

REGION 2 – GENESEE

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September 2011 was warm and damp. Temperatures averaged 64.3° F, 2.5° above normal, with precipitation totaling 3.77", 0.39" above normal. There were no days with highs above 90° or lows below freezing. There was some rainfall on 16 days, with the maximum 1.44" on the 28th. October was near normal for temperature at 51.5°, just 0.9° above normal, but precipitation was nearly double normal at 5.20" (+2.48"). Again, 16 days of rainfall, with the maximum 1.27" on the 19th-20th and over half the total from the 14th-17th. A gray start was quickly followed by a warm sunny week that included the Columbus Day holiday weekend. Then low pressure and lake effect rains accompanied systems marching past with seasonable temperatures until cold air dropped in near month's end, bringing a few snow flakes over most of the Region to a couple of inches at higher elevations to the south. In November temperatures averaged 45.8°, 5.3° above normal, precipitation measured 2.46", 0.48" below normal. There was only a bit of snow on one day, vs. a norm of nine days, near Rochester though more fell to our east and south on the 17th-18th. This warm, tranquil month was the eighth warmest on record. As a whole, our fall was the tenth warmest and eleventh wettest in 141 years of records. Overall, this weather was not good for pushing winter birds into the Region or birds present to feeders.

Jumping right to the movements monitored in the fall, waterfowl provided a good illustration of the strange, yet at times exciting, nature of this fall migration. Watching from the Hamlin Beach Lakewatch was very often quiet and slow, day after day with the winds wrong and very few birds. Yet, if one could make it there on the "good" days when things set up right, there were great birds and some very good counts. Fortunately, Andy Guthrie, Dave Tetlow, and Chris Wood and Jessie Barry and a few others caught several of these days. September was slow, with few days of the expected puddle duck movements and only low number of Common Loon to month's end. There was a very good count of 282 Blue-winged Teal and relatively early arrival dates for Cackling Goose and Black Scoter on the 16th. October brought an early burst of 850 Brant on the 1st, then more typical pulses late in the month. 1-3 Cackling Geese popped up in Canada Goose flocks through the month across the Region. Generally, peak waterfowl numbers remained low, though picking up in the second half of the month. 238 Ruddy Ducks at Northrup Creek (back end of Long Pond, Town of Greece) was very high for this Region but pales beside this fall's counts from the Batavia Waste Water Treatment Plant only about 30 miles to the west and a mile into Region 1. The month also saw good counts of 1,657 and 1,684 Common Loons, a rare **Pacific Loon**, and the first documented

alternate plumaged **Yellow-billed Loon** for the Region seen by Chris Wood and Jessie Barry on the 16th and likely the same bird as later reported by Tim Lenz off Broadway Road, Town of Wolcott, Wayne County on the 30th. Continuing into November, the regular movement of ducks, particularly divers, was still disappointing. There were a few more Cackling Geese around, Tundra Swan arrived in numbers on Conesus Lake, King Eiders arrived later in the month, Red-breasted Merganser numbers were decent on Lake Ontario with a maximum of 2,400, a peak count of 1,012 Red-throated Loons was tallied, and another **Pacific Loon** was spotted at Hamlin Beach by Dave Tetlow and Andy Guthrie. Through the month, Red-necked Grebe numbers headed up to triple digit numbers, a recent trend for the fall here. Given the surge of Snow Goose numbers in recent years, it was interesting that no big numbers were reported this fall, not even from the Northern Montezuma Wetland Complex (NMWC), where huge numbers have typically arrived in recent falls and spilled over into Region 2 in southern Wayne County.

Wader numbers were decent, mostly in the NMWC in September. Departure dates for American Bittern, Green Heron, and Black-crowned Night-Heron were on the late side in November. A **Glossy Ibis** (photos) in the NMWC in early September and present for the Montezuma Muck Race was a nice addition. This year there were no Northern Gannet reports and no Cattle Egret visits in November. Another surprise of the fall was the Region's fifth record (approx. 23rd individual) **Wood Stork**, an immature, first seen by Dave Tetlow at Hamlin Beach on 24 October, then by several there and photographed in flight by Brad Carlson on the 28th.

