

## **REGION 10—MARINE**

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After a very mild February, March took us by surprise with the return of winter. The mean temperature at Islip was 39.2° F, 2.2° below normal. Precipitation was above normal, for example 5.45" at Islip, 2.01" above normal. March also featured a large winter storm on the 13<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>. Around 8" of snow fell and mostly turned to solid ice as melting snow and mixed precipitation froze. April temperatures were above normal and precipitation near normal. The average temperature at Islip was 53.4°, 4.3° above normal. 3.67" of rain fell, 0.67" below normal. Temperatures in May were near normal, 58.7° at Islip, 0.1° above normal. While precipitation was near normal over eastern Long Island, 4.16" at Islip was 0.38" above normal. May was wet over the western portion of Region 10. For example, 6.38" of rain fell at Central Park, 2.19" above normal. This included 3.02" on 5 May.

The aftermath of the snow and ice storm of 13-14 March was trouble for some early migrants, especially American Woodcock. The storm stranded many birds. Record numbers were found 15-16 March in several locations. For example, a single observer found 21 American Woodcocks in Central Park on 16 March, concentrated in the few areas of open ground. Another observer reported a conservative estimate of 44 birds in the park that day. The birds did not fare well, with many becoming the prey of Red-tailed and Cooper's Hawks.

Also notable is that the Wild Bird Fund received 55 American Woodcocks from Manhattan during this period.

Lingering winter rarities were few and included two **Ross's Geese**, a **Sandhill Crane** that stayed at Wainscott Pond in Southampton, Suffolk County through 20 April, and a **Townsend's Solitaire** in Southold, Suffolk County through 8 April. Dick Veit discovered a **Mew Gull** at Miller Field, Staten Island on 29 March and a **Yellow-headed Blackbird** that visited Great Kills Park, Staten Island from 2-6 March. He also found a first winter **Thayer's Gull** at Great Kills Park on 31 March. This will likely prove to be the final Thayer's Gull report in *Kingbird* Region 10 while the bird remained on the American Ornithological Union (now AOS) checklist. Two **Rufous Hummingbirds** remarkably persisted through the winter at a feeder in Aquebogue, Suffolk County until 2 April. Even more remarkably, a Northern Waterthrush overwintered at Southards Pond Park, Babylon, Suffolk County and was last recorded on 7 April.

The passerine migration was typically punctuated this season with a few nice fall-outs. Peak migration was 15-16 May, when, for example, 23 species of warblers were reported in Forest Park, Queens on 16 May, among large overall numbers of birds. Diversity was good through the season, though numbers were reduced. An early peak occurred on 29 April, when 19 species of warblers were reported in Central Park. This peak coincided with a migrant land bird fall-out, noted mostly at coastal locations, of species typically recognized as "overshoots". These are neotropical migrants of southern breeding distribution and uncommon in our area or seasonally early. For example, Hooded Warbler, Blue Grosbeak, and Indigo Bunting were unusually abundant around 29 April. Several Prothonotary Warblers, Kentucky Warblers, and Summer Tanagers were also discovered during this period, though the latter species was unusually abundant throughout late April and May. Additional examples can probably be gleaned from the eBird database. As has been discussed previously in *The Kingbird* and more recently on the NYSBirds Listserv by Shai Mitra, Peter Reisfeld, and others, this is the signature of a phenomenon that has been termed a "slingshot", in which weather events displace migrants over several days and large distances. In this event, Reisfeld reported weather radar information that may corroborate the slingshot effect. As he reported: "...on the nights of April 24 and 25 there was storm activity from the southeast which reached landfall along a broad area of the mid-Atlantic coastline. This was followed by a pattern of fairly heavy migration starting from Delaware and Maryland on the 26<sup>th</sup>, and fully reaching our area over the night of the 27<sup>th</sup>".

Common Ravens nested in at least four locations in Region 10 this season. As of the end of May, at least five fledglings were produced with an additional three or more young still nestlings. Not surprisingly, raven reports were widespread and included several from the barrier beaches, notably a remarkable five tallied by Brent Bomkamp on 30 April.

