

window in West Nyack on Oct 14 (EG). Bay-breasted Warbler; only three reports in Dutch and not many more elsewhere, numbers quite low this season. Blackpoll Warbler: two later than usual, one at Cornwall Oct 24 (M & JD), and one at New Paltz Nov 3 (RP). Connecticut Warbler: two records from Dutch, both at Rochdale Sep 11 and Sep 19; one at Pleasantville, West Sep 2. Yellow-breasted Chat: only records—one Sep 10 and one Oct 2, Dutch; numbers no better than last year, still severely low. Wilson's Warbler: numbers were good; one, late, Oct 10 at Rochdale (EP). Canada Warbler: few; first, Aug 16 & 17 in Dutch, peak around Sep 7-9.

BLACKBIRDS—SPARROWS: Blackbirds: huge flights throughout the entire season; the largest flight your reporter has ever seen. Almost every weekend saw long lines of grackles, redwings etc. passing overhead. Several hundred birds per minute were counted with lines often lasting for better than an hour at a time. Scarlet Tanager: numbers lower than usual in fall; last, one Sep 29 at Rochdale (PG). Rose-breasted Grosbeak: normal; one, very late, Oct 13 at Rochdale (PG). Indigo Bunting: scarce. Evening Grosbeak: arrived early (Oct 6) and in good numbers; most areas reported them thru the end of period. House Finch: continues to increase and spread northward. Pine Grosbeak: first, Oct 28 in Dutch and not much later throughout the rest of Region; also in good numbers. Pine Siskin: arrived throughout much of Region on Oct 30; plentiful to end of period. Red Crossbill: appeared in Aug near the home of Sanford Cross in Alligerville, Ulst. White-winged Crossbill: good numbers during the first half of Nov over much of Region—Dutch Nov 2, West Nov 6, Oran Nov 15. *Henslow Sparrow*: always rarely reported; two on Oct 10 at Rochdale (MVW, EP). Slate-colored Junco: two Aug 30 at Deep Hollow, Dutch probably summered; first migrants in mid-Sep through most of Region; in good numbers during the early part of Oct; numbers low for residents at end of period. Tree Sparrow: first two Oct 23 in Dutch; scarce. **CLAY-COLORED SPARROW:** one studied at length at New Paltz by Drs. Heinz Meng and Robert Pyle on Oct 12. White-crowned Sparrow: two Sep 28 at Rochdale—early; WBC reports numbers low in Dutch, but RAS reports more than usual. White-throated Sparrow: good numbers in Sep, less toward end of period. Fox Sparrow: numbers low but scattered birds reported thru Oct and Nov. Lincoln's Sparrow: more than usual; ten reported from Dutch after Oct 21; singles from Oran, Sep 21, and West, Oct 16. Lapland Longspur: three, Oct 23 early, at Pine Plains (FG). Snow Bunting: appeared sparingly in northern part of Region; Oct 1 & 24 in Dutch, Oct 19 in Ulst and Oct 26 in Sull.

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REGION 10 — MARINE

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Only two years ago the Region experienced its biggest flight of crossbills since the beginning of this century, and abnormally high numbers of jays, nuthatches, chickadees, woodpeckers and "winter finches" were present. It was therefore a surprise to see nuthatches and chickadees swarming about in late August and September, hundreds of jays and many woodpeckers in September and October, and by the end of October, Black-backed Three-toed Woodpecker, Boreal Chickadee, Evening Grosbeak, both crossbills and Pine Grosbeak. In early November several Redpoll reports completed the list.

Even bigger than the finch migration was a tremendous incursion of Saw-whet Owls. From the unusually early date of September 28 thru the period, 91 reports were received. Three banding stations which left nets up at night caught 57 Saw-whets. The peak wave on October 17 spread from Nantucket, Mass. to Queen Annes County, Md., with 15 netted at the three Long Island banding stations. The influx

was not over by November 30. (Ed. Note: space limitations have dictated postponing publication of complete details of this invasion until the May issue.)

