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## January 2001 Records

**Great Blue Heron:** 1/2 Wapp Falls(CP); 1/3 New Hamb(FT); 1/9,23 Traver Pond, 1/16 Gidley Rd(CV); 3/31 on nests @Baird(BMa)

**Mute Swan:** 2/1 Whaley Lake (CBC);6/5 Abel's Pond(BB); 4/10 Baird(FT); 11/17 Sylvan Lake(CP); 2-3/occ (EP); 2/29 Waryas Park(CV); 2/31 Norrie(FT)

**Snow Goose:** 3/25 Amenia (CV)

**Canada Goose:** 40/1 Greenhaven (CBC);400/3 & 1500/17 Sylvan Lake(CP); 15/3 Stony Kill(FT); 3/5 Abel's Pond(BB); 5-8/occ(EP); 900-1000/7 Round Pond(CV)

**Wood Duck:** 1/9,10 Mountain Rd(CV)

**Green-winged Teal:** 3/7 Round Pond(CV)

**American Black Duck:** 4/occ(EP); 22/7 Round Pond(CV)

**Mallard:** several reports where water remained open

**Northern Pintail:** 3/18 Pine Plains(BB); 3/24 Pine Plains (BMa); 4/25 Pine Plains, 5/28 Millerton(CV)

**Ring-necked duck:** 2/7 Round Pond(CV)

**Common Merganser:** a few reports from open water sites

**Bald Eagle:** 11 reports from Norrie, 10 from New Hamburg to Chelsea, 1 from Rhinecliff Bridge

**Northern Harrier:** 1/2 Mashomack, 1/12 Amenia(CV); 1/3 Red Hook(SG); 1/7 Shunpike(JAP); 1/24 Greig's(FT)

**Sharp-shinned Hawk:** 1/1 Harmony Hill Rd (CBC)(CP); 1/14 Mashomack(BB); 1/3,23,24 Red Hook(SG); 1/9,14,26,29 various spots(CV);1/3 Stonykill(FT); 1/31 Cary(FT); 1/18 Jackson Rd, 1/25 yard(BAM).

**Cooper's Hawk:** 1/1 Harmony Hill Rd (CBC)(CP); 1/5 yard, 1/23,28 Sleight Plass Rd(CV); 1/24 Greig's, 1/31 Norrie(FT)

**Northern Goshawk:** 1/14 Rhinebeck(MP)

**Red-tailed Hawk:** many reports

**Red-shouldered Hawk:** 1/2,12,21,24 yard "Never had one here before!"(MVW)

**Rough-legged Hawk:** 1/14 Round Pond dark-morph;1/18 Millerton(BB); 1/18 Rt 44 Millbrook(JB); 1/12 Amenia, 1/20 Allen Rd(BMa); 1/25 Wassaic(CV); 1/31 Norrie(FT); 1/18 Rean River Rd taking feathers off a kill and eating(MVW)

**Golden Eagle:** 1/28 Stissing(CV)

**American Kestrel:** 1/11,22,26,26 Domin Farm(CV)

**Peregrine Falcon:** 2/13 Pok RR Bridge(BAM); 1/16 Pok RR Bridge, 2/20 Rhinecliff Bridge(BMa); 1/22 Waryas Park(CV)

**Ring-necked Pheasant:** 3/1 Penny Rd. (CBC)(CP)

**Wild Turkey:** 6/1 Poughquag (CBC)(CP); 2/26 & 23/27 yard(BB); 81/22 Domin Farm(CV); 2/31 Cary(FT); 12/all mo yd Rhinebeck(KS)

**American Coot:** 100/3 & 75/17 Sylvan Lake(CP); 60/23 Sylvan Lk(BAM); 2/5 Abel's Pond(BB)

**Killdeer:** 1/25 Southlands Rhinebeck (heard)(BW)

**Ring-billed & Herring Gull:** good numbers from river reported

**Great Black-backed Gull:** 10/3 Sylvan Lake(CP); 125+/4 Chelsea/River(BAM); 20/13 Hudson River various places north of Pok;5/28 StonyKill(BB); 8/10 Waryas Park(CV); 10/3 Stonykill, 8/3 Chelsea, 30/3 New Hamb(FT); 5/31 Norrie(FT)

**Rock Dove:** 3/1 Pawling CBC(CP); 5/3 Stonykill(FT)

**Mourning Dove:** Normal numbers reported

**Eastern Screech-Owl:** 1/3 & 1/26 Tymor Park red-morph(BB); 1/occ in box, red morph(EP)

**Great Horned Owl:** 1/mo yard(JD); 1/14 heard @ home(CV)

**Barred Owl:** 1/13 yard(BMa); 1/15 yard(JAP); 1/29 yard Russ O'Malley.

**Belted Kingfisher:** 1/18 Verbank near Marshall's Farm(BB); 1/occ Wapp Crk(EP); 1/4 Sprout Creek, 1/16 Pond Gut, 1/25 Millerton(CV); 1/17,18,23 Rt 199 Red Hook(KS)

**Red-headed Woodpecker:** 1 imm/mo Shunpike(JB)

**Red-bellied woodpecker:** most had 1 or 2 regular

**Yellow-bellied sapsucker:** 1/6 yard(JAP); 1/21 Colburn Dr.(SD); 1/1 Holiday Hills Pawling CBC(BB); 2/13, 26 Stormville(BER); 1/14 Pl Valley, 1/22 Rombout Rd(CV); 1/24 Clermont(FT); 1/17 Norrie(FT)

**Downy, Hairy Woodpeckers:** most reported from 1 to 3  
**Northern Flicker, Pileated Woodpecker:** most reported 1 or 2

**Eastern Phoebe:** 1/5 Fiddler's Bridge Rd(JD)

**Horned Lark:** 60/14 McEnroe's(BB);40/24 Round Pond(BMa); 3/1,28 Southlands(MP); 55-60/7 Amenia(CV);8-10/10 Baird(FT)

**Blue Jay:** normal numbers reported

**American Crow:** up to 4000/29 Roost in Pok(CV); most reported some

**Fish Crow:** 1 at Pleasant Valley Grand Union (MVW)

**Common Raven:** 2/15 on deer carcass, Taconic Pkwy(JAP); 2/7, 28 Stissing(CV)

**Black-capped Chickadee, Tufted Titmouse, White-breasted**

**Nuthatch:** good numbers reported

**Brown Creeper:** 1/4 Fishkill Cr/Madam Brett Pk(BAM); 1/mo home(CV); 1/24 Clermont(FT)

**Carolina Wren:** 1/mo, 2/21-31 Colburn Dr.(SD); 1/18-21 Rhinebeck(MP); 1/mo Red Hook(SG); 1-2/occ yard(EP); 1/12,23 home(BER); 1/mo feeder(CV); 3/3 Chelsea(FT); 4/17 Norrie(FT)

**Winter Wren:** 1/16 Gidley Rd(CV)

**Golden-crowned Kinglet:** 1/4 Fishkill Cr/Madam Brett Pk(BAM); 1/20 Colburn Dr.(SD); 1/14 Round Pond;1/28 yard(BB); 2/29 Rombout Rd(CV); 2/10 Baird(FT); 5/17 Norrie(FT); 2/17 Woodlea Rd(BMa); 1/28 yd Rhinebeck(KS)

**Eastern Bluebird:** 2/1 Depot Hill (CBC)(CP); sev/22 & 31 yard heard(BB); 1/6, 2/25 looking in box(SG); 2/26 Hosner Mt Rd(BW); 8/29 Baird, 14/29 Rombout(CV); 3/3 Chelsea(FT); 9/10 Baird(FT); 2/24 Clermont(FT); 2/17 Norrie(FT); 12/31 Cary(FT)

**Hermit Thrush:** 2/1 Depot Hill (CBC);1/1 Harmony Rd. (CBC)(CP); 1/19,20 Colburn Dr.(SD); 1/1 Rombout Rd(CV); 1/17 Norrie(FT)

**American Robin:** 20/9 yard(JAP); 70/1 various locations mostly Greenhaven (CBC)(CP); 5/11, 2/26 Colburn Dr.(SD); 7/14 McEnroe's(BB); 45/9 Rombout Rd(CV); 30/10 Baird(FT); 1/24 Clermont(FT)

**Gray Catbird:** 1/30 Colburn Dr.(SD); 5/1 Charles Colman Blvd on Pawling CBC(BB); 1/1 Rombout Rd being chased by mockingbird(CV)

**Northern Mockingbird:** 1/13 yard(JAP); 3/1 Poughquag (CBC)(CP); 1/all yard;1/14 Round Pond;1/28 StonyKill(BB); 5/26 Rombout Rd(CV); 1/3 Stony Kill, 1/3 Chelsea, 3/3 New Hamb(FT); 2/10 Baird(FT); 1/24 Greig's(FT); 1/17 Norrie(FT); 2/31 Cary(FT)

**American Pipit:** 1/3 Greig Farm(CV); 1/24 Greig's(FT)

**Cedar Waxwing:** 42/1 various locations (CBC)(CP); 5/18 N Clove Rd;12/21 yard(BB); 75/2 Norrie, 80/31 Rombout Rd(CV); 5/10 Baird(FT); 6/17 Norrie(FT); 30/31 Cary(FT)

**Northern Shrike:** 1/20 Altamont Rd(JAP); 1/28 Pine Plains (CV)



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**European Starling:** 43/1 various locations (CBC)(CP); many everywhere(CV); 50/3 Stony Kill(FT);1/10 Baird(FT)  
**Yellow-rumped Warbler:** 1/1 Harmony Rd. (CBC)(CP); 2/24-25,28-30 Red Hook(SG); 7/26 Rombout Rd(CV); 4/10 Baird(FT); 2/24 Clermont(FT); 1/31 Cary(FT)  
**Northern Cardinal:** well reported  
**American Tree Sparrow:** well reported  
**Field Sparrow:** 2/6-15 yard(JAP); 1/all feeder(BB); 1/24 yard Rhinebeck(KS)  
**Savannah Sparrow:** 3/14 Mill Rd Millerton(BB); 10/3 Greig Farm(CV); 4/3 Stony Kill(FT); 2/24 Greig's(FT)  
**Fox Sparrow:** 1/19 yd Depot Hill(CP); 1/2-7 and 1/26,28,30 Colburn Dr.(SD); 4/1 Rombout Rd, 3/6 home(CV); 5/10 Baird(FT); 2/all mo yd Rhinebeck(KS)  
**Song Sparrow:** 16/1 various locations (CBC);1/all yd Depot Hill(CP); 1/20 Colburn Dr.(SD); 4/14 Downey Rd(BB); 1/21 home(BER); 7/3 Stony Kill, 1/3 Chelsea(FT); 1/24 Clermont(FT)  
**Swamp Sparrow:** 4/23 Thompson Pond (CV)  
**Eastern Towhee:** 1/19 feeder(BMa); 1/19-20 yd (feeder area) Depot Hill(CP); 1/14 Pawling from Chris Luchini(BB)  
**White-throated Sparrow:** well reported  
**White-crowned Sparrow:** 4/29 Domin Farm(CV); 1m,2f/7 Greigs(MVW)  
**Dark-eyed Junco:** well reported, some think population up this winter  
**Snow Bunting:** 30/14 Rudd Pond;flock/18 Millerton (BB); 50/10 Baird(FT)  
**Red-winged Blackbird:** 1/11 Lagrange(JAP); 2f/5-9 feeder(BB); 12/6, 2/28 Domin Farm(CV)  
**Rusty Blackbird:** 2/21-23 after snowstorm Russ O'Malley; up to 6 all mo in Rhinebeck yd(KS)  
**Common Grackle:** 1/3 Yd Depot Hill(CP); 2/8 yard one with damaged beak;1/28 feeder(BB)  
**Brown-headed Cowbird:** 20/26 (1-2 rest of month) feeder(BB); 40/25 Millbook(CV)  
**Purple Finch:** 20/mo yard(JAP); 1/21 yd Depot Hill(CP); 1/10 Colburn Dr.(SD); 2/3 & 6/4 Billings Ruth Greenwood's yard(BB);2/20 yard(EP); 1/30 home(BER); 6-12/mo feeder(CV); 2/10 Baird(FT); 1/10 yd Rhinebeck (KS)  
**House Finch:** 50/1 various locations (CBC);6-8/all yd Depot Hill(CP); 20/all yard(BB); fewer than usual(BER); 5/3 Stony Kill(FT); 5/10 Baird(FT)  
**American Goldfinch:** many reports  
**House Sparrow:** 20/mo Colburn Dr.(SD)

**Contributors/Abbreviations:** occ=occasional, mo=month, #s=numbers, FT=Field Trip, CBC=Christmas Bird Count  
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## February 2001 Records

**Great Blue Heron:** 1/27 Red Hook TG; 1 occ Pleasant Valley EP; 1/20 Beekman CV.

**Turkey Vulture:** 1/6 MVW; 2/7 Taconic, 1/28 Hennessey Ln JA/KJ; 1/28 Millbrook BB; 1/12 Dover Plains DF; 1/6 Salt Pt. LM; 2/26 Pleasant Valley JD; 1/18 Pawling, 1/19 Amenia CV; 1/20 FT Holiday Hills.

**Canada Goose:** well reported, numbers up to 1000 .

**Mute Swan:** 1/1 Red Hook, 2/24 Hunns Lk TG; 2/23 Rd Oaks Mill MK; 3/13 Sylvan Lk, 2/13 Lk Walton BAM; 2 occ Pleasant Valley EP; 4/11 Pine Plains CV; 4/28 FT Thompson Pd.

**American Wigeon:** 3/2 Round Pd CV.

**American Black Duck:** 85/13 Lk Walton BAM; 1 pr Pleasant Valley EP; 2/2 Round Pd CV.

**Mallard:** numbers up to 50 from 9 reports.

**Northern Pintail:** 3/11 Round Pd CV.

**Green-winged Teal:** 6/2 & 16 Round Pd CV.

**Ring-necked Duck:** 2/3-6 & 26-27 Fishkill Cemetery FH; 1/16 Round Pd CV.

**Hooded Merganser:** 3males/28 Tymor Pk BB; 2pr/12 Webutuck Ck, DF; 1m/20, 1f/21, pr occ Pleasant Valley EP.

**Common Merganser:** several reports in western part of county.

**Bald Eagle:** several reports along the river & Norrie Pt, 1/9 Clove Valley AS.

**Northern Harrier:** 1/13 Millbrook CV; 1/20 FT Holiday Hills; 6 MVW with Dot Fleury.

**Sharp-shinned Hawk:** 1/21 Hennessey Ln JA/KJ; 1/25 Verbank BB.

**Cooper's Hawk:** 1/19&28 Hennessey Ln JA/KJ; 1/11 Pine Plains CV; 1/14 FT VassarFm; 1/20 FT Holiday Hills

**Red-shouldered Hawk:** 3 mo Tree Top Ln screaming, calling, hunting, roosting near old nest 9th yr MK.

**Red-tailed Hawk:** very many reports & 1 albino seen 3 times Pine plains CV.

**Rough-legged Hawk:** 1 mo light phase Northeast SO; 1/1 Thompson Pd ROM; 1/21 FT Verbank.

**Golden Eagle:** 1/26 Northeast SO; 1/1 Thompson Pd ROM; 1/19 Stissing Mt CV.

**American Kestrel:** 1/3 Salt Pt. MVW; 1/15 Salt Pt, 1/28 Clinton Crs BMA; 1/13 Ehmer's Fm BAM; 1 occ Rombout Rd CV.

**Peregrine Falcon:** 2/2 Poughkeepsie RR Bridge CV.

**Ring-necked Pheasant:** 3/4 Pleasant Valley LM.

**Wild Turkey:** 8/13 Tree Top Ln MK; 8/28 Pine Plains BMA; 14/9 & 28/24 Rombout Rd CV.

**American Coot:** 10/13 Sylvan Lk BAM; 31/18 Sylvan Lk CV.

**Ring-billed Gull:** 75-100/13 Sylvan Lk BAM; 1/14 FT Vassar Fm.

**Herring Gull:** 25+ Sylvan Lk BAM.

**Great Black-backed Gull:** 3/13 Sylvan Lk BAM; all mo 7/13 Waryas Pk CV; 1/7 FT Bowdoin Pk.

**Rock Dove:** 8/20 FT Holiday Hills.

**Mourning Dove:** well reported, numbers up to 26 in one location.

**Eastern Screech-Owl:** 1 mo in box Pleasant Valley EP.

**Great Horned Owl:** 1 mo calling Pleasant Valley JD; 1/10 Baird Pk, 11/11 Pine Plains on nest CV.

**Barred Owl:** 1/14 Verbank BB; 2 mo calling Tree Top Ln Mk.

**Belted Kingfisher:** 1/10 Baird Pk, 1/16 & 19 Webutuck Ck CV.

**Red-bellied Woodpecker:** well reported with 1 to 2 most places, a few up to 5.

**Yellow-bellied Sapsucker:** 1/20 & 25 Red Hook TG; 1/24 Rombout CV.

**Downy, Hairy Woodpecker:** many reports, usually 2 to 3.

**Northern Flicker, Pileated Woodpecker:** both well reported with 1 to 2 usually seen.

**Blue Jay:** usual numbers.

**American Crow:** usual numbers, often seen flying to and from roosts.

**Fish Crow:** 1/13 VBH BB.

**Common Raven:** 2/1 Thompson Pd ROM; 2/11 Stissing Mt CV; 2/28 FT Thompson Pd.

**Horned Lark:** 3/4 Southlands MP; 13/11 Pine Plains, 7/19 Greig's Fm CV.

**Black-capped Chickadee, Tufted Titmouse:** good numbers & well reported.

**Red-breasted Nuthatch:** 1/16 Tree Top Ln MK; 1/20 FT Holiday Hills.

**White-breasted Nuthatch:** many reports, up to 5 in some places.

**Brown Creeper:** 2 mo Tree Top Ln MK; 1 mo Alvin Ct CV; 1/28 FT Thompson Pd.

**Carolina Wren:** 11 reports of 1 to 2, reported singing Hi View Rd BAM; 2-3 on peanut butter log MVW.

**Golden-crowned Kinglet:** 1/2 Poughkeepsie JSD; 2/28 Salt Pt BMA; 2/24 Rombout Rd CV; 2/14 FT Vassar Fm; 2/20 FT Holiday Hills; 5/28 FT Thompson Pd.; 1 MVW with Millie Sturcken

