

REGION 10 - MARINE

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It was a cold and wet fall, a departure from the warm and dry conditions of recent years. But it was also more conducive to good birding results than any recent year. A series of cold fronts followed by northwesterly winds produced a number of good migratory flights, especially in mid to late October. Many irruptive species were on the move in large numbers too. A respectable total of 309 species was recorded in the Region, excluding exotics and introduced, non-established birds.

September's average temperature was 70.7°F at Central Park, 2.7° above normal. September was wetter than normal. 6.19" of rain fell at Central Park, about 2" above normal. October was closer to normal. For example, the average temperature at JFK Airport was 0.9° above normal at 57.9°, and rainfall was 0.3" below normal at 3.32". But rainfall was about 2" above normal at Islip. November was much more extreme. Precipitation was way above normal. A record 8.42" of liquid equivalent was recorded at Islip, 4.75" above normal. Over 4" of snow fell throughout the Region on 15 November. The 6.4" in Central Park was the second snowiest November day on record and the most so early in the season. Not surprisingly, November was cold, too. The average temperature at Central Park was 44.4°, 3.3° below normal.

It was a good year at the Fire Island Hawk Watch, in marked contrast to recent years. 4,054 total hawks were counted, 31% above the average of the past 10 years. All-time seasonal maxima were recorded for Cooper's Hawk (84) and Bald Eagle (14). A hopeful sign, after years of poor counts in part due to population losses, was that numbers of Sharp-shinned Hawk and American Kestrel were up. Counts of 480 were tallied for the former, 49% above the average of the previous 20 years, and 985 for the latter, 15% above. There were also notable counts of Northern Harrier (249) and Merlin (1,590). The only species counted below its 20-year average was Peregrine Falcon (-11%). Favorable weather conditions certainly contributed to the results. After a modest start through early October, there were six big flight days in mid-late October topped by 432 total hawks on 12 October and 426 on 24 October.

Birders in Region 10 enjoyed a much better winter finch flight this season than any in the past decade or so, though not necessarily by historical standards. Most remarkable was the record-setting irruption of Purple Finches. They were present throughout the season and virtually ubiquitous for most of it. The irruption peaked in late October culminating with a remarkable 2,216 counted on the morning of 30 October at Robert Moses State Park, Suffolk County. There was a sizable irruption of Pine Siskins, too, though not record-setting. The season also saw a few **Evening Grosbeaks**, with individuals sticking in spots

long enough to afford birders good viewing opportunities. This species has been almost completely absent from Region 10 for many years. There were a few Red Crossbills, mostly seen briefly along the barrier beaches. There were two Common Redpoll reports, and a lone **Bohemian Waxwing**. Among the more common irruptive species numbers were fairly impressive. Red-breasted Nuthatches were widespread in good numbers, with some individual counts over 100. 71 Red-bellied Woodpeckers were counted at Robert Moses State Park on 14 October.

Numbers of migrating “grasspipers” were perhaps at an all-time low in the Region. Among a small number of reports, the maximum of Buff-breasted Sandpipers was three and of American Golden-Plovers only two. An Upland Sandpiper in migration at Robert Moses State Park on 19 September was a surprise, this species having become very rare in Region 10. Numbers of other shorebirds were generally very low. For example, the maximum of Semipalmated Sandpipers was only 600 and of Short-billed Dowitcher a paltry 85. It is possible that the high water levels at the Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge’s East Pond affected these numbers somewhat, either by discouraging the birds, or the birders from visiting the north end.

The few pelagic trips this fall were less productive than in recent years, the most notable report a very late Sooty Shearwater offshore on 4 November. However, there were some very good pelagic bird sightings from shore, including a Northern Fulmar at Riis Park, Queens, and three separate reports of Pomarine Jaeger. Both of these species were seen when stormy weather produced a widespread seabird spectacle on 25 September.

