

BLACKBIRDS-SPARROWS: House Sparrow: (100,4). Bobolink: (55,4). Eastern Meadowlark: (67,4). Red-winged Blackbird: (556,4). Northern Oriole: (26,4). Common Grackle: (104,4). Brown-headed Cowbird: (25,4). Scarlet Tanager: (14,4). Cardinal: (18,4). Rose-breasted Grosbeak: (4,2). Indigo Bunting: (27,4). Purple Finch: (1,1). House Finch: 5 or more from Jun 2 for about 10 days Bovina Center, near Oneonta (Tom Ryder); 3 young being fed at feeder by parents Jun 5 Endwell where 8-10 brightly colored males at the same time was not unusual (Florence Linaberry); about 2 miles west in Endwell 16 banded thru Jul 21 (L. Bemont) although never more than 3 seen around feeder at a time; as many as 8, at least 4 young, at Vestal thru Jun (Gail and Warren Corderman). American Goldfinch: (63,4). Red Crossbill: 16 Jun 4 Norwich (R,SW). Rufous-sided Towhee: (28,4). Savannah Sparrow: (33,4). Grasshopper Sparrow: (2,1). Henslow's Sparrow: only 2 reports. Vesper Sparrow: (4,2). Chipping Sparrow: (50,4). Field Sparrow: (61,4). White-throated Sparrow: (10,1); 11 other reports. Swamp Sparrow: (8,2). Song Sparrow: (123,4).

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## REGION 5 — ONEIDA LAKE BASIN

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June was cool and wet, July warm and wet, August hot and dry. Extreme high water at Onondaga Lake and Lake Ontario precluded any tern nesting and protracted high water at Oneida Lake undoubtedly delayed the nesting of gulls and terns there. Widespread thunderstorms in late June must have caused havoc with landbird nestings but the wet season, which somewhat retarded the hay cutting, may have helped Bobolink, Eastern Meadowlark, and Savannah Sparrow broods. The paucity of marsh birds in the larger permanent marshes may be a reflection of the extensive nest and brood destruction of the June '72 flooding or the current mosquito spraying program (aerial in Oswego County, ground only in Onondaga County) — or both.

Extensive local counting hikes and breeding surveys amassed a wealth of data; most significant is the accumulating fund of figures coming from the US Fish and Wildlife Breeding Bird Surveys (BBS hereafter), sic—Kasoag (MSR), Clinton (R&J Van Scoy), Old Forge and Oriskany Falls (CGS), Oneida (B&S Peebles, D. Ackley), North Wilmurt, Cicero Center, and Pulaski (FGS). The data from Alder Creek and McKeever BBS, though the surveys were accomplished, were not available.

Positives for the summer season include 1) increased broods of Canada Geese and Mallards; 2) an early and varied fall shorebird flight, although numbers were only fair; 3) a strong influx of both species of cuckoos; 4) increased numbers of Great Crested and Willow Flycatchers and Eastern Wood Pewee; 5) good breeding success in certain swallows, particularly Tree Swallow and Purple Martin; 6) increases in Golden-crowned Kinglet in southern highland conifer plantations; 7) increases in Yellow-throated and Red-eyed Vireos; 8) better tallies of some warblers, most notably of Parula, Magnolia, and Black-throated Blue Warblers, Ovenbird, and Yellowthroat; 9) further spread of Golden-winged and Blue-winged Warblers (q.v.); and 10) a residuum of winter finches (Evening Grosbeak, Pine Siskin, and Red Crossbill) into June.

Negatives for the same period are unfortunately many—1) a marked loss of breeding Pied-billed Grebes; 2) continued scarcity of white herons and Black-crowned Night Heron; 3) reduced numbers of broods of Black Duck and Blue-

winged Teal; 4) the extirpation, as breeders, of Cooper's Hawk and Marsh Hawk and the near loss of breeding Sharp-shinned and Red-shouldered Hawks; 5) a sharp drop in breeding marsh birds (both local rails, Black Tern, marsh wrens; 6) a profound drop in aerial insectivores (Common Nighthawk, Chimney Swift, Eastern Kingbird, Least Flycatcher, Rough-winged Swallow); 7) a virtual desertion of Red-headed Woodpeckers; 8) persistent decline of Eastern Bluebird; 9) an ominous drop in breeding Black-throated Green and Cerulean Warblers, Northern Waterthrush, Canada Warbler, and most notably, American Redstart; 10) a paucity of Henslow's and Grasshopper Sparrows, perhaps secondary to the heavy rains and severe cold weather of Jun '72.