**Eastern Bluebird:** pr/10 Stream Ln MVW; 4/16 & 5/24 Hennessey Ln JA/KJ; 1 mo Pleasant Valley JD; 2 mo, into box 1st Red Hook TG; 2/20 Fishkill Cemetery FH; 8/5 & 6, 6/13 & 21 Tree Top Ln MK; 20/3 & 5/5 Salt Pt BMA; 2/16-17 Salt Pt. LM; 3/13 & 1/15 Hi View Rd BAM; mo Northeast SO; 8-10/24 Rhinebeck MP; all mo 15/12 Rombout CV; 3/7 FT Bowdoin Pk; 7/14 FT Vassar Fm; 5/20 FT Holiday Hills; 5/21 FT Verbank.

**American Robin:** 3occ Pleasant Valley JD; 55/16, 15/24 Rombout Rd CV; 1/20 FT Holiday Hills; 4/21 FT Verbank

**Gray Catbird:** 1/2 Poughkeepsie JSD.

**Northern Mockingbird:** 1occ Hi View Rd BAM; 1-2 mo&4/24 Rombout Rd CV; 1/14 FT Vassar Fm; 5/20 FT Holiday Hills; 1/21 FT Verbank.

**European Starling:** well reported with numbers exceeding 50.

**Cedar Waxwing:** 3/24 Hennessey Ln JA/KJ; 14/8 Red Hook TG; 12 mo Tree Top Ln MK; 4/1, 6/3, 10/5 Allen Rd BMA; 12-14/1 Hi View Rd BAM; 35/9&24 Rombout Rd CV; 35/14 FT Vassar Fm ; 55/20 FT Holiday Hills; 13 occ home MVW.

**Yellow-rumped Warbler:** 3/16, 1/23, 2/24 Hennessey Ln JA/KJ; few occ 8/12 & 24 Rombout Rd CV.

**American Tree Sparrow:** 6 reports with up to 25.

**Chipping Sparrow:** 1/16 Hennessey Ln JA/KJ.

**Savannah Sparrow:** 1/9 Rombout Rd, 3/11 Pine Plains CV.

**Fox Sparrow:** 1 occ Hennessey Ln JA/KJ.

**Song Sparrow:** 9 reports with usually 1, but some up to 10.

**White-throated Sparrow:** well reported in good numbers all month.

**White-crowned Sparrow:** 2-3 mo Rombout Rd, 8/16 Millerton CV.

**Dark-eyed Junco:** well reported in good numbers all month.

**Snow Bunting:** 25-30/19 Greig's Fm CV.

**Northern Cardinal:** well reported in very good numbers.



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**Red-winged Blackbird:** 11-50+ after 17th & 3 1st yr males on 19th Hennessey Ln JA/KJ; 1 female 16th & 10 male & 12 female 19 - 28 Verbank flocks 20th county JD; BB; 10/26 singing Red Hook TG; 18/19 Allen Rd & mixed with Starlings about 200 total Red Hook BMa; 20-25/24 Rombout Rd CV; 25/20 FT Holiday Hills; 1/28 FT Thompson Pd.

**Common Grackle:** 3/23 & 24 Hennessey Ln JA/KJ; 3/28 Verbank BB; 1/20 Pleasant Valley EP; 3/24 Rombout Rd CV; FT - 20th Holiday Hills 1; 21st Verbank 50.

**Brown-headed Cowbird:** 2/23 Hennessey Ln JA/KJ; 1/3 Rhinebeck MP; 7/13 Rte 44 CV.

**Purple Finch:** 8 occ Salt Pt BMa; 4 mo Stormville BER; 4-8 mo & 10/6 Alvin Ct CV.

**House Finch:** 4-24 mo Hennessey Ln JA/KJ; 5-10 mo Salt Pt. LM; 4 - 8/1 - 16 Hi View Rd BAM; 10-12 mo Pleasant Valley EP; 5/20 FT Holiday Hills; 7/21 FT Verbank.

**American Goldfinch:** 2-6 mo Hennessey Ln JA/KJ; 25/28 Verbank BB; Salt Pt BMa; many mo 42/18 Salt Pt. LM; 8/1-16 Hi View Rd BAM; 1 occ Pleasant Valley EP; 24/14 Alvin Ct CV; 1/7 FT Bowdoin Pk; 1/28 FT Thompson Pd.

**House Sparrow:** 3-4 mo Pleasant Valley EP; 2/7 FT Bowdoin Pk.

**Abbreviations:** occ = occasional; mo = month; Ck = Creek; Pd = Pond; Pk = Park; Crs = Corners; pr = pair; FT = Field Trip  
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## March 2001 Records

Winter hung on thru most of the month. Many of the large ponds were ice-covered all month. There were several significant snowfalls leaving the ground snow-covered at month's end.

**Double-crested Cormorant** -- DF had one on the river at Chelsea at the end of the month.

**Great Blue Heron** -- 5/12 on nests on the parkway CV; 15/14 at parkway Baird FT; seen in 1's and 2's various places.

**Black Vulture** -- 3/14 Baird Pk FT

**Turkey Vulture** -- 9/11 Stissing Mtn CV; 8/10 Holiday Hills FT; 6/24 Rt 82 south of Pine Plains TG; 5/3 yard JA/KJ; 6 other reports of 1-2.

**Snow Goose** -- 400/12 Round Pond CV; 150/12 Leedsville Rd (Herb Eschbach); 100+/24 Smithfield TG; 1/25 Round Pd DF; 25/25 Pine Plains JAP.

**Canada Goose** -- 200+ Salt Pt MVW,MS; 5000/3 1000s/20 Round Pd DF; 300/14 Baird Pk FT; "few geese, water too high" EP; and too much ice BB .

**Mute Swan** -- 3/22, 2/20 Round Pd DF; 4 Arborios MVW; 3/4 Wapp area BAM; 2 Morgan Lake SG.

**Wood Duck** -- 8/15 Vandenburg Cove CV; 6 Round Pd DF; 5/21 Buttercup FT; sev/10 Pine Woods and E Market St Hyde Park Liz Martens; other reports of 1-3.

**American Wigeon** -- 2/15 Vandenburg Cove CV; 1/29 Van Wagner Rd. BMa.

**Black Duck** -- 4/28 Dennings Point FT; 8/21 Buttercup FT; 2 Valkill SG; 4/5 2/9 yard/stream JA/KJ; 8/15 Vandenburg Cove CV; 4/15 Salt Point BMa.

**Mallard** -- 15/21 Buttercup FT; 35/7 Lk Oniad, 30/8 cr at Red Oaks Mill BAM; plus others.

**Northern Pintail** -- 4/3 Round Pd DF; 5/12-15 Vandenburg Cove CV.

**Green-winged Teal** -- 10/15 Vandenburg Cove CV; 2/3 1/20 Round Pd DF; 5/31 Van Wagner Rd. BMa.

**Canvasback** -- 1/7 Norrie Point FT.

**Ring-necked Duck** -- 24/15 Vandenburg Cove CV; 8/3, 20/20 Round Pd DF; 3/20 Tymor, 10/20 pd in Clove Valley BB; 1/23, 3/24, 1/26 Verbank area JW; 21/15, 5/20 Salt Point BMa; 7/29 Van Wagner Rd. BMa.

**Bufflehead** -- 3/24 Arborios MVW; 1/12 Round Pd CV; 3/11 Wapp Cr BAM; 1/28 Dennings Pt FT.

**Hooded Merganser** -- 3/11 New Hamburg area BAM; 2pr/10-20 pd near Tymor; 6/15 Vandenburg CV; 2/14 Baird Pk FT; 10/17 Norrie Pt Pat Gabel; 2/20-21, 5/22, 2/26 Red Hook TG; 3 places on the 26th JD; 8/21 Buttercup FT; sev/20 Bog Hollow DF; 14/15, 3/16, 5/20 Salt Point BMa; 4/29 Van Wagner BMa.

**Common Merganser** -- Good numbers all month. Most (25-50 in spots) in the river; many "inland" reports up to 18.

**Ruddy Duck** -- 1/20 Round Pd DF; 7 Valkill SG.

**Bald Eagle** -- 1/25 Round Pd DF; 2/4, 5/15 Norrie Pt, Vandenburg & Tivoli CV; 1/19 New Hamburg Pat Gabel; 3/7 Norrie Pt FT; 1 imm/23 flying Clove Valley BB.

**Northern Harrier** -- 6/16 South Amenia DF; 1/7 Norrie Pt FT.

**Sharp-shinned Hawk** -- 1/10 Holiday Hills FT; 1/20 yard JA; 1/5 BAM; 1/4 SJ.

**Cooper's Hawk** -- 1/11 Stissing Mtn, 1/11-12 Romobut Rd CV; 1/22 near feeders MP; 1/20 JA; 1/21 Buttercup FT.

**Goshawk** -- 1/25 Stissing Mtn JAP.

**Red-shouldered Hawk** -- 1/16, probably Mary's SJD; Mary Key's have been around, but may have been disrupted by power company tree trimming.

**Red-tailed Hawk** -- Up to 4 seen on most outings. Philip Smith in Pine Plains had an albino all winter EP.

**Rough-legged Hawk** -- 1/3 Waterbury Hill Rd BB

**Golden Eagle** -- 1/11 seen flying and perched CV.

**American Kestrel** -- 1/14 Rombout Rd CV; 1/17 9G

Rhinebeck BMa; Wassaic & Millerton & Rt 82 near Alley's DF.

**Turkey** -- 67/11-18 Rombout Rd CV; 47/30 Allen Rd. BMa; plus other reports from all over, even DeOrsey's yard.

**Coot** -- 1/15 Salt Point BMa; 1/20 Round Pd DF.

**Killdeer** -- 7/14 Knapp Farm, Stanfordville MVW,MS; up to 4/11-20 Greig's Farm CV; 4/3 Southlands Farm, 2/25 nesting behavior at Red Hook Golf Course MP; 4/20 Round Pd DF; 3/17-18 Allen Rd. BMa; plus 4 others.

**Common Snipe** -- 2/12 Amenia Rail Trail near Sharon Station Rd CV.

**American Woodcock** -- 1/14 Debby Baldwin's yard Stanford; 1/31 Rt 82 Ruth Greenwood CV; 2/25 along road near home BB; 4/29 Old Camby Rd JW; 1/31 yard JA (A lifer for her!)

**Ring-billed Gull** -- 3/10 Holiday Hills FT; 2/14 Baird Pk FT; 50/28 Dennings Pt FT; 30+/4 Rt 9 Stop&Shop plaza BAM

**Herring Gull** -- 10/28 Dennings Pt FT

**Great Black-backed Gull** -- 1/7 Norrie Pt FT; 2/28 Dennings Pt FT

**Mourning Dove** -- 3-19/all mo yard JA/KJ; 6/all BB; most had 2 or 3.

**Screech Owl** -- across the creek all month EP.

**Great Horned Owl** -- 1/31 home midnight MVW; on nest at Baird Park CV on the 4th and the Baird FT on the 14th.

**Barred Owl** -- 2/8 home MS.

**Belted Kingfisher** -- 1/19 New Hamburg Pat Gabel; 1/14 Baird Pk FT; 1/21 Buttercup FT.

**Red-bellied Woodpecker** -- 3/28 Dennings Pt FT (at 2 different nest holes); Most have a pair at feeders.

**Yellow-bellied Sapsucker** -- 1/28 Dennings Pt FT; 1/16,20 TG; 1/29 sj.

**Downy Woodpecker** -- 2-5 at feeders and field trips.

**Hairy Woodpecker** -- pair daily at suet MVW; 1 or 2 on many lists.

**Northern Flicker** -- 2/20 Rombout Rd CV; 7 other reports.

**Pileated Woodpecker** -- 2/14 Baird Pk FT; 1/28 Dennings Pt FT (at nest hole); 2/4 TG; 6 other reports.

**Eastern Phoebe** -- 3/21 Buttercup FT; 1/29 TG; 1/30 yard EP,JD.(Gary Zylkuski had one thru Jan and Feb at Fleetweather in Hopewell Jct, but not in March)

**Northern Shrike** -- 1/12 north of Pine Plains Nat Donson

**Blue Jay** -- 12 yard BB; 11/6 TG; 2-4 yard JA/KJ; Many other reports of up to 5.

**American Crow** -- up to 20 on field trips. 4 or 5 in most yards.

**Fish Crow** -- 1 PV Grand Union MVW; 2/7 1/8&20 44 Plaza shopping area CV; 1/28 Dennings Pt FT; home MVW; Presbyterian Church EP.

