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The bird watching results for 2001-2002 reflect the unusual - even bizarre - weather conditions that prevailed. Pam Hunt, the New England regional editor for *North American Birds*, reports that the winter as a whole, at least for New England, was the warmest in 122 years. Vermont, of course, shared in this tropical bliss and experienced the predictable results: a plethora of waterfowl floating on Lake Champlain and a nice variety of lingering land-birds ranging from Eastern Phoebe to American Pipit. It was a season to enjoy.

On the other hand truly exceptional species were not much in evidence, with only an **EARED GREBE** off Grand Isle (review by the Vermont Records Committee pending) and a **VARIED THRUSH** in Sutton qualifying as major rarities. Also a bit disappointing was the spotty performance of the

photo by Lucey Trembley
Varied Thrush
Sutton VT 12/15/01



northern finches, with only Common Redpoll and, to a lesser extent, Pine Grosbeak staging significant incursions. Yet it will be a winter long remembered for truly enjoyable birding: Tundra Swans and a Snowy Owl at Sandbar, late Snow

Geese in the thousands overhead, dainty Bonaparte's Gulls still to be found into January, and 25 species of duck enjoying the unfrozen waters of Vermont.

LOONS THROUGH WATERFOWL

Hardly surprising in such a mild winter was the number and diversity of lingering waterfowl. With 25 species of duck reported, not to mention two species of goose and three species of swan (including one exotic), it was a winter for the record books. Among the more remarkable CBC results were 14030 Snow Geese (including 5 blue form individuals) at Ferrisburgh, 12 Northern Shovelers at Middlebury, and 3 Blue-winged Teal at Mount Abraham. Also unprecedented were 35 Double-crested Cormorants at Middlebury, though it is doubtful their presence was cause for great celebration. A number of other species were also noteworthy, either for their relative scarcity, as, for example, American Wigeon, Green-winged Teal and Wood Duck, or for their relative abundance, as, for example, Bufflehead and Hooded Merganser. Also worthy of special mention were multiple sightings of Tundra Swan, rare in any season in Vermont; a single Ruddy Duck, found in Castleton in early December; and, most significantly, a report of an EARED GREBE in Grand Isle. This intriguing report awaits review by the Vermont Records Committee.

DATE	LOCATION	NO.	OBSERVERS
Red-throated Loon			
2-Dec	Potash Bay, Addison	1	TGM, WSS
7-Dec	Grand Isle	1	DJH
21-Dec	L Champlain, Charlotte	1 ad	TGM
5-Jan	Button Bay, Ferrisburgh	1 juv	TGM, BMP
16-Feb	Charlotte Town Beach	2	TGM, JEO
Common Loon			
2-Dec	Potash Bay, Addison	103	TGM, WSS
5-Dec	L Champlain, Colchester	9	JDM
7-Dec	Grand Isle	27	DJH
15-Dec	L Champlain, Charlotte	39	TGM, PCR
16-Feb	Charlotte Town Beach	6	TGM, JEO
Pied-billed Grebe			
16-Dec	Crown Pt, Addison	1	CBC
Horned Grebe			
2-Dec	Potash Bay, Addison	78	TGM, WSS
5-Dec	L Champlain, Colchester	4	JDM
5-Jan	Shelburne	10	TGM, BMP
27-Jan	Charlotte Town Beach	52	TGM, WSS

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19-Feb	Charlotte Town Beach	87	TGM
Red-necked Grebe			
2-Dec	Charlotte Town Beach	16	TGM, WSS
7-Dec	Grand Isle	1	DJH
28-Jan	Panton	3	DLC
3-Feb	near Mud Is, Panton	1	RPa, TGM, JAP, AMS
Eared Grebe			
4-Dec	Grand Isle	1, RSD submitted	DJH
Double-crested Cormorant			
16-Dec	Champlain Islands	1	CBC
16-Dec	Crown Pt, Addison	35	CBC
Great Blue Heron			
6-Dec	Sandbar, Milton	5	JDM
29-Dec	Alfrecha Rd, Clarendon	1	CJF
2-Jan	SWMA, Milton	1	FAP, EBP
12-Jan	Dorset Field Club	1	BWP
Turkey Vulture			
9-Feb	Brattleboro	1	FMH, EJH

