

REGION 2—GENESEE

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The fall season of 2019 saw a seesaw of weather, with the overall average warm and with above average rainfall and snowfall. September began with the first 11 days cool and the final 19 days 10° F warmer. Temperatures averaged 64.6°, 2.8° above normal. Precipitation at 3.01" was 0.37" below normal, with 0.64" on each 1-2 and 10 September. October was again split, with the first half flat and near average and the second half well above average temperatures. Overall, temperatures averaged 53.6°, 3.0° above normal. There were record highs set for both the high and low temperatures on 1 October, with the 88° high only the ninth time that high in October and the first time since 1951. The first killing frost occurred on the 19th. Precipitation totaled 4.84", 2.12" above normal. Six days with > 0.50" of rain tied a record number, and 1.09" on 31 October was a record for the date. Strong winds accompanied that storm and resulted in many local power outages into the beginning of November. This also introduced a surge of Arctic cold and below normal temperatures for the next three weeks before a warmup peaking in the 60s on 27 November. Temperatures averaged 35.0°, 5.5° below normal. The first half month was the coldest such period on record, and the month overall the 11th coldest. The high only reaching 31° on the 8th tied the record for the earliest date completely below freezing, and six days with highs < 32° tied that record for a November. Precipitation totaled 1.84", 1.11" below normal. Snowfall at 17.8" was 10.5" above normal. Records were set for snowfall on 11 and 12 November, and it was the sixth snowiest November. Most local

ponds and smaller bays froze, pushing out waterfowl, and numbers of many lingering land birds also appeared to drop following this period.

The general birding scene clearly reflected the weather effects. In addition, there were other effects with less clear cause noted in local records and in comments such as those accompanying the regular daily observations of Jim Adams in Oatka Creek Park and in local and Regional banding observations. The monthly downloads of eBird records at September—22,017, October—17,589, and November—7,554 were all down from 2018, a change from the long trend of increases. October does serve to remind us to use caution in analyses. That month's download was about 50% down from 2018, BUT in 2018 we hosted the NYSOA annual meeting, with many visiting birders. This year also saw a month of heavy rains, and Lake Ontario remained at very high levels, affecting waterbird and shorebird habitats and timing. Interestingly, new bands for October at the BBBO banding station were about 40% below the prior 8-year average, though only three species actually showed changes more than two standard deviations (STD) from their averages and two of those three were increases. Not simple; much to study and think about.

As in other recent years, month by month essentially all expected waterfowl species were reported, and again generally numbers were poor but with some significant exceptions. September migration was relatively slow. Not really unusual among the waterfowl, though Canvasback was recorded at a record early fall arrival date on the 7th. Puddle duck numbers were decent in the Northern Montezuma Wildlife Management Area (NMWMA) – Van Dyne Spoor Rd. and the Sandhill Crane Unit, used almost totally interchangeably. A Snow Goose lingering through summer was seen off and on, and in November numbers finally picked up, with 2400 seen near Lyons on the 22nd and 7800 near the Old Duck Inn in the Town of Tyre on the 24th, both locations in Wayne County. An exotic record was Bar-headed Goose seen on 21 October at the ponds near the DEC offices in Avon. Rare geese were scarce, but a Greater White-fronted Goose was found on 18 October in the Town of Hamlin, Monroe County; Ross's Goose was seen with the Snow Geese in Lyons; and Cackling Geese were well reported starting on 3 October. Mute Swan numbers remained high in both the Braddock Bay and Irondequoit Bay areas. Trumpeter Swan numbers remain as in recent years, and the peak counts for migrant Tundra Swans were 185 in the NMWMA on 6 November and 140 on Conesus Lake on 18 November. Puddle ducks peaked in October, with good numbers for several species in the NMWMA on 5 October. Diving duck numbers were generally poor, other than Redhead on Conesus Lake in mid-November and some Red-breasted Merganser counts on Lake Ontario east of Sodus Bay in late November. King Eider at three locations in early November is an interesting but almost annual occurrence. Maxima for grebes were modest at 90 Pied-billed on 30 October in the NMWMA (Van Dyne Spoor Rd.) area, 128 Horned on 29 October off Hamlin Beach SP, and 62 Red-necked on 20 November also off Hamlin Beach SP.

Following the new taxonomic order, we next note Chimney Swift to 5 October but without the usual big, late roost spectacles being noted. Ruby-throated Hummingbird also continued into October on the 9th, plus a desiccated hummingbird specimen was found on the RIT campus on 2 November. Common Gallinule and American Coot numbers were back to more normal levels in the NMWMA after last year's bonanza. Sandhill Crane again persisted in large numbers in the NMWMA to late November, with a maximum in this Region of 128 north of Rt. 89 east of East Road on 15 November. Individuals were noted in other areas to month's end, too.

