), on 5/17 1 Manchester (RuS), 1 E. Middlebury (MBN), 1 Lincoln (JRA), 1 Dorset (EFG), 10 5/18 HC (WJN). High count about 40 5/23 HC to WRM (WJN), several observers commented on the scarcity and late arrival of this species. Five individuals banded at BNP (VINS). Gray-cheeked Thrush: 1 5/11 HC (WJN), 1 5/16 Colchester (JDM), 1 5/23 Winhall (WJN). Swainson's Thrush: 1 5/12 Winhall (WJN), 1 5/13 Woodstock (JMN), 1 5/14 Peru (WJN), 1 5/16 Colchester (JDM), 1 5/21 Duxbury (FAP), 1 5/22 MNWR (SSW), on 5/23 1 Dorset (EFG), 1 Halifax (WHA), 1 Shrewsbury (SBL,BLR), 1 Lincoln Gap (JRA). Hermit Thrush: 1 3/30 Marshfield (CCR) early, 1 4/3 Shrewsbury (LPS), 2 4/11 Winhall (WJN), 1 4/16 Woodstock (NLM), 8 4/17 Reading (FMH, GEH), 1 4/18 Washington (ATA), 1 4/18 Manchester (RuS), 10 4/19 Reading (FMH, GEH), 1 4/19 White Rocks, Wallingford (CJF), 1 4/21 and 3 4/27 Red Rocks Pk., Burlington (WAM), 1 4/23 Dorset (EFG), 3 4/23 Woodstock (JMN), 1 4/25 Mt. Philo (JID,MCD), 1 4/26 Brandon (SSW), 16 5/23 Moose Bog area (WGE,NLM,DHC,SJS). One hit window & killed 5/13 S. Strafford (HR), 1 banded at BNP (VINS). Several observers commented on the scarcity of this species. Wood Thrush: 1 4/12 Shoreham (WS) very early, 1 4/21 Woodstock (NER), 1 4/21 S. Strafford (HR) also early 1 5/5 Springfield (WME), on 5/7 2 Winhall (WJN), 1 Washington (ATA), 1 Dorset (EFG), on 5/8 3 S. Wallingford (CJF), 1 Fair Haven (EPA), on 5/10 2 Brandon (SSW), 1 W. Clover (REG,OAG), 1 Randolph (EWC,MCC), 1 Shrewsbury (LPS), 1 Manchester (RuS), 1 5/11 Reading (FMH, GEH), 4 5/11 Sheffield Hts. (PFW), 1 5/13 Lincoln (JRA), 4 pr. 5/14 Fairfax (PAT). High count 25 5/23 HC to WRM (WJN). Two new banded at BNP (VINS). American Robin: 3 3/7 N. Hero (ATA), on 3/8 1 Woodstock (CRP), 1 Weybridge (MBN), 5 Shelburne 4 Addison (WAM, DLC), 1 E. Dorset (RuS), 1 3/12 Berlin (RBB), 1 3/14 Lamoille R. (JDM), 1 3/16 Mendon (JML), 1 3/19 Winhall (WJN), 1 3/19 Putney (REG,OAG)-widespread after that. High count 100+/- 5/23 HC to WRM (WJN). Twenty-three new birds netted at BNP, 5 retraps from previous years, one male originally banded 5/26/80 now at least 8 years old (VINS). VARIED THRUSH: 1 3/28 Saxtons R. (AMD,REG,DC).

#### MIMIDS

Gray Catbird: 1 5/3 Dorset (EFG), 1 5/7 BNP (VINS), 1 5/8 Shoreham (ELW), 6 5/8 HC (WJN), 1 5/9 Westminster (AMD), 1 5/9 WRD (JDM), on 5/10 1 Fair Haven (EPA), 1 DCWMA (JRA), 1 Benson (CJF), 4 Brandon (SSW), 1 Reading (FMH,GEH), on 5/11 1 Springfield (WME), 2 Shelburne (WAM), 1 5/12 Shrewsbury (LPS). High count 50 5/23 HC to WRM (WJN). Sixteen new banded at BNP, 8 retraps from 1985-86 (VINS). Northern Mockingbird: 2 3/7 Colchester (WAM,DLC), 1 3/8 Brattleboro (WGE,NLM), 1 4/5 and 2 4/30 Rutland (CJF), 1 4/10 Bristol (JRA), 1 4/15 Rockingham (REG,OAG), 1

4/15-5/30 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD), 1 4/20 Dorset (EFG), 1 4/23 Springfield (WME), 2 4/24 Lyndonville (PFW), 1 4/25 Montpelier (JSn), 1 4/29 New Haven (JRA), 1 5/4 Springfield Airport (WJN), 1 5/8 Allen Bros. Marsh (WJN), 1 5/9 Manchester (RuS), 1 5/9 Brookfield (PP), 1 5/10 Grand Isle (DJH), 1 5/12 L. Carmi (PJM), 2 5/14 W. Haven (LPS), 1 5/18 Duxbury (FAP), 1 5/24 Chelsea/Tunbridge (CS), 1 late May Bartonville "first for locality" (TEJ). Brown Thrasher: 1 3/30 Middlesex (MFM) very early-may have been a bird that wintered far north of its usual range, 1 4/23 Brandon (SSW), 1 5/3 Grand Isle (DJH), 2 5/4 Winooski (WRB), 1 5/6 Winhall (WJN), 1 5/8 Londonderry (WSA), 1 5/9 Ferrisburg (WAM), 1 5/10 SBWMA (WAM), 1 5/13 Rutland (CJF), 1 5/14 Sheffield (PFW). High count only 2 by several people. Many observers commented on its scarcity and JMN had none until June. Four new banded at BNP (VINS).

