

## REGION 10—MARINE

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The spring season featured a few notable rarities, some good pelagic results, and an unusually early peak of landbird migration followed by weather conditions not conducive to concentrations of migrants.

Weather conditions this spring were closer to normal than the past several years, which were extremely warm. The average temperature in March at Islip was 40.4° F, 0.6° above normal. Precipitation was 3.04", 1.72" below normal. April and May were warmer than normal across the Region, and precipitation was near normal. April's average temperature at Islip was 50.6° F, 1.5° above normal. Precipitation was 4.40", 0.27" above normal. The average temperature in May was 62.1° F, 2.9° above normal, and precipitation was 3.81", 0.09" below normal. However, a blocking weather pattern set up across the country

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around 9-20 May. This resulted in a persistent low pressure trough across the east, with cloudy conditions and prevailing winds with an easterly component. In Central Park there were 17 days in May with measurable precipitation. Because of these conditions there were few days with concentrations of migrant landbirds in our area.

A modest winter finch invasion continued into the season. Common Redpolls continued into early April, with sightings of flocks numbering up to 25 in March. Small numbers of Pine Siskins were reported into April, with one late report on 24 May in Broadchannel, Queens. There were also sightings of White-winged Crossbills in March and April.

Rarities lingering from winter included a **Ross's Goose** in Bridgehampton, a "**Eurasian**" **Green-winged Teal** at Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge, and a **Varied Thrush** in Central Park through 1 May. A Red-headed Woodpecker continued in Central Park through the late date of 13 May. At least three other "**Eurasian**" **Green-winged Teals** were recorded in the Region this season, into early April. The maximum count of Harlequin Ducks at Point Lookout, Nassau County, was nine, more than in recent years. The last report was 9 April.

A pelagic trip out of Freeport, Nassau County on 27 March went as far as 25 miles offshore. Results included 250 Northern Gannets (primarily adults), 25 Bonaparte's Gulls, four Iceland Gulls, eight Lesser Black-backed Gulls, two Glaucous Gulls, two **Common Murres**, 230 Razorbills, and 90 unidentified large alcids. Angus Wilson, John Shemilt, and Keegan Corcoran went offshore of Shinnecock Inlet, Suffolk County on 21 May and recorded two Great Shearwaters, 22 Sooty Shearwaters, one Manx Shearwater, 385 Wilson's Storm-Petrels, one **Leach's Storm-Petrel**, 33 **Red Phalaropes**, two **Arctic Terns**, two Dovekies, and 18 **Atlantic Puffins**. Another **Arctic Tern** was seen by Bob Kurtz and Bobby Berlingeri at Robert Moses State Park, Suffolk County on 22 May. A **Red Phalarope** was seen and photographed at the unusual location of Flushing Meadow-Corona Park, Queens County on 20 May.

There were few other rarities this season. The highlight certainly was an adult **White Ibis** discovered at Mount Loretto Unique Area, Staten Island on 25 April by Jeff Stetson. It was re-located on 29 April a couple of miles away at Great Kills Park and seen by many, despite its habit of frequenting ponds surrounded by dense vegetation. It continued to be seen at this location through the end of May. Joan Quinlan spotted a **Swallow-tailed Kite** on 25 April at Robert Moses State Park. As usual, the sighting was associated with strong southerly winds, and it followed reports in New Jersey. A **Eurasian Collared-Dove** was seen and well described by Lauren Kras on 5 May in East Marion, Suffolk County. A **White-winged Dove** was present at Jones Beach West End on 15 May, discovered by Andrew Baksh and Doug Futuyma. A female **Yellow-headed Blackbird** was reported by Dave Eib at Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge on 25 May. A male Boat-tailed Grackle was seen in Central Park from 10 April through the reporting period, most unusual away from the immediate coast.

An influx of Lesser Black-backed Gulls was noted beginning in mid-May and lasting through the last days of the month. Congregations of up to eight were noted, including many immature birds.

The landbird migration in our area was inhibited by the weather conditions through what usually is the peak of the migration. Repeating the pattern of recent years, there was a major influx of both long- and short-distance migrants beginning 25 April and continuing into early May, with a seemingly odd mix of species typically considered early and late migrants. This year, peak landbird diversity occurred during this period. For example, 24 species of warblers were recorded in Central Park on 29 April, and 29 species were there on 3 May. The landbird migration was much more pronounced in the western portions of the Region than over Long Island, especially early. However, a fall-out of migrants was noted at Jones Beach State Park on 24 May including Hooded, Tennessee, Wilson's, and Blackburnian Warblers, and Bobolink.