The early-fall passage of Lesser Black-backed Gulls, mostly immature birds, along the barrier beaches is being well documented. The maximum count was 107 at Robert Moses State Park on 10 September. This species becomes quite rare here through the winter.

Despite the cold temperatures, 20 species of warblers were recorded in the Region well into November, most of them substantially later than their normal departure dates.

As usual, there were a number of notable rarities in the Region. A **Barnacle Goose** was in Riverhead, Suffolk County from 24 November through the season. A **Brown Booby** was reported from the Verrazano Narrows on 2 October (see article elsewhere in this issue), and an adult **White Ibis** was reported at Tobay Beach, Nassau County on 16 September. A **Mississippi Kite** was spotted at Clove Lakes Park, Staten Island on 17 September. A juvenile **Golden Eagle** was seen at Inwood Hill Park, Manhattan on 21 October. A juvenile **Purple Gallinule** was discovered at the lake in Prospect Park, Brooklyn on 19 October, where it stayed until the 22nd. A **Sandhill Crane** was a flyover at Inwood Hill Park on 16 October. A few **Pileated Woodpeckers** are established in Staten Island, though still very rare on Long Island. There was an **Ash-throated Flycatcher** at Heckscher State Park, Suffolk County from 31 October-2 November. A **Gray Kingbird** was a very nice surprise for a few birders who

were in the right place at the right time at Jones Beach West End on 10 November. It was gone within an hour. There were several reports of **Scissor-tailed Flycatcher**. One, at Deep Hollow, Montauk, Suffolk County was seen by many on 20-21 October. This was probably the same bird that was seen there again on 4 November. Another one, on 10 November at Point Lookout, Nassau County, was seen only briefly, coinciding with the excitement of the Gray Kingbird across Jones Inlet. A **Northern Wheatear** was seen by many at Heckscher State Park on 28 October and remained through at least the 30th. A **Varied Thrush** was a window strike victim on 4 November at 57th Street and Central Park West, Manhattan. It was taken to rehab, fate unknown. The above-mentioned **Bohemian Waxwing** was seen briefly at Crab Meadow Beach, Northport, Suffolk County on 29 November. A **Harris's Sparrow** was seen at Central Park on 4 November.

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ABBREVIATIONS

APEC – Alley Pd Environmental Center, QUEE; **APP** – Alley Pd P, QUEE; **BPP** – Baisley Pd P, QUEE; **BPT** – Breezy Pt, QUEE; **BRV** – Bryant P, NEWY; **CB** – Cedar Beach, Babylon, SUFF; **CCP** – Cupsogue CP, SUFF; **CHP** – Conference House P, RICH; **CIC** – Coney I Creek/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 Ave 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 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; **Gtree** – Greentree Estate, Manhasset, NASS; **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 P, QUEE; **Mass** – Massapequa Preserve, NASS; **MB** – Mecox Bay/Mecox Inlet, SUFF; **MF** – Miller Field, RICH; **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; **RBA** – NY Rare Bird Alert, **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/Old Inlet, SUFF; **SPP** – Southards Pd P, West Babylon, SUFF; **SMSP** – Sunken Meadow SP, SUFF; **TP** – Timber Pt Golf Course, Great River, SUFF; **VCP** – Van Cortlandt P, BRON; **VSh** – Venetian Shores P, Lindenhurst, SUFF; **VSSP** – Valley Stream SP, NASS; **WPP** – Wolfe’s Pd P, RICH.

WATERFOWL - HUMMINGBIRDS

Greater White-fronted Goose: 3 Rt 105 24-25 Nov (SSM, PJL, JSe).

“Black” Brant: FT 19-22 Nov (SN, AB).

BARNACLE GOOSE: Rt 105 24 Nov thru (SSM, PJL, mob).

Cackling Goose: Bay CP, East Rockaway, NASS 23 Sep (RBA), early; MF 18 Oct (RV); 3 MF 24 Nov (RV); Rt 105 24 Nov (SSM, PJL).

Mute Swan: max 156 MB 24 Nov (AnW).

