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The spring of 1990 was considerably warmer than the average for the most part, with March and April being warmer than usual, and May quite a bit colder. It followed a winter that was mostly in December, when record-setting low temperatures occurred all over eastern North America, well down into the southeast. That was <u>it</u>, however, as January and February were both warmer than usual and the snowfall was below average.

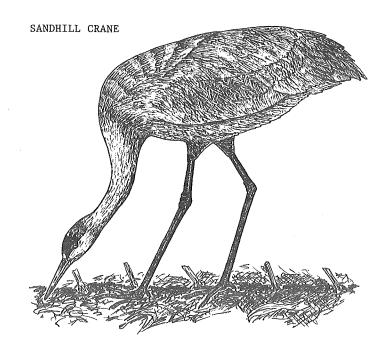
March averaged about  $1-3^{\circ}$  F warmer than normal, thanks to a very warm spell from about the 13th through the 18th, when the temperature rose to  $78^{\circ}$  in Burlington 3/16. The coldest part of the month was from 3/1-8 with temperatures substantially below average. Another cold spell followed the heat wave -3/24-30 which included several frontal systems with varying amounts of snow, heavy only at the highest elevations. The coldest day of the month was 3/7 with  $1^{\circ}$  F (at Burlington, considerably colder in other places).

April again averaged warmer than normal despite the fact that the first three weeks of the month were, r the most part, cold and below normal with unsiderable precipitation, mainly rain, with some snow at the higher elevations. The heat wave at the end of the month commenced about the 26th and lasted just about the rest of the month with temperatures more like July than April. The lowest temperature for the month at Burlington was 27° F on the 18th, and the high was a remarkable 90° F on the 27-28th. This was the fourth consecutive month that the temperature was above normal: preliminary reports indicate that the 1990 January-April New England average temperature tied as the fourth warmest on record.

May came in as the first below normal month of 1990, averaging about 2° cooler than the thirty-year norm. This May was cooler than each of the last five Mays and precipitation was well above normal. The northern New England states reported 2.1 inches more precipitation than would be expected according to the thirty-year norm. The cool temperatures and constantly moving cold fronts began right at the beginning of the month, with a slightly clearer moderating period in the middle, but starting about the 16th, a prolonged period of unsettled weather, with cool temperatures and frequent heavy rains and thundershowers lasted until about the 27th when it became somewhat more seasonable. The minimum temperature for the month was 32° F at Burlington on 5/12, and the maximum was only 80° on 5/27,28.

What did all this mean for the migration? The warm January-February and March heatwave cleared out the ice early and the waterfowl moved en masse much earlier than usual as you will see in the species counts. Some waterfowl overwintered wherever they could find open water, below dams and fast running creeks. Lake Champlain never did freeze over completely.

Beginning in mid-March other migrants mostly land birds, began to move very early. So many species moved



early that it is not possible to itemize them in this summary (see species accounts). They moved mostly in two "prongs" - up the Champlain Valley and Connecticut River Valley, avoiding the colder Green Mountains with their lingering ice and snow cover. Very few early dates showed up there.

Some of these early birds paid dearly for their eagerness to get back, for they were trapped by the cold, wet May; and there was apparently considerable mortality (see accounts of dead swallows and kingbird). The migration which was ahead of schedule from mid-March to early May finished up somewhat behind schedule by late May.

The picture on declines here is still mixed. The northern half of the state, above Rutland, seemed to have most birds in pretty good numbers, especially Island Pond-Moose Bog and other areas, while the southern half had a lot less, some warblers being missed there totally. Most of the contributors who reported birds as being scarce were reporting from the south. Why is this? Did many migrants overfly the southern half of the state? A number of possibilities exist. Anyone wishing to delve into this subject should read Pete Dunne's article in American Birds Fall 1990, about the New Jersey Big Day, a project which has been carried out since 1930, and their statistics tell a grim story not pleasant reading. I fear that the great waves of land birds which used to sweep across the northeast spring and fall are, as they say, history, and will not be seen again. One wonders what the endangered species lists will look like fifty years hence!

We had the usual crop of rarities - some quite exciting - AMERICAN WHITE PELICAN, BARNACLE GOOSE (origin questionable), BARROW'S GOLDENEYE, SANDHILL CRANE, WILSON'S PHALAROPE, LAUGHING GULL, RED-BELLIED WOODPECKER, GREEN-TAILED TOWHEE. Others of interest, somewhat less rare were: Great Egret, Glossy Ibis, Canada Goose (small race), Spruce Grouse, Lesser Golden-Plover (rare in spring) Iceland Gull, Glaucous Gull,

Three-toed Woodpecker, Carolina Wren (several), "Brewster's" Warbler, "Lawrence's" Warbler, Orchard Oriole (several).

The Birdathon was undertaken mostly on 5/19 and 5/20, neither of which were very nice days, and probably that kept the counts down a little. The team of Walter Ellison, Nancy Martin, Jean Sangdahl and Dan Crook led with 139 species, followed by a tie for second at 132between the Sally Laughlin, Betty Rist, Terry Hall team and Jeremy Coleman - who operated alone and got all his birds in Windham County - a tremendous feat! Fourth at 131 was the team of Don Clark, Margaret Barker, Beth Ann Howard and Jim Lafley. Fifth at 123 was Chris Kibbe, also alone. Ten other groups topped 100. Altogether 190 species and 1 hybrid were seen on the Birdathon, and 235 species, 3 hybrid forms, and 3 exotics were reported to Records of Vermont Birds in Spring 1990.

# LOONS AND GREBES

Red-throated Loon: 1 D.A.R. SP, L. Champlain 5/8 (JDLl et al.). Common Loon: first 2 Long Pt. L. Champlain 4/6 (JID, MCD), 1 4/10 2 4/11 N. Hero (DJH), 1 S. Burlington 4/13 flew into a building treated and released (SBM), 1 L. Morey Fairlee 4/14 (WGE, NLM), 1 Charlotte 4/14 (WAM), 1 Basin Harbor 4/15 (JDL1), 2 Shoreham 4/16 (ELW), 1 Waterbury Res. 4/18 (EK), 1 in flight Winhall Hawk Lookout (hereafter WHL) 4/22 (WJN), on 4/28 1 L. Fairlee (JNF), 3 Stiles Pd. Waterford (WGE, NLM, PFW, SAW), 3 L. Morey (WGE, NLM), 1 Waterbury Res. (TGM), 1 Berlin Pd. (BMP), 32 Grand Isle 4/30 (RBL) the high count. Sighted widely in May both at breeding lakes and elsewhere: photographed at nest (2 eggs) Wolcott Pd. 5/19 (NMM). <u>Pied-billed Grebe</u>: 1 Panton 3/17 (TGM), 2 S. Hero 3/24 (TGM), 1 Sudbury 4/1 (WGE, NLM, DHC), 1 L. Hardwick 4/13 (FO, JW), 1 East Creek Orwell 4/13 (JAP), 2 Ferrisburg 4/14 (DLC), 1 Manchester Ctr. 4/16 (RWS, BWP), 1 Windsor 4/19 (LMP), 1 Barton River Marshes (hereafter BRM), 4/22 (FO,JW) up to 6 seen in this area through period (m.ob.), 1 Berlin Pond 4/28 (BMP), 1 Stiles Pd. Waterford 4/28 (WGE, NLM), 1 Windsor 5/11 (LMP), 1 East Creek 5/21 (JAP), 1 Mud Creek 5/23 Peak of 25 at Missisquoi National Wildlife Refuge (hereafter MNWR) (JBG). <u>Horned Grebe</u>: 3 Salisbury Swamp 4/1 (WGE,NLM,DHC), 17 Grand Isle 4/18 the high count (RBL), 4 Quechee 4/26 (WGE, NLM). Poor showing. Red-necked Grebe: 1 Charlotte 4/7 (WAM), 1 Ferrisburg 4/14 (DLC), 6 Herrick's Cove, Rockingham (hereafter HC) 4/15 (WGE, NLM), 2 Ferrisburg 4/15 (JDL1), 11 N. Hero 4/18 (RBL), 2 Shoreham 4/27 (ELW), 4 Retreat Meadows - Brattleboro (hereafter RM) 4/27 (WDN), 3 Shoreham 4/29 (ELW), 38 Grand Isle 5/4 the high count (RBL), 1 Vernon 5/5 (WGE, NLM, et al.), 1 Caspian L. 5/9 (FO), 2 Calais 5/12 (MFF), 4 W. Addison 5/13 (TGM), 1 Windsor 5/14 (LMP), 1 Addison 5/19 (WME,SSB,JSA,KMA), 1 Sandbar Causeway Milton 5/19 (WGE,NLM,SJS,DHC), 1 Chittenden Res. 5/21 (PMB), 1 Sandbar Causeway 5/23 (LJE, DCD). Good showing for them.

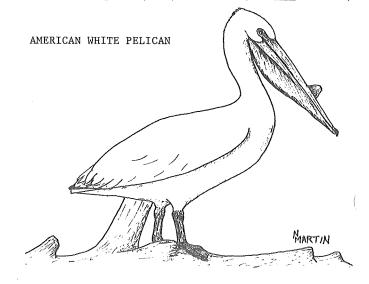
### PELICAN THROUGH IBIS

AMERICAN WHITE PELICAN: 1 ad. breeding plumage BRM South Bay 5/3-6 (PFW, WGE, NLM, et al.). represents the fourth state report, the second to RVB, and is the first spring report outside the Champlain Double-crested Cormorant: 3 Ferrisburg, 6 Shelburne, 6 Grand Isle 4/14 (DLC), on 4/15 1 Wilder Dam Hartford (WGE, NLM), 47 N. Hero Grand Isle (WAM), 1 Charlotte 4/16 (JID, MCD), 9 flying over Bragdon Nature Preserve Woodstock (hereafter BNP) 4/20 (WGE, NLM), 13 L. Morey 4/21 (WGE, NLM), 8 Rockingham 4/22 (WGE, NLM, EJ), 3 4/22, 29 4/23 Shoreham (ELW), widespread on L. Champlain after 5/1. Away from there, 2 Ferdinand 5/2 (JDL1), 4 White River Junction (hereafter WRJct) 5/18 (KRT). High counts: 30+ Mud Isl. Spaulding Bay, Panton 4 nests 5/11 (WS), 130 Mud Isl. 5 nests 5/19 (SBL, BLR, GEHa, SSW). Peak of 20 at MNWR (JBG). American Bittern: 1 West Rutland Marsh (hereafter WRM) 3/26

 $^{-12}$  early (CJF), 1 WRM 4/19 (BLR), 1 BRM 4/22 (FO,JW), 3 Newport 4/26 (DLG,TM), 1 Dead Creek Wildlife Management Area (hereafter DCWMA) 4/26 (MBN), on 4/28 1 Mud Pd. Granby (WGE, NLM), 1 Arlington (HL), 1 Ferrisburg (JID, MCD), 1 John's R. Marsh Derby 5/29 (JDM). High count 7 Coventry 5/13 (WGE, NLM, DHC). Peak of 25 at MNWR (JBG). Least Bittern: 1 WRM 4/29 early (BLR,RHH) WRM 5/2 also early (WGE, NLM, JBM, JPM), 1-2 WRM 5/ (m.ob.), 1 Wolcott Pd. 5/31 (NMM). Peak of 5 at MNWR (JBG). Great Blue Heron: 1 MNWR 3/15 (JBG), 1 Panton 3/17 (TGM), 2 Colchester 3/18 (DLC), 2 Rockingham Overlook 3/18 (DC, BLR, GEHa), 1 Clarendon 3/18 (CJF), 1 Windsor 3/19 (LMP), 1 Grand Isle 3/24, 2 3/25 (DJH), 3 Lefferts Pd. Chittenden 3/25 (DMM), 1 Guilford 3/25 (HL), 1 Bridport 3/29 (WGE, NLM, JPM, JBM). High counts: 20 DCWMA 5/19 (SSW), 30 Champlain Valley 5/23 (LJE). Peak of  $\underline{1063}$  at the MNWR rookery (JBG). Other nesting data: 5 nests Lefferts Pd. Chittenden (DMM), rookery Weatherfield 4/7 (WHW), nesting E. Montpelier 4/20 & 5/3(WGE, NLM, AFK), rookery 10 nests Bristol 5/16 (WS, JMC), nest Gale Meadows Winhall (HBG), nest Bristol Notch 5/19 (JRA). Great Egret: 1 RM 4/12-13 (WDN,DC,JWi,AMD,HL), 1 DCWMA 5/20 (ATA,CA). Snowy Egret: 1 Windsor 5/18 (LMP). Cattle Egret: 1 reported Grand Isle 3/20 very early (EG), also Grand Isle 2 4/8 (HRi), 3 4/29 (DJH), 5 5/1 (DJH), up to 12 5/19 (JDL1, DJH, FAP, CP, m.ob.), up 17 Young Isl. Grand Isle 5/23-24 (DJH, LJE, DCD, DLC, RBL). Green-backed Heron: Colchester 4/27 (DLC,TM), 1 Brandon 4/28 (SSW), 1 Manchester 4/28 (BWP), 1 Mud Creek 5/1 (JDL1), 2 Shelburne 5/2 (WAM), 1 WRM 5/2 (WGE, NLM, JPM, JBM), 2 Quechee 5/3 (WGE, NLM), 2 ABM 5/3 (AMD), 1 S. Bay Newport 5/3 (PFW,SAW), 1 E. Creek Orwell 5/13 (FO), 1 Galick Preserve West Haven 5/15 (JAP), 1 Coventry 5/19 (PFW,SAW), 1 Bennington Cty. 5/19 (RSK,ERK,BCD,KH), 1 Brandon 5/19 (SSW). Peak of 20 at MNWR (JBG). Blackcrowned Night-Heron: 1 4/1 early (WGE, NLM, DHC), 1 4/7,14 (WAM, et al.), 1 4/16 (NMM), 1 4/26 (LJE) all DCMA, 7 Young Isl. 4/26 the high count (RBL), 6 4/ Grand Isle (DLC,TM), 4 MNWR 5/3 (JBG). Peak of 35 MNWR (JBG). Glossy Ibis: 1 Ferrisburg, near Little Otter Creek 3/14-17 very early (DLC), 3 Barton R. Flats 5/13 (WGE, NLM, DHC).

#### WATERFOWL

MNWR high counts are given separately from the others. Mute Swan: 1 DCWMA 3/4 (WAM, DLC, BLR), 1 Champlain Bridge 3/31 (EBB), 1 Ferrisburg 4/28 (JID, MCD), 1 MNWR most of April into May (JBG), may all relate to the same bird of questionable origin. Snow Goose arrived early: 3 DCWMA 3/4 (DLC, WAM, BLR), 50 Weybridge 3/8 (JAP), 14 DCWMA 3/11 (TGM), 300 Newbury 3/11 (DRM), 10 Winhall 3/13 (WJN), 15 3/14, "several flocks of 60" 3/15 MNWR (JBG), 250+ BNP 3/15 (NLM), 1 Caledonia Airport 3/15 (TW fide PFW), 5000+ DCWMA 3/16



(MBN) the high count, 100 Charlotte 3/17 (TGM), 70+DCWMA 3/22 (SSW), 25 Winhall 3/22 (WJN), 75 Westminster 3/23 (AMD), 1700 DCWMA 3/24 (JRA); widespread all through April in the Champlain Valley with several "Blues" mostly at DCWMA (CO, WGE, NLM, DHC, JPM, JBM). At Springfield Meadows on 3/29 a Mallard-size imm. Snow was seen with a normal-sized ad. Coloration was closer imm. Ross' but the head and bill were more like Snow Loose, possibly a Ross X Snow hybrid (WJN) or a pair consisting of a male Greater and female Lesser (EE). Some late dates: 4 Addison 5/5 (JAP), 20 DCWMA 5/8 (JDL1), Brattleboro 5/12 (REL), 4 Seymour Lake 5/14-27 (LSH, DLC, WGE, NLM, SJS, DHC, et al.), 1 Windham Cty. 5/19 (JJC), 1 DCWMA 5/28 (WAM). Brant: 25 RM 4/27 (WDN), 7 L. Morey 5/13 (WGE, NLM, DHC), 12 Champlain Bridge Addison 5/19 (SBL, BLR, GEHa, JAP). BARNACLE GOOSE (Branta leucopsis): a report of two seen at Maidstone 5/15 (RI,DK,BK). Likely to have been escapes from somewhere; it would be very difficult to prove that they were or were not. Canada Goose: overwintered at DCWMA. 319 Panton 3/4 (DLC), 400 DCWMA 3/5 (WGE, NLM), 1000 Panton 3/6 (MBN), 30 Braintree 3/13 (AFK), 67 Brandon 3/13 (SSW), 7 Windsor 3/13 (LMP), 5 Winhall 3/14 (WJN), on 3/15 200 Braintree (AFK), 30 S. Alburg (DJH), 30 Sheffield (fide PFW), on 3/16 475 BNP (KRT), 39 Orwell (JRA), 1 Reading (FMH, GEH), on 3/17 5 Clarendon (CJF), 15 Charlotte (TGM), 6 Springweather NA (WHW), 57 Woodstock (JMN, CRP), 5 Waterbury Center (EK), 350 MNWR 3/19 (JBG). High count 2000 DCWMA 3/16 (MBN). A group of 15 of a very small race Craftsbury Flats 4/10,13(FO, JW). Introduced nesting populations are expanding both north and south with many reports of breeding at new sites, more than in any previous year. Wood Duck: 2 Windsor 3/13 (LMP), 2 DCWMA 3/13 (MBN), 9 MNWR 3/15 (JBG), on 3/17 2 Westminster (DC), 3 Clarendon (CJF), 6 Springweather NA (WHW), 6 Panton, 4 Ferrisburg (DLC), on 3/18 5 Rutland 3 Castleton (CJF), 2 Springfield 2 Rockingham (WGE, NLM), 1 W. Bolton (MC), 15 Brandon (SSW), 2 New Haven 3/23 (JRA), 1 Lyndonville, 3/23 PFW, SAW), 4 Shoreham 3/24 (TSA), 6 Dorset 3/25 (RWS), ∠ Sharon 3/27 (CB,KRT). High count 50 Colchester 4/27 (DLC,TM). Peak of 110 at MNWR includes ducklings (JBG). Numerous nesting reports from many sites. second consecutive spring an exotic Mandarin Duck (Aix galericulata): drake, paired with female Wood Duck, this time at RM 4/21 (JJC). Green-winged Teal: 2 Windsor 3/13 (LMP), 2 Reading 3/15 (FMH, GEH), 4 Middlesex 3/16 (TSA), 6 Bridport, 12 DCWMA 3/16 (MBN), 6 Panton, 3 Ferrisburg 3/17 (DLC), 2 Westminster 3/18 (DC, MWB), 10 Springfield Mdw. 3/18 (WGE, NLM), 7 RM 3/19 (WDN), 10 Weybridge 3/22 (JAP), 6 Shoreham 3/24 (TSA). High count 312 Cornwall 4/15 (DLC). Peak of 25 at MNWR Some late dates: 1 Barton R. Rd. 5/19 (PFW, SAW), 2 W. Bolton 5/16 (MC). American Black Duck: overwintered in the Burlington area among other places. Four New Haven 3/1 (JAP), 5 Panton, 4 Charlotte 3/4 (DLC), 175 Burlington 3/5 (WGE, NLM), 20 Muddy Creek Essex Junction 3/8 (TSA), 4 Marlboro 3/8 (JPN), 2 Grand Isle 3/11 (DJH), 9 Windsor 3/13 (LMP), 2 Brandon 3/13 (SSW), 5 MNWR 3/15 (JBG), 1 Connecticut R. Brattleboro 3/16 (HL), 6 Panton 3/17 (TGM), 2 W. Bolton 3/18 (MC), 8 Springweather NA 3/21 (WHW), 7 Lyndonville 3/23 (PFW,SAW). High count 200 Salisbury, 300 Leicester 4/1 Peak of only 100 at MNWR (JBG). (WGE, NLM, DHC). overwintered in a number of areas. Mallard: Panton 23 Charlotte 3/4 (DLC), 218 S. Burlington 3/5 (WGE, NLM), 60 Gordon Landing Grand Isle 3/10 (PFW, SAW), 1 Windsor 3/13 (LMP), 2 Brandon 3/13 (SSW), 2 Woodstock 3/14 (CRP), 6 MNWR 3/15 (JBG), 2 W. Bolton 3/17 (MC), 25 Springweather NA 3/17 (WHW), 4 HC 3/18 (AMD), 20 Weybridge 3/19 (JAP). High count 605 Cornwall 4/15 DLC). Peak of 350 at MNWR includes ducklings (JBG). Hen with 7 ducklings Woodstock 5/15 (JMN). Northern overwintered on Winooski R. Burlington 3/5 (WGE, NLM), 8 Vernon 3/11 (WGE, NLM), 5 DCWMA 3/11 (PRW), 1 Windsor 3/13 (LMP), 6 DCWMA 3/13