**Common Raven** -- 2/3 Rombout 2/11 Stissing Mtn CV; 1/11 being mobbed by 3 crows as he flew overhead SJ.

**Horned Lark** -- 19/11 along Rt 82 near Pine Plains 2/15 Grieg Farm CV.

**Tree Swallow** -- not yet.

**Black-capped Chickadee** -- up to 15 on field trips.

**Tufted Titmouse** -- Several on each field trip and at most feeders.



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**Red-breasted Nuthatch** -- 2/10 Holiday Hills FT;  
**White-breasted Nuthatch** -- 8/14 Baird Pk FT; 5/20 Tymor BB; 1-4 on most reports.  
**Brown Creeper** -- 1/5-6 Alvin Ct CV; 1/28 Dennings Pt FT; 2/14 Baird Pk FT.  
**Carolina Wren** -- 2 daily MVW; 3/7 Norrie Pt FT; 2 all SJD; 7 other reports.  
**Golden-crowned Kinglet** -- 3-5 yd and Tymor Pk BB; 2/7 Norrie FT; 2/10 Holiday Hills FT; 2/3, 1/4 JA; 1/5 SJD; 1/21 Buttercup FT; 1/6 Clinton Corners JAP.  
**Ruby-crowned Kinglet** -- 1/10 Holiday Hills FT; 2/28 Dennings Pt FT;  
**Eastern Bluebird** -- 14/11 Rombout Rd CV; 6/7 Norrie Pt FT; 10/14 Baird Pk FT; 16/17 Allen Rd. BMa; 7/21 Buttercup FT; Lots around.  
**Hermit Thrush** -- 1/14 Baird Pk FT  
**American Robin** -- Some around all month. Migrants arrived the last week: 48/26, 35/29 Old Camby Rd JW  
**Gray Catbird** -- 1/4-9 yard (also seen in February) SJD.  
**Northern Mockingbird** -- 4/28 Dennings Pt FT; 2/31 yard JA/KJ; 14/20 Rombout Rd CV; 5 other reports.  
**Cedar Waxwing** -- 40/31 Dorcas Brower; 30/31 Sherow Rd EP; 50/21 Buttercup FT; plus others.  
**European Starling** -- 3-85+ most of month yard JA/KJ; 50/28 Dennings Pt FT.  
**Yellow-rumped Warbler** -- 3/14, 1/11-20 Rombout Rd CV; 2/2 Tymor BB; 1/16 TG; 1/16-24 JA; 1/21 Buttercup FT.  
**American Tree Sparrow** -- 8/12 AmeniaRailTrail CV; 4 daily BB; 2-3/1-11 SJ; 3 others.  
**Field Sparrow** -- 1/12 yd BB; 1/22 JA; 2 all mo in yard JAP.  
**Fox Sparrow** -- 1/14 Baird Pk FT; 1/2-9 JA; 1/1-19, 29 yard SJD.  
**Song Sparrow** -- 7/11 Rombout Rd CV; 6/21 Buttercup FT; On 6 other lists, mostly later in the month.  
**White-throated Sparrow** -- 20+ all mo MVW; 30/6 TG; 15 all mo SJD; Many other reports.  
**White-crowned Sparrow** -- 3/18, 2/11 all imm in barnyard all winter Rombout Rd CV.  
**Dark-eyed Junco** -- 20/7 Norrie FT; 12 yard SG; 20 yd BB; 18/20 Tymor BB; 15 SJD; 18 BAM; 21/5 SJ. Well reported.  
**Snow Bunting** -- 45/15 Greigs CV; 4/12 Southlands MP; 15-20/10 Carpenter Hill Rd TG.  
**Northern Cardinal** -- 10+ evening at home MVW; 10 all mo SJD; 3-10 yard JA/KJ; 2 to 4 on most other lists.  
**Mixed blackbirds** -- 100s/18 SJD.  
**Red-winged Blackbird** -- 200/11 Rombout Rd CV; 50/17 BMa; Good numbers all over.  
**Eastern Meadowlark** -- 2/15 Greig Farm CV  
**Rusty Blackbird** -- 1/10 Holiday Hills FT; 3/16 over yd Clinton Corners JAP.  
**Common Grackle** -- 55/11 Rombout Rd CV; 10/23-31 yard BB; 35/8 yd BAM. See a few most places.  
**Brown-headed Cowbird** -- 15/12 AmeniaRailTrail CV; 5/23-31 yd BB; 1/9 yard JA/KJ; 1/12 then rest of mo MP; 3/29 SJ  
**Purple Finch** -- 5+ Rt 82 feeder MVW,MS; 10/5 sev/4-20 Alvin Ct CV; 1m yard BB; 2-3 all month, 7/5 SJ.  
**House Finch** -- 15 yd BB; Most report 2-8 at feeders.  
**American Goldfinch** -- 27/9 sev/3-20 home CV; 15/all SJD; 21/4, 23/11 3-4/all month SJ; 50/13 BMa. On most other lists.  
**House Sparrow** -- 30+ MVW; 4/20 Tymor BB; 3 SG; 4/20 Tymor BB.

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## April 2001 Records

April was fairly cold and rainy; snow persisted later into spring this year. On the 9th we had our first storms of the season. By the end of the month the warmth finally arrived, bringing with it the first of newly arrived migrants. FINALLY!!!

**Common Loon** - 1/7 Pine Plains BB  
**Pied-billed Grebe** - 4/10 Lake Walton BAM, 1/25 Hitchcock HA  
**Double-crested Cormorant** - 10/6 New Hamburg Cove BAM  
**Great Blue Heron** - 1/26 Traver Pond DE, 1/26 Forest Valley Rd. Pleasant Valley CV, also BB,CP,BAM,EP  
**Great Egret** - 2/11 Tivoli Bay BB  
**Little Blue Heron** - 1/7 Plueffer Pond BER  
**Cattle Egret** - 2/13 Pine Plains JC  
**Green Heron** - 1/28 Millbrook School CV & DE  
**Black Vulture** - 1/28 Sharparoon CP  
**Turkey Vulture** - 5/5 East Boyds Rd (Putnam) BER, 6/22 Deep Hollow Rd CKF, also CP,DE,CF,EP,BAM  
**Snow Goose** - 2/7 Baird Park CP, 4/29 Strever Farm Rd Pine Plains RG  
**Canada Goose** - 5 pairs on nest Traver Rd. BAM, numerous reports  
**Mute Swan** - 1pair/12 on nest , 2/25 Traver Pond DE  
**Wood Duck** - 2/2 near Travers Rd BB, 2/25 Hitchcock HA, also BAM, DE  
**Green-winged Teal** - 7/29 Strever Farm Rd Pine Plains RG, also BB,HA  
**American Black Duck** - 2/25 Hitchcock HA, 1/26 Baird Park DE  
**Mallard** - numerous reports  
**Blue-winged Teal** - 2/10 Harlem Valley Rail Trail CKF  
**Northern Shoveler** - 2/2 pond on Van Wagner Rd MVW  
**Gadwall** - pair/3 Lake Walton BAM  
**American Wigeon** - 2/14 Buttercup BB, 2/22 Buttercup RG, also BAM  
**Ring-necked Duck** - 30/7 South Rd Millbrook BB, 8/22 Buttercup RG, also BAM  
**Greater Scaup** - 2/26 Traver Rd DE  
**Lesser Scaup** - pair/10 Hillside Lake BAM  
**Bufflehead** - 9/1 Wappingers Lake BAM, 1/8 Stissing Lake RG,  
**Hooded Merganser** - 2/1 Red Hook TG, 2/8 Stissing Lake RG, also BAM  
**Common Merganser** - 2/15 East Boyd Rd (Putnam) BER, pair nesting in Wood Duck box on property JB also BB,HA,BAM  
**Osprey** - 1/25 Millbrook HA, 1/30 Greenfields Park (town of Hyde Park) BW, also EP, CFK, DE, CV  
**Sharp-Shinned Hawk** - 1/1 Dising Farm BAM  
**Cooper's Hawk** - 1/21 Yard EP, 1/26 In yard eating Robin DE, also BB  
**Northern Goshawk** - 1/26 Fly over DE  
**Red-shouldered Hawk** - 1/5 Dising Farm BAM  
**Broad-winged Hawk** - 1/28 Fly over DE  
**Red-tailed Hawk** - 1/11 Alpine Plaza BAM, 3/all month Forest Valley Drive DE & CV  
**American Kestrel** - 2/all month Red Hook TG, 2/all month Hitchcock HA, 2/10 Airport Drive BAM also DE, CV,CP,BB  
**Merlin** - 1/15 Buttercup RG  
**Ruffed Grouse** - 1/21(heard) Nellie Hill FT

**Wild Turkey** - numerous reports  
**Virginia Rail** - 1/12 (heard) Thompson Pond BB.  
**American Coot** - 10/10 Slyvan Lake BAM  
**Killdeer** - 2/4 Tamarack Ft, 1/7 Craft Pond FT, 1/25 Sharparoon FT  
**Upland Sandpiper** - 1/17 Millbrook JB  
**Common Snipe** - 4/13 Southlands Farm MP  
**Ring-billed Gull** - 10/4 Tamarack FT  
**Herring Gull** - 2/4 Tamarack FT  
**Mourning Dove** - numerous reports  
**Yellow-billed Cuckoo** - 1/29 Forest Valley Dr. Pleasant Valley DE  
**Eastern Screech-Owl** - 1/all month across creek EP, 2/26 yard calling DE  
**Great Horned Owl** - 3/17 1adult 2 juv. Baird Park, 1/all month yard JD, 1/11 on nest Tymor Park FT  
**Barred Owl** - 1/11 nest Shookville Rd Milan BB, 1/23 heard Salt Point RB  
**Chimney Swift** - 1/25 yard EP, 2/25 Sharparoon FT  
**Belted Kingfisher** - 1/7 Craft Pond FT, 2/10 Harlem Valley Rail Trail CKF, 1/14 BDL  
**Red-bellied Woodpecker** - numerous reports  
**Yellow-bellied Sapsucker** - 2/6 Red Hook TG, 2/7 woods back house BDL, 1/8 yard EP 1/17 Cary Arboretum CKF  
**Downy & Hairy Woodpeckers** - numerous reports  
**Northern Flicker** - 1/all month Depot Hill CP, 1/1 High View Rd BAM, 11/21 Nellie Hill FT  
**Pileated Woodpecker** - 1/6 High View Rd BAM, 1/23 Depot Hill Rd. CP, 1/29 Yard CV  
**Eastern Phoebe** - 1/1 yard Verbank BB, 1/7 yard BER, 5/7 Wilbur Flats FT, 6/11 Tymor Park FT  
**Great Crested Flycatcher** - 1/30 yard Verbank BB  
**Eastern Kingbird** - 1/25 Millbrook HA  
**Solitary Vireo** - 1/17 Cary Arboretum CFK, 1/25 Sharparoon FT, 1/28 Depot Hill CP  
**Blue Jay & American Crow** - numerous reports  
**Fish Crow** - 2/14 over yard Verbank BB  
**Common Raven** - 1/12 Thompson Pond BB, 1/17 Stissing Lake FT  
**Purple Martin** - 2/23 Milewood Rd HA  
**Tree Swallow** -50/4 Amenia JD, 9/5 Bluebird Trail BAM, 2/15 Depot Hill CP  
**Northern Rough-winged Swallow** - 1/26 yard DE,3/15 Buttercup RG,3/25 Sharparoon FT, also HA  
**Bank Swallow** - 2/14 Red Hook TG, 6/29 Pine Plains DG  
**Barn Swallow** - 2/21 Clove Valley Rd HA  
**Black-capped Chickadee, Tufted Titmouse, White-breasted Nuthatch** - numerous reports  
**Red-breasted Nuthatch** - 1/11 Tymor Park FT, 2/17 Cary Arboretum CFK  
**Brown Creeper** - 2/11 Tymor Park FT, 2/17 Cary Arboretum CFK  
**Carolina Wren** - 2/26 near PC Paddocks Restaurant LaGrange BB, 1/28 Cary Arboretum, 2/all month BDL  
**House Wren** - 1/23 Red Hook TG, 1/30 yard BER  
**Winter Wren** - 1/11 Tymor Park FT, 1/12 Thompson Pond BB, 1/28 Cary Arboretum CV also DE, CFK  
**Golden-crowned Kinglet** - 15/7 Wilber Flats FT, 4/11 Tymor Park FT  
**Ruby-crowned Kinglet** - 6/21 Deep Hollow CKF, 3/23 Red Hook TG, 1/23 Mack Rd Union Vale HA, 10/25 Sharparoon FT



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**Blue-gray Gnatcatcher** - 1/22 Cary Arboretum RB, 1/24 yard Verbank BB

**Eastern Bluebird** - numerous reports

**Hermit Thrush** - 1/11 Milan BB, 1/17 Cary Arboretum CFK, 1/25 Sharparoon FT

**American Robin** - numerous reports

**Gray Catbird** - 1/24 Red Hook TG

**Northern Mockingbird** - 1/4 Tamarack FT, 1/7 Hosner Mt. Rd. BER, also BB, CP, DE

**Brown Thrasher** - 1/23 Red Hook TG, 1/26 Waterbury Hill Rd BB, 1/26 Depot Hill CP, 2/25 Traver Pond DE

**Cedar Waxwing** - 3/6 Highview Dr BAM, 1/8 home EP, 50/12 Nellie Hill FT

**Blue-winged Warbler** - 1/24 yard Verbank BB, 1/25 Sharparoon FT, 1/30 Forest Valley Dr Pleasant ValleyDE,

**Northern Parula** - 2/30 yard DE

**Yellow Warbler** - 1/24 yard Verbank BB, 1/25 Sharparoon FT

**Black-throated Blue Warbler** - 1/30 yard CV

**Yellow-rumped Warbler** - 5/10 Harlem Valley Rail Trail CKF, 25/20 yard DE, 40/25 Sharparoon FT

**Pine Warbler** - 10/17 Cary Arboretum CFK, 1/21 West Clove Mtn Rd. HA, 2/25 Sharparoon FT

**Black-throated Green Warbler** - 1/30 yard DE, 1/25 Sharparoon FT

**Black-and-white Warbler** - 1/21 Nellie Hill FT, 1/24 yard Verbank BB

**Palm Warbler** - 3/10 Harlem Valley Rail Trail CKF, 3/14 Buttercup BB, 1/25 Millbrook HA, 1/30 Forest Valley Dr Pleasant ValleyDE

**Louisiana Waterthrush** - 6/17 Deep Hollow Rd CFK, 4/25 Sharparoon FT

**Eastern Towhee** - 1/22 Depot Hill CP, 1/23 yard BER, 2/24 yard Verbank BB 5/28 Mack Rd HA,EP

**American Tree Sparrow** - 2/7 Craft Pond FT

**Chipping Sparrow** - 1/6 yard Verbank BB, 3/30 Depot Hill CP, 1/30 yard BER HA, DE, BAM

**Field Sparrow** - 10/12 Nellie Hill FT, 1/21 Clove Valley HA, 2/30 yard Verbank BB

**Savannah Sparrow** - 1/14 Tamarack FT, 1/29 Clove Valley HA

**Fox Sparrow** - 1/2 yard Verbank BB, 1/7 Wilbur Flats Rd FT, 1/9 Depot Hill CP

**Song Sparrow, White-throated Sparrow, Dark-eyed Junco** - numerous reports

**Northern Cardinal** - numerous reports

**Rose-breasted Grosbeak** - 1/30 yard Verbank BB, 2/30 fly over yard CV, DE

**Eastern Meadowlark** - 8/7 Southlands MP, 1/9 yard HA, 2/27 Union Vale CP

**Red-winged Blackbird, Common Grackle, Brown-headed Cowbird** - numerous reports

**Baltimore Oriole** - 1/28 feeder DE

**Purple Finch** - 2/18 feeder EP, 1/28 feeder HA, 4/all month feeder BER, 2/all month feeder CP

**House Finch, American Goldfinch** - numerous reports

**Evening Grosbeak** - 1/17 female at feeder BB

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## May 2001 Records

May started with a summer-like week. The dry weather that began mid-April continued until the first good rain on the 22nd. The rest of the month was cool and rainy.

**Double-crested Cormorant** -- 50+4 Flying to roost along Hudson River at Rhinecliff. DVE, CeV; 3/30 Tamarack FT.

**Great Blue Heron** -- 4/30 Tamarack at nests FT; 10 other reports of individuals seen all over.

**Green Heron** -- 1/28 only - flew up the creek at Pleasant Valley EP

**Little Blue Heron** -- 1/3 Flying Southeast over Forest Valley Drive, Pleasant Valley. DVE.

**Black Vulture** -- 12/12 Nellie Hill CP (May Census); 1/16 Cascade Mtn FT.

**Turkey Vulture** -- 9/16 Cascade Mtn FT; 8-10/23 Thompson Pond FT; plus lots of reports of 1-2 from all over.

**Mute Swan** -- Pair at Traver Pond all month. DVE; 2/17 thru mo. Jecose Lk, pr/4 thru mo on nest @ Kent Rd & Myers BAM.

**Brant** -- 1/10 Ogden Mills JL; 17th by the 100's each X 4 or 5 waves over yd. & Roosevelts JL

**Canada Goose** -- many reports of nests and downy young.

**Wood Duck** -- 4/25 Buttercup(West) CKF; nesting pair in woods below yard & regular at Traver Pond. DVE; 8 other reports of 1-3.

**American Black Duck** -- 2/30 Tamarack FT

**Mallard** -- female with 9 young crossing yard /24 JSD; 2 other duckling reports; 1-5 reported many places.

**Greater Scaup** -- Pair at Traver Pond all month. DVE.

**Hooded Merganser** -- 6/24 (female w/5 chicks) Sharparoon CP

**Common Merganser** -- 1f/14 Cruger Island Rd JSD,BB; 2/3 Pair flew over Traver Pond. DVE.

**Osprey** -- 1/16 Cascade Mtn FT; 1/1,9,10 Adult over yard. DVE; 1/4 Adult flying North up Hudson River at Rhinecliff. DVE, CeV; 3 on Van Wagner road on the 25th were quite late JAP.