While the landbird migration was generally unspectacular, it was a good season for incursions of a number of typically southern species into our area. Most impressive was the number of reports of Yellow-throated Warbler. At least 13 different individuals occurred in the Region. Several stayed for extended periods, including birds at Clove Lakes Park, Staten Island from 18-30 April and Forest Park, Queens County from 7-15 May. Sporadic reports beginning 23 April at Connetquot River State Park, Suffolk County, may have been an individual staying through the season. Ten or more Prothonotary Warblers occurred in the Region, including a bird at Prospect Park, Brooklyn and two at Willowbrook Park, Staten Island, in the last week of May. There were also at least 15 distinct reports of Summer Tanager, including a territorial pair discovered in East Hampton, Suffolk County on 26 May and remaining through the season.

**Common Raven** reports were again widespread in the Region. A pair nested in Kew Gardens, Queens County for the third year, but the nest was abandoned in mid-April. It is possible that major storms on 15-17 April contributed to the failure of the nest. Possible nesting activity was observed in April at the water tower in Roslyn, Nassau County, where ravens have frequently been seen during the past several years, but observers were unable to confirm the presence of a nest or observe any fledglings. Four birds were seen there on 24 April, the maximum observation of the season.

Up to 15 **Mitred Parakeets** were seen in Queens County this season, including a pair copulating at Hillcrest, and a pair returning to a nest site in Kew Gardens for approximately the sixth year. Unfortunately, many of the birds appeared unhealthy this year, exhibiting poor feather and beak condition and feather bleaching as seen in previous years. The causes may potentially include dietary deficiencies, a communicable disease, inbreeding, and/or cage wear.

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## ABBREVIATIONS

AMA – Amagansett, SUFF; APP – Alley Pd P, QUEE; BPT – Breezy Pt, QUEE; Calv – Calverton Grasslands (former Grumman Property), SUFF; CB – Cedar Beach, Babylon, SUFF; CCP – Cupsogue CP, SUFF; CHP – Conference House P, RICH; CP – Central Park, NEWY; CRSP – Connetquot R SP, SUFF; DOP – Drier-Offerman P, KING; DP – Democrat Pt, SUFF; FBF – Floyd Bennett Field, KING; FMCP – Flushing Meadows-Corona Park, QUEE; FP – Forest Park, QUEE; FT – Fort Tilden, QUEE; GKP – Great Kills P, RICH; HHSP – Hither Hills SP, SUFF; HLSP – Hempstead L SP, NASS; HSP – Heckscher SP, SUFF; Jam Bay – Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge, QUEE; JBSP – Jones Beach SP, NASS; JBWE – West End, Jones Beach SP, NASS; KP – Kissena Park, QUEE; Mass – Massapequa Preserve, NASS; MB – Mecox Bay, SUFF; MI – Moriches Inlet, SUFF; MLUA – Mt. Loretto Unique Area, RICH; MNSA – Marine Nature Study Area, Oceanside, NASS; MP – Montauk Pt, SUFF; nm – nautical miles; PBP – Pelham Bay P, BRON; PP – Prospect P, KING; RMSP – Robert Moses SP, SUFF; RP – Riis P, QUEE; Sagg – Sagaponack Pd, SUFF; Shinn – Shinnecock Inlet, SUFF; SPCP – Smith Pt CP, SUFF; SMSP – Sunken Meadow SP, SUFF; VCP – Van Cortlandt P, BRON; VSSP – Valley Stream SP, NASS; WPP – Wolfe's Pd P, RICH.