Tundra Swan: 2 Georgica, SUFF 22-24 Nov (JRo).

Wood Duck: max 80 HLSP 18 Oct (mob), large number.

Eurasian Wigeon: Marine Park, KING 19 Oct-18 Nov (RBA); Blydenburgh CP, Smithtown, SUFF 18 Nov (RBA); JBWR 21 Nov (RBA); Avon L, Amityville, SUFF 23 Nov-thru (RBA); CR 27-28 Nov (ACi).

Canvasback: appx 10 reps; max 16, Tung Ting Pd, Centerport, SUFF 21 Nov (M. Jensen).

Redhead: max 65 Baisley Pd P, QUEE 23 Nov (R. Evon).

Greater Scaup: max 130 City I, BRON 24 Nov (RAR, MB), few.

King Eider: Shinn 2-6 Sep (KC, S. Newbert, S. Stuart).

Com. Eider: max 300 MP 16 Nov (M. Harvey), few relative to recent years.

Harlequin Duck: Orient Pt, SUFF 19 Oct (RBA); RP 27 Oct (SSi, DG, PPau); Fisher's I, Suff 27 Oct (RBA); Pt. Lookout, NASS 1 Nov (RBA); 2 Pt Lookout 7 Nov (SyS, JGi); max 5 Pt Lookout 10 Nov (JGi).

Com. Merganser: appx 15 reps; max 12 PBP 22-23 Nov (RAR).

Ruddy Duck: max 1022 Hendrix Cr, KING 24 Nov (TPR).

N. Bobwhite: 3 distinct reps, all likely released.

Ring-necked Pheasant: Still present at scattered locs such as KP and Edgemere, QUEE.

Red-necked Grebe: PB 1 Nov (RBA); 2 MLUA 4 Nov (HF, mob); 2 FT 11 Nov (DG, SBa, mob).

Com. Nighthawk: 306 Setauket, SUFF 11 Sep (JT, *et al.*); 114 Setauket 18 Sep (JT, *et al.*);

Chuck-will's-widow: CP 22 Sep (RBA), very rare in fall.

E. Whip-poor-will: Edgewood Preserve, SUFF 13-15 Sep (TS, PMo).

Chimney Swift: 4 Heartland Village, RICH 2 Nov (DE), late.

RAILS – LARIDS

Virginia Rail: PP 19 Sep (RB, mob).

Sora: JBWR 8-13 Sep (mob); BRY 14 Sep (AD); 2 JBWR 16 Sep (RT, mob);

PURPLE GALLINULE: juv PP 19-22 Oct (SSi, mob).

Com. Gallinule: Mass 21 Sep (JOS).

SANDHILL CRANE (R10): IHP 16 Oct (RBA).

Am. Avocet: not reported.

Am. Oystercatcher: max 500 JBWE 15 Sep (K. Topping).

Am. Golden-Plover: very few; max 2: Eastport, SUFF 1-2 Sep (JGI, ES); MF 13 Sep (ACi); HSP 13 Sep (PJI); 2 MB 21 Sep (KF, SF); MF 21 Sep (T. Gabe); MF 23 Sep (RV); HSP 21 Sep (KF, SF); FT 22 Sep (MB); 2 MF 3 Oct (JRG).

Upland Sandpiper: RMSP 19 Sep (SSM).

Whimbrel: BPT 7-8 Sep (PPau, MB); 6 MF 10 Sep (ACi); 3 MF 11 Sep (EJ); 2 MF 14 Sep (HF); 4 Jamaica Bay, QUEE 16 Sep (RBA); 4 FT 30 Sep (CCo).

Hudsonian Godwit: More than recent years: 2 JBWR 2-9 Sep (DF, mob); 3 JBWR 8 Sep (RV); 2 JBWE 10-14 Sep (TH, mob); JBWR 13 Sep (RV); Eastport 16 Sep (ES); 2 Eastport 21 Sep (KF, SF); MB 21 Sep (KF, SF); 3 JBWR 24 Sep (RV); 2-3 MF 19-22 Oct (RV, mob); Sag 27 Oct (AnW).

