

Stilt Sandpiper: two or three ED Jul 21–24 (AA, DG). Semipalmated Sandpiper: last ED Jun 3; first fall migrants Jul 21. Western Sandpiper: one ED Aug 13 (AA). Sanderling: first Jul 31.

Great Black-backed Gull: last spring, one LG Jun 10; first fall, two ED Aug 13 (AA, JB). Herring and Ring-billed Gulls: locally common along L Ontario especially ED and vicinity, and along St. Lawrence R. Bonaparte's Gull: two ED Jul 31 (DG). Common Tern: locally common, same areas as Herring and Ring-billed Gulls. Caspian Tern: PRGMA Jun 11; ED Jul 24 thru period. Black Tern: usual breeding colonies at PRGMA and Ives Street Rd marsh, Wat. locally common. Mourning Dove: thru period. Black-billed Cuckoo: thru period. Screech Owl: near Dexter Jun 13. Great Horned Owl: near Wat in Jun. Barred Owl: S Edwards, heard Jul 26 (AA).

GOATSUCKERS—STARLING: Flicker: hybrid Burrville Jul 25 (DG). Red-headed Woodpecker: still uncommon with reports from Campbells Pt Jun 15, near PRGMA Jul 1, near Philadelphia Aug 12; pair feeding young in hole PRGMA heronry Jul 17; two imm near Pamela Aug 10. Yellow-bellied Sapsucker: locally common THP and St Law Co. Eastern Kingbird: seemed numerous thruout Region. Cliff Swallow: two active colonies noted in St Law Co (AA) but previously active colonies in Jeff and Lewis Co not active this year (AA, DG). *MOCKINGBIRD*: nest with two young in mockorange bush Jul 12 near Brownville, left the nest Jul 14 (mob)-first successful nesting in Jeff Co known to editor; one Wat Aug 10–12 (AA). Eastern Bluebird: several scattered localities including two known nests; seem most common on Camp Drum and near its borders. Loggerhead Shrike: seemed more uncommon during summer.

VIREOS—WARBLERS: Yellow-throated Vireo: two MRW Jul 6. Solitary Vireo: S Edwards Jun 29. Warblers: Black-and white, Nashville, Yellow, Black-throated Blue, Myrtle, Black-throated Green, Blackburnian, Chestnut-sided, Ovenbird, Northern Waterthrush, Yellowthroat, Canada and Am. Redstart all seen commonly in usual habitats. More notable were Cerulean: Knowlesville Rd woods about 5 mi. N of Wat Jul 1. Blackpoll: last MRW Jun 3. Mourning: MRW Jul 1.

BLACKBIRDS—SPARROWS: All icterids noted in usual large numbers, most flocking in Aug. Brown-headed Cowbird: found parasitizing following species this summer: Catbird, Wood Thrush, Veery, Red-eyed Vireo, Yellow Warbler, Towhee, Chipping Sparrow, Song Sparrow. Slate-colored Junco: nest with four eggs Jun 29 near S Edwards was successful.

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REGION 8 — ADIRONDACK – CHAMPLAIN

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According to Ray Faulkener on the radio, this summer was characterized by "more haze than any other summer we can remember." It was also hot. On June 4 our thermometer registered 108 degrees in the sun at 5:08 pm! June nights rarely went below 60 degrees, the humidity was regularly in the 80s and 90s and there were many days of showers and thunder showers.

July followed much the same pattern. We could not see the mountains for days at a time. The humidity was 95% at Ray Brook on July 24.

For August 6 we have the joyous note "Clear Day: temp 54 degrees at 8:30 am, 15 degrees cooler than past muggy days." Perhaps these conditions were welcome to the insect world. We have many notes of butterflies, lady bugs, grasshoppers, beetles, crickets, caterpillars, etc. but we did not mark a corresponding upsurge in bird numbers.

A pair of Cardinals at Bloomingdale was unusual. Reports of immature Evening Grosbeaks seem to increase each year but, otherwise, there was not much of note.