Northern sea-birds also appeared early and well-distributed throughout the Region. Harlequin Duck set a new arrival date and Common Eider was recorded very early. Alcids, our most irregular and unpredictable winter visitors, were reported nearly everyday from November 11 through the period, from Montauk Point to Point Lookout and even inland on Long Island.

Flights of landbirds seemed poor in numbers this fall, and more flights than usual fell on weekdays when few observers were in the field. Banding stations and observers reported the following species in far less than normal numbers: thrushes (especially Hermit, Swainson's and Gray-cheeked), Ruby-crowned Kinglet, all vireos (except possibly Warbling), most warblers, White-Throated Sparrow, Swamp Sparrow and Song Sparrow. The Slate-colored Junco migration was so poor that it might almost be labeled a disaster. Banding stations reported very few individuals of this usually abundant fall migrant and observers noted maxima of less than two hundred during the last week of October—very late. It is suspected that juncos are tarrying longer in the North rather than decreasing—note the unusually large numbers of juncos on last year's New England Christmas Counts when one would expect a concentration much further South.

Again, data from bird-banding stations has provided the basis for a statistical analysis of the fall passerine migration. Reports were received from five Long Island banding stations as follows: Atlantic Beach—Richard Cohen (over 1200 birds banded on a nearly daily operation, Aug 1—Oct 31); Brookhaven—Walter Terry, Dennis Puleston (5,115 birds banded in 86 days, Aug 1—Oct 31, 5236 net hours); Huntington—Dr. Wesley Lanyon (over 1500 birds banded, daily to early September, weekends to early November); Tiana—LeRoy Wilcox (2202 birds banded in 51 days, daily except Sundays, Aug 30—Oct 30, 1018 net-hours); Tobay—Thomas H. Davis, Frederick Schaeffer, Frank Enders (3607 birds banded in 34 days, mostly weekends, Jul 31—Oct 31, 4373 net-hours). All told, these five stations banded a total of about 14,000 birds of nearly 125 species.

Notable rarities were Eared Grebes, Magnificent Frigatebird, Fulvous Tree Ducks, Purple Gallinule, Sooty Tern, Scissor-tailed Flycatcher, Yellow-throated Warbler, Lark Bunting and Harris Sparrow.

Abbreviations used: JBWR—Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge; AMNH—American Museum of Natural History; LLAS—Lyman Langdon Audubon Society; net-netted. For the following locations only the first word is used: Inwood Hill Park, Jones Beach State Park, Pelham Bay Park, Riis Park, Tobay Wildlife Sanctuary and Van Cortlandt Park. For banding stations: AtlB—Atlantic Beach; Brook—Brookhaven; Hunt—Huntington.

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LOONS—DUCKS: Eared Grebe: JBWR Oct 19 thru period, two present from Nov 7 (mob)—fourth consecutive fall report here. Cory's Shearwater: Montauk—two Sep 5 (LE, RS) and 80, Oct 12 (TD, RS, FB, WH). Gannet: max 200 plus, off Jones Oct 24 (FB). MAGNIFICENT FRIGATEBIRD: adult female Sep 18, Brookhaven (DP et al)—color photographed. Glossy Ibis: counts at roosts—83 Aug 25 Canarsie Pol, 52 Aug 27 Lawrence Marsh (both LE, HH)—highest counts for Region; one remained at JBWR to Nov 26 (mob). Am. Flamingo: Sep 2, Mecox

(LW); disappeared, then turned up Sep 9–Oct 16 at Shinnecock Inlet (mob)—probably an escape. Mute Swan: imm Sept 5 Tobay (CW)—unusual here. Whistling Swan: adult and imm with Mute Swans Oct 20 Montauk (GR)—earliest fall record for Region; Nov 20 Pt Lookout (CW).