(MBN), 2 HC 3/18 (DC, MWB), 7 Clarendon 3/18 (CJF), 12 Weybridge 3/19 (JAP), 15 MNWR 3/19 (JBG), 1 Leicester Jct. 3/22 (SSW), 1 Swanton 3/23 (DLC), 50 Weybridge 3/27 (MBN), 5 Rockingham Oxbow 3/29 (WJN), 93 Leicester, 30 Salisbury a high count 4/1 (WGE, NLM, DHC), 4 Waterbury Res. 4/6 (EK), 5 Leicester Jct. 4/11 (SSW), on 4/15 1 Stowe (JDL1), 1 L. Pinneo Quechee (WGE, NLM), 23 Champlain Isl. (WAM), 99 Cornwall 23 Salisbury a high count (DLC), 12 Weybridge (JAP), 1 Springweather NA 4/16 (WJN), 28 Alburg 4/21 (DLC), 1 Winooski River Delta (hereafter WRD) 5/15 (JDM), 1 Orange Cty. 5/19 (ET). Peak of 10 at MNWR (JBG). Blue-winged Teal: Champlain Valley 3/17 (WAM), 10 Weybridge 3/19 (JAP), 2 DCWMA 3/22 (SSW), 1 Addison 3/24 (DLC), 2 S. Hero 3/24 (JDM), 2 Windsor 4/1 (LMP), 4 Grand Isle 4/6 (DJH), 1 Conn. R. Ompompanoosuc 4/8 (DHC), 6 Leicester Jct. 4/10 (SSW), 1 ABM 4/13 (AMD), 2 Swanton 4/14 (TGM), on 4/15 the high count 44 Cornwall (DLC), 2 Champlain Isl. (WAM), 2 Stowe (JDL1), 1 Rockingham Oxbow 1 Springfield Mdws. 4/16 (WJN), 4 Conn. R. Ompompanoosuc 4/20 (DHC), 22 Leicester 4/21 (CJF), 6 Coventry 4/24 (PFW,SAW), 2 Middlesex 4/25 (TSA), 2 Woodstock 4/26 (CRP), 1 Colchester 4/27 (DLC,TM), 5 Grand Isle 4/27-28 (DJH), 1 E. Dorset 5/12 (BWP,RWS). Peak of 50 at MNWR, nest with 4 eggs MNWR (JBG). Northern Shoveler: 2 arrived early on 3/18 Champlain Isl. (WAM), 4 Swanton (DLC), 1 Manchester (RWS), also 1 Leicester 3/22 (SSW), 7 McCuen Slang Addison 3/29 (WGE, NLM, JPM, JBM), 1 Otter Creek Addison 4/1 (WGE, NLM, DHC), 1 Waterbury Res. 4/6 (EK), 5 Champlain Valley 4/7 (WAM), 3 Salisbury Swamp, 1 Leicester Jct. 4/8 (WGE, GFE), 4 Leicester 4/11 (SSW), 1 Swanton 4/14 (TGM), 2 Stowe 4/15 (JDL1), 17 Cornwall 4/15 the high count (DLC), 2 Leicester 4/21 (CJF), 2 RM 4/24 (AMD). Seen widely in May at DCWMA by m.ob. last 2 5/29 (JDL1). Peak of 5 at MNWR (JBG). Gadwall: 1 Winooski 3/14 (TSA), 2 Windsor 3/14 (LMP), 8 Champlain Valley 3/17 (WAM), 4 Panton 3/17 (DLC), 2 Shelburne 3/18 (WAM), 2 3/25 6 3/31 Grand Isle (DJH), 6 Waterbury Res. 4/6 (EK), 4 Leicester Jct. 4/8 (WGE, GFE), 2 Champlain Isl. 4/15 (WAM), 1 Stowe 4/15 (JDL1), 2 Springfield Mdws. 4/16 (WJN), 5 L. Bomoseen 2 Leicester 4/21 (CJF), 4 Alburg 4/21 (DLC), 2 Grand Isle 4/27 (DJH), 2 Berlin Pond 5/6 (JDL1), 1 DCWMA 5/19 (DC, MWB, BAH, JiL). Present through May in the Grand Isle/Young Isl. area until the end of the period (DJH, RBL, WGE, m.ob.) likely represents a breeding population. Not recorded at MNWR (JBG). American Wigeon: 6 McCuen Slang 3/16 (MBN), 1 Conn. R. Brattleboro 3/16 (HL), 4 Champlain Valley 3/17 (WAM), 8 Grand Isle 3/18 (DLC), 8 Weybridge 3/19 (JAP), 4 Lamoille R. 3/24 (JDM), 3 Grand Isle 3/25 (DJH), 1 Springweather NA 3/29 (WJN), 2 L. Bomoseen, 1 W. Bridport 3/29 (WGE, NLM, JPN, JBM), 3 Grand Isle 3/31 8 Weybridge 7 Leicester Jct. 4/1 (WGE, NLM, DHC, SSW), 2 L. Bomoseen 4/1 (CJF), 7 MNWR 4/4 (JB), 1 Waterbury Res. 4/6 (EK), 15 Champlain Valley 4/7 (WAM), 8 Leicester Jct. 3 Sudbury 4/8 (WGE, GFE), 2 Craftsbury Flats 4/10,12 (FO,JW), on 4/15 8 Weybridge (JAP), 28 Cornwall 84 Salisbury the high count (DLC), 13 Champlain Isl. (WAM), 12 L. Bomoseen (CJF), 2 Stowe (JDL1), 6 Springfield/Rockingham Town Line (hereafter SRTL), 2 HC (WGE, NLM), 8 Ferrisburg 4/16 (JID, MCD), 1 SRTL, 1 Rockingham Oxbow, 1 Springweather NA 4/16 (WJN), 6 L. Bomoseen 2 Leicester 4/21 (CJF), 3 Springfield Mdws. 4/22 (WGE, NLM), 6 Shoreham 4/24 (ELW). Present all May Grand Isle (DJH, m.ob.) probably breeders. Peak of 10 at MNWR (JBG), good spring for them, but doubtless much duplication above. Redhead: 2 Grand Isle 3/18 (DLC), 8 Windsor 3/19 (LMP). Canvasback: 3 Ferrisburg 3/17 (DLC), 10 Champlain Isl 3/18 (WAM), 5 3/18 and 7 3/24 S. Hero Causeway (TGM), 3 The Gut 3 Alburg-Swanton Br. 3/24 (JDM), 3 McCuen Slang and Chimney Point 3/29 (WGE, NLM, JPM, JBM), 7 Swanton 3/31 (DLC). Very poor showing for them. Ring-necked Duck: one male overwintered at WRJct. (WGE), 2 Charlotte 3/4 (DLC, WAM, BWR), 22 Vernon 3/11 (WGE, NLM), 11 Windsor 3/13 (LMP), 1 Charlotte 3/15 (SSW), 6 McCuen Slang 3/16

(MBN), 18 Charlotte 3/16 (WAM), 11 Ferrisburg 3/17 (TGM), 183 Champlain Valley 3/17 (WAM), on 3/18 175 Champlain Isl. (WAM), 6 HC (DC, MWB, GEHa), 53 Bridport (MBN), 120 S. Hero (TGM), 23 MNWR 3/19 (JBG), 4 Weybridge 3/19 (JAP), 16 L.Champlain 3/22 (JAP), 3 DCWMA 3/24 (JRA), on 3/25 14 Shoreham (TSA), 10 Orwell (CJF), 1 Grand Isle (DJH), 34 Bridport 3/29 (WGE, NLM, JBM, JPM), 25 N. Hero 199 Swanton to Alburg 3/31 the high count (DLC). Widespread during April. Some late dates: 1 Chittenden Res. 5/6 (CJF), 1 E. Dorset 5/12 (RWS, BWP), 2 S. Bay 5/18 (PFW,SAW), 4 MB 5/19 (WGE,NLM,DHC,SJS), 1 Windham Cty. 5/19 (JJC), 1 Rochester 5/22 (HB). Peak of only 25 at MNWR (JBG). Not a very good year for them numbers-wise. Greater Scaup: 3 Vernon 3/11 (WGE, NLM), 1 DCWMA 3/13 (MBN), 3 Windsor 3/14 (LMP), 2 Grand Isle Ferry 3/18 (TGM), 43 Grand Isle 3/18 (DLC), 110 S. Hero RR Causeway 3/24 the high count (TGM), 1 Rockingham 3/29 (WJN), 8 W. Bridport (WGE, NLM, JPM, JBM), 23 Windsor 4/4 (LMP), 4 Grand Isle 4/13 (DJH), 2 L. Bomoseen 4/15 (CJF), 2 Quechee 4/23 (WGE, KRT), 40 Isle La Motte 4/27 (DLC, TM), 2 Crown Point 5/8 (JDL1), 1 Newport 5/13 (WGE, NLM, DHC). Lesser Scaup: 3 Grand Isle 3/18 (DLC), 15 Windsor 3/19 (LMP), 24 L. Champlain 3/22 and 3/31(JAP), 35 S. Hero RR Causeway 3/24 the high count (TGM), 9 McCuen Slang 3/29 (WGE, NLM, JPM, JBM), 4 Wilder Dam 4/11 (WGE, NLM), 1 Craftsbury Flats 4/13 (FO,JW), 4 Basin Harbor 4/15 (JDL1), 1 Isle La Motte 4/27 (DLC,TM). Scaup (sp): 2 Grand Isle 3/11 (DJH), 13 Champlain Valley 3/17 (WAM), 17 Addison/Bridport 4/1 (WGE, NLM, DHC), 6 Champlain Isl. 4/1 (WAM), 4 Waterbury Res. 4/6 (EK), 2 Windsor 4/26 (LMP), 1 Danby Pond 4/29 (CJF), 1 Sandbar WMA Milton (hereafter SBWMA) 5/20 (WAM). Oldsquaw: 2 Shelburne 3/3 very early, possibly overwintered (WAM), 9 Hapgood Pond Peru 4/11 (ACB), 9 Shoreham 4/21 (ELW), 3 Manchester 4/21 (RWS), 4 Norwich 4/21 (DHC), 5 L. Morey 4/29 (WGE, NLM), 2 Ferrisburg 4/29 (DLC), 2 Sandbar Causeway 5/15 1 there 5/19 (WGE, NLM, DHC, SJS, CP, FAP, m.ob.), 1 N. Hero 5/28 (RBL). Black Scoter: 2 5/3 6 5/17 Shoreham (ELW). White-winged Scoter: Panton 4/29 (DLC,TM), 1 Grand Isle 5/4 (RBL), 2 S. Bay Newport 5/19 (WGE, NLM, DHC, SJS). Scoter (sp): Rockingham Overlook 4/16 (WJN). Common Goldeneye: Overwintered on the Conn. R. and Winooski R. (WGE), 7 Charlotte 3/4 (DLC), 12 Muddy Brook Essex Jct. 3/8 (TSA), 1 Brandon 3/14 (SSW), 40 Winooski R. Waterbury 3/15 (TSA), 8 McCuen Slang 3/16 (MBN), 120 Shelburne 3/18 (WAM), 6 3/19, 29 3/21 Windsor (LMP), 55 S. Hero RR Causeway 3/24 (TGM), 1 Charlotte 3/25 (JMD), 1 L. Bomoseen 3/25 (CJF), 3 MNWR 3/27 (JBG), 15 HC 3/29 (WJN), 2 Danby Pond 3/31 (CJF), 410 Champlain Valley 3/31 the high count (DLC). First brood MNWR 5/16 early, peak of 85 at MNWR includes ducklings (JBG). A bird seen briefly at Vernon 3/11 believed to be a hen Common Goldeneye x Hooded Merganser (WGE, NLM). Barrow's 1 Vernon 3/11 wintered (WGE, NLM), 1 Goldeneye: Shelburne 3/18-31 from winter (WAM), lingered in Grand Isle 5/3-6 (DJH). Bufflehead: 5 Charlotte 3/4 (DLC), 1 S. Burlington 3/5 (WGE, NLM), 2 Ferrisburg 3/17 (TGM), 1 L. Champlain 3/22,31 (JAP), 4 Champlain Br. 3/22 (SSW), 5 Bridport 7 Ferrisburg 3/24 (MBN), 4 Addison 3/24 (JRA), 1 Grand Isle 3/25 (DJH), 1 Charlotte 3/25 (JMD), 2 Shoreham 5 W. Bridport 3/29 (WGE, NLM, JPM, JBM), 2 Danby Pond 3/31 (CJF), 7 Grand Isle 3/31 (DJH), 2 Waterbury Res. 4/6 (EK), 10 Long Pt. L. Champlain 4/6 (JID, MCD), 34 Champlain Valley 4/7 the high count (WAM). 2 L. Pinneo Quechee 4/11-5/26 (WGE, NLM, KRT, JMN), 12 Alburg 4/14 (TGM), 25 L. Bomoseen 4/15 (CJF), 2 Shoreham 4/20 (ELW), 2 W. Bolton 4/24,28 (MC), 7 Charlotte 4/24 (SSW). Some late dates: 4 Long Point L. Champlain 5/2 (JID, MCD), 8 Grand Isle 5/17 (DJH), 2 S. Bay L. Memphremagog 5/14,19 (PFW,SAW,LJE,m.ob.). Peak of only 5 at MNWR (JBG). <u>Hooded Merganser</u>: overwintered at WRJct. (WGE), 2 N. Hartland 3/12 (WGE, DHC), 3 Windsor 3/13 (LMP), on 3/16 1 Conn. R. Brattleboro (HL), 2 Middlesex (TSA), 5 DCWMA (MBN), 4 W. Hartford (KRT), 1

Woodstock (SBL), 6 Champlain Valley 3/17 (WAM), 4 Ferrisburg 3/17 (DLC, TGM), 11 Shelburne to Champlain Isl. 3/18 (WAM), 9 Windsor 3/19 (LMP), 2 Springfield 3/19 (HL), 4 Ferrisburg 3/24 (MPN), 4 Cornwall 3/24 (JAP), 4 L. Bomoseen 2 Orwell 3/25 (CJF), 3 Shoreham 3/25 (TSA), 2 MNWR 3/26 (JBG), 2 S. Royalton 2 Woodstock 3/27 (KRT,CB), 15 HC to Springweather NA 3/29 a high count (WJN), 5 Tinmouth Channel WMA 3/31 (CJF), 1 Waterford 4/28 a high count (WGE, NLM), female with o young DCWMA 5/9 (JID, MCD), 1 Sheffield 5/22,23 (PFW,SAW), 1 W. Bolton 5/25 (MC). Peak of 10 at MNWR Common Merganser: overwintered in several areas. Two Panton 19 Charlotte 3/4 (DLC), 12 Panton 3/6 (MBN), 3 Waterbury 3/7 (TSA), 8 L. Champlain 3/8 (JAP), 12 Grand Isle 3/10 (DJH), 2 Sandbar S P 30 Gordon Landing 3/10 (PFW,SAW), 8 Windsor 3/13 (LMP), 8 Winooski R. Montpelier 3/13 (JMD), 15 Charlotte to Colchester 3/15 (SSW), 7 MNWR 3/16 (JBG), 151 Champlain Valley 3/17 (WAM), 2 Middlesex 3/18 (TSA), 11 HC 3/18 (AMD), 28 Addison 3/24 (JRA), 1 E. Barnet 3/25 (PFW,SAW), 65 Benson 70 Orwell 3/29 (WGE, NLM, JPM, JBM), 25 HC, SRTL, Springweather NA 3/29 (WJN), high count 194 Addison 4/1 (WGE, NLM, DHC), also 16 Shoreham 5/17 (GLW), 3 L. Willoughby 5/19 (PFW,SAW), 5 Kingsland Bay 5/19 (JID, MCD), 1 DCWMA 5/19 (JAP, SSW), 1 Chittenden 5/21 (DB), nest and 2 eggs Westmore 5/25 (RVC), 3 Gale Meadows 5/27 (WJN). Two eggs in a nest in a hollow apple tree on 3/31 at Brownsville were too early to be anything but unhatched eggs from the previous year (fide BMH). Red-breasted Merganser: 1 S. Hero RR Causeway 3/18 (TGM), 1 HC 3/18 (WGE, NLM), 1 L. Bomoseen 3/29 (WGE, NLM, JPM, JBM), 4 Charlotte 3/31 (WAM), 5 Addison 4/1 (WGE, NLM, DHC), 2 Shelburne 4/7 (WAM), 7 Addison 1 Shelburne 4/14 (DLC), 2 Grand Isle 4/20 (RBL), 7 Panton 4/29 (DLC), 2 Grand Isle 5/6 (DJH), 10 DAR SP 5/8 (JDL1), 24 Potash Bay 5/12 (JAP, MBN), 1 Potash Bay 5/18 (MBN), 1 DCWMA 5/19 (SSW, JID, MCD), 1 Addison 5/19 (GW, CHB), 42 Addison 5/24 the high count (DLC), 24 Potash Bay 5/30 (JAP).

#### DIURNAL RAPTORS

Turkey Vulture: 27 were seen by hawkwatchers. One Saxton's R. 3/3 (DC), 5 Brattleboro 3 Vernon 3/11 (WGE, NLM), 2 Brandon 3/14 (SSW), on 3/15 1 New Haven (JRA), 1 Jericho (LJE), 7 Marlboro (JPN), 2 Brattleboro (MPB), 2 Brattleboro 3/16 (AMD), 1 Chester 3/17 (CEAd), on 3/18 1 Fairfield (DLC), 2 Richmond (TSA), 12 L. Bomoseen (CJF), 1 E. Dorset 3/19 (RWS), 1 Dummerston 3/21 (HL), 1 Middlebury 3/22 (JAP), 1 WHL 3/22 (WJN), 1 Rutland 3/24 (CJF), 7 Ferrisburg 3/24 (MBN), 3 Middletown Springs 3/25 (CJF), 2 White R. valley 3/27 (KRT,CB), 6 Brattleboro 3/28 (CEAd), 22 Bristol 4/2 the high count (JRA), seen north to Barnet in Connecticut valley (WGE, NLM). Peak of 12 at MNWR (JBG). Osprey: 21 were seen by hawkwatchers. One Mallett's Bay 4/5 (MAC), 1 DCWMA 4/8 (KL), 1 Norwich 4/12 (KRT, MSL), 2 RM 4/13 (DC,JWi), 1 Marlboro 4/15 (JPN), on 4/16 2 DCWMA (NMM), 1 Manchester Ctr. (BWP, RWS), 1 HC (WJN), 1 Ferrisburg (JID, MCD), 1 MNWR 4/17 (JBG), 1 Pawlet 4/18 (TLC), 1 Chittenden 4/21 (DMM), 1 Waterbury Res. 4/22 (EK), 1 WHL 4/21 (WJN), 7 Rockingham-I91 Hawkwatch 4/22 the high count (WGE, NLM, EJ), 1 Ferrisburg 4/22 (DLC), 1 RM 4/24 (AMD), 1 Windsor 4/24-25 (LMP), 3 S. Bay 4/26 (DLC,TM), on 4/27 2 Colchester (DLC), 1 Bridgewater (ELG), 4 Woodstock (WGE, NLM), on 4/28 1 Manchester Ctr. (BWP), 1 Perkinsville (TV), 1 Bethel (JB), 1 Craftsbury (JW), 2 WHL (WJN), 1 Wallingford 4/29 (CJF). Reported as nesting again at Ferrisburg and MNWR. Some late dates away from nesting areas: 1 Reading 5/23 (FMH,GEH), 2 Shoreham 5/26 (ELW). Bald Eagle: 1 seen by hawkwatchers. Two S. Wallingford 3/6 (DS), Ferrisburg 3/10 (CCF,TEK,EM), 1 ad. Vernon 3/1 (WGE,NLM), 1 DCWMA 3/22 (SSW), 1 Champlain Br. 3/24 (JAP, MBN), 1 imm. W. Bridport 3/29 (WGE, NLM, JPM, JBM), 1 Weathersfield Center 3/29 (WHW), 1 Bethel 4/1 (MH), 1 St. Albans Bay 4/3 (SWK), 3 Berlin Pd. 4/10-11 stole

fish from otter (RC), 1 Paine Mt. 4/14 /(WHB), 1 ad. HC  $^{-15-}$ 4/15 (WGE, NLM), 2 Sandgate 4/17 (fide NS), 1 Bridgewater 5/1 (TH), 1 Wilder 5/1 (SCo), 1 Bridport 5/4 (ELW), 1 Chelsea-Tunbridge 5/7 (KDG,GJR), 1 Waterbury Center 5/14 (EK), 1 E. Poultney 5/14 (TCB), 1 Somerset Res. 5/16 (CSH,RBR), on 5/19 1 Orange Cty. (ET), 1 DCWMA (MSL,CSH,DO), 2 HC (DC,MWB,BAH,JiL), 2 HC 5/20 (EE,HSP,REP), 1 Chelsea 5/24 (KDG,GJR), 1 Canaan 5/24 (MB). March Bald Eagle Survey produced 5 birds, some listed above (CCR). Good showing, in spite of much duplication of reports. Northern Harrier: 4 were seen by hawk watchers. Two Champlain Valley 3/17 (WAM), 1 Shelburne 3/18 (MPB), 2 DCWMA 3/18 (SSW), 1 Woodstock 3/20 (KRT), 1 Grand Isle 3/21 (DJH), 1 Clarendon 3/24 (CJF), 2 Addison 3/24 (TSA,MBN,JAP), 1 Grand Isle 3/28 (DJH), 1 4/5,8 Bridport 3 Addison 3/29 (WGE, NLM, JPM, JBM), 3 Manchester Ctr 3/31 (BWP), 1 Caledonia Airport 4/5 (PFW, SAW), 1 Jericho 4/8 (LJE), 4 Ferrisburg 4/8 (JID, MCD), 1 Brookline 4/10 (AMD), 1 Craftsbury Flats 4/10 (FO,JW), 1 Morrisville 4/12 (EK), 1 Shoreham 4/18 (ELW), possible breeding at Brandon (SSW), maximum 4 several times. Several at possible breeding sites in the Northeast Kingdom (WGE et al.), in addition to Champlain Valley and L. Memphremagog breeding sites. Peak of 4 at MNWR (JBG). Sharp-shinned Hawk: overwintered in usual numbers and 67 were seen by hawkwatchers. One Marlboro 3/3 (MRM), 1 Brandon 3/5 (SSW), 1 WHL 3/15 (WJN), 1 Marlboro 3/16 (JPN), 1 Shelburne 3/18 (MPB), 1 Windsor 3/18 (WGE, NLM), 1 E. Dorset 3/25 (RWS), 1 DCWMA 3/25 (CJF), 1 Woodstock 3/25 carrying junco (JMN), 1 Middlesex 4/10 (TSA), 1 Middlebury 4/10 (JAP), 1 Weybridge 4/12 (MBN), 1 Jericho 4/12 (LJE) and 1 killed flying into window 4/19 (Jericho (LJE), 1 Woodstock 4/14 (JMN), 1 Weybridge 4/19 (JRA), 2 WHL 4/20 (WJN), 8 Rockingham I91 Hawk Watch 4/22 high count (WGE, NLM, EJ), 1 Shoreham 4/23 (ELW), 2 Red Rocks Park S. Burlington (hereafter RRP) 4/25 (WAM), 1 Westminster 4/27 (AMD), 3 WHL 5/1 1 WHL 5/9 (WJN), 1 Sheffield 5/1 (PFW,SAW), 2 Shoreham 5/3 (ELW), 1 Dorset 5/14 (EFG), 1 Sheffield 5/18 killed a cowbird (PFW, SAW), on 5/19 1 Goshen (SSW), 1 Tinmouth (PMB, MrJ, MRU), 1 Manchester (RWS, BWP), 1 Windham Cty. (JJC), 1 Addison Cty. (WME, KMA, SSB, JSA), on 5/20 1 Washington (ATA, CA), 1 Milton (WAM), 1 Stowe (JDL1), 1 Addison Cty. (SMH), 1 Shoreham 5/25 (ELW), 1 Montpelier 5/27 (TSA). of 2 at MNWA (JBG). Cooper's Hawk: 9 were seen by hawkwatchers. One Montpelier, 3/11 (TSA), 1 Chester 3/16 (CEA), 1 WHL 3/16 (WJN), 1 Jericho 3/17 (LJE), 1 Benson 3/29 (WGE, NLM), 1 Waterbury Ctr. 3/30 (EK), 1 Brandon 3/31 (SSW), 1 WRJct. 4/15 (WGE, NLM), 1 Ferrisburg 4/16 (JID, MCD), 1 Grand Isle 4/19 (DJH), 3 Rockingham I91 Hawkwatch 4/22 the high count (WGE, NLM, EJ), 1 Shoreham 4/25 (ELW), 1 WHL 5/1 (WJN), 1 Ripton 5/9 (JRA), 1 Westford 5/15 (WGE), on 5/19 1 Windham Cty. (JJC), 1 Sudbury (SSW et al.), 1 SBWMA (CEA), 1 Chester (JDL1), 1 Bennington (RSK, ERK, BCD, KH), 1 Addison Cty. 5/20 (SMH). Good showing. Northern Goshawk: 5 were seen by hawkwatchers. One Middlebury 3/8 (JAP), 1 BNP 3/13 (NLM), 1 Paine Mtn 3/29 (WHB), 1 Berlin 4/1 (TSA), 2 DCWMA 4/8 (JRA), 1 Ferrisburg 4/9 (JID, MCD), 1 Bethel 4/11 (WGE, NLM), 2 Poultney 4/21 (CJF), 1 WHL 4/21 (WJN), 1 Sutton 4/29 (WGE, NLM), 1 Victory Basin 5/4 (WGE), 1 S. Wallingford 5/6 (CJF), 1 Danby 5/12 (CJF), 1 Ripton 5/19 breeder (JAP, WME, SSB, KMA, JSA), 1 Windham Cty. 5/19 Red-shouldered Hawk: 5 were seen by One Brandon 3/9 (SSW), 2 3/12, 4 3/14 hawkwatchers. Marlboro the high count (JPN), 2 Hinesburg 3/14 (PRW), 1 WHL 3/15 (WJN), 1 BNP 3/15 (NLM), 1 Clarendon 3/18 (CJF), 1 Barnard 3/25 (EWC, MCC), 2 Colchester 3/31 (DLC), 1 Jericho 4/8 (LJE), 2 Winhall 4/11 (WJN), 1 Mt. Philo 4/13 (JID, MCD), 1 Shelburne 4/15 (JJA), 1 Barnet 4/21 (WGE, NLM), 1 Fairfield 4/27 (DLC, TM), 1 Berlin Pond 4/28, 5/1 (BMP), 1 WHL 5/1 (WJN), 3 Waterbury Ctr. 5/14 (EK), 1 Warren 5/16 carrying snake (JDL1), 1 Goshen 5/19 (SSW), 2 Milton 5/19 (WAM), 1 W. Bolton 5/25 (MC).