Schetty determined his nest sites "either by singing males, birds with food in their bills, or actual nests found by us." He was at Elk Lake from June 24 to Aug 4.

It is interesting to compare numbers reported on the U.S. Fish and Wildlife 25-mile Breeding Bird Surveys, which are included for some species. Williams and Chase took theirs June 20 at Speculator and Willsboro respectively. Meade's was taken five days later at St Regis Falls. Unfortunately, only eleven stops of the latter could be completed because of adverse weather conditions.

Observers: EA—Elizabeth Anderson; EB—Elizabeth Barnet; GC—Geoffrey Carleton; GTC—Greenleaf T. Chase; HD—Harriet Delafield; JH—Joseph Hart; RH—Robert Hager; DMcI—Dorothy McIlroy; JK—Joseph Keji; MK—Marguerite Kingsbury; GM—Gordon Meade; JM—James Merritt; RM—Ruth Meier; MRS—Mary and Robert Sheffield; FS—Frank Schetty; IW—Isabel Williams; RW—Ruth Williams; DY—David Young.

Abbreviations: Aus —Ausable Marsh; B—Brook; P—Pond; RB—Ray Brook; SL—Saranac Lake ;TL—Tupper Lake.

LOONS—DUCKS: Common Loon: one nest, one surviving young out of two Elk L (FS); one Jun 2 Little Clear P, two adults, two imm Jul 20 Duck P (JH); pair Mountain P Jul 21 (Martin *vide* JH); two adults one imm Jul 1 L Clear (EB); two adults one imm Jul 28 Weller P (RM); one Aug 6 L Kiwassa to Pine P (GM); one calling Aug 12 RB (MK). Pied-billed Grebe: one L Alice Aug 11 (GM). Great Blue Heron: two Jun 20 (F&WBBS—RW); one Jun 13 Santa Clara Flow, Two Jun 16 Madawaska Flow, four Aus M Jun 23, the latter are regular visitors (JH); JK was surprised to see only one Aug 9 RB. American Bittern: five young on bog near Elk L (FS); one Jun 10 TL (MK); one Santa Clara Flow, one Jun 16 Madawaska Flow (JH); one Jul 30 Stony Creek P (RM).

Canada Goose: 18 L Alice Aug 11 (GM). Black Duck: one nest Elk L (FS); nest with six eggs Jun 6 Upper Saranac L brought off brood (M Muncil), one or two thru period RB (JK); one Jun 23 Aus M (JH); one or two L Kiwassa Aug 8 (GM). Blue-winged Teal: four L Alice Aug 11 (GM). Wood Duck: one Elk L (FS); one Jun 13 Santa Clara Flow, one Jun 23 Aus M (JH); six L Alice Aug 11 (GM). Ring-necked Duck: ten Madawaska Flow Jun 16 (JH); 16 Aug 8 L Kiwassa to Pine P (GM). Hooded Merganser: one or two Jun 19 & 27 RB (JK); eight over Saranac R near SL Jul 28 (HD); two L Alice Aug 11 (GM). Common Merganser: three nests Elk L (FS); adult and about ten imm Piseco L late Jul (DMcI).

HAWKS—OWLS: Goshawk: one nest, birds observed around nest site Jun 24-Jul 12 Elk L (FS); 5th year of occupancy at Jay nest site, birds observed Jun 10, 18, 24 and Jul 2, last visit "three brown full grown birds in the nest ready to go" (RH). Sharp-shinned Hawk: one Elk L (FS); one Elizabethtown Aug 14 (GC). Red-tailed Hawk: two adults, one imm Elk L Jun 24-Jul 1 (MRS); one full-grown imm

Jul 3 and several days thereafter Keene (RH). Broad-winged Hawk: two nest sites Elk L (FS); four Jun 13, one or two thru period RB (JK); one near Speculator Jun 20 (DMcI). Bald Eagle: one adult Vly L Jul 29 (DMcI). Osprey: one Santa Clara Flow Jun 13, one Miller P Jul 26, two young in nest Quebec B early Aug (JH); one Jun 27 and Aug 7 RB (JK); one Little TL Aug 1 (RH). Sparrow Hawk: downy young Aug 1 "two months late", one Jun 20 Willsboro Village (GTC).