**Bald Eagle** -- 1/5 Adult flying North over Forest Valley Drive (Pleasant Valley) in evening. DVE.

**Northern Harrier** -- 1 male/31 Indian Lake Road EA.

**Sharp-shinned Hawk** -- 1/13 soaring over Traver Road. DVE; 1/7 yard JA/KJ; daily home, some migrating MVW.

**Cooper's Hawk** -- 2/15,26,27 New Hackensack Rd BDL; 1/3,16 immature 1/10,14 Forest Valley Rd area DVE; 3 others reported.

**Red-shouldered Hawk** -- 1/7 yard heard BB; 1/4 & 31 Myers Cors, 1/11 over Tree Tops Ln @ Mary Key's BAM

**Broad-winged Hawk** --light morph Juv and adult/1,4 and adults/9 over Forest Valley DVE,CeV; 3 others reported.

**Red-tailed Hawk** -- 3 pairs with territories & several immature birds Forest Valley Drive area. DVE, CeV; 1-2 on most reports.

**American Kestrel** -- pair/20 Vassar Farm at barn entrance BDL; pair on Rt 14 in Clinton JAP; 7 other singles.

**Peregrine Falcon** -- 2/6 Pair on Poughkeepsie RR bridge. Both took off to hunt, male in pursuit of a small unidentified bird & "herded" it into the path of the female which caught it after a short stoop. Female landed on road bridge, male flew off over the city. DVE; 1/13 Adult female and 1/19 Adult male on Pok RR bridge. DVE, CeV.

**Ring-necked Pheasant** --1/19 In scrub at top of Forest Valley Drive. DVE; 1/27 Berkshire Rd. Dover CP.

**Ruffed Grouse** -- 1/16 Cascade Mtn FT; 1/27 Berkshire Rd. Dover CP.

**Wild Turkey** -- 15/16 Roosevelts JL was the largest number. Lots of reports including females and strutting males.

**Virginia Rail** - 1/19 Vassar Farm Peter Relson.

**Killdeer** -- 4/27 Adult 2chicks Cricket Hill Rd Dover CP; 4 other singles reported.

**Solitary Sandpiper** -- 2/3 Traver Pond. DVE; 3/9 Ferncliff FT; 1/16 New Hackensack Rd BDL; 1/17 Cary along sandbar in creek JL.

**Spotted Sandpiper** -- 2/8 Nuclear Lake BB; 1/24 Stanford Town Park CKF.

**American Woodcock** -- 5/9 adult w/4 chicks Pawling CP.

**Ring-billed Gull** -- flew over home on the 20th JAP.

**Herring Gull** -- 2/4 Over Hudson River at Rhinecliff. DVE,CeV.

**Great Black-backed Gull** -- 1/4 Hudson River at Rhinecliff, 3/19 Hudson River at Vanderbilt Cove. DVE,CeV.

**Rock Dove** -- 4/10 Hurds Corner Rd. Pawling CP.

**Mourning Dove** -- 2 on 2 nests/31 Round Pond EA; 1-5 on most trips and in most yards.

**Black-billed Cuckoo** --1/13 yard BB; 1/20 Vassar Farm BDL; 1/14 Cary JL; 1/23 Cary - calling constantly MVW.

**Yellow-billed Cuckoo** -- 1/1-4 In woods below yard (calling).DVE; 1/26 Pawling Nature Reserve FT; 1/26 New Hackensack Rd BDL; 1/27 Berkshire Rd. Dover CP; 1/28 yard BB.

**Eastern Screech-Owl** -- daily - has continued in box across the creek all month EP

**Great Horned Owl** -- daily - Jeff Daley; 2yg/15 Tamarack from DVE and Peggy Rudis.

**Barred Owl** -- JSD, DVE heard many times from yard; Dot Fleury, JAP,CP, BAM heard once; 1/28 PNR CKF.

**Common Nighthawk** -- 1/25 over creek Taconic/Jackson Rd., 2/30 Rt. 376 at RedOaksMill BAM; 1/26 over area EP; migrated over house last 4 nights of the month JAP.

**Chimney Swift** -- 12/6 over Wappingers village BAM; maybe 6-10 over village. Used to be many EP; other reports of 1-5.

**Ruby-throated Hummingbird** -- 3/4 HA; 1/4 BAM;1/7 CP,EP; later BDL,JA/KJ; all at feeders thru the month.

**Belted Kingfisher** -- 1/17 Cary JL; 1/27 Berkshire Rd. Dover ,1/27 Appalachian Trail Pawling, 2/9 Rte 22 Pawling CP.

**Red-bellied Woodpecker** -- 5/9 Ferncliff FT; 6/20 Vassar farm, 4/6 Reese Pk BAM; 1-2 on most trips and yards.

**Yellow-bellied Sapsucker** -- pair/8 Nuclear Lake BB; 1/8 heard W Clove Mtn Rd HA; PNR all month CP,FT; 1/27 N.Quaker Hill Rd & Byrds Hill Rd CP.

**Downy Woodpecker** -- 1-3 on most trips and in most yards; 4/all New Hackensack Rd BDL .

**Hairy Woodpecker** -- 2/9 Ferncliff FT; fewer than Downies and in fewer places.

**Northern Flicker** -- 6/27 Berkshire Rd. Dover CP; 4/20 Vassar farm BAM; most report 1-2.

**Pileated Woodpecker** -- daily - Stream Lane - 2 birds still bang windows - MVW; 2/20 Vassar farm BAM; 10 others.

**Olive-sided Flycatcher** -- 1/17 Vassar Farm BB, BAM.

**Eastern Wood-Pewee** -- 1/14 Ferncliff JSD, BB; then in most woods after that; 4/26 PNR FT .

**Acadian Flycatcher** -- 1/26 PNR FT.

**Alder Flycatcher** -- 1/17 1/20 2/29 Vassar Farm BAM,BB,CP; 1/29 Shaughnessy Rd. Union Vale CP.



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**Willow Flycatcher** -- 1/20 Vassar farm BAM; 2/27 Berkshire Rd. Dover 2/27 Appalachian Trail Pawling CP; also Thompson Pd, Tamarack and Widmer Rd.

**Least Flycatcher** -- 1/1 Quaker Lake CP; 1/8 Nuclear Lk BB; 2/9 Appalachian Trail Pawling CP; then many reports of 1-3.

**Eastern Phoebe** -- many reports of 1-3 each.

**Great Crested Flycatcher** -- 2/6 yard BDL; 1/6 Reese Pk BAM; 8/9 Ferncliff FT; many other reports of 1 or 2 after that.

**Eastern Kingbird** -- a few reports the first week, but not around in numbers until after the 15th.

**White-eyed Vireo** -- 1/12 Nellie Hill on census CP; Erik Kiviat heard one the last week in Milan, near Milan Hollow Rd.

**Yellow-throated Vireo** -- 1/6 New Hackensack Rd BDL; 1/8 W Clove Mtn Rd HA; 1/8 Nuclear Lake BB; 2/9 Ferncliff FT; then later from Sharparoon, Cruger Island Rd, Cary and other places.

**Blue-headed Vireo** -- 1/1 Pawling Nature Reserve CP; 1/13 yard BB.

**Warbling Vireo** -- 1/6 Reese Pk BAM; 1/8 Nuclear Lk BB; 3/9 Appalachian Trail Pawling CP; then many reports up to 4.

**Red-eyed Vireo** -- 2/8 W Clove Mtn Rd HA; 3/9 Ferncliff FT; then lots of places; 7/26 PNR FT.

**Blue Jay** -- a few reported on most outings. Getting quiet later in the month.

**Fish Crow** -- 2/9 yard & feeder + bird bath thru month BAM.

**American Crow** -- 15/all New Hackensack Rd BDL; well distributed now.

**Purple Martin** -- at least 2 pair Milewood Rd (Town of Washington) all month HA.

**Tree Swallow** -- 10/27 Berkshire Rd. Dover CP; many reports of 1-5 all over.

**Northern Rough-winged Swallow** -- 5/6 Wappingers Creek BAM; 3/8 Nuclear Lk BB; 6/24 Sharparoon CP; few/30 Hitchcock HA.

**Bank Swallow** -- 2/30 Tamarack FT; 6-8 active holes at gravel bank on Tompkins Rd, Verbank on the 31st HA.

**Barn Swallow** -- 15/27 Berkshire Rd. Dover CP; many other reports of up to 10.

**Black-capped Chickadee** -- Good numbers (up to 6 on most reports).

**Tufted Titmouse** -- 5/1 PNR CP; 1-3 on most trips and in yards.

**White-breasted Nuthatch** -- 1 or 2 on most trips and in many yards.

**Brown Creeper** -- 1/9 Ferncliff FT; 2/25 Buttercup(West) CKF; 1/30 Tamarack FT.

**Carolina Wren** -- 2/all yard BDL; EP and BAM have in yard; Vassar Farm CKF, BAM; 1/31 St. Nichols Rd. BAM.

**House Wren** -- well reported. Several nesting reports.

**Winter Wren** -- 1/10 Pawling Nature Reserve CP; 1/26 PNR FT

**Marsh Wren** -- 4/14 Cruger Island Rd JSD, BB.

**Ruby-crowned Kinglet** -- 1/16 Cascade Mtn FT.

**Blue-gray Gnatcatcher** -- 1/2 Rockefeller FT; 4/8 Nuclear Lake nest building BB; 5/9 Ferncliff FT; then many places including Vassar Farm and Buttercup.

**Eastern Bluebird** -- good numbers all over. Busy nesting.

**Veery** -- 6/26 PNR FT; 5/30 Tamarack FT; good numbers all month.

**Swainson's Thrush** -- 1/9 Ferncliff FT; 2/13 (seen very well in back yard, Poughkeepsie), 1/14, 1/17 JSD.

**Gray-cheeked Thrush** -- 1/29 seen very well hopping in the back yard JSD.

**Hermit Thrush** -- 2/1 PNR CP; 1/9 Ferncliff FT; on territory all month on Hickory Hill Rd, Clinton Corners JAP

**Wood Thrush** -- 12/9 Ferncliff FT ; 10/26 PNR FT; 8/20 & 29th Vassar Farm BAM; about 20 other reports of up to 4 all over, earliest was 2/1 PNR CP.

**American Robin** -- all over, nesting.

**Gray Catbird** -- 1/1 Forest Valley Drive. Large influx overnight of 2nd with birds calling in shrubs on the 3rd then regular all month. DVE. 12-15/23 Thompson Pond FT. Many around.

**Northern Mockingbird** -- Regular at Traver Pond. Large influx overnight of 2nd with birds noted in most gardens along Forest Valley Drive on morning of 3rd then regular all month. DVE; 4/27 Berkshire Rd. Dover CP; several others.

**Brown Thrasher** -- 2/all yd Depot Hill, 3/27 Berkshire Rd. Dover CP; 1/31 Round Pond EA; plus 3 others.

**Cedar Waxwing** -- 15/19 Feeding in scrub on Forest Valley Drive. DVE; 12/20 Vassar Farm BDL; 9 other groups.

**Blue-winged Warbler** -- 5/20 Vassar Farm BAM; 4/30 Tamarack FT; plus 15 other places..

**Golden-winged Warbler** -- 1/17 Vassar Farm CKF; then by 5 other people thru the 20th. A great find!

**Tennessee Warbler** -- 1/9 Ferncliff FT; 1/10, 15 yard BB; 1/17 Cary JL; 1/10 & 26 PNR CP, FT

**Nashville Warbler** -- 1/6, 10 yard BB; 1/9 Ferncliff FT.

**Northern Parula** -- 1/1 In woods below yard. DVE; 1/9 Ferncliff FT; 1/10 PNR CP; 2/17 near home BB; 1/19, 20 Vassar Farm CP, BAM; 1/27 Duell Hollow Rd. Dover CP

**Yellow Warbler** -- around in numbers, most - 6/23 Thompson Pond FT; 6/30 Tamarack FT; 20 other places.

**Chestnut-sided Warbler** -- first 1/7 Mack Rd HA; most 6/24 Sharparoon CP; 6/30 Tamarack FT; 15 other places.

**Magnolia Warbler** -- 1/15-28 2/17 yard BB; 1/16 Cascade Mt FT; 1/17 Cary JL; 4/25 Buttercup(West) CKF; 1/26 PNR FT.

**Black-throated Blue Warbler** -- 2/1, 10, 26, 28 PNR CP, FT, CKF; 3/9 Ferncliff FT; Regular in yard DVE, CeV; 1/17 near home BB; 1/19, 20 Vassar Farm CP, BAM; 2/30 Tamarack FT; 3 others.

**Yellow-rumped Warbler** -- 17/9 Ferncliff FT ; around in numbers; last 15/17 yard BB

**Black-throated Green Warbler** -- 1-3 reported from PNR, Vassar Farm, Ferncliff, Cruger Island Rd, Nuclear Lake, Sharparoon, and 6 other places.

**Blackburnian Warbler** -- 1/9 Ferncliff FT; 2/17 near home BB.  
**Pine Warbler** -- 1/1 PNR CP; 1/7 W Clove Mtn Rd HA; 1/14 Cruger Island Rd JSD BB.

**Prairie Warbler** -- 1/1 Adult female 1/2 Adult male in yard then daily DVE; 1/2 Rockefeller FT; 1/17 farm HA; 1/17 Cary JL; 1/27 Berkshire Rd. Dover CP; plus several reports from Vassar Farm.

**Blackpoll Warbler** -- 1/9 Ferncliff FT; 1/15, 25 yard BB; 1/26, 29 yard BAM; 2/30 Tamarack FT

**Cerulean Warbler** -- 2/9 Ferncliff FT; 1/14 Ferncliff JSD BB

**Black-and-white Warbler** -- 4/1, 26 PNR CP, FT; 3/31 Duell Hollow Rd. Dover CP; plus 1-2 from Ferncliff, Rockefeller, Nuclear Lk, Sharparoon, Cascade Mtn Rd and others

**American Redstart** -- 1/6, 2/10-17 yard BB; 1/7 Mack Rd HA; 10/9 Ferncliff FT; then many reports of up to 7.

**Worm-eating Warbler** -- 1/10, 1/26, 2/28 PNR CP, FT, CKF; 2/9 Ferncliff FT



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**Ovenbird** -- 2/6 Reese Pk BAM; 1/1, 5/26 PNR CP,FT; 7/9 Ferncliff FT; 12 other places.

**Northern Waterthrush** -- 1/9 Ferncliff FT; 1/16 Separate Rd BB; 1/26 Quaker Lk 1/27 Berkshire Rd CP; 1/28 PNR CKF

**Louisiana Waterthrush** -- 2/1,9,10,26 PNR CP,FT; 1/1,26 Quaker Lake Rd. Pawling CP; 2/8 Nuclear Lake BB; 3/9 Ferncliff FT.

**Kentucky Warbler** -- found by Peter Relson on the 10th at Vassar Farm, seen or heard thru the 29th BDL,CKF,CP,BAM.

**Common Yellowthroat** -- 1/7 Mack Rd HA; then 3-6 in many places; most - 10/25 Buttercup(West) CKF; 10/27 Berkshire Rd. Dover CP.

**Hooded Warbler** -- 1/7 Mack Rd HA; 2/10,26,28 PNR CP,FT,CKF; 2/27 Berkshire Rd. Dover CP

**Wilson's Warbler** -- 1/13 yard BB; 2/14 Ferncliff JSD BB; 1/16 Cascade Mtn FT; 1/28 PNR CKF.

**Canada Warbler** -- 1/8 Nuclear Lake BB; 2/10,4/26, pair/28 PNR CP,FT,CKF; 1/31 Quaker Lake Rd. Pawling CP

**Scarlet Tanager** -- 6/8 W Clove Mtn Rd (6 singing males, all different spots) HA; 6/9 Ferncliff FT; then 1-3 many places.

**Eastern Towhee** -- 6/6 going up Mack Rd HA; 5/16 Cascade Mtn FT; 1 or 2 on most trips.

**Chipping Sparrow** -- more abundant than in earlier years BER; 10/27 Berkshire Rd. Dover CP; 1-4 on most reports.

**Field Sparrow** -- all month JA/KJ,BB,HA;DVE; 2/16 Cascade Mtn FT; 2/24 Hicks Rd Stanford CKF; 6/12 Nellie Hill (census); 3/27 Berkshire Rd. Dover CP.