Marbled Godwit: 2 CCP 1 Sep (KC); JBWR 1-3 Sep (KM, mob); JBWE 11-12 Sep (TH, mob); CCP 16 Sep (MSch); 5 JBWE 20 Sep (TWB); 6 JBWE 7 Oct (RPx); max 7 JBWE19 Oct (JGi); 4-5 JBWE thru 9 Nov, 3 thru 18 Nov, 2 thru 30 Nov.

Red Knot: max 103 Pt Lookout 13 Oct (TWB, GB).

Stilt Sandpiper: max 20 JBWR 3 Sep (E. Gaillard); HSP 13 Sep (PJI), unusual loc.

Baird's Sandpiper: Fewer than 10 reps; 2 Riverhead 3 Sep (mob); 1-2 BPT 21-28 Sep (RBA, PPau); 3 BPT 29 Sep (PPau).

Buff-breasted Sandpiper: few; Riverhead 2-3 Sep (TH, AC); max 3 Riverhead 8 Sep (RA); JBWR 8 Sep (DF); HSP 13 Sep (PJI); 2 Eastport 16 Sep (ES).

Semipalmated Sandpiper: max 600 JBWR 2 Sep (DF), few; 16 GBP 2 Nov (SSM); 11 GBP 5 Nov (RV); 7 GBP 8 Nov (RV); late.

Short-billed Dowitcher: max 85 JBWR 3 Sep (TH), few.

Long-billed Dowitcher: JBWR 3 Sep (AB); JBWR 8 Sep (RV); 2 ad JBWR 24 Sep (RV); max 8 Santapogue Cr, W. Babylon, SUFF (R. Valente); 4 Santapogue Cr 18-25 Oct.

Wilson's Phalarope: JBWR 1-3 Sep (JR, MY).

Red-necked Phalarope: Sag 8 Sep (AnW); Fisher's I 27 Oct (RBA).

Pomarine Jaeger: MB 1 Sep (SSM); Great Gull I, SUFF 23 Sep (RBA); RMSP 26 Oct (RBA); very rare from shore.

Parasitic Jaeger: 5 CCP 1 Sep (KC); 3 MB 21 Sep (KF, SF); RMSP 25 Sep (SSM); 10 Sag 25 Sep (RBA); max 12 RMSP 26 Oct (SSM);

JBSP 28 Sep (SW); 10 RMSP 26 Oct (RBA); 8 RP 27 Oct (SSi, DG, PPau); RMSP 15 Nov (SSM).

Razorbill: Orient Pt – New London Ferry, SUFF 20 Nov (MSf); SPCP 21 Nov (RBA).

Black-legged Kittiwake: juv FT 22 Sep (MB); Sag 25 Sep (RBA); 9 FT 13 Oct (RBA); 8 RMSP 26 Oct (RBA).

Bonaparte's Gull: juv RMSP 25 Sep (SSM); 600 RMSP 26 Oct (SSM); max 1000 RMSP 9 Nov (SSM).

Black-headed Gull: 1st win Sag 27 Oct (AnW); Old Field, SUFF 19 Nov (MSf), returning ad.

Little Gull: juv RMSP 15 Nov (SSM).

Iceland Gull: imm MB 26 Nov (EJ).

Lesser Black-backed Gull: max 107 RMSP 10 Sep (SSM); 43 JBWE 10 Sep (TH); 92 Old Inlet, Fire Island, SUFF 15 Sep (KC); 60 RMSP 25 Sep (SSM); 62 JBWE 25 Sep (SSM); 60 SPCP 25 Sep (RBA); 22 RMSP 27 Oct (SSM); large nums; 7 JBWE 7 Nov (SyS, JGi); Arden Av., RICH 24 Nov thru (SIW), ad returning for 12th year.

Glaucous Gull: 1st cy PBP 23-25 Nov (RAR, MB).