Ruffed Grouse: four nest sites Elk L (FS); "good year" Jay and vicinity (RH); five imm able to fly Jul 20 RB (JK); one Jun 23 TL, female with eight young Axton Jul 25 (RM). Killdeer: one Jun 4 SL (HD). American Woodcock: one Elk L (FS); one Willsboro Jun 20 (GTC); many broods Jay-Lewis area (RH); one TL Aug 5 (RM). Spotted Sandpiper: one nest Elk L (FS). Solitary Sandpiper: one Jul 25 RB (JK). Lesser Yellowlegs: one L Alice Aug 11 (GM). Herring Gull: two or three RB thru period (JK); two or three Connerly P Jun 4, TL Jun 10 (MK); five Ausable Forks Jul 18 (HD). Ring-billed Gull: five visitors Elk L (FS); three Jun 10 TL (MK). Common Tern: one TL Jun 6 (MK). Black Tern: one Oseetah L Jul 29 (GM). Mourning Dove: five Jun 20 (F&WBBS-GTC); four Ausable Forks Aug 11 (GM); one Aug 15 RB (JK). Black-billed Cuckoo: one Jul 9 RB (JK); one Jun 20 SL (HD); one near Vly L Jul 29 (DMcI). Screech Owl: one Elk L (FS). FS was surprised not to hear or see Barred, Great Horned or Saw-whet Owls.

GOATSUCKERS-STARLING: Whip-poor-will: one Jun 2 Rockefeller Pk (L Hart); one Jun 21 SL (HD); one Jun 2-Aug 15, heard frequently TL (RM); one Jun 20 (F&WBBS-GTC). Common Nighthawk: one Jul 15 RB (JK); one or two early Jun TL (RM, MK). Chimney Swift: three to ten Elk L late Jun (MRS); four Jun 21 SL (HD); up to 15 thru period RB (JK); nine Jun 20 (F&WBBS-RW). Ruby-throated Hummingbird: 11 nest sites Elk L (FS); two thru period RB (JK); two Jul 8 Bloomingdale (IW); pair, young observed SL (EB). Belted Kingfisher: one nest Elk L (FS); one or two thru period RB (JK). Yellow-shafted Flicker: one or two pairs reported from all areas but some observers thought numbers were down from recent years. Pileated Woodpecker: one Elk L (FS); one Jun 2 RB (Orcutt *fide* JH); on F&WBBS, one each Jun 20 GTC and RW. Yellow-bellied Sapsucker: at Elk L, 25 possible nest sites as compared to 15 in '66 (FS); usual one or two pairs other areas. Hairy & Downy Woodpeckers: normal—one or two pairs of each from most observers, four nest sites for Hairys and two for Downys Elk L (FS); young are most likely to be seen by those who maintain feeders thru the summer, Black-backed Three-toed Woodpecker: one Elk L (FS, MRS); one Jul 25 Axton (MK).