DATE	LOCATION	NO.	OBSERVERS
23-Feb	Castleton	3	RWP
Snow Goose			
2-Dec	Young Is, Grand Isle	1650	DJH
7-Dec	Burlington Waterfront	~350 southbound	TGM
9-Dec	Grand Isle	1000 southbound	DJH
15-Dec	L Champlain, Charlotte	~14030	CBC
23-Feb	DCWMA, Addison	2	TGM
Canada Goose (subspecies) Richardsonii			
7-Dec	DCWMA, Addison	1	EFG, JEO
Canada Goose			
29-Dec	Clarendon	404	CJF
30-Dec	E Dorset	~300	RWS
7-Jan	Champlain Valley, Addison	425	JDM
12-Jan	Sandbar, Milton	>1000	TGM
18-Jan	Rte 36, St Albans	300	FAP, EBP
24-Feb	Shelburne Bay	~150	NAB
25-Feb	Benedict Pd, E Dorset	15	BWP
Mute Swan			
30-Dec	St Albans Bay	2 ad, with ad Whooper	TGM, AMS
2-Feb-Mar	Kellogg Bay, Ferrisburgh	2 ad, with ad Whooper	TGM, SWM
Tundra Swan			
3-27-Dec	Delta Pk, Colchester	13 ad, 2 juv	TGM, JDM et al
4-Dec	Grand Isle	2 imm	DJH
29-Dec-			
12-Jan	Sandbar SP, Milton	2 ad, 2 juv	PCR et al
31-Dec	Mallett's Bay, Colchester	6	LEH
2-7-Jan	Shelburne Bay	11 ad	TGM et al
27-Jan	Grand Isle	2 imm	DJH
Whooper Swan			
30-Dec	St Albans Bay	1 ad, escapee	TGM, AMS
2-Feb-Mar	Kellogg Bay, Ferrisburgh	1 ad, escapee	TGM, SWM et al
Wood Duck			
29-Dec	Otter Crk, Clarendon	1, injured bird	CJF
5-27-Jan	Charlotte Town Beach	1 m	TGM, BMP et al
23-Feb	Champlain Brg, Addison	1 m	TGM
24-Feb	small pond, Shoreham	1	NAB
Gadwall			
3-Dec	L Bomoseen, Hubbardton	1	RWP
31-Dec	St Albans Bay	11	TGM, JEO
5-Jan	Champlain Brg, Addison	6 m, 1 f	TGM, BMP
3-Feb	Town Farm Bay, Ferrisburgh	2 m, 1 f	AMS, TGM, RPa
25-Feb	Grand Isle	17	DJH
American Wigeon			
16-Dec	Champlain Islands	2	CBC
12-Jan	Sandbar Causeway, S Hero	1 m, 2 f	TGM, JEO
13-Jan	Sandbar SP, Milton	2 m, 1 f	TGM, JEO
American Black Duck			
21-Dec	Grand Isle	48	DJH
30-Dec	Sandbar Causeway, S Hero	>300	TGM
2-Jan	SWMA, Milton	50	FAP, EBP
28-Jan	L Champlain, Colchester	45	JDM
28-Jan	Ferrisburgh	133	DLC
3-Feb	Alfrecha Rd, Clarendon	18	CJF
Mallard			
8-Dec	L Champlain, Colchester	600	JDM
30-Dec	Sandbar Causeway, S Hero	>700	TGM
2-Jan	SWMA, Milton	1000	FAP, EBP
28-Jan	Panton	411	DLC
23-Feb	Champlain Brg, Addison	~250	TGM
Blue-winged Teal			
15-Dec	Mt Abraham	3	CBC
Northern Shoveler			
16-Dec	Crown Pt, Addison	12	CBC
Northern Pintail			
30-Dec	n end of N Hero S P	24 m, 4 f	TGM, AMS
18-Jan	SWMA, Milton	14, mostly drakes	FAP, EBP
21-Jan	Long Pt, N Ferrisburgh	8 m, 2 f	TGM, AMS
24-Jan	Grand Isle	5	DJH
3-Feb	Blodgett's Beach, Burlington	3 m	TGM, AMS, RPa

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23-Feb	Button Bay, Ferrisburgh	4 m, 2 f	TGM
23-Feb	Champlain Brg, Addison	2 m	TGM
Green-winged Teal			
1-Dec	Grand Isle	1	DJH
3-Dec	L Bomoseen, Hubbardton	4	RWP
5-Dec	Berlin Pd	1 m	ATA
6-Dec	Sandbar, Milton	1 m, 1 f	JDM
Canvasback			
12-Jan	Sandbar Causeway, S Hero	1 m	TGM, JEO
13-Jan	Sandbar SP, Milton	1 m	TGM, JEO
Redhead			
12-Jan	Sandbar Causeway, S Hero	1 m, ~3 f	TGM, JEO
13-Jan	Sandbar SP, Milton	2 m, 3 f	TGM, JEO
16-Feb	Chimney Pt, Addison	1 m	BMP
Ring-necked Duck			
15-Dec	Rockingham	4	REG, OAG
12-Jan	Sandbar Causeway, S Hero	2 m	TGM, JEO
12-Jan-			
3-Feb	Mud Is, Panton	3	JAP, TGM et al
23-Jan	SWMA, Milton	1 m	FAP, EBP
23-Feb	Champlain Brg, Addison	4 m	TGM
24-Feb	Colchester RR Causeway	5 m 1 f	TGM
Greater Scaup			
22-Dec	L Champlain, Charlotte	27, southbound	TGM, PCR
12-Jan	Sandbar Causeway, S Hero	~200	TGM, JEO
23-Jan	Chimney Pt, Addison	300	FAP, EBP
28-Jan	Panton	248	DLC
24-Feb	Colchester RR Causeway	~800	TGM, SP
Lesser Scaup			
13-Jan	L Bomoseen, Castleton	1 m	CJF
13-Jan	Shelburne Bay	>2	TGM
13-Jan	Sandbar SP, Milton	~3	TGM, JEO
21-Jan	Champlain Brg, Addison	>20	TGM, AMS
24-Feb	Charlotte Town Beach	14	NAB
scaup species			
23-Feb	Champlain Brg, Addison	>650, both well represented (>150 Lesser)	TGM
Surf Scoter			
21-Jan-			
24-Feb	Champlain Brg, Addison	1 m	TGM, AMS, BMP
3-Feb	near Mud Is, Panton	1 m	TGM, JAP, AMS, RPa
White-winged Scoter			
2-Dec	Potash Bay, Addison	55	TGM, WSS
13-Dec	Grand Isle	14	DJH
5-Jan	Oven Bay, Addison	3	TGM, BMP
13-Jan	Charlotte Town Beach	2	TGM, JEO
21-Jan	Oven Bay, Addison	2	TGM, AMS
Black Scoter			
25-29-Dec	Shelburne Bay	1 f	TGM
Long-tailed Duck			
5-Jan	Oven Bay, Addison	3 f	TGM, BMP
12-Jan	Mud Is, Panton	2	JAP
19-Jan	L Champlain, Panton	2	RWP
19-Feb,			
27-Feb	Charlotte Town Beach	1 m	TGM
Bufflehead			
30-Dec	N Hero SP	21	TGM, AMS
7-Jan	Blodgett's Beach, Burlington	12	JDM
28-Jan	L Champlain, Colchester	67	JDM
8-Feb	Converse Bay, Charlotte	56	FAP, EBP
27-Feb	Charlotte Town Beach	51	TGM
Common Goldeneye			
2-Dec	Charlotte Town Beach	~3100, far out on lake	TGM, WSS
30-Dec	w shore of Hog Is, Swanton	540	AMS, TGM
12-Jan	Mud Is, Panton	~250	JAP
22-Jan	Potash Bay, Addison	150	EFG
28-Jan	Panton	420	DLC
20-Feb	Charlotte Town Beach	335	TGM
Barrow's Goldeneye			
1-Dec	Barton	1	REG, OAG

