

males seen in at least six locations mostly near Bolton Corners or Peabody Bridge — I have seen more in past two weeks than any previous year — no question but the Golden-wing is now well established as a summer resident in this area (JB). **BREWSTER'S WARBLER**: 1 May 28 Muskalonge Lake Rd (TC). **TENNESSEE WARBLER**: 6± May 18 JB; ±5 May 18 Middle Rd Jeff Co (TC); 1 May 21 near Gouverneur (JB); 1 May 22 (JV); 1 May 23 (JV); 2 May 23 (JV); 6 May 25 (JV); 1 May 26 WI (TC); an excellent year. Nashville Warbler: May 11 first date; 20± May 29 Muskalonge Lk Rd (TC). Northern Parula Warbler: 1 May 12 TP (TC). Yellow Warbler: May 12 first date. Magnolia Warbler: May 15 first date. **CAPE MAY WARBLER**: May 15 first date; 5 May 15 TP (TC); maxima 6 May 25 (JV); last date May 29 (JV); a good year. Black-throated Blue Warbler: May 11 first date. Yellow-rumped Warbler: Apr 26 first date. Black-throated Green Warbler: May 5 first date. **CERULEAN WARBLER**: 2 May 15 TP (TC). Blackburnian Warbler: May 15 first date. Chestnut-sided Warbler: May 11 first date. Bay-breasted Warbler: May 15 first date; maxima May 25. **BLACK-POLL WARBLER**: May 21 first date; 3 May 24 (JV); 5 May 25 (JV); last date May 30. **PINE WARBLER**: 2 May 25 (JV). Palm Warbler: 1 May 12 at feeder (TC). Northern Waterthrush: May 18 first date. Common Yellowthroat: May 12 first date. **WILSON'S WARBLER**: 1 May 21 Massena (JV); 3 May 23 Dennison Rd (JV); last date May 23. Canada Warbler: May 21 first date. American Redstart: May 12 first date.

BLACKBIRDS—SPARROWS: Bobolink: May 11 first date; in good numbers this spring (LC). Eastern Meadowlark: Apr 3 migrants. Red-winged Blackbird: as abundant as ever. Northern Oriole: May 6 first date. Rusty Blackbird: Apr 12 first date; May 14 last date. Common Grackle: Apr 2 first date; as common as ever. Brown-headed Cowbird: seemed to be many many more than usual. Scarlet Tanager: May 11 first date; either in greater numbers or easier to see during cold spell (LC). Cardinal: normal spring shift to summer habitat very evident this year (LC). Rose-breasted Grosbeak: May 11 first date. Indigo Bunting: May 19 first date; seem most prevalent this year (LC). Evening Grosbeak: still around at end of period. Purple Finch: small numbers around thru period. **HOUSE FINCH**: one male and female Apr 28-29 at window feeder in with Purple Finches — female did not have pattern on side of head as female Purple Finch (FC); (mob); a regional first and not too surprising as they have been moving our way (LC). Common Redpoll: May 18 last date — late. Pine Siskin: May 18 last date. American Goldfinch: May 1 arrival in numbers; very plentiful in Henderson area (LC). Rufous-sided Towhee: Apr 17 first date; in numbers Apr 22. Savannah Sparrow: Apr 13 first date. Vesper Sparrow: Apr 6 first date. Dark-eyed Junco: heavy movement Apr 6 (LC); last at low elevations May 26 (TC). Tree Sparrow: last date May 9. Chipping Sparrow: Apr 17 first date. Field Sparrow: Apr 21 first date. White-crowned Sparrow: May 5 first date; May 20 last date. White-throated Sparrow: Apr 22 first date. **LINCOLN'S SPARROW**: 1 May 7 trapped and banded Watertown (FC) (TC). Swamp Sparrow: Apr 12 first date. Snow Bunting: last date Apr 12.

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REGION 7 — ADIRONDACK-CHAMPLAIN

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April's weather was normal for the area. Slowly running water was still iced over as late as the 11th in the Paul Smiths area, much to the disgust of local trout

fishermen. A week later considerable progress was made in the melting department and on April 23 the ice went out of Schroon Lake. The rainfall in May was about normal with some rain most days, but the overall mean temperature was 42.1 degrees as recorded at Ray Brook, a cool 10 degrees below the usual average. Our last snow was a half inch on May 9.

Observers: PA—Pat Anson; JB—Jean Beck; JOB—Jonathan Beck; GC—Goeffrey Carleton; AG—August Gabel; RG—Rosanna Grover; HPAud—High Peaks Audubon; CK—Charles Kays; FL—Ferdinand LaFrance; NM—Norman Mason; RM—Ruth Meier; TM—Ted Mack; EP—Elizabeth Peterson; JP—John Peterson; WP—William Peterson; GR—Gary Randorf; PR—Pat Randorf; WR—William Rutherford.

