

# BIRD SIGHTINGS

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## July-August 2016

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The weather lowlight of the period was the continuing drought, which started to have a major impact on our water supply, vegetation, and wildlife. Most of the state was considered to be under severe drought except Cape Cod, a small portion of southeast Massachusetts, and most of the Berkshires. In July, rainfall in Boston was just .87 of an inch, nearly three inches below average, and in August, 1.72 inches of rain was recorded, 1.63 inches below normal.

It was also very hot. July had 12 days in which the temperature reached 90° with a high of 98° in Boston on July 22, although many communities west and north of Boston saw the mercury exceed 100°. It was the hottest August ever recorded in Boston. There were seven days with temperatures in the 90s with a high of 98° on August 12. A rare night-time tornado with winds of up to 100 miles an hour occurred on August 22 causing severe damage in the MetroWest area. Sections of Concord and Marlboro were especially hard hit.

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## WATERFOWL THOUGH ALCIDS

On July 12, a flock of eleven **Black-bellied Whistling-Ducks** was photographed in Sandwich. There are half a dozen earlier records of this species in the state, but the size of this flock is unprecedented. The Lesser Scaup that spent the last reporting period at Quabbin Reservoir lingered through the end of July, and the Ring-necked Duck that spent the last reporting period at Horn Pond in Woburn lingered through the entire period.

A Red-throated Loon was discovered on a pond in Hampden. A snapping turtle caught it, but the observer rescued the bird and took it to the Tufts Wildlife Clinic. The injuries, however, were so severe that the bird had to be euthanized. The **Pacific Loon** originally discovered in June on Nantucket met a similar fate when it was finally taken to Tufts on July 7.

As usual, the Brookline Bird Club's pelagic trip on August 20–21 was productive, highlighted by a **Black-capped Petrel**, five **Audubon's Shearwaters**, six **White-faced Storm-Petrels**, six **Band-rumped Storm-Petrels**, and six **Long-tailed Jaegers**.

Good numbers of shearwaters continued to be reported from Race Point in Provincetown. On August 19, a **Red-billed Tropicbird** was photographed south of Nantucket Island.

An unusual number of herons was reported at inland locations during this period, particularly in the Connecticut River Valley, where as many as 39 Great Egrets were seen in Longmeadow alone. Snowy Egrets and Little Blue Herons are much less likely to turn up at inland locations, but there were an exceptional number of both. A Cattle Egret in Longmeadow was an exciting inland record. It is possible that the conditions caused by the extreme drought created perfect habitat for foraging herons. During the last reporting period we were able to confirm **Sandhill Cranes** breeding in Worthington, and this reporting period they were confirmed at Burrage Pond Wildlife Management Area, where a pair have been reported for the past two years.

An **American Avocet** spent nearly three weeks at Plum Island between July and August. There was a two-week interval in which it was not spotted, but either the same bird or a second

one was discovered on August 29. A Whimbrel flying over South Quabbin on August 1 was a very rare inland record. A **Ruff** was photographed in Newburyport Harbor on July 27.

Laughing Gull is particularly uncommon inland, but in mid-August there were reports from Turners Falls and Wachusett Reservoir. There was no overlap in the dates and both reports were of juveniles, so it is possible it was the same individual. Two Laughing Gulls were also seen in Everett, which is also inland but a straight shot up the Mystic River from the ocean, so a bit less surprising. A **Franklin's Gull** was photographed on Plum Island on July 8 and was enjoyed by many on the island that day, but unfortunately was not seen after this. On July 9, a sea watcher at Race Point in Provincetown spotted a tern that he questioned—was it Bridled or Sooty? He sent photos to other experts who agreed he had photographed a **Bridled Tern**.

In Yarmouthport an observer watched two juvenile Forster's Terns begging from a pair of adults. Photographs suggested the young probably could fly, and if they could, we cannot eliminate the possibility of breeding elsewhere, but it is very likely that they hatched locally. The only known Massachusetts breeding record was of a pair on Plum Island in 1991.

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<b>Black-bellied Whistling-Duck</b>				White-winged Scoter			
7/12	Sandwich	11	G. Tanguilig	8/28	Chatham	50	J. Layman
Snow Goose				Black Scoter			
7/31	Worthington	3	v.o.	7/3	P'town	3	B. Nikula
8/6	Tolland	3	D. Holmes	8/28	Chatham	30	J. Layman
Brant				Long-tailed Duck			
7/10	Orleans	1	K. Schopp	7/1	Gloucester (E.P.)	1	G. Power
8/3	E. Boston (B.I.)	1	A. Trautmann	7/17	Chatham	11	M. Iliff#
8/20	Quincy	1	E. Lipton	8/9	P.I.	1	T. Wetmore
Wood Duck				Bufflehead			
7/1	Konkapot IBA	31	M. Lynch#	8/26	P.I.	2	D. Adrien
7/19	Burrage Pd	20	P. Peterson	Hooded Merganser			
7/31	Lincoln	25	J. Forbes	7/28	Paxton	3 juv	M. Lynch#
8/24	Belchertown	112	L. Therrien	8/7	Shirley	2	J. Forbes
Gadwall				8/12	Holden	11	M. Lynch#
7/4	P.I.	13	D. + T. Swain	Common Merganser			
8/24	Turners Falls	1	E. Huston	7/7	W. Springfield	30	S. Kellogg
American Wigeon				7/15	Sandisfield	f w/6 yg	M. Lynch#
8/10	Washington	2	J. Pierce	8/13	Quabbin (G43)	18	B. Kamp
8/29	P.I.	1	D. Adrien	8/24	Holyoke	31	L. Therrien
8/31	Northboro	1	T. Spahr	8/26	Williamstown	47	C. Johnson
Blue-winged Teal				Red-breasted Merganser			
8/2	Sheffield	2	K. Schopp	7/12	Wellfleet	2	K. Schopp
8/24	Belchertown	1	L. Therrien	Ruddy Duck			
8/28	Woburn	1	J. Forbes#	7/1	P.I.	2	T. Wetmore
8/29	Washington	2	J. Pierce	Northern Bobwhite			
Northern Shoveler				7/3	Eastham (F.H.)	2	E. Goodman
8/16	P.I.	2	T. Wetmore	7/9	P'town (R.P.)	4	S. Arena
8/19	Sandwich	1	J. Pratt	7/16	Nantucket	5	D. Blatt
Northern Pintail				Ruffed Grouse			
8/28	P.I.	5	T. Wetmore	7/1	Konkapot IBA	ad w/8 yg	M. Lynch#
Green-winged Teal				7/17	Savoy SF	1	B. Harris
7/5, 8/19	P.I.	20, 23	T. Wetmore	8/8	Falmouth	3	G. Hirth
7/22	Washington	11	J. Pierce	Red-throated Loon			
8/1	Belchertown	3	L. Therrien	7/3	Hampden	1	A. Downey
8/13	Waltham	4	J. Forbes	<b>Pacific Loon</b>			
8/27	Holden	8	M. Lynch#	7/1-7	Nantucket	1	S. Kardell#
Ring-necked Duck				Common Loon			
thr	Woburn (HP)	1	v.o.	7/4	Ludlow	4	S. Motyl
8/13	Waltham	1	J. Forbes	7/23	Gardner	pr, 2 yg	G. Gove#
8/14	Pembroke	1	N. Marchessault	7/27	P.I.	15	R. Heil
Lesser Scaup				8/11	Wachusett Res.	20	M. Lynch#
7/thr	Quabbin Pk	1	L. Therrien	Pied-billed Grebe			
Common Eider				8/12	P.I.	2	T. Wetmore
7/31	Acoaxet	67	M. Lynch#	8/27	Waltham	2	J. Forbes
8/2	Nahant	58	L. Pivacek	Red-necked Grebe			
8/25	Rockport	181	M. Lynch#	7/24	P'town (R.P.)	1	S. Arena