**Savannah Sparrow** --1/7,10 Waterbury Hill Rd BB; 1/16 Cascade Mtn FT; 3/17,2/20 Vassar Farm BAM,CP; 1/19 Schultsville Rd JAP; 1/27 Berkshire Rd. Dover CP.

**Song Sparrow** -- around in good numbers and nesting.

**Swamp Sparrow** -- 1/14 Cruger Island Rd JSD BB; 2/16 Cascade Mtn FT; 1/16 Separate Rd BB.

**White-throated Sparrow** -- a few reports. Last one: 2/9 Ferncliff FT.

**White-crowned Sparrow** -- 2/6-19, 4/10-11 yard BB; 1/7-8 & 11 on ground with chippy HA; 2/14 Cruger Isl. Rd JSD BB.

**Northern Cardinal** -- 6/all New Hackensack Rd BDL; up to 6 at Vassar Farm; seen all over, nesting.

**Rose-breasted Grosbeak** -- at feeders early in month. 4/8 Nuclear Lk BB; 4/16 Cascade Mt FT; and many other places.

**Indigo Bunting** --1/6 at sunflower feeder JSD; regular at Vassar Farm; 2/30 Tamarack FT ; 4 other places.

**Bobolink** -- 1/5 home Stormville BER; several/7 our field HA; 30/27 Berkshire Rd 20/27 Cricket Hill Rd Dover CP; others.

**Red-winged Blackbird** -- abundant! Several reports of 10-30; 15 - 20 pairs at Traver Pond DVE.

**Eastern Meadowlark** -- 10/27 Berkshire Rd. 3/27 Cricket Hill Rd. Dover CP; plus 3 others.

**Common Grackle** -- 2-5 every place we go. EA found 2 nests at Round Pond on the 31st, with parents squawking!

**Brown-headed Cowbird** -- on all reports, up to 8, everywhere.

**Orchard Oriole** -- pair/19 Schultsville Rd JAP; 1/20 Vassar Farm CP.

**Baltimore Oriole** -- 8/16 Cascade Mtn FT; 6 at Ferncliff, Tamarack, Nuclear Lake; everyone has a couple.

**Purple Finch** -- 2/24 Sharparoon CP; 1/27 Quaker Lake Rd. Pawling CP

**House Finch** -- at most feeders. EP says they just sit and eat.

**American Goldfinch** -- 15/23 Thompson Pond FT; several field trips had 6-10; in most yards; surprisingly abundant BER.

**Observers:** EA - Elaine Andersen, HA - Helen Andrews, JA/KJ - Judy Atwood & Karen Jaquith, BB - Barbara Butler, JSD - Joan & Stan DeOrsey, DVE - Dewi V. Edwards, CFK - Carol & Ken Fredericks, BDL - Bill & Donna Lenhart, JL - Jeff Lucas, BAM - Barb & Allan Michelin, EP - Eleanor Pink, CP - Carena Pooth, BER - Barry & Edith Rosen, CeV - Ceris Valesey, MVW - Marion VanWagner.

**Abbreviations:** FT - Field Trip, PNR - Pawling Nature Reserve

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## June 2001 Records

The fresh new days of June interspersed with thunderstorms and a few very hot days ushered in summer. The Atlas workers turned up a few very interesting things. Cliff Swallows nesting in the Wassaic-Amenia area. Sedge Wren near State Line Swamp. A Saw-whet Owl mobbing Screech Owl fledgling. A Long-eared Owl on an overhead wire in the evening and many birds nesting and feeding young.

**Double-crested Cormorant** -- 1/9 1/15 Amenia Pawling area.

**Great Blue Heron** -- well reported. Six active nests Rt 55 & 292.

**Green Heron** -- 1/13-15,27 Rhinebeck MP; 1/22 in creek EP; 2/26 Rail Trail, 1/4 Mygatt Rd, 2/25 Stonykill BB.

**Black-crowned Night-Heron** -- DF had one adult at Chelsea on the 27th.

**Black Vulture** -- 1/6 Mack Rd FT; 3/4 Reagan Rd Millerton BB.

**Turkey Vulture** -- 5/4 Reagan Rd Millerton BB; many other reports of 1-3 all over.

**Brant** -- 50/1 flying over yard BB.

**Mute Swan** -- pairs reported from Round Pd, Myers Corners Rd, Beekman Rd.

**Wood Duck** -- 1/1 1/10 BAM; 3/26 Rail Trail BB.

**Mallard** -- Lake Oniad BAM, Amenia Rail Trail, Wappingers Creek at Pleasant Valley EP.

**American Black Duck** -- 2/9 Amenia area FT, also Dover area DF.

**Common Merganser** -- 1/2-6 in creek, comes on land, but never see it fly EP, late, injured perhaps.

**Bald Eagle** -- 1/8 flying up valley, Poughquag BC; 1 early in month Beekman Stop & Shop E. Tillman.

**Sharp-shinned Hawk** -- too often in yard MVW.

**Cooper's Hawk** -- 1/6 yard BAM.

**Red-shouldered Hawk** -- 1/8 bluebird trail BAM; 1/10 Stanfordville RG.

**Broad-winged Hawk** -- Rudd Pond area Brian Kane; 2/all over house JAP.

**Red-tailed Hawk** -- 4/26 Rail Trail BB; other reports from all over.

**American Kestrel** -- 2/30 Buttercup FT; 2/2 Buttercup west RG; 3/19 Dover area CP.

**Ring-necked Pheasant** -- 1/8,12,28 Berkshire Rd, 1/19 Hurd's Corners CP.

**Ruffed Grouse** -- 1/14 Wheatley Farm, Stanford BB,BC,RC.

**Wild Turkey** -- many with young.

**Virginia Rail** - 3/26 Rail Trail, Sharon Station Rd BB; 1/2,9 Buttercup west RG,SO.

**Killdeer** -- several reports with young 8-10 pair Southlands MP.

**Spotted Sandpiper** -- 1/9 Round Pond FT; 1/16 Southlands MP.

**Least Sandpiper** -- 1/2 Salt Point Tpk, Stanfordville, quite late JAP.

**American Woodcock** -- 1/30 Buttercup FT.

**Mourning Dove** -- 8/all month in Pok yard ZM; plus others.

**Black-billed Cuckoo** -- heard all month from yard HA; 2/30 Buttercup FT; 1/17-18 yd BB; heard/30 MVW; 1/28 Sherman Hill, 1/29 Appalachian Trail CP.

**Yellow-billed Cuckoo** -- 1/7, 2/25 MBC BB; 1/30 FT; 1/4,29 yd BB; 2/5, 1/29 PNR, 1/8,12 Berkshire Rd, 1/9,16 Poughquag CP.

**Eastern Screech-Owl** -- 1 all month EP; fledgling in yard on 28th JAP.

**Great Horned Owl** -- daily JD.

**Barred Owl** -- 1/22,23,26,28 yard JSD.

**Long-eared Owl** -- 1/15 in evening on wire Waterbury Hill Rd BB.

**Northern Saw-whet Owl** -- 1/28 calling at dusk in yard, and seen mobbing a screech owl fledgling! JAP.

**Common Nighthawk** -- over house/6 MVW; Clinton on the 6th JAP.

**Whip-poor-will** -- 1/15 2/27 Ridge Rd Dover CP.

**Chimney Swift** -- 4/7 New Hackensack Cem BAM; 2/9 F&H Center BB; fly over/9,10 MVW.

**Ruby-throated Hummingbird** -- at many feeders; 5+ HA.

**Belted Kingfisher** -- 5 reported.

**Red-bellied Woodpecker** -- most report 1-2; 3/27 Poet's Walk FT.

**Yellow-bellied Sapsucker** -- 2/7, 2/25 MBC BB; 4/15 Duell Hollow Rd, 2/5,20,29 PNR CP

**Downy Woodpecker** -- feeding young BAM, MVW; 5 PNR FT.

**Hairy Woodpecker** -- feeding young BAM, MVW; 6/all Pok yard ZM; 4/20 PNR FT.

**Northern Flicker** -- 2/16 at nest hole Tivoli Bays FT; many other reports.

**Pileated Woodpecker** -- nest with young Milan RG; 1/13 at feeder eating corn MVW; 4 others.

**Eastern Wood-Pewee** -- 6 at PNR and Met Bapt Camp; good reports.

**Olive-sided Flycatcher** -- 1/4 yard BB.

**Acadian Flycatcher** -- 5/13 Deep Hollow FT; 2/15,29 Pawling Nature Reserve CP

**Alder Flycatcher** -- 1/1 Emans Rd, 1/9 Pawling BB; 3/1 Sharparoon, 1/19 Hurds Cors CP.

**Willow Flycatcher** -- 8/9 Rail Trail FT; 1/7 airport BAM; 1/16 Flint Rd HA; 4/26 Rail Trail, 1/4 Reagan Rd, 2/5 Shaughnessy Rd BB; 2/8,12,28 Berkshire Rd, 2/6 ApplTr Pawling CP.

**Least Flycatcher** -- 4/7, 10/25 MBC BB; 6/9 4/26 Rail Trail BB. plus others.

**Eastern Phoebe** -- good reports of 1-3 each; 5/13 Deep Hollow FT.

**Great Crested Flycatcher** -- well reported.

**Eastern Kingbird** -- few reported. Should have been more. (There was a pair along the Rail Trail making more.)

**White-eyed Vireo** -- 1/8,12 Berkshire Rd CP.

**Blue-headed Vireo** -- 2/5, 1/14 CP; 3/20 FT - all at Pawling Nature Reserve.

**Yellow-throated Vireo** -- 1 daily HA; 1/20 IES MVW; 2/9 FT; 2/13 FT; 1/10 BB; 2/13 BAM; 1/14 Wheatley Farm BB,BC,RC.

**Warbling Vireo** -- 6/26 Rail Trail; 5/9 Rail Trail FT; few others.

**Red-eyed Vireo** -- 6/25 BB; 4/16 FT; Others. For such a common bird, I expected more reports.

**Common Raven** -- 5/13 Deep Hollow FT; 1/26 Rail Trail BB.

**Purple Martin** -- 1/1 yard at martin house, chased by Tree Swallows BB; nesting at Milewood Rd.

**Tree Swallow** -- good reports, many nesting.

**Northern Rough-winged Swallow** -- 2/25 BB; 2/1 Sharparoon, 2/12 Dover Furnace CP.

**Barn Swallow** -- Many around barns.



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**Bank Swallow** -- small colony Verbank BB; 4/12 Luther's, Wassaic; colony of 40+ pr Rt 199 Pine Plains RG.

**Cliff Swallow** -- 2 nests at McEnroe's Amenia; pair at nest at Luther's, Wassaic.

**Black-capped Chickadee** -- feeding young.

**Tufted Titmouse** -- pairs feeding young.

**White-breasted Nuthatch** -- 6/27 some juveniles Poet's Walk FT; others reported.

**Red-breasted Nuthatch** -- 1/20 IES Fern Glen MVW.

**Brown Creeper** -- 2/6 Mack Rd FT; 1/7 MBC BB; 1/20 PNR FT.

**Carolina Wren** --in bird bath BAM; at suet EP; two yard MVW; 1/8 Weil Rd Dover CP.

**House Wren** -- 10/13 bluebird trail, 6 fledged from one box BAM.

**Winter Wren** -- 5/13 Deep Hollow FT; 3/5 2/14 1/15, 19 PNR CP.

**Marsh Wren** -- 4/16 Tivoli Bay FT; 4/26 Rail Trail BB.

**Sedge Wren** -- 1/9 & 29 singing State Line Rd Millerton - found by Brian Kane.

**Blue-gray Gnatcatcher** -- 2/25 Met Baptist Camp BB; 1/13 Deep Hollow FT; 1-2 at Sharparoon, PMR, and other places nearby CP.

**Eastern Bluebird** --good numbers nesting. Lots of young.

**Veery** --well reported.

**Hermit Thrush** -- 2/6 1/14 3/29 Pawling Nature Reserve CP; all month in yard JAP.

**Wood Thrush** -- 6/20 (one young) PNR FT; well reported.

**Brown Thrasher** -- Where are they? 1/10 Stonykill, 3/30 Buttercup FT; 1/27 FT; 1/6-7, 27 yard MVW; 2/8 3/12 1/28 Berkshire Rd CP.

**Cedar Waxwing** -- good numbers. Any young?

**Blue-winged Warbler** -- 5/6 Mack Rd FT; 9/mo area CP; 1-2 most reports.

**Northern Parula** -- 1/6 Mack Rd FT.

**Yellow Warbler** --always plentiful.

**Chestnut-sided Warbler** -- 8/6 Mack Rd FT; 3/7 2/25 MBC BB; 5/30 Buttercup FT; 3/20 PNR CP; 1/13 Deep Hollow BAM.

**Black-throated Blue Warbler** -- 1/5 4/29 PNR CP; 4/20 PNR FT.

**Yellow-rumped Warbler** -- 2/6 Mack Rd FT.

**Black-throated Green Warbler** -- 8/5 5/14 2/29 PNR CP; 6/13 Deep Hollow FT; 4/20 PNR FT.

**Blackburnian Warbler** -- 1/6 Mack Road FT.

**Pine Warbler** -- 2/16 carrying food Cruger Island Rd FT.

**Prairie Warbler** -- 2/6 FT 3/26 Rail Trail BB; 1/2 yard MVW; 3/1 Sharparoon, 2/8 Berkshire Rd, 2/28 Sherman Hill Rd CP.

**Cerulean Warbler** -- 2/7, 2/25 Metropolitan Baptist Camp BB.

**Black-and-white Warbler** -- 2/6 Mack Rd FT; 2/7 MBC BB; 1/9 2/13 1/30 FT; 3/20 PNR FT.

**American Redstart** -- 12/6 Mack Rd FT; many others.

**Worm-eating Warbler** -- 1/7 MBC BB; 1/5, 6, 20 PNR 1/8, 12 Berkshire Rd CP; Rudd Pond area.

**Ovenbird** -- 6/20 PNR FT; good numbers.

**Louisiana Waterthrush** -- 10/13 Deep Hollow FT; 5/8 PNR & others CP; 3/20 PNR FT 1/14 Wheatley Farm BB, BC, RC.

**Kentucky Warbler** -- 1/14 Vassar Farm BAM.

**Common Yellowthroat** -- widespread reports.

**Hooded Warbler** -- 3/6 Mack Rd FT; 1/20 IES Fern Glen HA, MVW; 10+ Dover/Pawling area CP; 4/20 PNR FT.

**Canada Warbler** -- 1/6 Mack Rd FT; 1/7 MBC BB; 2/13 Deep Hollow FT; 5/20 PNR FT; 2/5 1/14 PNR CP.

**Scarlet Tanager** -- reported by many; 6/20 PNR FT.

**Eastern Towhee** -- good numbers; feeding young/27 Poet's Walk FT.

**Chipping Sparrow** -- 1-3 on most reports. Some young.

**Field Sparrow** -- daily HA; 2/20 IES HA, MVW; 4/26 Rail Trail BB; 1/6 Mack Rd FT; 4/27 Poet's Walk FT.

**Savannah Sparrow** -- 10/14 Wheatley Farm BB, BC, RC; 1/1 Waterbury Hill BB; 1/10, 12 Berkshire Rd CP; Hoppenberg Rd, Millerton.

**Song Sparrow** -- good numbers.

**Swamp Sparrow** -- found at Baptist Camp, Rail Trail, Hynes Rd, State Line Rd, and Sharparoon.

**Dark-eyed Junco** -- 1/6 Mack Rd FT; 2/13 Deep Hollow FT.

**Northern Cardinal** -- 2-3 pr/all mo BAM; many other reports.

**Rose-breasted Grosbeak** -- 4/13 Deep Hollow FT; 4/14 Wheatley Farm BB, BC, RC; lots of reports of 1 or 2.

**Indigo Bunting** -- well reported; at bird bath MVW.

**Bobolink** -- nesting at Andrews, Southlands, Waterbury Hill; also from Hurd's Corners and Cricket Hill; 8/14 Wheatley Farm BB, BC, RC; 8/28 Sherman Hill Rd CP; some hay fields cut by mid-month or earlier.