Brant: max 10,000 Nov 21 JBWR (WN). Snow Goose: max 40, Oct 27 Brookhaven (DP). Blue Goose: Oct 31 Tobay (TD, P. Meyer et al). FULVOUS TREE DUCK: Oct 31–Nov 1, Van (WN, SS); one captured alive by cat Nov 12 Bellport (fide JB)—4th and 5th records for Region. Green-winged Teal: max 200 plus, Nov 21 JBWR (WN). European Widgeon: drake Oct 6 thru period JBWR (mob). Ring-necked Duck: Sep 27 JBWR (WN)—early. Greater Scaup: max at JBWR—300 on Oct 17, 7000 Nov 21 (both WN). Bufflehead: max 1000 plus, Nov 21 JBWR (WN)—appears to be rapidly increasing on Western Long Island over past three years (990 Dec 22, '63 Bronx Christmas Count and 1000 Dec 27, '64 Bronx C C—highest counts for Region). Harlequin Duck: drake Oct 20 Montauk (GR)—earliest record for Region; four females Nov 27 Montauk (GR); drake Nov 27 Pt Lookout (TD, S. Anes et al). Common Eider: Oct 2 Montauk (LM, RF)—very early. Surf Scoter: eight Aug 22 Jones (TD). Hooded Merganser: max 150 plus, Nov 21 JBWR (WN)—highest count for Region.

HAWKS—OWLS: Sharp-shinned Hawk: seven Oct 24 Jones (CW). Red-tailed Hawk: Oct 24 Jones (CW). Broad-winged Hawk: imm Oct 10 Jones (S. Schiff et al). Golden Eagle: adult Nov 11 Montauk (TD, FB, WH)—feathered tarsus seen as it sat atop pole. Bald Eagle: imm Oct 26–27 Speonk (LW)—eating ducks, "First seen here in 20 years;" two imm Oct 28 thru period Brookhaven (DP, GR)—compare dates. Peregrine Falcon: resident bird arrived at JBWR Sep 17 (FB); six Oct 2 Fire Island (CW)—season total there 24. Sparrow Hawk: 1000 plus, Sep 25 Fire Island (CW, TD et al). Ruffed Grouse: "Apparently down somewhat from peak of last two years but many observations of one to seven at Manorville and Upton thru season" (GR). PURPLE GALLINULE: imm found injured on Westhampton Golf Course Sep 23 (D. Maxwell.), brought to Quoque Wildlife Refuge where it died Sep 26, specimen preserved—first fall record for Region.

Shorebird reports from JBWR: Am. Oystercatcher: two Oct 6 (JB). Golden Plover: Aug 23 (A. Magee) to Oct 10 (mob). Willet: to Nov 25 (mob)—latest record for Region. Greater Yellowlegs: 205 Aug 29 East Pond (TD); 1000 plus, Sep 27 East Pond (WN)—highest count for Region. Knot: max 50 plus, Sep 27 (WN). Baird's Sandpiper: Sep 18 (WN). Long-billed Dowitcher: 30 Sep 4 (PB, WN, JH) to Nov 21, two (WN). Stilt Sandpiper: to Oct 17 (WN). Buff-breasted Sandpiper: Sep 4–7 (WN, PB, JH et al). Marbled Godwit: Sep 12 (S. Schiff) to Nov 14 (WN). Hudsonian Godwit: to Oct 26 (LM, CT). Ruff: Sep 25–28 (WN, M. Kleinbaum). Am. Avocet: Sep 18–25 (mob)—first Regional fall record since 1960. Northern Phalarope: Aug 29 (I. Cantor).