#### PIPIT THROUGH STARLING

Water Pipit: 1 5/2 White River Jct. (WGE,NLM), 6 5/7 and 2 5/8 Shoreham (ELW). Bohemian Waxwing: massive invasion in the Champlain Valley, many reports from other locations. Fourteen 3/6 Proctorsville (AR), 50 3/7 Ferrisburg (WGE,NLM), 18 3/8 S. Duxbury (FAP), 120 3/10 Brandon (SSW), 50 3/11 W. Windsor (MBF), 15 3/11 and 50 3/19 Essex Jct. (JDM), 30-40 3/15-20 Pawlet (HWB), 15 3/26 Shrewsbury (LPS), 800 3/28 Shelburne Pt. (DLC,BLR) the high count, 70 3/29 S. Hero (WAM,DLC), 200 3/29 Grand Isle (SRA), 36 3/31 Berlin (MFM), 200 4/5 Shelburne (JJA), 12 4/11 S. Burlington (WDB). Cedar Waxwing: a late May migrant in the upland areas where it does not winter. Sixteen 3/2 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD), 51 3/8 Shelburne Pt. (WAM, DLC) the high count, 40 3/21 Oakledge-Burlington (WDB), 8 3/28 S. Hero (JDM), 28 4/3 Brandon (SSW), 35 4/11 Weybridge (MBN), 4 5/3 Dorset (EFG), 10 5/3 DCWMA (MBN), 4 5/17 S. Londonderry (WJN), 2 5/20 Allen Bros. Marsh (REG,OAG), widespread after that. Three new birds banded at BNP (VINS). Northern Shrike: 1 3/3, 12 Woodstock (WGE,NLM,SBL), 1 3/6-7 Plymouth (WGS), 1 3/6 MNWR (JBG), 1 3/8 Vernon (WGE,NLM), 1 3/11-4/4 Washington (ATA), 1 3/12 Plainfield (MFM), 1 3/19 Shrewsbury (LPS), 1 3/22 Duxbury (FAP), 1 3/23 Waitsfield (MFM), 1 3/30-31 Springfield (REG,OAG), 1 4/1 Berlin Res. (ATA), 1 4/4 Rutland (CJF), 2 4/5 Champlain Isl. (WAM,DLC). Loggerhead Shrike: 1 4/19 Charlotte (DLC), 1 5/29 Addison (ELW). Very rare now in Vermont; no nesting record since 1978. Call VINS immediately with sightings in the breeding season! European Starling: numbers seem stable- returns in March to higher elevation areas where it does not winter. Some high counts: 200 3/28 Weybridge (MBN), 130 5/23 HC/WRM (WJN), 45 3/11 Wheelock near I-91 (PFW). Three new banded at BNP, 1 retrap from 1986 (VINS).

#### VIREOS

Solitary Vireo: 1 4/15 Winhall (WJN), 1 4/20 Woodstock (JMN), 1 4/25 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 4/27 Johnson (VRS), 2 4/27 Grafton (AMD), 1 4/29 Dorset (EFG), 1 4/29 Shrewsbury (LPS), 1 5/2 Washington (ATA), 1 5/4 Sheffield (PFW), 1 5/5 Leicester (SSW), 1 5/7 Shoreham (ELW), 15 5/9 Reading (FMH,GEH) the high count, 1 5/9 Timmouth (CJF). Yellow-throated Vireo: 1 5/8 Woodstock (JMN), 3 5/9 Belvidere Ctr. (DJH), 1 5/10 Brandon (SSW), 1 5/10 SBWMA (WAM), 1 5/11 Rockingham (WJN), 1 5/13 Allen Bros. Marsh (AMD), 1 5/13 Grout Pond-Stratton (WME), on 5/16 1 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 Colchester (JDM), 3 SBWMA (MBN,WGE, NLM). Three retraps from 1986 at BNP (VINS). Warbling Vireo: 1 5/1 St. Albans (REG,OAG), 1 5/3 Champlain Isl. (WAM), 1 5/3 Woodstock (JMN), 1 5/8 Shoreham (ELW), 1 5/8 Dorset (EFG), 1 5/8 Retreat Mdws. (WJN), 1 5/9 Westminster (AMD), 1 5/9 Middlebury (MBN), 6 5/10 SBWMA (WAM), 1 5/10 Brandon (SSW), 10 5/10 WRD (JDM), 1 5/10 Manchester (RuS). High count 15 5/23 HC to WRM (WJN).



Seven new netted at BNP, 1 retrap from 1986 (VINS). Philadelphia Vireo: 1 5/10 SBWMA (WAM), on 5/23 1 Peru (WJN), 1 Shrewsbury (SBL,BLR), 1 Tinmouth (PMB). Red-eyed Vireo: 1 5/8 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 5/9 Woodstock (JMN), 1 5/10 Grand Isle (DJH), 1 5/12 Dorset (EFG), 1 5/13 Winhall (WJN), 2 5/13 Brandon (SSW), on 5/16 4 BNP (VINS), 1 SBWMA (MBN,PFW et al.), 6 Colchester (JDM), 1 5/17 Westminster W. (AMD), 1 5/17 Fair Haven (EPA). High count 15 5/23 HC to WRM (WJN). Two new banded at BNP, 1 retrap (VINS).