Transitioning toward raptors, we have four Black Vultures at the lakewatch in mid-November. Turkey Vultures were also present scattered about through the season. An Osprey to 17 November was late for this Region. Northern Goshawk is now a good find, and only one report was received this fall. Broad-winged Hawk is an expected migrant, but only rarely do we see big numbers, so 784 tallied by Mike Tetlow passing two sites near Sodus Point on 11 September was noteworthy. One of the highlights for the season was an immature **Swainson's Hawk** found by Jessie Barry on the Lake Ontario Parkway in the Town of Hamlin on 1 October. This bird stayed in that area for several days and was viewed and photographed by many, often seen hunting grasshoppers in the Parkway median. Unfortunately, that risky behavior ended in its being hit and killed by a pickup truck on 5 October. Birders were present viewing from a distance and recovered the carcass and delivered it to Cornell Lab. To wrap up the hawk picture, there were few Rough-legged Hawks through the end of the season and typical numbers for recent years of all three falcons, though that meant again American Kestrel reports low.

Reporting is typically spotty in the fall for the rail family, but there were some records for all the regular species. In addition, we had Common Gallinule to late October, counts of over 400 American Coot from Buck Pond in Town of Greece, and a note reporting, with photos, an immature **Purple Gallinule** (fifth Regional record) found near Sodus Point on 27 September and taken to a rehabilitator where it subsequently died. Nearby on the checklist, we have

Sandhill Crane, with reports for the NMWC through most of the season plus a pair with a juvenile seen near Chimney Bluffs (Wayne County), where we have suspected breeding, from 7-10 September, and two adults seen and photographed in the Town of Richmond, Ontario County only a short way north of the Taylor Marsh area, another where we have suspected breeding.

Shorebird variety was good, but peak numbers were generally low. Rains in late August and early September raised the water levels in the NMWC, flooding many of the usual shorebird areas there. There was a carryover from the small fallout associated with Hurricane *Irene* on 28 August, with birds continuing on the Lake Ontario beaches into early September, including: Whimbrel, a photographed **Marbled Godwit**, Ruddy Turnstones, Red Knot, many Sanderlings, and a fair number of Semipalmated and Least Sandpipers. A bit later into September up to 122 American Golden-Plovers and 1-2 Buff-breasted Sandpipers were located on a turf farm at the west edge of the Region in the Town of Elba just north of Batavia. Late in September, a Whimbrel with an injured leg was spotted along the Lake Ontario Parkway in Greece. It then moved a short way south to holding ponds near a Wegmans grocery store, where it was seen and photographed by many through 17 October, a Regional record late date. In late October, a Regional record high count of 1,404 Dunlin passing Hamlin Beach was tallied by Dave Tetlow. Purple Sandpipers arrived very late in the season.

The larid scene along the Lake Ontario shore seemed much like the waterfowl's. Most of the time it was quiet and numbers were low, especially for the Bonaparte's Gull movement we await, expecting other interesting species to move with them. But there were days of big influxes of Ring-billed and Herring Gulls, and the overall assortment of gulls found turned out very good. Among the most interesting we have: at least 10 Black-legged Kittiwakes from 19 October to 7 November; six Sabine's Gulls passing Andy Guthrie at the lakewatch on 12 September and five more seen by Dave Tetlow on the 15th; a winter adult Laughing Gull on 20 September; five adult Little Gulls scattered through the season; at least eight Lesser Black-backed Gulls; Common Tern to 16 November; Forster's Tern to 24 October; and four Pomarine, 19 Parasitic, one Long-tailed, and four jaeger species reports. Late in November, four Iceland Gulls were seen at High Acres Landfill, but hazing efforts are likely to mean few others there as winter progresses.