As noted above, Summer Tanagers made a great showing this year. There were over 30 reports. At least one was reported almost every day in Forest Park from 7-20 May. Yellow-throated Warblers did not return to nest at Connetquot River State Park, Suffolk County, but reports of two males at the nearby Bayard-Cutting Arboretum through the end of the season raises hopes of nesting there.

There was a fine crop of rarities this season among the 303 species reported in Region 10. The rarest was undoubtedly a **Yellow-nosed Albatross** seen by Pete Morris and Taylor Sturm at Robert Moses State Park, Suffolk County on 6 May, a day when a storm produced many seabird sightings. Taylor somehow managed to get video of the bird as it flew east. The albatross made their sighting of a **Pacific Loon** during the same sea watch seem rather humdrum. Another Pacific Loon was seen at Timber Point, Great River, Suffolk County on 27 April by Dave Klauber, Bobby Rossetti, and Doug Futuyma. A **Mississippi Kite** was seen at Clove Lakes Park, Staten Island on 20 May. Bobby Berlinger spotted a fly-over **White Ibis** at Valley Stream State Park, Nassau County on 28 April. Tim Healy found a **White-faced Ibis** at Cow Meadow Park, Freeport, Nassau County on 30 May. A **Black-necked Stilt** was photographed at Napeague, Suffolk County on 14 May, and two were found by Steve Walter at Jones Beach West End on 30 May. Ken Feustel found a **Ruff** at Timber Point on 20 April, and a female was at Cedar Beach, Southold, Suffolk County on 10 May. A **Red Phalarope** was discovered at Randalls Island, New York County on 26 April by David Barrett. An early **Arctic Tern** was seen by Shai Mitra and Pat Lindsay at Cupsogue County Park, Suffolk County on 6 May. A **South Polar Skua** was seen offshore on 22 May. Shane Blodgett found a **Scissor-tailed Flycatcher** at Calvert-Vaux Park, Brooklyn on 16 April. A **Swainson's Warbler** discovered by Ed Crowne delighted many at Prospect Park 24-28 May. An adult male **Painted Bunting** was photographed at a feeder in Oakwood Heights, Staten Island, on 2 May.

The 50,000 Brant reported from Jamaica Bay on 7 May is surely a sign of the times. With the decline of their preferred food, eelgrass, the geese are feeding on the abundant alga called sea lettuce (*Ulva lactuca*). The sea lettuce is proliferating in shallow estuaries of our Region due to excessive discharges of nitrogen from sewage.

Work to close the breach in the West Pond at the Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge was finally completed in May 2017, almost five years after Hurricane Sandy. Time will tell whether the effort results in the restoration of freshwater habitat.

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## ABBREVIATIONS

APP – Alley Pd P, QUEE; BATP – Brooklyn Army Terminal Pier, KING; 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 P, 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 P, QUEE; FP – Forest P, 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; IHP – Inwood Hill P, NEWY; JBSP – Jones Beach SP, NASS; JBWE – West End, Jones Beach SP, NASS; JBWR – Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge, QUEE; KP – Kissena P, 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; RP – Jacob Riis P, QUEE; 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; VSSP – Valley Stream SP, NASS; WPP – Wolfe's Pd P, RICH.

## WATERFOWL - VULTURES

**ROSS'S GOOSE (R10):** Oregon Rd, Cutchogue, SUFF 5-11 Mar (JSe, AnW); Arthur J. Hendrickson P, Valley Stream, NASS 30 Mar (mob).

**Brant:** max 50,000 JBWR 7 May (SSM, PJL), large num.

**Eurasian Wigeon:** Marine P, KING thru 3 April (RBA); Fresh Pd, Ft. Salonga, SUFF thru 18 Mar (RBA); CVP 2 Apr (RBA); BATP 10 Apr (AB).

**N. Shoveler:** max 594 JBWR 2 Apr (J. Popko), large num.

**Canvasback:** max 32 World's Fair Marina, Flushing, QUEE 8 Mar (SB); Cow Meadow P, Freeport, NASS 24 Apr (BB), present for at least 2 wks prior, unusual loc.