Red-necked Grebe (continued)					
8/23	Quabbin Pk	1		L. Therrien	
<b>Black-capped Petrel</b>					
8/20	S. of Nantucket	1		BBC Pelagic	
Cory's Shearwater					
thr	Stellwagen	1450 max		v.o.	
7/2, 31	N. Truro	175, 400		B. Nikula	
7/10	P.I.	750		R. Heil	
7/10, 8/4	P'town	1000, 500		B. Nikula	
7/24	E. of Chatham	450		B. Nikula#	
8/20	S. of Nantucket	911		BBC Pelagic	
Great Shearwater					
7/3, 16	E. of Chatham	750, 450		P. Flood#	
8/1	Stellwagen	2000		L. Waters	
8/13	P'town (R.P.)	500		S. Arena	
8/28	E. of Chatham	200		B. Nikula	
Sooty Shearwater					
7/3	E. of Chatham	500, 150		v.o.	
7/9	P'town (R.P.)	1366		S. Arena	
7/10	P.I.	84		R. Heil	
8/1	Stellwagen	600		L. Waters	
Manx Shearwater					
7/4	Revere	7		P. Peterson	
7/24, 8/28	E. of Chatham	8, 40		B. Nikula#	
8/13	P'town (R.P.)	119		S. Arena	
8/25	Stellwagen	135		S. Arena#	
<b>Audubon's Shearwater</b>					
8/20-21	S. of Nantucket	5		BBC Pelagic	
8/21	Stellwagen	1		M. Sylvia	
Wilson's Storm-Petrel					
7/2	N. Truro	250		B. Nikula	
7/2, 8/13	P'town	200, 1200		B. Nikula	
7/27, 8/8	E. of Chatham	1700, 1100		B. Nikula#	
8/1	Stellwagen	4500		L. Waters	
8/20	S. of Nantucket	1383		BBC Pelagic	
<b>White-faced Storm-Petrel</b>					
8/20-21	S. of Nantucket	6		BBC Pelagic	
Leach's Storm-Petrel					
7/3	Stellwagen	9		A. Gurka	
8/20-21	S. of Nantucket	51		BBC Pelagic	
<b>Band-rumped Storm-Petrel</b>					
8/20-21	S. of Nantucket	6		BBC Pelagic	
<b>Red-billed Tropicbird</b>					
8/19	S. of Nantucket	1 ph		E. Savetsky	
Northern Gannet					
7/10	P.I.	36		R. Heil	
7/10	P'town	34		B. Nikula	
7/23	Stellwagen	3		BBC (I. Giriunas)	
Double-crested Cormorant					
7/20	Winthrop	74		R. Stymeist	
8/20	Chatham	500		SSBC (GdE)	
8/20	Agawam	35		S. Kellogg	
8/25	Rockport	428		M. Lynch#	
Great Cormorant					
7/28	Westport	1		M. Iliff	
American Bittern					
7/1	Konkapot IBA	2		M. Lynch#	
7/17	Washington	2		R. Wendell	
8/7	Burrage Pd	2		S. Jacques	
8/10	GMNWR	4		G. Dupont	
Least Bittern					
7/9	P.I.	1		T. Wetmore	
7/21	GMNWR	1		A. Bragg#	
7/30	DWWS	2		N. Marchessault	
7/30	Burrage Pd	1		L. Waters	
8/28	Wayland	1		B. Harris	
Great Egret					
7/29	Longmeadow	39		S. Kellogg	
7/31	Barnstable (S.N.)	37		P. Crosson	
7/31	Westport	66		M. Lynch#	
8/12	P.I.	250		T. Wetmore	
8/29	Northampton	21		D. Allard	
Snowy Egret					
thr					Reports of indiv. from 4 inland locations
7/28	Longmeadow	4		C. Suprenant	
7/31	Barnstable (S.N.)	45		P. Crosson	
8/6	Lexington	2		J. Forbes	
8/11	P.I.	383		D. Chickering	
8/12	E. Boston (B.I.)	72		DCR (S. Riley)	
8/24	W. Springfield	5		D. Schell	
Little Blue Heron					
7/20-8/31					Reports of indiv. from 9 inland locations
7/25	Gloucester	10		C. Haines	
7/31	Barnstable (S.N.)	2		P. Crosson	
8/5	Essex	3		D. Brown	
8/5	Nantucket	2		E. Landi	
Tricolored Heron					
7/2	Manchester	1		J. Hoye#	
7/8	P.I.	1		G. Wood#	
7/10	Mattapoisett	1		N. Marchessault	
Cattle Egret					
7/29	Longmeadow	1		A. Robblee	
Green Heron					
7/20	W. Newbury	7		J. Berry#	
8/4	Burrage Pd	4		P. Peterson	
8/6	Woburn (HP)	4		J. Thomas	
8/24	Belchertown	15		L. Therrien	
8/27	W. Springfield	5		S. Kellogg	
Black-crowned Night-Heron					
7/1	P.I.	27		D. Adrien	
8/3	Ipswich	16		J. Berry	
8/25	P'town	11		S. Arena#	
8/27	Eastham	71		D. Clapp	
8/31	Orleans	18		K. Schopp	
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron					
7/5	P.I.	4		D. Adrien	
8/1-23	Milton	3 imm		v.o.	
8/3	Ipswich	10		N. Dubrow	
8/10	Newbypt	10		P. Lowe	
8/18	Chatham	3		J. Hoye#	
8/22	Plymouth	3		E. Corbett	
8/23	Marshfield	3		E. Corbett	
8/25	WBWS	4		M. Faherty#	
8/27	Eastham	12		D. Clapp	
Glossy Ibis					
7/2	Manchester	171		J. Hoye#	
7/16	Wakefield	2		P. + F. Vale#	
7/20	Lexington	4		M. Rines	
8/7	Nantucket	5		L. Dunn	
8/18	Chatham	3		J. Hoye#	
<b>Black Vulture</b>					
7/31	Sheffield	41		K. Schopp	
8/30	Millbury	1		L. Abbey	
Turkey Vulture					
7/28	P.I.	9		L. Waters	
8/4	Hanson	8		P. Peterson	
8/13	Sheffield	13		M. Lynch#	
8/20	Mt. Wachusett	15		S. Olson#	
8/23	Haverhill	35		C. Gibson	
Osprey					
7/28	P.I.	14		L. Waters	
7/31	Westport	74		M. Lynch#	
7/31	Acoaxet	39		M. Lynch#	
8/18	Chatham	12		J. Hoye#	
Bald Eagle					
7/3	Quabbin Pk	3 pr, 6 juv		Mattuchio	
8/17	Holden	3		M. Lynch#	
8/29	Mt. Wachusett	3		Hawkcount (SO)	
Northern Harrier					
7/21-8/31					Reports of indiv. from 9 locations
8/31	P.I.	7		R. Heil	
Sharp-shinned Hawk					
7/19	Charlemont	1		E. Ryba	
7/27	Northboro	1		T. Spahr	