As expected, rarities for the summer were few — Great Egret, Whimbrel, Franklin's Gull, Gray Jay (hard to find in the summer), and both hybrid warblers.

Abbreviations for locations are: BM-BR—nine miles of railroad track Big Moose to Beaver River; CV—Camillus Valley; DL—Dart Lake; DM—DeWitt Marsh near East Syracuse; HF—Highland Forest near Fabius; NPT—Northern Pompey Township; PSS—Peter Scott Swamp near Phoenix; OF—Old Forge; Onon L—Onondaga Lake; OM—Otto Mills Road, THP (4.2 miles); RSP—Rome Sand Plains; SP—Sandy Pond; S Onon—South Onondaga; Syr—Syracuse; THP—Tug Hill Plateau; L—Lake; mob—multiple observers.

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Corrigenda: *Kingbird* XXIII:2, May 1973, Region 5 report, p.97, last corrigendum should read: *Kingbird* XXII:4, October 1972, Region 5 report, p.179, Red-shouldered Hawk: *delete* "2 Jun 14 . . . unusual." Observers: 4th name should be W. Brosseau. p.89, Black Duck: best single-location counts . . . 48 Jan 2 near Eaton. Greater Scaup: 2253 WFC . . . 1294 of them at Oswego hbr; . . . *no* scaup on Oswego CC . . . Goshawk: . . . otherwise about 17 widespread singles through the winter from 20 observers reporting this time. p.99, 2100 Ring-billed Gull Feb 3 Oswego R. p.101, Myrtle Warbler: 1 Dec 9 Clay Twp. Evening Grosbeak: BBFS . . . 1918 Jan. p.102, Rufous-sided Towhee: . . . 1 wintered Syr (B. Stein).

LOONS—DUCKS: Common Loon: single in winter plumage summered Onon L Jun 2—Aug 9. Pied-billed Grebe: only breeding noted one pair Old Fly, Pompey (FL); incredibly scarce locally and surprisingly no broods at the larger marches or ponds. Great Blue Heron: in colony at Three Rivers Game Management Area 32 nests produced 92 young (MSR); small colony in Pompey located but production not known. *GREAT EGRET*: single at DM thru summer. Green Heron: summer max 150 Fox Ridge Aug 5 (GAS). Least Bittern: only reports are PSS, DM (Mrs. Coyle, mob), and Utica Marsh (V. Billings).

Mallard: excellent local production—130 Syranuse and 85 Onon L; contrarily Black Duck did very poorly—max for summer only 10 Onon L. Pintail: arr Jul 21 5 Onon L, very early. Blue-winged Teal: local numbers very low—max 51 Jul 27 DM (MSR); most counts only 1–4/day with almost no broods reported. Summering diving ducks include Greater Scaup and Common Golden-eye, both Jul 10, and Ruddy Duck Jul 17, all Onon L.

HAWKS—OWLS: Goshawk: only reports are singles THP Jun 10 and an ad OF Jul 1 (MSR). Sharp-shinned Hawk: 8 for summer, primarily from the THP and southern highlands. Cooper's Hawk None! Red-shouldered Hawk: 8 singles for the summer with 5 of them from northern Herkimer county. Marsh Hawk none for entire summer—extirpated as a breeder now. Osprey: singles at Herkimer Jul 11 and at various lakes in the Adirondack sector but no evidence of breeding (Bowes fide Burt). American Kestrel: max 12 Pompey Twshp (DWC); this and Red-tailed Hawk appear to be only locally successful breeding raptors.

Ring-necked Pheasant: very scarce—max only 14 Cicero Center BBS; most observers had 1-4/day. Common Gallinule: the one marsh bird in any numbers—46 at DM Jul 30; most of the larger marshes, e.g. PSS and Clay Swamp, had very few, probably because of the 1972 massive flooding-out of any broods in those areas.

Upland Sandpiper: very scarce with dozens of local stations deserted this year—max only 8 Frankfort Jul 8, 6 Pulaski Jun 22, 6 Bridgeport Jul 17. Least Sandpiper: 20 Jun 2 Onon L are very late for spring dep date. Semipalmated Sandpiper: max 200—Jun 2 Onon L (CGS).