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4-Jan	Grand Isle	1	DJH
5-Jan	Oven Bay, Addison	1	BMP
5-Jan	Shelburne Bay	2 m, 2 f	TGM, BMP
12-Jan	Mud Is, Panton	1	JAP
12-Jan	Shelburne Bay	1 m, 1 f	JEO
24-Feb	Colchester RR Causeway	1 f	TGM, SP
Barrow's x Common Goldeneye			
16-Feb	Charlotte Town Beach	1 m, head shape and scapulars intermediate, head purple displaying like Barrow's	TGM
Hooded Merganser			
1-Dec	Sutton	17	DLC
1-Dec	St Johnsbury	28	DLC
3-Dec	L Bomoseen, Hubbardton	22	RWP
6-Dec	Sandbar, Milton	20	JDM
21-Jan	Addison to N Ferrisburgh, Long Point (34)	69	TGM, AMS
23-Feb	Champlain Brg, Addison	1 m, 29 f	TGM

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26-Feb	Grand Isle	9	DJH
Common Merganser			
30-Dec	Inland Sea, Grand Isle	~2000, ~95% m	TGM, AMS
4-Jan	Potash Bay, Addison	1000	FAP, EBP
13-Jan	Town Farm Bay, Ferrisburgh	>1000	TGM, JEO
28-Jan	Ferrisburgh	700	DLC
28-Jan	Panton	650	DLC
23-Feb	Champlain Brg, Addison	~370	TGM
24-Feb	Grand Isle	250	DJH
Red-breasted Merganser			
14-Dec	Grand Isle	1	DJH
30-Dec	Inland Sea, Grand Isle	1 m, 1 f	TGM, AMS
15-Jan	Mud Is, Panton	3	JAP
21-Jan	Oven Bay, Addison	2 f	TGM, AMS
23-Jan	Button Bay, Ferrisburgh	1 m	FAP, EBP
9-Feb	Charlotte Town Beach	1 m, 6 f	TGM
25-Feb	Grand Isle	3	DJH
Ruddy Duck			
3-Dec	Love's Pd, Castleton	1	RWP

RAPTORS THROUGH GULLS

Raptors enjoyed the mild winter, although numbers were only average, suggesting, perhaps, that food supplies were not extraordinary - or were available elsewhere. Still, Bald Eagles put on a good show, with especially good numbers observed in the Ferrisburgh area. Rarer species included a Red-shouldered Hawk at the Intervale in Burlington, a Golden Eagle, seen one day at DCWMA in Addison, and two reports each of Merlin and Gyrfalcon.

A Killdeer, seen first at Long Point and two weeks later at Converse Bay (presumably the same bird) was exceptional - and hopefully successful in overwintering. Also surprising was an American Coot at Sandbar on 12-13 January, as were several early-winter reports of Common Snipe. Numbers of late Bonaparte's Gulls were unusually high, yet another indication of the mild weather conditions. The usual winter gulls, on the other hand, were not particularly abundant - or were under-reported. Finally, such sought-after species as Glaucous Gull and Iceland Gull were found in their usual small numbers. Raptors enjoyed the mild winter, although numbers were only average, suggesting, perhaps, that food supplies were not extraordinary - or were available elsewhere. Still, Bald Eagles put on a good show, with especially good numbers observed in the Ferrisburgh area. Rarer species included a Red-shouldered Hawk at the Intervale in Burlington, a Golden Eagle, seen one day at DCWMA in Addison, and two reports each of Merlin and Gyrfalcon.

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Bald Eagle			
10-Dec	Conn R, Guildhall	2 imm	KD
27-Jan	Sandbar SP, Milton	3 ad, 1 imm	NAB
28-Jan	mouth of Otter Crk, Ferrisburgh	13	BMP, LDB
16-Feb	Addison to N Ferrisburgh	15	TGM
24-Feb	Champlain Brg, Addison	4 ad, 1 imm	NAB
Northern Harrier			
29-Dec	Alfrecha Rd; Rt 4, Clarendon	1 ad m, 1 imm	CJF
1-Jan	Rte 7, Sunderland	1	BWP
4-Jan	Alburg	1 ad m	DJH
8-Jan	Grand Isle	2 ad m	DJH
23-Jan	SWMA, Milton	1 m	FAP, EBP
27-Jan	Rte 17, Addison	1, also 1 m, 9-Feb	NAB
8-Feb	Gage Rd, Addison	1 m, 1 f	FAP, EBP
Sharp-shinned Hawk			
2-Dec	Alfrecha Rd, Clarendon	1 imm	CJF
5-Dec	Sylvan Acres Tree Farm, Reading	1	FMH, EJH
7-Jan	Williston Rd, Burlington	1	SMi
7-Feb	Gifford Hill Rd, Tunbridge	1 ad	ATA
16-Feb	Coventry	1	REG, OAG
16-Feb	Hartland	1	DAG
18-Feb	Proctor	1 ad	RWP
Cooper's Hawk			
4-Dec	East Ave, Burlington	1	SMi
8-Dec	Howe Hill Rd, Pomfret	1	SDF

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22-Dec	Bailey St Brg, Montpelier	1	JJA
2-Jan	Grand Isle	1, several dates	DJH
2-Feb	Smith St, Shoreham	1 imm	FAP, EBP
9-Feb	Charlotte Ferry Landing	1 f	NAB
Northern Goshawk			
8-Dec	Sylvan Acres Tree Farm, Reading	1	FMH, EJH
5-Jan	Grand Isle	1	DJH
11-Jan	Sutton	1	VT birdlister
28-Jan	Charlotte	1	DLC
Dec-01	Corinth	1	JSu
Red-shouldered Hawk			
17, 28-Jan	Intervale Garden Ctr, Burlington	1	RC, CKa
Red-tailed Hawk			
5-Dec	Rte 4 W at Exit 6, W Rutland	2	NAB
11-Dec	Champlain Valley, Addison	5	JDM
29-Dec	Clarendon Flats	5	CJF
7-Jan	Intervale Rd, Burlington	2	JDM
6-Feb	Rte 7, Sunderland	3	BWP
Rough-legged Hawk			
11-Dec	Champlain Valley, Addison	6	JDM
28-Jan	Addison	11	DLC
2-Feb	Mt Independence Rd, Orwell	4	FAP, EBP
6-Feb	Bridport/Addison/Ferrisburgh	17	FAP, EBP
25-Feb	Grand Isle	1, dark morph	DJH
Golden Eagle			
4-Dec	DCWMA, Addison	1	VT birdlister

