



REGION 10—MARINE

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Following an unseasonably warm March, temperatures in the Region were closer to normal for the remainder of the spring season. Conditions were dry throughout. Temperatures in March were around 6° F above normal. For example, the average temperature at Islip was 45.5°, 6.2° above normal. The average temperature there was 49.5° in April, 0.4° above normal, and 58.9° in May, 0.3° above normal. However, the first three weeks of May were around 3° below normal, with heat setting in around Memorial Day; temperatures roughly 15° above normal 25-30 May. Precipitation in March was as much as 3.19" below normal; only 1.17" fell at Central Park. April was also dry, with 1.61" of rain falling at Central Park, 2.89" below normal. While rainfall totals for May were closer to normal, for example 3.75" at Central Park, 0.44" below normal, much of it fell at the end of the month. For example, 1.65" fell at Central Park on 29-30 May.

The extremely warm March weather following a mild winter led to a general scarcity of lingering winter rarities. An interesting exception was several reports of Snowy Owl in early March after a winter in which there were few. There were also reports of late Snowy Owls on 30 April and 20 May on several islands off eastern Suffolk County. A Tufted Duck was reported at Patchogue Lake, Suffolk County, through 6 March, and a "Eurasian" Green-winged Teal lingered at Setauket Mill Pond, Setauket, Suffolk County, through 6 April. A winter in which numbers of Thick-billed Murres were apparently present in waters around the Region concluded with several reports on 30 March, including one inside Jamaica Bay at Little Egg Marsh, which is quite unusual. Razorbills were present in good numbers, with a maximum of 257 at Montauk Point on 6 March. Four Common Murres were seen on a pelagic trip to 20 miles south of Fire Island on 12 March, and another was found dead at Jones Beach West End on 19 March.

Overall, the timing of migrant land bird arrivals this year was very close to historical norms. The first big push of neotropical migrants through our area occurred on 22 April, soon followed by a big fallout on 25 April dominated by Yellow-rumped Warblers. Migrant diversity peaked on 7-8 May with at least 25 species of warblers recorded and was about the same the following weekend, 14-15 May. Good migrant diversity continued through 25 May, when 22 species of warblers were noted in Central Park. Overall, 298 species were reported in the Region this season.

Yellow-throated Warblers returned again to nest at Connetquot River State Park, Suffolk County, where two singing males were noted in late May. Blue Grosbeaks made a good showing in late May at the Calverton Grasslands, a.k.a. EPCAL, Suffolk County, where Grasshopper Sparrows and Eastern Meadowlarks are common and at least two Short-eared Owls lingered into early March. There were reports of Pileated Woodpecker through most of the season in Staten Island, mostly from the Mt. Loretto area, where two were reported 22 April. Given the persistent reports over several seasons, it is apparent the species is resident in the area and potentially breeding.

Common Ravens made a good showing in the Region, with about 25 reports including an adult carrying nesting material in Staten Island, a fledged juvenile at Jones Beach, another tussling with Great Horned Owls at Hempstead Lake State Park, Nassau County, and five birds at Inwood Hill Park on 2 April. But there were no reports of confirmed nests.

A report of 96 Canvasbacks at Watermill, Suffolk County, on 6 March is a large number relative to recent years but certainly not by historical standards, when rafts of hundreds were regular. Numbers of Red Knots peaked at 470 at Jones Beach West End on 24 May, a large number after years of decline.

A pelagic trip voyaging as far as 82 miles southeast of Shinnecock Inlet on 29 May found a remarkable 77 Leach's Storm-Petrels, Two Arctic Terns and a South Polar Skua, as well as the expected tubenoses and jaegers.