### WHISTLING-DUCKS - VULTURES

**Greater White-fronted Goose:** 4 SMSP 5 Mar (JGl); DOP 5-10 Mar (AxW, SB).

**Snow Goose:** max 3500 Jam Bay 4 Mar (PD).

**ROSS'S GOOSE (R10):** Bridgehampton, SUFF thru 13 Mar (DF); Jam Bay 19-20 Mar (fide TJ).  
**Cackling Goose:** Deep Hollow Ranch, Montauk, SUFF 6-8 Mar (AnW); 2 Capri L, West Islip, SUFF 5 Mar (fide BGr); VCP 12 Mar (AB); Southampton, SUFF 1 Apr (RA).  
**Wood Duck:** max 19 SMSF 11 May (JGl), large number.  
**Eurasian Wigeon:** CCP 12 Mar (RK).  
**N. Shoveler:** 225 PP 9-14 Mar (RJ), large number.  
**Green-winged Teal:** max 105 Terrell R CP, SUFF 27 Mar (SSM, PJL).  
**"EURASIAN" GREEN-WINGED TEAL:** Jam Bay thru 7 Mar (mob); 2 Shorts Pd, Bridgehampton, SUFF 6 Mar (SSM); Goethals Br Pd, RICH 7-9 Apr (RV).  
**Redhead:** 31 Jam Bay 1 Mar (DG, CF); 25 Baisley Pd P, QUEE 5 Mar (SA, CF); max 104 Capri L, 5 Mar (MM); 76 Capri L 11 Mar (BB); large numbers.  
**Greater Scaup:** 850 CRSP 6 Mar (JGl), large number; 3000 New Suffolk, SUFF 1 Mar (MLL); 20,000 Dead Horse Bay, KING 13 Mar (RBo); max 25,000 Plumb Beach 1 Mar (CF, DG).  
**TUFTED DUCK x scaup:** Mass 12 Mar (SSM, PJL).  
**Lesser Scaup:** max 1550 Eastport 13 Mar (SSM).  
**King Eider:** fem AMA 6 Mar (SSM); fem MP 12 Mar (CS); m East Hampton 13 Mar (AnW); JBWE 10 Apr (KF); Plum I, SUFF 13 May (JSe); 2 drakes East Marion, SUFF 31 May thru (RBA).  
**Com. Eider:** 3500 MP 3 Mar (SF); 200 CCP 5 Mar (RK); max 5000 MP 27 Mar 50 (SSM); Shinn 16 Apr; 25 Plum I 13 May (JSe); 50 MP 29 May (RBA); 24 East Marion 31 May thru (RBA); small numbers FT, JBWE, other locations east thru.  
**Harlequin Duck:** max 9 Pt. Lookout, NASS 8 Mar (RK); 6 Pt. Lookout 9 Apr, last; Dead Horse Bay 1 May (RBo).  
**Surf Scoter:** max 15,000 MP 3 Mar (SF).  
**White-winged Scoter:** 53 FT 16 May (DG), small numbers thru.  
**Black Scoter:** max 25,000 MP 3 Mar (SF); 25 RMSP 27 Apr (SSM); small numbers thru.  
**Barrow's Goldeneye:** Jam Bay thru 12 Mar.  
**Com. Merganser:** 5 Jam Bay 5 Mar (SA, CF).  
**N. Bobwhite:** fem Hampton Bays 30 Mar (ES), only report.  
**Ring-necked Pheasant:** 1 reported JBSP.  
**Wild Turkey:** max 21 Ridge, SUFF 5 Apr (RK).  
**Red-throated Loon:** max 74 RMSP 27 Apr (SSM).