#### WOOD WARBLERS

Blue-winged Warbler: 1 5/15 Dorset (EFG), 1 5/16 Lewis Creek (JID,MCD), 1 5/17 Manchester (RuS), 1 5/20 Proctor/Florence Rd. (LPS), 1 5/21 Ira (FAP), 1-2 5/23 Route 4 Pull-Off, Ira (m.ob.). Golden-winged Warbler: 1 5/10, 24 Brandon (SSW), 1 5/14 Manchester (RuS), 1 5/21 Ira (FAP), on 5/23 1 Salisbury (MBB), 1 Westford (WGE,NLM,SJS,DHC), 1-2 Route 4 Pull-Off, Ira (m.ob.). "Brewster's" Warbler: 1 5/21 Monkton (CBH), 1 5/23 Route 4 Pull-Off, Ira (m.ob.). Tennessee Warbler: 1 5/11 Rutland (CJF), 1 5/14 Dorset (EFG), 1 5/15, 21 Reading (FMH,GEH), 5 5/15 BNP (VINS), 5 5/16 Colchester (JDM), 1 5/16 SBWMA (PFW et al.), on 5/17 1 Washington (ATA), 6 Addison (MBN), 1 Manchester (RuS), 6 5/18 BNP (VINS), 1 5/19 Shoreham (ELW), 3 5/19 Brandon (SSW), 1 5/20 Barre (ATA), 1 5/22 Brattleboro (TEJ, JJC), 1 5/23 BRM (PFW et al.), 1 5/24 Fair Haven (EPA), 1 5/24 Woodstock (JMN), 1 5/26 Lincoln (JID, MCD). Twenty-two new birds netted at BNP, excellent for spring (VINS). Nashville Warbler: 1 5/3 Shrewsbury (LPS), on 5/7 1 Lincoln (ATA), 1 Woodstock (SBL), 1 Shoreham (BLR), 1 5/8 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 5/9 and 2 5/10 Winhall (WJN), 2 5/9 Colchester (JDM), on 5/10 1 Manchester (RuS), 1 Sheffield (PFW), 5 Hinesburg (PAT) the high count, 1 5/11 Springfield (WME), 1 5/11 Washington (ATA), on 5/13 1 HC (REG,OAG), 1 Duxbury (FAP). Northern Parula: 2 5/7 Shoreham (ELW), 1 5/7 Dorset (EFG), 1 5/8 and 2 5/9 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 5/9 Weathersfield (WME), 1 5/10 Lewis Creek (JID,MCD), on 5/23 5 Moose Bog area (WGE,NLM,DHC,SJS), 1 Shrewsbury (SBL, BLR), 1 WRM (SSW), 1 Barton (REG,OAG), 2 5/30 Glover (ELW), 1 5/31 Bloomfield (AMAS), 1 5/31 Dorset (EFG). Yellow Warbler: 1 5/2 W. Brattleboro (JJC), 1 5/3 Manchester (RuS), 1 5/3 DCWMA (MBN), 2 5/4 Dorset (EFG), 1 5/4 Woodstock (CCR), 2 5/5 Leicester (SSW), 4 5/6 Rockingham (REG,OAG), on 5/7 2 Shoreham (ELW), 2 Allen Bros. Marsh (AMD), 1 5/8 Colchester (WDB), 1 Newport (PFW), 1 5/9 WRD (JDM). High count 25 5/16 Champlain Valley (JDM). Fifteen new banded at BNP, 3 retraps from 1986 (VINS). Chestnut-sided Warbler: 1 5/3 W. Brattleboro (JJC), 1 5/7 Dorset (EFG), 1 5/7 Lincoln (JRA), 4 5/8 Reading (FMH,GEH), on 5/10 1 Johnson (VRS), 2 Bellows Falls (AMD), 1 Manchester (RuS), on 5/13 1 Duxbury (FAP), 2 HC (REG,OAG), 1 Shoreham (ELW), 3 Winhall (WJN), 1 5/14 Ripton (MBN). High count 17 5/16 Lincoln (JRA). Five new netted at BNP, 1 retrap from 1986 (VINS). Magnolia Warbler: 1 5/10 Londonderry (WSA), 1 5/11 and 2 5/15 Winhall (WJN), 1 5/12 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 5/12 and 2 5/14 Sheffield (PFW), 1 5/13 Rutland (CJF), 1 5/14 Shoreham (ELW), 1 5/16 Duxbury (FAP), 1 5/16 Lewis Creek (JID,MCD), 2 5/17 Woodstock (JMN). High count 18 5/23 Moose Bog area (WGE,NLM,DHC,SJS). Four new netted at BNP (VINS). Numbers seem poor on this usually abundant species. Cape May Warbler: 1 5/16 Colchester (JDM), 2 5/17 Addison (MBN), 1 5/17 Manchester (RuS), 1 5/18 Sheffield (PFW), 1 5/18 SBWMA (FAP), 1 5/19 Shoreham (ELW), 5/23 Moose Bog (WGE,NLM,SJS,DHC), 1 5/24 Fair Haven (EPA). Very poor showing. Black-throated Blue Warbler: 1 5/9 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 5/10 Washington (ATA), 1 5/13 Grout Pond-Stratton (WME), 1 5/14 Duxbury (FAP), 1 5/14 Peru (WJN), on 5/16 2 Colchester (JDM), 1 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD), 2 Bristol Notch (JRA), on 5/17 1 Manchester (RuS), 1 Dorset (EFG), 1 Ripton (MBN). High count 16 5/30 Lincoln Gap (JRA). Yellow-