Broad-winged Hawk: 148 were seen by hawkwatchers. One Lincoln Hill 3/10 early (PAT), 2 Weathersfield 3/17 (WHW), 1 Winhall 3/24 (WJN), 1 E. Dorset 3/25 (RWS), 10-11 Barnard 3/28 (EWC, MCC), 1 Marlboro 4/1 (JPN), 1 Jericho 4/5 (LJE), 1 Guilford 4/13 (HL), 1 Hubbardton 4/15 (CJF), 1 Middlebury 4/16 (JAP), 1 WRJct 4/21 (DHC), 1 Newbury 4/21 (WGE, NLM), on 4/22 1 E. Dorset (RWS), 1 Sheffield (PFW, SAW), 38 Rockingham I91 Hawkwatch the high count (WGE, NLM, EJ), 6 WHL (WJN), 1 S. Bay Newport 4/24 (PFW, SAW), 2 Manchester Ctr. 4/25 (BWP), 1 DCWMA 4/26 (MBN), 1 Sheffield 4/26-30 (PFW, SAW), 1 Mt. Horrid 4/26 (SSW), 11 WHL 4/28 (WJN), 2 Waterbury Ctr. 4/30 (EK), 1 Marlboro 4/30 (JPN). The trend of March arrivals continues. Red-tailed Hawk: 89 were seen by hawkwatchers; overwintered in the Champlain Valley and elsewhere. Four DCWMA 3/1 (SSW), 1 Marlboro 3/2 (JPN), 1 Weybridge 3/3 (MBN), 1 Charlotte 3/5 (JRA), on 3/8 1 Middlebury (JAP), 4 Weybridge (MBN), 2 Woodstock (WW), 14 Champlain Valley 3/10 (PFW,SAW), 2 Ferrisburg 3/10 (JMD), on 3/14 2 Westminster (AMD), 1 W. Bolton (MC), 1 Burlington Intervale (TSA), on 3/15 2 WHL (WJN), 1 Chester (CEA), 1 E. Dorset (RWS), on 3/16 1 Grand Isle (DJH), 1 WHL (WJN), 1 Waterbury Ctr. (EK), 2 Weathersfield 3/17 (WHW), 3 Woodstock 3/17 (JMN), 1 Woodstock 3/19 (CRP), 1 E. Dorset 3/19 (RWS), 5 Addison 3/24 (JRA), 3 Manchester Ctr. 3/24 (BWP), 50 Paine Mtn. 4/14 the high count (WHB). Largely white bird in Newbury April-May (CS); f. on nest in yellow birch Victory Basin 5/4 (WGE); nest in white birch Mt. Tabor 5/6 (CJF). Peak of 5 at MNWR (JBG). Rough-legged Hawk: 1 seen by hawkwatchers; winter mainly in the Champlain Valley. Two DCWMA 3/1 (SSW), 1 New Haven 3/21 (JAP), 7 Addison 3/24 the high count (TSA), 2 Champlain Valley 3/31 (WAM), 1 WHL 4/7 (WJN), 1 Randolph 4/11 (WGE, NLM), 1 Braintree 4/19 (AFK), 1 imm. Charlotte 5/19 (WGE, NLM, DHC, SJS), 1 Addison Cty. (MB, DS, BB), 1 Sherburne Marsh 5/19 (MSL,DO,CSH) late. Peak of 3 at MNWR (JBG). Trend of May records continues. American Kestrel: 23 were seen by hawkwatchers; overwintered in the Champlain Valley. Migrants began arriving in mid-March. One New Haven 3/2 wintering bird (JRA), 2 New Haven 3/8 (JAP), 1 Windsor 3/12 (WGE, NLM), 1 Brandon, 1 Leicester 3/14 (SSW), 1 Woodstock 3/14 (KRT), 1 Middlebury 3/15 (JRA), on 3/17 2 Woodstock (JMN), 1 Sharon (DC, MWB), 1 Weathersfield (WHW), 1 E. Dorset 3/18 (RWS), 4 Brandon 3/18 (SSW), 1 Chester 3/19 (CEA), 1 Putney 3/21 (HL), 1 Stowe 3/22 (EK), 3 DCWMA 3/24 (TSA), 1 Addison 3/24 (MBN), 3 DCWMA 2 Bridport 3/25 (CJF), 2 Brownsville 3/25 (BMH), 9 Champlain Valley 3/31 (WAM), high count 12 Brandon 4/15 (JDM). Peak of 8 at MNWR (JBG). Merlin: 4 seen by hawkwatchers. One Peru 3/31 (B. Brownell - fide RWS), 3 Paine Mtn. 4/14 (WHB), one brought in to VRC last fall from Clarendon released 4/12 at Fairfield Swamp WMA (NER), 1 Woodstock 4/26 (WGE), 1 MNWR 5/1 (JDL1), 1 WHL 5/3 (WJN), 1 at MNWR (JBG). Peregrine Falcon: 1 seen by hawkwatchers. Six nesting sites from last year had eggs or chicks this year: Bird Mt. (Castleton/Ira), Mt. Pisgah (Westmore), Pond Mt. (Wells), Deer Leap (Bristol), Bone Mt. (Bolton), Smugglers' Notch (Cambridge). The other site, Mt. Horrid (Goshen), had birds present but not apparently nesting. One Mt. Horrid 3/26 (JAP), 2 Mt. Horrid 4/26 (SSW), 1 Bloomfield 4/26 (DLC,TM), 1 WHL 4/29 (WJN), 1 BRM 5/6 (WGE, NLM), 1 Charcoal Creek MNWR 5/23 (LJE, DCD), 1 Wheeler Mtn. Sutton 5/28 (RVC).

## GALLINACEOUS BIRDS THROUGH RAILS

Gray Partridge: 5 Swanton 3/31 (DLC). Peak of 15 at MNWR (JBG). Ring-necked Pheasant: 1 Brattleboro 3/15 (HL), 1 Guilford 3/31 (AMD), 1 DCWMA 5/19 (JID, MCD). Spruce Grouse: 1 Wenlock WMA 5/8 (LK et al.), 1 male Moose Bog (hereafter MB) 5/18 (ECA, JSt, RP). Results of the VFW survey in the Wenlock area 7 5/18 12 5/18 (DP,CEA et al.). Ruffed Grouse: widely reported, numbers seem up all over. Some high counts 6 Reading 4/28 (FMH, GEH), 4 through the period Winhall (WJN).

Three small chicks Woodstock 5/1 (PEH) very early, nest  $^{-16-}$ 9 eggs Maidstone 5/22 (WGE). Peak of 35 at MNWR (JBG). Wild Turkey: 5 Barnard 3/1 (AH), 6 Wilmington March (HCB). Widely reported from a number of towns, Wilmington, Barnard, Chittenden, Stowe, Shoreham, Marlboro, Ferrisburg, Pawlet, Addison, Pittsford, Brandon, New Haven, Chester, Clarendon, Woodstock, Grand Isle, Dorset, Brattleboro, Braintree, Reading. Some high counts: 20 Pawlet 3/29 (DLC), 10 Grand Isle 4/13 SANDHILL CRANE\* one DCWMA 5/15,18 (WJC). Virginia Rail: 1 Rockingham 4/15 (WGE, NLM), 1 Windsor 4/20 (LMP), 4 WRM 4/22 3 Alburg 4/27 (DLC), 1 Grand Isle 4/27 (DJH), 1 Weybridge 4/28 (MBN), 1 Berlin Pond 4/28 (BMP), 6 WRM 5/2 the high count (WGE, NLM, JPM, JBM), 1 Barton 5/4 (RBR), 2 Windsor 5/9 (LMP), 1 Barton R. Rd. 5/12 (PFW, SAW), 1 Bennington Cty. 5/19 (RSK, ERK, BCD, KH), 5 Braintree 5/19 (SSW), widespread at WRM, BRM, DCWMA on 5/19 (m.ob.). Peak of 30 at MNWR (JBG). Sora: 2 WRM 4/27 (NLM,LD), 1 WRM 4/29 (BLR,RHH), 1 Windsor 4/30 (LMP), 2 BRM 5/13 (WGE, NLM, DHC), 1 Windsor 5/14 (LMP), 1 Brandon 5/18 (SSW), seen widely at WRM, BRM, DCWMA on 5/19 (m.ob.), 12 Grand Isle 5/25 the high count (DJH). Peak of 65 at MNWR (JBG). Common Moorhen: 1 S. Bay Newport 4/26, 2 Alburg 4/27 (DLC), 2 BRM 5/6 (WGE, NLM) present here through the period (m.ob.), 1 SBWMA 5/6 (WAM), 1 Ferrisburg 5/15 (WGE), present DCWMA 5/19 (m.ob.), 1 Mud Creek 5/23 (LJE,DCD), 2 5/28 (WAM), 2 5/29 (JDL1), 1 5/30 (ELW) all DCWMA. Peak of 30 at MNWR (JBG). American Coot: 1 DCWMA 3/25 early (TGM), 2 DCWMA 3/31 (GEHa), 1 McCuen Slang 3/31 (EBB), 15 MNWR 4/4 the high count (JBG), 2 Ferrisburg 4/14 (DLC), 4 L. Memphremagog 5/12 (LK et al.), (DC, MWB, BAH, JiL).

#### SHOREBIRDS

Lesser Golden-Plover: 24 Addison 5/24 (DLC) only the third spring record ever for RVB. Semipalmated Plover: on 5/21 1 Warren (JDL1), 6 Norwich (GFE), 15 Shoreham (ELW), 4 Panton 5/24 (DLC), 10 Addison 5/24 Killdeer: on 3/11 2 Lincoln (JRA), 5 Brattleboro, 4 Vernon (WGE, NLM), 1 S. Burlington (WAM), 1 Braintree Hill 3/13 (AFK), 1 Waterbury Ctr. 3/13 (EK), on 3/14 3 Castleton (SBL), 1 Grand Isle (DJH), 1 Lyndonville (PFW, SAW), 1 Underhill Flats (LJE), on 3/15 4 Charlotte, 1 Shelburne (SSW), 3 Grand Isle (DJH), 2 Waterbury (TSA), 1 VINS (WGE, CCR), 4 Chester (CEAd), 3 Woodstock 3/16 (CRP), 1 Winhall 3/16 (WJN), on 3/17 1 Woodstock (LHR), 2 Ferrisburg (TGM), 2 Rutland (CJF), 2 Woodstock (JMN), 2 Springfield (WME), 5 Panton to Ferrisburg (DLC), "many" HC 3/18 (DC, MWB, BLR, GEHa), 1 Westminster 3/18 (AMD), 2 Cornwall 3/19 (JAP), High count 25 Weybridge (JAP). Downy young Grand Isle 5/12 (DJH), nest at Woodstock with eggs 4/19 4 fledglings 5/17 (CRP). Peak of 30 at MNWR (JBG). 1 Addison 4/29 (DLC), 1 Woodstock 5/2Yellowleas: (KRT), 14 Middlebury 5/3 the high count (JAP), 5 Barton R. Rd. 5/3,4 (PFW,SAW), 3 HC 5/5 (WGE,NLM), 7 Brandon 5/8 (JDL1), 5 Barton R. Rd. 5/12 (PFW, SAW), 3 Coventry 5/13 (WGE, NLM, DHC), 1 Norwich 5/18 (WGE, NLM, DHC, SJS), 1 Westminster Flats 5/19 (DC, MWB, BAH, JiL, m.ob.), 1 Grand Isle 5/19 (DJH), on 5/21 2 Blueberry L. (JDL1), 1 Chittenden Dam (PMB), 2 New Haven (JAP), 1 Swanton 5/23 (LJE, DCD). Peak of 2 at MNWR (JBG). Lesser Yellowlegs: 5 HC 5/5 (WGE, NLM), 2 Brandon 5/8 (JDL1), 2 Coventry (WGE, NLM, DHC), 1 Middlebury 5/19 (JAP), 1 Westminster Flats 5/19,20 (DC, MWB, BAH, JiL, EE, HSP, REP), 4 Swanton 5/23 (LJE, DCD). Yellowlegs (Sp.): 2 S. Bay L. Memphremagog 5/14 (LJE). Solitary Sandpiper: 2 Addison 4/29 (DLC,TM), 10 Middlebury 4/30 (JAP), 2 Middlesex 5/1 (TSA), 2 Windsor 5/2 (LMP), 1 Barton R. Rd 5/3 (PFW, SAW), 1 RM 5/5 (WGE, NLM, ES, AL), 4 Brandon 5/8 (JDL1), 1 Sheffield 5/10 (PFW, SAW), 3 Windsor 5/11 (LMP), 14 Grand Isle 5/12 (DJH), 2 W. Bolton 5/12 (MC), 5 S. Danville, 6 Conventry 5/13 (WGE, NLM, DHC), 15 East Creek Orwell 5/13 the high count (FO), 1 Weybridge 5/18 (MBN). Late dates: 1 Mud Creek 5/23 (LJE, DCD), 3 New

Haven 5/25 (JAP), 1 W. Bolton 5/23 (MC). Sandpiper: 2 Woodstock 4/27 (WGE, NLM), 2 Middlesex 5/1 (TSA), on 5/2 1 Addison (DLC), 1 E. Dorset (RWS), 1 Woodstock (CRP), 2 Middlebury 5/3 (JAP), 1 Cottonbrook 5/6 (JDL1), 1 Shoreham 5/7 (ELW), 1 Marlboro 5/9 (JPN), 2 Shelburne Bay 5/10 (TGM), 3 Windsor 5/11 (LMP), 1 S. Londonderry 5/12 (WJN), 1 Grand Isle 5/12 (DJH), 1 DCWMA 5/13 (WAM), 3 Middlebury 5/18 (MBN), 5 Guilford 5/18 (AMB) the high count. Peak of 35 at MNWR (JBG). Upland Sandpiper: 1 Shoreham 4/22 (ELW), on 4/26 6 Coventry the high count (DLC,TM), 1 Winhall (WJN), 4 Shoreham (ELW), 1 Leicester Jct. 4/29 (BLR), 1 Bridport 5/3 (ELW), 2 Weybridge 5/5 (JAP), 2 Barton 5/6 (RVC), 1 Newport 5/11 (LK et al.), 2 Coventry 5/13 (WGE, NLM, DHC), 3 Weybridge 5/17 (MBN), on 5/19 3 Bridport (DC, MWB, BAH, JiL; WMB, KMA, JSA, SSB), Orwell (SBL, BLR, GEHa), 1 Addison 5/20 (SMH), 1 Spear St. Burlington 5/23 (JDM), 1 Ferrisburg 5/29 (JID, MCD), 1 New Haven 5/31 (JAP). <u>Semipalmated Sandpiper</u>: Weybridge 4/14 very early (DLC), 2 Grand Isle 5/19(DJH), 2 MNWR 5/23 (JBG), 1 Charcoal Creek Swanton 5/23 (LJE, DCD), 8 Panton 5/24 (JAP), 9 DCWMA 5/29 (JDL1). Least Sandpiper: 2 Middlesex 5/9 (TSA), 5 Grand Isle 5/12,13 (DJH), 2 S. Danville 5/13 (WGE, NLM, DHC), 2 W. Milton 5/15 (WGE), 6 Grand Isle 5/17 (DJH), on 5/19 Clarendon and Addison (SBL, BLR, GEHa), 4 Derby 2 Milton (WGE, NLM, SJS, DHC), 2 Grand Isle (DJH), 1 Dorset (EFG), 6 Whiting (JAP), Westminster Flats (DC, MWB, BAH, JiL), 1 Westminster Flats 5/20 (EE, HSP, REP), 2 Norwich 5/21 (GFE), 15 Blueberry L. 5/21 high count (JDL1), 9 Swanton 5/23 (DLC, LJE, DCD), 10 Panton 5/24 (JAP), 2 Grand Isle 5/28 (RBL). Pectoral Sandpiper: 2 HC 5/5 (WGE, NLM), 1 Middlebury 5/18 (MBN), 2 Grand Isle 5/19 (DJH). Dunlin: 1 DCWMA 5/29 (JDL1, NH, SS, CBa). Short-billed Dowitcher: 1 Swanton 5/23 (DLC, LJE, DCD), 25 Shoreham 5/21,25 (JAP), 12 May Pd. 2 Newark Pd. 5/24 (CSH), 32 S. Hero 5/29 the high count (RBL). American Woodcock: 1 Marlboro 3/10 early (JPN), 2 Braintree 3/14 (AFK), 1 Guilford 3/15 (HL), 3 Sharon 3/16 (DC, MWB), 1 Winhall 3/16 (WJN), 2 Middlebury 3/16 (JAP), 1 W. Bolton 3/17 (MC), 1 Shelburne 3/18 (WAM), 1 Colchester 1 Huntington 3/18 (DLC), 1 Reading 3/22 (FMH,GEH), 1 Woodstock 3/23 (KRT), 1 Stowe 3/25 (JDL1), 1 Orwell 3/29 (WGE, NLM), 1 Lincoln 3/29 (JRA), 1 Rutland 3/31 (CJF), 1 Windsor 4/1 (LMP), 2 Lincoln 4/2 (JRA). High count Brighton/Ferdinand 5/19 (WGE, NLM, SJS, DHC). Peak of 50 at MNWR (JBG). Common Snipe: overwintered at Clarendon (CJF), 1 Clarendon 3/4,10 (CJF), 2 Springfield 3/18 (WGE, NLM), 2 DCWMA 3/24 (JRA), 1 Brownsville 3/29 (BMH), 1 Swanton 3/31 (DLC), 1 Mud Creek 4/1 (WAM), 1 Shelburne 4/6 (MPB), 1 Waterbury Center 4/7 (EK), 1 Craftsbury 4/9 (FO, JW), 4 Leicester 4/11 (SSW), 1 Middlebury 4/13 (JAP), 2 Grand Isle 4/13 (DJH), 1 Rutland 4/14 (CJF), 4 MNWR 4/15 (JBG), 2 Grand Isle 4/21 (DJH), 2 Winhall 4/21 (WJN), 1 Sheffield 4/24 (PFW, SAW), 1 Woodstock 4/24 (CRP), 1 Weybridge 4/26 (MBN), 1 Ferrisburg 4/26 (JID, MCD). High count 17 Coventry 5/13 (WGE, NLM, DHC). Peak of 150 at MNWR (JBG). Phalarope (Sp): 2 on L. Champlain off Grand Isle 5/29 probably Red-necked (RBL). Wilson's Phalarope: 1 Charcoal Creek Swanton 5/23 unusual for spring (DLC, LJE, DCD).

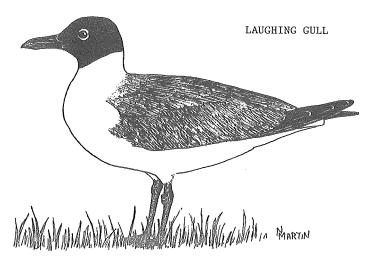
#### GULLS AND TERNS

LAUGHING GULL\*: 1 Barton R. between Orleans and Newport 4/22 (FO, JW). Bonaparte's Gull arrived early and in some unusual locations: 1 Woodstock 4/2 (KRT), 4 W. Addison 4/2 (TGM), on 4/15 1 L. Pinneo Quechee (WGE, NLM), 7 L. Bomoseen (CJF), 9 Waterbury Res. (JDL1), 2 Quechee 4/20 (JMN), 43 St. Albans Bay 4/26 the high count (MSL, CCR), 38 Panton 4/29 (DLC), 6 Shoreham 4/29 (ELW), 1 VINS Pond 4/30 (CCR, CSH), 6 Shelburne Bay 5/5 (TGM), 1 Tri-Town Water Plant Addison 5/8 (JDL1), 1 Shoreham 5/17 (ELW), up to 30 Addison 5/19 (JAP, SBL, BLR, GEHa, m.ob.). Ring-billed Gull: overwintered in Burlington, migrants arrived in mid-March. Twenty Waterbury Landfill 3/8 (TSA), 3 Rutland

Town 3/12 (SSW), 3 Rutland 3/15 (CJF), 210 N. Ferrisburg 3/17 (TGM), 9 Middlebury 3/18 (JAP), 150 Rutland-Clarendon 3/18 (CJF), 100 Panton 3/24 (MBN), 650 Addison 3/24 (JRA), 1100 Addison 3/29 (WGE, NLM, JPM, JBM). High count 1960 Otter Creek Valley 4/1 (WGE, NLM, DHC). Peak of 200 MNWR (JBG). Herring Gull: overwintered in the Champlain and Connecticut valleys. Fifty along Connecticut R. 3/1 (CRP), 1300 Burlington-S. Burlington 3/5 the high count (WGE, NLM), 8 Richmond 3/8 (TSA), 154 Brattleboro 3/11 (WGE, NLM), 1 Salisbury 4/2 (SSW), 10 Quechee 60 WRJCt. 4/11 (JMN), 10 Long Point 4/28 (JID, MCD), 3 WRD 5/2 (JDL1), 1 Button Bay 5/19 (SSW), 1 SBWMA 5/23 (LJE), 1 Grand Isle 5/23 (DJH). Peak of 10 at MNWR (JBG). Iceland Gull: 1 S. Burlington 3/5 (WGE, NLM), 3 Brattleboro 3/11 (WGE, NLM), 2 Rockingham 3/18 (WGE, NLM), 1 Wilder Dam 3/20,25,26 (DHC), 2 S. Bay Newport 4/26 (DLC,TM). Glaucous Gull: 1 Burlington 3/5 (WGE, NLM), 1 S. Bay Newport 4/26 (DLC, TM), 1 Grand Isle 5/13 (DJH), 1 Burlington 5/19 (CI). Great Black-backed 124 Burlington 3/5 high count (WGE, NLM), 102 Brattleboro 3/11 (WGE, NLM), 2 HC 3/29 (WJN), 71 WRJct. 3/31 (WGE, NLM), 2 DCWMA 4/1 (SSW), 2 Middlesex 4/1(TSA), 24 Waterbury 4/3 (JDL1), 5 WRJct. 4/11 (JMN), 68 Wilder Dam 4/14 (WGE, NLM), 6 Long Pt. 4/28 (JID, MCD), 3 MNWR 5/3 (JDL1), 3 Charcoal Creek 5/23 (LJE,DCD). Peak of 10 at MNWR (JBG). Common Tern: 5 Hen, Poposquash & Rock Isl. 4/26 (MSL, CCR), 5 St. Albans Bay 4/27 (DLC,TM), 3 Panton 4/29 (DLC), 1 MNWR 5/2 (JBG), 1 Shelburne Bay 5/13 (TGM), 2 L. Champlain Br. Addison 5/19 (SBL, BLR, GEHa), 1 Sandbar Causeway 5/19 (WGE, NLM, DHC, SJS), 2 SBWMA 5/23 (LJE, DCD). Peak of 5 at MNWR (JBG). Black Tern: 2 Panton 4/29 (DLC,TM), 2 Alburg 5/1 (JDL1), 15-20 MNWR 5/2 (JBG), 1 S. Bay Newport 5/3 (PFW, SAW), 3 DCWMA 5/6 (TSA), 1 BRM 5/6 (WGE, NLM), 5 DCWMA 5/9 (JAP), 3 L. Memphremagog 5/12 (LK et al.), 6 DCWMA 5/12 (MBN,CMO), 7 S. Bay Newport 5/12 (PFW, SAW), 3 DCWMA 5/13 (WAM), 4 WRD 4 Ferrisburg 5/15 (WGE). Widespread at DCWMA and S. Bay/BRM 5/19 (m.ob.), 2 WRD 5/20 (JDM). Peak of 150 at MNWR (JBG).