Eastern Kingbird: one to three Elk L (FS); RB (JK); Heart L and TL (MK); SL (HD); Axton (RM); on F&WBBS Jun 20 (GTC and RW). Great Crested Flycatcher: one Elk L (FS); RB Jun 8 & 9 (JK); Jun 6 SL (HD); on F&WBBS eight Jun 20 (GTC), one Jun 25 (GM). Eastern Phoebe: one or two pairs all areas. Yellow-bellied Flycatcher: one Elk L (MRS, FS); one Jun 3 Phelps Mt (MK); "unusually common in spruce habitats near Jay" (RH). Traill's Flycatcher: one Jun 4 Heart L, Jun 6 TL (MK); one Jun 7 and Aug 9 RB (JK); on F&WBBS, one Jun 20 (RW), three Jun 25 (GM); four nest sites Elk L (FS). Least Flycatcher: 27 possible nest sites Elk L (FS); three SL to Saranac Inn Jun 11 (HD); on F&WBBS, four Jun 20 (GTC), 15 Jun 20 (RW), two Jun 25 (GM); one or two thru period RB (JK). Eastern Wood Pewee: one or two only reported from all areas except Elk L where FS counted 13 possible nest sites. Olive-sided Flycatcher: 11 sites Elk L (FS); one Jun 1 and Jul 10 RB (JK); on F&WBBS, two Jun 20 (RW), four Jun 25 (GM); one singing Aug 3-6 SL (EA). Horned Lark: one Willsboro Jun 20 (GTC).

Tree Swallow: max 200 mostly imm on wires Piseco Jul 17 (DMcI); "at least 60" nest sites Elk L (FS); otherwise two or three pairs reported all areas. Bank Swallow: decidedly down this year—from 30 sites in '65 to six in '67 Elk L (FS); "not as

numerous" RB (JK); two to four reported other areas. Rough-winged Swallow: four Elk L (FS). Barn Swallow: 100 Franklin Falls Jul 18, 300 SL Jul 19 (EA, HD); six to 12 pairs reported other areas. Cliff Swallow: for the first time in over 20 years none at Elk L (FS); one to three Jun 1 thru Aug 7 RB (JK); two Jun 20 (F&WBBS-RW). Purple Martin: three Jun 20 (F&WBBS-GTC); three Keeseville Aug 11 (GM). Gray Jay: two adults, four imm Jun 17 Madawaska (RH). Blue Jay: normal—from two to 18 seen in a day, young brought to feeders. Common Crow: small numbers SL, RB, Elk L; 23 Jun 20 (F&WBBS-GTC). Black-capped Chickadee: normal—same as Blue Jay but more in groups than jays. Boreal Chickadee: one Phelps Mt Jun 3 (MK); one Jun 6–24 SL (EB); unusually common in spruce habitat SL and Jay (RH); nine nest sites Elk L (FS); 25 Paul Smiths Jul 30 (JM); one Jul 27, three Aug 13 RB (JK). White-breasted Nuthatch: shy in summer but there are small numbers about; six nest sites Elk L (FS). Red-breasted Nuthatch: young Jul 18 RB (MK); 15 nest sites Elk L (FS). Brown Creeper: two nest sites Elk L (FS); one Aug 7 & 9 RB (JK).

House Wren: on F&WBBS, one Jun 20 (GTC), one Jun 25 (GM). Winter Wren: 17 nest sites Elk L (FS); scattered reports of one to three other areas. Long-billed Marsh Wren: two Kings Bay Aug 11 (GM). Catbird: one or two pairs RB (JK); SL (HD); on F&WBBS, eight Jun 20 (GTC), 12 Jun 25 (GM). Brown Thrasher: one Jun 1–Aug 9 RB (JK); one Jun 4 Heart L (MK); one Jun thru Jul 27 SL (HD); one Jun 20 (F&WBBS-GTC); one Jun 1–25, young observed Jun 20 Bloomingtondale (IW). Robin: common to abundant all areas. Wood Thrush: same as past few years, scattered reports of one to four birds from various observers. Hermit Thrush: 14 nest sites Elk L (FS); 12 Jun 20 (F&WBBS-GTC); one or two reports other areas. Swainson's Thrush: nine nest sites Elk L (FS); several singing Jul 18 Piseco (DMcI). Gray-cheeked Thrush: three singing Phelps Mt Jun 3 (MK); one Elk L (FS). Veery: on F&WBBS, 17 Jun 20 (GTC), 14 Jun 20 (RW), five Jun 25 (GM); one heard thru period TL (RM); RB (JK); SL (HD); two nest sites Elk L (FS). Eastern Bluebird: first one in 27 years of birding seen one day at Elk L (FS *et al*); arr Vermontville May 18, last egg May 25, five young Jun 12 (Tyler); two Jul 29 RB (JK); two to four SL Jun 11 thru period (EA, HD). Golden-crowned Kinglet: six nest sites Elk L (FS); two Aug 9 RB (JK). Ruby-crowned Kinglet: two nest sites Elk L (FS); one singing male Jun 17 Madawaska (RH); one Jun 25 (F&WBBS-GM); one Jul 31 SL (HD). **LOGGERHEAD SHRIKE**: one Ross Pk Aug 11 (RH). Cedar Waxwing: 50 pairs Elk L (FS); three to ten, other areas. Starling: 20 Aug 11 SL (HD); one nest Elk L (FS); few thru period RB (JK); six Jun 25 (F&WBBS-GM).