The season produced some other rarities, all but one for one day only. Nine Black-bellied Whistling-Ducks appeared at Marine Park, Brooklyn on 28 May and were seen by many. A Pacific Loon flew by during a sea watch at Robert Moses State Park on 22 May. A Mississippi Kite was spotted at Prospect Park on 7 May and another apparently lingered around Mt. Loretto, Staten Island for a few days at the end of the season. A fly-over Sandhill Crane was reported at the Bronx Zoo on 8 May. There were two Wilson's Plovers: at Shinnecock Inlet on 23 April and Democrat Point, Fire Island on 11 May. A Ruff showed up at Timber Point, Suffolk County on 26 April. A White-winged Dove appeared briefly at Jones Beach West End on 12 May. A Swainson's Warbler was very cooperative at Central Park on 28 April. An "Audubon's" Yellow-rumped Warbler was seen at Bayard Cutting Arboretum, Suffolk County on 13 March. A Hermit Warbler in Central Park on 1 May caused some brief confusion as to its identity by singing a song reminiscent of Black-throated Green Warbler.

A few other unusual reports augment this brief list of rarities. A Least Bittern decided to spend the day of 15 May in a tree in Prospect Park. An Upland Sandpiper spent ten days (5-15 April) around the Ocean Parkway median at Oak Beach, Town of Babylon, Suffolk County. A "Lawrence's" Warbler was seen at Central Park on 8 May. A Common Gallinule was reported at River Road, Staten Island on 17 April, the only report in the Region this season. A Barred Owl was heard calling at Mt. Loretto State Forest, Staten Island on 18 May.

The National Park Service announced the selection of a preferred alternative for the restoration of the former West Pond at the Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge. The plan will not only repair the breaches caused by Hurricane Sandy in 2012, but will actively seek to restore the pond to fresh water. Birders were instrumental in the Park Service's decision through the Birders Coalition for Gateway, in which NYSOA participated. Hopefully the restoration work will be completed without delay.

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ABBREVIATIONS

APEF – Avalon Pd/East Farm Pres, Stony Brook, SUFF; APP – Alley Pd P, QUEE; BPP – Baisley Pd P, QUEE; BPT – Breezy Pt, QUEE; BRY – Bryant P, NEWY; CB – Cedar B, Babylon, SUFF; CCP – Cupsogue CP, SUFF; CHP – Conference House P, RICH; CIC – Coney I Cr/P, KING; CP – Central Park, NEWY; CR – Cemetery of the Resurrection, RICH; CRSP – Connetquot R SP, SUFF; CVP – Calvert Vaux P, KING (formerly Drier-Offerman P); Ed – Sod fields on Edwards Av north of Route 25, Riverhead, SUFF; EPCAL – Calverton Grasslands (former Grumman Property), Calverton, SUFF; FBF – Floyd Bennett Field, KING; FIHW – Fire Island Hawk Watch, Robert Moses SP, SUFF; FKP – Fresh Kills P, RICH; FMCP – Flushing Meadows-Corona Park, QUEE; FP – Forest Park, QUEE; FT – Fort Tilden, QUEE; FWP – Ft. Washington P, NEWY; GBP – Goethal's Bridge Pd, RICH; GBy – Gravesend Bay, KING; GKP – Great Kills P, RICH; GwC – Green-wood Cemetery, KING; HLSP – Hempstead L SP, NASS; HP – Hook Pd, East Hampton, SUFF; HSP – Heckscher SP, SUFF; JBSP – Jones Beach SP, NASS; JBWE – West End, Jones Beach SP, NASS; JBWR – Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge, QUEE; KP – Kissena Park, QUEE; Mass – Massapequa Preserve, NASS; MB – Mecox Bay/Mecox Inlet, SUFF; MLUA – Mt. Loretto Unique Area, RICH; MNSA – Marine Nature Study Area, Oceanside, NASS; MP – Montauk Pt SP, SUFF; NYBG – New York Botanical Garden, BRON; PBP – Pelham Bay P, BRON; PL – Patchogue L, Patchogue, SUFF; PP – Prospect P, KING; RI – Randall's I, NEWY; RMSP – Robert Moses SP, SUFF; Rt 105 – Sod fields south of Sound Av between Route 105 and Doctor's Path, Riverhead, SUFF; Sag – Sagaponack Pd/Inlet, SUFF; Shinn – Shinnecock Inlet, SUFF; SPCP – Smith Pt CP, SUFF; SPP –

Southards Pd P, West Babylon, SUFF; SMSP – Sunken Meadow SP, SUFF; VCP – Van Cortlandt P, BRON; VSh – Venetian Shores P, Lindenhurst, SUFF; VSSP – Valley Stream SP, NASS; WPP – Wolfe's Pd P, RICH.