#### DOVES THROUGH KINGFISHER

present around farms and towns as Rock Dove: usual, high count 135 Vernon/Brattleboro 3/11 (WGE, NLM). winters everywhere now. Mourning Dove: counts: 30-40 Randolph during March (EWC, MCC), 24 Charlotte 3/4 (TGM), 37 Weybridge 3/8 (MBN), 50 Brattleboro 3/11 (WGE, NLM), 35 Hartland 4/15 (WGE, NLM), Juvenile just out of nest S. Danville 5/13 (WGE, NLM, DHC). Peak of 75 at MNWR (JBG). Black-hooded Parakeet (Nandayus nenday): individual well described Shelburne Bay 5/20 (SRA) this exotic is obviously an It is a south-central S. American native escape. frequently kept in captivity. The Atlas of Breeding Birds in New York State documents two confirmed nestings in the New York City area, but the birds did not survive subsequent cold winters and the population seems to be



maintained by repeated escapes. Black-billed Cuckoo: "heard several times in May" Randolph (EWC, MCC), 1 BNP 5/16 (WGE, NLM), 1 Brandon 5/19 (SSW), 1 Windham Cty 5/19 (JJC). Poor showing, most probably came in after 6/1. Yellow-billed Cuckoo: 1 Hinesburg 5/19 (RV). Eastern Screech-Owl: 1 Brandon 3/5 (SSW), one picked up injured at Shelburne, sent to VRC for rehab 4/13 (SBM), 3 Ferrisburg 4/27 (DLC,TM), 3 calling Reading 5/4 (JJo), 2 Vergennes 5/19 (SBL,BLR,GEHa). Peak of 8 at MNWR (JBG). Great Horned Owl: 1 Middlebury 3/16 (JAP), 2 Shelburne 3/18 (WAM), 1 Grand Isle 3/30 (DJH), 2 week old chick brought to VRC from Castleton (NER), 1 Wilgus S P Weathersfield 4/15 (WGE, NLM), 1 Dorset 4/28 (EFG), 4 Shelburne 5/5 2 ad. 2 yg. (TGM), 2 Dorset 5/15,26 (EFG), 1 ad. in cormorant nest with downy young Young Isl. 4/22 (RBL) young still present 5/23 (LJE,DCD), 5/24 (RBL), 1 Shelburne 5/19 (NL), Grand Isle 5/19 (DJH). Peak of 8 at MNWR (JBG). Barred Owl: frequently reported owl; reported through the period. High count 3 at Danby 5/12 (CJF). Peak of 2 MNWR (JBG). Long-eared Owl: pair in residence Charlotte March-April (JN), an owl call described Randolph 3/7 (EWC, MCC), suggested Long-eared Owl. Short-eared Owl: 1 MNWR 3/30 (JBG), 1 DCWMA 3/31 (GEHa), 1 Ethan Allen Park Winooski 5/19 (TSA). Northern Saw-whet Owl: 1 Ascutney Mt. Resort 3/21 (fide VINS), 1 Shrewsbury 4/16 found dead along road (PM), 1 Windham Cty. 5/19 (JJC). Very poor season for them, are they declining? Common Nighthawk: 1 Brattleboro 5/14 (WDN), 2 Montpelier 5/19 (TSA), 2 Brattleboro 5/19 (JJC), 1 Bellows Falls 5/20 (EE, HSP, REP), 1 E. Dorset 5/22 (RWS), 2 WRJct 5/31 (DHC), 2 Springfield 5/31 (WME). Whip-poor-will: 1 Putney 4/28 (HL), 1 Brattleboro 5/1 (HL), 1 Winhall 5/1 (WJN), 1 Brownsville 5/4 (SJS), 1 Saxtons River 5/19 (DC, MWB, BAH, JiL), Windham Cty. 5/19 (JJC), 1 WRM 5/27 (CJF). Chimney Swift: 2 Brandon 4/23 early (SSW), 12 Rutland 4/29 (CJF), 1 W. Rutland 4/29 (BLR), 4 WRJct. 4/30 (KRT), 1 Woodstock 5/2 (JMN), 1 Putney 5/2 (HL), 1 E. Dorset 5/3 (RWS), 3 Woodstock 5/3 (WGE, NLM), 15 Brattleboro 5/5 (WGE, NLM, ES, AL), 2 Clarendon 5/6 (CJF), 1 Jericho 5/7 (LJE), 1 Middlebury 5/7 (JAP), 15 Woodstock 5/8 (WGE, NLM), on 5/9 3 Chester (CEAd), 3 s. Londonderry (WJN), 1 Windsor (LMP), 25 Winooski 5/21 (JDM). High count 40 Brandon 5/28 (SSW). Ruby-throated Hummingbird: 1 Springfield 5/8 (WME), on 5/9 1 WRJct. (CLD), 1 Barnard (JNF), 1 Montpelier (TSA), 2 Nebraska Valley (JDL1), 1 Middlebury (JAP), 1 Jericho (LJE), on 5/10 2 Brownsville (BMH), 1 Sheffield (PFW,SAW), 1 Ferrisburg (JID, MCD), 1 S. Strafford (HR), 1 Waitsfield (EK), 1 Grand Isle 5/11 (DJH), on 5/12 1 Shoreham (ELW), 1 Woodstock (CRP), 1 Putney (HL), 1 E. Dorset (RWS, BWP), 1 Grand Isle 5/13,14 (DJH), on 5/13 1 Weybridge (MBN), 1 DAR SP (WAM), 1 Winhall (AS), 1 Dorset 5/14 (EFG), 1 Woodstock 5/14 (JMN), on 5/15 1 Ferrisburg (JID, MCD), 1 Chester (CEAd), 1 Hartland, 1 Westford (WGE, NLM), 2 BNP (VINS). High count 5 at Winhall several days (WJN, AS). Four netted & tail clipped at BNP (VINS). Belted Kingfisher: overwintered on Otter Creek and Conn. R. (WGE), 1 Windsor 3/13 (LMP), 1 BNP 3/15 (KRT, NLM), 1 Woodstock 3/16 (CRP), 1 Shelburne 3/18 (WAM), 1 Woodstock 3/18 (JMN), 1 Springfield 3/19 (HL), 1 E. Dorset 3/25 (RWS), 1 Tinmouth Channel WMA 3/31 (CJF), 1 Waterbury Ctr. 4/5 (EK), 1 Brandon 4/9 (SSW), 2 MNWR 4/12 (JBG), 1 Middlesex 4/13 (TSA), on 4/14 Mud Creek Alburg (TGM), 1 Burlington (DLC), 2 Chester (CEAd), 1 S. Londonderry (WJN), 1 Vernon 4/16 (MPB), 1 Middlebury 4/18 (JAP). High counts 3 Grand Isle 5/19 (DJH), 3 Shoreham 5/2 (ELW).

# WOODPECKERS

Red-bellied Woodpecker: present at Marlboro until 4/15 (JPN), 1 Grand Isle 3/15 (EMH) likely the same bird present there Oct.-Nov. 1989. Red-headed Woodpecker: 1 RRP 5/14 (MP), 2 Addison Cty. 5/20 (SMH), pr. Bridport 5/20,27 (MAPe,BCG). Yellow-bellied Sapsucker: 1 Grafton 3/18 early (IC,DC), 1 Woodstock 4/9 (MSL), 1

Reading 4/10 (FMH, GEH), 1 Winhall 4/14 (WJN), 1 Marlboro 4/14 (JPN), 4 Leicester 4/19 (SSW), 2 BNP 4/19 (WGE, NLM, JMN), on 4/22 3 Marlboro (JPN), 3 Middlebury Gap (MBN), 4 Mt. Ascutney (WME), on 4/24 4 Winhall (WJN), 1 S. Bay Newport (PFW, SAW), 2 Berlin Pond (BMP), on 4/26 2 Sheffield (PFW, SAW), 8 Newport-Ferdinand (DLC,TM), 1 Dorset (EFG), 1 Westminster, 1 Guilford (HL). High count 14 Reading 4/28 (FMH, GEH). Two banded widely reported at BNP (VINS). Downy Woodpecker: through the period. Some high counts: 7 Brattleboro 3/11 (WGE, NLM), 9 Windsor/Hartland 3/12 (WGE, DHC), 7 SBWMA 5/15 (WGE). Five banded, 2 retrapped at BNP (VINS). Hairy Woodpecker: widely reported through the period, 3 Brandon 3/1 (SSW), 3 Sheffield 3/4 (PFW, SAW), 5 Brattleboro 3/11 (WGE, NLM), 5 Hartland-Windsor 3/12 (WGE, DHC), 4 W. Bolton (March) (MC), 5 Winhall (period) (WJN, AS). A report of Three-toed Woodpecker Washington 5/19 (BD, SO). Black-backed Woodpecker: 3 Joes Pond Cabot 4/24 male color-banded as a nestling by G. Lisi in 1987 at Wolcott (WGE), 3 Ferdinand 1 Bloomfield 4/26 (DLC,TM), pr. Wolcott Pond 5/3,5 (NMM,SJK), 1 Wenlock WMA Ferdinand 5/6 (photographed) (WGE, NLM), 1 Black R. Bog Craftsbury 1 Ferdinand 5/8, 1 Victory Bog 5/18 (WHB), 2 Maidstone 5/22 (WGE), 1 Averill 5/26 (BKB, DLC), 2 Ferdinand 1 Norton 5/27 (BKB, DLC), 1 Maidstone 5/27 drum taped (WGE, NLM), 2 Brunswick 5/28 (WGE, NLM). Good showing for them. Northern Flicker: 1 E. Dorset 3/16 (RWS), 1 Winhall 3/16 (WJN), 1 Middlebury 3/17 (JAP), 1 Shelburne 3/17 (WAM), 1 Brandon 3/18 (SSW), 1 BNP 3/19 (CCR), 1 Reading 3/26 (FMH, GEH), 1 Bristol 3/26 (JRA), 1 Marlboro 3/30 (JPN), 1 Rutland 4/2 (CJF), 1 W. Brattleboro 4/4 (HL), 1 Woodstock 4/5 (JMN), 1 Waterbury Ctr. 4/9 (EK), 1 Randolph 4/10 (EWC, MCC), 3 Chester 4/12 (CEAd), 3 Grand Isle 4/15 (DJH), pr. Shoreham 4/16,17 (ELW), on 4/18 1 Brownsville (BMH), 1 Barton (RVC), 1 S. Strafford (HR), 1 Windsor (LMP), 4 Reading 4/20 (FMH,GEH), 1 Shelburne Bay 4/20 (MPB), 1 W. Addison 4/21(TGM). High count 7 Woodstock 4/17,26 (JMN). retrapped at BNP (VINS). Pileated Woodpecker: reported throughout the state. Some high counts: 3 Winhall 4/26 (WJN), 4 Maidstone 5/27 (WGE, NLM).

# FLYCATCHERS

1 Manchester 5/19 Olive-sided Flycatcher: (RWS, BWP), 1 Windsor Cty 5/19 (VF), 1 Ripton 5/25 (JAP), 1 Reading 5/26 (FMH,GEH), 1 Victory 1 Brunswick 1 Averill 5/26 (BKB, DLC), 3 Maidstone to Ferdinand 5/27 (WGE, NLM), 3 Ripton 5/27 (DLC), 1 Warren Gore 5/27 (BKB), 3 Brunswick 5/28 (WGE, NLM). Eastern Wood-Pewee: 1 Berlin Pond 5/1 very early (BMP), 1 Colchester 5/15 (DLC), 1 Middlebury 5/15 (JAP), 1 Middlebury 5/18 (MBN), on 5/19 1 Bristol Notch (JRA), 1 Dorset (EFG), 1 SBWMA (WGE, NLM, DHC, SJS, WAM), 1 Hinesburg (RV), 1 Addison Ctv (WME, KMA, JSA, SSB), 1 Brandon 1 Goshen (SSW), 1 Mud Creek 5/20 (WAM), 1 Shoreham 5/20 (ELW), 1 BNP 5/25 (VINS), 3 Shoreham 5/26 (ELW), 1 Woodstock 5/26 (JMN), 2 Grand Isle 5/26 (DJH), 5 Maidstone 5/27 (WGE, NLM), 10 heard MNWR 5/26 high count (JDM), 1 Groton 5/27 (SSW). Two banded at BNP (VINS). Yellow-bellied Flycatcher: 1 Shrewsbury 5/19 (SBL, BLR, GEHa), 1 Smugglers' Notch 5/25 (JDL1), 3 MB 5/26 (BKB), 1 Ferdinand 2 Norton 5/27 (DLC), 6 Maidstone 5/27 high count (WGE, NLM), 1 Warren Gore 5/27 (BKB). Many more of these late migrants arrive in June. Alder Flycatcher: 1 Dorset 5/15 (EFG), 1 Brunswick 5/16 (DLC), 1 Montpelier 5/24 (TSA), 1 Lincoln 5/25 (JRA), 3 Waterford 5/26 (WGE, NLM), 1 S. Londonderry 5/26,28 (WJN), 3 Dorset 5/27 (EFG), on 5/28 4 Brunswick (WGE, NLM), 2 Dorset (EFG), 2 Sheffield (PFW, SAW). High count 6 Lincoln 5/31 (JRA). Willow Flycatcher: 1 DCWMA 5/12 (MBN), 1 Middlebury 5/18 (MBN), 1 Windsor 5/19 (VF), 2 Middlebury 5/19 (JAP), 1 Allen Brothers Marsh Westminster (hereafter ABM) 5/20 (EE, HSP, REP), 1 Lincoln 5/24 (JRA), 3 Brandon 5/25 (SSW), 2 Cottonbrook 5/28 (JDL1), 1 Reading 5/26 (FMH, GEH), 4 Milton 5/27 the high count (WAM), on 5/28 1 Springweather NA (WME), 1 Shoreham (ELW), 2 Groton S

 $^{-18-}$  P (SSW), 1 S. Londonderry (WJN), on 5/31 1 Cornwall (JAP), 1 Woodstock (JMN), 1 Shoreham (ELW), 2 Quechee (WGE). "Traill's" Flycatcher: 9 banded 2 retrapped at BNP (VINS). Least Flycatcher: on 4/28 2 Norwich (CCR), 1 Dorset (EFG), 2 Berlin Pond (CCR), 1 Chester (CEAd), 1 Reading (FMH, GEH), on 4/29 1 E. Middlebury (MBN), 1 Middlebury (JAP), 1 E. Dorset (RWS), 1 Woodstock 4/30 (JMN), 1 Mud Creek 5/1 (JDL1), 1 Winhall 5/1 (WJN), 1 Woodstock 5/2 (CRP), 1 ABM 5/3 (AMD), 2 Quechee 5/3 (WGE, NLM), 1 Brandon 5/3 (SSW), 1 Montpelier 5/4 (TSA), 1 Bloomfield 5/4 (DLC), 1 Waterbury Ctr. 5/7 (EK). High count 18 Maidstone nest found under construction in Sugar Maple 5/27 (WGE, NLM). Thirty two banded 6 retrapped at BNP (VINS). <u>Eastern Phoebe</u> arrived early: 1 Bennington 3/13 (JMT, via NS), 1 Brandon 3/16 (SSW), 1 E. Dorset 3/16 (RWS), on 3/17 3 DCWMA (WAM), 1 Newfane (AMD), 1 Addison (DLC), 1 Chester (CEA), on 3/18 several Rockingham (DC, BLR, GEHa), 1 Woodstock (JMN), 6 Weathersfield - Rockingham (WGE, NLM), 2 Springfield 3/19 (HL), 1 Manchester Ctr. 3/22 (BWP), 1 Weybridge 3/22 (MBN), 1 Grand Isle 3/23 (DJH), 1 Marlboro 3/23 (JPN), 1 Rutland 3/24 (CJF), 1 Ferrisburg 3/24 (MBN), 1 Shoreham 3/25 (TSA). High count 12 Reading 4/27 (FMH,GEH). Ten banded, 7 retrapped at BNP (VINS). Numerous reports of early nesting. Great-crested Flycatcher: 1 Manchester Ctr. 4/28 (BWP), on 4/29 1 SBWMA (WAM), 1 Chester (CEAd), 1 E. Creek Orwell (BLR), 1 Dorset 4/30 (EFG), 3 Mud Creek 5/1 (JDL1), 1 Shoreham 5/2 (ELW), 1 Ferrisburg 5/2 (JID, MCD), 1 Charlotte 5/3 (DLC), 1 Brandon 5/4 (SSW), 1 Middlebury 5/4 (JAP), 1 Newport 5/6 (WGE, NLM), 2 Mt. Tabor 5/6 (CJF), 1 MNWR 5/9 (JBG), 1 DCWMA 5/12 (MBN), 1 Tinmouth Channel 5/12 (EK), 1 SBWMA 5/13 (TGM), 6 Benson 5/13 (CJF), 1 S. Bay 5/14 (LJE), on 5/15 5 Shoreham (ELW), 2 Dorset (EFG), 6 SBWMA (WGE), 10 Sandbar 5/24 high count (JDM). 1 Rutland 4/28 (CJF), 1 Waterford 4/28 Kingbird: (WGE, NLM), 1 Salisbury 4/29 (SSW), 1 Middlebury 4/30 (JAP), 1 Mud Creek 5/1 (JDL1), 1 S. Londonderry 5/2 (WJN), 1 BNP Woodstock 5/2 (WGE), 1 Dorset 5/3 (EFG), 1 Marlboro 5/4 (JPN), 1 Shoreham 5/4 (ELW), on 5/9 1 E. Dorset (RWS), 1 Woodstock (JMN), 1 Windsor (LMP), 2 BNP (VINS), 2 Chester (CEAd), on 5/10 1 Berlin Pond (TSA), 2 Shelburne Bay (TGM), 2 Ferrisburg (JID, MCD), on 5/11 1 Lincoln (JRA), 2 Springfield (WME), 1 Barton (RVC), on 5/12 2 Craftsbury (FO), 1 Dorset (RWS, BWP), 6 Barton R. Rd. (PFW, SAW), 1 Colchester (DLC), 5 DCWMA (MBN), 1 DCWMA 5/13 (WAM), 1 S. Bay 5/14 (LJE), 1 Pawlet 5/14 (HL). Five banded at BNP (VINS). At Chester on 5/25, a dead Kingbird found in a log pile following several days of cold wet weather, probably starved for lack of food (CEAd).