**Red-necked Grebe:** Montauk, SUFF 2 Mar (CS); Culloden Pt, Montauk, SUFF 6 Mar (SSM); JBSP 26 Mar (KF).  
**Eared Grebe:** Ama thru 4 Mar (CS, HM, K&SF); East Hampton 12 Mar (CS).  
**N. Fulmar:** 5 offshore Shinn 21 May (AnW, JSh, KC).  
**Great Shearwater:** 2 offshore Shinn 21 May (AnW, JSh, KC).  
**Sooty Shearwater:** East Hampton 14 Apr (AnW); East Hampton 23 Apr (AnW), early; 2 RMSP 15 May (SSM, PJL); 2 RMSP 18 May (SSM); 4 RMSP 20 May (SA, MN, DF); 21 offshore Shinn 21 May (AnW, JSh, KC); 3 RMSP 22 May (RBA); MP 29 May (RBA).  
**Manx Shearwater:** 2 RMSP 14 May (TWB, GB); Ama 15 May (AnW); offshore Shinn 21 May (AnW, JSh, KC).  
**Wilson's Storm-Petrel:** 11 CCP-Shinn 14 May (SSM, PJL); 11 Ama 15 May (AnW); 144 RMSP 15 May (SSM, PJL), large number; 10 RMSP 20 May (SA, MN, DF); 385 offshore Shinn 21 May (AnW, JSh, KC); large number.  
**LEACH'S STORM-PETREL:** offshore Shinn 21 May (AnW, JSh, KC).  
**N. Gannet:** ad 250 offshore Freeport, NASS 27 Mar (PG, *et al.*); max 527 East Hampton 17 Apr (AnW); numbers reported interior coastal waters 9-16 Apr.  
**Am. Bittern:** Grand St., NEWY 8 Apr (Doug Stern), unusual location; Jam Bay 3 May (JO); CP 18 May (ABi, mob).  
**Least Bittern:** E 52 St., NEWY 24 May (AF), identified by nocturnal flight calls.  
**Snowy Egret:** 38 Jam Bay 9 Apr (SB); 41 Jam Bay 10 Apr (AB); 46 Jam Bay 15 Apr (AB); large numbers.  
**Little Blue Heron:** arr 7 Apr; max 9 Jam Bay 15 Apr (AB).  
**Tricolored Heron:** arr 9 Apr; more reports than recent years incl max 5 Jam Bay 15-17 Apr (AB).  
**Cattle Egret:** Northville, SUFF 9 Apr (MLL); West Shore Expwy. at South Av, RICH 22 Apr (DJ); 2 Mt. Loretto, RICH 30 Apr (SIW); Captree Island, SUFF 9 May (SSM).  
**Black-crowned Night-Heron:** 25 FBF 5 Apr (RB), large number.  
**WHITE IBIS:** ad MLUA 25 Apr (JS, mob), continuing GKP 29 Apr thru (mob).  
**Glossy Ibis:** 71 Willowbrook P 25 May (RV), large number.  
**Black Vulture:** 2 Fresh Kills, RICH 8 Mar; Manorville, SUFF 13 Mar (Bob Washburn); 2 CLP 6 Apr (ACi); 2 Sharrots Pd, RICH 25 Apr (MS); 2 Greenlawn, SUFF 23 May (Donna DeSousa, ph).

**Turkey Vulture:** max 35 Eger Nursing Home, RICH 9 Apr (ACi); numerous L.I. reports from 11 Mar, incl. 12 East Northport, SUFF 11 Mar (VS); 11 Plum I 22 Apr (JSe).

## HAWKS - ALCIDS

**Osprey:** from winter.

**SWALLOW-TAILED KITE:** RMSP 25 Apr (JQ).

**Bald Eagle:** FP 30 Apr (RJK), unusual location; 2 imm CP 6 May (JD), late.

**N. Goshawk:** Jam Bay 7 Mar (DG, *et al.*).

**Red-shouldered Hawk:** ad FT thru 12 Mar; PP 11 Apr (PD); Northville 26 Apr (MLL).

**Broad-winged Hawk:** Northville 26 Apr (MLL).

**Rough-legged Hawk:** 2 Calv thru 16 Mar (LO).

**Am. Kestrel:** 15 Calv 28 Mar (LO); 15 Calv 9 Apr (SF); 20 Calv 1 May (SF), large numbers.

**Virginia Rail:** Sunnyside, RICH 4 Apr, found dead (fide EJ).

**Sora:** River Rd, RICH 8 May, 16 May (SIW, D. Eib, *et al.*); E 52 St. 22 May (AF), identified by nocturnal flight calls.

**Com. Moorhen:** 3 River Rd 16 May (ACi, SIW, *et al.*); Jam Bay 21 May (PJJ, mob).

**Piping Plover:** Napeague, SUFF 2 Mar (CS), early.

**BLACK-NECKED STILT:** 2 Sebonac Inlet, SUFF 25-29 May (RBA, SSM, mob).

**“Western” Willet:** PB 22 May, breeding plumage, PB 28 May, 1st summer plumage, CCP 30 May, breeding plumage (SSM, PJJ).

**Upland Sandpiper:** RMSP 26 May (JQ).

**Whimbrel:** MNSA 20 May (SyS, JG).

**Red Knot:** max 142 Jam Bay 11 May (AB); 140 Jam Bay 13 May (SSM); 125 Jam Bay 21 May (SA); 121 CCP 27 May (SSM).

**Pectoral Sandpiper:** 2 Jam Bay 13-16 Apr (RF, SA, CF); Georgica Pd, SUFF 17 Apr (AnW); 5 Jam Bay 20 Apr (AB); MNSA 6 May (RJK); Oakwood Beach, RICH 8 May (DEib); Shinn 14 May (RK).