-19- rumped Warbler: 1 3/7 Ferrisburg (WGE,NLM) likely a wintering bird, 1 4/11 and 2 4/20 Woodstock (JMN), 1 4/22 Moose Bog (REG,OAG), 1 4/23 Shrewsbury (LPS), 1 4/25 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 4/27 Red Rocks Pk., Burlington (WAM), 1 4/29 Lincoln (JRA), 1 4/30 Shelburne (WAM), 1 5/1 Sheffield (PFW), 1 5/2 Washington (ATA), 1 5/3 Springfield (WME). High count 17 5/25 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD). Six new netted at BNP (VINS)-second low year in a row. Black-throated Green Warbler: 4 4/18 Manchester (RuS) early, 1 5/3 Washington (ATA), 1 5/4 Woodstock (JMN), 2 5/7 Dorset (EFG), 5/7 Shoreham (ELW), 1 5/8 Shrewsbury (LPS), 1 5/8 and 5 5/11, 14 Reading (FMH,GEH), 2 5/9 Colchester (JDM), 1 5/9 Manchester (RuS), 5 5/10 Hancock (SSW), 1 5/12 Grout Pond-Stratton (WME), 1 5/13 Milton (WAM), 1 5/14 Peru (WJN), 1 5/15 Grafton (REG,OAG). High count 7 5/23 Lincoln Gap (JRA). Blackburnian Warbler: 1 5/8 Reading (FMH,GEH), 2 5/9 Colchester (JDM), 1 5/13 Grout Pond-Stratton (WME), 1 5/14 Duxbury (FAP), 1 5/17 SBWMA (WAM, PAT), 6 5/17 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 5/20 Shrewsbury (LPS), 1 5/20 Washington (ATA), 1 5/21 Joe's Pond-Barnet (PFW), 1 5/22 MNWR (SSW), 1 5/23 Halifax (WHA), 6 5/31 Lewis (AMAS). Pine Warbler: 2 4/13 Red Rocks Pk., Burlington (WAM), 7 4/18 Lake Morey (WGE,NLM) the high count, 2 5/9, 16 Colchester (JDM), 1 5/9 Manchester (RuS), 1 5/16 Lewis Creek (JID,MCD), 3 5/22 Brattleboro (TEJ,JJC), 5/23 1 Woodstock (MWB,BAH,JL). Prairie Warbler: 2 5/16 Woodstock (AMD), 3 5/21 S. Woodstock Rifle Range (JMN), 1 5/22 Weathersfield Bow (TEJ,JJC), Palm Warbler: 1 5/1 Lincoln (JRA), 1 5/4 Monkton (REG,OAG), 1 5/9 WRD (JDM), 1 5/9 "western" race BNP (VINS), 1 5/10 Colchester (JDM), 2 5/11 Shelburne Bay (WAM). Surprising there were no April reports. Most May dates likely refer to the "western" race palmarum. Bay-breasted Warbler: 5 5/16 Colchester (JDM), 1 5/17 Manchester (RuS), 1 5/20 Sheffield (PFW), on 5/23 1 Shoreham (ELW), 1 Halifax (WHA), 8 Moose Bog area (WGE,NLM,DHC,SJS) the high count. Poor showing for them. Blackpoll Warbler: 1 5/10 SBWMA (WAM), 1 5/19 Brandon (SSW), 1 5/19 Dorset (EFG), 1 5/22 L. Bomoseen (TEJ, JJC), on 5/23 1 Barton (REG,OAG), 3 Lincoln (JRA), 5 Moose Bog area (WGE,NLM, DHC,SJS) the high count, 1 Washington (ATA), 2 Rutland (CJF), 1 Halifax (WHA), 1 5/24 Colchester (WDB), 2 5/30 Stowe (WAM), 1 5/31 Glover (AMAS). Six new netted at BNP (VINS). Cerulean Warbler: 1 5/10 SBWMA (WAM), present from then on at SBWMA (m.ob.), 1 5/23 Woodstock (SBL,BLR). High count: 4 on 5/17 SBWMA (PAT) seen nest building. Black-and-white Warbler: 1 5/3 Manchester (RuS), 1 5/3 Dorset (EFG), 2 5/7 Shoreham (ELW), on 5/8 1 Washington (ATA), 2 Colchester (WDB), 2 Woodstock (CRP,JMN), 1 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 Shrewsbury (LPS), 4 5/9 Colchester (JDM) the high count, 1 5/9 Weathersfield (WME), 1 5/10 Brandon (SSW), 2 5/12 Winhall (WJN). One retrapped at BNP from 1986 (VINS). Late arriving-surprising that there were no April records. American Redstart: 1 5/9 and 3 5/17 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 5/9 Westminster (AMD), on 5/10 2 SBWMA (WAM), 1 Brandon (SSW), 1 Dorset (EFG), 1 Manchester (WMR), 1 5/11 BNP (VINS), 1 5/12 Grout Pond, Stratton (WME), 1 5/13 and 4 5/14 Shoreham (ELW), 1 5/15 Saxtons River (REG,OAG), on 5/16 4 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD), 12 Colchester (JDM) the high count, 1 Shelburne (MPB), 5 Bristol Notch (JRA), 1 5/17 Fair Haven (EPA). Eleven banded at BNP, 2 retraps from 1985-86 (VINS). Ovenbird: 1 5/4 Shrewsbury (LPS), 1 5/5 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 5/7 Dorset (EFG), 2 5/7 Woodstock (JMN), 1 5/9 and 2 5/11 Winhall (WJN), on 5/9 2 Colchester (JDM), 1 Washington (ATA), on 5/10 1 Brandon (SSW), 1 Manchester (RuS), 1 Lincoln (JRA), 3 Fairfax (PAT), 1 Springfield (WME), 1 5/12 Shoreham (ELW), 1 5/13 S. Duxbury (FAP), 6 5/13 Grout Pond-Stratton (WME). High count 15 5/16 Reading (FMH,GEH). One new bird netted at BNP (VINS). Northern Waterthrush: 1 5/5 and 2 5/11 Reading (FMH, GEH), 1 5/8 Newport (PFW), 1 5/9 W. Clover (REG,OAG), 1 5/9 WRD (JDM), 5/9-period Sheffield (PFW), 1 5/11

Woodstock (JMN), 1 5/13 DCWMA (WAM), 3 5/14 Peru (WJN) the high count, 2 5/16 SBWMA (MBN). Four new netted at BNP (VINS). Louisiana Waterthrush: 1 4/24 and 2 5/8 Reading (FMH,GEH), 4 5/1 Dorset (EFG) the high count, 1 5/14 Hubbardton (CJF), 1 5/22 Cagerville (TEJ,JJC), 1 5/23 Dorset (EFG), 1 5/23 Bristol (KM,GM,JC), 1 5/24 W. Haven (LPS,SBL,BLR). Seems under-reported. Mourning Warbler: 1 5/13 BNP (VINS), 1 5/17 Plymouth (WGE,NLM), 1 5/20 and 3 5/23 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 5/21 Duxbury (FAP), on 5/23 1 Dorset (EFG), 1 Manchester (RuS), 1 5/26 Washington (ATA), 1 5/26,28 Winhall (WJN), 1 5/30-31 Bloomfield (AMAS). Two new banded at BNP (VINS). Common Yellowthroat: 1 5/9 Winhall (WJN), 1 5/9 Island Pond (REG,OAG), on 5/10 1 Springfield (WME), 1 Brandon (SSW), 1 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 Manchester (RuS), 2 Dorset (EFG), 1 HC (AMD), 1 5/11 Lincoln (ATA), 2 5/11 Shelburne (WAM), on 5/12 1 Shoreham (ELW), 1 Fair Haven (EPA), 2 Woodstock (JMN), 2 5/13 Rutland (CJF), 1 5/14 Ripton (MBN), 3 5/14 Sheffield Hts. (PFW). High count 30 5/23 HC to WRM (WJN). Thirty-one banded at BNP, 5 retraps from previous years, including m. originally banded 5/10/82 now at least 6 years old. Wilson's Warbler: 1 5/13 Allen Bros. Marsh (AMD,REG), 1 5/15 BNP (VINS), 1 5/17 Manchester (RuS), 1-2 5/23 WRM (WJN,SSW), 2 5/24,25 Shoreham (ELW), 1 5/28 BNP (VINS). Four new banded at BNP (VINS). Canada Warbler: 1 5/14 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 5/17 Plymouth (WGE,NLM), 1 5/17 Manchester (RuS), 1 5/18 BNP (VINS), 1 5/19 Sheffield (PFW), 1 5/19 Barre (ATA), 1 5/20 Shoreham (ELW), on 5/21 1 Joe's Pond, Barnet (PFW), 1 Winhall (WJN), 1 Duxbury (FAP), 3 5/22 Stratton (TEJ,JJC), 1 5/23 Peru (WJN), 16 5/23 Moose Bog area (WGE,NLM,DHC,SJS) the high count, 2 5/24 Lewis (REG,OAG), 1 5/26 Dorset (EFG), 1 5/26 Lincoln (JID,MCD). Seven new netted at BNP (VINS).