Sharp-shinned Hawk (continued)				8/14	Chatham	33		F. Atwood
8/6	Northfield	1	E. Huston	8/18	N. Monomoy	75		D. Heitzmann#
8/25	GMNWR	2	A. Bragg#	8/30	Winthrop	7		P. Peterson
Cooper's Hawk					<b>American Avocet</b>			
7/23	Holden	3	M. Lynch#	7/25-8/15	P.I.	1		T. Wetmore + v.o.
7/26	Belmont	4	J. Forbes	8/29-31	P.I.	1		M. Brengle + v.o.
8/20	Leicester	4	M. Lynch#		<b>Spotted Sandpiper</b>			
Northern Goshawk				7/4	Sterling	5		B. Kamp
7/30	Quabbin (G43)	1 imm	B. Kamp	7/30	Holden	17		M. Lynch#
Red-shouldered Hawk				8/2	Lexington	5		J. Forbes
8/2	Milton	3 imm	P. Peterson	8/9	Westport	5		J. Hoye#
Broad-winged Hawk					<b>Solitary Sandpiper</b>			
7/3	Quabbin (G10)	3	SSBC (GdE)	7/6	Pittsfield	5		J. Pierce
7/16	Ware R. IBA	6	M. Lynch#	7/28	Washington	9		J. Pierce
8/21	Lexington	4	J. Forbes	7/30	Holden	11		M. Lynch#
8/29	Mt. Wachusett	10	Hawkcount (SO)	8/4	S. Peabody	5		R. Heil
Clapper Rail				8/5	Easton	6		K. Ryan
7/3	Fairhaven	1	I. Davies	8/12	Holden	7		M. Lynch#
<b>King Rail</b>					<b>Greater Yellowlegs</b>			
7/31	Burrage Pd 1 ad, 2 juv		Marchessault	7/15	Longmeadow	1		L. Richardson
Virginia Rail				8/19	P.I.	160		T. Wetmore
7/1	Konkapot IBA	5	M. Lynch#	8/27	Holden	9		M. Lynch#
7/31	DWWS	2	K. Rawdon	8/27	Lincoln	3		J. Forbes
8/11	GMNWR	3	A. Bragg#		<b>Willet</b>			
8/13	Belchertown	3	L. Therrien	7/9	Westport	17		M. Lynch#
Sora				7/11	P.I.	30		T. Wetmore
7/5	Bolton Flats	1	P. Paul	8/3	Monomoy	48		D. Clapp
7/5	P.I.	1	T. Wetmore	8/18	Chatham	12		J. Hoye#
7/17	W. Bridgewater	2	N. Marchessault#		<b>Western Willet</b>			
7/28	DWWS	1	D. Hlousek	8/13	P.I.	2		R. Murphy
7/29	W. Roxbury (MP)	1	M. McMahon	8/17	Lynn	1		R. Heil
8/13	Walpole	1	V. Zollo	8/21	Chatham (S.B.)	6		B. Harris#
8/25	GMNWR	1	A. Bragg#		<b>Lesser Yellowlegs</b>			
<b>Common Gallinule</b>				7/14	Longmeadow	1		L. Richardson
7/1	Konkapot IBA	1	M. Lynch#	7/20-8/31	P.I.	125 max		v.o.
American Coot				8/10	Newbypt H.	100		MAS (D. Moon)
thr	Nantucket	1	S. Kardell#	8/13	Woburn (HP)	9		J. Forbes#
<b>Sandhill Crane</b>				8/13	Quabbin (G43)	10		B. Kamp
thr	Burrage Pd	pr, 1 juv	P. Sheehan	8/27	Lincoln	6		J. Forbes
7/1-9	Cumb. Farms	1	v.o.		<b>Upland Sandpiper</b>			
7/3	Bolton Flats	1	B. Kamp	7/14	Ludlow	2		L. Therrien
7/24	Worthington	pr + 1 yg	M. Lynch#	7/23	Plymouth	2		G. d'Entremont
Black-bellied Plover				8/30	Holden	1		M. Lynch#
7/28-8/31	P.I.	150	v.o.		<b>Whimbrel</b>			
8/17	Newbypt	250	J. Berry	thr	P.I.	4 max		v.o.
8/30	Winthrop	50	P. Peterson	7/19	Truro	10		J. Boyce
8/31	Ipswich (C.B.)	80	J. Berry#	7/31	S. Quabbin	1		L. Therrien
American Golden-Plover				8/5	Essex	7		D. Brown
8/18-31	P.I.	1	B. Harris	8/7	Wellfleet	35		L. Waters
8/21	Essex	1	D. Brown	8/12	Chatham	13		F. Atwood
8/30	Winthrop	1	P. Peterson	8/20	S. of Nantucket	45		BBC Pelagic
Semipalmated Plover					<b>Hudsonian Godwit</b>			
7/12-8/31	P.I.	1300 max	v.o.	7/16	Orleans	1		K. Schopp
8/6	Washington	18	J. Pierce	8/5	Monomoy	20		B. Harrington
8/7	Woburn (HP)	14	K. Hartel	8/7, 15	P.I.	1, 2		Hayward, Watson
8/14	Chatham	490	F. Atwood	8/20	S. of Nantucket	5		BBC Pelagic
8/20	Acoaxet	134	M. Lynch#	8/21	Chatham (S.B.)	2		B. Harris#
8/27	Revere (POP)	115	R. Stymeist	8/28	Scutuate	1		N. Marchessault
8/31	Ipswich (C.B.)	530	J. Berry#		<b>Marbled Godwit</b>			
Piping Plover				8/24	Chatham	3		M. Faherty#
7/5	Revere B	10 ad, 16 yg	R. Stymeist	8/26	Orleans	1		K. Schopp
7/16	Monomoy	107	J. Layman	8/27-31	Ipswich (C.B.)	3		D. Williams
7/23	Plymouth B.	23	SSBC (GdE)	8/28	Nantucket	2		L. Dunn#
7/27	Ipswich (C.B.)	22	J. Berry	8/28-31	Scituate	1		N. Marchessault
7/28	P.I.	26	L. Waters		<b>Ruddy Turnstone</b>			
Killdeer				7/5, 8/31	P.I.	5, 15		T. Wetmore
7/4	Sterling	30	B. Kamp	8/9	Westport	40		J. Hoye#
7/30	Holden	46	M. Lynch#	8/14	Chatham	185		F. Atwood
8/23	Newbury	56	P. + F. Vale	8/25	Rockport	3		M. Lynch#
American Oystercatcher					<b>Red Knot</b>			
7/26	E. Boston (B.I.)	9	DCR (S. Riley)	8/14	Chatham	580		F. Atwood
8/9	Westport	2	J. Hoye#	8/16	Monomoy	250		B. Harrington