Caspian Tern: 3 JBWR 3 Sep (TH); 2 GKP 3 Sep (ACi); 2 BPt 8 Sep (MB); 2 JBWR 13 Sep (RV); max 6 MB 15 Sep (JGi); JBWR 24 Sep (RV); 3 JBSP 28 Sep (SW); BPt 29 Sep (PPau); 2 RP 27 Oct (SSi, DG, PPau).

Black Tern: 6 CCP 1 Sep (KC); max 11 RMSP 7 Sep (DF); Gin B, Montauk, SUFF 27 Oct (AnW); 2 RP 27 Oct (SSi, DG, PPau), late.

Com. Tern: 2 Montauk Inlet, SUFF 18 Nov (TM, SBi), late.

Royal Tern: 4 BPt 7 Sep (PPau); 60 SPCP 25 Sep (RBA); 8 BPt 29 Sep (PPau); 12 VSh 1 Oct (SyS, JGi); 18 MB 18 Oct (RBA); 44 RP 27 Oct (SSi, DG, PPau); max 100 CCP 3 Nov (KC); last 21 Nov.

Black Skimmer: max 480 Nickerson B, NASS 9 Sep (DF).

LOONS - PARROTS

N Fulmar: RP 25 Sep (SSi, DG), very rare from shore.

Cory's Shearwater: Shin 1 Sep (KC); 50 CCP 1 Sep (KC); max 300 MB 2 Sep (SSM), large num; 12 1 mi off MP 17 Sep (OB); 2 Fort Pond Bay, Montauk, SUFF 17 Sep (OB); 2 MB 21 Sep (KF, SF); 10 RMSP 25 Sep (SSM); 72 Sag 25 Sep (RBA); 25 SPCP 25 Sep (RBA).

Sooty Shearwater: MB 3 Sep (SSM, PJL, PMo); Sag 25 Sep (DR), late; Brooklyn VI Pelagic Trip, NASS 4 Nov (BF, TS), very late.

Great Shearwater: 23 RMSP 25 Sep (KF); RP 25 Sep (SSi, DG); 3 Sag 25 Sep (RBA); 2 SPCP 25 Sep (RBA); JBSP 28 Sep (SW).

Manx Shearwater: Shin 1 Sep (KC); Fort Pond Bay 17 Sep (OB); RMSP 25 Sep (SSM); 4 Sag 25 Sep (DR).

Wilson's Storm-Petrel: 2 Brooklyn VI Pelagic Trip, SUFF 4 Nov (DG, *et al.*).

BROWN BOOBY: Verrazano Narrows 2 Oct (JRG!); see article this issue.

Double-crested Cormorant: 2958 RP 27 Oct (SSi, DG, PPau), large number.

Am. Bittern: PP 21 Oct (RB); Gilgo B, SUFF 16 Nov (SA, RK).

Tricolored Heron: JBWE 15 Nov (RV), late.

Cattle Egret: JBSP 20 Oct (RBA); 4 Southold 28 Oct (JSe); 2 Cutchogue, SUFF 29 Oct (A. Ratay); 2 TP 2-3 Nov (KF); 2 Bellport, SUFF 4 Nov (LS); Pt Lookout 10 Nov (SW) 2 Wainscott, SUFF 10 Nov (JRo).

WHITE IBIS: ad Tobay B, NASS 16 Sep (*vide* RPx).

Black Vulture: max 5 CP 23 Oct (SC, mob); 5 CR25 Oct (ACi).

Turkey Vulture: 41 Northville, SUFF 12 Oct (MLL); 54 Northville 13 Oct (MLL); large numbers for L.I.

Osprey: 496 FIHW (*vide* DP), 31% above 20-yr avg.

GOLDEN EAGLE (R10): juv IHP 21 Oct (RZ).

N. Harrier: 249 FIHW (*vide* DP), 8% above 20-yr avg.

Sharp-shinned Hawk: 480 FIHW (*vide* DP), 49% above 20-yr avg.