This season we even had some interesting observations under the non-passerine landbird umbrella. Eurasian Collared-Dove continued to be found off and on in the usual Parma-Hamlin locations, but mostly Hamlin later in the season; maximum four birds. We had relatively late banding records and sightings for Yellow-billed Cuckoo. Right as expected near Thanksgiving, the first of many Snowy Owls arrived on the piers at the mouth of the Genesee River. This has since proved to be a year of a significant irruption south for these beautiful owls. Short-eared Owl was a different matter, with no reports from observers during the season, but afterward word passed along of at least one group present in November along Rt. 39 between Genesee and Avon, unfortunately this year in fields next to that busy highway with several found

dead along the road. Common Nighthawk numbers were very low, and the peak for Chimney Swift was 118 at Hamlin Beach instead of the usual big count at the school in Greigsville. A Ruby-throated Hummingbird to 17 October is a good, late date. There were no woodpecker reports of special note; the Lewis's did not return.

Among the passerines, we were off to a good start in August and this continued. Essentially all of the expected migrants were reported. As usual, numbers fluctuated all over the map, but generally this fall was poorer than last and below average for many species. An interested reader could have fun pulling data from the Braddock Bay Bird Observatory (BBBO) website (www.bbbo.org) and comparing banding numbers over the years. That said, there were some really good finds and interesting events to ponder over. Working through family groups, we start with the flycatchers and find typical numbers and departure dates. Northern Shrike is a potential fall/winter irruptive species, which arrived at a typical date on 28 October, but with numbers remaining low through season's end. Moving to the vireos, we find relatively late departures for Warbling, Philadelphia, and Red-eyed, but no surprises. The Fish Crows of last winter continued to pop up through the season and probably will winter again in the same area along the Genesee River. Generally, peak swallow counts were low compared with historical numbers. However, we had Regional record late 2-3 Purple Martins on 27 October and Cliff Swallow on 22 October Next, amazingly when the martin house was lowered for winter cleaning at the Montezuma Audubon Center in the Town of Savannah on **17 November**, out flew a male **Purple Martin**, observed soaring around by Chuck Gibson, Chris Lajewski, and Dave Spier before it flew off SW. It turns out that Dave Spier, Frank Morehouse, and Leona Lauster had heard martin calls in that area on 11 November and, not finding a bird, dismissed it. Both of these observations are State record late. Another swallow story is no reports of Cave Swallow this fall, though there were several times when the weather patterns seemed right for moving them our way and birders were out looking.

Continuing on, first we find no sign of a chickadee irruption, evidenced by only 28 banded for the season at BBBO vs. 1,118 banded last fall, and also no significant Red-breasted Nuthatch movement. Next, there were good numbers of Winter Wren tallied at peak and on into the winter, and once more Sedge Wren turned up in the Braddock Bay area. There were some good counts for both kinglets when expected and a very late Blue-gray Gnatcatcher on 6 November, a day when several observers also noted several species of butterflies on the wing. Thrush numbers observed and banded this fall were decent. On a personal note, I will at least mention a Bicknell's Thrush by call note. As usual, this is with the reservation that it depends on being able to study the nocturnal flight call CD and separate the species' calls. So far it has been surprisingly difficult to elicit any reasonable exchange of thoughts relative to that possibility. Bohemian Waxwing on 17 November was the only report for the season. After a high count of 4,730 on 1 September, Cedar Waxwing dropped back to small numbers. Lapland Longspur and Snow Bunting arrived at typical dates, though

late by recent standards, in early October, but remained as small numbers passing other than a count of 555 Snow Buntings.

Among the warblers, we have a new species order with which to become familiar. Looking at banding at BBBO, we note many species at 1/2 to 1/3 of the number banded last fall, yet others essentially at the same numbers. The event of the season was the Blackpoll Warbler migration, where 760 were banded vs. 280 last fall and a previous high of 383. The birds were also still passing to a late banding date of 26 October and field observation dates of 29 October and 8 November. Is this related to the many systems moving northward off the east coast this fall? Recapture records also noted weight gains from about 10g to over 20g in a few days in the area of the banding station, as noted for staging Blackpolls in "Returning to the Tropics: The Epic Autumn Flight of the Blackpoll Warbler" by James Baird, pp. 63-77 in *Gatherings of Angels: Migrating Birds and Their Ecology* (Kenneth P. Parkes, ed., Cornell University Press: Ithaca, NY, 1999). Other warbler records of interest include: the August-banded **Worm-eating Warbler** at BBBO again recaptured on 2 September, five reports of Orange-crowned Warbler, a Connecticut Warbler banded on 18 September, Mourning Warbler to 4 October, Northern Parula to 29 October, a Yellow-breasted Chat banded on 4 September, and news of a Wilson's Warbler retrapped in Vera Cruz, Mexico on 15 October.