<b>Red Knot (continued)</b>				<b>Wilson's Phalarope</b>			
8/19	Essex	17	D. Brown	7/1	P.I.	3	D. Adrien
8/31	P.I.	29	R. Heil	<b>Red-necked Phalarope</b>			
<b>Sanderling</b>				8/1	Stellwagen	4	L. Waters
8/9	Westport	200	J. Hoye#	8/13	E. of Chatham	7	P. Flood#
8/16	Monomoy	1000	B. Harrington	8/20-21	S. of Nantucket	83	BBC Pelagic
8/19	Essex	207	D. Brown	8/27	Lincoln	1 ph	N. Levey#
8/26	P.I.	300	D. Adrien	8/29	P'town (R.P.)	8	D. Fruguglietti
<b>Semipalmated Sandpiper</b>				<b>Red Phalarope</b>			
7/27-8/31	P.I.	3500 max	v.o.	8/20	S. of Nantucket	10	BBC Pelagic
8/2	Nahant	850	L. Pivacek	<b>Black-legged Kittiwake</b>			
8/5	Monomoy	1800	B. Harrington	7/2, 23	N. Truro	12, 12	B. Nikula
8/12	Essex	1123	D. Brown	7/9	P'town (R.P.)	15	S. Arena
8/13, 28	Woburn	33, 75	J. Forbes#	<b>Bonaparte's Gull</b>			
8/31	Longmeadow	14	S. Kellogg	8/6	Huntington	2	D. McLain
<b>Western Sandpiper</b>				8/14	Quabbin (G35)	1	T. Pirro
8/2	Nahant	1	L. Pivacek	8/17	Newbypt	350	J. Berry
8/4	E. Boston (B.I.)	1	DCR (S. Riley)	8/24	Boylston	1	B. Kamp
8/27	P.I.	1 ph	D. Swain#	8/30	Nahant	400	S. Zende#
<b>Least Sandpiper</b>				<b>Black-headed Gull</b>			
7/20	P.I.	115	R. Heil	7/15-25	P'town	1	E. Masterson, v.o.
7/23, 8/27	Lexington	57, 75	J. Forbes	8/19	P'town (R.P.)	1	M. Schall
7/27	E. Boston (B.I.)	50	DCR (S. Riley)	8/30-31	Nahant	1	S. Zende# + v.o.
7/28	Washington	17	J. Pierce	<b>Little Gull</b>			
8/13	Woburn (HP)	85	J. Forbes#	7/3-16	P'town	2 imm	B. Nikula
8/21	Holden	285	M. Lynch#	8/7	N. Truro	1	S. Arena
<b>White-rumped Sandpiper</b>				<b>Laughing Gull</b>			
thr	P.I.	141 max	v.o.	7/23	Plymouth B.	150	SSBC (GdE)
8/2	Holden	4	J. Lawson#	7/24	P'town (R.P.)	1700	R. Heil
8/5	Essex	68	D. Brown	8/15	Turners Falls	1	J. Smith
8/12	E. Boston (B.I.)	5	DCR (S. Riley)	8/17-20	Wachusett Res.	1 imm	K. Bourinot#
8/13	Woburn (HP)	2	J. Forbes#	8/24-30	Everett	2	R. Stymeist#
<b>Baird's Sandpiper</b>				8/28	E. of Chatham	1000	B. Nikula
7/26	Ipswich (C.B.)	2 ph	N. Dubrow	<b>Franklin's Gull</b>			
8/19	Chatham	1	B. Harrington	7/8	P.I.	1 ph	B. Harris#
8/24	Braintree	2	E. Lipton	<b>Herring Gull</b>			
8/27	N. Truro	1	S. Arena	8/28	E. of Chatham	1200	B. Nikula
8/29	N. Adams	1	M. Morales	<b>Lesser Black-backed Gull</b>			
8/30	Westboro	1	T. Spahr#	8/20	Chatham (S.B.)	5	B. Harris#
<b>Pectoral Sandpiper</b>				8/31	Ipswich (C.B.)	1 imm	J. Berry#
7/16	Nantucket	3	L. Dunn	<b>Bridled Tern</b>			
8/13	Quincy	2	P. Peterson	7/9	P'town (R.P.)	1 ph	S. Arena
8/20	Wakefield	2	P. + F. Vale	<b>Least Tern</b>			
8/23	E. Boston (B.I.)	2	P. Peterson	7/20	Winthrop	36	R. Stymeist
8/28	P.I.	3	P. + F. Vale	7/23	Plymouth B.	75	SSBC (GdE)
<b>Dunlin</b>				7/27	Ipswich (C.B.)	120	J. Berry
thr	P.I.	2-3	v.o.	8/4	P'town	100	B. Nikula
<b>Stilt Sandpiper</b>				8/31	P.I.	26	R. Heil
thr	P.I.	13 max	v.o.	<b>Caspian Tern</b>			
7/17	Squantum	1	J. Hoye#	7/2, 9	P'town (R.P.)	1, 1	Arena, Schopp
7/28	E. Boston (B.I.)	2	DCR (S. Riley)	7/27	P.I.	4	M. Wilson
8/3	Ipswich	2	J. Berry	8/20	Quincy	2	E. Lipton
8/25	Essex	1	D. Brown#	8/28	BHI (Thompson I.)	5	V. Zollo#
<b>Buff-breasted Sandpiper</b>				<b>Black Tern</b>			
8/20	Essex	1	D. Brown	7/24	P'town (R.P.)	21	R. Heil
8/27	P.I.	2	P. + F. Vale#	7/31, 8/27	Nantucket	200, 200	L. Dunn#
8/28	Eastham (CGB)	1	W. Mumford	8/22	P.I.	2	S. Miller#
8/28	Saugus	1	S. Zende#	8/23	Quabbin Pk	1	L. Therrien
8/30	Holden	1	M. Lynch#	<b>Roseate Tern</b>			
<b>Ruff</b>				8/12	P.I.	5	BBC (S. Hepburn)
7/27	Newbypt H.	1	S. Sullivan	8/13	P'town (R.P.)	1600	S. Arena
<b>Short-billed Dowitcher</b>				<b>Common Tern</b>			
7/16, 8/25	Revere	4, 16	Zende#, Peterson	thr	P'town (R.P.)	6500 max	v.o.
7/17-8/31	P.I.	255 max	v.o.	7/23	Somerville	13	J. Hirst
7/17	Squantum	40	J. Hoye#	8/9	P.I.	300	M. Watson
7/26, 8/12	E. Boston (B.I.)	3, 35	DCR (S. Riley)	8/25	Chatham (S.B.)	7000	S. Sullivan#
8/14	Chatham	2120	F. Atwood	<b>Arctic Tern</b>			
<b>Long-billed Dowitcher</b>				7/11	Orleans	1	K. Schopp
8/7-22	P.I.	1-2	v.o.	7/20	P'town	2 ad	B. Nikula
<b>Wilson's Snipe</b>				8/20	Chatham (S.B.)	1 IS	B. Harris#
7/27	Washington	2	J. Pierce	<b>Forster's Tern</b>			
8/22	Williamstown	1	C. Johnson	7/21	Yarmouthpt	2 ad + 2 juv	R. Debenham