#### TANAGERS THROUGH SNOW BUNTING

A singing male WESTERN Tanager was reported 3/26 at Rochester (ECH) (accepted as hypothetical by the Bird Records Committee, only one prior state record exists). Scarlet Tanager: 1 5/8 Woodstock (JMN), 1 5/10 Winhall (WJN), 1 5/10 Fair Haven (EPA), 3 5/11 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 5/12 Manchester (RuS), on 5/14 1 E. Middlebury (MBN), 1 W. Haven (LPS), 1 Dorset (EFG), 2 5/16 SBWMA (MBN), 1 5/16 Colchester (JDM), on 5/17 1 Craftsbury (ELW), 1 Lincoln (JRA), 1 Brandon (SSW). High count 12 5/23 HC to WRM (WJN). Northern Cardinal: present throughout the period in most areas. Some high counts: 4 3/7 Ferrisburg (WGE,NLM), 18 3/16 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD) "late p.m. ground feeding in our yard", 6 4/19 Shelburne (WAM), 4 5/25 Shoreham (ELW), 4 5/25 Weybridge (JRA). One banded at BNP (VINS). Rose-breasted Grosbeak: 1 5/2 Woodstock (JMN), 1 5/3 W. Brattleboro (JJC), 1 5/8 Shrewsbury (LPS), on 5/9 1 S. Strafford (HR), 1 Manchester (RuS), 1 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 5/9 and 3 5/12 Winhall (WJN), on 5/10 1 Dorset (EFG), 1 Fair Haven (EPA), 1 Randolph (EWC,MCC), 1 SBWMA (WAM), on 5/12 1 Weybridge (MBN), 3 Shoreham (ELW), 1 Plainfield (MFM), 2 5/13 Fairfax (PAT), 1 5/14 Sheffield (PFW). High counts: 6 5/16 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD) and 6 5/17 Reading (FMH,GEH). One new banded at BNP (VINS). Indigo Bunting: 1 5/10 Dorset (EFG), 1 5/10 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD), 1 5/16 Shrewsbury (LPS), 1 5/16 Hinesburg (PAT), 2 5/21 Woodstock (JMN), 1 5/22 Vernon (TEJ,JJC), on 5/23 1 Ira (m.ob.), 1 Lincoln (JRA), 1 Halifax (WHA), 2 Brandon (SSW), 1 SBWMA (JDM), 1 5/24 Johnson (VRS), 1 5/25 Reading (FMH,GEH). Rufous-sided Towhee: 1 4/13 and 2 4/19 Dorset (EFG), 2 5/2 W. Brattleboro (JJC), 1 5/2 Brandon (SSW), 1 5/6 and 3 5/23 Winhall (WJN), 1 5/9 Lincoln (JRA), 1 5/12 Manchester (RuS), 1 5/13 Woodstock (CRP), 1 5/22 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD), 2 5/23 Ira (m.ob.). One banded at BNP (VINS). American Tree Sparrow: wintered widely at lower elevations-some late dates: on 4/11 2 Woodstock (JMN), 1 Weybridge (MBN), 3 SBWMA (JDM), 2 4/14 HC (WJN), 4 4/15 Thurman W. Dix Res. (ATA), 1 4/18 SBWMA