WATERFOWL - VULTURES

BLACK-BELLIED WHISTLING-DUCK: 9 Marine P, KING 28 May (*fide* RB, SS, mob).

Cackling Goose: 2 Southaven CP, SUFF 2 Mar (DR); 2 Merritt's Pd, Riverhead, SUFF 6 Mar (SA, MN); CP thru 9 Mar (DA, PP, mob); 2 CP 9 Mar (PP).

Tundra Swan: 8 CR 5 Mar (DE).

Eurasian Wigeon: 2 JBWR thru 7 Mar; Marine P thru 15 Mar (RBA); Brooklyn Army Terminal Pier 4, KING thru 21 Mar (SS), Fresh Pd, Ft. Salonga, SUFF thru 19 Mar (MC, KC); Leeds Pd Pres, Plandome, NASS 30 Mar.

Am. Black Duck: max 400 JBWR 11 Mar (P. Szabo), low number.

N. Shoveler: max 355 JBWR 27 Mar (JGI), large number.

Green-winged Teal: 100 William Floyd Estate, Mastic B, SUFF 20 Mar (MLL), large number.

“EURASIAN” GREEN-WINGED TEAL (R10): Setauket Mill Pd, SUFF thru 6 Apr (MC, KC, RT, RBA).

Canvasback: max 96 Watermill, SUFF 6 Mar (SSM, PJJ), larger number than recent years.

TUFTED DUCK (R10): fem PL thru 6 Mar (KMc, BP, SA, MN).

King Eider: fem Shinn 30 Mar (KF, SF); Orient Pt, SUFF 1 May (RBA), late.

Harlequin Duck: max 6 Jones Inlet, NASS 6-29 Mar (RBA); 5 Orient Pt, SUFF 9 Apr (JSe); m GKP 6-14 Apr (RV, mob).

Barrow's Goldeneye: PBP 7-8 Mar (Elizabeth Jamison, JRn).

Hooded Merganser: JBWE 11 Mar (RJK), unusual loc.

Com. Merganser: max 6 Lake Ronkokoma, SUFF 1 Mar (PJJ).

N. Bobwhite: only rep 2 Caleb Smith SP, SUFF 15 Apr (K. Coyle), where released.

Red-throated Loon: max 384 RMSP 7 Apr (PMo), large number; PP 26 Mar – 7 Apr (*fide* PD), unusual loc.

PACIFIC LOON: RMSP 22 May (SSM, et al).

Red-necked Grebe: max 3 Ft Pd Bay, Montauk, SUFF 5-6 Mar (SSM, PJJ).

Eared Grebe: Oak B, Babylon, SUFF thru 3 Mar (mob); JBWE 6 Mar (KF).

Cory's Shearwater: 15 pelagic to 82 mi SE Shinn 29 May (DR, JSh, AnW).

Great Shearwater: pelagic to 82 mi SE Shinn 29 May (DR, JSh, AnW).

Sooty Shearwater: 2 RMSP 21 May (TWB, GB); 53 pelagic to 82 mi SE Shinn 29 May (DR, JSh, AnW).

Manx Shearwater: RMSP 21 May (TWB, GB); 4 pelagic to 82 mi SE Shinn 29 May (DR, JSh, AnW).

Wilson's Storm-Petrel: 177 pelagic to 82 mi SE Shinn 29 May (DR, JSh, AnW).

LEACH'S STORM-PETREL: 77 pelagic to 82 mi SE Shinn 29 May (DR, JSh, AnW), large number.

N. Gannet: max 400 JBWE 20 Mar (DF), migr ads.

Am. Bittern: Dune Rd E Quogue, SUFF 6 Mar (SA, MN); Dune Rd E Quogue 16 Apr (MH); CLP 22 Apr (IG), unusual loc; CP 8 May (mob).