Golden Plover: two Oct 12 Montauk (TD, RS, FB, WH)—sitting on pebble beach. Upland Plover: six Aug 12 Kennedy Airport (N. Holgersen); two Sep 14 Piping Rock Country Club, Lattingtown (L. Nawojchik, R. Cioffi)—late. Solitary Sandpiper: Oct 31 Van (WN). Greater Yellowlegs: 169 Oct 19 Tobay (TD). Hudsonian Godwit: two Sep 4–19, one to Oct 2, Tobay (mob); late Aug Hempstead Reservoir (fide CW). Red Phalarope: four Sep 12 off Jones (Linnaean Boat Trip). Parasitic Jaeger: two adults Oct 12 Montauk (TD, RS, FB, WH). Little Gull: adult Oct 6 Kennedy Airport (JB); adult Nov 27 Montauk (mob). Black-legged Kittiwake: Montauk—two Nov 16 (GT), six Nov 27 (mob). SOOTY TERN: two Sep 8 Mecox Bay (LW). Least Tern: JBWR, one to Oct 10 (mob)—latest record for Region. Caspian Tern: two Sep 20 Shinnecock (LW); two Oct 2 Tobay (TD, RS); five Oct 2 Sagaponack (LM, RF). Black Skimmer: 2000 Aug 29 JBWR (JB)—highest count for Region; 700 plus, Oct 3 JBWR (WN). Razorbill: Montauk—four Nov 16 (GT, LM), two Nov 27 (LE, FE, GR, RS), two Nov 28 (DP). Dovekie: at Montauk—

eight Nov 11 (TD, FB, WH), five Nov 13 (LLAS), 31 Nov 16 (LM, GT), eight Nov 27 (LE, FE, GR, RS); at Pt Lookout—two Nov 14 (TD, LM, FE), two Nov 27 (TD, FB); at Shinnecock Inlet—one Nov 16 (SS), one Nov 21 (DP, GR); one Nov 21 Blue Pt (DP)—five miles inland, found alive in field.

Barn Owl: Nov 21 Oak Beach (CW et al). Barred Owl: Sep 26 Inwood (WN)—migrant. SAW-WHET OWL: large invasion; first, one found dead Sep 28 Jones (fide JB). Of 91 reports received, two were in Sep, 56 in Oct and 33 in Nov. Banding station totals—12 at Hunt Oct 10–31; 14 at Tobay Oct 3–31; 31 at AtlB Sep 30–Nov 30; also six captured and banded along Jones strip Nov 21 and 27 (TD). There were no repeats at the banding stations nor were any banded birds recovered at any other locality. Complete details in May issue.

GOATSUCKERS—STARLING: Yellow-shafted Flicker: peak, (14) net Sep 26 Tobay. Red-headed Woodpecker: only reports—imm Oct 9 Jones (LE et al) and imm Oct 27 Riis (FB). Yellow-bellied Sapsucker: 13 net AtlB Sep 26–Oct 9, max (six) Oct 6; 11 net Tobay Sep 26–Oct 10, max (five) Oct 3; none net Brook. Hairy Woodpecker: flight year; ten net Brook Sep 3–Oct 30; three net Hunt Sep 4–Oct 2; one each net Tiana and Tobay Oct 19. Downy Woodpecker: flight year; 52 net Brook Aug 3–Oct 30, peak (22) Oct 17–30; 41 net Tobay July 31–Oct 30, peak (15) Oct 17–30; 15 net Hunt Aug 15–Oct 17; 14 net AtlB July 31–Oct 11; 11 net Tiana Aug 30–Oct 30. Black-backed Three-toed Woodpecker: male Oct 17 Great Neck (W. Davis); Oct 22 Bronx Pk (D. Rafferty); Nov 16 Brookhaven Nat. Lab. (SS).