Among the sparrows, numbers were decent in migration for most species, but dropped off quickly for some of the typical winter species, e.g., White-throated and White-crowned. Of special note we had: Chipping Sparrow to mid-November at Brad Carlson's feeders in Honeoye Falls, several **Nelson's Sparrow** reports from Savannah, Fox Sparrow from 6 October into December, and the Region's eleventh **Harris's Sparrow** at Mike Tetlow's feeder in Fairport from 23-26 November. Juncos continued into winter in good numbers, but American Tree Sparrow remained relatively scarce.

A **Summer Tanager** was found and photographed on the Yanty Creek Trail in Hamlin Beach SP on 3 November and was then seen sporadically until 9 November. Indigo Bunting was a bit late to 3 October, and a lone Dickcissel was reported on 9 October. There were few good counts among the icterids, and a Baltimore Oriole on 22 October was the most notable record.

Finally, the winter finch picture was a bust this fall. The overall cone crop is poor, except that some ornamental spruces scattered about have heavy cones. Small numbers of White-winged Crossbill, Common Redpoll, and Pine Siskin were noted in late October and again near mid-November. A surprise was a big movement of Pine Siskin on 5 October noted by several observers in different locations and resulting in 311 banded at BBBO on that morning, with 80 in a single net on one net check! Also incredibly, though decent numbers were seen by birders over the next few days, no more were banded for the season.

Looking at species counts for this fall, we totaled 216, 206, and 143 for the three months, all well above the respective 10-year averages and all close to the respective numbers for last fall.

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ABBREVIATIONS

b – banded; BB-ES – Braddock Bay-East Spit, T Greece, MONR; BB-WS – Braddock Bay-West Spit; BR – end of Broadway Rd, T Wolcott, WAYN; CL – Conesus Lake, LIVI; DE – Durand-Eastman park, MONR; G – T Greece, MONR; H – T Hamlin, MONR; HB – Hamlin Beach SP, MONR; HP – Hogan Point, T Greece, MONR; IBO – Irondequoit Bay Outlet (north end outlet to Lake Ontario); ICW – Island Cottage Woods, T Greece, MONR; K – T Kendall, ORLE; M – Manitou, MONR; MAC – Montezuma Audubon Center, T Savannah, WAYN; MP – Mendon Ponds CP, T Mendon, MONR; NMWC – Northern Montezuma Wetlands Complex, WAYN; NC – Northrup Creek (back of Long Pond), T Greece; OB – Ontario Beach, Charlotte, MONR; OC – Oatka Creek Park, T Wheatland, MONR; P – T Parma, MONR; PE – Town Perinton, MONR; R – City of Rochester, MONR; S – T Savannah, WAYN; SC – Salmon Creek inland from Braddock Bay, Towns of Greece & Parma; SP – Sodus Pt, WAYN; WP – Webster Park, MONR.