High lake levels and little rainfall in August and September left us with little good shorebird habitat. Most reports came from a few exposed beaches and piers. Numbers were poor. In September, we had a few reports of less common species, with four reports of single Whimbrels, two reports for Hudsonian Godwit, one Red Knot, and the only Buff-breasted Sandpiper for the fall. The Marbled Godwit reported in August at Braddock Bay continued to be reported to 9 September. Only 16 species of shorebirds were reported in October, with typical departure dates and no special species. November also had few species reported and only Wilson's Snipe after 9 November other than Purple Sandpiper arriving on 7-10 November at Irondequoit Bay Outlet and again seen near month's end at both Sodus Point and off the Town of Greece in Monroe County. 393 Dunlin passing Hamlin Beach on 1 November was a good count, but relatively low in historical context.

Gulls and terns continued the story of routine records, with generally low numbers and few really special occurrences. Parasitic Jaeger was reported in good numbers, with about 17 in September, another six in October, and finally one on 1 November. There was also a Pomarine Jaeger at Sodus Point on 16 September and a jaeger not identified to species on 26 November. The only Black-legged Kittiwake of the season was spotted at Hamlin Beach SP on 18 October, and an adult Franklin's Gull was found and photographed by Monica Herrmann and Jay Greenberg at Ontario Beach on 25 September and seen by a few more birders through 1 October. Rounding out the more interesting gull notes, there were two adult Little Gulls in November, Iceland and Glaucous Gulls after mid-November, and many reports of Lesser Black-backed Gull each month. Tern numbers and departures were unremarkable other than a late 1-2 Forster's Terns on 1-3 November on Buck Pond, Town of Greece, seen by several birders.

Loon numbers were generally below average through the season, so it was interesting to note an early Red-throated Loon on 21 September; an early high count of 344 Common Loons on 15 September, a time when we are looking for the first count over 100 for the season; and a rare **Pacific Loon** seen and photographed off Beechwood SP, Wayne County on 20 November by Tim Lenz, Logan Kahle, Archie J., and Benjamin Hack. Double-crested Cormorant peak numbers dropped off through the season from 2000 at Braddock Bay in September to 250 at Sodus Point in November. An American White Pelican at the Twin Cedars Environmental Area at the DEC office in Avon on 4 November was only

the third Regional November record. Great Egret to 30 November was getting late. This fall there were no reports of the recently regular appearance of Cattle Egret in early November. Another surprise in this grouping was a **White-faced Ibis**, the Region's second, found at LaSalle Landing Park at the south end of Irondequoit Bay on 18 October by Joanna Klima and seen and photographed off and on over the next five days by at least 24 other observers. Unfortunately, it spent much of the time out of sight in the marshes south of Empire Blvd.

Moving to the raptors, we again find the story of low numbers and missing birds dominating. The organized summer hawkwatch had ended, so no big numbers were noted passing Braddock Bay. There were no Black Vulture, Red-shouldered Hawk, or Rough-legged Hawk reports for the season. There was only one Northern Goshawk, seen on 10 November, and the last Broad-winged Hawk was seen on 29 September. Even Bald Eagle numbers dropped quite a bit in October. Bright spots were a late Osprey photographed on 16 October and Bald Eagle records back up in November. Moving to nocturnal raptors, we start at Oatka Creek Park, with Jim Adams finding and photographing his first red morph Eastern Screech-Owl at a roost hole on 27 September. It continued there until a last sighting on 8 October. We had no Snowy Owl reports by season's end. The first of few Short-eared Owl reports was on 6 November. There was a N. Saw-whet Owl banding effort at the BBBO station, and 15 owls were banded there from 7-18 October. In addition two rarely-reported-in-fall, other than when banding, N. Saw-whet Owls were found elsewhere in November. Wrapping up the non-passerines, we had very few reports of Red-headed Woodpecker, but a good movement of Yellow-bellied Sapsuckers in late September. All three regular falcon species were well reported in September and October and dropped in November. A bit out of order, Northern Shrike was first reported on 28 October, but only another seven reports of about six individuals were received in November.

As usual, passerines provide about half of our records, and all really expected species for the season were reported. As noted earlier, reports and banding numbers were way down from both recent-years' averages and from last year. Departure dates were typical, a mix of earlier and later dates in comparisons, and most maximum counts were on the low side. The species section below will list a selection of records from the mass of data. Here I will summarize observations and records I hope are interesting. September brought a good showing for the now-scarce Olive-sided Flycatcher, and flycatchers in general were reported in good numbers to relatively late departures dates, with five species last seen in October or later. Least Flycatcher was one of only three species with a 2+ STD change in number banded, an increase. A **Western Kingbird** (after some discussion of details), the 16th Regional record, was seen by Jim Miles and Lauri Mattle in Ellison Park on 16 September. For a couple of notable vireo records, the first White-eyed Vireo of the year was found on 15 November by James Goetz near his home in the Town of Mendon, and Warbling Vireo, recorded record late in November last year, was last reported on 29

September this fall. Tree Swallows were seen at scattered dates into November near Buck Pond in the Town of Greece, and a **Cave Swallow** was found there by Chris Wood on 27 November and seen by several others shortly after. Peak thrush numbers were low.