**Redhead:** 2 Baisley Pd P, QUEE thru 1 Apr (CF).

**King Eider:** 2 fem Orient Pt, SUFF 2 Mar, 1 fem thru 9 Apr (RBA, JSe).

**Harlequin Duck:** max 7 Pt. Lookout, NASS 7 Mar (JGi, *et al.*);

**Long-tailed Duck:** max 3200 Coney I, KING 7 Mar (DG), large num.

**Barrow's Goldeneye:** fem Oak B, Babylon, SUFF thru 12 Mar (RBA).

**Com. Merganser:** 3 KP 25 Mar (J. O'Sullivan), unusual loc.

**N. Bobwhite:** Cedar B, Southold, SUFF 23 Apr (JSe); SMSP 3 May (BB); max 7 Greentree Estate, Manhasset, NASS 24 May (SP), released; all reps.

**Wild Turkey:** CP 21-25 Apr (*fide* DA, TF, mob), unusual loc.

**Red-throated Loon:** Oakland L, QUEE 24-25 Mar (IR), unusual loc.

**PACIFIC LOON:** Timber Pt, Great River, SUFF 27 Apr (BR, DK, DF); RMSP 6 May (PMo, TS).

**Red-necked Grebe:** 2 Coney I 25 Mar (RBA); CP thru 1 May (DA, TF), rehabbed bird released 1 Feb; max 5 GKP 12 Apr (ACi).

**Eared Grebe:** Oak B thru 2 Apr (PJL, SA, PR); Gravesend Bay, KING 7 Mar (DG, mob).

**YELLOW-NOSED ALBATROSS:** RMSP 6 May (PM, TS), ph!

**N Fulmar:** offshore SUFF coordinates 39.885, -72.055 NOAA Ship Gordon Gunter 22 May (J. Loch).

**Cory's Shearwater:** Westhampton Dunes, SUFF 6 May (RBA).

**Great Shearwater:** 2 offshore SUFF coordinates 40.251, -71.624 NOAA Ship Gordon Gunter 22 May (J. Loch).

**Sooty Shearwater:** CCP 6 May (PJL); Westhampton Dunes 6 May (RBA); 2 RMSP 13 May (RBA); FT 13 May (RBA); 2 Shinn 24 May (RBA); RMSP 29 May (RBA); 2 RMSP 30 May (RBA).

**Manx Shearwater:** RMSP 6 May (RBA); RMSP 29 May (RBA).

**Wilson's Storm-Petrel:** Offshore SUFF coordinates 39.885, -72.055 NOAA Ship Gordon Gunter 22 May (J. Loch).

**N. Gannet:** max 3000 Bpt 11 Mar (AB).

**Am. Bittern:** Baisley Pd P 1 Apr (CF); Willow L, Flushing, QUEE 11 Apr (CF); JBWE 29 Apr (AB); CP 3 May (F. Mueller, L. Fraza, *fide* DA); unusual locs.

**Least Bittern:** CP 30 Apr (APe, mob); Lionhead B, East Hampton 20 May (*fide* E. Salzman), found dead, ph, rare on eastern LI.

**Cattle Egret:** Chelsea, NEWY 11 Apr – 9 May (K. Rosenheim, D. Kriensky, N. Tognan), unusual loc; Mecox Dairy, Bridgehampton, SUFF 15-22 Apr (AnW, mob); Oak B 2 May (SSM); Cow Meadow P, Freeport, NASS 29 May thru (J. Mora, RT, AB).

**Yellow-crowned Night-Heron:** 84 Redfern Houses, Far Rockaway, QUEE 30 May (D. Kriensky, *et al.*), NYC Audubon nest survey, large num.

**WHITE IBIS:** ad VSSP 28 Apr (BB), fly-over.

**WHITE-FACED IBIS:** Cow Meadow P 30 May (TH).

**Black Vulture:** max 8 CR 3 Mar (ACi); 2 GwC 5 Mar (RBA); Lake Success, NASS 9 Apr (*fide* AG); Northville, SUFF 11 Apr (MLL); 6 PP 16

May (RBA); 2 Northville 20 May (MLL); rare on LI.  
**Turkey Vulture:** 20 Riverhead 1 Mar (RA); max 24 Hendrix Creek, KING 30 Mar (SS); large nums.

