

UPDATES TO *BULL'S BIRDS OF NEW YORK STATE*

Since bird life anywhere is not static, Bull's Birds of New York State is already dated. The effective cutoff date for most of the species accounts was late 1996, so we already have a two year gap that needs to be addressed.

In addition to the need to update species accounts, there are sure to be a certain amount of errors of omission and commission that have crept into the work, careful as your editors have tried to be. Some have already come to light, and I am sure there will be more.

I therefore invite all readers, to write to me on whatever they believe needs a correction or an update. Please accompany such a note with doc-

umentary material, such as *Kingbird* or other accredited publication material.

The data thus accumulated will appear periodically in *The Kingbird, New York Birders*, as well as on the website, and eventually be presented as a Supplement to the current volume.

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CORRECTION

Eastern Wood-Pewee (*Contopus virens*) Pgs. 360-361.

The Nonbreeding section mistakenly contains information that properly belongs in the Eastern Phoebe account. Therefore this section should be rewritten as follows:

"It generally arrives in early to mid May, occasionally in late Apr, and normally departs late Sep or early Oct. A bird near Ithaca, Tompkins Co., 13 Apr 1985, was extremely early (KB 35:189). In 1969, a specimen (AMNH 793548) was collected at Fire I. Lighthouse on 15 Nov."

Eastern Phoebe (*Sayornis phoebe*) Pgs. 368-369.

The removed text from the pewee account actually belongs in the last paragraph of the Eastern Phoebe account which will now read as follows:

"Virtually every Region has Dec, Jan, and Feb records in mild winters; These birds switch to berry and backyard feeder diets in the insect-free months, but they most probably become victims of late winter storms. Unusual numbers of phoebes were noted on coastal CBC's in 1981 and 1984. On 1993, they were reported on seven different counts on SI and LI. A record of particular note took place on LI, with a total of five birds recorded on three CBCs 16-29 Dec 1980."

DELETIONS

The records listed below are to be deleted from the text as they were not accepted by NYSARC (KB 48:301-307).

Tufted Duck (*Aythya fuligula*) Pg. 163

"A Region 6 first, a male, was recorded at Long Point SP, Jefferson Co. 1 Apr 1995..."

Long-billed Curlew (*Numenius americanus*) Pg. 246

".. Gilgo Beach, Suffolk Co. 18 Sep 1994..."

Red-necked Stint (*Calidris ruficollis*) Pg. 254

".. one in fading alternate plumage, briefly at Marshlands Conservancy, Rye, Westchester Co. 18 Aug 1995..."

Ross's Gull (*Rhodestethia rosea*) Pg. 292

".. Point Peninsula, Jefferson Co. 4 Jan 1995..."

ADDITIONS

ADDITIONS to the New York State Checklist

The following three species have been added to the official NYS checklist by the approval of NYSARC:

- Broad-billed Sandpiper (*Limicola falcinellus*)
- Anna's Hummingbird (*Calypte anna*)
- Lazuli Bunting (*Passerina amoena*)

This brings the total list to 454 species.

An excellent account on the sandpiper appears in *The Kingbird* Vol. 48 No. 3 and on the hummer in *The Kingbird* Vol. 48 No. 4.