Abbreviations: BTP—Brown's Tract Ponds; Crn Pt—Crown Point; E'town—Elizabethtown; Es—Essex; FF—Franklin Falls; Gab—Gabriels; Ke—Keene; Mad—Madawaska; Min—Minerva; Mor—Moriah; L Cham—Lake Champlain; PS—Paul Smiths; Plat—Plattsburgh; PHen—Port Henry; Sar L—Saranac Lake; Wes—Westport; Wil—Willsboro.

LOONS—DUCKS: Common Loon: max 5 Apr 18 Sch L (JB); 1 May 11 PS (WR); 1 May 26 Es (JP). Red-necked Grebe: 2 Apr 27 Wes (NM); max 5 May 8 Sch L (JB). Horned Grebe: max 9 Apr 3 Wil (JP); 1 May 28 Es (JP). Pied-billed Grebe: only report 1 Apr 3 Es (JP). Double-crested Cormorant: 1 May 11 Plat (GC); 1 May 31 Wes (JP). Great Blue Heron: widely reported. Green Heron: 1 May 18 Osgood Pond, PS (TM); 1 May 21 Crn Pt (NM&JP). American Bittern: first May 5 TL (RM); 1 May 25 Saranac Inn (TM). Whistling Swan: 1 Mar 31 over Wes (AG); 1 May 2-12 plus TL many observers. Brant: 23 May 11 Plat (GC). Snow Goose: many flocks; first Apr 5 Wes (AG); max 100 Apr 30 North Hudson (M. McKenzie); 18 May 11 Sch L (JB). Mallard: 1 Apr 27 BTP (FL); pair May Coreys (RM), usual locations. Pintail: 1 Apr 24 Sch L (JB). Green-winged Teal: several inland reports; 2 pair Apr 13, an early date, Lewis (GC). Blue-winged Teal: reported as common in L Cham area. American Wigeon: 2 Apr 3 Es (JP). Wood Duck: first, a pair Apr 4 Sch L (JB). Ring-necked Duck: first Apr 3 Es (JP). Greater Scaup: first Apr 1 Es (JP). White-winged Scoter: 8 May 23 Bulwagga Bay, L Cham (GC). Hooded Merganser: first 2 Apr 7 Es (JP).

HAWKS—OWLS: Turkey Vulture: 1 Apr 18 Ti (Janet Cooper); 3 Apr 29 Crn Pt (GC & NM); 1 May 6 Es (JP). Goshawk: a few, as usual. Sharp-shinned Hawk: 1 Apr 10 Sch L (JB); 1 Apr 27 BTP (FL). Cooper's Hawk: 1 Apr 3 Mor (NM); 1 Apr 13 Sch L (JB). Red-tailed Hawk: many reports. Red-shouldered Hawk: 6 birds reported. Broad-winged Hawk: numerous reports; first 2 Apr 20 FF (TM). Rough-legged Hawk: several; last Apr 14 Es (Fred McCamic). Golden Eagle: 1 mature bird Apr 17 (Clarence Petty); 1 migrating Apr 22 E'town (AG). Marsh Hawk: 1 Apr 4 Wes (AG); 1 Apr 6 Gab (TM); 1 Apr 28 Mor (Helen Phinney). Osprey: 10 birds reported from PS to L Cham. Merlin: 1 Apr 7 Ti (JB); 1 Apr 9 Sch L (JB); 1 Apr 12 E'town (GC); 1 Apr 13 Min (CK). Kestrel: first inland birds—1 Gab, 1 FF Apr 6 (TM). Spruce Grouse: 1 male May 27 Mad (Gordon Meade & Joseph Taylor). Killdeer: 1 flying thru heavy snow Apr 9 PS (TM); very common L Cham Valley (JP). American Woodcock: good numbers. Spotted Sandpiper: 1 May 1 Wes (JP&WP); 1 May 6 PS (TM); max 4 May 18 Es (HPAud). Solitary Sandpiper: 1 Apr 26 Es (JP); 1 May 18 Es (HPAnd). Greater Yellowlegs: 3 May 1-3 L Cham (JP). Glaucous Gull: 1 immature seen in flight and perched May 11 Plat (GC). Great Black-backed Gull: 1 Apr 17 Wes (AG); 1 May 23 PHen (GC). Bonaparte's Gull: 100 in breeding plumage May 14 Plat (GC). Caspian Tern: 1 May 15 PHen (GC&NM), large size and huge red bill seen as it dove. Mourning Dove: 1 Apr

2 TL (RM); 1 Apr 7 Ke (TM); also usual locations of L Cham & E'town. Black-billed Cuckoo: 1 May 19 Es (E&JP). Screech Owl: 1 gray phase Apr 4 E'town (Freda Howard). Great Horned Owl: 2 Apr 2 Es (E & JP); 2 young in a nest May 9 Wil (PA); pair May TL (RM).