WHISTLING-DUCKS - VULTURES

Snow Goose: arr 7 H 20 Sep.
Brant: arr 850 HB 1 Oct; max 1006 HB 26 Oct.
Cackling Goose: arr Kendall 16 Sep, early; 10 more rep of 13 birds thru 18 Nov.
Tundra Swan: arr 10 BB 12 Nov; max 120 CL 26 Nov.
Gadwall: max 77 NC 22 Oct.
Blue-winged Teal: max 282 HB 12 Sep (AGu); last BB 19 Oct.
N. Pintail: max 509 HB 26 Oct (DT).
Green-winged Teal: max 100 MAC 3 Nov.
Redhead: arr 4 SC 27 Sep; max 300 CL 25 Nov.
Canvasback: arr HB15 Oct; very few this season.
Ring-necked Duck: arr 4 S 9 Sep, Montezuma Muck Race.
Greater Scaup: arr BB 14 Sep.
Lesser Scaup: arr 3 HB 10 Sep; max 110 HB 18 Nov, low.
King Eider: arr 1 fem HB 19 Nov (AGu, DT).
eider species: 1 HB 19 HB (AGu, DT)
Surf Scoter: max 159 HB 22 Oct, low.
White-winged Scoter: max 484 HB 22 Oct.
Black Scoter: 2 HB 16 Sep (WS, *et al*), early.
Long-tailed Duck: arr HB 5 Oct; max 579 HB 22 Oct.
Bufflehead: arr HB 16 Oct; max 150 CL 27 Nov.
Com. Goldeneye: arr 3 HB 22 Oct; max 105 HB 19 Nov, low.
Red-breasted Merganser: arr HB 10 Sep (AGu), early; max 2400 Long Pond 16 Nov.
Ruddy Duck: max 238 NC 15 Oct (JeB, CW), high for this Region but see Region 1.
Red-throated Loon: arr HB 5 Sep, early; max 1012 HB 19 Nov (AG, DT).
PACIFIC LOON: HB 23 Oct (AGu, DT); HB 19 Nov (AGu, DT).
Com. Loon: 120 HB 15 Oct; 1st date over 100, late; 950 HB 16 Oct (JeB, CW); 1657 HB 19 Oct (DT); max 1684 HB 24 Oct (DT); good counts.
YELLOW-BILLED LOON: alt ad HB 16 Oct (JeB, CW), good details, distant ph, 1st documented Reg record; alt ad off BR 30 Oct (TL), likely same bird given rarity.
Pied-billed Grebe: max 37 Buck Pond, T Greece 29 Oct (GL, RF), good count.
Horned Grebe: max 300+ HB 6 Nov (ST, JLe).
Red-necked Grebe: max 111 HB 16 Nov.
WOOD STORK: 1 imm HB 24 Oct (DT), 5th Reg record, approx. 23rd individual, seen again near same loc 28 October (BCar – ph, MT, AGu) & ph in flight.

Double-crested Cormorant: max 668 HB 13 Sep (DT); 640 HB 26 Oct (DT); good counts.
Am. Bittern: last BB-WS 6 Nov (SG, TN), late.
Great Egret: last High Acres Trails, PE 6 Oct.
Green Heron: last G 1 Nov (KG), late.
Black-crowned Night-Heron: last BB 21 Nov (GL), late.
GLOSSY IBIS (R2): S 2-11 (DSp – ph, mob), stayed to be seen by man on Muck Race.
BLACK VULTURE (R2): 4 HB 19 Nov (AGu, DT), 1st Reg Nov record.
Turkey Vulture: seen thru.

HAWKS – ALCIDS

Osprey: last Twin Cedars Environmental Area, T Avon 17 Nov (KK), late.
N. Goshawk: M 13 Sep (RK), only report.
Broad-winged Hawk: max 724 at 2 sites near SP 11 Sep (MT), good tally.
SWAINSON'S HAWK: 1 imm Lake Ontario Parkway, T Hamlin 1-5 Oct (JeB, mob), seen and ph by many, hit by pickup & killed on 5 Oct, *intro*.
Rough-legged Hawk: arr SC 8 Oct.
Merlin: total 19 sev all Sep; total 9 sev all Oct; total 3 sev all Nov.
Peregrine Falcon: total 5 sev all Sep; total 10 sev all Oct; total 4 sev all Nov.
PURPLE GALLINULE: 1 SP area 27 Sep (anon), taken to rehab where died, *intro*.
Com. Gallinule: last High Acres Trails, PE 23 Oct (JPo).
Am. Coot: max 408 Buck Pond, T Greece 29 Oct (GL, RF).
Sandhill Crane: 2-4 S thru Oct; 1-2 ad, 1 juv Chimney Bluffs WAYN 7-10 Sep (DTe, DM, *et al*); .2 T Richmond ONTA 14 Nov (KK, MM-ph); *intro*.
Am. Golden-Plover: max 122 T Elba GENE 10 Sep (AGa, GL).
Semipalmated Plover: max 35 S 17 Sep, low.
Spotted Sandpiper: last BB-WS 6 Oct.
Solitary Sandpiper: last 1 G 17 Oct.
Upland Sandpiper: last 1 H 8 Sep.
Whimbrel: HB 7 Sep (RS); G 21 Sep-17 Oct (FL, mob), bird with injured leg seen and ph, Reg rec late..
MARBLED GODWIT: OB 3 Sep (A&DS-ph).
Red Knot: 1-2 OB & IBO thru 5 Sep.
Sanderling: max 42 HB 19 Oct.
Semipalmated Sandpiper: max 50 S 3 Sep, low max; last 2 NC 7 Nov (KG).
Least Sandpiper: max 160 S 3 Sep.
White-rumped Sandpiper: last 1 SC 25 Nov (KG), late.
Baird's Sandpiper: last 1 NC 15 Oct.