Cooper's Hawk: 84 FIHW (*vide* DP), 126% above 20-yr avg, 37-year max.

N. Goshawk: imm PBP 10 Nov (MB), ph!; Tobay B 11 Nov (BF), ph.

Bald Eagle: 14 FIHW (*vide* DP), 37-year max.

MISSISSIPPI KITE: CLP 17 Sep (HF).

Red-shouldered Hawk: GTree 14 Oct (SP); FT 18 Oct (SW); rare on L.I.

Broad-winged Hawk: 329 IHP 22 Sep (NO), large num for R10; 5 FT 18 Oct (SW), rare on L.I.

Great Horned Owl: 6 GTree 14 Oct (SP).

Snowy Owl: JBWE 22 Nov thru (mob)

Barred Owl: 2 CP 29 Sep thru (mob).

Long-eared Owl: CP 1 Nov thru (mob).

Short-eared Owl: Randall's I, NEWY 22 Nov (DBa), unusual loc.

N. Saw-whet Owl: CP 4 Nov thru (mob).

Red-headed Woodpecker: Appx 12 reps incl several of two birds.

Red-bellied Woodpecker: 26 RMSP 30 Sep (*fide* SSM); 71 RMSP 14 Oct (SSM, mob); large numbers; unusual barrier beach flight.

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker: 15 GTree 14 Oct (SP), large number.

Hairy Woodpecker: 8 GTree 30 Sep (SP), large number.

N. Flicker: 1200 RMSP 22 Oct (KF, SF); 400 RMSP 25 Oct (SSM, mob); large numbers.

PILEATED WOODPECKER (R10): 3 reps RICH incl 2 High Rock P.

Am. Kestrel: 985 FIHW (*fide* DP), 15% above 20-yr avg; 3 GTree 30 Sep (SP).

Merlin: 1590 FIHW (*fide* DP), 21% above 20-yr avg.

Peregrine Falcon: 172 FIHW (*fide* DP), 11% below 20-yr avg.

FLYCATCHERS – SNOW BUNTING

ASH-THROATED FLYCATCHER: HSP 31 Oct-2 Nov (JQ, mob).

Western Kingbird: MNSA 1 Sep (MF); APEC 15 Sep (AD, *et al.*); JBWE 19 Sep (RP); 2 Hallock SP Preserve, Laurel, SUFF 3 Oct (JHaa); Marine Park, KING 8 Oct (HL).

GRAY KINGBIRD: JBWE 10 Nov (PR, BV, mob).

SCISSOR-TAILED FLYCATCHER: Deep Hollow, Montauk, SUFF 20-21 Oct (JGi, mob); Deep Hollow 4 Nov (JRoss), same bird?; Pt Lookout 10 Nov (SSch).

Olive-sided Flycatcher: appx 15 reps; Marine P 14 Oct (RBA), late.

Yellow-bellied Flycatcher: Owls Head P 26 Oct (SBa), ph, late.

Alder Flycatcher: Sag 2 Sep (SSM); Brookhaven, SUFF 9 Sep (BBo); Arasamomaque Preserve Southold, SUFF 12 Sep (JSe).

Empidonax sp.: SMSP 12 Nov (B. Bull), ph!, likely a Least Flycatcher.

E. Phoebe: 85 GTree 30 Sep (SP); 65 GTree 14 Oct (SP); large numbers.

N. Shrike: juv FT 11 Nov (DG, mob); Marine P 17 Nov (J. Salas).

Philadelphia Vireo: CIC 15 Sep (RBA); JBWE 15 Sep (RBA); Southard's Pd, Babylon, SUFF 15 Sep (RBA); 2 RMSP 30 Sep (PMo, TS); Shelter I, SUFF 17 Oct (OB).

