

during migration Ithaca than last few years. Dark-eyed Junco (OREGON): 1 Elmira Mar. 21, 22 (D. Long). Tree Sparrow: 1 Ithaca May 16, very late (M. Braun)*. Harris' Sparrow: 1 adult feeding with White-crowned Sparrows Ithaca for several days around May 20 (Mrs. H. Kellogg); not confirmed but description good. White-crowned Sparrow: scarce Penn Yan, ML netted only 10, usually about 100.

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REGION 4 -- SUSQUEHANNA

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Late March and most of April averaged rather warm, which presumably accounted for some unusually early records, i.e. Purple Martin and Northern Oriole. May, however, turned cold and wet and several common migrants, notably Yellow-rumped Warblers and Dark-eyed Juncos, responded by remaining in relatively large numbers until late in the month.

Tufted Titmice, Carolina Wrens and Mockingbirds showed no noticeable decrease after the severe January weather.

Rarities during the period included a Cerulean Warbler and a Yellow-headed Blackbird.

Special abbreviations: Bing-Binghamton; Port-Portlandville; WP-Whitney Point.

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LOONS-DUCKS: Common Loon: 5 Goodyear L Mar. 21; 3 other reports, last at Norwich Apr. 16. Red-necked Grebe: 3 Norwich Apr. 16. Horned Grebe: 1 Crumhorn, Otsego Co. Apr. 17 last of 13 reports. Pied-billed Grebe: 10 reports from Mar. 20 WP to May 16 Owego. Double-crested Cormorant: May 17 WP (FL, HM). Great Blue Heron: migrants arriving Mar. 19. Green Heron: Apr. 26 Owego; next report May 6. Black-crowned Night Heron: 2 flying over Ingraham Hill May 3, s. of Bing. Am. Bittern: 1 Laurens, Otsego Co. Apr. 18; Apr. 30 Vestal; no others. Mute Swan: 1 on Mirror L at Owego during Mar. and Apr. Whistling Swan: up to 5 WP Mar. 5 to 21; 1 Chenango Bridge Mar. 8; 1 Port. May 8 and 9. Canada Goose: large flocks (100 plus) until May 4. Brant: "large flock" May 1 (J,CB). Gadwall: 1 WP Mar. 14 (RM); 2 Norwich Apr. 16 (R,SW), Green-winged Teal: WP 8 on Mar. 23 and 2 Apr. 11; no others. Blue-winged Teal: Mar. 20 WP; 11 more reports to Apr. 24 then only May 16 Owego. Redhead: Mar. 20 Owego, the only report. Ring-necked Duck: 1 near Port. Mar. 3, first migrant; 55 Apr. 10, max; May 8 last date. Canvasback: 22 WP Mar. 14, max; also reported from Port., Oneonta and Owego; last date Apr. 5. Scaup: Apr. 4 over 20 WP max; last date May 1 Owego; Greater specifically identified at Owego during Mar. and Apr.; Lesser reported at Owego, Oneonta area, WP and Norwich. Common Goldeneye: last date Apr. 10 Oneonta area. Bufflehead: Mar. 22 Owego, first; 8 WP Apr. 4 max; 2 WP Apr. 11 last; no others. Oldsquaw: 1 Norwich Apr. 16; also at Owego in Apr. White-winged Scoter: Apr. 4 WP; 2 Candor Apr. 10; last date May 9. Ruddy Duck: 8 Green-

wood L in n. Broome Co. Apr. 6 (RM). Hooded Merganser: numerous reports from Mar. 13 to 23; 2 Crumhorn L Apr. 4 last. Common Merganser: over 140 WP Mar. 14 max; large numbers until at least Mar. 23; last date Apr. 10. Red-breasted Merganser: WP Mar. 13 first, 30 Apr. 4 max and Apr. 11 last; also reported at Owego.

HAWKS—ALCIDS: Turkey Vulture: Mar. 24 Cannonsville first; also reported at Owego, Chenango Bridge, Oneonta, Goodyear L and Walton. Goshawk: 2 Broome Co. reports May 23, one of a pair nest-building—May 28 nest abandoned and loose feathers found. Sharp-shinned Hawk: 3 reports totaling 4 birds. Cooper's Hawk: 2 reports. Red-tailed Hawk: numerous reports from around the Region, several counts of 6-8 max. Red-shouldered Hawk: 5 reports. Broad-winged Hawk: Apr. 23 Bing. first; 12 reports. Rough-legged Hawk: 1 Sherburne Apr. 3, last of 3 reports. Bald Eagle: 1 Walton May 22 (SH). Marsh Hawk: 8 reports totaling 10 birds. Osprey: 1 Bovina, e. Delaware Co. Apr. 1 (SM); 5 other reports Apr. 24 to May 25. Turkey: reported from Morris, w. Otsego Co., Milford, Owego and 2 Bing. localities. Virginia Rail: Apr. 16 Bing. Am. Coot: May 12 Owego. Semipalmated Plover: May 23 Vestal. Am. Woodcock: nest with 3 eggs Mar. 30 Owego (P,DM). Common Snipe: 3 WP Apr. 11. Spotted Sandpiper: 1 Delhi May 1. Solitary Sandpiper: 1 Delhi May 2. Greater Yellowlegs: 1 WP Apr. 24. Lesser Yellowlegs: 1 WP Apr. 24, direct comparison with Greater. Least Sandpiper: 2 reports May 23 Bing. Ring-billed Gull: "large flock" in Bing. area Mar. 5 and 9; 2 reports after May 28, the last May 23. Bonaparte's Gull: 12 WP Mar. 21; at Owego during Apr.; last date May 7 Candor.