### HAWKS - LARIDS

**MISSISSIPPI KITE:** CLP 20 May (RBA).

**N. Goshawk:** imm PP thru 2 Apr (*fide* PD, mob); imm Mass thru 29 Mar (RBA, RT).

**Red-shouldered Hawk:** ad Mass 11 Mar (DF).

**Broad-winged Hawk:** CP 17 Mar (K. Chaya, *fide* DA), early; CP 16 May (A. Burke, *fide* DA).

**Rough-legged Hawk:** 2 EPCAL 21-30 Mar (DF, mob); Meadowbrook & Loop Pkwy, NASS 15 Apr (SW).

**Virginia Rail:** River Rd, RICH 1 Apr (ACi).

**SANDHILL CRANE (R10):** Wainscott Pd, Southampton, SUFF thru 20 Apr (RBA, JRo); 2 Oceanside, NASS 11 Mar (MF); GwC 21 May (RJ, *et al.*).

**Piping Plover:** 20 JBWE 2 Apr (RBA), large num.

**BLACK-NECKED STILT:** Napeague, SUFF 14 May (H. Shibasaki), ph; 2 JBWE 30 May thru (SW, mob).

**Whimbrel:** Sag 7-8 Apr (RBA); Timber Pt 10-12 Apr (JoS, RP); JBWE 8 May (RBA).

**Red Knot:** max 100 JBWE 22 May (MB).

**RUFF:** Timber Pt 20-21 Apr (KF, JoS); fem Cedar B, Southold, SUFF 10 May (RBA).

**Wilson's Snipe:** 19 FBF 31 Mar (RBA); 21 Willow L, Flushing, QUEE 5 Apr (AB); large nums.

**Am. Woodcock:** 21 CP 16 Mar (APe), prob 40 or more there (*fide* DA); 25 CLP 16 Mar (JeS); *intro.*

**Red-necked Phalarope:** 2 SPCP 26 Apr (RBA); CR 25 May (ACi).

**RED PHALAROPE (R10):** Randall's I, NEWY 26 Apr (DBa).

**SOUTH POLAR SKUA:** Offshore SUFF coordinates 39.885, -72.055 NOAA Ship Gordon Gunter 22 May (J. Loch).

**Parasitic Jaeger:** 2 RMSP 6 May (RBA); 2 RMSP 13 May (RBA).

**Dovekie:** Shinn 1 Mar (G.Tvelia).

**Razorbill:** 61 NY Shelf Waters, SUFF 15 Apr (AnW, JSh, DR); Dune Rd, Hampton Bays, SUFF 6 May (RBA), late.

**Bonaparte's Gull:** max 57 Ditch Plains, Montauk, SUFF 4 Mar (AnW), few.

**Black-headed Gull:** 2 Owl's Head P, KING 20 Mar (P. Paul, D. Paul); Red Hook – Owl's

Head, KING thru 22 Mar (RBA); Forge R, Moriches, SUFF 26 Mar (PJL, SSM); imm Sagg Main B, SUFF 5-11 Apr (DR, RBA); imm Sag 23 May (RBA).

**MEW GULL:** ad Miller Field/Midland B, RICH 29 Mar (RV, mob).

**THAYER'S GULL:** 1st win Miller Field 31 Mar (RV).

**Iceland Gull:** PP thru 19 Mar (RBA); Riverhead 15 Mar (RBA); Brooklyn Army Terminal 24 Mar (RBA); 1<sup>st</sup> cy FBF 6 Apr (AB); Oak B 8 Apr (AB); Brooklyn Army Terminal 10 Apr (AB); HSP 25 Apr (MC); Staten Island Ferry, NEWY 2 May (RZE); Shinn 24 May (RBA).