**Eastern Meadowlark** -- 1-2 daily HA; nesting well Southlands MP; several others from hay field areas.

**Orchard Oriole** -- 1/8 yd 1st yr male; 1/13 N Clove Rd BB; 1/27 with food Poet's Walk FT; 1/30 FT.

**Baltimore Oriole** -- 2/27 feeding young Poet's Walk FT; many others.

**Purple Finch** -- 1/9 Rail Trail FT; several times at feeder HA; 1/2 2/7-8 yd BB; 1/24 yard JA/KJ.

**Observers:** HA-Helen Andrews, JA/KJ-Judith Atwood/Karen Jaquith, BB-Barbara Butler, BC-Binnie Chase, RC-Rosa Corbeels, JD-Jeff Daley, DF-Dot Fleury, RG-Richard Gershon, ZM-Zinas Mavodones, BAM-Barbara & Allan Michelin, SO-Steve Oresman, MP-Mona Payton, JAP - Jan & Alam Peterson, EP-Eleanor Pink, CP-Carena Pooth, MVW-Marion Van Wagner

**Field Trips:** 6th-Mack Road and Andrews Farm, 9th-Harlem Valley Rail Trail (Sharon Station Rd area), 13th-Deep Hollow Rd into Turkey Hollow, 16th-Tivoli Bays WMA Cruger Island Road, 20th-Pawling Nature Reserve, 27th-Poet's Walk, 30th-Buttercup east.

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## July 2001 Records

Much beautiful clear, cool, dry weather, interrupted regularly by 1-3 days of extremely hot, humid weather. Very little rain; ground very dry. Winter snows and spring rains insured a bumper crop of berries, cherries, etc. There seemed to be a bumper crop of young birds, as well.

**Great Blue Heron** -- young fledged by end of month. Reports of 1-2 seen all over.

**Green Heron** -- 1/16 Stanfdvl KCF; 2/13 State Line Rd, 1/13 Rail Tr BB,CP; 1 PIVly MVW.

**Canada Goose** -- groups of about 15 from Fishkill Plains, Sharparoon, and other places.

**Mute Swan** -- pr & 3yg/6 MeyersCrsRd BAM; 2/12 WCloveMtn Rd BB.

**Wood Duck** -- 1f/23, 2/27 Stanfdvl KCF; 1/17 Verbank HA; 8/19 Dover CP.

**American Black Duck** -- 2/30 Verbank BB; 15/13 Rail Trail BB,CP.

**Mallard** -- 1/16,1f&yng/23 Stnfdvl KCF; 18/14 Cary FT; in creek EP; 6/18 LaGrange BAM.

**Black Vulture** --: 1-3 in kettle of TVs/17 Verbank HA; 1/25 Nellie Hill FT; 1/5 Dover CP.

**Turkey Vulture** -- 17/25 Verbank HA; 6/11 Nuclear Lake FT; 3/25 Nellie Hill FT; plus lots of reports of 1-2.

**Bald Eagle** --: 2/all Bowdoin Park; 1/16 reported over river near West Park from Jim Schiller, Rich Andradez.

**Sharp-shinned Hawk** -- 1/19 New Hackensack BAM; 1/daily Pleasant Valley MVW.

**Cooper's Hawk** --1/11 BBc; 1/29 Verbank JW; 1/31 PIVly MVW.

**Red-shouldered Hawk** -- pr nested 2 yg BBc; 1/31 Verbank BB.

**Broad-winged Hawk** -- 1/19 Dover CP.

**Red-tailed Hawk** -- many reports of singles, pairs, and noisy young ones.

**American Kestrel** --1/16,27 Stnfdvl KCF; 1/14 CaryFT; 1ad,2yg NewHackensack BAM; 1/2 Clove Vly BB; 1/4 Dover CP.

**Ring-necked Pheasant** --1/4,5,20 Dover CP; 1/12 Poughquag CP.

**Ruffed Grouse** -- 1/16 Stnfdvl KCF; 2/6 Pawling Nature Reserve CP.

**Wild Turkey** -- 5 adults, 20+ yg/16 in yard BAM; many reports of ad and yg from Wappingers, PIVly, Amenia, Stnfd.

**Virginia Rail** -- 2/13 Rail Trail (of course!) BB,CP; 2/14 Buttercup RG.

**Killdeer** -- 1/16 New Hackensack BAM; 2/4, 1/20 Dover, 2/19 Pawling CP.

**Solitary Sandpiper** -- 1/14 Cary FT; 1/14 Buttercup RG.

**Spotted Sandpiper** -- 1/18 Tamarack Preserve FT.

**American Woodcock** --: 1/5 Sharparoon CP.

**Mourning Dove** -- Lots of reports. BBc has the most - 20 including juv all month.

**Black-billed Cuckoo** -- 2/6 CloveVly BB; 2/7 Wassaic St Sch FT; 2/18 Tamarack Pr FT; 6 others.

**Yellow-billed Cuckoo** -- 1/2,9 yd, 1/6 CloveVly BB; 1/4,20 Dover, 2/5 Sharparoon, 1/6 PNR CP; 1/13 HVRT BB,CP.

**Eastern Screech-Owl** -- 1/31 New Hackensack BAM; departed from box across creek, 1st of month EP.

**Great Horned Owl** -- 1/all PIVly JD; 1/18 Tamarack Preserve FT.

**Barred Owl** -- 1/4,5 Verbank BB; 1/15 Wappingers RC.

**Chimney Swift** -- 15/14 Dover, 8/21 Pawling CP; 6/16 Pok BAM; several others reported.

**Ruby-throated Hummingbird** -- 6-8/all CloveVly HA; 5/18 TamPres FT; many more; "increasing numbers" BER.

**Belted Kingfisher** --9 reported from Pawling, Dover, Sharparoon, Pleasant Valley, and more.

**Red-bellied Woodpecker** -- ad & yg/daily MVW; 3/6 PNR, 1-3/all yd CP; 1-2/all yd JA/KJ; many more.

**Yellow-bellied Sapsucker** -- 4/19 Byrds Hill Rd, 3/12 Sharparoon CP; also at PNR, Nuclear Lk, State Line Rd.

**Downy Woodpecker** -- 3pr,6yg/all BBc; 1-2 found on every trip.

**Hairy Woodpecker** -- half as many as Downies, except at Pawling Nature Reserve (3/6, 2/14 CP)

**Northern Flicker** -- family of 5/all BBc; 8/31 Sharparoon CP; 4/25 Nellie Hill FT; family JA/KJ; 10 other reports of 1 or 2.

**Pileated Woodpecker** -- 2 juv/2 BBc; 2/all MVW; 3 others.

**Eastern Wood-Pewee** -- reported from most wooded areas; 8/11 Nuclear Lake FT; 4 from Cary and TamPres FT.

**Acadian Flycatcher** -- 1/7 Bog Hollow DF; 2/18 Tamarack Preserve FT; 3/6 PNR CP.

**Willow Flycatcher** --6/21 AppTrail Pawling, 4/17 Wheeler Rd Dover CP; also 4 at Stnfdvl, HVRT, Cary; and more.

**Least Flycatcher** -- 6/6 PNR, 5/6 Duell Hollow Rd, 4/13,3/23 HVRT CP; several others.

**Eastern Phoebe** -- many reports and several with young; 7/14 Cary FT.

**Great Crested Flycatcher** -- 5/6 Duell Hollow Rd CP; 4/23 Stnfdvl KCF; 7 other reports of 1 or 2.

**Eastern Kingbird** -- 4/7 Wassaic St Sch FT; lots around.

**White-eyed Vireo** --3/20 Berkshire Rd CP; 4/25 Nellie Hill FT; 1/14 with brood patch Buttercup RG.

**Blue-headed Vireo** -- 1/6 Pawling Nature Reserve CP.

**Yellow-throated Vireo** -- 1/6 CloveVly, 2/12 WCloveMtn Rd BB; 1/7 Wassaic St Sch FT; early in mo HA, 3/21 AppTr & 1/31 Sharparoon CP

**Warbling Vireo** -- 4/17 Wheeler Rd, 3/31 Sharparoon CP; 2/6 GardnerHollow BC,BB; 2/7 Wassaic FT; 10 others.

**Red-eyed Vireo** -- widespread; 6 at Cary, Nuclear Lake, and Sharparoon.

**Blue Jay** -- 20 incl yg/all BBc; at least a few found on each outing.

**American Crow** --most reports are 1-5; 12/14 Cary FT; family BBc; family/17 New Hackensack BAM.

**Fish Crow** --2/all, family New Hackensack BAM; Pleasant Valley MVW.

**Common Raven** -- 1/4 TamPres, 2/6 Shekomeko Valley SO; 1/6 CloveVly BB; 1/7 WSS FT; 1/5,12,13 Sharparoon CP.

**Purple Martin** --2-4 Verbank HA.

**Tree Swallow** --moving around by month's end; 20/13 Sharon Station Rd BB.

**Northern Rough-winged Swallow** -- 2/12 WCloveMtn Rd BB; 3/5 Sharparoon, 2/14 Berkshire Rd CP.

**Barn Swallow** --50/5,20 Berkshire Rd CP; groups reported from all over.

**Chickadee, Titmouse, W-b Nuthatch** -- lots around, several report young.

**Red-breasted Nuthatch** --1/31 yard Verbank BB; Cary at Fern Glen MVW; 1/31 Sharparoon CP.



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**Carolina Wren** --BBc, EP, MVW each had a pair all month; also found at PNR, Nellie Hill, TamPres, etc.

**House Wren** --2pr, 5 yg/10 NewHackensack BAM; many reports of 1-6 each all over.

**Winter Wren** -- 4/18 TamPres FT; 1/3, 2/6 PNR, 1/12 Sharparoon CP.

**Blue-gray Gnatcatcher** --10/11, 6/20 Nuclear Lk FT, KCF; 5/5 Sharparoon CP; 4/25 Nellie Hill FT and others.

**Eastern Bluebird** -- many around and many nesting.

**Veery** -- 7/12 WCloveMtn Rd BB; 4-5 from Sharparoon, PNR, Nellie Hill; lots of others.

**Hermit Thrush** -- 1/6, 30 PNR, 1/6 Duell Hollow, 1/12 Sharparoon CP; 1/30 yard Verbank BB.

**Wood Thrush** -- up to 10 PNR, up to 8 Sharparoon CP; also at Nuclear Lk, Nellie Hill and other places.

**Gray Catbird** -- abundant (15-20) in the right habitat, like Cary, Nellie Hill, Wassaic State School.

**Northern Mockingbird** -- 5/14 Berkshire Rd CP; lots of reports, more widely spaced than catbirds.

**Brown Thrasher** --1f/15 BBc; 1/16, 27 Stnfdvl KCF; 2/17-23, 28 MVW; 2/6 home, 1-3 Dover area CP; 1/7 WSS FT.

**Cedar Waxwing** -- flocks of up to 10 in many places.

**Blue-winged Warbler** -- 6/23, 27 Stnfdvl KCF; 2/14 CaryFT; 1/all MVW; 2/8 JA/KJ; 2/19 Dover CP.

**Yellow Warbler** -- 8/27 Stnfdvl KCF; 8/14 CaryFT; 8/21 Pawling CP; reports of up to 6 from 6 other places.

**Chestnut-sided Warbler** -- 6/5 Sharparoon CP; also from PNR, Nellie Hill, WCloveMtn, Stnfdvl.

**Magnolia Warbler** -- 3/25 Nellie Hill FT - 2m, 1f - unusual in summer, had one here last year in July.

**Black-throated Blue Warbler** -- 2m1f/20 Nuclear Lk KCF; 3/12 Sharparoon, 1/6 PNR CP.

**Black-throated Green Warbler** -- 3/18 Tamarack Preserve FT; 1/11 Nuclear Lk FT; 1/12 Sharparoon CP.

**Blackburnian Warbler** -- 1/19 Byrds Hill Rd Dover, 1/31 Sharparoon CP.

**Pine Warbler** -- 2/6, 12 West Clove Mtn Rd BB.

**Prairie Warbler** -- 6/27 Stnfdvl KCF; 6/25 Nellie Hill FT; 6/31 Sharparoon CP; 4/14 Cary FT; 1/19 nest BAM; and more.

**Cerulean Warbler** --: 1/6 Pawling Nature Reserve CP.

**Black-and-white Warbler** --1/16, 4/27 Stnfdvl KCF; 3/31 Sharparoon CP; about 8 other reports of singles.

**American Redstart** --3-5 at Sharparoon and PNR CP; 1-3 from 8 other places.

**Worm-eating Warbler** -- 1/27 Stnfdvl KCF; 1/3, 3/6 PNR, 1/12 Sharparoon CP.

**Ovenbird** --5/5 Sharparoon, 4/3, 6 PNR CP; 1-3 at Wassaic St Sch, TamPres, Cary, WCloveMtn, and more.

**Louisiana Waterthrush** -- 4 each at PNR, Sharparoon, also at TamPres, Nuclear Lk, Cary, WCloveMtn, Stnfdvl.

**Common Yellowthroat** -- widespread reports of 6-10. Abundant in suitable habitat.

**Hooded Warbler** -- 1/3, 6/30 Pawling Nature Reserve, 1/14, 2/20 Berkshire Rd, 2/19 Byrds Hill Rd CP.

**Canada Warbler** -- 1/12 Sharparoon CP.

**Scarlet Tanager** --5 each at PNR, Sharparoon CP; 4/11 Nuclear Lk FT; 1juv/6 BBc; also several other places.

**Eastern Towhee** -- 8/25 Nellie Hill FT; 6/31 Sharparoon CP; 1yng/26 MVW; lots of other reports.

**Chipping Sparrow** --12/14 CaryFT; 10/21 Byrds Hill Rd CP; 2pr, 6yng/all BBc; many widespread reports.

**Field Sparrow** -- 10/4 AppTr CP; 6/27 Stnfdvl KCF; 4 at Cary, Nellie Hill and Wassaic St Sch; 6 others.

**Savannah Sparrow** -- 1/13 Rail Trail, 4/13 Amenia BB; 1/14, 10/20 Berkshire Rd CP.

**Song Sparrow** --ubiquitous in good numbers. BAM had pr feeding 2 cowbirds and 1 of theirs.

**Swamp Sparrow** -- 5/7 Wassaic St Sch FT; 3/13 HVRT BB, CP; 3/5 Sharparoon CP; and State Line Rd, Clove Valley.

**Dark-eyed Junco** -- 5/18 Tamarack Preserve FT.

**Northern Cardinal** -- 7-15 incl 7 young/all Pleasant Valley MVW; everyone has some, many with young.

**Rose-breasted Grosbeak** --huge numbers all month, Stormville BER; 4/14 Cary FT; on most trip lists.

**Indigo Bunting** -- 10/7 Wassaic St Sch FT - in one large weedy field; at least 10 reports of up to 4.

**Bobolink** --: 10/4 Appalachian Trail@ W Dover Rd, 3/5, 20/20 Berkshire Rd, 1/6 Byrds Hill Rd CP.

**Eastern Meadowlark** -- 5/20 Berkshire Rd, 1/21 Hurds Cors CP; 2/6 CloveVly, 1/13 Amenia BB; regularly HA.

**Brown-headed Cowbird** -- 6/14 Cary FT; 1-4 in many places.

**Orchard Oriole** -- female and 1st year male/15-23 BBc

**Baltimore Oriole** -- 4/20 Nuclear Lk KCF; 10/19 Pawling/Dover, 2-8/all Poughquag, 4/31 Sharparoon CP; and more.

**Purple Finch** -- 1/3-6, 12 Pleasant Valley MVW; 1/2, 15 Poughquag CP.

**House Finch** -- 2m, 8-10f, yng/all mo BBc; most have 2-6.

**American Goldfinch** -- 100/6 NQuakerHill CP; several reports of 20; they are everywhere, nesting.

**House Sparrow** -- 10/17 S Chippewala Rd CP; a few at BBc, EP, BB, JA/KJ, and Wassaic St Sch.

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**Field Trips:** 7th Wassaic State School; 11th Nuclear Lake; 14th Cary Arboretum (IES); 18th Turkey Hollow aka Tamarack Preserve; 25th Nellie Hill.