#### LARKS THROUGH SWALLOWS

Horned Lark: 3 DCWMA 3/2 (MBN), 25 Panton 3/6 (MBN), 1 DCWMA 3/22 (SSW), 63 Panton 4/1 the high count (WGE, NLM, DHC), 4 Shoreham 4/28 (ELW), 2 Ferrisburg 5/2 (JID, MCD), 1 Newport 5/3 (PFW, SAW), 6 DCWMA 5/12 (JAP, MBN), 2 Addison 5/30 (JAP, JDL1). Purple Martin: 11 Addison 4/22 (JRA, DLC), 3 Grand Isle 4/28 (DJH), 4 L. Champlain Br. 5/1 (SSW), 3 Ferrisburg 5/3 (JID, MCD), 2 Newport 5/4 (PFW,SAW), 15 McCuen Slang 5/6 (TSA), 4 Crown Point 5/8 (JDL1), 9 5/11 15 5/12 New Haven (ELW), 4-8 Addison 5/12 (MBN, JAP), 8 Addison 5/13 (WAM), 3 Newport 5/13 (WGE, NLM, DHC), 30 S. Hero 5/13 the high count (DJH), 2 SBWMA 5/23 (LJE). Several observers commented on low numbers of this species (see comments at end of swallows). Tree Swallow arrived a week early: 1 Jericho 3/15 (LJE), on 3/16 1 BNP (WGE, NLM, KRT, CCR), 5 Shelburne Bay (MPB), 3 Woodstock (JMN), 6 McCuen Slang (MBN), 2 Sharon 3/17 (DC, MWB), "numbers" HC 3/18 (DC, MWB, BLR, GEHa), 1 L. Hardwick 3/29 (JW), 5 Windsor 3/29 (LMP), 2 Manchester Ctr. 4/9 (BWP), 1 Grand Isle 4/10 (HL), 12 New Haven 4/11 (JAP), 1 Grand Isle 4/12 (DJH), on 4/14 2 E. Dorset (RWS), 2 Barnard (JNF), 2 Rutland (CJF), 25 Champlain Valley (WAM), 11 Richmond 4/15 (TSA), on 4/16 2 MNWR (JBG), 5 Waterbury Ctr. (EK),

4 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD), 2 Lyndonville (PFW,SAW),  $2^{-19-}$  Cabot 4/24 (WGE), 40 Berlin Pond 5/1 (BMP). Numerous Chester (CEAd), 4 Middlebury (JRA), 2 Springfield (WME), 30 HC-ABM (WJN). High count 300 L. Fairlee 4/29 (WGE, NLM). Nine banded, 5 retrapped at BNP (VINS). Northern Rough-winged Swallow: 1 Manchester Ctr. 4/16 (BWP), 3 Waterbury Ctr. 4/21 (EK), 1 Addison 4/22 (DLC), 3 Quechee 4/23 (SBL, WGE), 2 WRJct. 4/23 (DHC), 1 Burlington 4/24 (DLC), 1 Montpelier 4/24 (BMP), 1 Montpelier 4/25 (TSA), 3 BNP 4/25 (WGE, NLM), 4 Grand Isle 4/26 (DJH), 2 S. Londonderry 4/28 (WJN), 1 Waterford 4/28 (WGE, NLM), on 4/29 1 Woodstock (JMN), 6 Middlesex (TSA), 3 E. Middlebury (MBN), 2 Shoreham 5/12 (ELW). High count 25 Brandon (JAP). Three banded at Bank Swallow: 4 Chester 4/28 (CEAd), 1 Westminster 4/29 (DC, MWB), 24 Quechee 4/30 (WGE), 1 S. Londonderry 5/2 (WJN), 1 Brandon 5/4 (SSW), 5 Addison 5/5 (JAP), 10 Cottonbrook 5/9 (JDL1), 2 Colchester 5/12 (DLC), 1 E. Dorset 5/12 (BWP, RWS), "hundreds" S. Bay L. Memphremagog 5/14 the high count (LJE), 30 Chester 5/15 (CEAd), 6 E. Middlebury 5/18 (MBN). Cliff Swallow: 1 L. Fairlee 4/29 (WGE), 1 WHL 5/2 (WJN), 4 Chester 5/9 (CEAd), 6 Middlebury 5/11 (JAP), 20 New Haven 5/12 (ELW), 1 E. Dorset 5/12 (RWS, BWP), 5 Lowell 5/14 (LJE), 1 Winhall 5/15,16 (WJN), 1 Morgan 5/16 (DLC), 1 DCWMA 5/19 (JID, MCD), 25 Panton 5/19 the high count (JAP), 20 Salisbury 5/25 (JAP), 4 Winhall 5/28 (WJN), 5 Warren 5/28 (JDL1). Nesting colonies in several places, including Island Pond and 27 nests in Tinmouth (PMB). Barn Swallow: 1 Manchester Ctr. 4/16 (RWS, BWP), 2 WRJct. 4/21 (DHC), 2 Quechee 4/21 (WGE, NLM), 4 Addison 2 Orwell 4/22 (DLC), 2 Ferrisburg 4/24 (JID, MCD), 1 Bristol Pond 4/25 (JRA), on 4/26 3 Brandon (SSW), 2 Weybridge (MBN), 2 Grand Isle (DJH), 1 Westminster W. 4/27 (HL), 4 Chester 4/27 (CEAd), 2 Dorset 4/28 (EFG). 1 Wallingford 4/28 (CJF), on 4/29 2 Middlesex (TSA), 5 SBWMA (WAM), 2 Sheffield (PFW, SAW), 3 Woodstock (JMN), 1 Winhall 4/30 (WJN), 3 Waterbury Ctr. 4/30 (EK), on 5/1 1 Mud Creek (JDL1), 10 New Haven (JAP), 2 Berlin Pond 5/1 (BMP), 2 Richmond 5/3 (TGM), 2 Shoreham 5/4 (ELW), 2 Springfield 5/4 (WME). High count 45 Salisbury (JAP). One banded at BNP (VINS). ED. NOTE: From Brookline (PDB) reports finding dead Tree and Barn Swallows around her home about 5/20. The swallows and other insectivorous birds no doubt suffered heavily from the cold wet weather, see reports of Purple Martin scarcity and CEAd's discovery of a dead kingbird. It was my impression that all the swallows and the Chimney Swift declined following the severe weather of late May.

# CORVIDS THROUGH CREEPER

Gray Jay: 2 Holland Pd. Holland 3/2 (LLA), 1 MB 3/5 (WHB), 3 Victory Bog WMA 3/16 (WHB), 1 MB 4/17 (WHB), 4 Ferdinand 4/26 (DLC,TM), 4 Brunswick 5/8 (LK et al.), 3 Victory Bog 5/18 (WHB), 5 Ferdinand 5/19 (WGE, NLM, DHC, SJS), 3 Victory Bog 5/22 (WHB), 5 Ferdinand 5/25 three of which were juveniles (DLC), 1 MB 5/27(BKB), 1 MB 5/29 (JDL1). Blue Jay: some high counts: 26 Sheffield 3/4 (PFW, SAW), 37 Hartland 3/11 (WGE, NLM), 40 Winhall 5/9 a big movement day (WJN). Many nesting reports. Seen feeding young Grand Isle 5/27 (DJH). Five retrapped at BNP (VINS). American overwintered in all but the higher mountain areas. Some high counts: 75 Brandon 3/1 (SSW), 45 New Haven 3/2 (JRA), 50+ Barnet 3/3 (PFW, SAW), 89 Burlington 3/5 (WGE, NLM), 200 Ferrisburg 3/12 (JID, MCD), 95 3/18 Rockingham (WGE, NLM), 67 Orwell (WGE, NLM, JPM, JBM). Peak of 35 at MNWR (JBG). Common Raven: occurs throughout the state. Some high counts and breeding reports: 12-15 Grand Isle (DJH), 5 3/17 7 3/19 Chester (CEAd), 4 Winhall 3/17 (WJN), 26 BNP 3/30 (NLM), 3 Shoreham 4/24 (EWL), 3 Woodstock 5/17 (JMN). Nest with audible nestlings Victory 5/4, 35 feet up in a Red Spruce (WGE). Black-capped Chickadee: some high counts: up to 50 March and April Reading (FMH, GEH), up to 40 period Winhall (WJN, AS), 44 Charlotte 3/5 (WGE, NLM), 34 Bridport 3/29 (WGE, NLM), 26 Joes Pond

nesting reports. Forty two banded, 58 retrapped at BNP (VINS). Boreal Chickadee: 2 Sheffield 3/27 (PFW, SAW), also 1 Sheffield 4/13,19,22 (PFW,SAW), 6 Joes Pond Cabot 4/24 (WGE), 10 Ferdinand 4/26 (DLC,TM), several Craftsbury - Albany 5/6-12 (LK et al.), 3 Ferdinand 5/6 2 Brunswick, 2 Ferdinand (WGE, NLM, DHC, SJS), 2 Maidstone 5/27 (WGE, NLM), 1 Victory 5/27 (DLC), several MB 5/27 including begging juveniles (BLR). Tufted Titmouse: widespread in the Connecticut and Champlain valleys. High counts and sightings elsewhere: 6 Vernon 3/5 (WGE, NLM, ES, AL), 10 Brattleboro - Vernon 3/11 (WGE, NLM), 3 S. Burlington 4/30 (WAM), 3 Milton 5/6 (WAM), 3 Reading 5/19 (FMH, GEH), 4 Middlebury (JAP), pr. feeding young in nesting box in yard Westminster West 5/31 (AMD). Red-breasted Nuthatch: some high counts: 6 Winhall through period (WJN, AS), 4 Reading in March (FMH,GEH), 6 Marlboro 3/23 (JPN), 4 Sheffield 3/27-29 (PFW,SAW), 8 Joes Pond Cabot 4/24 (WGE), 5 Natural Turnpike 5/9 (JRA). One photographed with a bill about 3 times normal length, slightly downcurved 4/23 (TPe). Nest building Mt. Tabor 5/6 (CJF). White-breasted Nuthatch: some high counts: 4 Chester period (CEAd), 4 Winhall period (WJN, AS), 7 Charlotte 3/5 (WGE, NLM), 4 Reading 3/24 (FMH, GEH), 4 Middlebury period (JAP). Two banded, 1 retrapped at BNP (VINS). Brown Creeper: 1 at feeder Lincoln 3/20 her first at the feeder (JRA). Some high counts: 4 Monkton 3/31 (JRA), 5 Joes Pond Cabot 4/24 (WGE), 6 Reading 4/28 (FMH, GEH), 4 Dorset 4/30 (EFG), 4 Chester 5/6 (CEAd), 8 Montpelier 5/20 (TSA). Nest found at Pittsford behind shutter (SSW), nest behind bark Tinmouth 4/28 photos (PMB). Two banded at BNP (VINS).

#### WRENS

Carolina Wren: 1 Ferrisburg 3/4 (WAM, DLC, BLR), 1 Brandon 3/3,15 singing (SSW), 1 Ft. Cassin 3/6,8 (MBN, JAP), 1 E. Dorset 3/19 (RWS), 1 Shelburne Pt. 3/18 (WAM), pair breeding Bennington nest found over porch light 4 young raised, first nesting 4/29 (BCD,RD,ERK,RSK), 1 "Birdathon" 5/29 (MBl,PF,RT). Good showing through the mild winters. House Wren: Montpelier 4/25 (TSA), 1 Brunswick 4/26 (DLC,TM), on 4/27 1 Springfield (WME), 1 Dorset (EFG), 1 Ferrisburg (JID, MCD), 3 Shoreham 4/28 (ELW), 1 Manchester 4/28 (RWS), 1 Weybridge 4/29 JAP), 1 Stowe 5/1 (JDL1), 1 Weybridge 5/3 (MBN), 2 Brandon 5/4 (SSW), 1 Randolph 5/5 (EWC, MCC), 1 Woodstock 5/6 (CRP), 1 Hartland 5/8 (WGE, NLM), 1 RRP 5/8 (WAM), 1 Guilford 5/10 (HL), 6 Shoreham 5/15 (ELW). Nest 7 eggs Brownsville 5/30 (BMH). High counts 6 Dorset 5/18 (EFG). One banded at BNP (VINS). Great declines in this species, many observers did not record it at all (including this editor) missing from at least 12 traditional breeding sites in Winhall. Frigid December weather in the southeastern states may have been responsible. Winter Wren arrived early: 1 Woodstock 3/1 (local winterer?) (KRT), 1 Reading 3/17 (FMH, GEH), 2 S. Burlington 3/17 (DLC), 1 Grafton 3/18 (DC, MWB), 1 Norwich 3/19 (CCR), 1 Waterbury Ctr. 4/5 (EK), 10 Middlebury 4/12 (JAP), 1 Stowe 4/14 (TGM), 1 Rockingham 4/15 (WGE, NLM), 2 Leicester 4/19 (SSW), 1 Middlebury Gap 4/22 (MBN), 2 Mt. Ascutney 4/22 (WME), 1 WRJct. 4/24 (DHC), 2 Lincoln 4/24 (JRA), 2 Sheffield 4/26 (PFW, SAW), 1 Winhall 4/26 (WJN), on 4/28 9 Brunswick (WGE, NLM), 2 Braintree (RAM), 1 Dorset (EFG), 1 Jericho (LJE). High count 11 Natural Turnpike 5/9 (JRA). Marsh Wren: 1 Alburg 4/27 (DLC), 1 WRM 1 DCWMA 4/29 (BLR), 2 DCWMA 5/1 (SSW), 8 WRM 5/2 high count (WGE, NLM, JBM, JPM), 1 S. Bay Newport 5/3,4 many there by 5/14 (PFW, SAW, LJE), 3 DCWMA 5/5 (JAP), 1 Windsor 5/11 (LMP), 1 DCWMA 5/12 (MBN), 4 BRM 5/13 19 (WGE, NLM et al.), 2 WRM 5/14 (WJN).

## KINGLETS THROUGH THRUSHES

Golden-crowned Kinglet: winters in conifers in many areas. Some high counts: 15 Quechee 10 Rockingham

4/15 (WGE,NLM), 14 BNP 4/16 (WGE,NLM), 22 Joes Pond -20-Cabot 4/24 (WGE). Four banded at BNP (VINS). Rubycrowned Kinglet: 2 Ferrisburg 4/10 (JID, MCD), 3 Bristol 4/14 (TGM), 1 Windsor 4/16 (LMP), 1 Rutland 4/16 (CJF), 2 BNP 4/18 (VINS), 2 Middlebury 4/19 (JAP), 3 Woodstock 4/19 (JMN, WGE, NLM), 2 Craftsbury 4/20 (FO), 1 Marlboro 4/20 (JPN), 1 Reading 4/21 (FMH,GEH), 2 Lincoln 4/21 (JRA), on 4/22 1 Addison (DLC), 4 RRP (WAM), 10 Windsor (LMP), 1 Winhall 4/23 (WJN), on 4/24 1 Berlin Pond (BMP), 1 Grand Isle (DJH), 4 Shoreham (ELW), 11 Manchester Ctr. 4/25, eating suet at feeder (BWP), "hundreds" Grand Isle 4/25 (DJH), 20 Quechee 4/26 high count (WGE, NLM). Twenty two banded, 3 retrapped at BNP Blue-gray Gnatcatcher: 1 BNP 4/30 (CCR, KRT, CSH), on 5/6 1 West Haven (BLR), 1 SBWMA (WAM), 2 McCuen Slang (TSA), 1 Windsor 5/7 (LMP), 1 MNWR 5/8 (JBG), 1 Addison 5/12 (JAP), 2 Colchester 5/12 (DLC), 4 Galick Preserve, West Haven 5/15 (JAP), on 5/19 1 Brandon (SSW), 1 New Haven (JAP), up to 4 at SBWMA (m.ob.), 1 Lewis Creek (JID, MCD), 1 Manchester (RWS, BWP), present at West Haven and DCWMA (m.ob.). Eastern Bluebird: 6 Ferrisburg 3/5 (JID, MCD), 1 Marlboro 3/9 (JPN), 9 Ferrisburg 3/11 (JID, MCD), 1 E. Dorset 3/13 (RWS), 4 New Haven 3/13 (JAP), 2 Winhall 3/14 (WJN), 4 Shrewsbury 3/14 (CY), on 3/15 2 Florence (IKF), 2 Chester (MF fide NS), 1 Royalton (JS), 3 Braintree (AFK), 1 Guilford (HL), on 3/16 1 E. Dorset (RWS), 3 Winhall (WJN), 4 Brandon (SSW), 1 BNP (NLM), 3 3/17 4 3/19 Chester (CEAd), 2 Reading 3/17 (FMH,GEH), 2 Woodstock 3/17 (CRP), 1 Huntington 3/18 (DLC), 2 Hinesburg 3/20 ((PRW), 1 Springweather NA 3/21 (WHW), 1 Springfield 3/25 (WME), 1 Shoreham 3/25 (TSA), 1 Grand Isle 3/26 (DJH), 8 WRJct. 3/27 (KRT), 2 New Haven 3/27 (JRA), 2 Marlboro 3/28 (JPN), 1 Newfane 1 Grafton 3/29 (AMD). High counts: 14 Springfield - Weathersfield Bow 3/31 (WGE, NLM), 20 East Creek 5/13 (FO). Two banded, 2 retrapped at BNP (VINS). Many nesting reports, NLM reports finding 5-day-old nestlings dead in the nesting box at BNP following the cold wet weather in May. This probably occurred widely. Veery: 1 Stowe 5/8 (JDL1), 1 Winhall 5/9 (WJN), 1 E. Middlebury 5/10 (MBN), 2 Dorset 5/10 (EFG), 1 BNP 5/11 (VINS), 1 Braintree 5/11 (RAM), 2 Colchester 5/12 (DLC), 1 Hartland 2 Barnet 5/13 (WGE, NLM), 1 E. Dorset 5/13 (RWS), 1 SBWMA 5/13 (TGM), 1 Clarendon 5/14,15 (CJF), 2 S. Lincoln 5/14 (JRA), 3 Middlebury 5/15 (JAP), on 5/16 1 Waterbury Ctr. (EK), 1 Montpelier (BWP), 1 BNP (VINS), 1 Sheffield (PFW,SAWK), on 5/18 1 Guilford (HL), 3 Dorset (EFG), 2 Reading (FMH, GEH), 2 Hinesburg (WAM). High count 7 Brandon - Leicester 5/24 (SSW), 7 MNWR 5/26 (JDM). Two banded, 3 retrapped at BNP (VINS). Gray-cheeked Thrush: 1 Waitsfield 5/7 (LK et al.), 1 Winhall 5/10 (WJN), 1 Chester 5/20 (CEAd). Swainson's Thrush: 1 SBWMA 5/13 (TGM), 1 Lincoln 5/14 (JRA), 1 Peru Landgrove Rd. 5/15 (WJN), 1 Winhall 5/16 (WJN), 3 Brighton 5/16 (DLC), on 5/19 1 Dorset (EFG), 1 Middlebury (JAP), 1 MB (WGE, NLM, DHC, SJS), 2 Lincoln 5/25 (JRA), 1 Grand Isle 5/26 (DJH), on 5/27 3 Smugglers' Notch (DJL1), 9 Ferdinand the high count (WGE, NLM), 1 Groton (SSW). Hermit Thrush: 1 Winhall 4/17 (WJN), 3 S. Burlington 4/17 (DLC), on 4/19 1 E. Dorset (RWS), 1 Sharon (MWB), 1 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 Middlebury (JAP), 1 BNP (WGE,NLM), on 4/22 1 Chester (CEAd), 2 White Rocks (CJF), 1 RRP (WAM), 1 Waterbury Ctr. 4/23 (EK), 1 Windsor 4/23 (LMP), 2 Berlin Pond 4/24 (BMP), 1 Lincoln 4/25 (JRA), 1 Marlboro 4/26 (JPN), 4 Sheffield 4/27 (PFW,SAW), 2 Reading 4/28 (FMH,GEH), on 4/29 2 Stowe (TGM), 3 Waterbury Ctr. (TSA), 3 E. Middlebury (MBN). High count 15 Brighton Brunswick (WGE, NLM, DHC, SJS). Two banded at BNP (VINS). Nest with two eggs found MB 5/19, later predated (WGE). One killed hitting picture window Winhall 5/2 (AS). Thrush: 1 DCWMA 4/26 (MBN), 1 Goshen 4/27 (SSW), 2 White Rocks 4/27 (CJF), 1 Braintree 4/28 (RAM), 1 Dorset 4/28 (EFG), 1 Castleton 5/1 (SBL, HBS), 1 Norwich 5/1 (CCR), 1 S. Burlington 5/2 (TGM), 1 WRM 5/2

(WGE, NLM, JBM, JPM), 1 Springfield 5/3 (WME), 1 Craftsbury 5/6 (FO, JW), 1 Windsor 5/6 (LMP), 1 Shoreham 5/7 (ELW), 1 Randolph 5/7 (EWC, MCC), on 5/8 11 W. Bolton (MC), 2 Woodstock (JMN), 1 Huntington (DLC), on 5/9 1 Marlboro (JPN), 4 Winhall (WJN), 1 Ferrisburg (JID, MCD), 1 Woodstock (CRP), 1 Nebraska Valley (JDL1), 1 Middlebury (JAP), 2 RRP 5/10 (WAM), 2 Shoreham 5/10 (ELW), 11 Danby ( 5/12 the high count (CJF), 3 Jericho 5/12 (LJE), 4 Lincoln 5/12 (JRA). Two banded at BNP (VINS). Seems to be declining, several observers commented on its scarcity. American Robin: 1 Middlebury 3/9 (JAP), on 3/11 3 Tinmouth (CJF), 1 Brattleboro (WGE, NLM), 1 Weybridge (MBN), 1 Shelburne 3/12 (TGM), on 3/13 1 Woodstock (CRP), 1 Grand Isle (DJH), 6 Chester (CEAd), 8 Brandon (SSW), 1 Winhall (WJN), 1 Rutland (CJF), 1 Guilford (HL), 2 Middlebury (JRA), on 3/14 2 Braintree (AFK), 200 Chester (CEAd), 2 W. Bolton (MC), 1 Springfield (WME), 3 Woodstock (JMN), 1 Waterbury Ctr. (EK), 1 Jericho (LJE), on 3/15 1 MNWR (JBG), 1 Middlesex (TSA), 2 Sheffield Hts. (PFW, SAW), 9 Woodstock (CRP), 1 Windsor (LMP), 3 Reading (FMH, GEH), 14 Marlboro (JPN), widespread after that. High counts 460 Weathersfield Bow 3/31 (WGE, NLM), 375 Brandon - Sudbury 4/1 (WGE, NLM, DHC). Partial albino L. Bomoseen 3/18 (CJF), partial albino Cavendish 5/14 (DJF). Numerous nesting reports. Fifteen banded, 10 retrapped at BNP (VINS).

#### MIMIDS

Gray Catbird: 1 Dorset 4/28 (EFG), 2 Shoreham 5/1 (ELW), on 5/2 2 Windsor (LMP), 1 Woodstock (KRT, CRP), 1 E. Dorset (RWS), 1 Weybridge 5/3 (MBN), 2 Middlebury 5/3 (JAP), 1 Barton R. Rd. 5/4 (PFW, SAW), 2 Vernon 1 HC 5/5 (WGE, NLM, ES, AL), on 5/6 2 W. Arlington (CJF), 1 WRM (BLR), 1 Grand Isle (DJH), on 5/9 1 Cottonbrook (JDL1), 4 Brandon (SSW), 2 Springfield (WME), 2 Barnard (JNF), 1 Woodstock 5/10 (JMN), on 5/12 1 E. Dorset (RWS, BWP), 6 Addison (MBN), 2 Colchester (DLC), high count 9 Dorset 5/18 (EFG). Sixteen banded, 9 retrapped at BNP (VINS). Northern Mockingbird: Established in the Champlain and Connecticut Valleys. One Grand Isle 3/10,16,25 (DJH), 1 E. Dorset 3/21 (RWS), 1 Windsor 4/11-5/9 (LMP), 1 Manchester Ctr. 4/28 (BWP), 1 Brownsville 5/3 (BMH), 1 Newport 5/13 (WGE, NLM, DHC). High count 6 Vernon 5/5 (WGE, NLM, ES, AL). Brown Thrasher: 1 Sharon 4/20 (MWB), 1 Addison 4/22 (DLC), 1 Windsor 4/23 (LMP), 1 Braintree 4/24 (AFK), 2 Quechee 4/26 (WGE, NLM), 1 Grand Isle 4/27 (DJH), on 4/28 1 Woodstock (JMN), 1 Reading (FMH, GEH), 1 Waterbury Res. (TGM), 1 Brandon (SSW), 6 Milton 4/29 the high count (WAM), 1 Lincoln 4/29 (JRA), on 4/30 1 Winhall (WJN), 1 Craftsbury (FO), 1 Middlebury (JAP), 1 Berlin Pd. 5/1 (BMP), 1 Waterbury Ctr. 5/3 (EK), 3 Quechee 5/3 (WGE, NLM), 1 Clarendon 5/4 (CJF), 1 Jericho 5/5 (LJE), 1 Brandon 5/8 (JDL1). Four banded at BNP (VINS).