Eastern Kingbird: 910 Aug 29 Riis (TD)—sunrise to 9 AM, migrating in loose flocks of up to 40 birds, highest count for Region. Western Kingbird: seven (all coastal) Oct 3–24. SCISSOR-TAILED FLYCATCHER: Sep 11 West Gilgo Beach (TD, FE); Sep 12 Tobay (CW); Sep 16 Jones (E. Levine)—probably all same bird, fourth fall record for Region. Eastern Phoebe: 32 net Tobay Sep 25–Oct 20, max (11) Sep 26; 29 net Tiana Sep 27–Oct 15, max (16) Oct 11; max net AtlB (ten) Oct 11. Yellow-bellied Flycatcher: 12 net Hunt Aug 17–Sep 26, peak (five) Aug 30–Sep 4; one each net Brook Sep 22 and Tobay Sep 4. Acadian Flycatcher: three net Brook Sep 2, Oct 3 and 4—latest for Region. Traill's Flycatcher: 14 net Brook Aug 11–Sep 27; eight net Hunt Aug 12–Sep 18; eight net Tobay July 31–Sep 25, max (four) Sep 4; one net AtlB Aug 29. Least Flycatcher: 16 net Hunt July 16–Sep 15, peak (five) Aug 30–31; four net Tobay Sep 4–Oct 9; ten net Brook Aug 4–Oct 11, latest record for Region; one net AtlB Oct 8. "Empidonax" (probably Least): two net Tiana Oct 11; Oct 12 Riis (WN, RF, RP); Oct 12 Montauk Pt (TD, RS); one net Tiana Oct 14.

Blue Jay: flight year; 86 net Brook Aug 4–Oct 26, peak (55) Sep 18–Oct 9; 72 net Hunt Aug 15–Nov 14, peak (37) Sep 18–Oct 17. Black-capped Chickadee: flight year; 216 net Brook Aug 3–Oct 31, peak (119) Sep 29–Oct 14; 26 net Tobay Sep 26–Oct 31, peak (19) Sep 26–Oct 10. Boreal Chickadee: Oct 31 Van (WN); Nov 8 Rye (SS); Nov 28 Montauk (DP). White-breasted Nuthatch: flight year, usually rare on coast; 12 net Tobay Sep 18–Oct 2; ten net AtlB Sep 19–Oct 16; five net Brook Oct 13–28. Brown Creeper: 50 net Tobay Sep 18–Oct 31, max (19) Oct 3; 29 net Brook Sep 26–Oct 31, peak (12) Oct 3–4; 19 net Tiana Sep 27–Oct 28, max (eight) Oct 11; max net AtlB (19) Oct 3, (17) Oct 10, (ten) Oct 11. House Wren: 26 net Brook Aug 1–Oct 5, max (five) Sep 7; four net Tiana, to Oct 26—late. Winter Wren: max 15 at Inwood Oct 11 (WN)—highest count for Region; nine net Brook Oct 6–31, peak (eight) Oct 6–13. Long-billed Marsh Wren: 17 net Brook Aug 7–Oct 18, max (three) Sep 26; five net Tobay Sep 19–26, max (three) Sep 26. Short-billed Marsh Wren: Oct 17 JBWR (WN). Catbird: 437 net Brook Aug 1–Oct 19, 228 in Aug and 186 in Sep; 178 net Hunt Aug 15–Nov 7, peak (25) Sep 26 (101 Sep 18–Oct 10); 137 net Tobay July 31–Oct 30, peaks (39) Sep 4–6 and (16) Sep 26.