Com. Raven: 2 CIC 4 Sep (SSi); 2 Wertheim NWR, Shirley, SUFF 29 Sep (MLL); Staten I Industrial Park 5 Oct (CH); JBWE 7 Oct (RPx); 4 Northville 16-17 Oct (MLL), noted in

area thru; 6 Gtree 21 Oct (SP, *et al.*), large num; 2 William Floyd Estate, Mastic B, SUFF 18 Nov (MLL); 2 CR 26 Nov (RV); now under-reported.

Red-breasted Nuthatch: Widespread irruption; 26 CIC 4 Sep (SSi); 9 GTree 20 Sep (SP); 104 RMSP 14 Oct (SSM, mob).

Winter Wren: PP 7 Sep (SSi), early.

Marsh Wren: 2 GTree 20 Sep (SP), unusual loc.

NORTHERN WHEATEAR: HSP 28-30 Oct (LN, mob).

Veery: GTree 30 Sep (SP), late.

Swainson's Thrush: 94 Lynbrook, NASS 3 Oct (TH), large num, nocturnal flight call count.

Hermit Thrush: GTree 30 Sep (SP), early.

VARIED THRUSH: 57th St. & Central Park West, NEWY 4 Nov (*fide* DB), window strike taken to rehab.

BOHEMIAN WAXWING (R10): Crab Meadow B, Northport, SUFF 29 Nov (TS).

EVENING GROSBEAK (R10): m SMSP 24-27 Oct (TS, mob); 2 SMSP 28 Oct, mf, m thru 30 Oct (RBA); 2 CP 25 Oct (NS); Setauket 25 Oct (RBA); Midland B, RICK 28 Oct (ACi); 12 CP 8 Nov (DA); FT 11 Nov (DG); RMSP 11 Nov (BF); JBWE 15 Nov (RV); Wading R, SUFF 17 Oct (RBA); JBWE 18 Nov (TH); CP 19 Nov (RBA).

Purple Finch: present thru incl major irruption late Oct: 37 RMSP 14 Oct (SSM, mob); 27 GTree 14 Oct (SP); 1147 FT 19 Oct (SBa); 1500 RMSP 25 Oct (SSM, mob); 2216 RMSP 30 Oct (SSM); 71 JBWE 18 Nov (TH); 5 JBWR 22 Nov (AB); 4 CP 24 Nov (*fide* DA).

Red Crossbill: MF 30 Oct (RV); 2 MB 31 Oct (IG); 3 RMSP 11 Nov (BF); 5 Tobay B 16 Nov (SA, RK); 14 JBWE 21 Nov (RBA); 2 FBF 21 Nov (RBA).

Com. Redpoll: RMSP 31 Oct (RBA); 2 FT 22 Nov (RBA).

Pine Siskin: substantial irruption incl: 83 RMSP 14 Oct (SSM, mob); 1000 RMSP 25 Oct (SSM, mob); 2690 RMSP 30 Oct (SSM); 50 Grymes Hill, RICH 9 Nov (HF), at feeder; max 5238 RMSP 11 Nov (BF, mob); 5 Northville 17 Nov (MLL); 2 William Floyd Estate, Mastic Beach, SUFF (MLL); 374 JBWE 18 Nov (TH); 25 CP 24 Nov (DA) 30 CR 26 Nov (RV).

Am. Goldfinch: 1320 RMSP 30 Oct (SSM); 1253 JBWE 18 Nov (TH).

Lapland Longspur: several reps from 21 Oct.

NEW WORLD SPARROWS – CARDINALIDS

Chipping Sparrow: 91 GTree 20 Sep (SP); 60 GTree 30 Sep (SP); 81 GTree 14 Oct (SP); large numbers.

Clay-colored Sparrow: Appx 30 reps incl: GTree 14 Oct (SP); max 8 RMSP 9 Oct (KF, SF); 2 KP 25 Oct (PR).

Vesper Sparrow: appx 40 reps incl: 4 MF 21 Oct (JRG); max 8 VCP 3 Nov (NS), large num.