Least Bittern: 2 River Rd, RICH 14 May (ACi, MK, et al.); PP 15 May (*fide* RB, mob), in a tree, unusual loc.

Tricolored Heron: max 4 Ingraham Hassock, Lido Beach, NASS 25 May (BF).

Black-crowned Night-Heron: 227 Ingraham Hassock 25 May (BF), large number.

Black Vulture: fewer reps than recently; max 6 IHP 2 May (NS); CP 28 May (DA, et al.).

Turkey Vulture: now conspicuous on L.I. and probably underreported; L.I. max 13 Calverton, SUFF 19 Mar (DR).

HAWKS - LARIDS

MISSISSIPPI KITE: PP 7 May (B. Klein, D. Gustafson); Mt. Loretto, RICH 29 May thru (NO, ACi)

Bald Eagle: 2 ad FMCP thru 16 Apr (*fide* CF, SS, CCo); pr nested William Floyd Estate (MLL); pr nested Wertheim NWR, SUFF (JO); pr nested CRSP; appx 15 addtl reps.

Am. Kestrel: max 5 EPCAL 10-22 Apr (K. Bruchhauser, SS), few.

Sora: N Mt. Loretto SF, RICH 12-13 May (ACi, et al).

Com. Gallinule: River Rd 17 Apr (ACi).

SANDHILL CRANE (R10): Bronx Zoo, BRON 8 May (TO), fly over.

WILSON'S PLOVER: m Shinn 23 Apr (TWB, GB); Democrat Pt, Fire Island, SUFF 11 May (*fide* BF), ph.

Piping Plover: max 24 JBWE 16 Apr (DF), large number.

Willet: RMSP 19 Apr (SSM), eastern race, early.

Upland Sandpiper: Oak B 5-15 Apr (RP, mob); JBWE 4 May (BA).

Whimbrel: JBWE 8 May (TH); 4 JBWE 11 May (RBA); 3 BPT 24-25 May (CCo, IG).

Marbled Godwit: RMSP 17 May (ACa).

Red Knot: max 470 JBWE 24 May (EB); 350-400 JBSP 25 May (RJK); large numbers following years of decline.

Western Sandpiper: SPCP 11 May (F. Stetler).

White-rumped Sandpiper: max 6 Captree I 15 May (PMo, JGI).

Pectoral Sandpiper: max 9 GBP 2 Apr (ACi, RV, IG); 6 Captree I, SUFF 5-6 Apr (KT, mob).

Stilt Sandpiper: 2 Captree I 17 May (SyS, et al), rare in spring.

RUFF: Timber Pt, SUFF 26 Apr (PU, SSM).

Long-billed Dowitcher: Santapogue Cr, West Babylon, SUFF 16-18 Mar (PMo).

Wilson's Phalarope: m Captree I 15 May (TWB, GB).

Bonaparte's Gull: max 250 WPP 2 Apr (RV), otherwise few.

Black-headed Gull: imm Sheepshead Bay, KING 24 Mar (RBA).

Little Gull: WPP 2 Apr (SIW, DE); Lemon Cr. Pier, RICH10 Apr (ACi).

Iceland Gull: ad JBWE 1-8 Mar (SyS, JGi, RT); DOP 25 Mar (RBA).

Lesser Black-backed Gull: ad CP 1 Mar (NS); ad Fort Pd Bay 5 Mar (AnW, SA, MN); ad GBY 13 Mar (RBA); ad Orient B SP, SUFF 14 Mar (RBA); 2 HSP 1 Apr (PIL); 1st win HSP 2 Apr (PIL); Coney I, KING 2 Apr (SS); max 13 Sag 4 Apr (KF); RMSP 4 Apr (D. Nicosia); 3 ad HSP 7 Apr (KC).

Glaucous Gull: SMSP 3 Mar (KF, SF); CP 6 Mar (mob); Kings Park, NASS 12 Mar (PPa); HSP 21 Mar (RBA); Brooklyn Army Terminal Pier 4 thru 2 Apr (RBA, SS); SPCP 2 May (RBA); GKP 12 May (IG).