Forster's Tern (continued)				8/20-21	S. of Nantucket	2	BBC Pelagic
8/19	P.I.	6	D. Adrien	Parasitic Jaeger			
8/20	Westport	3	M. Lynch#	7/10, 8/11	P'town	1, 2	B. Nikula
Royal Tern				8/19	Chatham (S.B.)	4	B. Harris#
7/1-22	P'town (R.P.)	1-4	v.o.	8/20-21	S. of Nantucket	2	BBC Pelagic
7/14	Orleans	2	K. Schopp	<b>Long-tailed Jaeger</b>			
7/16	Eastham	2	S. Paventy#	8/1	Stellwagen	2	L. Waters#
Black Skimmer				8/20-21	S. of Nantucket	10	BBC Pelagic
7/9	Plymouth B.	2	SSBC (Emmons)	Common Murre			
7/16	P'town	1	B. Nikula	7/9	Rockport (A.P.)	1	R. Heil
8/8	Westport	1	E. Lipton	Razorbill			
8/15	Edgartown	33	S. Whiting#	8/9	P'town (R.P.)	2	J. Layman
<b>South Polar Skua</b>				Black Guillemot			
7/24	E. of Chatham	1	P. Flood#	8/11	Ipswich (C.B.)	1	S. Weston
Pomarine Jaeger				8/27	P.I.	1	D. Swain
7/3	E. of Chatham	4	P. Flood#	<b>Atlantic Puffin</b>			
8/20	Stellwagen	2	S. Arena#	7/9	Rockport (A.P.)	1	R. Heil

## DOVES THROUGH FINCHES

On Nantucket two **White-winged Doves** were noted in August, the first report of this species since August 2014. The fall movement of Common Nighthawks is an event many birders anxiously await. This year numbers were down from the same period last year. Several observers mentioned that there was no hatch of flying ants, which often occurs in August. A **Chuck-will's-widow** was heard in Orleans on Pochet Island, a traditional location for this species in recent years. A pair of **Merlins** was confirmed nesting in Barre, a first breeding record for Worcester County. Another pair of Merlins was seen defending a nest at Clark's Cove on Nantucket.

A July 2 report of an **Olive-sided Flycatcher** in Great Barrington gave no further indication of breeding; this species has bred in Berkshire County in the past but not recently. Yellow-bellied Flycatchers are one of the last of the empids to arrive in spring and one of the first to migrate in the fall. Manomet banded one on August 30. The dry weather this period was a positive event for the breeding success of Purple Martins. Colonies in Mashpee, Rehoboth, Marshfield, Norfolk, and Plum Island had great results; nearly all eggs hatched resulting in fledged young. Another interesting breeding report was of a Blue Grosbeak nesting at Cumberland Farms. A female was seen carrying nesting material in June. This nest apparently failed, but she was found building another nest in July. The annual Tree Swallow event on Plum Island never disappoints, at least 20,000 were estimated in mid-August.

By August, birds were on the move. A total of 29 warbler species was reported during the period including three Mourning, two Hooded, and a hatch year Cerulean, which is a rare but regular migrant in North Shore coastal thickets in August. Other noteworthy August migrants included Philadelphia Vireo in Williamstown, Swainson's Thrush in Medford, and Dickcissels in Wayland and on Plum Island. A White-winged Crossbill visited a feeder in Pittsfield, and there were reports of Evening Grosbeaks from four localities in central and western Massachusetts.