PIGEONS—WOODPECKERS: Mourning Dove: reported all period, but particularly plentiful during May. Yellow-billed Cuckoo: 2 reports May 23 Bing.; no others. Black-billed Cuckoo: May 10 Candor; 5 other reports. Barred Owl: 2 Bing. localities in Apr. and May. Pileated Woodpecker: 11 of 15 reports in May. Red-headed Woodpecker: 1 Delhi May 3 (JD); also reported from Owego. Yellow-bellied Sapsucker: Apr. 16 Oneonta and Choconut Center.

FLYCATCHERS—STARLINGS: Eastern Kingbird: May 2 Owego and Choconut Center. Great Crested Flycatcher: May 6 Chenango Forks. Eastern Phoebe: Mar. 21 Vestal. Yellow-bellied Flycatcher: May 22 Owego, no others. Willow Flycatcher: May 15 WP. Least Flycatcher: May 2 Choconut Center and Candor. Eastern Wood Pewee: 1 May 2 Unadilla (JT); no more until May 15. Horned Lark: 30 to 40 Sherburne Apr. 3. Tree Swallow: Mar. 25 Chenango Forks. Bank Swallow: Apr. 24. Barn Swallow: Apr. 17 Delhi. Purple Martin: Apr. 1 Candor (RPa). Boreal Chickadee: 1 regularly at a feeder near Chenango Bridge until Mar. 15 (EM); 1 Chenango Forks Mar. 16 (A,MD). Tufted Titmouse: more or less regular at 4 Triple Cities feeders; also reported from Owego in Apr. House Wren: Mar. 22 Oneonta (IW); 1 Delhi Apr. 1 (MC); "normal" first date Apr. 17, and regular thereafter. Winter Wren: 1 Delhi Apr. 5; only 3 later reports, 4 Milford-Port. area May 15 max and last. Carolina Wren: 5 different Triple Cities locations, Chenango Forks to Vestal during period; Apr. 17 Owego. Mockingbird: regular at one Oneonta and two Triple Cities locations during Mar. and Apr.; in May at two more Triple Cities locations and Owego. Wood Thrush: 1 Oneonta Mar. 17 (E, FV); no others until May 5. Hermit Thrush: Apr. 15 Bing.; 7 more reports, 4 around Bing. May 23. Swainson's Thrush: May 8 Port. and Bing.; 9 other reports to May 25. Gray-checked Thrush: May 8 Delhi and May 23 Bing.; no others. Veery: May 3 Vestal; common after May 11. Blue-gray Gnatcatcher: Apr. 22 Choconut Center; 5 more reports from Owego, Port. and Endwell. Golden-crowned Kinglet: Mar. 27 Choconut Center, only 3 more reports to Apr. 15. Ruby-crowned Kinglet: plentiful from Apr. 15 to May 9; 2 reports May 23 Bing. the last. Water Pipit: Apr. 16 n. Broome Co.; 30 Norwich May 8; 4 Port. May 9. Northern Shrike: immature WP Mar. 19 (RM). Loggerhead Shrike: Mar. 13 WP (A, MD); 1 Greenwood Park Apr. 9—"clear view of gray back and extended eye line" (RM).