DATE	LOCATION	NO.	OBSERVERS
American Kestrel			
5, 7-Dec	Burlington	1	JDM, EBU
12-Dec	Pawlet	1, also on 12-Jan	GRB
6-Jan	Ferrisburgh and Panton	2	TGM, RPa; EFG
12-Jan	DCWMA, Addison	1	MKi
21-Jan	Rte 7, Rutland Town	1	CJF
6-Feb	Basin Harbor Rd, Bridport	1	FAP, EBP
Merlin			
23-Jan	Gage Rd, Addison	1	FAP, EBP
24-Jan	Grand Isle	1	DJH
Peregrine Falcon			
1-Jan	UVM, Burlington		SMi
21-Jan	Champlain Brg, Addison	1	AMS, TGM
28-Jan	Panton	1	DLC
Gyrfalcon (gray)			
15-Feb	Sandbar, Milton	1, brief look	DJH
Ring-necked Pheasant			
6-Feb	Happy Valley Rd, Bridport	7 f	FAP, EBP
24-Feb	McCuen Slang, W Addison	1 f	NAB
Ruffed Grouse			
1-Dec	Victory	2	DLC
5-Dec	Gifford Hill Rd, Tunbridge	3	ATA
7-Jan	Sylvan Acres Tree Farm, Reading	1	FMH, EJH
12-Jan	North Rd, Manchester	1	BWP
13-Jan	GV Farm, E Clarendon	1	CJF
27-Jan	Grand Isle	4	DJH
Wild Turkey			
3-Dec	Rte 7 near Cressy Farm, Danby	42	NAB
7-Dec	E Rupert	73	EFG
15-Dec	Grand Isle	100 NW	DJH
12-Jan	Rte 22A, W Haven	122	NAB
12-Feb	Devil's Bowl Speed Way, Fair Haven	110	BWP
20-Feb	Charlotte	40	TGM
American Coot			
12-Jan	Sandbar Causeway, Milton	1	TGM, JEO
13-Jan	Sandbar SP, Milton	1	TGM, JEO
Killdeer			
16-Jan	Long Pt, N Ferrisburgh	1	FAP, EBP
3-Feb	Converse Bay, Ferrisburgh	1	TGM, AMS, RPa
28-Feb	Bethel	1	EH
Common Snipe			
5-Dec	Berlin Pd	1, photographed	ATA

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Bonaparte's Gull			
2-Dec	Button Bay, Ferrisburgh	~150	TGM
2-Dec	Charlotte Town Beach	~70	TGM
5-Dec	Sandbar, Milton	100	JDM
7-Dec	Grand Isle	>45	DJH
15-Dec	L Champlain, Charlotte	~470	TGM, PCR
21-Dec	L Champlain, Charlotte	217, southbound	TGM
10-Jan	Town Farm Bay, Ferrisburgh	~16	JEO
Ring-billed Gull			
1-Dec	Glover	3	REG, OAG
3-Dec	L Bomoseen, Hubbardton	11	RWP
5-Dec	Berlin Pd	~4	ATA
12-Jan	Charlotte Ferry Landing	4	NAB
12-Jan	Shelburne Bay	4	NAB
26-Feb	Grand Isle	245	DJH
27-Feb	Summer St, Rutland	2	CJF
Herring Gull			
5-Dec	Berlin Pd	8	ATA
30-Dec	Burlington Waterfront	~130	AMS, TGM
3-Jan	Newport	3	REG, OAG
12-Jan	Charlotte Ferry Landing	3	NAB
12-Jan	Shelburne Bay	3	NAB
24-Feb	Grand Isle	50	DJH
Iceland Gull			
30-Dec	St Albans Bay	1	TGM
31-Dec	St Albans Bay	1 juv	TGM, JEO
3-Feb	McNeal Cove, Charlotte	1 juv	AMS, TGM, RPa
6-Feb	McNeal Cove, Charlotte	1	FAP, EBP
16-Feb	McNeal Cove, Charlotte	1	BMP
Glaucous Gull			
30-Dec	St Albans Bay	1	TGM
30-Dec	W Alburg	1	TGM
31-Dec	St Albans Bay	1 imm	TGM, JEO
31-Dec	W Alburg	1 imm	JEO, TGM
6-Jan	Button Bay, Ferrisburgh	1 imm	TGM, RPa
Great Black-backed Gull			
30-Dec	Burlington Waterfront	110	TGM, AMS
27-Jan	Button Bay SP, Ferrisburgh	6	NAB
27-Jan	Shelburne Bay	6	NAB
27-Jan	Sandbar SP, Milton	6	NAB
6-Feb	Grand Isle	10	DJH
20-Feb	Grand Isle	10, 1 drowning a merganser	DJH