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<b>White-winged Dove</b>				7/11	Wendell	14	M. Lynch#
8/20, 28	Nantucket	2, 1	T. Pastuszek#	7/17	Savoy SF	8	B. Harris
<b>Yellow-billed Cuckoo</b>					<b>Hairy Woodpecker</b>		
thr	Reports of indiv. from 11 locations			7/3	Quabbin (G10)	7	SSBC (GdE)
7/3	Quabbin (G10)	2	SSBC (GdE)	7/11	Wendell	8	M. Lynch#
8/8	Ware River IBA	2	M. Lynch#		<b>Pileated Woodpecker</b>		
<b>Black-billed Cuckoo</b>				7/4	Paxton	2	M. Lynch#
7/7	Burrage Pd	1	B. Loughlin	7/8	Bolton	2	M. Lynch#
7/12	Hamilton	1	J. Berry	8/15	Huntington	2	M. Lynch#
7/26	P.I.	1	D. Adrien	8/21	Holden	2	M. Lynch#
7/31	HRWMA	2	T. Pirro		<b>Olive-sided Flycatcher</b>		
<b>Eastern Screech-Owl</b>				7/2	Gr Barrington	1	K. Schopp
7/30	Burrage Pd	1	L. Waters	8/2	Sheffield	1	K. Schopp
8/10	Winchester	1	P. Devaney	8/15	Belchertown	1	L. Therrien
8/10	Arlington	1	D. Brisco		<b>Eastern Wood-Pewee</b>		
8/20	Morris I.	1	SSBC (GdE)	7/3	Quabbin (G10)	12	SSBC (GdE)
8/20	Woburn	1	M. Rines	8/15	Huntington	15	M. Lynch#
8/27	P.I.	1	G. d'Entremont#	8/21	Groton	7	J. Forbes
<b>Great Horned Owl</b>				8/21	Holden	9	M. Lynch#
7/26	E. Boston (B.I.)	1	DCR (S. Riley)		<b>Yellow-bellied Flycatcher</b>		
7/28	P.I.	1	D. Adrien	8/24	Windsor	1	T. Gagnon
7/28	W. Roxbury (MP)	1	T. Bradford	8/30	Manomet	1 b	T. Lloyd-Evans#
8/4	E. Boston (B.I.)	1	DCR (S. Riley)		<b>Acadian Flycatcher</b>		
8/21	W. Roxbury (MP)	2	J. Battenfeld	7/1	Westport	1	C. Floyd
<b>Barred Owl</b>				7/3	Quabbin (G10)	1	SSBC (GdE)
7/3	Quabbin (G10)	1	SSBC (GdE)	7/5	Quabbin (G8)	1	L. Therrien
7/8	Bolton	1	M. Lynch#	7/5	Pepperell	1	M. Resch
7/31	HRWMA	1	T. Pirro		<b>Alder Flycatcher</b>		
8/11	Ipswich	2	J. & N. Berry	7/6	Wayland	4	B. Harris
<b>Common Nighthawk</b>				7/16	Ware R. IBA	2	M. Lynch#
8/15-31	Northampton	1717	T. Gagnon	7/24	Huntington	25	M. Lynch#
8/17	Paxton	12	R. Jenkins		<b>Willow Flycatcher</b>		
8/20, 26	Leicester	59, 104	M. Lynch#	7/28	P.I.	9	L. Waters
8/24	Pittsfield	430	G. Hurley	8/14	Lexington	3	J. Forbes
8/26	Williamstown	530	C. Johnson		<b>Least Flycatcher</b>		
8/27	Harvard	65	BBC (Moosbruker)	7/3	Rowe	3	M. Lynch#
8/27	Townsend	100	R. Templeton	7/11	Wendell	5	M. Lynch#
8/30	Longmeadow	107	L. Richardson	8/20	Marlborough	1	J. Forbes
<b>Chuck-will's-widow</b>				8/31	P.I.	1	R. Heil
7/16	Orleans	1	M. Iliif#		<b>Great Crested Flycatcher</b>		
<b>Eastern Whip-poor-will</b>				7/9	Westport	4	M. Lynch#
7/2	Camp Edwards	3	J. McCumber	7/12	Hamilton	8	J. Berry
7/4	Townsend	3	J. Shetterly	8/6	Wompatuck SP	4	G. d'Entremont
8/20	P.I.	3	N. Landry		<b>Eastern Kingbird</b>		
<b>Chimney Swift</b>				7/1	Konkapt IBA	18	M. Lynch#
7/30	Lexington	60	C. Cook	7/26	Quabog IBA	29	M. Lynch#
8/20	Leicester	29	M. Lynch#	7/27	P.I.	38	R. Heil
8/27	Pepperell	100	M. Resch	7/31	Barnstable (S.N.)	26	P. Crosson
8/30	Mt.A.	45	R. Stymeist#	8/18	Bradford	6	D. Larson
<b>Ruby-throated Hummingbird</b>					<b>White-eyed Vireo</b>		
7/31	Whately	41	A. Hill	7/9	Acoaxet	2	M. Lynch#
8/11	GMNWR	6	A. Bragg#	7/23	Westport	1	R. Stymeist#
8/15	Huntington	19	M. Lynch#	8/9	Hampden	1	C. Caron
8/16	DFWS	5	P. Sowizral		<b>Yellow-throated Vireo</b>		
<b>American Kestrel</b>				7/3	Quabbin (G10)	3	SSBC (GdE)
7/23	Plymouth	1 f	G. d'Entremont	7/15	Sandisfield	2	M. Lynch#
7/26	E. Boston (B.I.)	3	DCR (S. Riley)	7/26	Quabog IBA	3	M. Lynch#
8/18	Bradford	4	D. Larson		<b>Blue-headed Vireo</b>		
8/28	Saugus	4	S. Zende#	7/3	Colrain	5	M. Lynch#
<b>Merlin</b>				7/3	Quabbin (G10)	5	SSBC (GdE)
7/3	Nantucket	2	T. Sackton	7/15	Sandisfield	7	M. Lynch#
7/9-17	Barre	pr + 4 yg	L. Allen + v.o.	7/16	Ware R. IBA	6	M. Lynch#
<b>Peregrine Falcon</b>					<b>Warbling Vireo</b>		
7/1	Konkapt IBA	2	M. Lynch#	7/2	Wakefield	10	P. + F. Vale
8/14	P.I.	3	P. + F. Vale	7/26	Quabog IBA	19	M. Lynch#
8/29	Leicester	2	M. Lynch#		<b>Philadelphia Vireo</b>		
<b>Red-headed Woodpecker</b>				8/28	Williamstown	2	C. Johnson
7/4	Amherst	1	M. Halbeisen		<b>Red-eyed Vireo</b>		
8/21	Lexington	1	J. Forbes	7/2	Phillipston	85	M. Lynch#
<b>Yellow-bellied Sapsucker</b>				7/3	Quabbin (G10)	76	SSBC (GdE)
7/1	Konkapt IBA	13	M. Lynch#	7/17	Savoy SF	28	B. Harris
7/3	Quabbin (G10)	11	SSBC (GdE)	8/15	Huntington	34	M. Lynch#

