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Bald Eagles have returned to Long Island as a breeding species, as detailed in an article on pp. 274-279.

Fig. 1. Juvenile Bald Eagle at Mashomack Preserve, *Suffolk*, 29 July 2015, © Jim Colligan.



Bald Eagles on Long Island (pp. 274-279).

Fig. 2 (top): Mashomack Preserve, *Suffolk*, 28 Jul 2015, © Jim Colligan.

Fig. 3 (bottom): William Floyd Estate, *Suffolk*, 26 Apr 2015, © Steve Schwarz.



Fig. 4 (top): Female with chick, William Floyd Estate, *Suffolk*, 7 May 2016, © Steve Schwarz.

Fig. 5 (bottom): Fledged eaglet looking at the moon, William Floyd Estate, *Suffolk*, 2 Aug 2016, © Steve Schwarz.



Black-capped Petrel, near Hudson Canyon, 31 Aug 2015, © Sean Sime. Black-capped Petrels were found repeatedly in the far-offshore waters of several states in the Mid-Atlantic and Southern New England during summer 2015.



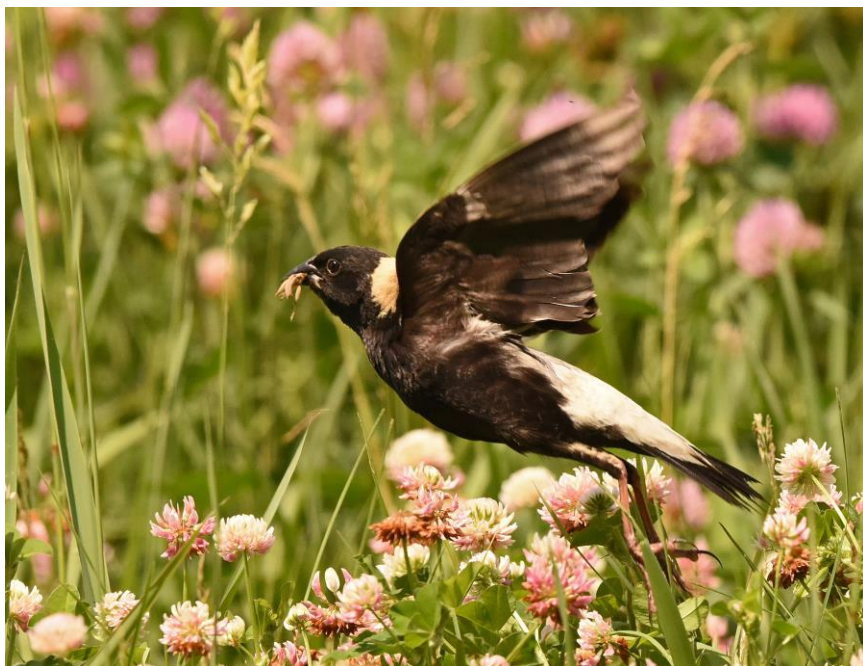
Arctic Tern, offshore *Suffolk*, 1 Jun 2015, © Doug Gochfeld. Although presumed to occur regularly as a northbound migrant far offshore, very few such records have been documented in NYS waters. At least four were photographed on the See Life Paulagic overnight to Hudson Canyon, 31 May to 1 Jun 2015, including this unusually long-billed individual.



The See Life Paulagics overnight trip to the Hudson Canyon area yielded at least five South Polar Skuas on 1 Jun 2015. Photos © Sean Sime.



Clay-colored Sparrow, Fort Edwards Grasslands, *Washington*, 14 Jun 2015, © Scott Stoner.



Bobolink, Fort Edwards Grasslands, *Washington*, 14 Jun 2015, © Scott Stoner.



Juvenile Mallards, Garnet Lake, *Warren*, 3 Jul 2015, © Denise Hackert-Stoner.



Piping Plovers nested along the Lake Ontario shore of New York State for the first time in 30 years. See Article, pp. 285-286.

Figure 1 (top): Adult Piping Plover on nest, with one hatched chick, Lakeview WMA, *Jefferson*, 25 Jul 2015, © Elizabeth Truskowski, DEC.

Figure 2 (bottom): Two Piping Plover chicks, Lakeview WMA, *Jefferson*, 30 Jul 2015, © Adam J. Bleau.