**Short-billed Dowitcher:** Big Egg Marsh, QUEE 22 Apr (CF), early; 2 JBWE 27 Apr (MM).

**Red-necked Phalarope:** Jam Bay 20-22 May (RK, SA, CF, mob).

**RED PHALAROPE (R10):** FMCP 20 May (fide DG, ph); 33 offshore Shinn 21 May (AnW, JSh, KC).

**Black-legged Kittiwake:** 1 sum CCP 14 May (SSM, PJJ).

**Bonaparte’s Gull:** max 325 FT 1 Mar (DG, CF); 100 WPP 6 Apr (ACi); other counts much lower.

**Black-headed Gull:** FT 1 Mar (DG, CF); ad FT 8 Mar (AnW, *et al.*); SY Ditch Plains, Montauk, SUFF 27 Mar (SSM, PJJ).

**Little Gull:** no reports.

**Laughing Gull:** arr 21 Mar.

**Iceland Gull:** over 15 reports incl 2Y around Jones Inlet, NASS thru.

**Lesser Black-backed Gull:** Wintering ads: Northville thru 10 Mar, FT thru 12 Mar, Napeague thru 25 Mar, Mecox, SUFF thru 25 Mar; 8 offshore Freeport 27 Mar (PG, *et al.*); mid-May influx incl. 7 RMSP 16 May (SSM), Plum Beach, KING 16 May (DG), 2 RMSP 17 May (PJJ), 6 DP 18 May (SSM), 3 CSP 18 May (SSM), 6 DP 21 May (SSM), JBWE 22 May (SA), 4 Nickerson Beach, NASS 27 May (PP), DOP 28 May (AxW); *intro*.

**Glaucous Gull:** Orient Pt, SUFF thru; 2 win GKP-WPP 12 Mar-9 Apr (SIW); Pt Lookout 19 Mar (GS), 2W offshore Freeport 27 Mar (PG, *et al.*); Plum I 13 & 27 May (JSe).

**Gull-billed Tern:** JBWE 24 Apr (JQ); JBWE 27 Apr (MM); 2 JBWE 29 Apr (DK); max 8 JBWE 8 May (MM); 6 JBWE 9 May (SyS, *et al.*).

**Caspian Tern:** 2 Mecox 17 Apr (JSh); Lotus L, Sayville, SUFF 17 Apr (DR); 3 Mecox 18 Apr (RA); 2 Mecox 19 Apr; Sagg 19-23 Apr (KF); Mecox 23 Apr (AnW).

**Black Tern:** Orient Pt. 5 May (Lauren Kraas); RMSP 15 May (KF, SF); 3 RMSP 15 May (SSM, PJJ); Roosevelt I, NEWY 17 May (AF), unusual location; PP 18 May (AxW), unusual location; 2 PB 22 May (KF, SF); 2 RMSP 23 May (JGI).

**Roseate Tern:** 3 RMSP 2 May (SSM); Coney I Creek 16 May (DG); 2 PB 22 May (KF, SF); 21 Orient Pt 28 May (JSe); max 22 Cedar Beach, SUFF 29 May (JSe).

**Com. Tern:** max 690 Orient Pt 28 May (JSe).

**ARCTIC TERN:** 2 offshore Shinn 21 May (AnW, JSh, KC); RMSP 22 May (BB, RJK!).

**Black Skimmer:** max 550 Nickerson Beach, NASS 22 May (BB).

**Parasitic Jaeger:** RMSP 15 May (KF, SF, SSM, PJJ); Ama 15 May (AnW); few.

**Dovekie:** 2 offshore Shinn 21 May (AnW, JSh, KC).

**COMMON MURRE:** 2 offshore Freeport 27 Mar (PG, *et al.*).

**Razorbill:** 12 Ama 6 Mar (SSM); 7 MP 13 Mar (AnW); 32 East Hampton 27 Mar (SSM, PJJ); 230 offshore Freeport 27 Mar (PG, *et al.*).

**unid. large alcid:** 90 offshore Freeport 27 Mar (PG, *et al.*).

**Black Guillemot:** MP 13 Mar (AnW).

**ATLANTIC PUFFIN:** 18 offshore Shinn 21 May (AnW, JSh, KC).

## PIGEONS - WOODPECKERS

**EURASIAN COLLARED-DOVE:** East

Marion, SUFF 5 May (Lauren Kras!).