Red-eyed Vireo (continued)				7/15	Sandisfield	1	M. Lynch#
8/23	Medford	5	M. Rines#	7/16	Ware R. IBA	1	M. Lynch#
Fish Crow				Marsh Wren			
7/21	Gloucester	8	R. Stymeist	7/1	Konkapot IBA	16	M. Lynch#
7/25	Ipswich	5	J. Berry#	7/7	GMNWR	31	A. Bragg#
7/30	Essex	2	P. Brown	7/14	Ludlow	4	L. Therrien
8/18	Beverly	7	J. Paluzzi	7/28	P.I.	25	T. Wetmore
Common Raven				Blue-gray Gnatcatcher			
7/3	Colrain	4	M. Lynch#	7/3	Nantucket	4	S. Kardell
7/14	Plymouth	6	K. Doyon	8/9	Lexington	4	J. Forbes
7/25	E. Boston (B.I.)	2	DCR (S. Riley)	8/23	Medford	3	M. Rines#
7/26	Paxton	3	M. Lynch#	8/25	Rockport	7	M. Lynch#
7/27	P.I.	2	R. Heil	Golden-crowned Kinglet			
8/15	Huntington	3	M. Lynch#	7/17	Savoy SF	2	B. Harris
8/22	Mt. Wachusett	4	R. Chase	7/27	Westport	2	M. Iliff
Horned Lark				8/21	Jamaica Plain	2	P. Peterson
7/23	Plymouth	2	G. d'Entremont	Veery			
Purple Martin				7/1	Konkapot IBA	44	M. Lynch#
7/16	Mashpee 76 ad 162 yg		M. Keleher#	7/2	Phillipston	31	M. Lynch#
7/19	Norfolk	7	D. Williams	7/3	Quabbin (G10)	29	SSBC (GdE)
7/19	Burrage Pd	8	P. Peterson	7/11	Wendell	23	M. Lynch#
8/thr	P.I.	104 fl	S. McGrath	7/12	Hamilton	3	J. Berry
8/thr	Norfolk	13 ad, 15 imm	M. Linck	Swainson's Thrush			
8/thr	Rehoboth	89 pr, 267 imm	R. Marr	8/23	Medford	1	M. Rines#
8/1	DWWS	16	J. Hoye#	Hermit Thrush			
8/8	WBWS	1 ad 2 juv	M. Faherty	7/3	Colrain	5	M. Lynch#
Tree Swallow				7/3	Quabbin (G10)	7	SSBC (GdE)
7/19	Burrage Pd	500	P. Peterson	7/11	Wendell	15	M. Lynch#
8/17	P.I.	20,000	J. Berry	7/16	Ware R. IBA	26	M. Lynch#
8/19	Ipswich (C.B.)	989	D. Brown	Wood Thrush			
8/20	Acoaxet	1400	M. Lynch#	7/3	Quabbin (G10)	5	SSBC (GdE)
8/28	Chatham	1200	J. Layman	7/15	Sandisfield	4	M. Lynch#
Northern Rough-winged Swallow				7/30	Holden	4	M. Lynch#
7/1	Konkapot IBA	1	M. Lynch#	Gray Catbird			
7/2	Wakefield	2	P. + F. Vale	7/1	Konkapot IBA	68	M. Lynch#
8/3	P.I.	1	MAS (D. Moon)	7/2	Wakefield	16	P. + F. Vale
8/21	Holden	1	M. Lynch#	7/17	Cambr. (Alewife)	16	K. Hartel
Bank Swallow				7/27	P.I.	93	R. Heil
7/19	Burrage Pd	8	P. Peterson	8/18	Manomet	56 b	T. Lloyd-Evans#
7/23	Plymouth B.	10	BBC (GdE)	Brown Thrasher			
8/7	P.I.	16	E. Nielsen	7/3	Colrain	1	M. Lynch#
Cliff Swallow				7/3	Dunstable	1	J. Forbes
7/1	Konkapot IBA	25	M. Lynch#	7/27	P.I.	8	R. Heil
8/8	Aquinnah	2	N. Bonomo	Cedar Waxwing			
8/10	P.I.	3	MAS (D. Moon)	7/24	Huntington	32	M. Lynch#
8/24	Holyoke	2	L. Therrien	7/27	P.I.	92	R. Heil
Barn Swallow				8/20	Leicester	24	M. Lynch#
8/4	GMNWR	200	K. Dia#	Ovenbird			
8/8	Quabog IBA	76	M. Lynch#	7/2	Phillipston	41	M. Lynch#
8/20	Acoaxet	300	M. Lynch#	7/3	Quabbin (G10)	44	SSBC (GdE)
8/25	Wayland	515	B. Harris	7/3	Colrain	23	M. Lynch#
Red-breasted Nuthatch				8/4	Hanson	2	P. Peterson
7/3	Colrain	26	M. Lynch#	8/6	Wompatuck SP	3	G. d'Entremont
7/17	Savoy SF	5	B. Harris	Louisiana Waterthrush			
8/11	MSSF	8	G. d'Entremont	7/13	Ashby	4	G. Dysart
8/20	Marlborough	5	J. Forbes	7/24	Huntington	5	M. Lynch#
8/31	P.I.	17	R. Heil	8/12	Manomet	1	I. Davies
Brown Creeper				8/13	Belchertown	1	L. Therrien
7/3	Colrain	6	M. Lynch#	Northern Waterthrush			
7/13	GMNWR	5	A. Bragg#	7/11	Wendell	2	M. Lynch#
8/5	Stoughton	2	G. d'Entremont	8/10	MNWS	2	R. Heil
8/20	Marlborough	3	J. Forbes	Blue-winged Warbler			
Carolina Wren				8/9	Lexington	2	J. Forbes
7/9	Westport	6	M. Lynch#	8/10	MNWS	1	R. Heil
8/11	Westford	3	S. Selesky	8/18	N. Brookfield	1	R. Jenkins
8/15	Lynn	4	T. McElligott	8/26	Rehoboth	1	K. Bartels
House Wren				Black-and-white Warbler			
7/2	Phillipston	6	M. Lynch#	7/2	Phillipston	7	M. Lynch#
7/9	Acoaxet	5	M. Lynch#	7/15	Sandisfield	5	M. Lynch#
8/13	Sandisfield	5	M. Lynch#	7/17	Cambr. (Alewife)	2	K. Hartel
8/15	Huntington	7	M. Lynch#	7/30	Lexington	2	C. Cook
Winter Wren				8/3	P.I.	2	D. Adrien
7/3	Colrain	7	M. Lynch#	8/6	Wompatuck SP	2	G. d'Entremont