Among the few high counts were 1425 American Robins and 1086 American Goldfinch tallied by David Tetlow on 18 November in Hamlin Beach SP along with the season's only Bohemian Waxwing he spotted there that day. Winter finches were a no show. Nelson's Sparrow at both Burger Park (near Braddock Bay) and at the Geneseo airfield were good finds. Blackbird numbers were generally poor through the season, other than a large mixed flock of 10,000 Red-winged Blackbirds and 4000 Common Grackles in Mendon Ponds Park and 3500 Brown-headed Cowbirds on Lacey Road in Livingston County on 12 October. The warbler migration was good, with 27 species reported in September and 20 species continuing into October. Only Yellow-rumped Warbler was recorded in November. Three Connecticut Warblers, two of them banded at BBBO and the third seen by several birders in Owl Woods on 8-9 September, is a good showing. Orange-crowned Warbler was reported in the usual late September into October period, but only seven were tallied this fall and only one was banded at BBBO. Earlier we noted only three species banded in numbers > 2 STD from their 8-year averages. Two were warblers, Common Yellowthroat low and Black-throated Green Warbler high. Blackpoll Warbler again serves as a learning tool showing the need for care in dealing with numbers. The 8-year average is 351 banded. This year only 80 were banded, the second lowest year in the period, but numbers vary greatly year to year for this species and one STD is 248! Wrapping up the passerines near end of season, Augie Kramer found a female **Summer Tanager** on the West Spit of Braddock Bay on 28 November. It was subsequently seen and photographed by Jessie and Mitchell Barry and Chris Wood.

After all the tales of scarcity and the impacts of the November cold and snow, half hardies remained in decent numbers late in November for: Yellow-bellied Sapsucker, Winter Wren, Hermit Thrush, Gray Catbird, Chipping Sparrow, and Yellow-rumped Warbler. It will be interesting to see what real winter brings! Jim Adams in his Oatka Creek Park reports noted not much obvious effect on birds present there after the snow and that also it was a great season for wild fruit in the park—food for lingering birds.

After all the notes of low numbers, the species totals vs. their 10-year averages by month were: September – 217 vs. 217.7, October – 194 vs. 205.0, and November 154 vs. 153.2. Only October off much and a very rainy month.

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ABBREVIATIONS

b – banded; BB – Braddock Bay, T Greece, MONR; BB-ES – east spit at the mouth of Braddock Bay; BBBO – Braddock Bay Bird Observatory, usually banding station near end of Manitou Beach Rd west of Braddock Bay; CL – Conesus L, LIVI; DEP – Durand-Eastman P, MONR; G – T Greece, MONR; H – T Hamlin, MONR; HANA – High Acres Nature Area, T. Perinton, MONR; HB – Hamlin Beach SP, MONR; HB-WE – West End Trail in HB includes Devil's Nose area; HB-YC – Yanty Creek trail area at east end of park; IBO – Irondequoit Bay Outlet to Lake Ontario; IB-S – LaSalle Landing P, South end of Irondequoit Bay; ICW – Island Cottage Woods birding hotspot, T. Greece; M – along Manitou Beach Rd NE of Lake Ontario Parkway including the BBBO banding station, MONR; MAC – Montezuma Audubon Center, T Savannah, WAYN; MP – Mendon Ponds P MONR; NMWMA – Northern Montezuma WMA (formerly Northern Montezuma Wetlands Complex), WAYN; NMWMA (CRd) – Carncross Rd; NMWMA (MRd) – Morgan Rd Marshes area; NMWMA (SCU) – Sandhill Crane Unit; NMWMA (VDSRd.) – Van Dyne Spoor Rd. area; OB – Ontario Beach, Charlotte, MONR; OCP - Oatka Creek P, MONR; PB – Point Breeze area, ORLE, n. border of Regions 1 & 2; RIT – Rochester Institute of Technology; SalC – Salmon Creek mudflats area inland from BB; SPT – Sodus Pt, WAYN; TCEA – Twin Cedars Environmental Area, Avon DEC; W – T of Webster, MONR; WP – Webster P, MONR.

WATERFOWL – HUMMINGBIRDS

Snow Goose: NMWMA (VDSRd) 1-2 Sep, continuing summer birds; arr 2 Bovee Rd, T Riga, MONR 3 Oct (BriM); 2400 T Lyons, WAYN 22 Nov (TLe, LK); max 7800 near Old Duck Inn, T Tyre, WAYN 24 Nov(DO).

Ross's Goose: arr T Lyons, WAYN 22 Nov (LK).

Greater White-fronted Goose: arr H Hamlin Rd 18 Oct (LBe, CGi, RRe).

Brant: arr 2 HBSP 4 Oct (PMar, SGr, DSh; max 500 Brown Rd, T Wolcott, WAYN 18 Oct (W&MR); 180 HBSP 1 Nov; last Sodus Bay 29 Nov.