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## August 2001 Records

As usual August was hot and dry with a few days over 100 degrees and all streams and ponds very low. No real migrants were reported outside of a few dispersed Great Egrets and six Nighthawks on the 27th.

I have not listed "places found" unless it is of special interest, otherwise assume Dutchess County in general.

The following species are considered permanent residents and are not itemized below: Canada Goose; Mallard; Rock Dove; Mourning Dove; Red-bellied, Downy and Hairy Woodpeckers; Northern Flicker; Blue Jay; American Crow; White-breasted Nuthatch; European Starling; Black-capped Chickadee; Tufted Titmouse; Red-winged Blackbird; Common Grackle; and House Sparrow

**Double-crested Cormorant** -- 1/22 Tamarack Lake. FT  
**Great Blue Heron** -- over 20 reported  
**Great Egret** -- 4/13; 1/28 Wappingers BAM; 1/5 Esopus Light House JD; 1/28-31 Home AP; 2/30 Red Hook, TG;  
**Green Heron** -- 1/11, 1/24, BAM.  
**Black-crowned Night-Heron** -- 1/2, 1/24 New Hamburg BAM. (1/27 New Hamburg-Dot Fleury)  
**Turkey Vulture** -- over 15 reported.  
**Mute Swan** -- 13 adults and 5 cygnets.-Myers Corners Pond, Hillside Lake, Thompson Pond.  
**Wood Duck** -- 55 reported.  
**American Black Duck** -- 20/3 Harlem Valley CP and BB  
**Osprey** -- 1/5 Esopus Lighthouse, JD  
**Bald Eagle** -- 1/5 Esopus Lighthouse, JD.  
**Northern Harrier** -- 1/22, FT  
**Sharp-shinned Hawk** -- 1/8 home, BAM; 1/15 FT; daily MVW  
**Cooper's Hawk** -- 1/16 Waterbury Hill, BB.  
**Red-shouldered Hawk** -- 1/10-17 Old Camby Road John Winkler  
**Broad-winged Hawk** -- 1 daily JD; 1/22 FT.  
**Red-tailed Hawk** -- 10+ four young.  
**American Kestrel** -- 2/3 Dover, 3/9 Pawling CP; 1/16, Waterbury Hill, BB.  
**Ring-necked Pheasant** -- 1/3 Dover, CP.  
**Wild Turkey** -- 12/9 Pawling CP; 28/13 home with young BAM; 3/30 Diddell Road BAM  
**Virginia Rail** -- 4 adults and one juv. on the 3rd. Harlem Valley Rail Trail=HVRT, BB&CP  
**Killdeer** -- 3/3 HVRT BB&CP; 5/5 Wappingers BAM; many at Van Wagner Rd pond MVW.  
**Spotted Sandpiper** -- 3/3 HVRT, BB&CP.  
**Yellow-billed Cuckoo** -- 1/1 FT; 1/7 home BB; 1/8 FT.  
**Great Horned Owl** -- 1/all Home, quiet, JD; 1/30 My daughter said there was a woman crying every night. MVW.  
**Eastern Screech-Owl** -- 1/1-14 Red Hook TG; 1/9 Home BB.  
**Common Nighthawk** -- 6/27 Poughkeepsie KS.  
**Chimney Swift** -- 1/16 CP; 10/7, 1/12 BAM; 20/18 EP; 10-12 flying high evenings MVW.  
**Ruby-throated Hummingbird** -- 20 or more reported, E. Rosen reports many. Males left on the 24th TG and on the 29th BAM; males gone, still 3 female or young MVW.  
**Belted Kingfisher** -- 5 reported.

**Yellow-bellied Sapsucker** -- 1 imm. /11 Deep Hollow, FT.  
**Pileated Woodpecker** -- 10 reported.  
**Eastern Wood-Pewee** -- about 40 reported.  
**Acadian Flycatcher** -- 1/8 FT; 2/11 FT; 2/2 Pawling Nature Preserve CP.  
**Willow Flycatcher** -- 3/3 HVRT Amenia BB&CP.  
**Least Flycatcher** -- only 6 reported.  
**Eastern Phoebe** -- fairly common  
**Great Crested Flycatcher** -- only 4 listed, must be more.  
**Eastern Kingbird** -- over 25 reported.  
**White-eyed Vireo** -- 1/9 Pawling, CP.  
**Yellow-throated Vireo** -- 16 reported.  
**Blue-headed Vireo** -- 1/16, Sharparoon, CP. 4/8, Pond Gut, FT.  
**Warbling Vireo** -- 1/22 FT; 5/3 HVRT BB&CP; 1/9 home BB.  
**Red-eyed Vireo** -- 20+ reported.  
**Common Raven** -- 2/8 Pond Gut, FT, 2/15 Thompson Pond, FT.  
**Tree Swallow** -- 25-30 reported. (low)  
**Cliff Swallow** -- 3/3 McEnroe Farm, Amenia, CP.  
**Barn Swallow** -- over 100 reported.  
**Red-breasted Nuthatch** -- 1/2 Pawling Nature Preserve CP; 2/3 & 1/16 Sharparoon CP; 1/15 & 1/17 Stormville BER.  
**Brown Creeper** -- 2/2 Pawling Nature Preserve, CP. 2/8, FT.  
**Carolina Wren** -- 18 reported. TG reports 2 roosting in hanging basket on front porch, who scold when disturbed when they want to go to sleep.  
**House Wren** -- Less than 10 reported, there must be many more around.  
**Winter Wren** -- 3/11, FT. 1/2, Pawling Nature Reserve, CP. 1/7 Dover, CP.  
**Marsh Wren** -- 4/3 HVRT, BB&CP; 1/15 FT.  
**Golden-crowned Kinglet** -- 1/11 FT.  
**Blue-gray Gnatcatcher** -- 12 reported.  
**Eastern Bluebird** -- over 25 reported.  
**Veery** -- 13 reported.  
**Hermit Thrush** -- 2/8 Pond Gut FT; 2/2 Pawling Nature Reserve CP.  
**Wood Thrush** -- 15 reported.  
**Gray Catbird** -- normal  
**Northern Mockingbird** -- Normal  
**Cedar Waxwing** -- More plentiful in late August, 20/18 EP; 15/28 OTW.  
**Blue-winged Warbler** -- 1/3 Amenia BB&CP; 1/9 Pawling CP; at birdbath MVW.  
**Yellow Warbler** -- 11 reported.  
**Chestnut-sided Warbler** -- 6/2, 1/3, 1/9 CP; 1/11 FT; 1/8 FT; 2/15 FT; 1/7 BAM  
**Magnolia Warbler** -- 1/16 imm. Sharparoon CP.  
**Black-throated Green Warbler** -- 11 reported.  
**Black-and-white Warbler** -- 28 reported.  
**American Redstart** -- 17 reported  
**Worm-eating Warbler** -- 4/2, Pawling Nature Preserve, 2/16 Sharparoon, 2/7 & 1/10 CP; 1/21-25 home MVW.  
**Ovenbird** -- 14 reported.  
**Louisiana Waterthrush** -- 3/2 Pawling Nature Reserve, 2/7 Dover CP; 4/11 FT.  
**Common Yellowthroat** -- Normal.  
**Hooded Warbler** -- 8/2 Pawling Nature Reserve, 4/10 Berkshire Road CP.  
**Scarlet Tanager** -- 30 reported.  
**Eastern Towhee** -- 6/1 FT; 2/all home BB.





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**Chipping Sparrow** -- 35 reported.

**Field Sparrow** -- 10 reported.

**Song Sparrow** -- normal or fewer.

**Northern Cardinal** -- Normal

**Rose-breasted Grosbeak** -- Normal

**Swamp Sparrow** -- 1/8 FT; 2/15 FT; 5/3 HVRT BB.

**Indigo Bunting** -- 1/10 Dover CP; 2/1 FT.

**Bobolink** -- 4/10 Dover CP.

**Brown-headed Cowbird** -- High counts of 40/7, Dover CP, and 50 on the 24th at home BAM

**Baltimore Oriole** -- Normal numbers.

**Purple Finch** -- MVW had some.

**House Finch** -- Normal.

**American Goldfinch** -- Normal numbers.

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**Field Trips:** **1st**-Cary Arboretum; **8th**- Pond Gut; **11th**- Deep Hollow; **18th**- Thompson Pond; **22nd**- Tamarack Lake

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## September 2001 Records

September was frost-free in most areas. Late rain brought back lawns and perked up some streams. Blue Jays were moving by the later part of the month. Many people had Purple Finches at their feeders. A very large flock of mixed Turkey and Black Vultures continue to feed and roost in the Verbank valley. No hawk movements noted.

**Great Blue Heron** -- 1-3 few areas.

**Great Egret** -- 1/1,6,12 EP; 1/3-17 TG; 3/12 Haight Rd FT; 1/all Amenia JD.

**Black Vulture** -- 18-20/all Verbank BB,HA.

**Turkey Vulture** -- 22+/27 roosting on wire Poughquag, MK; 25-30/all Verbank; 14/30 CV; Still many in county.

**Canada Goose** -- many all over.

**Mute Swan** -- 3-4 many places. Some juveniles.

**Wood Duck** -- 40-50/12 Hillside Lake BAM; 5/15 BDL.

**Mallard** -- 50-60/12 Hillside Lake BAM; good numbers most areas.

**Osprey** -- 1/28 over Wappingers Creek MVW.

**Northern Harrier** -- 4/12 Haight Rd FT; 1/30 CV.

**Sharp-shinned Hawk** -- 1/all MVW; 1/4 TG; 1/12 FT; 1/19 FT; 1/29 BDL.

**Cooper's Hawk** -- 1/7-16, 2/19 TG; 1/15-29 BDL after feeder birds.

**Red-shouldered Hawk** -- 3/all - Hunt in my woods almost daily. MK.

**Red-tailed Hawk** -- Good numbers.

**American Kestrel** -- 6/18 eastern Dutchess HA, MVW; 1/30 CV; 1/12 Haight Rd FT.

**Wild Turkey** -- doing very well.

**Ruffed Grouse** -- none reported.

**Killdeer** -- many along VanWagner Rd MVW; 1/12 FT.

**Shorebirds** -- none reported.

**Eastern Screech-Owl** -- The owl that roosts across the creek was gone all month, but he has come back the last several years EP; 1/13 yard and 1/7-13 at John Winkler's BB.

**Great Horned Owl** -- daily JD; hear often Verbank HA; 1/24 CP.

**Barred Owl** -- 1/20 calling yard SJD.

**Long-eared Owl** -- 1/7 Red Hook TG.

**Common Nighthawk** -- 3/4, 1/6 Red Hook TG.

**Chimney Swift** -- 3/15 over yard BDL; 5/17, 6/22 late evening, flying high south MVW.

**Ruby-throated Hummingbird** -- last/15 BAM,HA; 1/29 MVW; 1/25 BMa.

**Red-bellied Woodpecker** -- well reported.

**Yellow-bellied Sapsucker** -- 1/19 Buttercup FT; 1/26 Sharparoon FT.

**Pileated Woodpecker** -- 3+/all They do their dancing around & around tree. Setting up winter territory. MK; 2/all MVW; also 1 each HA, BAM, BDL.

**Least Flycatcher** -- 1/10 BB.

**Eastern Phoebe** -- still good numbers.

**Great Crested Flycatcher** -- 1/9 by creek BDL.

**Eastern Kingbird** -- 1/12 Haight Rd FT; only report.

**Blue-headed Vireo** -- 1/26 Sharparoon FT.

**Warbling Vireo** -- 3/12 Haight Rd FT; 1/19 Buttercup FT.

**Philadelphia Vireo** -- 1/19 Buttercup FT; 1/23 BB.

**Red-eyed Vireo** -- still singing/30 MVW; 1/12 FT; 3/19 FT.

**Blue Jay** -- moving by mid-month.

**Common Raven** -- 1/26 Sharparoon FT.

**Tree Swallow** -- 25/26 Sharparoon FT.

**Red-breasted Nuthatch** -- 1/9-10,13 yd BAM; 1/15-27 BDL; 1/26-27 BER; 1 MVW; 2/26 Sharparoon FT.

**Brown Creeper** -- 1/30 yard BDL; 1/25 MVW.

**Carolina Wren** -- on most reports.

**House Wren** -- 1/12 Haight Rd FT.

**Ruby-crowned Kinglet** -- 3/30 Rombout Rd CV; 2/19 Buttercup FT.

**Eastern Bluebird** -- good reports; 9/30 Rombout Rd CV.

**Veery** -- 1/15 MVW.

**Swainson's Thrush** -- 1/26 Sharparoon FT.

**Northern Mockingbird** -- singing around yard HA; 6/30 Rombout Rd CV.

**Brown Thrasher** -- 1/20 yard SJD.

**European Starling** -- huge flocks HA.

**Cedar Waxwing** -- nice little flocks catching bugs and eating berries.

**Blue-winged Warbler** -- MVW several times at bird bath.

**Nashville Warbler** -- 1/19 Buttercup FT.

**Chestnut-sided Warbler** -- 1/26 Sharparoon FT.

**Magnolia Warbler** -- 2/12, 2/19, 3/26 all field trips.

**Yellow-rumped Warbler** -- 10/30 Rombout Rd CV; 1/19 MVW; 2/19 FT; 30/26 Sharparoon FT.

**Black-throated Green Warbler** -- 2/10, 1/13-15 BAM; 1/22 BDL; 3/12, 2/19, 6/26 FT; 1/13 BB.

**Blackburnian Warbler** -- 1/12 Haight Rd FT.

**Pine Warbler** -- 1/19 Buttercup FT.

**Palm Warbler** -- 2/12 Haight Rd FT.

**Blackpoll Warbler** -- 1/19 Buttercup FT.

**Black-and-white Warbler** -- 1/26 Sharparoon FT.

**American Redstart** -- 1/19 at birdbath MVW; 2/26 Sharparoon FT.

**Worm-eating Warbler** -- at birdbath/3-4 MVW.

**Common Yellowthroat** -- 1/18 HA,MVW; 2/12 Haight Rd FT; 2/19 Buttercup FT.

**Scarlet Tanager** -- 1/18 Haight Rd HA,MVW; 1/12 Haight Rd FT; 2/19 Buttercup FT.

**Eastern Towhee** -- 1/24 Mack Rd HA; 8/30 Rombout Rd "very vocal" CV; 3/19 Buttercup FT.

**Chipping Sparrow** -- 4/18 HA,MVW; 6/30 CV; 10/26 Sharparoon FT.

**Field Sparrow** -- 2/all BB; 2/30 CV.

**Savannah Sparrow** -- 1/12 Haight Rd FT.

**Song Sparrow** -- 6/18 eastern Dutchess MVW,HA; 4/30 CV; 5/all BB.

**White-throated Sparrow** -- 1/23-29 BDL; 4/30 CV; 1/19 Buttercup FT; 1/30 MVW; 5/20 SJD.

**Dark-eyed Junco** -- 1/23-30 BDL; 1/25 BB; 2/30 CP; 2/30 CV.

**Rose-breasted Grosbeak** -- few times at feeder EP; 1/26 FT; 1/11-14 BAM; 6-8/all BER.

**Eastern Meadowlark** -- 3/13, 8/26 farm HA.

**Common Grackle** -- 5/9 BAM; 6/15 BDL.

**Baltimore Oriole** -- 1/3 BB.

**Purple Finch** -- 1/24 HA; 5/23-30 BDL; 1/19 Buttercup FT; 1/28-30 EP; 2/17-30 BER; 1/30 CV.

**House Finch** -- 10/18 MVW, HA; 8 feeder BER; 4/9-16 BAM; 10/all BDL; are the numbers down?

**American Goldfinch** -- coming to feeders some still quite yellow - abundant.



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**Field Trips (FT):** **12th** Haight Rd., **19th** Buttercup East, **26th** Sharparoon

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## October 2001 Records

October graced us with beautiful colors and some warm days for our birding trips. Our harbingers of winter, White-throated Sparrows and Dark-eyed Juncos, arrived in numbers. And as Halloween approached, so did the cold northern winds and some interesting migrants. Pine Siskins began turning up at feeders, several Evening Grosbeaks and a Gray-cheeked Thrush were seen, and 35 Black Scoters spent a day on a local lake. Throughout the month, various migrating sparrows were seen, including Savannah, Lincoln's, Fox, and Vesper. Yellow-rumped Warblers were on the move with flocks showing up everywhere.