GOATSUCKER-STARLING: Whip-poor-will: 1 Apr 28 Ke (GR); 1 Apr 28-30 TL (RM). Ruby-throated Hummingbird: 1 May 12 Wes (AG). Red-headed Woodpecker: 1 May 15 Wil (JP); 1 May 27 E'town (E&JP). Yellow-bellied Sapsucker: an early bird Apr 14 E'town (GC). Black-backed Three-toed Woodpecker: 1 Apr 21 Lake Placid (P&GR); 2 Apr 27 BTP (FL). Northern Three-toed Woodpecker: 3 Apr 27 BTP (FL). Eastern Kingbird: 1 exceptionally early bird Apr 12 Wes (Charlotte Allen), no details. Great Crested Flycatcher: ax 6 May 18 Es (HPAud). Eastern Phoebe: first inland bird Apr 7 Wilmington (TM). Eastern Wood Pewee: first May 14 Wes (Deborah Anson). Olive-sided Flycatcher: 1 late transient May 30 Wes (GC). Tree Swallow: first Apr 3 Wes (AG); 100 Apr 6 Sar L (TM). Barn Swallow: first Apr 17 Sch L (JB). Bank Swallow: arrived May 11 Olmstedville (CK). Rough-winged Swallow: first May 19 Es (JP). Cliff Swallow: first arrivals May 14 PS (TM). Purple Martin: arrived Apr 25 Sch L (JB); max 17 May 18 Es (HPAud). Gray Jay: 3 Apr 27 BTP (FL); 1 May 2 Mad (GR & Greenleaf T. Chase). Common Raven: 1 Apr 7 Ke (GC); 2 adults with 5 fully fledged young May 10-14 Indian Lake (JOB), verified and photographed by JP, one of the adults seen also by Thomas H. Davis and others; 1 May 15 Cascade Lake (Marguerite Kingsbury). Boreal Chickadee: 4 Apr 27 BTP (FL). Tufted Titfouse: 1 singing May 23 Wes (GC). Brown Creeper: max 6 Apr 27 BTP (FL). House Wren: first May 1 Wes (AG); max 15 May 18 Es (HPAud). Winter Wren: good numbers, first Apr 4 Ke (GR). Mockingbird: 1 May 18 Crn Pt (GC); 1 May 25 Mor (RG). Brown Thrasher: first Apr 15 Ke (GR). Hermit Thrush: good numbers. Swainson's Thrush: very scarce, you may not always have one in a day of birding; "Big Day" count at Es May 18 yielded one bird. Veery: first May 4 Ke (GR). Eastern Bluebird: an encouraging number of reports from many areas. Blue-gray Gnatcatcher: 1 Apr 27 BTP (FL); 1 May 9 Sar L (Joseph Keji); May 11 Es (JP); 1 May 13 P Hen (GC&NM); 1 May 24 E'town (NM&JP); this is an unusual bird for this 4 county area. Northern Shrike: Apr 4 Es (PA).

VIREOS-WARBLES: Yellow-throated Vireo: 1 Apr 22 Sch L (JB). Solitary Vireo: first Apr 21 E'town (GC); usual numbers. Red-eyed Vireo: first Apr 28 Ke (GR). Philadelphia Vireo: singing bird May 30 Wes (GC). Warbling Vireo: several L Cham reports. Black-and-White Warbler: first Apr 29 E'town and Mor (GC&NM). Tennessee Warbler: several from L Cham area. Nashville, Yellow, and Magnolia Warblers: good numbers. Cape May Warbler: numbers seem unusually high with at least 10 reports from PS to L Cham. Black-throated Blue Warbler: good numbers. Yellow-rumped Warbler: first Apr 15 Es (JP). Black-throated Green Warbler: numbers somewhat over last year's low. Pine Warbler: 2 May 18 Es (HPAud); 1 May 19 Lincoln Pond (NM). Palm Warbler: 1 May 4 Ironville (HPAud). Northern Waterthrush: several reports. Wilson's Warbler: 1 May 25 Mor (RG).