Gull-billed Tern: JBWR 26 May thru (RT); Nickerson B, NASS 28 May (RBA).

Caspian Tern: Plumb B, KING 2 May (RBA); MP 3 May (RBA); JBWR 4 May (IG); PP 4-8 May (fide RJ, RB); 2 PP 5 May (RBA); Quogue, SUFF 5 May (RBA); Sag 9 May (RBA).

Black Tern: Old Inlet, Bellport Bay, SUFF 28 May (DR).

Roseate Tern: max 1500 Great Gull I, SUFF 28-29 May (A. & D. Griffiths), large number.

Com. Tern: max 4000 Great Gull I 28-29 May (A. & D. Griffiths).

ARCTIC TERN: 2 pelagic to 82 mi SE Shinn 29 May (DR, JSh, AnW); 2 CCP 29 May (PIL, SSM et al.).

Royal Tern: 3 Bellport B, SUFF 28 May (RBA); 2 Plumb B 28-31 May (RBA); CCP 29 May (RBA).

SOUTH POLAR SKUA: pelagic to 82 mi SE Shinn 29 May (DR, JSh, AnW).

Pomarine Jaeger: pelagic to 82 mi SE Shinn 29 May (DR, JSh, AnW).

Parasitic Jaeger: pelagic to 82 mi SE Shinn 29 May (DR, JSh, AnW).

COM. MURRE: 4 pelagic to 20 mi S Fire I 12 Mar (RBA); JBWE 19 Mar (RBA), found dead.

THICK-BILLED MURRE: GKP 10 Mar (MSh, mob); Shinn 30 Mar (KF, SF); Little Egg Marsh, Jamaica Bay, QUEE 30 Mar (DRi, LS), ph, unusual loc.

Razorbill: Jones Inlet 1 Mar (SyS, JGi); Ft Wadsworth, RICH 3 Mar (ACi); Jones Inlet 6 Mar (RBA); max 257 MP 6 Mar (SSM, PIL, SA, MN); GKP 10 Mar (JSt).

PIGEONS - PARROTS

WHITE-WINGED DOVE: JBWE 12 May (BF).

Monk Parakeet: max 39 Norman J. Levy P, Merrick, NASS 22 Mar (BF), large number.

Black-billed Cuckoo: 3 Stillwell Woods Pres., NASS 11 May (BF), 2 m copulating with f.

Snowy Owl: JBWE 1-5 Mar (PM, PA, P. Kaminski); Dune Rd, Hampton Bays, SUFF 5 Mar (DR, MSch), separate reps appx 0.5 mi. apart.; Quogue Village Wetlands Pres, Quogue, SUFF 5 Mar (P. & D. Paul); Fisher's I, SUFF 30 Apr (RBA), late; Great Gull I 20 May (K. Rogers), late; Great Gull I, SUFF 20 May (Kevin Rogers).

Barred Owl: N. Mt. Loretto SF 15 May (ACi), heard calling.

Short-eared Owl: 2 EPCAL thru 10 Mar (RBA, JSe, LO); EPCAL thru 31 Mar (RBA, LO).

Chuck-will's-widow: CP 8 May (mob); JBWE 14 May (*fide* TWB).

E. Whip-poor-will: max 4 Ama 2 May (AnW), low number; JBWE 16 May (PPa), heard calling.

Red-headed Woodpecker: Blydenburgh CP, SUFF thru 19 Mar (MC, KC); Grymes Hill, RICH thru 27 Mar (HF); Maple Swamp, Southampton, SUFF thru 2 May (RBA); Mashomack Pres., Shelter I, SUFF thru 3 May (RBA); 2 Willowbrook P, RICH thru 20 May (RV, mob); ad Todt Hill, RICH 9 Mar (MSh);

Riverdale P, BRON 17 Apr (DB); ad Flanders, SUFF 26 Apr (*fide* ES); PP 10 May (RBA); FP 11 May (CCo, DS); GwC 15 May (RBA); CRSP 26 May (PR).