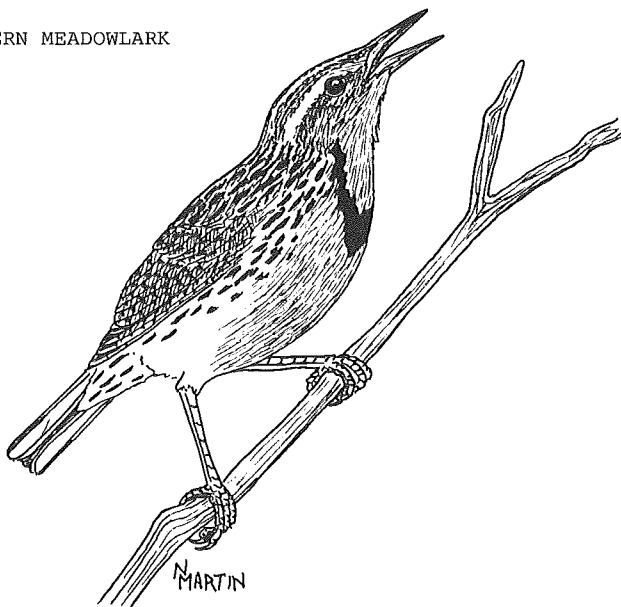
(SBL,BLR,DLC). High counts: 40 3/9 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD), 100+/- 4/5 HC (SBL,BLR). Ten banded at BNP (VINS). Chipping Sparrow: three March records-very early for VT: 2 3/22 Lake Carmi (PJM), 2 3/26,27 Rutland (CJF), 2 3/26 Londonderry (WSA), 1 4/11 Colchester (JDM), 1 4/19 Dorset (EFG), 1 4/21 Middlebury (JRA), 1 4/22 Woodstock (CRP), 1 4/22 W. Glover (REG,OAG), 1 4/23 Westminster W. (AMD), 1 4/23 Brandon (SSW), 1 4/24 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 4/24 Shelburne (MPB), 1 4/25 Weybridge (MBN), 1 4/27 WRM (WJN), 1 4/30 Washington (ATA). High count: 9 5/8 Sheffield (PFW). Five banded at BNP (VINS). Field Sparrow: overwintered at a Colchester feeder present through 3/1 (WDB), 1 4/2 Shrewsbury (LPS), 1 4/2 HC (WJN), 1 4/16 Washington (ATA), 1 4/17 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD), 1 4/19 Dorset (EFG), 1 4/19 Rockingham (WGE,NLM), 1 4/20 Woodstock (JMN), 1 4/25 Springweather NA (AMD), 1 4/20 Grand Isle (RBL), 2 5/23 Ira (m.ob.). Two banded at BNP (VINS). Another species poorly reported-missed by many-high count only 2. Vesper Sparrow: 11 4/18 Panton (JRA) the high count, 1 5/3 E. Rupert (EFG), 1 5/3,4 DCWMA (MBN,REG,OAG), 1 5/4,20 Shoreham (ELW), 1 5/29 Grand Isle (DJH). May dates in the Champlain Valley likely refer to breeders. Savannah Sparrow: 1 4/11 DCWMA (FAP), on 4/18 1 Johnson (VRS), 2 Champlain Isl. (WAM,DLC), 2 4/19 Clarendon (CJF), 2 4/25 Island Pond (REG,OAG), 4 4/25 Rutland (CJF), 4 4/29 Shoreham (ELW), 1 5/2 Sheffield (PFW), 1 5/3 WRD (JDM), 2 5/4 Springfield/Rockingham Town Line (WJN), 6 5/8 Shoreham (ELW) the high count, 1 5/9 Washington (ATA), 1 5/13 Dorset (EFG). Grasshopper Sparrow: present Stone Bridge Access Rd. DCWMA 5/23-25 (m.ob.), 1 5/30 Barton (AMAS). Fox Sparrow: 1 3/25 and 4/1,6 Shrewsbury (LPS), 1 3/25 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 3/26, 2 3/30 and 1 4/11 Woodstock (JMN), 1 3/27 Rutland (CJF), 1 3/29 Westminster W. (AMD), 1 3/29 and 4/13 Winhall (WJN), 1 3/30 Stockbridge (EH), 1 4/1 Saxtons R. (REG,OAG), 1 4/1-7 Pawlet (HWB), 1 4/2 E. Dorset (RuS), 1 4/9 Washington (ATA), 1 4/10 Sheffield (PFW), 1 4/10 HC (WJN), 1 4/18 Underhill (JMS). Song Sparrow: 1 3/7 Ferrisburg (WGE,NLM), 1 3/7 Weybridge (MBN), 2 3/8 Vernon (WGE,NLM), 1 3/21 Westminster (REG,OAG), 7 3/21 Shelburne (WAM), 1 3/24 Barnard (JNF), on 3/25 1 Duxbury (FAP), 4 Grand Isle (DJH), 11+ Woodstock (CCR,CRP,JMN), 1 Brandon (SSW), 1 Reading (FMH,GEH), 7 Thurman W. Dix Res. (ATA), 1 Shrewsbury (LPS), 1 Winhall (WJN), on 3/26 1 Londonderry (WSA), 1 Randolph (EWC,MCC), 1 Lincoln (JRA), 4 Rutland (CJF). High count 30 3/27 HC (WJN). Seven new birds banded at BNP, 6 retraps from previous years-one m. banded 8/17/82, now 5 years old (VINS). Lincoln's Sparrow: 1 5/2 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 5/8 Woodstock (CCR), 1 5/8 Retreat Mdw. (WJN), 1 5/11 HC (WJN), 1 5/14 Sheffield (PFW), 1 5/16 SBWMA (WGE,NLM), 1 5/16 DCWMA (JID,MCD), 1 5/18 Dorset (EFG), 1 5/22 Beebe Rd. Sunderland (TEJ,JJC), 1 5/23 Springfield/Rockingham Town Line (WJN), 12 5/23 Brighton/Moose Bog area (WGE,NLM,DHC,SJS), 1 5/28 BNP (VINS). Six netted at BNP (VINS). Swamp Sparrow: 2 3/27 S. Hero (DJH), 2 4/4 SBWMA (JDM), 10 4/18 Champlain Isl. (WAM,DLC), 1 4/18 Allen Bros. Marsh (AMD), 5 4/18 Addison (JRA), 4 4/18,19 HC (WGE,NLM), 10 4/25 WRM (JMN,EFG), 2 4/26 Brandon (SSW), 3 4/26 BRM (PFW,SAW). One banded at BNP (VINS). White-throated Sparrow: 1 4/1 Barnard (JNF), 1 4/6 Colchester (WDB), 1 4/9 Weybridge (MBN), on 4/13 1 Grand Isle (RBL), 1 Red Rocks-Burlington (WAM), 2 Sheffield (PFW), 1 4/14 HC (REG), up to 30 4/15-30 Pawlet (HWB) the high count, on 4/16 1 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 Barre (JAM), 1 Brandon (SSW), 1 Shrewsbury (LPS), 1 4/18 Mud Creek (SBL,BLR), 1 4/19 Winhall (WJN), 1 4/21 Dorset (EFG), 1 4/21 Woodstock (NER). Other high counts: 20 DCWMA 5/3 (MBN), 20 WRD 5/9 (JDM). Thirteen banded at BNP, low compared to 1985-86 (VINS). White-crowned Sparrow: 1 3/2,16 S. Hero (DML,JLe) must surely be a bird that wintered there or nearby, 1 4/29 Lincoln (JRA), 1 5/3 W. Woodstock (CCR,LLR), 2 5/3 Shelburne (MPB), on

5/5 1 Middlesex (PPa), 1 Brandon (SSW), 1 Weybridge (MBN), 1 5/8 Retreat Mdw. (WJN), 2 5/9 WRD (JDM), 2 5/9 Grand Isle (RBL), on 5/10 5 L. Carmi (PJM), 1 Reading (FMH, GEH), 1 Rockingham (AMD), 3 SBWMA (WAM), 1 BRM (PFW, SAW), 3 Grand Isle (DJH), on 5/11 1 Duxbury (FAP), 6 Shelburne (WAM), 1 Washington (ATA), 1 Shrewsbury (LPS), 2 HC (WJN). High count 7 5/18 and 6 5/19 Shelburne (MPB). Late dates: 2 5/19 Dorset (EFG), 1 5/23 DCWMA (DPK, DC, CB, CDK). Dark-eyed Junco: overwintered in some areas 2 3/1 Saxtons R. (REG, OAG), 4 3/1 Colchester (WDB), 3 3/1 Woodstock (JMN) probably wintering birds. One 3/12 Brandon (SSW), 1 3/20 Colchester (JDM), 2 3/22 Shelburne (MPB), on 3/25 1 Barnard (JNF), 3 Winhall (WJN), 16 Reading (FMH, GEH), 1 Washington (ATA), 1 Shrewsbury (LPS), widespread after that. High count 70 3/30 Shrewsbury (LPS). Seven netted at BNP (VINS). Lapland Longspur: 1 4/19 Mt. Holly Hawk Watch overhead (WJN). Snow Bunting: 40 3/4 Newport (REG, OAG) the high count, 20 3/5 Addison (MBN), 15 3/7 Williston (WDB), 6 3/13 S. Peacham (PFW), 3 3/15 DCWMA (WAM), "flock" 3/21 DCWMA (AMD).