Robin: 91 net Tobay Aug 22–Oct 31, peak (27) Oct 30. Wood Thrush: max

counts—eight net Tobay Sep 26; nine net Hunt Sep 26. Hermit Thrush: poor flight—41 net Tobay Oct 16–31, peak (25) Oct 30; eight net Tiana Oct 7–26; 15 net Brook Oct 3–29; 20, Oct 29 Inwood (WN); 30, Oct 26 Riis (GT). Swainson's Thrush: peak net Hunt (77) Sep 26–27; 30 net Brook Aug 30–Oct 13, peak (18) Sep 26–28; 25 net Tobay Sep 18–Oct 20, max (13) Sep 26; 21 net AtlB Sep 7–Oct 29 (one to Nov 8); max 40, Sep 26 Inwood (WN). Gray-checked Thrush: peak net Hunt (24) Sep 26–27; 21 net Tobay Sep 25–Oct 3, peak (16) Sep 26; 18 net Brook Sep 26–Oct 14; 13 net AtlB Sep 19–Oct 11; seven net Tiana Sep 20–Oct 11. Veery: 13 net Tobay Aug 22–Sep 6, peak (ten) Sep 4–5; peak net Hunt (32) Aug 30–31; nine net Brook Aug 31–Oct 4, peak (seven) Sep 6–8. Blue-gray Gnatcatcher: seven reports, last Oct 29 (net at Tiana). Golden-crowned Kinglet: 52 net Tiana, peak (14) Oct 11; peak net Hunt (21) Oct 17; 21 net Tobay Oct 3–24, peak (eight) Oct 3. Ruby-crowned Kinglet: poor flight; 116 net Tiana, peak (26) Oct 11; 32 net Tobay Sep 26–Oct 30, peak (six) Oct 17; peaks net AtlB (17) Oct 3 and (12) Oct 11; peak net Hunt (23) Oct 3. Water Pipit: Sep 7 Montauk (GR)—early. Northern Shrike: one net Tiana Sep 20—earliest record for Region by a month; Nov 16 Montauk (LM, GT). Starling: max counts of flocks migrating west along coast—several hundreds, Tobay Oct 24 (TD); several 1000, Oct 27 Jones (PB, W. Sedwitz); 2000 plus, Nov 7 Riis (TD).

VIREOS—WARBLERS: White-eyed Vireo: two net Brook Aug 17 and Sep 11. Yellow-throated Vireo: one net Brook Sep 9. Red-eyed Vireo: 31 net Tobay Sep 4–Oct 17, peak (13) Sep 26. Philadelphia Vireo: only seven reports (incl. one net) Sep 10–Oct 5. Warbling Vireo: Inwood Sep 7 (WN); four net Tobay, two each Sep 4 and 5; one net Tiana Sep 9—rare coastal migrant.

Warblers: Black-and-white: 30 net Tobay Sep 19–Oct 24, peak (23) Sep 26; one net AtlB Nov 8 and one seen Nov 23—extremely late. Worm-eating: one net Brook Aug 18. "Brewster's": Aug 22, Inwood (WN). Orange-crowned: nine reports (incl. two nettings) Sep 23–Oct 20. Nashville: max ten Aug 31 Inwood (WN); Nov 23 Tryon Pk (S. Raices)—late. Yellow: 155 net Brook, peak (92) Aug 3–14; one net Tiana Oct 11—very late. Magnolia: 20 net Tobay Sep 4–Oct 3, peak (15) Sep 25–26; peak net Hunt, ten Sep 26. Myrtle: 411 net Hunt Oct 2–Nov 14, peak (137) Oct 17; 933 net Tiana Sep 20–Oct 30, peak (213) Oct 11; 1001 net Brook Aug 13–Oct 31, peaks (268) Oct 11 and (208) Oct 14; 1501 net Tobay Sep 4–Oct 3, peaks (556) Oct 16 and (234) Oct 30. Black-throated Green: max four net Tobay Sep 26. YELLOW-THROATED WARBLER: Sep 18–19 Riis (J. Mayer, G. Rose, E. Swayer et al)—fifth fall record for Region (all coastal). Chestnut-sided: one net Tiana Oct 11—late. Blackpoll: 27 net Tobay Sep 11–Oct 22, peak (nine) Sep 26. Pine: five reports (incl. three net) Sep 26–Oct 27. Prairie: max five net Tobay Sep 25; net Tiana Oct 26—late. Palm: poor year; first Aug 29 Riis (F. Heath)—early; 45 net Tiana Sep 16–Oct 30, peak (26) Oct 4–13 (268 net last fall); 20 net Tobay Sep 18–Oct 23; 49 net Brook Sep 14–Oct 28, peak (25) Sep 27–Oct 11. Ovenbird: 15 net Brook Aug 3–Oct 4 (11 in Sep). Northern Waterthrush: 54 net Hunt July 21–Oct 17, peak (nine) Sep 8; 44 net Tobay Aug 1–Oct 9, peak (three) Sep 26; 114 net Brook Aug 1–Oct 14, peak (25) Sep 8–9; four net Tiana, one on Oct 28—late. Kentucky: one net AtlB Sep 19—color photographed. Connecticut: two net Hunt Sep 8 and 26; four net Brook Sep 11 (two), 12 and 16; one net Tiana Sep 20; Oct 13 Inwood (WN); Sep 18 Jones (CW). Mourning: three net Hunt Aug 11, Sep 25, 27; three net Brook Sep 15, 16, 30; Aug 30 Inwood (WN); Oct 3 Jones (R. Arbib)—late. Yellowthroat: 78 net Tobay, peaks (15) Aug 15, Sep 26; 457 net Brook, peaks (23) Aug 16 and (20) Sep 26; peak net AtlB (16) Sep 26–27; Nov 25 Inwood (WN)—late. Yellow-breasted Chat: nine net Tiana Aug 30–Oct 25; 13 net Brook Aug 14–Oct 3; five net Hunt Sep 24–Oct 31; three net Tobay Aug 14, 15, 22; one net AtlB Sep 13; Sep 17–18 Inwood (WN). Canada: peak net Hunt (14) Aug 29–30; max 30, Aug 31 Inwood (WN). Redstart: 55 net Tobay Aug 14–Oct 10, peak (19) Sep 26; 48 net Brook Aug 4–Oct 24, peak (nine) Sep 9.