Semipalmated Plover: arr Jul 15 3 Onon L; max 8 Aug 12 Onon L. Killdeer: max 117 Jul 7 Onon L. Black-bellied Plover: arr Aug 10 1 Onon L; max 2 (low) Aug 11 Onon L. Ruddy Turnstone: arr Jul 25 1 Oneida L; max 4 Jul 27 Onon L. Spotted Sandpiper: max 60 Jul 11 Onon L. Solitary Sandpiper: arr Jul 7 1 Onon L; max 9 Aug 11 DM. Greater Yellowlegs: arr Jul 10 3 Onon L; max 4 (low) Jul 31 DM. Lesser Yellowlegs: arr Jul 1 3 Onon L; max 99 Aug 11 Onon L. Pectoral Sandpiper: arr Jul 1 1 Onon L; max 3 (very low) Jul 19 and Aug 11 both Onon L. Least Sandpiper: arr Jul 4 3 Onon L; max 107 Jul 21 Onon L. Short-billed Dowitcher: arr Jul 10 6 Onon L; max 16 Jul 15 Onon L. Stilt Sandpiper: arr Jul 11 1 Onon L; Onon L; max 9 Jul 19 and Aug 15 both Onon L. Semipalmated Sandpiper: arr Jul 9 3 Onon L; max 200 Jul 21 Onon L. Sanderling: arr Jul 10 (early) 1 Onon L; max 22 Jul 21 Oneida L islands.

WHIMBREL: 1 Jul 24 Onon L (PAD), often missed in past ten years. Great Black-backed Gull: single ad Jul 1 Oswego Harbor; none at SP, probably secondary to the extreme high water and consequent lack of beach area there. Herring Gull: summer max 33 Grass Island and 5 young Long Island both Oneida L Aug 5 (MSR). Ring-billed Gull: summer max 368 Jul 29 Onon L (GAS); 18 young from Oneida L islands Jul 21 (CGS).

FRANKLIN'S GULL: 2-3 ad in breeding plumage Jun 30—Jul 1 Oswego Harbor (GAS, mob). Common Tern: none bred at Onon L and the SP colony was drastically reduced (approximately 10 pairs only!), Oneida L islands show 74 nests total Jul 21 (CGS)—should be in the hundreds. Black Tern: a disaster species—max a mere 8 Howland's Island Game Management Area Jul 15; most colonies deserted secondary to high water both this year and last.

Yellow-billed Cuckoo: 1-3/day with many reports thru Jun and Jul; however, none noted in Aug. Black-billed Cuckoo: many reports with max 4 each Jun 7 N Wilmurt BBS and Jun 15 Cicero Center BBS. Great Horned Owl: 6 young banded at Eaton (GL Church).

COATSUCKERS—STARLINGS: Whip-poor-will: last spring migrant Jun 19 Syr (PAD), incredibly late; max 31 Jun 7 West Vienna Twshp (MSR, DWC) and 11 RSP Jul 6 (B&S Peebles). Common Nighthawk: very scarce—usually only 1-2/day at Syr and max a mere 7 Jun 19 Utica (V Billings). Chimney Swift: max 35 Aug 12 DM (V Billings). Chimney Swift: max 35 Aug 12 DM (JW Propst), most counts low—4-12/day—with breeding max 31 Syr Jun 3 (MSR). Ruby-throated Hummingbird: scarce—most 1 2/day with best tally 9 in northern Herkimer County Jun 24.

Red-headed Woodpecker: numerous local sites deserted—only a handful of reports, mostly singles, with only one successful pair noted near Wampsville (B&S Peebles). Yellow-bellied Sapsucker: max 17 Jul 8 DM, THP but numbers in other areas there and in the Adirondacks seemed quite low—?? effect of hard winter of '72-'73 in the south??

Eastern Kingbird: max 20 Jun 7 N Wilmurt area; first fall migrants Jul 10 Syr; fall max only 15 (low) Aug 1 Fish Gulf (JWP). Great Crested Flycatcher: max 18 (high) CV Jun 5. Yellow-bellied Flycatcher: spring dep date Jun 4, 1, Syr (CGS) with fall arr Aug 8, 1, Pompey (JWJ). Alder Flycatcher: max only 9 N Wilmurt BBS Jun 6. Willow Flycatcher: 25 (high) Jun 15 Cicero Center

BBS and 15 Jul 16 DM (DWC G. Weissberg). Least Flycatcher: THP numbers very good (83 OM, THP Jun 14) but around Syr and throughout Onondaga Co incredibly scarce—1 5/day which is very low. Eastern Wood Pewee: unlike Least Flycatcher and other insectivores, good numbers prevail with 6 10/day; max 29 Jun 19 CV, S Onon. Horned Lark: max for summer only 5 Aug 15 Mexico. Tree Swallow: initial Jun counts low but breeding success, where tabulated, excellent (P. Laible, DWC). Bank Swallow: breeding colonies at Oneida (19 pair) and DeWitt (28 pair). Rough-winged Swallow: max a miserable 4 at CV Jun 9; none on any BBS. Barn Swallow: increased on half of the BBS; max 100–150 DM in last week of Jul and 200 Aug 5 SP; the former huge roost at Clay Swamp is apparently not extant. Purple Martin: colonies low in numbers with 12–18 pair/house but summer max 750 Aug 15 Mexico area (DWC).