**WHITE-WINGED DOVE:** JBWE 15 May (AB, DF, mob).

**Monk Parakeet:** 2 nests Hicksville, NASS (DK).

**Barn Owl:** Nested Jam Bay for 3<sup>rd</sup> year.

**Long-eared Owl:** 5 PBP thru 5 Mar.

**Short-eared Owl:** Jam Bay 1 Mar (DG, CF); Shinn thru 14 Apr.

**Com. Nighthawk:** few reports; max 4 E 52 St. 10 May (AF).

**Chuck-will's-widow:** PP 30 Apr (RJ, SA, HL, CF, mob).

**Red-headed Woodpecker:** CP thru 13 May (mob); JBWE 9 May (SyS, *et al.*).

**Red-bellied Woodpecker:** RMSP 25-26 May (SSM), unusual location.

## FLYCATCHERS - WAXWINGS

**Olive-sided Flycatcher:** CP 3 May (mob); Muttontown Pres, NASS 8 May (BF); Allison Pd P 17 May (MS, *et al.*); FP 20 May (DF); CP 26 May (JDi); CLP 26 May (MS).

**Acadian Flycatcher:** SMSP 20 May (VP); Eastport, SUFF 22 May (KF, SF); CP 26-27 May (fide JDi, CC); PP 31 May (RJ).

**E. Phoebe:** RMSP 1 Mar (KF), early.

**N. Shrike:** Napeague thru 8 Mar.

**White-eyed Vireo:** HLSP 6 Apr (SyS, *et al.*).

**COMMON RAVEN (R10):** pr nested Kew Gardens, QUEE for 3<sup>rd</sup> yr, nest abandoned between 18-23 Apr (SA, CF, SW, RJK); 2 FP 24 Apr (SA, CF); 2 FP 30 Apr (BB); CRSP 1 Mar (GQ); Yaphank, SUFF 4 Mar (DH); Hendrix Creek, KING 8 Mar (RB); Rocky Pt Pres 13 Mar (DH); FBF 13 Mar (PD); Coney I, KING 18 Mar (DG); FBF 18 Mar (DG); Eltingville, RICH 2 Apr; Huguenot, RICH 13 Apr; 2 Oakland L, QUEE 29 Apr (EM); Hampton Bays, SUFF 30 Apr (RK); 1-2 Roslyn, NASS 6 Apr thru (PM, MN); 4 Roslyn 24 Apr (MN); 3 reports of single birds, BRON; *intro*.

**Purple Martin:** colonies Lemon Creek P, RICH, Dune Rd. West Hampton, SUFF, Pine Neck landing, SUFF, L. Panamoca, Ridge, SUFF.

**Tree Swallow:** from winter.

**Bank Swallow:** migr 5 RMSP 25 May (SSM); RMSP 27 May (SSM), late.

**Cliff Swallow:** HLSP 7 Apr (KF), early.

**White-breasted Nuthatch:** JBWE 10 Apr (SA, *et al.*), unusual location.

**Marsh Wren:** Bryant P, NEWY 19 May (mob), unusual location.

**Gray-cheeked Thrush:** Inwood Hill P, NEWY 15 May (JD).

## GRAY-CHEEKED/BICKNELL'S THRUSH:

VSSP 3 May (RJK); APP 3 May (RJK);

Willowbrook P, RICH 25 May (RV).

**VARIED THRUSH:** CP thru 1 May (mob).

**Cedar Waxwing:** Absent until 3<sup>rd</sup> wk May, then abundant.

## LONGSPURS - WARBLERS

**Orange-crowned Warbler:** HLSP 2-22 Apr (mob); CO 18 Apr (TF); CP 26 Apr (Ken Gale); CP 1 May.

**Black-throated Green Warbler:** arr HLSP 7 Apr (PJJ), Reg record early.

**Blackburnian Warbler:** arr sev loc 24 Apr (mob), Reg record early.

**Yellow-throated Warbler:** PP 10-14 Apr (mob); WPP 12 Apr (RV); APP 13 Apr (EM); HLSP 14 Apr (RJK, mob); CLP 18-30 Apr (EJ, mob); PP 18 Apr (mob); CRSP 23-24 Apr (JT), individual possibly staying thru; CP 25-28 Apr (mob); Grace Estate, East Hampton, SUFF 25 Apr (KR); CP 1-5 May (JM, mob); HLSP 5 May (KF, SF); FP 7-15 May (EM, GH, SA, mob); Hunters Garden, Eastport, SUFF 25 May (PS); *intro*.