Pectoral Sandpiper: last 4 NC 6 Nov.
Purple Sandpiper: arr 1-2 IBO 28 Nov (GC, *et al*) & 1 Summerville Pier, T Irondequoit, MONR 28 Nov (F,G, & HL).
Dunlin: max 1404 passing HB 26 Oct (DT), inland State record high; last 4 IBO 28 Nov.
Buff-breasted Sandpiper: 1 T Elba GENE 6, 10 Sep (BCar, *et al*); 1 SE of Cuylerville 1-4 Sep (DB, ST).
Stilt Sandpiper: last SC 15 Oct.
Wilson's Snipe: last 4 SC 22 Nov (KG).
Am. Woodcock: last 1 S 1 Nov.
phalarope species: 1 HB 5 Oct (RS).
Black-legged Kittiwake: all imm: arr HB 19 Oct (AGu, DT); 3 imm 22 Oct HB (WD'A, AGu); HB 23 Oct (AGu); BR (TL, NSI); 3 HB 4 Nov (AGu, RS); last BB-ES 7 Nov (KG).
SABINE'S GULL (R2): 6 HB 12 Sep (AGu), Reg record high; 5 HB 15 Sep (DT).
Little Gull: 5 rep single ad sev loc 11 Sep-28 Nov.
LAUGHING GULL (R2) Gull: 1 w ad HB 25 Sep (AGu).
Iceland Gull: arr 2 ad & 2 1st w High Acres Trails, PE 21 Nov (DSh, MT).
Lesser Black-backed Gull: 8 rep 13 Sep thru.
Caspian Tern: last NC 22 Oct.
Com. Tern: last 1 BB-ES 16 Nov (KG), late.
Forster's Tern: last 1 HB 24 Oct.
Pomarine Jaeger: arr HB 22 Oct (WD'A, AGu, BP, DT); 2 BB-ES 22 Oct (KG); 1 HB 19 Nov (AGu, DT).
Parasitic Jaeger: 12 rep of 19 individuals sev loc 13 Sep-26 Oct.
Long-tailed Jaeger: 1 HB 15 Sep (DT).
jaeger species: 4 rep of singles sev loc 7 Sep-11 Nov.

PIGEONS – WOODPECKERS

EURASIAN COLLARED-DOVE: 1- 4 Parma & Hamlin thru (sev), usual location for past several years.
Yellow-billed Cuckoo: last 1 HB 22 Oct.
Black-billed Cuckoo: last T Charlotte 26 Sep.
Snowy Owl: arr 1-2 piers at mouth of Genesee River and nearby 22 Nov thru (TM, mob).
Short-eared Owl: arr Nov, but no rep until notes of birds killed along Rt. 39 T Avon late in month.
Com. Nighthawk: last G 19 Sep.
Chimney Swift: max 118 HB 1 Sep (DT); last 2 Honeoye Falls 3 Oct.
Ruby-throated Hummingbird: last 1 N Wolcott WAYN 17 Oct (W&MR).