GRAY JAY: 2 ad Woods Lake Bog Jun 24 and 2 ad and 1 juvenile Jul 29 Five Ponds, both sites in northern Herkimer Co. Black-capped Chickadee: summer max of 35 Aug 5 Selkirk Shores State Park may include some early migrants. Red-breasted Nuthatch: 2 Jun 13 HF, 1 near Altmar Jun 16, 9 RSP Jul 7, all stations away from THP or Adirondacks; 4 Aug 10 S. Onon are probably early migrants. Brown Creeper: now a backyard bird, particularly where dying trees in numbers are present—Tully Lakes, Clay Swamp, Cicero Swamp, south shore of Oneida L. House Wren: BBS counts stable or increasing. Winter Wren: THP numbers low—3–4/day; max 18 (low) BM-BR Jun 24. Carolina Wren: 1 Jun 19 CV only report. Long-billed Marsh Wren: very scarce with 2 4/day usual; max only 12 Jun 2 Clay Swamp where 30 + would be the norm.

Mockingbird: 9 sightings in Syr area, 4 nestings reported (fide Burt, W. Brosseau), definitely increasing. Gray Catbird: up on 5 of the eight BBS. Wood Thrush: no sharp change in numbers locally; summer max 42 CV, S Onon Jun 19. Swainson's Thrush: 11 (low) OM, THP Jun 14. Veery: very low around Syr with a miserable 2 in CV Jun 19; however, a whopping 38 in Cicero Swamp Jun 24 (MSR). Eastern Bluebird: very scarce—8 nestings known aside from 23 young banded from a Bluebird nestbox project at Eaton (GL Church).

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher: 1 OM THP Jun 14 is way out of range locally. Golden-crowned Kinglet: 2–11/day in spruce plantations of southern highlands; also at Pratts Falls County Park which is at a lower elevation than all the currently known occupied plantations (DWC). Cedar Waxwing: everywhere!—summer max 40 each OF Jun 11 and Marcy Aug 15.

VIREOS—WARBLERS: Yellow-throated Vireo: seems to be on upswing—8 in 4.5 miles Little John Rd THP Jun 20 plus 9 CV, S Onon Jun 19. Solitary Vireo: 3 in HF Jun 13, also 2 Shackham Rd near Fabius Jul 4, both southern highland areas where the species is scarce. Red-eyed Vireo: numbers in BBS holding or slightly increasing; max 133 BM-BR Jun 24. Warbling Vireo: scarce in southern highlands and Finger Lake Valley sectors—counts only 2–3/day with max 11 Jun 15 Cicero Center BBS which is entirely on the Ontario Lakeplain.

Spring departures for warblers are Jun 2 Parula, Cape May, and Canada Warblers; Jun 4 Tennessee, Nashville, and Blackpoll Warblers; Jun 5 Wilson's Warbler; Jun 10 Bay-breasted Warbler.

Golden-winged Warbler: max 12 CV area Jun 19; new locations N Volney 3, Minetto Jun 5, Williamstown Jun 10. Blue-winged Warbler: 9 known sites locally, expanding but somewhat slowly. 2 BREWSTER'S and 1 LAWRENCE'S WARBLERS reported for the period. Parula Warbler: 9 Jun 11 and 8 Jun 24 (up slightly) Town of Webb, Herkimer Co. Yellow Warbler: 48 on Cicero Center BBS, 40 on Pulaski BBS, 89 in five miles Camillus—Erie Canal Park Jun 15; first fall migrants Jul 4 N Syr; fall max 85 SP dunes Aug 5. Magnolia Warbler: max 45 (up) BM-BR Jun 24; THP numbers, however, reduced. Black-throated Blue Warbler: definitely up—4 in HF Jun 13 where scarce; 34 Jun 24 BM-BR (compared to 12 there in 1971) and 22 OM, THP Jun 14. Yellow-rumped Warbler: numbers

down somewhat in RSP but still present in suitable stands in the THP and abundant in the Adirondack sectors; fall arr Aug 5, 3, SP dunes—very early! Black-throated Green Warbler: counts low in THP—13 OM, THP Jun 14 and only 3 O'Hara Rd (5 miles) Jun 9 (very low); Adirondack numbers slightly better but still decreased from previous three years. Cerulean Warbler: max only 8 CV Jun 19 and 12 Camillus-Erie Canal Park Jun 15; definitely down.