Cackling Goose: arr Bovee Rd, T Riga, MONR 3 Oct; total ~ 15 at 5 loc 3-28 Oct; 21 rep, ~ 33 ind 12 loc Nov; max 11 TCEA 4 Nov (BCar).

Canada Goose: max 3565 TCEA 4 Nov.

Mute Swan: max 155 BB 17 Nov; 84 IB – S 19 Oct; examples of too many in wintering areas.

Trumpeter Swan: max 34 NMWMA (Armitage Rd) 3 Nov (JMcG, LS), sample of fall gathering.

Tundra Swan: arr off Edgemere Dr, G 4 Oct; max 185 NMWMA (Armitage Rd) 6 Nov (LK); 140 CL – N 18 Nov (MG), typical for loc.

Wood Duck: max 150 NMWMA (VDSRd) 7 Sep (RB, NK), fall max.

Blue-winged Teal: max 181 NMWMA (SCU) 5 Sep (MW), good count; last 3 IB – S 20 Oct.

Northern Shoveler: max 15 IB P – W 19 Nov, low max, ties max from other months.

Gadwall: max 90 BB 30 Nov, low max.

American Wigeon: max 5000 NMWMA (VDSRd) 5 Oct (JMcG, LS), good count

Mallard: max 1500 NMWMA (VDSRd) 5 Oct (JMcG, LS).

American Black Duck: max 75 NMWMA (Armitage Rd) 3 Nov (JMcG, LS).

Northern Pintail: max 1000 NWMA (VDSRd) 5 Oct (JMcG, LS).

Green-winged Teal: max 8000 NMWMA (VDSRd) 5 Oct (JMcG, LS); very good count.

Canvasback: arr NMWMA (SCU) 7 Sep (TH, MJ), Reg. record early.

Redhead: arr 2 BB 6 Sep (MB); max 5000 CL 15 Nov (RSp, TS).

Ring-necked Duck: 300 Round Pd, G 4 Nov (SGr).

Greater Scaup: arr 2 BB-ES 4 Sep (B&BM), early; max 250 OB area 28 Nov, low max.

Lesser Scaup: arr IBO 10 Sep; max 94 off Edgemere Dr, G 28 Nov, low max.

King Eider: f HB 3 Nov (AGu, RRe); f Beechwood SP, WAYN 3 Nov (TLe, LK, ArJ, BHa); f Brown Rd, T Wolcott, WAYN 6 Nov (W&MR).

Surf Scoter: arr HB 20 Sep, early; max 70 HB 18 Oct, low max.

White-winged Scoter: arr HB 18 Sep; max 341 HB 18 Oct, low max.

Black Scoter: arr HB 24 Sep; max 27 HB 2 Nov, low max.

Long-tailed Duck: arr 6 HB 14 Oct; max 382 off E Manitou Rd, G 20 Nov (KG), low max.

Bufflehead: arr 5 HB & 1 Bear Crk, WAYN 18 Oct; max 75 Spt 7 Nov.

Common Goldeneye: arr TCEA & 2 Bear Crk, WAYN 18 Oct; max 75 BB 29 Nov, low max.

Hooded Merganser: max 200 IB-S 20 Nov (SGr).

Common Merganser: max 150 Spt 12 Oct.

Red-breasted Merganser: 500 HB 18 Oct; max 1500 Port Bay, WAYN 18 Nov (W&MR); 1110 West Port Bay, WAYN 21 Nov (LK); good counts.

Ruddy Duck: arr NMWMA (VDSrd) 4 Sep (JKe), early; max 89 Walker Rd, T Leroy 5 Nov (DBea).

Northern Bobwhite: 1 T Mendon 3 Oct (PMar), likely release.

Pied-billed Grebe: max 90 NMWMA (VDSrd) 30 Oct (GD).

Horned Grebe: max 128 HB 29 Oct.

Red-necked Grebe: 15 HB 15 Sep (AGu), good number for date; max 62 HB 20 Nov (AGu), low relative to recent late peaks.

Yellow-billed Cuckoo: last Genesee Valley Greenway 28 Sep (JKi).

Black-billed Cuckoo: last Lakeshore Marshes, T Wolcott, WAYN 20 Sep (RRo).

Common Nighthawk: max 24 Crittenden P, Rochester 3 Sep; last 2 Honeoye Falls 25 Sep.

Chimney Swift: last 3 Rochester 5 Oct; no large counts.

Ruby-throated Hummingbird: last Livonia, LIVI 9 Oct (TBo).

hummingbird sp.: desiccated specimen RIT campus 2 Nov (EW), not ID'd to species.

RAILS - LARIDS

Virginia Rail: last Long Pd, G 21 Nov (JMo), late.

Sora: last NMWMA (SCU) 3 Nov (LK, ArJ, BHa), late.

Common Gallinule: max 44 NMWMA (SCU) 5 Sep, sharp contrast with last year; last 2 NMWMA (VDS) 26 Oct (JMcG, LS).