Red-bellied Woodpecker: 34 Greentree Estate, Manhasset, NASS 13 Apr (SP), large number.

PILEATED WOODPECKER (R10): appx 25 reps RICH, mostly Mt. Loretto area; max 2 N. Mt. Loretto SF 22 Apr (ACi).

FLYCATCHERS - WAXWINGS

Olive-sided Flycatcher: CP 9 May (RBA); FP 14 May (*fide* PR); CP 14-15 May (PJ, mob); CP 17 May (DA, *et al.*); PP 17 May (*fide* PD); SPP 17-18 May (PJL, DF); Uplands Farm Pres, Cold Spring Harbor, SUFF 18 May (RT); CP 20 May (DA, *et al.*).

Willow Flycatcher: arr 2 May, early.

N. Shrike: imm FT/FP 3 Mar (JOS).

Philadelphia Vireo: CP 16 May (*fide* AnP);

CP 18 May (*fide* TF); Trinity Church, NEWY 25 May (BC), unusual loc.

Red-eyed Vireo: arr 22 Apr, early.

Am. Crow: max 125 Hofstra Univ, NASS 29 Apr (C. Eliot)

Fish Crow: max 210 Hempstead Plains Pres, NASS 15 Mar (BF), large number.

Com. Raven: appx 25 reps throughout, but no nest locations known; notable reps: ad w nesting material, W Shore Plaza, RICH 25 Mar (JT, DE); max 5 IHP 2 Apr (NS), large number; fledged juv JBSP 13 Apr (*fide* SSM), ph (M&SB); 3 HLSP 23 Apr (TH), fighting w Great-horned Owls; poss nest Patchogue Village, SUFF (LO).

Ruby-crowned Kinglet: arr 13 Mar, early.

E. Bluebird: CP 12 Apr (TF), unusual loc.

Gray-cheeked Thrush: N Mt Loretto SF 12 May (ACi, *et al.*); JBWR 14 May (SA, CF, MN); CP 17 May (*fide* AnP).

BICKNELL'S THRUSH: N Mt Loretto SF 12-13 May (IG, ACi), singing & calling; PP 17-18 May (RJ, JM), singing.

Gray-cheeked/Bicknell's Thrush: FP 14 May (SA, CF, MN).

Gray Catbird: HLSP 23 Mar (RJK), wintering?

LONGSPURS - WARBLERS

Worm-eating Warbler: arr 22 Apr; 8 FP 7 May (SA), large number.

Golden-winged Warbler: PP 8-9 May (SN, mob); E 57th St., NEWY 8 May (AF); GwC 14 May (RBA).

"LAWRENCE'S" WARBLER: CP 8 May (Jared Cole, *et al.*), ph.

Prothonotary Warbler: CR 11 May (ACi); Bronx Zoo, BRON 14 May (Steve Martin); CLP 15-16 May (CB, mob); fem CLP 18 May (HF, mob); CRSP 29 May (KF).

SWAINSON'S WARBLER: CP 28 Apr (Katie Kleinpeter, AD, AR, mob).

Orange-crowned Warbler: River Rd, RICH 19 Mar (ACi); Wagner Property, RICH thru 27 Mar (HF); Oakland L, QUEE 14 Apr (CCo); CP 29 Apr – 6 May (DA, *et al.*); HLSP 7 May (TH).

Mourning Warbler: appx 10 reps, first 14 May.

Kentucky Warbler: FP 14 May (PJL); East Meadow, NASS 13-15 May (Steven Williams); CP 19 May (*fide* APE); 2 PP 19 May (*fide* RJ); VSSP 20 May (RJK, PP, mob); Muttontown Pres, NASS 29-30 May (DK, BR, PR).

Hooded Warbler: Quogue Refuge, Quogue, SUFF 8-18 Apr (KC, mob);

VSSP 20-21 Apr (BF, mob); early; appx 25 addtl reps.

Cape May Warbler: arr 24 Apr, early.