BLACKBIRDS—SPARROWS: Red-winged Blackbird: 910 Aug 29 Riis (TD)—

early movement; max 3000 plus, Nov 2 Riis (TD et al); 800 Nov 2 Inwood (GT, LM). Baltimore Oriole: max—40 Aug 29 Riis (TD), 200 Aug 22 Tobay (A. Dignan)—highest counts for Region; 37 net Brook Aug 6—Oct 8, peak (34) Aug 13—25. Brown-headed Cowbird: max 1500 Nov 27 Pelham (GT). Western Tanager: Sep 30 Inwood (WN); Oct 3 Jones (R. Arbib). Summer Tanager: one net AtlB Sep 15—color photographed. Blue Grosbeak: Oct 8 Inwood (WN); Nov 9—14 East Marion (J. Bennett, GR)—very late. Dickcissel: only five reports, Sep 12—Oct 16. Evening Grosbeak: Oct 16 Jones (fide M. Kleinbaum); two Oct 17 Tobay (TD, FE); Oct 18 Tiana (LW); 20, Oct 20 Inwood (WN)—“daily after this;” max 150 Nov 5 Locust Valley (W. Astle); four at feeder Nov 12 Manhasset (J. Prior). House Finch: “flock of 30—40 appeared in mid—Oct at East Marion where previously only a few strays had been seen.” (GR). Pine Grosbeak: two Oct 25 Inwood (WN); Nov 6 Jones (J. Von Glahn); Nov 16 Montauk (LM).