DOVES THROUGH HOUSE SPARROWS

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W01-02	Lyndonville	< 50	PFW, SAW	Downy Woodpecker			
1-Dec	Glover	15	REG, OAG	1-Dec	North Rd, Manchester	1 m, 1 f, many later sightings	BWP
2-Dec	Main St, Manchester	>65	BWP	10-Dec	Pawlet	3, daily at suet	GRB
29-Dec	Alfrecha Rd, Clarendon	40	CJF	15-Dec	Reading	2, regular at feeders	FMH, EJH
1-Jan	Rutland City Pk	42	NAB	29-Dec	Clarendon Flats	3	CJF
Mourning Dove				19-Jan	Springfield	2, regular	WME
8-Dec	Proctor	30, at feeder	RWP	23-Feb	Hartland	2	DAG
29-Dec	Clarendon Flats	57	CJF	Hairy Woodpecker			
1-Jan	Rte 73, Brandon Gap, Rochester	36, at feeder	NAB	1-Dec	Grand Isle	7	DJH
20-Jan	Springfield	42	WME	8-Dec	Sheffield	3, regular at feeders	PFW, SAW
21-Feb	WRM	36	RWP	15-Dec	North Rd	1 m, 1 f	BWP
Eastern Screech-Owl				15-Dec	Reading	2, regular at feeders	FMH, EJH
13-Jan	Nortontown Rd, Addison	1, calling	TGM, JEO	23-Feb	Hartland	3	DAG
28-Jan	Ferrisburgh	2	DLC	Black-backed Woodpecker			
Great Horned Owl				1-Dec	Victory	1	DLC
9-Jan	Burlington	1 hooting	ZL	Northern Flicker			
Snowy Owl				3-Jan	VINS, Woodstock	1, calling persistently	CCR
1-Dec	Arrowhead L, E Georgia	1	SMA	12-Jan	Button Bay, Ferrisburgh	1	MKI
3-Dec	Perkins Pier, Burlington	1	PAG	6-Feb	Nortontown Rd, Addison	1	FAP, EBP
3-Dec	SWMA, Milton	1, present into Feb	PAG, TGM, JEO et al	Pileated Woodpecker			
22-Dec	Perkins Pier, Burlington	1, picked up dead by Coast Guard	CLC	1-Dec	Glover	1	REG, OAG
2-Jan	cornfield, Rte 100, Morrisville	1	BT	1-Dec	Putney	1	AMD
6-Feb	Walker Rd, Ferrisburgh	1	FAP, EBP	13-Jan	Crick Rd, Rutland	1	CJF
Barred Owl				26-Jan	GV Farm, E Clarendon	1	CJF
3-Dec	Reading	1, several later sightings	FMH, EJH	8-Feb	Charlotte Town Ferry	1 m	FAP, EBP
28-Dec	Hubbard Pk, Montpelier	1	JJA	9-Feb	Charlotte Ferry Landing	1, a Cooper's Hawk in pursuit	NAB
28-Dec	Pawlet	1, several later sightings	GRB	Eastern Phoebe			
2-Jan	Springfield	1, several later sightings	WME	28-Dec	Barnard	1, just outside the CBC circle!	SDF, DLa, KJ
3-Jan	Lincoln	1	GPL	Northern Shrike			
6-Jan	Putney	1	AMD	15-Dec	Westminster	1, 4 other sightings	REG, OAG
24-Jan	Glover	1	REG, OAG	17-Dec	Gifford Hill Rd, Tunbridge	1, in a snow storm	ATA
5-Feb	Rte 22A, Bridport	1, dead by side of rd	ATA	14-Jan	orchard nr town ctr, Pomfret	1	VM
8-Feb	Rte 7, Mt Tabor	1, injured, taken to Rutland vet	NAB	19-Jan	Rte 7, OCWMA, Mt Tabor	1	NAB
26-Feb	Bourne Farm, Woodstock	1	JMN	28-Jan	I-89, Sharon	1	FAP, EBP
Short-eared Owl				16-Feb	Ferrisburgh	1	TGM, BMP
6-Jan	DCWMA, Addison	5	TGM, RPa	16-Feb	Coventry	1	REG, OAG
13-Jan	Gage Rd, Addison	1	TGM, JEO	Gray Jay			
3-Feb	DCWMA, Addison	3 or 4	AMS, RPa, TGM	3-Dec	Ferdinand	2	DLC
8-Feb	Gage Rd, Addison	2	FAP, EBP	24-Feb	Victory	2	DLC
Northern Saw-whet Owl				Blue Jay			
28-Jan	Ferrisburgh	1	DLC	W01-02	Sheffield	8, at feeders	PFW, SAW
16-Feb	Merck Forest & Farmland Ctr, Rupert	1	WME	20-Dec	WRM	25	RWP
Belted Kingfisher				29-Dec	Clarendon Flats	16	CJF
2-6-Dec	Benedict Pd, E Dorset	1	BWP, RWS	20-Jan	Reading	11, at feeders	FMH, EJH
9-Dec	Intervale, Burlington	1	EBu	24-Feb	Grand Isle	22	DJH
23-Dec	Mettawee R, Pawlet	1	GRB	American Crow			
14-Jan	Pomfret	1	VM	10-Dec	North Rd, Manchester	>300	BWP
27-Jan	Long Pt, N Ferrisburgh	1 m	TGM	22-Dec	Dorr Rd, Rutland	200	NAB
23-Feb	Rte 7, N Dorset	1	NAB	29-Dec	Clarendon Flats	250	CJF
Red-bellied Woodpecker				23-Jan	I-91, St Johnsbury	135	PFW, SAW
10-Dec	Pawlet	1, at suet, several later sightings	GRB	25-Jan	Grand Isle	208, through 17-Feb	DJH
12-Jan	Greenbush Ave, Charlotte	1 m	JEO	Common Raven			
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker				1-Dec	Glover	10	REG, OAG
				19-Dec	North Rd, Manchester	50, eating in field	BWP
				31-Dec	Sheffield	14	PFW, SAW
				7-Jan	Sylvan Acres Tree Farm, Reading	4	FMH, EJH
				8-Feb	Rte 73, Brandon Gap, N Dorset	4	NAB
				10-Feb	North Rd, Manchester	>30	BWP