#### BLACKBIRDS

Bobolink: 1 5/3 DCWMA (MBN), 2 5/7 Shoreham (ELW), 3 5/7 Dorset (EFG), 7 5/8 E. Shoreham (SSW), 1 5/8 Newport (PFW, SAW), on 5/9 1 Morgan (REG, OAG), 1 Washington (ATA), 1 Landgrove (WJN), 3 5/10 Springfield (WME), 1 5/11 Lincoln (JRA), on 5/12 1 Reading (FMH, GEH), 1 Duxbury (FAP), 3 Weybridge (MBN), on 5/13 3 Pittsford (LPS), 5 Woodstock (JMN), 16 Shoreham (ELW), 26 DCWMA (WAM). High count 50+ 5/16 DCWMA (JID, MCD). Red-winged Blackbird: on 3/7 1 Brownsville (BMH), 52 Ferrisburg (WGE, NLM), 2 Woodstock (CRP), 1 Duxbury (FAP), 2 Westminster (REG, OAG), on 3/8 20 Hartland (WGE, NLM), 1 Clarendon (CJF), 1 E. Dorset (RuS), 5 Vernon (WGE, NLM), 2 Colchester (JDM), 226 Champlain Valley (WAM, DLC), on 3/9 2 Barnard (JNF), 2 Brandon (SSW), 1 Sheffield (PFW), on 3/12 1 Middlebury (JWAW), 50 SBWMA (RBL), 1 3/13 Washington (ATA). High count 1000+ 3/30 Ferrisburg (JID, MCD). Seven banded at BNP, 2 retraps from 1985-86 (VINS). Eastern Meadowlark: 1 3/25 Woodstock (CCR), 1 3/25 Washington (ATA), 2 3/26 Charlotte (WAM), 1 3/27 Brandon (SSW), 1 3/28 Bellows Falls (REG, OAG), 1 3/28 WRD (JDM), 1 3/28 Grand Isle (DJH), 2 3/29 Addison (JRA), 3 4/1 Ferrisburg (JID, MCD), on 4/2 1 HC (WJN), 1 Woodstock (JMN), 1 4/7 Middlesex (PPa), 1 4/18 Dorset (EFG), 1 4/18 Manchester (RuS), 1 4/19 Newport (PFW). High count 7 5/3, 9 Champlain Valley (WAM). WESTERN MEADOWLARK: singing m. reported 5/2 DCWMA (WAM) and accepted as hypothetical by the Vermont Bird Records Committee, a first state

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-21- record. Western Meadowlark's song not recorded in Vermont before; hybrids can sing either song. Rusty Blackbird: 1 3/12 and 3 3/13 "probably over-wintered" (TEJ), 4 3/14 S. Hero (JDM), 4 3/28 Rutland (CJF), 1 3/28 HC (REG, OAG), 1 4/1 Berlin Res. (ATA), 1 4/4 Weybridge (MBN), 1 4/5 and 5/3 SBWMA (WAM, DLC), 1 5/13 Reading (FMH, GEH), 2 5/5 MNWR (JBG), 1 5/17 Ferrisburg (JID, MCD). Common Grackle: 1 3/6 Bellows Falls (REG, OAG), 1 Panton and 1 Ferrisburg 3/7 (WGE, NLM), on 3/8 24 Champlain Valley (WAM, DLC), 4 Washington (ATA), 5 Lamoille R. (JDM), 7 Hartland (WGE, NLM), 2 Brattleboro and 1 Vernon (WGE, NLM), on 3/9 2 Brandon (SSW), 1 Fair Haven (EPA), 2 Weybridge (MBN), 1 Woodstock (CRP), 20 3/12 Shelburne (JWF), 70 3/12 Ferrisburg (JID, MCD), 100 3/19 Colchester (JDM). High count 1000+ 3/24 Burlington (WDB). Five new birds netted at BNP (VINS). Brown-headed Cowbird: 1 3/1 Westminster (AMD), 15 3/7 Ferrisburg (WGE, NLM), 4 3/7 Saxtons R. (REG, OAG), on 3/8 1 Randolph (EWC, MCC), 2 Colchester (JDM), 44 Champlain Valley (WAM, DLC), 11 Brattleboro (WGE, NLM), 10 Vernon (WGE, NLM), 4 3/9 Woodstock (CRP), 35 3/9 Brandon (SSW), 4 3/10 Weybridge (MBN), 5 3/11 Lincoln (JRA), 1 3/15 Washington (ATA), 2 3/24 Sheffield (PFW), 10 3/25 Fair Haven (EPA), 1 3/27 Grand Isle (DJH), 3 3/28 Winhall (WJN). High count 100 3/30 Ferrisburg (JID, MCD). One banded at BNP (VINS). ORCHARD ORIOLE: 1 5/16 DAR SP, Addison (JID, MCD), 2 5/17 Addison (ELW), up to 3 5/23 DAR SP, Addison (m.ob.), 2 5/24 Panton (LPS). Northern Oriole: on 5/7 1 Dorset (EFG), 2 Woodstock (JMN, CRP), 1 Allen Bros. Marsh (AMD), 1 5/8 Shoreham (ELW, SSW), 1 5/8 HC (WJN), 1 5/9 DCWMA (WAM), 1 5/9 Manchester (RuS), on 5/10 2 SBWMA (WAM), 1 Fair Haven (EPA), 1 Washington (ATA), 1 Bristol and 1 Lincoln (JRA), 1 W. Glover (REG, OAG), 1 Randolph (EWC, MCC), 1 Shelburne (MPB), 1 Springfield (WME), 1 Weybridge (MBN), on 5/11 1 Sheffield (PFW), 1 Reading (FMH, GEH), 1 Rutland (CJF). High count 35 5/23 HC to WRM (WJN). Four banded at BNP, 5 retraps from previous years including m. banded 5/5/81 now at least 8 years old (VINS).