**Lesser Black-backed Gull:** Bellport, SUFF thru 5 Mar (RBA); Riverhead 15 Mar (RBA); 2 FBF 31 Mar (RBA); Cammans Pd, Merrick, NASS 25 Mar (RBA); SMSP 25 Mar (RBA); 6 HSP 6 Apr (MC, PJL), 5 ad, 1 imm; 7 FBF 6 Apr (AB, SB), 6 ad & 1 2<sup>nd</sup> cy; 5 HSP 25 Apr; Swindler Cove, NEWY 4 May (SC); 12 RMSP 7 May (PM, SSM); max 16 JBWE 13 May (RBA); 3 Shinn 24 May (RBA); max 25 RMSP 22 May (SSM).

**Glaucous Gull:** Bellport thru 11 Mar (RBA); imm GKP 3 Mar (CB); CP 19 Mar (PP); CP 10-11 Apr (PP, RBA), same bird; CP 29 Apr (B. King), different bird; 1<sup>st</sup> cy FBF 6 Apr (SB); 1<sup>st</sup> sum MB 27 May (DS); Brighton B, KING 28 May (I. Sanoff).

**Gull-billed Tern:** JBWR 12 Apr (AB).

**Caspian Tern:** Sag 9 April (BH); Orient Pt 8 Apr (RBA); Meadow L, Flushing, QUEE 26-27 Apr (CF, PPa).

**Black Tern:** 4 SPCP 6 May (RBA).

**ARCTIC TERN (R10):** ad CCP 6 May (SSM, PJL), early.

**Royal Tern:** Sag 9 Apr RBA), ph; 2 MB 11 Apr (RBA).

### PIGEONS – PARROTS

**Snowy Owl:** JBSP 20 Mar (KF, *et al.*).

**Barred Owl:** CP 26 Apr (JDi, mob).

**Long-eared Owl:** CP 4 Mar (APe, mob).

**Short-eared Owl:** 1-2 Marine Park 1-5 Apr (RBA); Dune Rd, Hampton Bays 4 Apr (AG); Dune Rd, Hampton Bays 12 Apr (RKe).

**N. Saw-whet Owl:** 6 Birch Creek Owl Pd CP, Southampton, SUFF 18 Mar (TS, BBo).

**Com. Nighthawk:** max 2 sev loc 8-xx May; few.

**Chuck-will's-widow:** Quogue, SUFF 21 May (ES); 2 Quogue 23 May (MH).

**E. Whip-poor-will:** 38<sup>th</sup> St. & 6th Av., NEWY 7 Apr (D.Alperin, *fide* DA), early; brought to rehabber, died. CP 7 May (B.Yolton, *fide* DA).  
**RUFIOUS HUMMINGBIRD:** 2 Aquebogue thru 2 Apr (JSe, mob).

**Red-headed Woodpecker:** many from winter; Blydenburgh CP, Smithtown, SUFF thru 5 Mar (RBA); 2 Mashomack Pres, Shelter I, SUFF thru 19 Mar (RBA); Caumsett SP, SUFF thru 21 Mar (RBA); Hendrickson P, Valley Stream, NASS thru 1 Apr (TH, RBA); KP thru 1 Apr (RBA); Makamah Pres, Northport, SUFF thru 1 Apr (RBA); SMSP thru 19 Apr (VP, MH); imm CP thru 5 May (*fide* TF); PBP thru 21 May (JRo); ad Garden City, NASS 1 May (BF); ad Gilgo B, SUFF 1 May (DL); HLSP 15 May (RBA); CLP 20-23 May (EJ); CR 24 May (ACi).

**Pileated Woodpecker:** IHP 25 Mar (RBA); Ft. Tryon P, NEWY 9 Apr (*fide* APe); High Rock P, RICH 21 Apr (J. Ramirez-Garofalo); CLP 16 May (HF).

**Monk Parakeet:** CP 30 Apr (RD, mob), unusual loc.

#### FLYCATCHERS - WAXWINGS

**Olive-sided Flycatcher:** appx 15 reps.

**Acadian Flycatcher:** Greentree Estate, Manhasset, NASS 24 May (SP); CP 27 May (DA, et al); 2 PP 27 May (RBA).

**Alder Flycatcher:** PP 20 May (HL, *et al.*); HSP 23 May (KF, SF, DK); 2 Fresh Kills P, RICH 24 May (RV); SMSP 24 May (VP).