DATE	LOCATION	NO.	OBSERVERS
Horned Lark			
12-17-Dec	Grand Isle	>100	DJH
8-Jan	Orwell	~136	RWP
6-Feb	Walker Rd, Ferrisburgh	400	FAP, EBP
12-Feb	Little Chicago Rd, Ferrisburgh	>55	BWP
12-Feb	Rte 22A, Bridport	>70	BWP
17-Feb	Ferrisburgh	~80, in blizzard	BMP
Black-capped Chickadee			
W01-02	North Rd, Manchester	16, at feeders	BWP
W01-02	Reading	15, at feeders	FMH, EJH
20-Dec	WRM	18	RWP
1-Jan	Rte 73, Rochester	21	NAB
27-Feb	Grand Isle	30	DJH
Boreal Chickadee			
3-Dec	Ferdinand	2	DLC
18-Dec	Lincoln	1, at feeder	VT birdlister
Tufted Titmouse			
8-Dec	244 Bonanza Pk, Colchester	7	JDM
15-Dec	Rockingham	14	REG, OAG
24-Dec	Springfield	3	WME
28-Jan	Charlotte/Shelburne	11	DLC
3-Feb	Hartland	3	DAG
Red-breasted Nuthatch			
W01-02	Reading	< 3, at feeders	FMH, EJH
W01-02	Sheffield	< 4, at feeders	PFW, SAW
9-Dec	Springfield	2	WME
15-Dec	Hartland	3	DAG
27-Jan	Rte 73, Rochester	2	NAB
White-breasted Nuthatch			
5-Dec	Champlain Valley, Addison	5	JDM
29-Dec	Clarendon Flats	4	CJF
1-Jan	Rte 73, Rochester	3	NAB
6-Feb	Linden Hill, Woodstock	4	JMN
Brown Creeper			
2-Dec	Putney	1	AMD
5-Dec	Delta Pk, Colchester	1	JDM
14-Dec	Grand Isle	2	DJH
23-Feb	Hartland	2	DAG
27-Feb	Proctor	2	RWP
Carolina Wren			
24-Dec	Thomas Hill, Woodstock	1	LKH
10-Jan	Leddy Pk, Burlington	1	EBu
2-Feb	Shelburne Hts	1	SU
9-Feb	Coventry	1	REG, OAG
Winter Wren			
25-Jan	Chester	1	GF
Golden-crowned Kinglet			
1-Dec	Gifford Hill Rd, Tunbridge	1 m	ATA
21-Jan	River St, Woodstock	2 f, at suet feeder	PHe, DoH
6-Feb	Linden Hill, Woodstock	3	JMN
18-Feb	Sheffield	1	PFW
Ruby-crowned Kinglet			
15-Dec	Brattleboro	1	CBC
Eastern Bluebird			
5-Jan	Charlotte	10	TGM, BMP
9-Jan	Ottawaquechee Health Ctr, Woodstock	10	SBL
13-Jan	Nortontown Rd, Addison	6	TGM, JEO
23-Jan	Gage Rd, Addison	8	FAP, EBP
28-Jan	Ferrisburgh	11	DLC
Hermit Thrush			
1-Jan	Bixby Hill, Essex	1, eating ripe winterberries	FR
American Robin			
27-Jan	Shoreham	~150	JMN, EFG
3-Feb	Shelburne to Pantou	~250	TGM, AMS, RPa
8-Feb	Thompson's Pt Rd, Charlotte	125	FAP, EBP
13-Feb	S Burlington	>300	TGM
17-Feb	Shelburne	112	TGM
20-Feb	Grand Isle	59	DJH
Varied Thrush			
15-Dec,			
1-9-Feb	W Burke Rd, Sutton	1, RSD submitted	LTr, RTr
Gray Catbird			

DATE	LOCATION	NO.	OBSERVERS
15-Dec	Brattleboro	1	CBC
Northern Mockingbird			
15-Dec	Westminster	1	REG, OAG
17-Dec	Williston	1, feeder	LMc
8-Feb	S Burlington	1	TGM
European Starling			
29-Dec	Clarendon Flats	600	CJF
1-Jan	Rte 7, Rutland	150	NAB
13-Jan	Coventry	105	REG, OAG
12-Feb	Walker Rd, Ferrisburgh	800	BWP
American Pipit			
16-Dec	Champlain Islands	2	CBC
16-Dec	Middlebury	1	CBC
Bohemian Waxwing			
2-Dec	Ft Ethan Allen, Colchester	~50	MP
31-Dec	Newport	45	REG, OAG
6-Jan	Ferrisburgh	135	TGM, RPa
17-Jan	Upper Rd, Plainfield	120	BMP
22-Feb	Lyndonville	55	DLC
Cedar Waxwing			
26-Dec	Shelburne	~30	ZL
6-Jan	Ferrisburgh	21	TGM, RPa
2-Feb	Smith St, Shoreham	45	FAP, EBP
8-Feb	Shelburne	~100	TGM, AMS, RPa
8-Feb	Thompson's Pt Rd, Charlotte	25	FAP, EBP
16-Feb	244 Bonanza Pk, Colchester	20	JDM
American Tree Sparrow			
29-Dec	Clarendon Flats	51	CJF
5-Jan	Charlotte	~40	TGM, BMP
8-Jan	Orwell	45	RWP
11-Jan	Rte 7, S Woodstock	13	NAB
6-Feb	Nortontown Rd, Addison	25	FAP, EBP
12-Feb	West Rd, Vergennes	11	BWP
Chipping Sparrow			
28-Jan	Williston	2, OOS submitted	CCW
Field Sparrow			
15-Dec	Mt Abraham	1	CBC
Savannah Sparrow			
12-Feb	DCWMA, Addison	1	BWP
Fox Sparrow			
15-Dec	Ferrisburgh	1	CBC
15-Dec	Saxton's River	1, count week	CBC
Song Sparrow			
1-Dec	Lyndonville	1	DLC
29-Dec	Clarendon Flats	3	CJF
5-Jan	Charlotte	1	TGM, BMP
Swamp Sparrow			
15-Dec	Saxton's River	1	CBC
White-throated Sparrow			
11-Dec	Champlain Valley, Addison	2	JDM
1-Jan	Bixby Hill, Essex	1	FR
5-25-Jan	244 Bonanza Pk, Colchester	1	JDM
White-crowned Sparrow			
2-Dec	Beaver Crk, Shelburne		LH
6-Feb	Snake Mt Rd, Cornwall	1 imm, near a feeder	FAP, EBP
Dark-eyed Junco			
W01-02	244 Bonanza Pk, Colchester	12, maximum count	JDM
21-Dec	North Rd, Manchester	8	BWP
3-Jan	Nicholson's, Woodstock	8	JMN
6-Jan	Springfield	14, also on 3-Feb	WME
10-Jan	Grand Isle	8	DJH
6-Feb	Nortontown Rd, Addison	7	FAP, EBP
Lapland Longspur			
17-Dec	Grand Isle	3	DJH
6-Feb	Walker Rd, Ferrisburgh	8	FAP, EBP
12-Feb	Little Chicago Rd, Ferrisburgh	13	BWP
17-Feb	Ferrisburgh	4, in blizzard	BMP
Snow Bunting			
7-Dec	Grand Isle	136	DJH
5-Jan	N Ferrisburgh	~300	TGM, BMP
6-Jan	West Rd, Addison	~250	TGM, RPa
18-Jan	Janes Rd, Swanton	250	FAP, EBP
20-Jan	Grand Isle	165	DJH