American Coot: max 200 NMWMA (VDSrd) 7 Oct (W&MR).

Sandhill Crane: 49 NMWMA (MRd) 21 Oct, fall gathering begun; max 128 NMWMA (Rt 89 E of East Rd) 15 Nov (DK); 3 Reed Rd, T Richmond, ONTA 18 Nov BH0; 1 Beatty Pt, G 27 Nov (CW).

Black-bellied Plover: last 2 BB-ES 7 Oct, early dep.

American Golden-Plover: last BB 9 Oct, early dep.

Semipalmated Plover: last 2 Spt 15 Oct, early dep.

Killdeer: max 55 Church Rd, H 14 Sep, low max; Caledonia, LIVI 7 Nov.

Whimbrel: Edgemere Dr, G 1 Sep (JeB, JiB); BB 7 Sep (JeB, MB, AGu, CW); Summerville Pier 10 Sep (CGi, MG, GL); last Spt 20 Sep (CV, JWi).

Hudsonian Godwit: arr BB-ES 7 Sep (JMcG); last HB 18 Sep (AGu).

MARbled GODWIT (R2): BB area thru 9 Sep (mob, many ph).

Ruddy Turnstone: last Spt 30 Sep.

Red Knot: last 15 Sep (JeB, JiB, MB).

Stilt Sandpiper: last Hogan Pt, G 20 Sep.

Sanderling: last 2 Spt 3 Nov (TLe, LK, ArJ, BHa).

Dunlin: max 393 HB 1 Nov (MG); last 2 Buck Pd Crk, G & OB 9 Nov.

Purple Sndpiper: arr IBO 7-10 Nov (DSh, mob, phs); Spt 25-29 Nov. MG, 6 oth obs; 1 flyby off Edgemere Dr, G 28 Nov (JeB, JiB, LiB, MB, AGu, CW).

Baird's Sandpiper: last BB-ES 21 Sep.

Least Sandpiper: last 2 BB-ES 1 Oct.

White-rumped Sandpiper: last Spt 23 Oct.

Buff-breasted Sandpiper: Redman Rd, H 21 Sep (AGu), only rep.

Pectoral Sandpiper: last 7 NMWMA (CRd) 30 Oct.

Semipalmated Sandpiper: last Brown Rd, T Wolcott, WAYN 18 Oct.

WESTERN SANDPIPER: 1 imm pier off Manitou Beach Rd, G 17 Sep (RSp).

Short-billed Dowitcher: last NMWMA (Albano-Torrey Marsh) 15 Oct (MJ).

Long-billed Dowitcher: last NMWMA (CRd) 1 Nov (MG).

American Woodcock: last MP 18 Oct, few late fall birder reports.

Wilson's Snipe: last Burger P, G 28 Nov.

Spotted Sandpiper: last West Port Bay Pt, WAYN 18 Oct.

Solitary Sandpiper: last North Pd P, W 11 Oct.

Lesser Yellowlegs: last 1- 4 sev NMWMA loc 3 Nov.

Greater Yellowlegs: last NMWMA (Armitage Rd) 6 Nov (LK).

Pomarine Jaeger: SPT 16Sep (MG).

Parasitic Jaeger: total ~ 17 ind 6 loc 7-29 Sep; total 6 ind 5 loc 4-24 Oct; last HB 1 Nov.

jaeger species: Bear Crk, WAYN 18 Oct.

alcid species: 1 off Pultneyville harbor, WAYN 26 Nov (JWi), distant ph.

Black-legged Kittiwake: arr 1HB 18 Oct (AGu), only rep.

Bonaparte's Gull: max 95 IB-S 16 Nov, low max.

Little Gull: arr 1 ad Buck Pd, G 7 Nov (JeB, JiB, MB); 1 ad OB 9 Nov (BriM).

FRANKLIN'S GULL (R2): 1 ad OB 25 Sep, 1 Oct (MH, ph, JG, ScK, ph).

Ring-billed Gull: max 3500 CL 12 Nov (TBo).

Iceland Gull: arr IBO 16 Nov.

Lesser Black-backed Gull: total 17 ind 6 loc 3-21 Sep; total ~ 11 ind 4 loc 2-27 Oct; max 7 Bovee Rd, T Riga, MONR 3 Oct (BriM); total ~ 8 ind 6 loc 5-26 Nov.

Glaucous Gull: arr HB 22 Nov.

Caspian Tern: last off Edgemere Dr, G 17 Oct.

Black Tern: last 2 NMWMA (Albano-Torrey Marsh) 15 Sep.

Common Tern: max 96 HB 3 Sep; last 5-13 HB & SPT 29 Sep.

Forster's Tern: last 1-2 Buck Pd, G 1-3 Nov (JeB, AGu, CW, PMar), late.

LOONS - FALCONS

Red-throated Loon: arr 3 HB 21 Sep (AGu), early; max 70 HB 20 Nov, low max.

PACIFIC LOON: Beechwood SP, WAYN 3 Nov (TLe, LK, ArJ, BHa, phs).