Chestnut-sided Warbler: in THP numbers good (25-29/day) in four + mile walks; in southern highlands, however, much more scarce with only 1-2/day recorded—this species plus the Black-throated Blue and Mourning Warblers and Redstart will probably benefit from the current heavy pulp-cutting occurring in both the Adirondacks and the western THP. Blackpoll Warbler: 1 Woods Lake Bog Jun 24—?? late migrant, breeder, summering male?? Pine Warbler: only report is an imm Jun 19 Pompey (DWC, PAD). Ovenbird: tallies on six of eight BBS stable with a few record counts; 34 in nine miles BM-BR Jun 24 (compare to 13 there Jun 1971). Northern Waterthrush: quite scarce—max for entire period 10 Jun 24 Cicero Swamp (MSR); most counts, even in THP, only 2-8/day. Yellowthroat: the successful warbler—excellent counts with CV Jun 5, 23 near Oswego Jun 6, 26 Labrador Pond Jul 17, 31 Kasoag BBS, 36 Cicero Center BBS, 48 both N Wilmurt BBS and Pulaski BBS. Canada Warbler: THP counts reduced and Kasoag BBS down; Cicero Swamp tally low—only 17 Jun 24; Adirondacks numbers fair with max 20 BM-BR Jun 24; fall arr Aug 5 one SP dunes. American Redstart: numbers dropping precipitously in Syr area—CV had only 17 Jun 19 and 30 in five miles Camillus-Erie Canal Park Jun 15; BBS show decreases in five, increases in three; THP numbers holding well—67 OM, THP Jun 14.

BLACKBIRDS—SPARROWS: Bobolink: striking increases in both Madison and Oneida County areas; reduced in northern Onondaga Co and definitely down in the Ontario Lakeplain hayfields Red-winged Blackbird: abundant with counts in the hundreds on all farmland-associated BBS. Northern Oriole: all BBS reporting orioles show record highs or tie the previous maxima.

Scarlet Tanager: seven of eight BBS show moderate decrease; THP figures quite low—3 OM, THP Jun 14 and 4.5 miles Littlejohn Rd Jun 20.

Cardinal: 29 in CV, S Onon Jun 19; spreading in Ontario lakeshore woodlots and brush patches where it was still scarce only four or five years ago. Rose-breasted Grosbeak: 5-12/day in THP areas; max 15 Labrador Pond Jun 26; scarce in CV and Onondaga Creek Valley. Indigo Bunting: great increase after Jun 10—max 23 vs previous max of 8 on Cicero Center BBS Jun 15 and 27 vs previous max of 3 Pulaski BBS Jun 22. Evening Grosbeak: 2 Pompey Jun 1 Thendara Jun 30 (MSR), 2 Five Ponds Jul 29 (PAD); max 6 DL Jun 1 (B Barnum). House Finch: nested Syr University Campus (PAD); multiple sightings at Syr, some evidence of occurrence in towns peripheral to Syr.

Pine Siskin: spring flight persistent into early Jun—last noted Jun 7 Labrador Pond, Jun 10 THP and Jun 11 OF; a few thru period at DL (B Barnum) but no evidence of their breeding there. American Goldfinch: like Cedar Waxwings, everywhere—up on five of eight BBS; counts 20-40/day thru Jun; 36 nests NPT Jul 15-Aug 15. Red Crossbill: persistent thru spring into Jun—flocks of 12-20 to Jun 14 HF (PAD) with last flock on that date with some streaked juveniles amongst them, suggesting possibly local breeding.

Rufous-sided Towhee: max 23 Pulaski BBS Jun 22; down in numbers, however, on four of seven BBS; 1 at OF Jun 11 is out of range locally. Savannah Sparrow: highest ever on Oriskany Falls BBS (35 vs previous 25) and Pulaski BBS (18 vs previous 12). Grasshopper Sparrow: very scarce with most local sites abandoned—max only 6 Oriskany Falls BBS Jun 16; aside from BBS, only 5 colonies (2-4/colony) located for season. Henslow's Sparrow: unreported from any BBS this year; total of 17 birds from seven sites—really extraordinarily scarce this year. Vesper

Sparrow: summer max only 15 Jun 15 northern Onondaga County; most counts 1-6/day and many observers had none for the season.