VIREOS—WARBLERS: Vireos: Yellow-throated: one Elk L (FS); one Jun 20 (F&WBBS-GTC). Solitary: five nest sites Elk L (FS); one or two Jun 8 to Aug 9 RB (JK); three or four Heart L Jun 3 & 4 (MK); two Jun 20 (F&WBBS-RW). Red-eyed: 50 Elk L (FS); several Heart L Jun 3 & 4 (MK); few Jun 3 to Aug 15 RB (JK); four Jun 3 to Aug 15 SL (HD); on F&WBBS, 14 Jun 20 (GTC), 19 Jun 20 (RW), 14 Jun 25 (GM). Warbling: one Jun 10 TL (MK).

Warblers: Black-and-white: eight Elk L (FS); one Jun 8 to Aug 16 RB (JK). Tennessee: one Jun 27 RB (JK). Nashville: three Elk L (FS); one Heart L Jun 4 (MK); Jun 1–Aug 15 RB (JK); on F&WBBS, one Jun 20 (RW), four Jun 25 (GM). Parula: two nest sites Elk L (FS); one SL to Saranac Inn Jun 11, one Jul 31 SL (HD); one Jun 20 (F&WBBS-RW). Yellow: one each Jun 1 and 29 RB (JK), Jun 4 LP (MK), Jun 11 SL (HD); nine Jun 20 (F&WBBS-GTC). Magnolia: 12 nest sites Elk L (FS); one Jun thru Jul 27 RB (JK); one Heart L Jun 3 (MK); three Jun 20 (F&WBBS-RW). Black-throated Blue: ten nest sites Elk L (FS); one Jun 3 Heart L (MK); one Jun 11 SL to Saranac Inn (HD); one Jun 20 (F&WBBS-GTC), several Piseco Jul 18 (DMcI). Myrtle: 12 nest sites Elk L (FS); a few Jun 1–Aug 7 RB (JK); five Jun 25 (F&WBBS-GM). Black-throated Green:

11 nest sites Elk L (FS); one or two RB, SL and Heart L early Jun; on F&WBBS, four Jun 20 (GTC), one Jun 25 (GM). Blackburnian: 19 nest sites Elk L (FS); one RB Jun 2 (JK); one Jun 3 & 4 Heart L (MK); four Jun 20 (F&WBBS—RW). Chestnut-sided: common in most areas; nest in bracken at RB, started Jul 11, three eggs Jul 25, hatched and nest empty after Aug 4 (JK); 24 nest sites Elk L (FS). Blackpoll: seven nest sites Elk L (FS); one Jun 3 Phelps Mt and Jun 4 LP (MK). Ovenbird: 17 nest sites Elk L (FS); two or three Jun 6 thru period RB (JK); one Jun 3 Heart L (MK); three SL to Saranac Inn Jun 11 (HD); on F&WBBS, 14 Jun 20 (GTC), four Jun 20 (RW), three Jun 25 (GM). Northern Waterthrush: singles Elk L (FS), Jul 27 and Aug 7 RB (JK), Jun 20 SL (HD); on F&WBBS, one Jun 20 (RW), one Jun 25 (GM). Mourning: 15 nest sites Elk L (FS); one Jun 4 Heart L (MK); heard Jun 28 and 29 RB (JK); on F&WBBS, one Jun 20 (RW), six Jun 25 (GM). Canada: seven nest sites Elk L (FS); a few Jun 3 and 4 Heart L (MK); on F&WBBS, six Jun 20 (RW), three Jun 25 (GM); young on the wing Aug 15 RB (JK); Piseco Jul 18 (DMcI). Yellowthroat: from two to eight all areas; 23 Jun 25 (F&WBBS—GM). American Redstart: four to 14 all areas.