**Cerulean Warbler:** William T. Davis Refuge, RICH 22 Apr (EJ), early; 4 other reports.

**Prothonotary Warbler:** NYBG 14-21 Apr (mob); Arshamomaque Pres, SUFF 23 Apr (J. Wittenberg); PP 24 Apr (RB); 2 PP 26 Apr (fide PD); PP 27 Apr – 1 May (mob); JBWE 8 May (MM); PP 23-24 May (mob), late; 2 Willowbrook P 25 May (fide RV), 1 banded, late; *intro*.

**Kentucky Warbler:** CP 3-5 May (mob); Allison Pd P 9 May (MS); Rocky Pt Pres 11 May (RK); Jam Bay 12-14 May (KM, mob); Cutchogue, SUFF 27 Apr, found dead (R&LK), ph.

**Mourning Warbler:** arr 13 May.

**Hooded Warbler:** appx 20 reports incl: Willowbrook P 25-26 May (RV), late; singing m CRSP 28 May (KF).

## TOWHEES - WEAVERS

**Clay-colored Sparrow:** CP 21 May (fide DF), ph.

**Vesper Sparrow:** Upland Farms, Cold Spring Harbor, SUFF 13 Apr (DR); SMSP 16 Apr (P. Gildersleeve), ph; APP 26 Apr (JR).

**Grasshopper Sparrow:** 2 JBWE 21 Mar (JQ, GF); singing m Edgemere, QUEE 21 May (CF).

**Saltmarsh Sparrow:** 2 Big Egg Marsh 5 Mar (SA, CF).

**Seaside Sparrow:** CP 27 Apr (mob), ph C. Vornberger, unusual location.

**Lincoln's Sparrow:** Bryant P 3 May (mob); JBWE 3 May (BF); 2 CP 8 May (SA, JD, *et al.*); CP 10 May (JR); SMSP 11 May (VP).

**Summer Tanager:** at least 15 reports incl: PP 26 Apr (J. Salas), ph, first; pr East Hampton 26 May thru (AC).

**Blue Grosbeak:** Lutheran Cem., QUEE (D. Cavallero); JBWE 27 Apr; 2 PP 1 May (RJ, HL); CP 7-8 May (mob); HLSP 19 May (RJK); GKP 21 May (SIW, D. Eib); DOP 28 May (AxW); m on territory, Eastport, SUFF for 3<sup>rd</sup> season.

**Dickcissel:** 2 Garvies Pt. Rd., Glen Cove, NASS 29 Apr (fide MN), ph P. Gildersleeve; Calverton 20 May (DK, RM).

**Bobolink:** PP 29 Apr (mob); 4 MLUA 18 May (EJ).

**E. Meadowlark:** several reports Calv.

**YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD:** fem Jam Bay 25 May (D. Eib!).

**Boat-tailed Grackle:** CP 10 Apr thru, rare away from coast; pr prob nested Little Neck Bay, QUEE (EM).

**White-winged Crossbill:** 9 Gilgo Beach, SUFF 19 Mar (RBA); 4 Gilgo Beach 10 Apr (RBA);

**Com. Redpoll:** 24 JBWE 5 Mar (SA, *et al.*); 25 CCP 5 Mar (RK); 2 HLSP 8 Mar (RJK); 2 CP 1-3 Apr (P. Pollock, JD), last.

**Pine Siskin:** 6 PP thru 13 Mar; CP 18 Mar – 18 Apr (JD); Grymes Hill, RICH 20 Apr (HF); JBWE 25 Apr (RJK, BB); PP 30 Apr (RJ, mob); Broad Channel, QUEE 24 May (RBA).

## EXOTICS

**Mitred Parakeet:** appx 15 Forest Hills, QUEE 19-20 Mar (KM); 12 Hillcrest, QUEE 14 Apr (J. Forrestal, SA); pr copulating Hillcrest 15 Apr (SA, RA); 6 Hillcrest 16 Apr (RJK); last Hillcrest 18 Apr (J. Forrestal); 3 Forest Hills 7 May (KM); 3 Forest Hills 10 May (SA); 2 Kew Gardens, mid-May thru, pr returning to nest site (A. Craig); *intro.*

**European Goldfinch:** Grymes Hill 17 Apr (HF).