VIREOS—WARBLERS: Yellow-throated Vireo: May 5 Owego. Solitary Vireo: Apr. 20 Bing. Philadelphia Vireo: May 15 Bing. (HM); May 16 Owego (L, WD). Warbling Vireo: May 1 Choconut Center and Delhi. Worm-eating Warbler: May 10 Bing. (HM, FL) and the

same day 1 banded in Vestal (GCo). Golden-winged Warbler: May 8 Bing.; also at Choconut Center and Chenango Forks. Brewster's Warbler: May 6 Choconut Center (MS), still present May 23 and 29; Owego May 11. Blue-winged Warbler: May 8 Bing.; also at Owego, Port. and Choconut Center. Tennessee Warbler: May 11 Candor; common from May 15 to 28. Nashville Warbler: Apr. 29 Bing.; common thru May. Parula Warbler: May 9 Castle Creek and Port.; May 15 Port. and Chenango Forks; no others. Yellow Warbler: Apr. 18 Bing. Magnolia Warbler: 1 Walton May 2. Cape May Warbler: May 8 Oneonta and Vestal; 10 more reports to May 23. Yellow-rumped Warbler: Apr. 17 Port. and Delhi; still very common May 23. Black-throated Green Warbler: May 1 Choconut Center. **CERULEAN WARBLER:** May 7 Bing. (HM, FL), one of about half a dozen records in 23 years. Blackburnian Warbler: May 7 Westford; comparatively scarce. Bay-breasted Warbler: 1 May 8 Port.; no more until May 15 and not common until May 23. Blackpoll Warbler: 1 May 9 West Oneonta; fairly common from May 15 to 25, peaking May 22 to 24; small numbers present to at least May 31. Pine Warbler: May 8 Owego. Palm Warbler: Apr. 15 and 16 Bing.; 1 Apr. 17 Crumhorn; May 22 Newark Valley. Northern Waterthrush: May 1 Choconut Center; 5 Port. May 5 max. Louisiana Waterthrush: 1 Bing. and 1 Milford Apr. 19; 4 or 5 at 1 time May 1 Norwich. Mourning Warbler: May 15 Port.; 1 May 22 Walton; May 23 Bing. Yellowthroat: May 4 Vestal. Yellow-breasted Chat: May 23 Bing. (MS), then only one. Wilson's Warbler: May 14 Owego; only 3 more reports, the last 2 May 23.

WEAVERS—SPARROWS: YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD: Apr. 27 female at feeder Candor (RPa), still present May 31—seen by many and photographed. **ORCHARD ORIOLE:** a first year male May 4 Apalachin (GCU), but then moved on. Northern Oriole: Apr. 10 Vestal (GCo); next date May 1, then plentiful. Rusty Blackbird: Apr. 13 Owego; 1 Oneonta May 19; no others. Common Grackle: regular reports from Mar. 1 but not really common until about Mar. 20. Scarlet Tanager: May 7 Chenango Forks; no mention of the ground feeding one might expect during a cold wet May. Rose-breasted Grosbeak: 1 Milford May 2; 12 Delhi May 8. Indigo Bunting: May 7 Chenango Bridge and Vestal. Evening Grosbeak: 50 May 8 Port.; regular until May 16; 4 reports May 23 at Bing.; still at Oneonta May 28. Purple Finch: small numbers all period, max 20 Port. Apr. 24, but never really common. House Finch: seen regularly in 5 Triple Cities localities and also reported from Vestal Center, Owego, Port., Delhi and 2 Oneonta localities; 1 banded Apr. 11 at Vestal had a well developed brood patch; 3 young at feeder with adults May 12 Endwell. Pine Grosbeak: over 30 at Gilbert State Park Mar. 10, the only report. Common Redpoll: daily until Apr. 6; last date Apr. 12. Pine Siskin: a few present all Mar. and Apr. but most common May 2 to 19; 200 plus May 12 Oneonta feeding on dandelion seeds and in elm trees the best count; last date May 23. Am. Goldfinch: common all period. Red Crossbill: 9 feeding on Scotch pine cones Apr. 7 and a male singing Apr. 8 Greenwood Park; May 23 Bing. White-winged Crossbill: 2 Meredith, Delaware Co., Apr. 22; no others. Rufous-sided Towhee: Apr. 17 Choconut Center. Grasshopper Sparrow: May 15 Choconut Center; also reported at Owego, but none too common. Henslow's Sparrow: May 15 and 31 Choconut Center, the only reports. Vesper Sparrow: 2 Delhi Mar. 21; scarce. Dark-eyed Junco: bulk of migrants gone after May 9 but quite a few more than the normal summer population still around in late May. Tree Sparrow: Apr. 25 Chenango Forks, last date. Chipping Sparrow: Mar. 13 Owego (EWi, BM); next date Apr. 13. Field Sparrow: Mar. 25 Owego; next reports Apr. 15. White-crowned Sparrow: 1 Sherburne Apr. 3; 1 Delhi Apr. 20; first of main body of migrants May 2; 4 reports Bing. May 23; last date May 25. White-throated Sparrow: unusually large wintering population noticeably swelled by migrants about Apr. 16; pretty well thinned out by May 16. Fox Sparrow: small numbers all Mar.; 1 Oneonta Apr. 12, the later of only 2 Apr. records. Lincoln's Sparrow: May 9 Candor; May 16 Owego; May 23 Bing.; no others.

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