BLACKBIRDS—SPARROWS: Bobolink: SL Jun 5 thru mid-Jul (HD); Jun 4 LP (MK); 32 Jun 20 (F&WBBS—GTC). Eastern Meadowlark: Jun 4 Marcy Trail Rd (MK); thru period SL (HD); two Jun 20 (F&WBBS—GTC). Red-winged Blackbird: proper territories well supplied, 59 Jun 20 (F&WBBS—GTC). Baltimore Oriole: one Jun 8, Jun 21, Jul 31 SL (HD); pair with one imm TL Jul 26 and 27 (RM); 13 Jun 20 (F&WBBS—GTC). Rusty Blackbird: two Elk L (FS); one Aug 9 RB (JK). Common Grackle: common. Brown-headed Cowbird: one to nine all areas thru period. Scarlet Tanager: one thru period RB (MK); nine Elk L (FS); one Jul 29 TL (RM); on F&WBBS, one Jun 20 (GTC), eight Jun 20 (RW).

CARDINAL: pair Jun 1-Jul 26 observed feeding, usually separately, on lawn and on porch, no imm seen Bloomingdale (IW). Rose-breasted Grosbeak: 12 nest sites Elk L (FS); young Jul 23 RB (JK); young Jul 15 TL (RM); young late Jul SL (EB); on F&WBBS, 14 Jun 20 (GTC), four Jun 20 (RW). Indigo Bunting: two Port Henry Jun 27 (MK); one male Jun 28 RB (JK). Evening Grosbeak: one nest site Elk L (FS); imm being fed Jul 19 RB (MK); young seen end of Jun and mid-Jul, max 12 adults Bloomingdale (IW); young at feeder TL (RM); two pairs thru period, young being fed Jul 7 and again Aug 3 (two broods?) SL (EB); three Riverview Jul 30 (JM). Purple Finch: 25 nest sites Elk L (FS); flock of 16 adults plus a few imm SL (EB); 25 thru period TL (RM); uncommon thru period RB (JK); common thru period Bloomingdale (IW); three Jun 25 (F&WBBS—GM). Pine Siskin: three nest sites Elk L (FS); up to five thru period RB (JK). American Goldfinch: two to ten thru period most areas; young being fed SL Jun 21 (EB); on F&WBBS, 16 Jun 20 (GTC), five Jun 20 (RW), six Jun 25 (GM). Red Crossbill: one adult seen in Aug Elk L (FS); ten Jun 15, two thru period RB (JK); seven Aug 13 SL (GM). Rufous-sided Towhee: male thru period one (two?) brown ones also seen late Jul, TL (RM); singles—SL Jun 4 (EA), Ausable Forks Aug 11 (GM), Jun 20 (F&WBBS—GTC), Jun 20 (F&WBBS—RW).