#### FINCHES THROUGH HOUSE SPARROW

Pine Grosbeak: 14 feeding on grit March Sherburne (MMW), up to 40 in March Barre (ATA) the high count, 5 3/6, 11 3/9, 13 and 1 3/23 Woodstock (JMN, FMH, GEH), 1 3/17 Winhall (WJN), 1 3/23 Barre (ATA), 3 3/24 Leicester Jct. (SSW). Purple Finch: "present all season" Randolph (EWC, MCC), 7 3/23 Woodstock (CRP), 1 3/26 and 15 4/1 Shrewsbury (LPS), 1 3/28 Winhall (WJN), 2 3/29 Londonderry (WSA), 1 3/29 Washington (ATA), 2 3/30 Brandon (SSW), 1 4/8 Sheffield (PFW), 1 4/10 Reading (FMH, GEH), 2 4/10 S. Strafford (HR), 1 4/13 Grand Isle (RBL), 1 4/13 MNWR (JBG), 1 4/18 Weybridge (MBN), 1 4/19 Johnson (VRS). High count 35 5/23 HC to WRM (WJN). Six banded at BNP (VINS). House Finch: widespread now in most of the state-some high counts: 8 3/1 Saxtons R. (REG, OAG), 7 5/9 Sheffield (PFW), 50+ 5/16 Ferrisburg (JID, MCD), other counts were less, apparently nobody but the Dyes really counted them. Two banded at BNP, 1 retrap from 1986 (VINS). An orange variant seen 3/23 Woodstock (JMN). Red Crossbill: 3 3/14 Essex (WDB), 1 4/15 Winhall (WJN), 8-10 5/10 Essex Ctr. (CBH), 2 5/23 N. Pownal (RW et al.). Common Redpoll: a good invasion of this species, present through March, especially in the North. Some late dates: 1 4/18 Ferrisburg (JID, MCD), 1 4/18 MNWR (JBG), 31 4/29 Johnson (VRS). High counts: on 3/1 200 Bristol (EAD), 200 Ferrisburg (JID, MCD), 100 Lake Carmi (PJM), 250 3/4 Weybridge (MBN), 100 3/11 Washington (ATA), 130 3/22 Woodstock (JMN), 100 3/26 Berlin (MFM), 120 Shrewsbury (LPS), 100 3/28 Montpelier (VC). Pine Siskin: present through the period at many sites, but only occasionally at others-as usual an erratic species: "through the period" Washington (ATA), 1 5/9 S. Burlington (WAM), 8 5/10 Sheffield (PFW), 33 5/10 and 3 5/20 Grand Isle (RBL), 1 5/10 Manchester (RuS),

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2 5/13 Barre (JAM), 1 5/17 Brandon (SSW), 5 5/18 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 5/19 Randolph (EWC,MCC), 2 5/21 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD), 1 5/23 Halifax (WHA), 1 5/25 S. Strafford (HR), 1 5/26 Duxbury (FAP), 3 5/31 Londonderry (WSA), 6 5/31 Weybridge (MBN), 7 5/31 Craftsbury Common (ELW). Many of these late dates certainly represent breeders, for siskins, like crossbills, will nest at unusual times of the year when an adequate food supply is present. Seen feeding young at Randolph 5/19 (EWC,MCC), one with a brood patch banded 4/5 W. Woodstock (CCR), seen with young just out of nest 4/8 Red Rocks-Burlington (DLC). High count 100 3/28 Wallingford (BLR). American Goldfinch: In areas where it does not winter, does not arrive until May. 1 4/8 Winhall (WJN), 1 4/9 Dorset (EFG), 2 5/2 Washington (ATA), 2 5/4 S. Strafford (HR), 1 5/4 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 5/5 Manchester (NJR), 2 5/8 L. Carmi (PJM), 5 5/9 Allen Bros. Marsh (AMD), 2 5/9 Londonderry (WSA), 2 Washington, 6 Lincoln and 1 DCWMA 5/10 (JRA), 6 5/11 Woodstock (JMN), 2 5/11 Sheffield (PFW). Widespread after that. High count 40 3/1 and 50 3/4 Weybridge (MBN). Sixteen new birds netted at BNP, 1 retrap from 1986 (VINS). Evening Grosbeak: wintered widely in good numbers. Some late dates, probably representing breeding birds: 1 5/14 S. Strafford (HR), 1 5/16 Starksboro (CRu fide JID), 1 Colchester 5/16 (JDM), 6 5/17 Craftsbury (ELW), 1 5/19 Winhall (WJN), 1 5/20 Londonderry (WSA), 1 5/23 Halifax (WHA), 1 5/28 Washington (ATA). Indications of more than usual numbers nesting in VT this year, courtship feeding at Reading (FMH). Some high counts: 100 4/1 Castleton (SBL), 70-100 Mar. and Apr. Washington (ATA), 122 4/28 Dorset (EFG), 160 4/28 and 100 4/29 Woodstock (JMN), 250 all winter Fairfax (PAT). Ten banded at BNP (VINS). House Sparrow: numbers seem stable. Some high counts: 30 through period Londonderry (WSA), 10 3/1 Winooski (WDB), 12 5/31 Weybridge (MBN), 30-period S. Londonderry (WJN). Three netted at BNP and relocated (VINS).

BRM	Barton River Marshes (Newport)
BNP	Bragdon Nature Preserve (Woodstock)
DCWMA	Dead Creek Waterfowl Management Area (Addison/Panton)
HC	Herrick's Cove (Rockingham)
MNWR	Missisquoi National Wildlife Refuge (Swanton)
SBWMA	Sand Bar Waterfowl Management Area (Milton)
WRM	West Rutland Marsh
WRD	Winooski River Delta (Colchester)

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