Common Loon: 344 HB 15 Sep (AGu), high count for date; max 375 Beechwood SP, WAYN 3 Nov, low max.

Double-crested Cormorant: max 2000 BB-ES 16 Sep, good count; 250 Buck Pd, G (JiB) & SPT (TLe) 2 Nov, good counts for date.

AMERICAN WHITE PELICAN (R2):

TCEA 4 Nov (MW, CHo, BCAR, KZ, TBo), late, 3rd Reg Nov record.

American Bittern: last NMWMA (SCU) 3 Nov (LK, ArJ, BHa), late, *intro*.

Least Bittern: last Beatty Pt, G 19 Oct (LBe).

Great Egret: last BB 30 Nov (JeB, JiB), late.

Green Heron: last T Nunda, LIVI 20 Oct.

Black-crowned Night-Heron: last 5 NMWMA (SCU) 3 Nov (LK, ArJ, BHa).

WHITE-FACED IBIS: IB-S 18-23 Oct (JKI, 24+ oth obs, many ph), 2nd Reg record, *intro*.

Black Vulture: no reports.

Turkey Vulture: max 134 Mt. Morris Dam, LIVI 30 Sep (Sc&ShK), good count.

Osprey: last Black Crk, Churchville 16 Nov (PI, ph), late.

Northern Goshawk: imm HB 10 Nov (AGu, ph).

Bald Eagle: 183 lines eBird many loc Sep; 110 lines eBird many loc Oct; 148 lines eBird many loc Nov; good numbers.

Red-shouldered Hawk: only 4 rep of singles Sep.

Broad-winged Hawk: last Rochester 29 Sep

Short-eared Owl: arr Nations Rd IBA, LIVI 6 Nov.

Northern Saw-whet Owl: Porter Rd, T Naples, ONTA 3 Oct (RSm); 15 b M (Owl Woods) 7-18 Oct (BBBO), *intro*; DEP 10 Nov (JiM, LM); M (Owl Woods) 23 Nov (NK); typically few fall rep.

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker: max 12 G 25 Sep (KG), good migr count; 7 rep Nov.

American Kestrel: ~17 ind 18 loc Sep; ~19 ind 17+ loc Oct; 7 ind 6 loc 7-30 Nov.

Merlin: total ~26 ind 15 loc Sep; total ~25 ind 19+ loc Oct; ~15 ind 14 loc Nov.

Peregrine Falcon: total ~16 ind 12+ loc Sep; total ~23 ind 20+ loc Oct; 9 rep, 9 ind 7 loc Nov.

FLYCATCHERS – SNOW BUNTING

Great Crested Flycatcher: last M (Owl Woods) 25 Sep.

WESTERN KINGBIRD: Ellison P, T Penfield 21 Sep (JiM, LM), 16th Reg record, some discussion.

Eastern Kingbird: last T Nunda LIVI 11 Oct.

Olive-sided Flycatcher: Ellison P, T Penfield 2 Sep (JiM); Tinker Nature P 4 Sep (PW); last T Wolcott, WAYN 7 Sep (JMcG, LS).

Eastern Wood-Pewee: last Conesus Inlet WMA 7 Oct.

Yellow-bellied Flycatcher: total b 20 BBBO 2-25 Sep.
Willow Flycatcher: last Firehouse Woods, G 27 Sep (LBe, ET).
“Traill’s” Flycatcher: total b 4 BBBO 2-14 Sep.
Least Flycatcher: total b 22 BBBO 1-13 Sep;
last Beechwood SP, WAYN 1 Oct.
empidonax flycatcher: Lucien Morin P, T Penfield 1 Oct (JiM); DEP 6 Oct (LBru).
Eastern Phoebe: total b 8 24 Sep -15-20 Oct;
last Caledonia Fish Hatchery 9 Nov (RSt).
Northern Shrike: arr IB-S 28 Oct; 7 rep, 6 ind 6 loc 6-29 Nov.
WHITE-EYED VIREO (R2): Dixon Woods (private), T Mendon 15 Nov (JGo).
Yellow-throated Vireo: last Beechwood SP, WAYN & Walworth, WAYN 1 Oct.
Blue-headed Vireo: total b 7 BBBO 29 Sep-4 Oct; last Cranberry Pd Nature Trail & T Canadice, ONTA 20 Oct.
Philadelphia Vireo: total b 8 BBBO 10-22 Sep; last Lucien Morin P, T Penfield 1 Oct.
Warbling Vireo: last T Gates, MONR 29 Sep.
Red-eyed Vireo: total b 59 BBBO 1 Sep-13 Oct; last 2 Hogan PT, G & T Mendon 8 Oct.
Horned Lark: max 88 Jones Rd, Avon 2 Nov, low max.
Purple Martin: last 5 MAC 10 Sep.
Tree Swallow: max 500 West Port Bay, WAYN 5 Oct, low max; 15 Buck Pd. G 3 Nov (JeB); 2 Church Trail, G 29 Nov (RB, NK).
Northern Rough-winged Swallow: last 8 NMWMA (VDSRd) 5 Oct.
Bank Swallow: last 2 T Caledonia, LIVI & NMWMA (SCU) 15 Sep.
Cliff Swallow: last NMWMA (VDSRd) 11 Oct.
CAVE SWALLOW: Beatty Pt, G 27 Nov (CW, JeB, JiB), *intro*, only report.
Barn Swallow: last BB & 2 NMWMA (VDSRd) 5 Oct.
Black-capped Chickadee: total b 18 BBBO 4 Sep-28 Oct, low.
Brown Creeper: total b 36 BBBO 28 Sep-28 Oct.
House Wren: last T Nunda, LIVI 11 Oct.
Winter Wren: total b 28 BBBO 10 Sep - 31 Oct, low; max 22 HB-WE 29Sep; total ~22 ind 17 loc 2-29 Nov, very good late numbers.
Marsh Wren: last Sandra L. Frankel NP, T Brighton, MONR 21 Nov (TL), late.
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher: last G 28 Sep, early dep.