#### PIPITS THROUGH STARLING

American Pipit: 4 Panton 4/1 (WGE, NLM, DHC), 14 New Haven 4/11 (JAP), 1 Coventry 5/13 (WGE, NLM, DHC), 1 Addison 5/19 (JAP), 2 DCWMA 5/19 (SBL, BLR, GEHa). Bohemian Waxwing: major incursion in northern Vermont. Four BNP 3/1 (NLM), 17 Champlain Valley (DLC, WAM, BLR), 13 Ferrisburg 3/4 (DLC), 60 Shelburne 5 Charlotte 3/5 (WGE, NLM), 22 Shelburne 3/8 (WAM), 200 Vergennes 3/8 (JAP), 30 Grand Isle 3/10 (DJH), 150 Weybridge 3/10 (MBN), 20 3/11 400 3/12 Brandon (SSW), 95 Hardwick 3/13 (GPL), 60 Ferrisburg 3/15 (JID, MCD), 17 Hinesburg 3/15 (PRW), 1 Grand Isle 3/18 (TGM), flock Stowe 3/21 (CW), 120 Waltham 3/24 (MBN), 5 DCWMA 3/25 (CJF), 80-85 Burlington 3/31 (TGM, JJA), 65 Salisbury 4/1 (WGE, NLM, DHC), 420-520 Burlington 4/3-6 feeding on flowering crab apple (JJA, PRW, WAM, DLC), 8 Brandon 4/3 (SSW), 35 Middlebury 4/3 (JAP), 20 Salisbury 4/8 (WGE, GFE), flock Wallingford 4/8 (BLR), 50 Rutland City 4/9 (RE), 80 BNP 4/11 in juniper (WGE, NLM), 400-500 Burlington city, 100 Intervale 100 off Beltway total ca. 700 4/11 (JDM), 25 Greensboro 4/13 (NMM), 43 Norwich

4/14 (WGE, NLM), 60 Grand Isle 4/21 (DLC), 2 Grand Isle 4/22 with white tipped tails (DJH), 50 Burlington 4/22 (DLC), 6 Grand Isle 4/27 the last (DJH). Waxwing: wintered at lower elevations particularly Champlain and Connecticut Valleys. Breeding populations move in elsewhere in late May. High counts: 150 Charlotte 3/5 (WGE, NLM), 300 Grand Isle 3/10 high count DJH), 115 Brandon 3/11 (SSW), 60 Brattleboro 3/11 (WGE, NLM), 60 Ferrisburg 3/15 (JID, MCD), Weathersfield 3/19 (HL), 124 Brandon 4/1 (WGE, NLM, DHC), 70 Burlington 4/5 (MC), 22 Manchester 4/22 (BWP). Two seen out of a flock of 24 Grand Isle 3/11 with orange tail tips (DJH). Some spring arrivals elsewere: 1 Shoreham 5/24 (ELW), on 5/26 15 Rutland (CJF), 5 W. Bolton (MC), 1 Waterford (WGE, NLM), 6 New Haven 5/27 (JAP), 1 S. Londonderry 5/28 (WJN), 1 Lincoln 5/29 (JRA). Northern Shrike: 1 Holland 3/2 (LLA), 1 Braintree 3/15 (AFK), 1 Morrisville 3/24-4/8 (MS). Poor showing. Shrike (Sp.?): 1 Hartland 3/25 (KRT). European Starling: Returns in March to areas where it Some high counts: 750 Middlebury does not winter. period (JAP), 700 Middlebury - Bristol 3/1 (JRA), 250 Weybridge 3/8 (MBN), 200 Chester 3/12 (CEAd), 1000+ Lyndonville 3/21 (PFW, SAW), 500 Bridport 420 Panton 4/1 (WGE, NLM, DHC). Three banded at BNP (VINS).

#### **VIREOS**

Solitary Vireo: 1 BNP 4/22 (JMN), 1 Berlin Pond 4/24 (BMP), on 4/26 1 Reading (FMH, GEH), 1 Marlboro (JPN), 2 Winhall (WJN), 1 Quechee (WGE, NLM), on 4/28 1 RRP (WAM), 3 Reading (FMH, GEH), 1 Dorset (EFG), 1 Shoreham (ELW), 16 Waterford and s.e. Essex Cty. the high count (WGE, NLM), on 4/29 1 Rutland (BLR), 1 E. Dorset (RWS), 3 E. Middlebury (MBN), 3 S. Lincoln (JRA), 2 Waterbury Center 4/30 (EK), 3 Winhall 4/30 (WJN), 2 Middlebury 5/2 (JAP), 1 Charlotte 5/3 (DLC), 6 Victory 5/4 (WGE), 2 Cottonbrook 5/6 (JDL1), 4 Goshen 5/8 (SSW), 9 Natural Turnpike 5/9 (JRA), 2 Braintree 5/11 (RAM). One banded at BNP (VINS). Yellow-throated Vireo: 1 randon 5/2 (SSW), 1 BNP 5/2 (WGE, NLM), 1 Clarendon 5/3 (CJF), 2 SBWMA 5/6 (WAM), 2 Cottonbrook 5/6 (JDL1), 1 West Haven 5/6 (BLR), 1 Woodstock 5/9, 12 (JMN), 2 Middlebury 5/10 (JAP), 4 Woodstock 5/12 (CCR,NLM), 3 Colchester 5/12 (DLC), 7 W. Milton 5/15 high count (WGE). Two banded, 3 retrapped at BNP (VINS). Warbling <u>Vireo</u>: 1 BNP 4/28 (WDN), 1 Berlin Pond 4/28 (BMP), 2 Woodstock 5/1 (JMN), on 5/2 1 Windsor (LMP), 1 Shelburne (WAM), 1 Brandon (SSW), on 5/3 1 Charlotte (DLC), 4 Middlebury (JAP), 1 Dorset (EFG), 1 S. Bay Newport 5/4 (PFW, SAW), 1 Montpelier 5/4 (TSA), 1 Underhill 5/7 (LJE), 1 Brandon 5/8 (JDL1), 3 New Haven 5/12 (ELW), 1 DCWMA 5/12 (MBN), 2 S. Bay 1 W. Glover 5/12 (PFW, SAW), 5 Norwich 5/12 (WGE,DHC). High counts 6 Ferrisburg 5/19 (JID, MCD), 10 Middlebury (JAP), 10 MNWR 5/26 (JDM). One banded, 6 retrapped at BNP (VINS). Philadelphia Vireo: 1 Brunswick 5/16 (DLC), on 5/19 1 New Haven (JAP), 1 Addison Cty. (CHB), 1 Shrewsbury (SBL, BLR, GEHa), 1 DCWMA 5/20 (JRA), 1 Bristol Notch 5/20 (WS). Red-eyed Vireo: 2 Cottonbrook 5/2 (JDL1), 1 Mt. Tabor 5/6 (CJF), 1 Goshen 5/8 (SSW), 1 BNP 5/9 (WGE, NLM), 2 Middlebury 5/9 (JAP), 1 E. Middlebury 5/10 (MBN), 3 Braintree 5/11 (RAM), 1 E. Dorset 5/12, 13 (RWS, BWP), 1 Dorset 5/13 (EFG), 1 Morgan 5/14 (LJE), on 5/15 3 Winhall (WJN), 1 Woodstock (JMN), 1 Marlboro (JPN), 2 Springfield (WME), 1 Colchester (DLC), 2 Lincoln 5/16 (JRA), 1 Waterbury Center 5/16 (EK). High counts 8 Middlebury (JAP), 10 MNWR 5/26 (JDM), 7 Brandon to Goshen 5/29 (SSW).

# WOOD WARBLERS

Blue-winged Warbler: 1 Quechee 5/10 (WGE, NLM), BNP 5/10 (NER), 1 E. Dorset 5/12 (RWS, BWP), 1 Ira Rest Stop 5/19 (SBL,BLR,GEHa,m.ob.), 1 Brattleboro 5/19 (JJC), 2-3 Ira Rest Stop 5/24 (CJF, DLC), 2 Brandon 5/25 (SSW), 1 E. Dorset 5/26 (RWS), 1 Woodstock 5/27 (BLR). Golden-winged Warbler: 1 Brandon 5/3 (SSW), 6 Westford  $^{-21-}$  1 Milton 5/15 (WGE), 3 Middlebury 5/16 (JAP), on 5/19 1 Monkton (CBH), 1 Woodstock (SBL, BLR, GEHa), 5 Ira Rest Stop (SBL, BLR, GEHa, m.ob.), 1 Wilmington (CR), 1 BNP 5/22 (NLM), 1 Charlotte 5/23 (LJE), 1-2 Ira Rest Stop 5/24 (DLG,CJF), 1 S. Hero 5/26 (CL), 1 Middlebury 5/26 (JAP), 1 Brandon 5/29 (SSW), 2 Ira Rest Stop 5/30 (JDL1). "Brewster's" Warbler: 1 Dorset 5/14 (EFG), 1 Westford 5/15 (WGE), 2 E. Dorset 5/26 (RWS), 1 Ira Rest Stop 5/30 (JDL1). "Lawrence's" Warbler: 1 Westford 5/15 (WGE), 1 Ira Rest Stop 5/24 (CJF). Tennessee Warbler: 1 L. Carmi 5/1 (JDL1), 1 Dorset 5/8 (EFG), 2 Craftsbury 5/9 (FJO), 1 Westford 5/15 (WGE), 1 Middlebury 5/15 (JID, MCD), 1 Brunswick 5/16 (DLC), 6 Middlebury 5/16 high count (JAP), 1 E. Middlebury 5/18 (MBN), 1 Shoreham 5/18 (ELW), on 5/19 Dover (JJC), 1 Ira (SBL, BLR, GEHa), 1 Woodstock (JMN), 1 Addison Cty. (WME, KMA, JSA, SSB), 1 Middlebury (JAP), 1 Milton (WGE, NLM, DHC, SJS), 4 Maidstone 5/22 (WGE), 1 Mud Creek 5/23 (LJE, DCD), 1 Dorset 5/25 (EFG), 1 Groton L. 5/27 (SSW), 1 Barnard 5/27 hit window survived (JNF), 2 Warren Gore 5/27 (BKB), 1 Maidstone 5/28 (WGE, NLM). Nashville Warbler: 1 Woodstock 4/23 early (SBL), 1 BNP 4/27 (WGE), 1 Manchester Center 4/28 (RWS, BWP), 1 Danville 4/29 (WGE, NLM), 1 Mud Creek 5/1 (JDL1), 1 Charlotte 5/1 (DLC), 1 Reading 5/3 (FMH, GEH), 1 Shoreham 5/3,7 (ELW), 1 Milton 5/6 (WAM), 1 Woodstock 5/6 (JMN), 1 Middlebury 5/9 (JAP), on 5/10 1 Winhall (WJN), 2 Lincoln (JRA), 12 Sheffield (PFW,SAW), 1 E. Dorset 5/12,13 (RWS,BWP), 1 Ira Rest Stop 5/14 (WJN), 1 Windsor 5/15 (LMP), 6 Ferdinand 5/27 the high count (WGE, NLM). Two banded at BNP (VINS). Northern Parula: 1 Brattleboro 4/30 (WDN), 2 Berlin Pond 5/1 (BMP), 1 Cottonbrook 5/6 (JDL1), 1 Middlebury 5/9 (JAP), 1 Fairlee 1 Danville 5/13 (WGE,NLM,DHC), 3 MB 5/14 (LJE), 2 Shoreham 5/15 (ELW), 1 Joes Pond Cabot 5/15 (PFW,SAW), 14 Lewis - Bloomfield 5/16 the high count (DLC), 1 S. Bay Newport 5/18 (PFW,SAW), 1 Shoreham 5/18 (ELW), on 5/19 1 Ferrisburg (JID, MCD), 1 Manchester (RWS, BWP), 1 Stratton (JJC), 1 Dorset 5/20 (EFG), 12 Maidstone 5/27 (WGE, NLM), 13 Brunswick 5/28 (WGE, NLM). Yellow Warbler arrived a bit early: 1 Weybridge 4/27 (MBN), 1 Dorset 4/27 (EFG), 1 Woodstock 4/28 (WDN), 1 Richmond 4/28 (TGM), on 4/29 2 Westminster (DC, MWB), 1 WRM 1 L. Bomoseen (BLR), 1 Addison (DLC), 1 Shoreham (ELW), 1 Salisbury (SSW), 2 Woodstock 4/30 (JMN,WGE), 1 Shelburne 4/30 (WAM), 2 Montpelier 5/1 (TSA), 4 Mud Creek 5/1 (JDL1), 2 Middlebury 5/2 (JAP), 1 Castleton 5/2 (SBL), on 5/4 1 Putney (HL), 1 Barton R. Rd. (PFW,SAW), 1 Ferrisburg (JID, MCD), 1 Windsor 5/6 (LMP), 2 W. Arlington 5/6 (CJF), on 5/7 1 W. Bolton (MC), 1 Waterbury Center (EK), 9 BNP (VINS), 1 Grand Isle 5/8,9 (DJH), 1 Woodstock 5/8 (JMN), on 5/9 1 Winhall (WJN), 2 Natural Turnpike (JRA), 1 Woodstock (CRP), 2 Barnard (JNF). High counts: 14 Barton R. Rd. 5/12 (PFW,SAW), 14 Westford 5/15 (WGE), 14 Shoreham 5/31 (ELW). Fourteen banded, 16 retrapped at BNP (VINS). Chestnut-sided Warbler: 1 E. Dorset 4/29 (RWS), 1 Shoreham 4/29 (ELW), 1 Dorset 5/30 (EFG), 1 Berlin Pond 5/1 (BMP), 1 Woodstock 5/3 (WGE, NLM), 2 Woodstock 5/6 (JMN), 3 Bristol Notch 5/6 (JRA), 1 W. Bolton 5/7 (MC), on 5/8 1 Grand Isle (DJH), 3 Goshen (SSW), 1 Huntington (DLC), on 5/9 3 Cottonbrook (JDL1), 1 Middlebury (JAP), 1 Winhall (WJN), on 5/10 6 Berlin Pond (TSA), 3 Windsor (LMP), 2 Braintree (AFK), 1 E. Middlebury (MBN), 1 Springfield 5/11 (WME), 2 Braintree 5/11 (RAM), 1 E. Dorset 5/12 (RWS, BWP), 1 Danby 5/12 (CJF). High counts: 40 Bristol (JAP), 28 Lincoln 5/26 (JRA). Nest under construction Braintree 5/25 (AFK). Four banded at BNP (VINS). Magnolia Warbler: 4/28 (WAM), 1 Westminster 4/29 (DC, MWB), 1 Berlin Pond 5/1 (BMP), 1 Nebraska Valley 5/3 (JDL1), 3 Grand Isle 5/3 (DJH), 1 E. Dorset 5/8 (RWS), 1 Sheffield 5/9 (PFW,SAW), on 5/10 2 Sheffield (PFW,SAW), 11 E. Middlebury (MBN), 1 Braintree (AFK), 1 MB 5/14 (LJE), 1 SBWMA 5/15 (WGE), 3 Colchester 5/15 (DLC), 1 Woodstock 5/16 (SSW), 1 Winhall 5/16 (WJN), high count 23 Brunswick 5/28 (WGE, NLM). Four banded at BNP (VINS).

Cape May Warbler: 1 5/7, 1 5/12 Sheffield (PFW, SAW), 3 Tinmouth Channel 5/12 high count (EK), 1 Winhall 5/16 (WJN), 1 Middlebury 5/16 (JAP), on 5/19 1 Grand Isle (DJH), 1 Wenlock WMA (WGE, NLM, SJS, DHC), 1 Tinmouth (PMB, MrJ, MRU), 1 Stratton (JJC), Washington (BD, SO1), 1 Ferrisburg 5/20 (JID, MCD), 1 Colchester 5/22 (JDM), 3 Victory Bog 5/26 (BKB). Black-throated Blue Warbler: on 4/29 2 S. Lincoln (JRA), 1 E. Dorset (RWS), 1 Rutland (BLR), 1 Jericho (LJE), 1 Norwich 5/1 (CCR), 1 Ferrisburg 5/1 (JID, MCD), 4 Middlebury 5/2 (JAP), 1 Quechee 5/3 (WGE), 2 RRP 5/10 (WAM), 1 E. Middlebury 5/10 (MBN), 1 Braintree 5/11 (RAM), 5 Norwich 5/12 (WGE, DHC), 1 Colchester 5/12 (DLC), 2 Goshen 5/12 (TSA), 1 Dorset 5/19 (EFG), 2 Lincoln Gap 5/14 (JDL1), 1 Joes Pond Cabot 5/15 (PFW,SAW), 1 Peru Landgrove Rd. 5/15 (WJN), 1 Dorset 5/16 (BWP). High count 18 Lincoln 5/28 (JRA). Yellow-rumped Warbler: 1 Winhall 4/13,14 (WJN), 1 Windsor 4/15 (WGE, NLM), 10 Reading 4/17 (FMH, GEH), 1 Craftsbury 4/17 (FO,JW), 6 Bristol Pd. 4/18 (JAP), 1 BNP 4/18 (VINS), 1 Leicester 4/19 (SSW), on 4/21 2 DCWMA (CO), 1 Woodstock (JMN), 1 Reading (FMH, GEH), 2 Lincoln 4/22 (JRA), 1 E. Dorset 4/23 (RWS), 1 Waterbury Ctr. 4/23 (EK), 2 Berlin Pd. 4/24 (BWP), 2 Ft. Cassin 4/24 (JID, MCD), on 4/25 2 Braintree (AFK), 1 Winhall (WJN), 20 BNP (WGE, NLM), 6 Lincoln (RJA), 3 Grand Isle 4/26 (DJH), 1 Shoreham 4/27 (ELW), 1 Guilford 4/27 (HL), 1 Sheffield 4/27 (PFW, SAW). High count 40 Vernon 5/5 (WGE, NLM, ES, AL). 180 banded, 47 retrapped at BNP (VINS). <u>Black-throated Green Warbler</u>: 1 Stowe 4/27 (EK), on 4/29 1 Westminster (DC, MWB), 1 Rutland (BLR), 1 E. Dorset (RWS), 1 Winhall (WJN), 3 Dorset (EFG), 2 SBWMA (WAM), 2 Berlin Pond 5/1 (BMP), 2 BNP 5/1(WGE, NLM), 1 Middlebury 5/4 (JAP), 1 Brunswick 5/4 (DLC), 1 Woodstock 5/6 (PHH), 1 Putney 5/7 (HL), 4 Goshen 5/8 (SSW), 1 Shoreham 5/9 (ELW), 1 Windsor 5/9 (LMP), 1 Craftsbury 5/9 (FO), 7 Natural Turnpike 5/9 high count (JRA), 3 RRP 5/10 (WAM), 1 Jericho 5/10 (LJE), 1 Braintree 5/11 (RAM), on 5/12 1 Goshen (TSA), 1 Danby (CJF), 1 E. Dorset (BWP,RWS), 5 Danville 5/13 (WGE, NLM, DHC). Blackburnian Warbler: 3 Middlebury 5/2 (JAP), 1 Woodstock 5/6 (JMN), 1 Shoreham 5/10 (ELW), 1 Goshen 5/12 (TSA), 1 E. Dorset 5/12 (RWS, BWP), 1 Danville 5/13 (WGE, NLM, DHC), 1 Brighton SP 5/14 (LJE), 2 Ferdinand 1 Brunswick 2 Lewis 5/16 (DLC), 1 BNP 5/17 (JRL, SBL), on 5/18 1 E. Middlebury (MBN), 1 Shoreham (ELW), 4 Reading (FMH,GEH), on 5/19 1 Halifax (WHA, BA, AA, JA), 1 Worcester (CO), 1 Addison Cty. (WME, KMA, JJS, SSB). High counts 16 Middlebury (JAP) 9 Brunswick 5/28 (WGE, NLM). Pine Warbler: 1 Quechee 4/15 (WGE, NLM), 1 S. Burlington 4/17 (DLC), 2 L. Morey 4/21 (WGE), 2 RRP 4/22,28 (WAM), 1 Ft. Cassin 4/24 (JID,MCD), 1 Winhall 5/1 (WJN), 4 Middlebury 5/2 high count (JAP), 1 Newport 5/6,19 (WGE), 1 Mill Village 5/11 (LK et al.), 1 Island Pond 5/19 (WGE et al.), 2 Brattleboro 5/19 (JJO), 1 Montpelier 5/20 (TSA), 1 Colchester 5/20 (JDM), 1 Shoreham 5/23 (ELW), 1 Mud Creek 5/23 (LJE), 2 Middlebury 5/24 (JAP), 1 Lincoln 5/25 (JRA). Prairie Warbler: 3 S. Woodstock 5/14 (WGE, NLM), 1 BNP 5/15,16 (NLM et al.), 2 S. Woodstock Rifle Range 5/16 (JMN), 1 S. Woodstock Rifle Range 5/19 (m.ob.), 1 Brattleboro 5/19 (JJC). <u>Palm Warbler</u>: 1 4/17 10 4/19 2 4/26 Windsor (LMP), 1 RRP 4/22 (WAM), 1 Shoreham 4/27 (ELW), 1 HC 4/27 (WJN), 1 SBWMA 4/29 (WAM), 1 Poultney 4/29 (BLR, RHH), 2 reported late April Manchester (fide NS), 1 Goshen 5/12 (TSA), 1 Cottonbrook 5/18 (JDL1), 1 Marlboro 5/24 (JPN). Bay-breasted Warbler: Colchester 5/15 (DLC), 4 Woodstock 5/17 (SBL, JRL), Shoreham 5/17 (ELW), on 5/19 4 Woodstock (JMN), 1 Addison Cty. (WME, KMA, JSA, SSB), 3 Ferdinand 1 Brunswick (WGE, NLM, DHC, SJS), 1 Dorset (EFG), 1 Ripton (WME), 1 New Haven (JAP), 1 Addison Cty. (CWB), 1 Quechee (LS), 1 Maidstone 5/22 (WGE), 1 Shoreham 5/26 (ELW), 1 Ferdinand Bog 5/27 (WGE, NLM), 1 Norton 5/27 (BKB), 1 Maidstone 5/28 (WGE, NLM), 3-4 Wolcott 5/31 (NMM). Practically all Blackpoll Warbler: 1 Clarendon 5/14 (CJF), 1 BNP 5/17 (CCR), on 5/19 1 Bristol Notch (JRA),