**SCISSOR-TAILED FLYCATCHER:** CVP 16 Apr (SB).

**Warbling Vireo:** 19 Greentree Estate 24 May (SP), large num.

**Philadelphia Vireo:** CP 20 May (R.Zucker); CLP 24 May (SIW, IG).

**Blue Jay:** JBSP 4 May (SSM); JBWE 9 May (DK); rare on barrier island.

**Com. Raven:** nested Otsego P, Dix Hills, SUFF 8 Mar thru, 2 young fledged (M.Vedder, *fide* PJL); nested Brookhaven National Laboratory, SUFF for 2<sup>nd</sup> year (E.Lewis, *fide* PJL); nested Syosset, NASS, 3 nestlings thru (SM); nested Bethpage, NASS, 3 nestlings thru (*fide* SM); Rocky Pt., SUFF 25 Mar (MC); Brooklyn Army Terminal 10 Apr – 3 May (AB), prob present beyond these dates; 2 CP 23 Apr (DA, *et al.*); 5 Ocean Pkwy Oak B to Gilgo B, SUFF 30 Apr (BBo), large num, unusual loc Shelter I 25 May (OB), noted attacking Purple Martin colony.

**House Wren:** CP 11 Apr (PS, *fide* DA), early.

**Golden-crowned Kinglet:** CP 6 May (J.Sepulveda, *fide* DA), late.

**TOWNSEND'S SOLITAIRE:** Southold, SUFF thru 8 Apr (RBA, JSe).

**Gray-cheeked Thrush:** Great Gull I, SUFF 29 Apr (JDi), unusual loc; 10 PP 30 Apr (G. Keri), large num; 4 Greentree Estate 17 May (SP), large num; appx 12 addtl reps.

**BICKNELL'S THRUSH:** PP 17 May (JM, EC), singing; CP 19 May (DBa, RD, DA), singing; FP 24 May (CC); PP 27 May (RBA).

**Swainson's Thrush:** 25 Greentree Estate 17 May (SP), large num.

#### LONGSPURS - WARBLERS

**Lapland Longspur:** RMSP 15 Mar (RBA).

**Ovenbird:** 2 IBM Atrium at 56<sup>th</sup> and Madison, NEWY (R. Zucker), wintered indoors.

**Louisiana Waterthrush:** Northville 4 Apr (MLL), rare on eastern LI.

**N. Waterthrush:** Southard's Pd, Babylon, SUFF thru 7 Apr (PJL, SSM, PMo), overwintered.

**Golden-winged Warbler:** not reported.

**Black-and-white Warbler:** 34 Greentree Estate 4 May (SP), large num.

**Prothonotary Warbler:** Marine P 12-15 Apr (GW, mob), foot caught in a blue mussel and released by EM; Lido Pres, NASS 15-20 Apr (PPa, mob); PP 29 Apr (mob); Elizabeth Morton Wildlife Sanctuary, Noyack, SUFF 30 Apr (C. Goldman); fem Strack Pd, Woodhaven, QUEE 6-7 May (CF, mob); NYBG 6 May (DH, mob); CHP 11 May (RV); SMSP 18 May (JGI).  
**SWAINSON'S WARBLER:** PP 24-28 May (EC, mob).

**Orange-crowned Warbler:** GwC 11 Mar (RBA); KP 26 Mar – 5 Apr (AB); Marine P 5 Apr (RBA); Lido Pres 15 Apr (SW); CP 15 Apr (RD, DA, *et al.*); PP 17 May (RBA); 2 CP 26 Apr (JGi, *et al.*); CP 30 Apr (RD, DA, *et al.*).  
**Mourning Warbler:** CP 13 May (SC, *et al.*), first; 2 CLP 16 May (HF); appx 10 addtl reps.  
**Kentucky Warbler:** Bronx Zoo, BRON 18 Apr (*fide* TO); PP 29 Apr (RB); APP 30 Apr – 3 May (PR, JR, mob); CP 30 Apr (*fide* DA); Blue Heron P, RICH 3 May (IG); Washington Square P, NEWY 12 May (D. Dancis), unusual loc; CP 14-16 May (SC, JR, mob); FP 15 May (KM); CLP 19 May (IG).