Golden-crowned Kinglet: arr M (Owl Woods) 9 Sep; max b 30 BBBO 26 Oct; total b 136 BBBO 29 Sep-31 Oct.
Ruby-crowned Kinglet: arr MP 1 Sep; max 65 SPt 5 Oct (TLe); max b 62 BBBO 18 Oct; total b 238 BBBO 12 Sep-28 Oct; last Casey P, T Ontario, WAYN 15 Nov (JWi), late.
Veery: total b 8 BBBO 1-24 Sep; last M (Owl Woods) 6 Oct.
Gray-cheeked Thrush: arr Manitou (Owl Woods) 11 Sep; max 10 Walworth, WAYN 25 Sep; max b 6 BBBO 28 Sep; total b 49 BBBO 17 Sep-10 Oct, low; last HB 13 Oct.
Gray-cheeked/Bicknell’s Thrush: total b 11 BBBO 17 Sep - last 5 Oct, low.
Swainson’s Thrush: max 27 Walworth, WAYN 25 Sep, low max; max b 4 BBBO 4 Oct, very low max; total b 65 BBBO 8 Sep-18 Oct, low; last 2 Beatty Pt, G 19 Oct.
Hermit Thrush: arr NMWMA (MRd) 6 Sep; max b 32 BBBO 19 Oct; total b 140 BBBO 27 Sep-31 Oct; total 13 ind 11 loc 2-29 Nov.
Wood Thrush: last Webster & 1b BBBO 8 Oct.
American Robin: max 1425 HB 18 Nov (DTe).
Gray Catbird: 29 Whiting Rd NP, W 7 Sep (GF); max 32 Whiting Rd NP, W 15 Sep (GF); total b 100 BBBO 1 Sep-24 Oct; 5 rep, 4 ind 4 loc 2-26 Nov.
Brown Thrasher: last Beatty Pt, G 9 Oct.
Bohemian Waxwing: HB 18 Nov (DTe), only rep.
Cedar Waxwing: max 47 Beechwood SP, WAYN 26 Nov, low max.
American Pipit: arr BB 8 Sep; max 40 Jones Bridge & Perry Rds, LIVI 3 Nov (JKi); last Beatty Pt, G 27 Nov (CW).
Pine Siskin: arr BBBO 19 Oct; max 48 DEP 10 Nov (JiM, LM).
American Goldfinch: max b 39 BBBO 28 Oct; total b 61 6 Sep-29 Oct; max 1086 HB 18 Nov (DTe).
Lapland Longspur: arr Hemlock L - S, ONTA 28 Oct (BHo).
Snow Bunting: arr IBO 20 Oct; max 86 HB 3 Nov.

NEW WORLD SPARROWS - CARDINALIDS

Eastern Towhee: last Whiting Rd NP, W 23 Nov (SG), late.
American Tree Sparrow: arr 2 N Wolcott, WAYN 10 Oct (W&MR); max 34 Honeoye Falls 14 Nov.

Chipping Sparrow: max 20 Nations Rd IBA 4 Oct; last La Casa Mocha, Fairport 24 Nov (GaL, BR).

Field Sparrow: last Plank Rd, T Penfield 17 Nov (AGa).

Vesper Sparrow: last Jacobs & Redman Rds, H 14 Oct (RB, NK).

Savannah Sparrow: last T Avon, LIVI 5 Nov.

NELSON'S SPARROW (R2): 2 Burger P, G 11 Oct (JuH, GL, PMar); Burger P, G 14 Oct (CHo); Geneseo Airfield 26 Oct (JKi).

Fox Sparrow: arr MP 11 Oct; last Church Trail, G 27 Nov (CW).

Song Sparrow: total b 47 BBBO 1 Sep-31 Oct.

Lincoln's Sparrow: arr Honeoye Falls 20 Sep; last Jones Bridge & Perry Rds, LIVI 2 Nov (JKi), late.