FLYCATCHERS – WAXWINGS

E. Wood-Pewee: last 1b M 6 Oct.

Yellow-bellied Flycatcher: last 1b M 18 Sep.
Acadian Flycatcher: last 1b M 8 Sep.
Willow Flycatcher: last 1 G 26 Sep.
Least Flycatcher: last 1 Beatty Pt, G 29 Sep, late.
empidonax species: last 1 T Webster 2 Oct.
Great Crested Flycatcher: last 1b M 19 Sep.
E. Kingbird: last 1 H 9 Sep.
N. Shrike: arr 1 HB 28 Oct.
Yellow-throated Vireo: last 1 Twin Cedars Environ Area 23 Sep.
Warbling Vireo: last 1 G 1 Oct, late.
Philadelphia Vireo: last 1 Highland Park, Rochester 23 Oct (KH), late.
Red-eyed Vireo: last 1 HB 29 Oct, late.
Fish Crow: scattered rep along Genesee River near Charlotte thru.
Purple Martin: max 363 HB 1 Sep (DT); 2-3 MAC 27 Oct (DSp, BD), Reg record late at the time; 1 heard MAC 11 Nov (LL, FMoo, DSp); last 1 ad m MAC 17 Nov (CG, CL, DSp), State record late, *intro*.
Tree Swallow: max 800 S 2 Oct, low max.
N. Rough-winged Swallow: last T Galen WAYN 25 Oct (DT), late..
Cliff Swallow: last 1 T Mt Morris LIVI 22 Oct (DT), Reg record late.
CAVE SWALLOW: no reports.
Barn Swallow: max 1062 HB 1 Sep.
Black-capped Chickadee: total b 28 M thru, vs. 1118 for 2010, clearly not an irruption year.
House Wren: last 1b M 20 Oct.
Winter Wren: arr 1 M & HB 16 Sep.
Sedge Wren: 1-2 BB area 3-14 Oct (KG, JRo), only reports for year.
Golden-crowned Kinglet: max b 41 M 5 Oct; max 132 HB-Yanty Creek 5 Oct (RS).
Ruby-crowned Kinglet: arr M 11 Sep; max b 39 M 5 Oct; max 89 HB-Yanty Creek 6 Oct (R&SS); last HB-Yanty Creek 25 Nov.
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher: last DE 6 Nov (R&SS), late.
Veery: 2 BB 14 Oct.
Gray-cheeked Thrush: max 34 HB-West end 29 Sep (RS); total b 96 M thru; last 1b M 18 Oct.
Gray-cheeked/Bicknell's Thrush: total b 29 M thru.
BICKNELL'S THRUSH: 1 heard HB-West end 27 Sep (RS), *intro*.
Swainson's Thrush: max 25 HB 23 Sep (AGu); total b 75 M thru; last 1b M 21 Oct.
Hermit Thrush: arr WP 25 Sep; max 45 HB-Yanty Creek 5 Oct (RS); total b 209 M thru.
Wood Thrush: last HB-Yanty Creek 8 Oct.
Bohemian Waxwing: arr 1 G 17 Nov (KG).
Cedar Waxwing: max 4730 HB 1 Sep (DT).