Redpoll: Nov 1 New Rochelle (SS); two Nov 6 Riis (FB); Nov 7 JBWR (mob); six Nov 14 JBWR (WN). Pine Siskin: first, Oct 2 Tobay (TD); “largest flight I have ever seen on Long Island”, counts at Tiana first Oct 6, 400 Oct 18, 600 Oct 19, 1000 Oct 25, 500 Oct 27, 700 Oct 28, 200 Oct 29 (LW); 1000 plus, Jones, Oct 24 (CW) and Oct 27 (PB, W. Sedwitz). Goldfinch: 86 net Tiana, all but one in Oct; 210 net Brook, 191 in Oct. Red Crossbill: ten Oct 26 Inwood (WN); seven Nov 2 JBWR (WN); max 25 Nov 7 Riis (TD, JY); small flocks reported along coast thru Nov. White-winged Crossbill: 25 Oct 29 Inwood (WN); eight Oct 31 East Marion (J. Bennett); max 50 Nov 7 Riis (TD, JY); 40 Nov 16 Montauk (LM, GT); reported along coast in small numbers thru Nov. Rufous-sided Towhee: 55 net Tobay Aug 14—Oct 19, peak (14) Sep 19; 14 net AtlB Oct 11. LARK BUNTING: one in female or winter plumage, closely observed in flight at Westhampton Beach Oct 17 (GR)—“Wing markings, other characteristics clearly seen. I have seen large numbers in the West.” Savannah Sparrow: 67 net Tobay Sep 11—Oct 31, peak (14) Sep 26; 66 net Tiana Sep 3—Oct 30, peak (nine) Oct 14; 132 net Brook Sep 8—Oct 31, peak (36) Oct 14. Grasshopper Sparrow: four reports (incl. three net) Oct 6—27. Henslow’s Sparrow: Oct 11 Inwood (WN). Sharp-tailed Sparrow: migrants net Tobay Aug 15 and Oct 3, Tiana Sep 29, Brook Oct 3; one of the inland race Nov 19 Van (WN). Seaside Sparrow: migrant net Tiana Aug 30. Vesper Sparrow: max 20, Oct 23 Baxter Creek, Bronx (WN). Lark Sparrow: four reports (incl. one net at Tiana) Sep 19—Nov 27, Montauk (LE, GR, FE, RS)—very late. Slate-colored Junco: poor flight; net Brook Oct 3—30; nine net Hunt Oct 3—24; 85 net Tiana (579 last fall) Sep 27—Oct 30, peak (27) Oct 26; 46 net Tobay Oct 3—31, peak (25) Oct 17; peak net AtlB (35) Oct 25—26. Clay-colored Sparrow: Oct 23 Riis (SS, J. Mayer, G. Rose, C. Young); Oct 31 Quogue Wildlife Refuge (DP). HARRIS’ SPARROW: adult at feeder Oct 31—Nov 3, Quogue Wildlife Refuge (LW, DP, GR et al)—photographed, third record for Region. White-throated Sparrow: 116 net Tobay Sep 18—Oct 31, peaks (34) Oct 17 and (35) Oct 30; 73 net Brook Sep 11—Oct 29, peak (ten) Oct 16; 130 net Hunt Sep 26—Nov 14, peak (23) Oct 31; peaks net AtlB (49) Oct 11, (89) Oct 11—13; max 750 plus, Oct 11 Inwood (WN). Lincoln’s Sparrow: 19 net Brook Sep 14—Oct 29 (three), peak (six) Sep 27—30; seven net, “a few others” seen Sep 26—Oct 28 Manorville (GR); four net Tiana Sep 21—Oct 14; three each net Tobay Sep 18—Oct 17, Hunt Sep 27—Oct 10, AtlB Sep 28—Nov 16 (very late). Swamp Sparrow: 558 net Brook (last fall 1389 net) Aug 20—Oct 31, peak (59) Oct 14 (502 in Oct); 59 net Tobay Sep 26—Oct 31, peak (18) Oct 30; peak net Hunt, ten Oct 10. Song Sparrow: poor flight; 570 net Brook (832 last year) Aug 1—Oct 31, peak (39) Oct 25; 212 net Tobay July 31—Oct 31, peak (34) Oct 17 and (35) Oct 30; 125 net Tiana (348 last year) Aug 30—Oct 30, peaks (16) Oct 26 and 13 Oct 29; 56 net Hunt Aug 15—Nov 17, peak (17) Oct 31. Snow Bunting: early arrival; three Oct 17 JBWR (WN); Oct 17 Tobay (TD); Oct 18 Tiana (LW).

Note Please have Winter reports in by April 7 (preferably a week earlier).

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