Lark Sparrow: appx 10 reps incl: Governor's I 1 Sep (BC); FBF 3 Sep (TP); DOP 15 Sep (RBA); Owl's Head P, KING 20 Sep (RBA); FBF 23 Sep (RBA); CP 27 Sep (RBA); JBWE 13-28 Oct (RBA).

Savannah Sparrow: 50+ in one farm field, Northville, SUFF 17 Nov (MLL).

Grasshopper Sparrow: Shore Rd P, KING 21 Sep (G. Keri); PP 19 Oct PPaul); RMSP 22 Oct (KF); JBWE 24 Oct (B. Belford, *et al.*).

Song Sparrow: 219 GTree 14 Oct (SP), large number.

Swamp Sparrow: 23 GTree 30 Sep (SP), large number; 214 GTree 14 Oct (SP), record count for NY.

White-throated Sparrow: 1500 RMSP 25 Oct (DF), large num.

HARRIS'S SPARROW: CP 4 Nov (*fide* DBa).

White-crowned Sparrow: 59 Hither Hills SP, SUFF 28 Oct (AnW), large num.

"Gambel's" White-crowned Sparrow: juv Cedar Grove B, RICH 23 Oct (RV).

Yellow-breasted Chat: appx 20 reps incl: City Hall P, NEWY 23-29 Oct (RBA), unusual loc.

Boat-tailed Grackle: max 300 Charles Memorial P, Howard Beach, QUEE 17&24 Nov (R. Serio).

Ovenbird: 2 Union Square P, NEWY 21 Nov (RBA), late.

Worm-eating Warbler: Gardiner CP, SUFF 12 Nov (KF), late.

Louisiana Waterthrush: PP 15 Sep (DHr, RM), rare in fall, late.

Black-and-white Warbler: IHP 12 Nov (NO), late.

Tennessee Warbler: Pt. Lookout 10 Nov (MZ), late.

Orange-crowned Warbler: appx 60 reps incl: GTree 14 Oct (SP); 2 APP 28 Oct (PR).

Connecticut Warbler: appx 10 reps incl: Northville 1 Sep (MLL); PP 7 Sep (SSi); Governor's I, NEWY 8 Sep (GW); JBWE 11 Sep (TH); CP 23 Sep (RBA).

Mourning Warbler: Nassau-Suffolk Trail, Plainview, NASS 21 Oct (PR), late.

Am. Redstart: GTree 14 Oct (SP), late; JBWE 7 Nov (RK, mob), very late.

Cape May Warbler: Madison Square P, NEWY 20 Nov (RBA), late, unusual loc.

Cerulean Warbler: CP 20-22 Sep (RBA), rare in fall.

N. Parula: 2 JBWE 17-18 Nov (TH), late.

Magnolia Warbler: CLP 30 Oct – 1 Nov (HF); PP 10 Nov (M. Brauer), late.

Yellow-rumped Warbler: 10,000 RMSP 30 Oct (SSM).

Yellow-throated Warbler: EPCAL 22 Sep (RBA).

Black-throated Green Warbler: CLP 1 Nov (HF); GwC 11 Nov (M. Wills); late.

Wilson's Warbler: CLP 1 Nov (HF); IHP 12 Nov (NO), late.

Summer Tanager: CLP19 Oct (GB).

Blue Grosbeak: GTree 20 Sep (SP); 2 Gtree 30 Sep (SP); GTree 14 Oct (SP).

Indigo Bunting: 31 GTree 30 Sep (SP), large number.

Dickcissel: Appx 35 reps incl: 3 RMSP 19 Sep (SSM); 2 GTree 20 Sep (SP); 2 Marine P 6 Oct (HL); 2 RMSP 8 Oct (KF, SF); GTree 14 Oct (SP); JBWE 18 Nov (TH); CHP 19 Nov (ACi).

EXOTICS

Mandarin Duck: CP 10 Oct thru (mob), widely reported in media.

European Goldfinch: 5 CIC 4 Sep (SSi), noted in flight of migrant landbirds.