 $^{-22-}$  1 Grand Isle (DJH), 1 Potash Bay (WMG,JSA,KMA,SSB), Somerset (JJC), 1 Colchester 5/20 (JDM), 1 5/21 2 5/24 Shoreham (ELW), on 5/25 1 BNP (NLM), 1 Winhall (WJN), 1 Lincoln (JRA), 2 Brandon (SSW), 1 Shoreham (ELW), 1 Smugglers' Notch 5/26 (JDL1), 1 Ferdinand 5/27 (WGE, NLM), 2 Averill 6 Burke Mtn. 5/28 the high count (WGE, NLM). One banded at BNP (VINS). Cerulean Warbler: pr. SBWMA 5/19 (WGE, NLM, DHC, SJS, WAM, m.ob.), 1 Colcheste 5/23 (DLC), 1 SBWMA 5/23 (LJE, DCD), 3 SBWMA 5/29 (JDL1). Black-and-white Warbler: 1 Woodstock 4/20 (JMN), 1 Quechee 4/26 (WGE, NLM), 1 BNP 4/27 (CCR, MWB), 2 Berlin Pond 4/28 (BMP), 1 Westminster 4/28 (HL), on 4/29 1 Shoreham (ELW), 1 E. Dorset (RWS), 1 WRM (BLR,RHH), 2 Waterbury Res. (TSA), 1 Reading (FMH, GEH), 2 Dorset 4/30 (EFG), 1 Ferrisburg 4/30 (JID, MCD), 1 Winhall 5/1 (WJN), Waterbury Res. (TSA), 1 Reading (FMH, GEH), 2 Dorset 4/30 (EFG), 1 Ferrisburg 4/30 (JID, MCD), 1 Winhall 5/1 (WJN), 3 Berlin Pond 5/1 (BMP), on 5/2 2 Middlebury (JAP), 1 Addison (DLC), 1 Cottonbrook (JDL1), 1 Lincoln 5/4 (JRA), 1 Mt. Philo 5/7 (TGM), 1 Goshen 5/8 (SSW), on 5/91 Jericho (LJE), 5 Natural Turnpike (JRA), 1 Windsor (LMP), 1 Waterbury Ctr. (EK), 2 Shoreham 5/10 (ELW), 2 Grand Isle 5/10 (DJH). High count 6 Milton - Westford 5/15 (WGE). One banded, 2 retrapped at BNP (VINS). American Redstart: on 5/9 1 E. Dorset (RWS), 1 Brandon (SSW), 1 BNP (WGE, NLM), 2 Cottonbrook (JDL1), 2 Grand Isle 5/10 (DJH), 1 Craftsbury 5/11 (JBro), on 5/12 1 Goshen (TSA), 1 E. Dorset (RWS, BWP), 2 Danby (CJF), 1 Colchester (DLC), 2 DAR S P 5/13 (WAM), on 5/14 1 Dorset (EFG), 2 New Haven (JAP), 1 Woodstock (JMN), on 5/15 1 Windsor (LMP), 3 Shoreham (ELW), 8 Westford (WGE), 1 Winhall 5/16 (WJN), 1 Sheffield 5/17 (PFW,SAW), 10 Shoreham 5/24 (ELW). High count 25 Essex Jct. (68 acres) 5/27 (JDM). Three banded, 1 retrapped at BNP (VINS). Ovenbird: 1 SBWMA 4/29 (WAM), 1 Charlotte 5/1 (DLC), 1 Norwich 5/2 (CCR), 1 Winhall 5/4 (WJN), 1 Middlebury 5/4 (JAP), on 5/6 1 Waterbury Ctr. (EK), 1 Cottonbrook (JDL1), 2 Woodstock (JMN), 1 Mt. Tabor (CJF), 1 Mt. Philo 5/7 (TGM), on 5/8 4 Goshen (SSW), 1 E. Dorset (RWS), 1 Westminster (AMD), on 5/9 26 Natural Turnpike the high count (JRA), 1 Springfield (WME), 1 Marlboro (JPN), 1 Jericho (LJE), 1 Sheffield 5/9,10 (PFW,SAW), 2 5/9 3 5/10 Winhall (WJN), on 5/10 2 Dorset (EFG), 1 E. Middlebury (MBN), 1 Berlin Pond (TSA), 1 W. Bolton (MC), on 5/12 6 Norwich (WGE, DHC et al.), 4 Chester (CEAd), 1 Danby (CJF). One banded at BNP Northern Waterthrush: 6 Colchester 4/27 (DLC,TM), on 4/28 6 Berlin Pond (BMP), 1 Manchester Ctr. (BWP,RWS), 1 Brandon (SSW), 4 Waterford (WGE,NLM), on 4/29 1 Westminster (DC, MWB), 1 ABM (AMD), 3 SBWMA (WAM), on 5/1 1 Mud Creek (JDL1), 1 Norwich (CCR), 12 Berlin Pond the high count (BMP), 1 Sheffield 5/3 (PFW,SAW), 1 S. Bay 5/4 (PFW, SAW), 1 West Haven 5/6 (BLR), 2 Sheffield 5/9-10 (PFW,SAW), 1 Berlin Pond 5/10 (TSA), 1 Barton R. Rd. 5/12 (PFW, SAW), 1 BRM 5/12,18,19 (PFW,SAW), 1 Joes Pond Cabot 5/15 (PFW,SAW), 3 Peru Landgrove Rd. 5/15 (WJN), 7 SBWMA 5/15 (WGE), 1 Dorset 5/16 (BWP), 2 Middlebury 5/16 (JAP), 1 Woodstock 5/17 (JMN), 1 found dead Braintree 5/25 (AFK). Two banded at BNP (VINS). Louisiana Waterthrush: 1 Norwich 4/22 (CCR), 1 Mt. Ascutney 4/22 (WME), 3 Woodstock-Hartland 4/26 (WGE, NLM), 1 Woodstock 4/27 (SBL), 1 Westminster 5/1 (HL), 1 Reading 5/3 (FMH, GEH), on 5/9 3 Middlebury (JAP), 1 Natural Turnpike (JRA), 1 Hartland (WGE, NLM), 1 Colchester 5/12 (DLC), 1 Norwich 5/12 (WGE, DHC), 1 WRM 5/14 (WJN), 1 SBWMA 5/23 (LJE). Mourning Warbler: 1 Guilford 5/15 (HL), 1 E. Middlebury 5/18 (MBN), 2 Reading 5/18 (FMH, GEH), 1 Bristol 5/19 (JAP), 1 Island Pond 5/19 (WGE, NLM, DHC, SJS), 4 Middlebury 5/24 (JAP), 1 Lincoln 5/25 (JRA), 5 Maidstone 5/27 the high count (WGE, NLM), 2 Norton 5/27 (BKB), 3 Brunswick 5/28 (WGE, NLM), 1 Dorset 5/28 (EFG), 3 Lincoln Gap 5/28 (JRA), 1 Lincoln Gap 5/31 (JDL1). Common Yellowthroat: 1 W. Bolton 4/28 (MC), 1 Windsor 4/29 (LMP), 1 Dorset 5/1 (EFG), 1 Ferrisburg 5/2 (JID, MCD), 1 Woodstock 5/2 (JMN), 1 Middlebury 5/3 (JAP), 1 Waterbury Ctr 5/3 (EK),

1 Goshen 5/8 (SSW), 1 Cottonbrook 5/9 (JDL1), 1 Shoreham 5/9 (ELW), on 5/10 1 Sheffield (PFW,SAW), 1 RRP (WAM), 1 Shelburne Bay (TGM), 5 Lincoln (JRA), on 5/11 1 Springfield (WME), 2 Braintree (RAM), 3 Windsor (LMP), on 5/12 3 Danby (CJF), 1 Lyndonville (PFW,SAW), 9 Colchester (DLC), 1 E. Dorset (RWS, BWP), 1 Chittenden 5/13 (DMM), 1 Weybridge 5/13 (MBN), 1 S. Bay 5/14 (LJE), on 5/15 1 Winhall (WJN), 1 Joes Pond Cabot (PFW,SAW), 4 Guilford (HL), 2 Burlington (TSA). High count 21 Brunswick 5/28 (WGE, NLM). Thirteen banded, 14 retrapped at BNP (VINS). Wilson's Warbler: 2 Shoreham 5/9 (ELW), 1 E. Dorset 5/12 (RWS, BWP), 2 Brunswick 5/16 (DLC), 1 BNP 5/16 (VINS), 1 Brandon 5/18 (SSW), on 5/19 1 Newport (WGE,SJS), 1 Rochester (HB), 1 Bristol Notch (JRA), 1 Dorset (EFG), 1 Addison (SSW), 1 Worcester (CO), 1 St. Albans Bay (MG), 1 Monkton (CBH), 1 Sutton 5/23 (WGE), 1 Shoreham 5/24 (ELW), 2 Sandbar 5/24 (JDM), 1 BNP 5/25 (VINS). Two banded at BNP (VINS). Canada Warbler: 1 Shoreham 5/9 (ELW), 2 Nebraska Valley 5/9 (JDL1), 1 Lincoln 5/12 (JRA), 1 E. Dorset 5/13 (RWS), 1 Joes Pond Cabot 5/13 (NLM), 1 Braintree 5/15 (AFK), 1 W. Milton 5/15 (WGE), on 5/16 1 Lincoln (JRA), 1 New Haven (JAP), 1 Bloomfield (DLC), on 5/19 1 BRM (PFW, SAW), 1 Monkton (CBH), 1 Peacham (TGM), 1 Braintree (RAM), 2 Woodstock (JMN), 1 Ferrisburg (JID, MCD), 1 Dorset (EFG), 1 Brandon (SSW), 1 Rochester (HB), 1 Montpelier 5/20 (TSA), 1 Chester 5/20 (CEAd). High count 12 Victory - Averill 5/27 (DLC). Four banded at BNP (VINS).

## TANAGER THROUGH SNOW BUNTING

Scarlet Tanager: 1 Middlebury 5/9 (JAP), on 5/10 1 Chester (MBM), 1 Braintree (AFK), 1 Quechee (WGE, NLM), 1 Shoreham (ELW), 1 Braintree 5/11 (RAM), 1 DCWMA 5/12 (MBN), 1 Clarendon 5/14 (CJF), on 5/15 1 Craftsbury (FO,JW), 1 Marlboro (JPN), 1 Winhall (WJN), 1 Woodstock (JMN), 2 Chester (CEAd), 1 Colchester (DLC), 1 Dorset 5/16 (BWP), 1 Reading 5/18 (FMH, GEH), 1 Shoreham 5/18 (ELW). High count 6 Middlebury (JAP), 4 Lincoln 5/26 (JRA). Many observers felt this species to be scarce. Northern Cardinal: present throughout the year in most Some high counts: 16 Middlebury (JAP), 13 Hartland Windsor 3/12 (WGE, DHC), 8 Ferrisburg 4/18 (JID, MCD), 7 Dorset 5/18 (EFG), also 1 Craftsbury 3/26 One banded, 1 retrapped at BNP where scarce (FO). (VINS). Rose-breasted Grosbeak: 1 Shoreham 4/29 (ELW), on 4/30 2 Reading (FMH,GEH), 1 S. Strafford (HR), 1 Marlboro (JPN), 2 Randolph Ctr. 5/1 (MEH), 1 Woodstock 5/1 (CRP), 1 Woodstock 5/2 (PDM), 1 Lincoln 5/2,4 (JRA), 1 Randolph 5/2 (EWC, MCC), 1 Ferrisburg 5/2 (JID, MCD), 5/1 (CRP), 1 Woodstock 5/2 (PDM), 1 Lincoln 5/2,4 (JRA), 1 Randolph 5/2 (EWC, MCC), 1 Ferrisburg 5/2 (JID, MCD), 1 Woodstock 5/4 (JHH), on 5/6 2 Mt. Tabor (CJF), 1 Winhall (WJN), 2 Cottonbrook (JDL1), on 5/7 1 Putney (HL), 1 Dorset (EFG), 1 Craftsbury (FO), on 5/8 1 Goshen (SSW), 1 Braintree (AFK), 1 Wallingford (SJD), on 5/9 7 Natural Turnpike (JRA), 1 E. Dorset (RWS), 2 Middlebury (JAP), on 5/10 1 E. Middlebury (MBN), 2 RRP (WAM), 1 Woodstock (JMN), 1 Montpelier (TSA), 1 Barnard (JNF), on 5/11 1 Sheffield (PFW, SAW), 2 Chester (CEAd), 1 Braintree (RAM), on 5/12 1 E. Dorset (BWP, RWS), 2 Colchester (DLC), 1 Barnard (JNF). High count 14 Westford 5/15 (WGE). Two banded, 2 retrapped at BNP (VINS). Indigo Bunting: 1 Ferrisburg 5/10 (JID, MCD), 2 WRJct. 5/11 (CLD), 1 Rutland 5/11 (MDK), on 5/15 1 Westford (WGE), 1 S. Woodstock (LHR), 5 Middlebury high count (JAP), 1 Chester 5/16 (MBM), 1 BNP 5/17 (NLM), 1 Brownsville 5/17 (BMH), on 5/18 1 Randolph (EWC, MCC), 1 Brandon (SSW), 1 Dorset (EFG), on 5/19 1 Burlington (TSA), 1 Addison Cty. (WME, JSA, KMA, SSB), Ira Rest Stop (m.ob.), 1 Woodstock 5/21,22 (ChW), 1 S. Strafford 5/22 (HR), 1 S. Hero 5/23 (DLC), 1 Grand Isle 5/23 (LJE, DCD), 1 Woodstock 5/24 (JMN), 1 Middlebury 5/26 (JAP), 1 Milton 5/27 (WAM), on 5/28 1 Lincoln Gap (JRA), 1 Dorset (EFG), 1 Chester (CEAd). One banded at BNP (VINS). GREEN-TAILED TOWHEE: bird from the winter present at Brattleboro until 5/5 (WDN, WGE, NLM, m.ob.). Rufous-sided

<u>Towhee</u>: 1 m. 4/17 1 f. 4/21 Manchester Ctr. (BWP), 1 Norwich 4/24 (CCR), 1 Brandon 4/25 (SSW), 1 BNP 4/27 (WGE), on 4/30 1 Ferrisburg (JID, MCD), 1 Brownsville (BMH), 1 Dorset (EFG), 3 BNP 5/1 (JMN), 2 Danby 5/2 (CJF), 2 Woodstock 5/6 (CRP), 1 E. Dorset 5/12 (RWS, BWP), 3 Middlebury 5/14 (JAP), 1 Middlebury 5/18 (MBN), 1 Goshen 5/19 (SSW), 1 Wenlock WMA Ferdinand 5/19 rare in Essex Cty. (WGE, NLM, SJS, DHC), 2 Ira Rest Stop 5/19 (m.ob.), 1 Ira 5/24 (DLC), 1 Shoreham 5/25 (JAP), 4 present at BNP in late May (WGE). Reported as declining by many. One banded, 1 retrapped at BNP American Tree Sparrow: some late dates 1 Weybridge 4/23 (MBN), 1 Windsor 4/24 (LMP), 3 Morgan 4/26 (DLC,TM), 1 Sheffield 4/27 (PFW,SAW), 1 Victory 4/28 (WGE, NLM), 1 Brandon 5/4 (SSW). High count 211 Alburg 4/21 (DLC). Six banded, 2 retrapped at BNP Chipping Sparrow: 1 Quechee 4/15 (WGE, NLM), on 4/16 1 Charlotte (DLC), 1 Marlboro (JPN), 1 Jericho (LJE), 3 Middlebury 4/18 (JAP), 2 Brandon 4/19 (SSW), 1 E. Dorset 4/19 (RWS), 1 Lincoln 4/21 (JRA), 1 Weybridge 4/22 (MBN), 5 Addison - Lincoln 4/22 (JRA), 2 Marlboro 4/23 (JPN), 1 Sheffield 4/23 (PFW,SAW), on 4/24 1 Winhall (WJN), 1 Charlotte (TGM), 2 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD), 1 Dorset 4/25 (EFG), 15 Quechee 4/26 the high count (WGE, NLM), on 4/27 1 Woodstock (CRP), 2 Braintree (AFK), 2 Craftsbury (FO), 2 Shoreham (ELW), 8 Middlebury (MBN). Four banded, 2 retrapped at BNP (VINS). Field Sparrow: 1 BNP 4/11 (WGE, NLM), 1 Brandon 4/12 (SSW), 1 Wallingford 4/13 (SJD), 1 Charlotte 4/18 (DLC), 1 Weybridge 4/22 (MBM), 1 Ferrisburg 4/23 (JID,MCD), 1 Grand Isle 4/25 (DJH), 2 Braintree 4/25 (AFK), on 4/26 1 Sheffield (PFW,SAW), 1 Dorset (EFG), 11 Woodstock the high count (WGE, NLM), 1 E. Dorset (RWS), 5 Grand Isle 4/27 (DJH), 1 HC 4/27 (WJN), on 5/28 1 Manchester Ctr. (BWP), 1 Middlebury (JAP), 1 Woodstock (JMN), on 4/291 WRM, several Champlain Valley (BLR), 6 Grand Isle (DJH), 1 Shoreham (ELW), 2 Milton (WAM). species reported as declining. Three banded, 2 retrapped at BNP (VINS). Vesper Sparrow: Burlington 4/18 (WAM), 1 Chester 4/23 (CEAd), 2 Shoreham 4/27 (ELW), 2 Panton 4/29 (DLC), 1 DCWMA 5/1 (JAP), 2 Brighton Airport 5/6 (WGE, NLM), 1 Brighton 3 DCWMA 5/19 (WGE, NLM, SJS, DHC, m.ob.), 2 Chester 5/20,26 (CEAd), 1 Springfield 5/20 (EE, HSP, REP), 1 DCWMA 5/28 (JAP), 3 Island Pond 5/29 (DJL1). Savannah Sparrow: 1 Monkton Pond 3/31 (JRA), 1 Woodstock 4/11 (WGE, NLM), 2 Shoreham 4/19 (ELW), on 4/22 9 Addison (DLC), 9 DCWMA (JRA), 1 Grand Isle (DJH), 1 Sheffield 4/26 (PFW, SAW), 1 Addison 4/26 (MBN), 1 HC 4/27 (WJN), 6 Shoreham 4/28 (ELW), 4 DCWMA 4/30 20 high count Addison (JAP), 11 Coventry 5/13 (WGE, NLM, DHC). <u>Grasshopper Sparrow</u>: 2 Grand Isle 4/27 early (DJH), up to 5 Stone Bridge access road Panton 5/19,20 (m.ob.), 4 Middlebury 5/19 (JAP), 1 Pine Island Rd. Colchester 5/20 (JDM), 1 Panton 5/24 (DLC), heard three times Dorset last 5/25 (EFG), 2 Middlebury 5/29 (JAP). Fox Sparrow: 1 Woodstock 3/21 (CRP), on 3/23 1 Wallingford (BLR), 1 Norwich (GFE), 1 Winhall (WJN), 2 Norwich 3/24-28 (GFE), 1 Brandon 3/29 (SSW), 1 Woodstock 3/30 (JMN), 1 Randolph 3/30 (EWC, MCC), 1 Marlboro 4/1 (JPN), 1 Ferrisburg 4/7 (JID,MCD), 1 Hartland 4/8 with white in one tail feather (WGE, NLM), on 4/18 1 Braintree (AFK), 1 W. Bolton (MC), 1 Waterbury Ctr. (EK), 1 Craftsbury (FO), 1 Nebraska Valley (JDL1), 1 BNP 4/19 (WGE), 1 Addison 4/22 (DLC), 1 BNP 4/23 (VINS), 1 W. Bolton 4/24 (MC), 1 Sheffield 4/26(PFW, SAW), 1 DCWMA 5/6 (TSA). One banded at BNP (VINS). Song Sparrow: overwintered in several locations 1 Brandon 3/1 (SSW), 1 Clarendon 3/9 (CJF), 1 S. Burlington 3/5 (WGE), 3 Woodstock 3/6 (CRP), 4 New Haven 3/8 (JAP), 3 Bristol 3/8 (MBN), 2 Rutland 3/10 (CJF), 10 Brattleboro Vernon 3/11 (WGE, NLM), on 3/15 7 Windsor (LMP), 1 E. Dorset (RWS), 1 Winhall (WJN), on 3/16 1 Grand Isle (DJH), 3 Jericho (LJE), 1 Springfield (WME), 6 Shelburne (WAM), 1 Marlboro (JPN), 2 Lyndonville (PFW, SAW), 1 W. Bolton (MC), 1 Montpelier (TSA), major movement on 3/17 5 Chester (CEAd), 1 Waterbury Ctr (EK),

4/1 (WGE, NLM, DHC), 45 DCWMA 4/8 (JRA). Sixteen banded, 29 retrapped at BNP (VINS). Lincoln's Sparrow arrived early: 1 BNP 4/30 (CCR, CSH), 1 Woodstock 5/3 (JAP), 1 Sheffield 5/10 (PFW,SAW), 2 Brighton, 1 Bloomfield, 3 Brunswick 5/16 (DLC), high count 5 Ferdinand/Brighton 5/19 (WGE, NLM, DHC, SJS), 1 Sheffield 5/19,28 (PFW, SAW), 1 Sherburne 5/19 (MSL,LSH,DO), Stratton 5/19 (JJC), 2 MB 5/29 (JDL1). Four banded at BNP (VINS). Swamp Sparrow: 1 Rockingham 4/15 (WGE, NLM), 1 Mud Creek 4/15 (WAM), 1 BNP 4/18,20 (VINS), 3 Windsor 4/20 (LMP), 17 Alburg 4/21 the high count (DLC), 8 DCWMA 4/22 (JRA), 6 Berlin Pd. 4/24 (BMP), 10 Joes Pond Cabot 4/24 (WGE), on 4/26 4 Dorset (EFG), 1 Grand Isle (DJH), 1 Shoreham (ELW), 1 ABM (AMD), 5 Brandon 4/28 (SSW), 2 Mud Creek 5/1 (JDL1), 1 Bristol Pd. 5/2 (JAP), 1 Sheffield 5/3 (PFW,SAW), 1 S. Bay 5/3 (PFW,SAW). Two banded at BNP (VINS). White-throated Sparrow: overwintered at feeder Sheffield (PFW), 1 Wallingford 4/10 (SJD), 1 Jericho 4/11 (LJE), 1 BNP 4/13 (WGE, NLM), 2 Middlebury 4/13 (JAP), 1 Lincoln 4/14 (JRA), on 4/15 1 Winhall (WJN), 2 Sheffield (PFW, SAW), 1 Manchester Ctr. (BWP), 1 Brownsville 4/16 (BMH), 1 Woodstock 4/17 (CRP), on 4/18 1 Woodstock (JMN), 1 S. Strafford (HL), 1 W. Bolton (MC), 1 Windsor (LMP), 2 Grand Isle 4/19 (DJH), 1 E. Dorset 4/19 (RWS), on 4/20 4 Shoreham (ELW), 1 Reading (FMH, GEH), 2 Marlboro (JPN), 1 Randolph (EWC, MCC), on 4/21 1 Middlebury (WME), 2 Weybridge (MBN), 3 Rutland (CJF), on 4/22 4 Marlboro (JPN), 1 Chester (CEAd), 2 RRP (WAM), 2 Westminster 4/23 (AMD), 2 Woodstock 4/23 (JMN), widespread after that. High counts 25 Winhall 4/30 (WJN), 32 Waterbury Res. 4/29 (TSA). Thirty banded, 12 retrapped at BNP (VINS). White-crowned Sparrow: Marlboro 3/15,22 (JPN) very early, may have wintered 1 Windsor 4/17, 24 also early (LMP), 1 Woodstock 4/26 (CRP), 1 Braintree 4/28 (AFK), on 4/29 1 Manchester Ctr. (BWP), 1 Addison (DLC, TM), 1 Shoreham (ELW), 1 WRM (BLR,RHH), on 4/30 1 Williamstown (MP), 1 Winhall (WJN), 6 Middlebury (JAP), 1 Ferrisburg (JID,MCD), 2 Weybridge 5/4 (MBN), 1 Woodstock 5/5 (NLM), 1 Brandon 5/7 (SSW), 2 Wallingford 5/8 (SJD), 1 Grand Isle 5/8 (DJH), on 5/9 3 Chester (CEAd), 1 Woodstock (JDL), 4 Essex Jct. (RSI), 3 BNP (VINS), 1 Craftsbury 5/10 (FO), widespread after that; widespread Birdathon 5/19-20 (m.ob.). Some late dates: 1 Sheffield 5/23 (PFW,SAW), 1 Charlotte 5/23 (LJE,DCD), 2 Shoreham 5/24 (ELW), 2 Lincoln 5/24 (JRA), 1 Holland 5/25 (WGE), on 5/28 2 W. Barton (MC), 1 Barton (KVC), 1 Braintree High count 14 Coventry 5/13 (WGE, NLM, DHC). Three banded at BNP (VINS). Good spring for them. Dark-eyed Junco: overwintered in many areas, on 3/1 8 Woodstock (JMN), 6 Nebraska Valley (JDL1), 6 Jericho (LJE), 2 Winhall (WJN), 1 Sheffield 3/3 (PFW, SAW), 2 Marlboro 3/3 (JPN), 3 Brandon 3/4 (SSW), 2 Lincoln 3/8 (JRA), 1 Woodstock 3/9 (CRP), 20 Middlebury 3/10 (JAP), 14 Brattleboro-Vernon 3/11 (WGE, NLM), 3 Barnard 3/12 (JNF), 1 Randolph 3/15 (EWC, MCC), 1 Reading 3/15 (FMH, GEH), 1 Waterbury Ctr. 3/16 (EK), 2 Grand Isle 3/16 (DJH), 1 Weybridge 3/17 (MBN), 1 Wallingford 3/18 (SJD), 1 W. Bolton 3/18 (MC), widespread after that. High 72 Woodstock 3/20 (JMN), 100 + Ferrisburg counts: during snowstorm 4/18 (JID, MCD). Two banded at BNP (VINS). Lapland Longspur: 7 Panton 3/4 (DLC, BLR, WAM), 1 Isle La Motte 4/27 very late (DLC,TM). Snow Bunting: flock Sharon 3/1-7 (EL), 3 Panton 3/4 (DLC), 25 Panton 3/6 (MBN), 100+ Caledonia Airport 3/7 (PFW,SAW), 2 flocks Hartland early March (LMP), 1 Winhall 3/25 (WJN), flocks Braintree April (AFK).