BLACKBIRDS-SPARROWS: Northern Oriole: first May 4 Wes and Mor (AG&NM); max 27 May 18 Es (HPAud). Rusty Blackbird: 2 Apr 27 Mad (JP & TM); 4 Apr 29 Crn Pt GC & (NM). Brown-headed Cowbird: large flock Apr 1 TL (RM). Scarlet Tanager: max 12 May 18 Es (HPAud). Cardinal: several wintered at Sch L; max 10 May 18 Es (HPAud). Rose-breasted Grosbeak: first May 11 PS (WR); 1 May 11 Sch L (JB). Indigo Bunting: first May 15 Wallonsburg (Kirke Learning). Purple Finch: quite common during first weeks of April. Hoary Redpoll: 1 Apr 9-14 E'town (Irene & GC), full details. Common Redpoll:

abundant this year; latest Apr 26 E'town (GC). Pine Siskin; a few reports. American Goldfinch: max 53 May 18 Es (HPAud). Red Crossbill: max 4 May 1-4 Es (JP&WP). White-winged Crossbill: 1 Apr 1-6 TL (RM); 2 Apr 3 Sch L (HPAud); 6 Apr 21 Wes (AG). Rufous-sided Towhee: first Apr 6 Es feeder (E&JP); max 4 May 18 Es (HPAud); 1 May 21 TL (RM). Vesper Sparrow: several reports from PS to L Cham. Dark-eyed Junco: large flock arrived TL Apr 5 (RM); max 450 in two flocks Apr 24 E'town (GC). Tree Sparrow: 1 late bird May 14 Es (JP). Chipping Sparrow: several Apr 6 Wes feeder (Ruth & Carlin Walker). Field Sparrow: Apr 5 Sch L feeder (JB). White-crowned Sparrow: first 2 Apr 8 TL (RM); 4 Apr 15 Sch L (JB). Lincoln's Sparrow: 1 May 14 Min (JOB & JP). Swamp Sparrow: first Apr 12 Es (JP). Song Sparrow: 1 singing Apr 5 TL (RM).

REGION 9 — DELAWARE-HUDSON

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Once again, ice left the Hudson River by late Feb and most waterfowl went thru in early March. There were no peaks. April was warm with near normal precipitation, just less than 4½ inches. In the mid-Hudson Valley, foliage came on early by about 1 week. May was cool with precipitation average at slightly more than 4½ inches.

The migration showed certain species scarce but others were well represented, some even at record highs as the report will show. Most important warbler movements occurred on weekends when birders could take advantage of them. Most of the "big day" counts in the region were better than average in both species and numbers.

Observers cited: MB—Marty Borko; RFD—Robert F. Deed; FG—Florence Germond; TG—Tom Gilbert; VBG—Vivian and Bill Gilbert; TH—Thelma Haight; FH—Fred Hough; AJ—Alice Jones; MJK—Mary and Jim Key; EK—Eric Kiviati; ML—Mabel Little; HM—Helen Manson; HDM—Hugh D. McGuiness; ABM—Al and Barbara Merritt; KN—Ken Niven; JCO—John C. Orth; VP—Vivian Parkhurst; BS—Beedy Serra; RS—Robert Smart; DS—Dan Smiley; WTS—William and Trixie Strauss; JT—John Tripp; JPT—John P. Tramontano; EDT—Edward D. Treacy; MVW—Marion VanWagner; OW—Otis Waterman.

Abbreviations: First four letters of each county; MBC—Mearns Bird Club; WBC—Waterman Bird Club; SCAS—Sullivan County Audubon Soc.; MC—Mearns Bird Club "Big Day" May 18; WC—Waterman Bird Club Census May 18; USMA—U.S. Military Academy, West Point; Pok—Poughkeepsie.

LOONS—DUCKS: Common Loon: no flights reported, but single birds reported on Hudson at Cornwall from Apr 21-May 18; Dutch Apr 6-8; Long Pond, Dutch May 18-26; and Mud Pond, Dutch May 26-27. Red-throated Loon: 1 May 30 Hudson at Bear Mt. (JCO). Double-crested Cormorant: 8 WC (AJ). Great Blue Heron: Tamarack heronry with 9 nests counted and better than 25 residents. LITTLE BLUE HERON: 1 Apr 24 Crugers Is. (EK) Great Egret: 1 Apr 6 Tivoli; Black-crowned Night Heron: max 5 Cruger's Is. from Apr 27-May 11 (EK). Least Bittern: early, Apr 26 Cruger's; usual numbers thru region thereafter. Mute Swan: sev nesting records in Oran and Sull; a pr on Garrison's Rd, Fort Montgomery hatched 7 young May 8. WHISTLING SWAN: 1 Apr 6 Tivoli; 1 Apr 17 Traver Swamp, Dutch. Canada Goose: excellent numbers on migration; most ponds have 1 or more pr; at least 5 families were at Queensboro L, Bear Mt. Park, at end of season. Brant; 350 on WC (BF); 75 May 19 over Weyant's