Blue Grosbeak (continued)	8/7	Cumb. Farms	pr n	M. Iliiff	8/31	P.I.	1	T. Wetmore
Indigo Bunting	7/3	Colrain	12	M. Lynch#	8/27	Holden	5	M. Lynch#
	7/3	Heath	8	M. Lynch#	8/31	P.I.	10	R. Heil
	8/15	Huntington	54	M. Lynch#	Purple Finch			
Dickcissel	7/11				7/11	Wendell	4	M. Lynch#
	8/19	P.I.	1	T. Spahr	7/13	Ipswich	1	J. Berry#
	8/28	Wayland	1	B. Harris	7/17	Savoy SF	5	B. Harris
Bobolink	7/27				7/27	P.I.	7	R. Heil
	7/17	Holden	11	M. Lynch#	8/23	Lexington	1	J. Forbes
	8/3	P.I.	20	T. Wetmore	White-winged	Crossbill		
	8/18	GMNWR	12	A. Bragg#	8/8	Pittsfield	1	N. Mole
	8/25	Rockport	11	M. Lynch#	Pine Siskin			
Eastern Meadowlark	7/11				7/11	Wendell	1	M. Lynch
	7/1	Essex	1	J. Nelson	7/14	Southwick	1	S. Kellogg
Orchard Oriole	7/3				Evening Grosbeak			
	7/9	Hadley	4	D. Johnson	7/3	Rowe	2	M. Lynch#
	7/27	P.I.	16	R. Heil	7/10	Shutesbury	3	B. Emily
	8/11	GMNWR	1	K. Dia	7/19	Charlemont	1	E. Ryba
	8/16	Woburn (HP)	1	D. Williams	7/28	Quabbin Pk	1	L. Therrien



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## ABBREVIATIONS FOR BIRD SIGHTINGS

Taxonomic order is based on AOU checklist, Seventh edition, up to the 53rd Supplement, as published in *Auk* 129 (3): 573-88 (2012) (see <<http://checklist.aou.org/>>).

<b>Locations</b>		Newbypt	Newburyport
Location-#	MAS Breeding Bird Atlas Block	ONWR	Oxbow National Wildlife Refuge
A.A.	Arnold Arboretum, Boston	PG	Public Garden, Boston
ABC	Allen Bird Club	P.I.	Plum Island
A.P.	Andrews Point, Rockport	Pd	Pond
A.Pd	Allens Pond, S. Dartmouth	POP	Point of Pines, Revere
B.	Beach	PR	Pinnacle Rock, Malden
Barre F.D.	Barre Falls Dam	P'town	Provincetown
B.H.I.	Boston Harbor Islands	Pont.	Pontoosuc Lake, Lanesboro
B.I.	Belle Isle, E. Boston	R.P.	Race Point, Provincetown
B.R.	Bass Rocks, Gloucester	Res.	Reservoir
BBC	Brookline Bird Club	RKG	Rose Kennedy Greenway, Boston
BMB	Broad Meadow Brook, Worcester	S.B.	South Beach, Chatham
BNC	Boston Nature Center, Mattapan	S.N.	Sandy Neck, Barnstable
C.B.	Crane Beach, Ipswich	SRV	Sudbury River Valley
CGB	Coast Guard Beach, Eastham	SSBC	South Shore Bird Club
C.P.	Crooked Pond, Boxford	TASL	Take A Second Look, Boston Harbor Census
Cambr.	Cambridge	WBWS	Wellfleet Bay WS
CCBC	Cape Cod Bird Club	WE	World's End, Hingham
Corp. B.	Corporation Beach, Dennis	WMWS	Wachusett Meadow WS
Cumb. Farms	Cumberland Farms, Middleboro	Wompatuck SP	Hingham, Cohasset, Scituate, Norwell
DFWS	Drumlin Farm Wildlife Sanctuary	Worc.	Worcester
DWMA	Delaney WMA, Stow, Bolton, Harvard		
DWWS	Daniel Webster WS	<b>Other Abbreviations</b>	
E.P.	Eastern Point, Gloucester	ad	adult
E.E.	First Encounter Beach, Eastham	b	banded
F.H.	Fort Hill, Eastham	br	breeding
F.P.	Fresh Pond, Cambridge	dk	dark (morph)
F.Pk	Franklin Park, Boston	f	female
G40	Gate 40, Quabbin Res.	fide	on the authority of
GMNWR	Great Meadows NWR	fl	fledgling
H.	Harbor	imm	immature
H.P.	Halibut Point, Rockport	juv	juvenile
HP	Horn Pond, Woburn	lt	light (morph)
HRWMA	High Ridge WMA, Gardner	m	male
I.	Island	max	maximum
IRWS	Ipswich River WS	migr	migrating
L.	Ledge	n	nesting
MAS	Mass Audubon	ph	photographed
MP	Millennium Park, W. Roxbury	pl	plumage
M.V.	Martha's Vineyard	pr	pair
MBWMA	Martin Burns WMA, Newbury	S	summer (1S = 1st summer)
MI	Morris Island	v.o.	various observers
MNWS	Marblehead Neck WS	W	winter (2W = second winter)
MSSF	Myles Standish State Forest, Plymouth	yg	young
Mt.A.	Mount Auburn Cemetery, Cambr.	#	additional observers
NAC	Nine Acre Corner, Concord		

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