Dark-eyed Junco: southern highland max 18 Labrador Pond and Shackham Rd Jul 17; noted as breeding in NPT for first time (DWC); THP max 13 Jun 14; Adirondack max 41 BM-BR and Stillwater Rd Jun 24. Field Sparrow: numbers excellent with 25 CV, S Onon Jun 19; BBS tallies, where present, 2-20/count. White-throated Sparrow: low in THP—5-20/day; non-THP, non-Adirondack max 20 RSP Jul 6 (D Ackley); 6 in 7.5 miles HF Jun 13-14 (DWC, PAD); fall arr Aug 5 (very early) two SP dunes. Lincoln's Sparrow: 4 Woods Lake Bog Jun 24 and 2 singles at separate bogs near Stillwater Jun-Jul 1 (FGS, MSR). Swamp Sparrow: BBS tallies, where present, 2-7/count; most larger marshes with very low counts—only 11 Clay Swamp Jun 2 (GAS) and a mere 6 PSS Jun 15; summer max 20 DM Jul 23 (PAD) includes many young birds.

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## REGION 7 — ADIRONDACK-CHAMPLAIN

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This past summer was about normal for the area, perhaps a bit more warm and dry than usual. There seemed to be no weather extremes. I would appreciate it if any summer people, residents and visiting birders would send their observations to me. Birders seem to be an endangered species in the Clinton-Essex-Franklin-Hamilton County area, especially in winter.

Observers: BB—Bruce Beehler; EH—Elizabeth Hedges; MKDr. Marguerite Kingsbury; DMc—Dorothy McIlroy; TM—Ted Mack; RMc—Robert McKinney; GM—Dr. Gordon Meade; RM—Ruth Meier; LM—Lon Myers; WR—William Rutherford; JT—Joseph W. Taylor.

Abbreviations: ADK—Adirondack Loj; B—Blomingtondale; Chubb-Chubb River Swamp, Lake Placid; Hi Pk—High Peak Region; Ind L—Indian Lake; L—Lake; LP—Lake Placid; Mad—Madawaska Pond near Paul Smiths; MooBBS—Moody to Saranac Lake Breeding Bird Survey, Dr. Marguerite Kingsbury; NewBBS—Newcomb Breeding Bird Survey, Alice Jones and Helen Manson; New—Newcomb; P—pond; PS—Paul Smiths; PL—Piseco Lake; Raq L—Raquette Lake; SL—Saranac Lake; SpecBBS—Speculator Breeding Bird Survey, Dr. Francis G. Scheider; TL—Tupper Lake; UndBBS—Underwood Breeding Bird Survey, Alice Jones and Helen Manson; VL—Vly Lake near Piseco Lake; Wilm—Wilmington Notch.

LOONS—DUCKS: Common Loon: 1 Jun 8 TL (RM); 1 Jun 26 Elk L (RMc, LM); 1 Jul 21 Raq L (EH); 1 Jul 22 Goodnow Flow near New (TM); 2 Jul 26 Mountain P (Cathy & TM). Great Blue Heron: 3 Jun 1 Bl (TM); 1 Jun 19 PS (TM); 1 Jun 25 Mad (RMc, LM); 1 Aug 15 LP (JT); 1 Aug 16 Mad (JT). Green Heron: 2 Jun 1 BI (TM); 2 Jun 25 Wilm (RMc). American Bittern: 1 Jun 25 Wilm (RMc); 1 Jun 26 TL (RMc, LM); 1 Jul 10 Jones P near PS (TM); 1 Aug TL (BB). Canada Goose: 1 Jun 22 Long L (RMc, LM); 6 (2 adults & 4 goslings) Jun 25 TL (MK); 6 Aug 14 TL (BB). BRANT: late report of 150 May 26 Kiawassa L near SL (GM). Wood Duck: 1 Jun 26 Long L (RMc); 1 Jun 27 UndBBS; 1 Jun 28 NewBBS. Common Goldeneye: 1 female & 8 ducklings Jul 4 Terror L (Herkimer-Hamilton Co. line) (John Belknap). Hooded Merganser: 1 Jun 6 SpecBBS; 6 Jun 25 Mad (RMc, LM). Common Merganser: several people reported that size of broods was 1/3 to 1/2 usual.

HAWKS—OWLS: Goshawk: 1 trying to capture a chipmunk Aug PS (Lang