LONGSPURS – WARBLERS

Lapland Longspur: arr 1 HB 7 Oct.
Snow Bunting: arr 5 HB 11 Oct; max 555 HB 19 Nov (AGu, DT).
Ovenbird: last 1 M 27 Oct.
Worm-eating Warbler: recapture 1b M 2 Sep (BBBO), rare in fall, same bird as first banded M 9 Aug and recap 29 Aug.
N. Waterthrush: last 1b M 24 Sep.
Blue-winged Warbler: last 1 HB-West end 18 Sep.
Black-and-white Warbler: last 1b M 21 Oct.
Tennessee Warbler: last 2b M 20 Oct.
Orange-crowned Warbler: arr Honeoye Fall 22 Sep; Twin Cedars Environ Area 3 Oct; 1b M 3 Oct; High Acres Trails, PE 6 Oct; last MP 18 Oct.
Nashville Warbler: last 1b M 20 Oct.
Connecticut Warbler: 1b M 18 Sep (BBBO).
Mourning Warbler: last 1 RIT Swamps 4 Oct.
Com. Yellowthroat: total b 54 M all Sep
Hooded Warbler: last 1 WP-Whiting Rd 25 Sep.
Am. Redstart: last 1b M 8 Oct.
Cape May Warbler: last 1 WP 19 Sep.
N. Parula: last 1 HB-Yanty Creek 29 Oct (GL, RF), late.
Magnolia Warbler: last 2 HB-Yanty Creek 15 Oct.
Bay-breasted Warbler: last 1 RIT Swamps 4 Oct.
Blackburnian Warbler: last 1 HB-Yanty Creek 15 Oct (JeB), very late.
Yellow Warbler: last 2 High Acres Trails, PE 24 Sep.
Chestnut-sided Warbler: last 1b M 4 Oct.
Blackpoll Warbler: max b 80 M; HB-Yanty Creek 19 Sep; total b 760 M 25 Aug-26 Oct (BBBO), Reg record banding total, *intro*; ICW 29 Oct (GL, RF), late; last HB-Yanty Creek 8 Nov (RS), Reg record late.
Black-throated Blue Warbler: last 1 M 7 Oct.
Palm Warbler: arr 1 N Byron GENE & Rochester 6 Sep; last High Acres Trails, PE 6 Oct..
Pine Warbler: last HB 16 Oct.
Yellow-rumped Warbler: max 135 G 1 Oct (GL);
Black-throated Green Warbler: last HB-Yanty Creek 15 Oct.
Canada Warbler: last 1b M 13 Sep.

Wilson's Warbler: last 1 G & Honeoye Falls 5 Oct; banding recovery Vera Cruz, Mexico 15 Oct, first BBBO Wilson's Warbler recovered in Mexico.
Yellow-breasted Chat: last 1b M 4 Sep (BBBO), now rare in Reg.

TOWHEES – WEAVERS

Am. Tree Sparrow: arr T Wolcott WAYN 7 Oct.
Chipping Sparrow: 1 Honeoye Falls 1-18 Nov (BCar), late.
Nelson's Sparrow: arr 1-2 S 9-10 Oct (sev); 1 S 18 Oct (BP); last & max 4 S 23 Oct (BCar-ph, GC); all these rep were from the Marten Tract area.
Fox Sparrow: arr HB-Yanty Creek 6 Oct; last WP 26 Nov.
Lincoln's Sparrow: last RIT Swamps 7 Oct.
Swamp Sparrow: max 81 P 13 Oct (DT).
White-throated Sparrow: arr 1 sev loc 16 Sep; total b 454 M all Oct.
White-crowned Sparrow: arr 1 Honeoye Falls 26 Sep.
HARRIS'S SPARROW: Fairport 23-26 Nov (MT, BCar-ph, *et al*), erratic feeder visitor for a few days, 11th Reg record.
SUMMER TANAGER: 1 fem HB-Yanty Creek 3-9 Nov (A&DS-ph, KK-ph, ST, RS, DSh-ph, MT, KG)
Scarlet Tanager: last WP 25 Sep.
Rose-breasted Grosbeak: last Highland Park, Rochester 13 Oct.
Indigo Bunting: last High Acres Trails & H 3 Oct.
Dickcissel: SC 9 Oct (JeB, CW, NSe).
Bobolink: last HB 12 Sep.
Rusty Blackbird: arr RIT Swamps 25 Sep; last WAYN 17 Nov.
Com. Grackle: max 6340 Burger Park, G 13 Oct.
Baltimore Oriole: last High Acres Trails, PE 22 Oct (JPo), late.
White-winged Crossbill: arr 8 HB 31 Oct (DT); max 12 HB 18 Nov (AGu); few reports this fall.
Com. Redpoll: 6 HB-Yanty Creek 28 Oct.
Pine Siskin: max 311b M 5 Oct (BBBO), 80 in one net on one net check!, no others banded for season; good numbers many locations that 5-9 Oct.

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