Sparrows: Savannah: two pair SL thru period (HD); one Jun 4 Marcy Trail Rd (MK). Vesper: one Jun 4 Marcy Trail Rd (MK); two Jun 20 (F&WBBS—GTC). Slate-colored Junco: common Elk L (FS); otherwise no numbers larger than five Jun 20 (F&WBBS—RW). Chipping: 11 nest sites Elk L (FS); a few other areas. Field: heard Jun 17 SL (HD); on F&WBBS, two Jun 20 (GTC), one Jun 20 (RW), two Jun 25 (GM). White-throated: "at least 30 singing males Marcy Landing" (MRS); common Elk L (FS); few SL, RB, TL thru period; on F&WBBS, 11 Jun 20 (GTC), 28 Jun 20 (RW), 45 Jun 25 (GM). Lincoln's: one Jun 4 Marcy Trail Rd (MK); one well seen and heard Chubb Hill Rd Jun 25 (RH, DY); two Jul 10 RB (JK). Swamp: six nest sites Elk L (FS); one Jun 4 Heart L (MK); on F&WBBS, one Jun 20 (RW), two Jun 25 (GM). Song: 17 nest sites Elk L (FS);

our acre at SL supported two pair which should be normal (HD); on F&WBBS, 21 Jun 20 (GTC), only *one* Jun 20 (RW), 29 Jun 25 (GM).
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REGION 8 — MOHAWK — HUDSON

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Following the extremely cold spring, the months of June and July were by contrast near normal in temperature and rainfall. Temperatures averaged 69.9° and 71.6° in the two months (all data taken at Albany), 2.6° above normal and 0.5° below normal respectively. Precipitation totaled 2.85 inches in June and 3.38 inches in July, 0.40 inches and 0.11 inches below normal respectively.

Spring migration ended abruptly with the sudden onset of weather 7-8° above normal June 4. Late migrants observed June 3-4 included Brant, and Tennessee, Nashville, Blackburnian and Blackpoll Warblers. No obvious wave of fall transients occurred until August 11-12, when Traill's and Least Flycatchers, Swainson's Thrush, Yellow Warbler, Canada Warbler and Rose-breasted Grosbeak appeared to be migrating at Vischer Ferry (RPY).

The results of 11 breeding bird counts conducted in the Region for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service are included. A total of 104 species were recorded. The twenty-five most abundant: Red-winged Blackbird, 1253; Starling, 1166; Robin, 732; House Sparrow, 504; Grackle, 489; Song Sparrow, 478; Goldfinch, 364; Crow, 294; Barn Swallow, 291; Wood Thrush, 231; Chipping Sparrow, 207; Meadowlark, 194; Red-eyed Vireo, 192; Cowbird, 171; Baltimore Oriole, 167; Yellowthroat, 160; Veery, 153; Yellow Warbler, 138; Blue Jay, 134; Mourning Dove, 125; Catbird, 120; Bobolink, 117; Rufous-sided Towhee, 96; House Wren, 96; Ovenbird, 93. Of these 25 species, 22 repeated from last year's analagous list. New to the "top 25" are: Baltimore Oriole, Yellow Warbler, and Bobolink. Dropped from the "top 25" are: Flicker, Bank Swallow, and Chestnut-sided Warbler.

Unusual species recorded during the period included Brant, Snow Goose, Barn Owl, Red-headed Woodpecker, Carolina Wren and House Finch.

Abbreviations: BR—Basic Reservoir; BCM—Black Creek Marshes; NWW—Niskayuna Wide Waters; SCR—Stony Creek Reservoir; VFG—Vischer Ferry Game Management Area; SBC—Schenectady Bird Club.

Observers: MDG—Monte Gruett; EH—Esly Hallenbeck; MK—Marcia Kent; RSM—Robert McCullough; HHS—Harvey Spivak; WBS—Walton Sabin; PPW—Peter Wickham; RPY—Robert Yunick.

LOONS—DUCKS: Common Loon: only report—two adults with young Jun 23 Lake George (*vide* MK). Pied-billed Grebe: no nesting reports; only record two Aug 6 SCR (PPW). Great Blue Heron: few reported, mostly single birds. Common Egret: only one Jul 18 NWW (HHS), very scarce. For the second summer in