Cerulean Warbler: IHP 1 May (NS); PP 2 May (*fide* DHR); Willowbrook P 5 May (RV); FP 7 May (mob); IHP 7 May (G. Sevaresse); CR 9 May (ACi); Crown Heights, KING 10 May (CF), unusual loc; Hunter's Garden, Eastport, SUFF 11 May (ES, *et al.*); CP 19 May (*fide* TF); CLP 20 May (HF).

"AUDUBON'S" YELLOW-RUMPED

WARBLER: Bayard Cutting Arboretum, SUFF 13 Mar (JGI).

Yellow-throated Warbler: 2 High Rock P, RICH 6 Apr (IG, HF); Ft. Greene P, KING 9-11 Apr (JM, RB); arr CRSP 10 Apr, where have bred; 2 m singing there 13 May thru (RBA); CP 14-15 Apr (mob); Bayard Cutting Arboretum 15-30 Apr (MH, MY, RBA), singing m; PP 16 Apr (DHR); CP 30 Apr (*fide* TF); PP 2 May (*fide* PD).

HERMIT WARBLER: CP 1 May (Alexis Lamack, AC), ph KFu; singing song similar to Black-throated Green Warbler.

Yellow-breasted Chat: PP 13 May (RBA); GKP 19-20 May (HF, ACi); CP 25 May (*fide* TF).

TOWHEES - WEAVERS

Clay-colored Sparrow: FMCP thru 4 Mar (SS).

Vesper Sparrow: arr Francis Gabreski Airport, Westhampton, SUFF 18 Apr (JGI), where breeding;

Lark Sparrow: JBWE thru 23 Mar; Quogue Refuge 23 Mar (ES, MH); Captree SP 6 Apr (*fide* SSM); Ft. Greene P 11 Apr (mob); RMSP 9 May (RBA).

Savannah Sparrow: 36 RMSP 19 Mar (SSM), large number.

Grasshopper Sparrow: IHP 23 Apr (*fide* JDi), ph; Six Diamonds P, KING 29-30 Apr (AxW, mob); CP 4 May (*fide* DA); GKP 20 May (ACi).

Nelson's Sparrow: 2 Dune Rd, Hampton Bays 2 May (AnW); Plumb Beach 25 May (HL, *et al.*).

Seaside Sparrow: 3 Hudson R at 55th St., NEWY 5-6 May; 2 there thru 10 May (Adrian Burke, TF); unusual loc.

Lincoln's Sparrow: arr 25 Apr; appx 10 reps.

White-crowned Sparrow: "Gambel's" form EPCAL 20 Mar (RBA).

Dark-eyed Junco: "Cismontanus" form Willowbrook P 8 Apr (RV).

Summer Tanager: GwC 30 Apr (RBA); Riverside Dr., NEWY 7 May (RBA); PP 8 May (RBA); CP 8 May (RBA); CR 9 May (ACi);

Willowbrook P 9 May (ACi, DE); CP 9 May (PJ); CLP 10-11 May (HF, *et al.*); Rocky Pt. Pres 12 May (RBA); Marcy Woods, SUFF 14 May (JGI); JBWE 14 May (RBA); CP 18 May (*fide* TF); Belmont L SP, SUFF 20 May (RJK); JBWE 26 May (MZ, RT).

Blue Grosbeak: East Quogue, SUFF 10 Apr (MH), early; SS White Field, RICH 11 May (ACi); Riverside P 12 May (RBA); GwC 12 May (RBA); Crooke's Pt., RICH 13 May (RV); CRSP 15 May (KT); 2 m EPCAL 29 May – thru (RBA).

Dickcissel: CP 27-28 May (KFu, mob).

Rusty Blackbird: max 22 VCP 20 Mar (TF); 20 APP 14 Apr (RJK), low numbers.

Boat-tailed Grackle: max 200 JBWR 6 Mar (NO).

Purple Finch: appx 15 reps, max 8 Muttontown Pres 9 Mar (BF).

Pine Siskin: appx 5 reps; max 6 Quogue Wildlife Refuge 8 Apr (E. King).

EXOTICS

European Goldfinch: 5 PP 15 Mar (K. Toomey).