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2-Feb	Jersey St, Addison	400	FAP, EBP
6-Feb	Walker Rd, Ferrisburgh	400	FAP, EBP
17-Feb	Ferrisburgh	~100, in blizzard	BMP
Northern Cardinal			
15-Dec	Westminster	3	REG, OAG
29-Dec	Clarendon Flats	4	CJF
7-Jan	Champlain Valley, Addison	15	JDM
8-Feb	Thompson's Pt Rd, Charlotte	5	FAP, EBP
21-Feb	WRM	9	RWP
Red-winged Blackbird			
13-Jan	Grand Isle	3	DJH
16-Feb	Chester	1	GF
21-Feb	S Pomfret Rd, Woodstock	2	JMN
21-Feb	WRM	29	RWP
24-Feb	Hawkins Rd, Ferrisburgh	~40	NAB
25-Feb	Grand Isle	44	DJH
25-Feb	Manchester Country Club	4 m	BWP
Rusty Blackbird			
23-Dec	Corinth	1, feeder	JSu
29-Dec	Alfrecha Rd, Clarendon	32, single flock	CBC
3-Feb	Long Pt, N Ferrisburgh	4	AMS, TGM, RPa, CP
Common Grackle			
1-Jan	Poultney	1	MHB
28-Feb	Grand Isle	2	DJH
Brown-headed Cowbird			
22-Dec	Grand Isle	1	DJH
25-Feb	Grand Isle	3	DJH
Pine Grosbeak			
1-Dec	Glover	17	REG, OAG
12-Dec	Hubbard Pk, Montpelier	~40	LV-B
19-Dec	Wetherill Ln, Manchester	>45	BWP
28-Dec	River Rd, Sherburne	62	JMN
29-Dec	Rte 7, Rutland	17	NAB
1-Jan	St Johnsbury	88	DLC
1-Feb	Woodstock	21	JMN
Purple Finch			
1-Dec	Lyndonville	1	DLC
House Finch			
4-Jan	Panton Rd, Panton	100	FAP, EBP
22-Jan	Jersey St, Panton	30	EFG
22-Jan	244 Bonanza Pk, Colchester	40	JDM
27-Jan	Farr Cross Rd, Addison	16	JMN, EFG
21-Feb	WRM	14	RWP

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26-Feb	Grand Isle	16	DJH
Red Crossbill			
11-Dec	Stockbridge	1 m, at feeder	EH
White-winged Crossbill			
8-Dec	Brook Rd, Strafford	1 m, at feeder	SDF
17-Dec	Williston	1, at feeder	LMc
14-Jan	Sylvan Acres Tree Farm, Reading	1, injured bird	FMH, EJH
Common Redpoll			
3-Dec	Sutton	111	DLC
19-Dec	Grand Isle	110	DJH
7-Jan	Proctor	~110	RWP
8-Jan	Addison	~150	RWP
22-Jan	Adams Ferry Rd, Panton	300	EFG
27-Jan	Hemingway Hill Rd, Orwell	~175	JMN, EFG
Hoary Redpoll			
11-Feb	Grand Isle	1, RSD submitted	DJH
Pine Siskin			
1-Dec	Victory	2	DLC
12-Dec	S Pomfret	16	TT
12-Dec	Sylvan Acres Tree Farm, Reading	2, seen on 7 dates	FMH, EJH
15-Dec	Hartland	67	DAG
24-Dec	Springfield	18	WME
19-Feb	Springfield	2	WME
American Goldfinch			
5-Dec	Champlain Valley, Addison	12	JDM
22-Dec	Proctor	~35, at feeder	RWP
6-Jan	Springfield	18	WME
7-Jan	Lyndonville	50	PFW, SAW
23-Feb	Hartland	27	DAG
Evening Grosbeak			
3-Dec	Ferdinand	19	DLC
7-Dec	Brighton	18	REG, OAG
18-Dec	Gifford Hill Rd, Tunbridge	15	ATA
23-Jan	Sylvan Acres Tree Farm, Reading	7	FMH, EJH
29-Dec	Sheffield	10	PFW, SAW
5-Feb	Rochester	~30	ATA
House Sparrow			
17-Dec	Gifford Hill Rd, Tunbridge	~25	ATA
1-Jan	Grand Union, Rte 7, Rutland	14	NAB
9-Feb	Coventry	15	REG, OAG

Total species: 137

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Vermont Christmas Bird Count Summary, 2001-2002