#### BLACKBIRDS

Bobolink: 1 Addison 4/29 (DLC), 1 Waterbury Ctr. 5/6 (EK), 5 Chester 5/7 (CEAd), 2 Winhall 5/8 (WJN), 2 Brandon 5/8 (JDL1), on 5/9 1 Springfield (WME), "several" Grand Isle (DJH), 2 Middlebury (JAP), 1 Ferrisburg (JID, MCD), 6 DCWMA (MBN), 2 Braintree (AFK), 5 Dorset 5/10 (EFG), 1 New Haven 5/10 (JRA), on 5/12 1

widespread after that. High counts 47 Brandon Pittsford -24- Westminster (AMD), 1 Danby (CJF), 1 Brownsville (BMH), 1 Lower Granville (TSA), 7 Woodstock (NLM,CCR), 1 Orleans 3 Barton R. Rd. 5/12 (PFW, SAW), 1 Wallingford 5/13 (SJD), 40 Coventry 5/13 the high count (WGE, NLM, DHC), on 5/14 2 Shoreham (ELW), 3 Newport (LJE), 2 Windsor (LMP), 1 Woodstock 5/15 (CRP), 1 Dorset 5/16 (BWP). Red-winged Blackbird: on the move in February. One Sheffield 3/1 (PFW, SAW), 4 Woodstock 3/2 (CRP), 5 Marlboro 3/2 (JPN), on 3/3 5 Saxtons River (DC), 7 Norwich (WGE, NLM), 1 E. Dorset (RWS), 1 Woodstock 3/7 (JFW,CMW), 1 Guilford 3/7 (HL), 1 Randolph 3/8 (EWC, MCC), 2 Grand Isle 3/9 (DJH), on 3/10 1 Reading (FMH, GEH), 50 Chester (CEAd), 1 Winhall (WJN), 2 Middlebury (JAP), 1 Weybridge (MBN), 1 Clarendon (CJF), on 3/11 370 Vernon (WGE, NLM), 4 Shelburne (WAM), flock Westminster (AMD), 15 Brandon (SSW), 10 Springfield 3/12 (WME), on 3/13 15 New Haven (JRA), flock Williston (LJE), 2 Windsor (LMP), 2 Woodstock (JMN), flocks MNWR (JBG), on 3/14 1 Castleton (SBL), flocks Bridgewater-Woodstock (SBL), flock Randolph (EWC, MCC), 5 Waterbury Ctr. (EK), 500 Winooski (TSA), 1 W. Bolton (MC), 9 Woodstock (CRP), 75 Rutland 3/15 (CJF), widespread after that. High count 700 Charlotte 3/17 (TGM). Twenty one banded and 11 retrapped at BNP (VINS). Meadowlark: 1 Middlebury 3/15 (MBN), 1 Charlotte 3/16 (WAM), 7 Champlain Valley 3/17 (WAM), 1 Leicester 3/18 (SSW), 1 New Haven 3/23 (JAP), 1 Waterbury Ctr. 3/24 (EK), 2 Clarendon 3/24 (CJF), 7 Bethel 3/27 (KRT,CB), 1 Stowe 3/27 (JDL1), 2 Benson 3/29 (WGE, NLM), 6 Addison, 1 Panton 4/1 (JRA), 12 Sudbury - Ferrisburg 4/1 the high count (WGE, NLM, DHC), 1 Grand Isle 4/19 (DJH), 1 Shoreham 4/20 (ELW), 2 Barton R. Orleans 4/22 (FO,JW), 1 E. Dorset, 4/23 (RWS), 3 Shoreham 4/23 (ELW), 1 Dorset 4/26 (EFG), 3 Woodstock 4/27 (WGE, NLM), on 4/28 1 Barton (RVC), 1 Ferrisburg (JID, MCD). Rusty Blackbird: 1 McCuen Slang 3/17 (WAM), 1 Colchester 7 Grand Isle 3/18 (DLC), 3 Clarendon 3/18 (CJF), 1 Weybridge 3/22 (MBN), 21 Sudbury 8 Pittsford 1 Brandon 4/1 the high count (WGE, NLM, DHC), 2 Leicester Jct. 4/8 (WGE, GFE), 4 Rockingham 4/15 (WGE, NLM), 3 Weybridge 4/16 (MBN), 2 Middlebury 4/18 (JAP), 2 Grand Isle 4/24, 1 4/28 (DJH), 1 Dorset 4/28 (EFG), 1 Winhall 5/1 (WJN), 5 Berlin Pond 5/1 (BMP), 6 Mud Creek 5/1 (JDL1), 1 HC 5/5 (WGE), 1 Weybridge 5/6 (MBN), 11 Craftsbury 5/9 (LK, et al.), seen on a number of Birdathons 5/19 (m.ob.), 2 Averill 5/26 nest with eggs (DLC), MB 5/27 (BLR), nest with eggs at Wheeler Pd. Sutton 5/23 and nest with young Ferdinand Bog 5/27 (WGE). Common Grackle: 1 Norwich 3/3 (WGE, NLM), 2 Weybridge 3/10 (MBN), 1 Grand Isle 3/10 (DJH), flock Westminster 3/11 (AMD), 14 Brandon 3/11 (SSW), 1 Springfield 3/11 30 3/12 (WME), 6 Middlebury 3/12 (JAP), on 3/13 1 Winhall (WJN), flock Williston (LJE), 40 New Haven (JRA), flock Brattleboro (HL), 1 Windsor (LMP), on 3/14 30 Woodstock (CRP), flock MNWR (JBG), 100 Chester (CEAd), 2 W. Bolton (MC), on 3/15 2 Sheffield (PFW, SAW), 6 Waterbury Ctr. (EK), 25 Quechee (JMN), 25 Montpelier (TSA), 17 Rutland (CJF), 2 Shelburne 3/16 (WAM), 4 Marlboro 3/16 (JPN). High count 1000 Otter Creek Valley 4/1 (WGE, NLM, DHC). Five banded, 1 retrapped at BNP (VINS). Brown-headed Cowbird: overwintered in some areas. 1 Weybridge 3/4 (MBN), 4 Woodstock 3/5 (WGE, NLM), 20 Weybridge 3/11 (MBN), 3 Brandon 3/12 (SSW), 1 Randolph 3/14 (EWC, MCC), 1 Shelburne 3/15 (WAM), 1 Sheffield 3/15 (PFW,SAW), 3 Clarendon 3/17 (CJF), 2 W. Bolton 3/19 (MC), 3 Middlebury 3/20 (JAP), 20 Montpelier 3/20 (TSA), 2 Wallingford 3/22 (SJD), 1 Lincoln 3/22 (JRA), 1 Grand Isle 3/23 (DJH), 1 Reading 3/24 (FMH,GEH), 1 Manchester Ctr. 3/24 (BWP), 6 Winhall 3/25 (WJN), 3 Springfield 3/28 (WME), high count 200+ Hartland 3/31 (WGE, NLM); albinistic bird Tinmouth 5/18 (PMB) photo. Two banded at BNP (VINS). Orchard Oriole: 1 m. DAR S P 5/8 (JDL1), up to 4 DAR S P Birdathon 5/19-20 (m.ob.), 1 Westminster 5/21 (DC, MWB), 1 Rochester 5/21,22 (HB), 1 S. Hero 5/27 (CL,DL,JL), 2 Addison 5/28 (DLC), 2 Chelsea 5/28 (CHS,TS). Northern Oriole: 1 Norwich 4/28 (GFE),

1 Leicester 4/29 (SSW), 1 BNP 5/1 (WGE, NLM), 1 Charlotte -25-5/3 (DLC), 1 Middlebury 5/3 (JAP), 1 Shoreham 5/4 (ELW), 1 Ferrisburg 5/6 (JID, MCD), on 5/7 1 Springfield (WME), 1 Putney (HL), 1 W. Bolton (MC), 1 Dorset 5/8 (EFG), on 5/9 2 Montpelier (TSA), 1 Braintree (AFK), 1 Weybridge (MBN), 1 E. Dorset (RWS), 1 Craftsbury (FO), 1 Woodstock (JMN), 4 BNP (VINS), 1 Jericho (LJE), 2 Nebraska Valley (JDL1), 1 Woodstock (JDL), on 5/10 6 Ferrisburg (JID, MCD), 1 S. Londonderry (WJN), 2 Chester (CEAd, MBM), 1 Barnard (JNF), 1 Waterbury Ctr. (EK), 1 Brattleboro (AMD), on 5/12 6 Norwich (WGE, DHC), "several" Grand Isle (DJH), 1 BRM 2 S. Bay (PFW,SAW), 1 Danby, 1 Pawlet (CJF), 1 S. Burlington (WAM), 6 Addison (MBN), 1 E. Dorset (RWS, BWP), 9 Shoreham 5/15 (ELW), 20 Colchester 5/15 (DLC) the high count. Three banded, 8 retrapped at BNP (VINS).

# FRINGILLIDS & HOUSE SPARROW

Pine Grosbeak: 4 S. Burlington 3/1 (WAM), 13 Woodstock 3/4 (WGE, NLM), 10 Champlain Valley 3/4 (WAM, DLC, BLR), 9 Burlington 3/5 (WGE, NLM), 8 Lincoln 3/8 (JRA), 12 Woodstock 3/9-14 (NLM, JMN), 3 Marlboro 3/19 (MRM), 2 Winhall 3/11 (WJN), 5 Hartford 3/12 (WGE, DHC), 2 Ferrisburg 3/21 (JID, MCD), 2 Winhall 3/21 (WJN), 2 Woodstock 3/22 (WGE, NLM). Purple Finch: present in February at Guilford, 2 Woodstock 3/6 (CRP), 1 Winhall 3/14 (WJN), 1 Reading 3/15 (FMH,GEH), 1 W. Bolton 3/16 (MC), 4 Wallingford 3/18 (SJD), 1 Hartland 3/20 (WGE,NLM), 2 Brandon 3/22 (SSW), 6 Huntington 3/23 (DLC), 2 Middlebury 3/27 (JAP), 24 Brandon 4/1 (WGE, NLM, DHC), 1 Sheffield 4/11 (PFW, SAW), 2 S. Strafford 4/9 (HR), 1 Chester 4/10 (CEAd), 2 4/12 5 4/18 Marlboro (JPN), 8 Ferrisburg 4/18 (JID, MCD), 1 Waterbury Ctr. 4/18 (EK), 2 Grand Isle 4/19 (DJH), 2 Chester 4/24 (CEAd), 1 Shoreham 4/26 (ELW), high count 26 Sheffield 5/12 (PFW, SAW). Ten banded at BNP (VINS). House Finch: widespread in most parts of the state. Some high counts: 12 Middlebury 3/1 (JAP), 57 Charlotte 3/5 (WGE, NLM), 58 Hartland/Windsor 3/12 (WGE, DHC), 16 WRJct. 3/15 (JMN), 12 Brandon 3/15 (SSW), 14 Weybridge 3/21 (MBN), 10 HC 3/29 (WJN), 12 Shoreham 5/11,22 (ELW), large flock period Randolph (EWC, MCC), 12 Chester daily (CEAd), also 1 Peru 3/10 (ACB) his first there elevation 1800+ feet. Five banded at BNP (VINS). Red Crossbill: 1 WHL 4/21 (WJN), 2 BNP at sunflower feeder 5/6 (LLB), 3 BNP 5/8-11 (WGE, NLM, CCR et al.), 1 Marlboro 5/27 Two banded at BNP (VINS). White-winged 2 3/3 3 3/5 Sheffield (PFW,SAW), 40 Crossbill: Shelburne 3/5 the high count (WGE, NLM), 1 Waterbury Ctr. 3/21 (EK), 10-15 Hinesburg 3/21 (PRW), 5 Joes Pond Cabot 4/24 (WGE), 30+ Wenlock WMA 5/6 (WGE, NLM), 1 Sheffield 5/8 (PFW, SAW), 7 Ferdinand 5/21 (DLC), 6 MB 5/26 (BKB). Crossbill (Sp.?): flock Fair Haven March (fide NS). Common Redpoll: 7 W. Bolton 3/1 (MC), 2 Goshen 3/6 (MSL), 30 Bolton 3/7 high count (MSL), 12 Grand Isle 3/10 (DJH), 1 Marlboro 3/14 (JPN), 1 Sheffield 3/14 (PFW,SAW), 3 Ferrisburg 3/20 (JID,MCD), 6 Randolph 3/21 (EWC, MCC), 22 Sheffield 3/21 (PFW, SAW), 2 Montpelier 3/24 (TSA), 4 Nebraska Valley 3/26 (JDL1), 4 Sheffield 4/1 (PFW,SAW), 1 Weybridge 4/2 (MBN), 1 W. Bolton 4/13 (MC). Pine Siskin: widespread movement, present most everywhere right to the end of the period with nesting evidence at many sites. Some high counts: 100 3/1 120 3/20 Marlboro (JPN), 200 Weybridge 3/4 (MBN), 60 Wallingford 3/4,20 (SJD), 240 Hartland - Windsor 3/12 (WGE, DHC), on 3/20 120+ Hartland (WGE, NLM), 120 Marlboro (JPN), 60 Barnard (JNF), 160 Brandon 3/29 (WGE, NLM, DHC), 70 Chester 3/30 (CEAd), 60 Sheffield 4/21 (PFW, SAW), 100 W. Bolton (MC), 80 Braintree through period (AFK), one with pale head and bill Hortonia 3/29 (WGE). Eighty banded at BNP including juveniles in early May (VINS). American Goldfinch: In areas where it does not winter the breeders do not show up until May. High counts: 24 Lincoln 3/3 (JRA), 40 Westminster 3/4 (AMD), 20 Woodstock 3/4 (WGE, NLM), 23 Weybridge 3/23 (MBN), 20 Chester 3/30 (CEAd), 20 Shoreham 4/21 (ELW), 25

Middlebury 5/24 (JRA), large flocks Randolph March-April (EWC, MCC), 35 Middlebury (JAP). Fifteen banded, 1 retrapped at BNP (VINS). Evening Grosbeak: another poor winter for them, numbers generally low, but most stayed right through the period with much nesting evidence all over the state. This species is normally a scarce and erratic breeder in the southern half of Vermont. Some high counts: 115 Hartland 3/11 (WGE, NLM), 25 Montpelier 3/18 (TSA), 50 Chester 3/30 (CEAd), 50 Reading 3/31 (FMH,GEH), 40 Sheffield 4/10 (PFW,SAW), 40 Joes Pond Cabot 4/24 (WGE), 25 Winhall 4/30 (WJN,AS), 33 W. Bolton period (MC), large numbers March-April Randolph (EWC, MCC), 1 m. at VINS feeder 4/26 lacked a yellow brow (NLM). Fifty three banded at BNP (VINS). House Sparrow: numbers stable in usual areas around towns and farm buildings. High counts: 25 Middlebury 3/6, 125 New Haven (JAP), 70 Charlotte 3/5 (WGE, NLM), 67 Hartland/Windsor 3/12 (WGE, DHC). Albino reported Duxbury 5/7 (JDL1).

\*Consideration by the Vermont Bird Records Committee pending.

# Abbreviations Used in the Text

ABM Allen Brothers Marsh, Westminster

Barton River Marshes, Newport & Coventry

Bragdon Nature Preserve, VINS, Woodstock

DCWMA Dead Creek Wildlife Management Area,

Addison and Panton

HC Herrick's Cove, Rockingham

MB Moose Bog, Ferdinand

Missisquoi National Wildlife Refuge, MNWR

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Mountain

Railroad

Reservoir

State Park

pair

Pond

Point.

River

young

Chuck Aversa

Judy Brigham

CA

JBr

Road

Nature Area

SRTL Springfield/Rockingham Town Line

WRM West Rutland Marsh

WRJct.White River Junction

Winhall Hawk Lookout

Winooski River Delta, Colchester WRD

ad. adult (s) Mtn. Br. Bridge NA Ctr. Center pr. Cty. County Pd. Fahrenheit Pt. f. · female RR Hts. Heights Res. imm. immature R. Isl. Island (s) Rd. L. Lake SP m. male уg.

CHB Catherine Bailey AA Andy Ackemann WB Bill Ballou Barb Ackemann **PMB** Phillip Ballou BA Priscilla Ballou AHW Bill Ackemann PDB СВа Carl Bates JA Jesse Ackemann WHB William Barnard CEAd Chester Adams Cedric Alexander LLB Lisa Battilana CEA JJA Jeffrey Allen EBB Betty Barbarise Ted Allen MWB Margaret Barker TSA Jim Andrews CB Chris Bell JSA KMA JB Judy Berrubi Kris Andrews LLA Linda Lee Andrews MPB Mark Biercevicz SRA Steve Antell ACB Angus Black MB1 Chan Archer Michael Blust ECA JRA Jean Arrowsmith DB Delores Booth

JBro	John Broadhead	JHH	John Hewitt -26-
HSB	Helen Brokaw	PHH	Patsy Highberg
AAB	Ada Brown	PEH	Paul Highberg
нв	Helen Brown	ВМН	Beryl Hinton
MB		DJH	•
	Michelle Brown		David Hoag
SSB	Susan Buckley	СВН	Chris Hopwood
HCB	Helen Bull	RHH	Rhoda Horne
BB	Brenda Burchard	FCH	Fran Howe
MBu	Mary Burchard	FGH	Faith Hunt
TCB	Tom Bushey	FMH	Fred Hunt
вкв	Byron Butler	GEH	Gloria Hunt
RC	Bob Candy	RIa	Rick Ianes
RVC	Robert Canosa	CI	Chris Immil
MC	Mike Cassara	RSI	Scott Ingalls
DLC	Dwight Cargill	RI	Roger Irwin
EWC	Elizabeth Clapp	MrJ	Mr. Jaquay
MCC	Mary Clapp	EJ	Edwin Johnson
DC	Don Clark	GJ	Glen Johnson
IC	Ian Clark	JJo	Joan Johnson
JJC	Jeremy Coleman	TEK	Tom Kastner
SCo	Steve Collins	FK	Francesca Keeler
WJC	Bill Crenshaw	EK	
DHC	Dan Crook		Liz Kellogg
		CDK	Chris Kibbe
JMC	Jason Cross	BK	Barbara Killam
SC	Selma Culp	DK	David Killam
MAC	Mike Curtis	MDK	Daniel King
RAC	Mr. & Mrs. Robert Curtis	LK	Leland Kinsey
LD	Laura Davidson	SJK	S.J. Kirkendale
DCD	Deb Davis	SWK	Susan Kirtland
BD	Barb DeAngelis	ERK	Eugene Kosche
AMD	Allison Deen	RSK	Ruth Kosche
WBD	Bill Diedrich	AFK	Arline Kribstock
		PAK	Peter Krusch
JMD	Jim Dingley		* ** * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *
CLD	Cheryl Doyle	MSL	Mark LaBarr
SJD	Sarah Jane Dudley	JiL	Jim Lafley
HD	Mr. & Mrs. Dunbar	$^{ m HL}$	Henry Lappen
BCD	Bonita Dundas	NL	Nina LaRosa
RD	Richard Dundas	JDL	David Laughlin
JID	John Dye	SBL	Sally Laughlin
MCD	Margaret Dye	RBL	Richard Lavallee
JE	Joe Eagan	AL	Andy Leeds
EE	Eleanor Ellis	CL	Claudia Leff
HE	Holly Ellis	DL	Dolores Leff
	-	JL	
GFE	George Ellison		Johnathan Leff
RE	Roy Ellison	KL	Kathy Leonard
WGE	Walter Ellison	CAL	Cheryl Lewis
WME	Wally Elton	$\mathtt{JRL}$	Jenepher Lingelbach
LJE	Lynn Erb	REL	Rondi Lightmark
DJF	Dave Farrar	$\mathtt{GPL}$	George Lisi
PF	Pat Fast	JDLl	John Lloyd
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CCF	Chris Fichtel	CLo	Carrie Long
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TH	Tom Hasson	RAM	Ronald Mura
KH	Kevin Hemeon	TGM	Ted Murin
EMH	E.M. Henning	TM	Tom Murray
MEH	Miriam Herwig	JN	Joe Nelson

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                              TS
                                    Toddy Sloan
                                    Suzanne Smith
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                              SS
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                                    Danny Soule
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                             AS
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      Dan Ober
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                                    Emily Sprague
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                                    Jerry Stanley
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