White-throated Sparrow: arr Chimney Bluffs, WAYN 16 Sep; 52 HB-WE 29 Sep (AGu); max 60 Beechwood SP, WAYN 5 Oct (TL); max b 31 BBBO 19 Oct; total b 309 BBBO 19 Sep-31 Oct.

White-crowned Sparrow: arr 2 Plank Rd, T Penfield 18 Sep.

Dark-eyed Junco: max 80 DEP 29 Oct (SGr); max b 53 BBBO 25 Oct; total b 78 BBBO 1-31 Oct.

Bobolink: last Burger P, G 13 Oct.

Eastern Meadowlark: last Burrow Rd, T Walworth, WAYN 14 Nov (MG).

Baltimore Oriole: last 2 Beechwood SP, WAYN 16 Sep.

Red-winged Blackbird: max 10,000 MP 12 Oct (JMo).

Brown-headed Cowbird: max 3500 Lacey Rd, LIVI 12 Oct (NK).

Rusty Blackbird: arr HB 25 Sep; max 83 NMWMA (Marten Tract) 17 Oct, low max; last Cook & Redman Rds, H 29 Nov (CW).

Common Grackle: max 4000 MP 12 Oct (JMo).

Ovenbird: total b 7 BBBO 9-28 Sep; last T Gates, MONR 6 Oct.

Northern Waterthrush: total b 12 BBBO 1-25 Sep; last Spencerport 29 Sep (KLAC).

Blue-winged Warbler: last T Nunda, LIVI 25 Sep.

Black-and-white Warbler: last Webster P 4 Oct.

Tennessee Warbler: last HANA 10 Oct.

Orange-crowned Warbler: arr T Livonia, LIVI 27-28 Sep (TBo); TCEA 30 Sep (MW); 1b BBBO 4 Oct, only ind banded this fall; total 6 ind 6 oth loc 1-19 Oct.

Nashville Warbler: total b 27 9 Sep-21 Oct; last 1b BBBO & Webster Arboretum 21 Oct.

Connecticut Warbler: M (Owl Woods) 8-9 Sep (AGu, CW, JaG, RRe); 1b BBBO 4, 19 Sep.

Mourning Warbler: last 1b BBBO 16 Sep.

Common Yellowthroat: total b 43 BBBO 1 Sep – last 19 Oct; last BB 24 Oct.

Hooded Warbler: last Fawn Ridge, T Bristol & T Canadice, ONTA 8 Oct.

American Redstart: total b 55 BBBO 1-28 Sep, last 14 Oct.

Cape May Warbler: last T Nunda, LIVI 8 Oct, early dep.

Northern Parula: arr T Canadice, ONTA 8 Sep; last HB-WE 13 Oct.

Magnolia Warbler: max b 26 BBBO 17 Sep; total b 169 BBBO 3 Sep – last 24 Oct; max obs 24 M - Owl Woods 8 Sep (AGu, CW).

Bay-breasted Warbler: total b 36 BBBO 13-30 Sep; last Beechwood SP, WAYN 5 Oct.

Blackburnian Warbler: last Lucien Morin P, T Penfield 6 Oct.

Yellow Warbler: last Rochester & G 29 Sep. Kings Bend P, T Pittsford MONR 3 Oct.

Chestnut-sided Warbler: last 2b BBBO & G & HB 25 Sep.

Blackpoll Warbler: max b 16 BBBO 14 Sep, low max; total b 80 BBBO 4 Sep-4 Oct, low; last 3 Highland P, Rochester 5 Oct.

Black-throated Blue Warbler: total b 64 BBBO 3 Sep – last 14 Oct; last HB 14 Oct.

Palm Warbler: arr HB 15 Sep; last T Livonia, LIVI 14 Oct (TBo).

Pine Warbler: max 15 DEP 3 Sep (ET); last HB 15 Oct.

Yellow-rumped Warbler: max 39 MP 5 Oct (CGo); total b 9 BBBO 27 Sep-24 Oct; last 2 MP 27 Nov (CGo), late.

Prairie Warbler: 1b BBBO 21 Sep, scarce in fall.

Black-throated Green Warbler: total b 27 BBBO 1-9 Oct; last RIT 15 Oct.

Canada Warbler: last G 24 Sep.

Wilson's Warbler: total b 23 BBBO 1-24 Sep; last Irondequoit & Livonia 2 Oct.

SUMMER TANAGER: BB-WS 28 Oct (AKr, JeB, MB, CW, ph).

Scarlet Tanager: last MP 7 Oct.

Northern Cardinal: total b 20 BBBO 1 Sep-28 Oct.

Rose-breasted Grosbeak: last Ellison P, T Penfield 3 Oct.

Indigo Bunting: last 2 Genesee Valley Greenway 5 Oct.

EXOTICS

Bar-headed Goose: TCEA 21 Oct (MW, 4 other obs, ph), likely escape.

Chukar: 3 T Mendon 7 Oct (PMar), likely releases.