

Big Moose and Stillwater Reservoir Jul 7 (MSR). Song Sparrow: 105 on N Victory F&WBBS, up 40 from previous tallies; however most other F&WBBSs reported numbers similar to previous years.

CORRIGENDA: Vol. 18, No. 3 (July 1968), p. 160, top line, Peak day for Turkey Vulture should be Apr 13; p. 163, Nashville Warbler peak should be May 20.

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## REGION 6 — ST. LAWRENCE

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Localities: ED—Eldorado; PRGMA—Perch River Game Management Area; WHGMA—Wilson Hill Game Management Area; TH—Tug Hill.

Observers: JB—John Belknap; LC—Lee Chamberlaine; FC—Frank Clinch; DG—David Gordon; RW—Robert Walker.

LOONS—DUCKS: Common Loon: ED Jun 25 in winter plumage; Cranberry L Jul 5-7; and near Wellsley Is. Great Blue Heron: 21 nests at PRGMA Jul 4, only six seemed active with 12 young, numbers down appreciably from last year (DG). (This heronry is in a game management area where the depth of water has been maintained at a depth greater than normal for several years. The elm and maple trees are dead or nearly so. As the trees rot and are blown over there are less nesting sites and the area becomes more exposed, it must be less attractive for breeding herons—FC). Black-crowned Night Heron: two PRGMA Aug 1.

Canada Goose: Perch L goose drive to band flightless geese resulted in capture of 98 birds including about 35 goslings Jul 8. The WHGMA drive Jul 9 produced 924 birds including 336 goslings. Blue Goose: one captured WHGMA Jul 9, photographed. Mallard: 341 Mallards banded at PRGMA out of a total of 696 ducks banded, 20 nests at PRGMA of which 10 hatched successfully. Black Duck: 239 banded at PRGMA. Gadwall: male ED Jun 25 DG. Pintail: three banded at WHGMA, one at PRGMA; successful nesting at PRGMA. Green-winged Teal: 28 banded at PRGMA, more than usual this year; 12 at PRGMA Jun 12 (RW). Blue-winged Teal: 45 banded at PRGMA; breeding at PRGMA and Honeyville. American Widgeon: WHGMA Jul 9. Wood Duck: 42 banded at PRGMA. Greater Scaup: one ED Jul 31, perhaps sick or injured (DG). Hooded Merganser: nest in Wood Duck box, 7 eggs abandoned, Honeyville. (Most of information about ducks and geese from LC.)

HAWKS—OWLS: Turkey Vulture: only one at a time mostly in the northern half of Region; they seem less common than last year—no evidence of breeding. Goshawk: nest with two young at Minna Anthony Common Nature Centre, Wellesley Is. (Wakefield). Broad-winged Hawk: Wanakena and near Watertown, both Jun 8. Bald Eagle: two adults along Indian River near Theresa Jul 20-21. Gray Partridge: first broods seen Jun 5, early; appear to have a good breeding season.

Most of following shore birds were seen at ED. Semipalmated Plover: Jul 31, Aug 7-15. Ruddy Turnstone: Jul 31, Aug 7-12. Solitary Sandpiper: Aug 7 at Ed where it is seldom seen. Greater Yellowlegs: Aug 7. Lesser Yellowlegs Jul 31, Aug 7-12. Knot: Aug 12 fall plumage. Pectoral Sandpiper: Aug 1 at PRGMA and Aug 8 at ED. Least Sandpiper: Jul 31, Aug 7-12. Short-billed Dowitcher: Aug 7. Semipalmated Sandpiper: Jul 31 to Aug 15. Sanderling: Jul 31 to Aug 15. Bonaparte's Gull one at ED Jun 25 in changing plumage: nine at ED Jul 6, one ED Aug 7.

Caspian Tern: three ED Jul 31. Snowy Owl: one near Evans Mills, Rt 11 remained through Jun 6 (JB). This is the only Jun record that we know about.

GOATSUCKERS—STARLING: Red-headed Woodpecker: seen about as often as in recent years. Great Crested Flycatcher: breeding near Watertown. Traill's Flycatcher: Town of Lorraine Aug 6. Least Flycatcher: near Watertown Aug 6. Olive-sided Flycatcher: Whetstone Gulf State Pk, Lewis Co Jul 20–21. Horned Lark: 12 PRGMA Jun 28 (RW). Red-breasted Nuthatch: common at Wanakena Jun 30 (DG). Winter Wren: Jun 8 and Jun 30 at Wanakena. Mockingbird: near Brownville Jun 29 (RW); probable nesting near where a nest was found last year. Swainson's Thrush: TH, Lewis Co Aug 3. Eastern Bluebird: near Harrisville Jun 1, not reported in other parts of Region. Loggerhead Shrike: two adults and two young Danley Rd, north of ED (DG); there were scattered reports of other adults being seen.

VIREOS—WARBLERS: DG saw all the usual breeding warblers of this Region. Golden-winged Warbler: singing male seen and heard on five different days between Jun 2 and 16 in same area, near Gouverneur, nesting suspected (JB); one was heard Jun 16 near Pitcairn, St. Lawrence Co (JB). Mourning Warbler: Aug 6 a few miles east of Watertown (DG).

BLACKBIRDS—SPARROWS: Grasshopper Sparrow; two near Theresa Jun 26 and four there Jun 29 (RW); near Watertown Jun 29 (DG). Henslow's Sparrow: near PRGMA and two near Theresa Jun 29. Slate-colored Junco: nest with four eggs near Number 4, St. Lawrence Co Jul 13. White-throated Sparrow: near Theresa and Wanakena, nest with young Whetstone Gulf State Pk, Lewis Co Jul 13.

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## REGION 7 — ADIRONDACK — CHAMPLAIN

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Our summer went with incredible rapidity but also with a great deal of interest, starting with the nesting of Common Ravens on which there is a Field Note.

The weather has been entirely unpredictable and erratic. In last year's report I see nothing but reiterations about the heat. This year temperatures shot up and down with alarming alacrity. Even Bob Kampf of the Ray Brook weather station, who likes to look at things in the most cheerful light possible, says of June: "The weather during the month of June can best be described in one word 'Gloomy'." In degrees the temperature averaged 60.1 as compared to 1967's 65½ degrees. There was very little sunshine. The only heavy thunderstorm occurred on the last day of the month. Birds arrived at close to normal dates in spite of the "gloom."

The first few days of July were cold, but then came a record high temperature spell which did not break until July 19. Field Sparrows, which are associated in my mind with hot, humid weather, sang constantly. The temperature, according to Bob Kampf, ranged from 87.5 degrees on July 9 to 39 degrees on July 30.

Early August was cold with frosts in many places. Birds started moving about near the middle of the month as usual and we seemed to have about the usual complement of resident species except, perhaps, for an explosion of Veeries and a lack of Purple Finches—Brown Thrashers and Catbirds were up but Scarlet Tanagers and House Wrens were down as in the past few years.

As far as the Redhead report is concerned: Greenleaf T. Chase informs us that there were two unsuccessful attempts at establishing the species at Lake Alice, near West Chazy, five or six years ago. He believes that the flock reported may well have come in on their own.