Species	Saxtons River 12-15	Brattleboro 12-15	Ferrisburgh 12-15	Mt. Abraham 12-15	Springfield 12-16	Burlington 12-16	Champlain Islands 12-16	Middlebury 12-16	Winhall 12-16	Bennington 12-26	Woodstock 12-28	Island Pond 12-29	Rutland 12-29	Plainfield 12-29	Barnet 1-1	Hinover/ Norwich 1-1	Hinesburg 1-5	TOTAL	
Belted Kingfisher	3	5	1	1	5	1	1		2				1				2	22	
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker							1											1	
Red-bellied Woodpecker										7								7	
Downy Woodpecker	36	30	60	26	41	43	89	66	18	39	43		60	38	29	78	38	734	
Hairy Woodpecker	18	18	20	21	35	30	54	38	21	21	32	6	15	32	25	48	29	463	
Bl-backed/3-toed Wood.												1						1	
Northern Flicker	3	2	4	2		3		6		7			2				1	30	
Pileated Woodpecker	4	2	17	1	4	20	5	23	4	12	4		4	5	7	6	8	126	
Northern Shrike	1 cw		2	2		2 cw			1		2	1		4		1	1	17	
Gray Jay												2						2	
Blue Jay	217	132	154	76	511	108	245	318	89	300	283	15	296	162	169	526	156	3,757	
American Crow	301	326	477	121	748	382	1048	607	31	499	100	8	1308	565	897	2930	104	10,452	
Common Raven	3	4	32	12	23	4	9	7	4	5	23	23	14	41	39	16	31	290	
Horned Lark	160 cw		1364	62	75	2	71	904		29								2,667	
Black-capped Chickadee	697	334	864	191	1233	500	858	650	701	581	1167	346	968	1205	658	1840	865	13,658	
Boreal Chickadee				1				1				4		2				8	
Tufted Titmouse	103	60	48	19	105	54	22	90	12	80	20		83	22	17	129	42	906	
Red-breasted Nuthatch	11	8	20	14	29	9	5	11	26	3	29	14	13	63	37	49	13	354	
White-breasted Nuthatch	86	47	109	41	127	83	110	119	25	60	101	5	118	62	45	141	77	1,356	
Brown Creeper	2	2	5	2	9	9	11	3	3	3	9	1	4	6		8	3	80	
Carolina Wren	2	4	5	2	3 cw			2			1		4			1	5	29	
Winter Wren	cw				1					2								3	
wren sp.			1															1	
Golden-crowned Kinglet	4	171	17	7	30	3	3		17	4	19	8	8	31		23	4	349	
Ruby-crowned Kinglet		1																1	
Eastern Bluebird	13	2	77	8	13	8	6	50		29			14				11	231	
Hermit Thrush						2		1										3	
American Robin	7		134	2	7	22	17	45	1	6				1	12	34	8	296	
Gray Catbird		1																1	
Northern Mockingbird	7	8	4		2			1	2	5						3		32	
European Starling	1339	503	2803	241	726	1554	2006	4966	243	5285	1015	56	2346	452	104	1051	774	25,464	
American Pipit							2	1										3	
Bohemian Waxwing			236		5	159	36	1			158			80	18	106	59	858	
Cedar Waxwing	94	63	676		534	41	1	97		57			275	10		431	7	2,286	
American Tree Sparrow	218	34	339	29	53	120	155	547	1	99	23	7	157	9	29	78	102	2,000	
Field Sparrow				1														1	
Savannah Sparrow			1															1	
Fox Sparrow	cw	cw	1															1	
Song Sparrow	16	4	7	9	1		15	8			3		3			6		72	
Swamp Sparrow	1																	2	
White-throated Sparrow	7	3	3		5			6		14	4		1				7	50	
White-crowned Sparrow			1															1	
sparrow sp.							4											4	
Dark-eyed Junco	132	37	107	13	103	54	15	135		112	20		104 cw		28	83	31	974	
Lapland Longspur			5				cw	32										37	
Snow Bunting			17	20		9	115	189					3			87		440	
Northern Cardinal	55	27	143	26	31	56	146	155	1	31	25	2	88	14	23		57	880	
Red-winged Blackbird		2	24	1				1	2				2					1	33
Rusty Blackbird											1		32			1		34	
Common Grackle			4					1										5	
Brown-headed Cowbird	1		34		1		149	2					40					7	234
Pine Grosbeak	5	11	5	23	80	27	4	16	5 cw		156	111	96	196	147	312	2	1196	
Purple Finch	5		1	22		3	2	2	1	12			1	2	1			52	
House Finch	113	60	154	31	50	170	190	410	15	168	34		178	5		199	60	1,837	
White-winged Crossbill	3 cw		1	1	15	1	18								cw			39	
Common Redpoll	273	40	2316	86	481	360	431	1943	45	64	322	136	510	344	310	187	388	8,236	
Hoary Redpoll			cw															0	
Pine Siskin	42	44	1	4	39	1	1	30	50					73	5	5	6	301	
American Goldfinch	169	94	125	38	189	64	149	219	10	110	45	5	182	91	64	122	42	1,718	
Evening Grosbeak	139	36	20		40	16	1		cw		29	48	39	71	78	63		580	
House Sparrow	774	159	1317	186	653	916	1041	1059	20	351	186	22	652	109	153	627	273	8,498	
TOTAL INDIVIDUALS	5064	2274	11756	1342	6007	4836	7039	12763	1346	7995	3854	821	7621	3695	2896	9203	3203	91,715	
TOTAL SPECIES	38	34	46	36	36	35	40	39	25	30	28	21	34	28	24	33	32	60	

cw= Observed during the Count Period

ABBREVIATIONS :

DC	Dead Creek
DCWMA	Dead Creek Wildlife Management Area
GC	golf course
HC	Herrick's Cove
imm	bird whose exact age could not be determined (not in adult plumage)
Jct	Junction
juv	juvenile
MNWR	Missisquoi National Wildlife Refuge
MWWFAS	Mid-Winter Waterfowl Aerial Survey
NR	Nature reserve
RC	Roundy's Cove
RR	Railroad
S A TF	Sylvan Acres Tree Farm
St Pk	State park
Tri-Town WTP	Tri-Town Water Treatment Plant
TWDR	Thurman W. Dix Reservoir
VINS	Vermont Institute of Natural Science
VTC	Vermont Technical College
WRDP	Winooski River Delta Park, Colchester
WRM	West Rutland Marsh
(#/#)	number of times observed/number of days observer present (during the season)
~	approximately

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From the Editor: This will be my last edition for the Records of Vermont Birds. VINS is currently working on preparations for another Breeding Bird Survey and will be preparing a different format and checklist for the recording of all bird sightings here in Vermont. With this issue the *Records of Vermont Birds* will no longer be published.

I encourage you to continue to record and submit your sightings as you have in the past so that there will be an UNBROKEN continuum to the birding records from our State.

I also thank you for the time, effort and commitment with which you have submitted your sightings.

REPORTING SIGHTINGS

Accounts of rare or unusual bird sightings should be sent to VINS as soon as possible and a Rare Species Documentation (RSD) form may still be requested as the BIRD RECORDS COMMITTEE will continue to review such documentation. Accounts of your regional sightings, while no longer published, should still to be sent promptly at the end of each season. They will continue to be added to the archives. Either electronic or paper checklists and sighting cards may be used. Electronic checklists can be sent to ataversa@together.net while paper checklists can be mailed to Vermont Institute of Natural Science, 27023 Church Hill Road, Woodstock, VT 05091-9642.



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