**Hooded Warbler:** 2 CP 29-30 Apr (mob); 2 PP 29-30 Apr (mob); 2 RMSP 29 Apr (mob); 6 addtl distinct reps 29 Apr-1 May, *intro*; 4 Greentree Estate 24 May (SP), large num; appx. 12 addtl. reps.

**Am. Redstart:** 36 Greentree Estate 17 May (SP), large num.

**Cerulean Warbler:** CVP 29 Apr (AxW, SB); PP 3-4 May (*fide* SS); PP 16 May (RBA); FP 17 May (*fide* KM, CCo).

**N. Parula:** 33 Greentree Estate 4 May (SP), large num.

**Magnolia Warbler:** Marine P 5 Apr (RBA), early.

**Blackpoll Warbler:** 24 Greentree Estate 17 May (SP), large num.

**Yellow-throated Warbler:** PP 8-9 Apr (*fide* PD), RB; CP 12 Apr (*fide* DA); CP 27 Apr (DA, et al); CP 28 Apr (TF, APe, mob), *S.d. albifrons*; CP 27-30 Apr (RD, DA, et al); PP 3 May (RJ, mob); 2 Bayard-Cutting Arboretum, Great River, SUFF 20 May thru (CCo, BBo, JGI), poss breeding.

**Yellow-breasted Chat:** JBWR 8 Apr (T. Winston, *et al.*); GKP 18 May (HF); William Floyd Estate, Old Mastic, SUFF 21 May (MLL); 2 GKP 23 May (DE).

#### TOWHEES - WEAVERS

**Clay-colored Sparrow:** CP 28 Apr (RD, KFu, mob), rare in spring.

**Vesper Sparrow:** 3 Calverton, SUFF 23 Mar (RBA); 2 JBWE 5 Apr (RBA).

**Grasshopper Sparrow:** max 16 EPCAL 28 May (RT).

**Lincoln's Sparrow:** BRY thru 28 Mar (TH); 3 PP 16 May (R. Payne); appx 12 addtl reps.

**Summer Tanager:** at least 33 reps, incl: fem King's Park, SUFF 7 Apr (RBA), early; 3 GwC

14 May (E. Norman); at least 7 indiv. FP 7-20 May.

**Blue Grosbeak:** JBWE 14 Apr (RP); PP 27-28 Apr (RB, mob); 4 JBWE 29 Apr (TH, AB, MSch), large num; *intro*; CP 30 Apr (T. Collins, *fide* DA); 2 CP 4 May (*fide* DA); 2 APP 7 May (MN, SA); The Battery, NEWY 8-10 May (GW, *et al.*); JBWE 11 May (DF); CLP 15 May (CB); CP 15-16 May (*fide* DA).

**Indigo Bunting:** 7 CVP 29 Apr (SB); 7 RMSP 29 Apr (KF, SF); 6 JBWE 29 Apr (EB); 8 RP/FT 30 Apr (CF, SA); 9 CVP 3 May (AxW); large nums; *intro*.

**PAINTED BUNTING:** ad m Oakwood Heights, RICH 2 May (L.Casale), ph!

**Dickcissel:** Biltmore Shores, Massapequa, NASS, 21 Mar – 10 Apr (M.Cooke, GB, RBA).

**YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD:** fem GKP 2-6 Mar (RV, mob).

**Rusty Blackbird:** max 75 APP 8 Apr (P.Dennehy).

**Boat-tailed Grackle:** PBP 5 Apr (GW).

**Orchard Oriole:** ad m CP 7 Apr (M.Passman, *fide* DA), ph, early; 10 Greentree Estate 24 May (SP), large num.

**Purple Finch:** 35 CP 27 Apr (*fide* TF), large num; CP 21 May (DBa, *et al.*), last; otherwise few.

**Red Crossbill:** 2 Edgewood State Pres, Deer Park, SUFF 24-26 Mar (VP, mob).

**Pine Siskin:** CP 23 Mar (E. Piik, *fide* DA); CP 29 Apr (JRo, et al), ph; 2 CP 10 May (J. Garcia); late.