**Pied-billed Grebe** - 10 reports from Amenia, RoundPd, WappLk, LkOniad, WappCrk, Abel's Pond, SylvanLk. Highest 2/11 RoundPd CV

**Double-crested Cormorant** - 5/3 Norrie, 5/11, 4/13-17, 2/27 Wapp Lk, 1/26 WappCrk, 1/28 Holiday Hills BAM, 1/17 FT, 7/31 FT

**Great Blue Heron** - Many reports throughout county all month. Highest 2/11 & 4/13 WappLk BAM, 1-2/1-26 Round Pond CV, 2/31 FT

**Great Egret** - 1/5, 6 Red Hook TG, 1/20 Fishkill Cemetery CM, 1/27 Wapp. Lk. BAM

**Black-crowned Night-Heron** - 5/14 Wapp Cr at New Hamburg PG, 20/Sept 27 Dennings Point SI

**Black Vulture** - 5/28 Rombout Rd CV, 2/19 Vassar Rd. Pok. CP, 1/25 Tymor BBo, kettle/17<sup>th</sup> over house PIVAl JD

**Turkey Vulture** - Seen throughout month. High reports: 15/4 Stissing Mtn CV, 6/10 FT, 5/29 Beekman CP, 4/25 Tymor BBo

**Snow Goose** - First seen on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 19/11 Round Pond, 15/26 Thompson Pond CV

**Canada Goose** - Many reports incl: 82/11 LkOniad, 110/13 WappLk BAM, 130/Abel's Pd BB, 75/29 Rhinebeck JM, 1000/11 RoundPd CV

**Brant** - 1/3 Norrie Point BAM, 2/13 FT, 50/22 Pawling JL

**Mute Swan** - Reports included 7/4 Thompson Pond CV, 8/13 & 16/27 Wapp Lk BAM, 5/10 Abel's Pond BB, 7/30 Sylvan Lake CP

**Wood Duck** - 10 reports incl: 9/27 WappLk, 7+/28 LkWalton BAM, 4/25 WappCrk EP, 16/8 Conservancy Pond PIVAl & 33/11 Amenia CV

**American Wigeon** - 1m/13 Wapp Lk BAM

**American Black Duck** - 2/6, 3/11, 3/17, 9/27 LkOniad, 3/13 Wapp Lk, 4/28 Holiday Hills BAM, 4/8 Cnsrvncy Pond & 6/26 Amenia CV

**Mallard** - Many reports incl. 80/2 RoundPd CV, 40/17 LkOniad, 62/13 WappLk, 39/28 SylvanLk, 60/28 LkWalton BAM

**Blue-winged Teal** - 2/11 Round Pond CV, 5/19 Dover MVW/HA

**Northern Pintail** - 1/19 Dover MVW/HA, pr/27 WappLk BAM

**Green-winged Teal** - 18/2 & 4/11 Round Pond CV, 1f/13 Wapp Lk BAM

**Ring-necked Duck** - 50/10, 100/24, 150/28 Abel's Pond BB, 80/26 Thompson Pond CV, 34/28 Lk. Walton BAM, 10/29-30 Sylvan Lake CP

**Black Scoter** - 35/28 Quaker Lake CP, BAM and 4 other observers

**Bufflehead** - 1/28 Abel's Pond BB, 7/30 Quaker Lake & 4/30 Sylvan Lake CP

**Common Merganser** - 1/19 Dover MVW, 2/31 females FT

**Ruddy Duck** - 18/10, 10/24, 28 Abel's Pond BB, 4/11, 8/26 Round Pond CV, 50/28 Sylvan Lk. BAM, 50/29 & 110/30 Sylvan Lake CP

**Bald Eagle** - 1/18 adult, Norrie Point CCG

**Northern Harrier** - 1/2 HVRT & 1/11 Round Pond CV, 2/3 FT, 1/17 FT

**Sharp-shinned & Cooper's Hawks** - Seen at many feeders as well as in the field.

**Broad-winged Hawk** - 1/3 Verbank JW

**Red-tailed Hawk** - 12 reports including 5/2&11 HVRT CV, 3/3 FT, 3/10 FT, 5/20 FT

**American Kestrel** - 2/1 Vassar Farm & 2/2 HVRT CV, 2/3 FT, 1/10 FT, 1/13 FT, 2/21 Red Hook TG

**Peregrine Falcon** - 2/9 Mid-Hudson RR Bridge (seen from Waryas Park) CV

**Wild Turkey** - 7/6-31 yard most days BAM, 30/11 Sleight-Plass Rd CV, 10/18-31 feeder Verbank BB, 12/22 Rhinebeck JM, 50/yd MVW

**American Coot** - Turning up in numbers. Highest: 81+/28 Sylvan Lk BAM, 50/29-30 SylvanLk CP

**Killdeer** - 1/10 FT, 2/10 Adriance Farm W. Clinton JM, 12/11 Round Pond CV

**Greater Yellowlegs** - 1/2 Round Pond CV

**Ring-billed & Herring Gulls** - Usual numbers

**Great Black-backed Gull** - 1/9 Hudson R. Pok (seen from Waryas Park) CV

**Rock Dove & Mourning Dove** - As expected

**Eastern Screech-Owl** - 1/21 yd EP, 1/30 Red Hook TG, daily until tree cut down Stream Lane MVW

**Great Horned Owl** - 2/4 & 12 Alvin Ct. Pok CV, daily PI Val JD

**Barred Owl** - 1/17 FT

**Long-eared Owl** - 1/29 Red Hook TG

**Chimney Swift** - 2/3 FT

**Ruby-throated Hummingbird** - 1/6 at red impatiens MVW

**Belted Kingfisher** - 7 reports of 1-2 each.

**Red-Bellied, Downy, Hairy, and Pileated Woodpeckers** - Good numbers.

**Yellow-bellied Sapsucker** - 1/8 yd Pok, 1/8 Rombout Rd 3/2 HVRT CV, 1/13 FT, 1/22 Ferncliff KCF, 2/24 FT, 2/31 FT

**Northern Flicker** - 6/2 HVRT CV, 3/3 FT, 1/8 & 1/12-14 yard BAM, 2/10 FT, 2/13 FT, 3/17 FT, 4/20 FT, 1/24 FT, 4/31 FT

**Eastern Phoebe** - 1/1-14 yard BB, 10/2 HVRT CV, 8/3 FT, 2/10 FT, 2/13 FT, 4/20 FT, 1/1-15 EP

**Blue-headed Vireo** - 1/1 Vassar Farm, 1/2, 11 HVRT CV, 1/13 FT, 1/17 FT, 1/22 Ferncliff KCF

**Red-eyed Vireo** - 1/22 Ferncliff KCF, 1 seen in yd (nested there) MVW

**Blue Jay and American Crow** - Abundant. Crows starting to gather for roosting at end of month.

**Fish Crow** - seen at Grand Union & also yd Pleasant Valley MVW

**Common Raven** - 1/2 Verbank BB, 1/4, 26 Stissing Mtn CV, 1/15 Pawling JL, 2/22 Pawling JL, 1/26 Sharparoon FT,

**Tree Swallow** - 4/13 FT, 15/17 FT

**Black-capped Chickadee, Tufted Titmouse, White-breasted Nuthatch** - Usual good numbers.

**Red-breasted Nuthatch** - 1/20 WappFls BAM, 1/24 FT, 1/25-28 feeder Alvin Ct Pok CV, 1/28 WappFls BC, 1/30 yd MVW

**Brown Creeper** - 1/2, 4, 5, 9, 14 yd Alvin Ct Pok CV, 4/10, 2/16, 3/28 yd Pok MK, 1/10 yd EP, 1/24 FT, 1/25 Tymor BBo



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**Carolina Wren** - Well reported all month throughout the county. High counts: 4/24 FT, 3/28 Rombout Rd CV, 3/all yd MVW

**House Wren** - 1/1 Vassar Farm, 1/5 Rombout Rd CV

**Winter Wren** - 1/23 Rombout Rd CV

**Golden-crowned Kinglet** - 1/9, 10 & 25th yard BAM, 2/17 FT, 4/22 Ferncliff KCF, 5/24 FT, 5/24 Mack Rd BB, 2/31 FT

**Ruby-crowned Kinglet** - 2/4 yd JA/KJ, 4/6-8, 1/9-27 yd BAM, 7/11 HVRT CV, 1/17 FT, 1/20 FT, 4/22 Ferncliff KCF, 10/24 FT, 1/31 FT

**Eastern Bluebird** - Many reports. Highest: 15/3 FT, 30/10 FT, 12/13 FT, 20/20 FT, 10/24 FT, 7/31 FT, 15/10 Rombout Rd CV

**Gray-cheeked Thrush** - 2/27 Reese Audubon Sanc. WappFls by Allan only BAM

**Swainson's Thrush** - 1/10 yd Pok-usually has more than one-MK

**Hermit Thrush** - 1/13 FT, 1/22 Ferncliff KCF, 1/27 Alvin Ct Pok & 1/28 Overlook Rd CV

**American Robin** - Many reports with some large flocks. 10/3 FT, 8-10/8 yd BAM, 50/24 yard BB, 30/24 FT, 20/31 FT

**Gray Catbird** - 25-30/2 HVRT, none seen after the 11<sup>th</sup> CV, 1/3 FT, 1/8-13 yard then gone BAM, 2/10 FT

**Northern Mockingbird** - Many reports including 10/5 Rombout Rd CV, 4/13 FT, 4/20 FT, 3/24 FT, 2-4/all No.CreekRd. JM

**European Starling** - 50/10 FT, 20/13 FT, flock/16 Hollow Rd. JM, 30/20 FT, 50+/23 yd with grackles BAM, 200/24 FT

**American Pipit** - 40/11 Sheffield Hill Rd., also seen 2<sup>nd</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> CV

**Cedar Waxwing** - 4/3 FT, 60/20 FT, 25/23 Rombout Rd CV, 4/24 FT, small flocks 2, 10, 12 Red Hook TG, 50+/31 FT, daily yd MVW

**Magnolia Warbler** - 1/1 Vassar Farm CV

**Black-throated Blue Warbler** - 1/1 Vassar Farm CV

**Yellow-rumped Warbler** - Many incl. 20/1 Vassar Farm, 20/5 PIVAl CV, 6/3 FT, 6-8/8 yd BAM, 5/22 Ferncliff KCF, many/2,3 RedHk TG

**Palm Warbler** - 1/1 Vassar Farm CV, 6/3 FT, 2/10 FT, 3/13 FT, 2/20 FT

**Blackpoll Warbler** - 1/10 yd Depot Hill CP

**Black-and-white Warbler** - 1/24 FT

**Common Yellowthroat** - 1/22 Ferncliff KCF

**Eastern Towhee** - 6/1 Vassar Farm, none after 11<sup>th</sup> CV, 2/1-21 yard BB, 2/3 FT, 1/10 Red Hook TG, 1/10 FT, 1/25-27 yd Depot Hill CP

**Chipping Sparrow** - 2/1-28 feeder & 1/10 Abel's Pond BB, 4/3 FT, 15/8 Rombout Rd, 15/11 HVRT CV, 3/20 FT

**Field Sparrow** - 2/3 FT, 1-3/occasionally yard BB, 4/11 HVRT CV

**Vesper Sparrow** - 2/13 FT, 1/20 FT

**Savannah Sparrow** - 20/10 FT, 10/11 HVRT CV, 8/13 FT, 6/20 FT

**Fox Sparrow** - 1/23 Rombout Rd CV, 3/28 feeder briefly BB, 1/31 Red Hook TG

**Song Sparrow** - 2/3 FT, 15/10 FT, 12/11 HVRT CV, 6/13 FT, 10/20 FT, 1/22 Ferncliff KCF, 20/24 FT, 5/all yard BB, 1/31 FT, 2-3/all EP

**Lincoln's Sparrow** - 2/10 FT, 1/24 FT

**Swamp Sparrow** - 1/10 FT, 3/2 HVRT & others during month CV

**White-throated Sparrow** - Back in good numbers. Earliest report 6<sup>th</sup>. Highest reports 30/2 HVRT, 25/28 Rombout Rd CV

**White-crowned Sparrow** - 2/20 FT, 1/14 Marion's feeder immature plumage BB, 1/11 HVRT, 2/23 Rombout Rd CV

**Dark-eyed Junco** - On all reports. 20/24 Mack Rd, 20/all yard BB, up to 15/3-31 yd Pok CV, 20/all yd CP

**Northern Cardinal** - Number as expected

**Indigo Bunting** - 1/28 Domin Farm (adult in winter plumage) CV

**Red-winged Blackbird** - 40/3 FT, 2/20 FT, 1/21 yd JA/KJ, 100/23 PIVAl CV, 1000+/31 mixed flock with grackles and cowbirds FT

**Eastern Meadowlark** - 6/3 FT, 6/11 HVRT CV, 6/13 FT

**Rusty Blackbird** - 15/26 Thompson Pond, 3/27 yd Pok CV

**Common Grackle** - Flocks seen: 60/22, 450/14, 150/23 mixed flock WappFls BAM, 75/23 PIVAl CV, 2000+/20 yd w/some redwings BB

**Brown-headed Cowbird** - 9/3 FT, 20/11 HVRT CV, 60+/13 FT, 20/20 FT

**Purple Finch** - Surprisingly many reports (over 20) including 4/8 WappFls BC, 30/11 HVRT & 3-5/all feeders Pok CV, 3-7<sup>th</sup> yd BAM

**House Finch** - 10 reports. Highest 10/3 FT, 10/13 FT, 60/20 FT, 20/26 feeder one with light pink head BB, 10-15/all EP

**Pine Siskin** - 10 delighted reports. Earliest 1/15 WappFls BC. Highest 10/31 WappFls BC, 8-10/26-29 yard BB, 6/29 yd Salt Pt. BBo

**American Goldfinch** - Good numbers. Highest 35+/22 yd BAM, 30/13 FT, 40/20 FT, 10-15/all yd EP, 30/27 yd CV

**Evening Grosbeak** - 1/23 Ruth Greenwood's feeder BB, 3/28 feeder yd BB, 7/30 yd SaltPt BBo, 1/30 WappFls BC, 3/31 PIVAlley MS

**House Sparrow** - 2/3 FT, 10/13 FT, 2-3/all EP

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**Field Trips (FT):** 3<sup>rd</sup> Andrews Farm (Clove Valley), 10<sup>th</sup> Stony Kill, 13<sup>th</sup> Southland Farm (Rhinebeck), 17<sup>th</sup> Mills Mansion, 20<sup>th</sup> Vassar Farm, 24<sup>th</sup> Tymor Park, 31<sup>st</sup> Norrie Point

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## November 2001 Records

The unusually warm weather through the month found lakes & ponds open. Cold temperatures were only a day here and there. Some of our common species have been omitted from this report.

**Pied-billed Grebe** - 1/3 Hillside Lk., BAM; 1/5 & 2/18 Stissing Lk., CV.

**Double-crested Cormorant** - 3/3 2Norrie Pt. & 1 Wapp. Lk., BAM; 1/7 Denning's Pt., FT.

**Great Blue Heron** - 11 reported by BAM; FT; BB/CP; EP & CV.

**Great Egret** - 1/6 & 7 Wapp. Lk., BAM; 1/7 Wapp Lk., CV.

**Black Vulture** - 6/11 over gravel pit near Greenhaven Prison, Russ O'Malley.

**Turkey Vulture** - 24+ reported throughout county.

**Snow Goose** - 7/17 with Canada's, Stanfordville, JD.

**Wood Duck** - 13/6 & 5/8 Wapp. Lk. cove east side, 25+3 & 15+7 Lk. Walton, BAM; 10/1-18 Conservancy pd., CV.

**American Wigeon** - 1/3 Wapp Lk., BAM; 1+6-30 & 4/10 Round Pd., CV.

**Gadwall** - 8/6 & 7/8 Wapp. Lk. cove east side, BAM.

**American Black Duck** - 5/7 Lk. Walton, 4/8 Lk Onaid, BAM; 16/1-30 Conservancy Pd., CV.

**Northern Pintail** - 2m/8 Wapp. Lk. cove east side, BAM; 4/7 Wapp Lk., CV.

**Green-winged Teal** - 8/10 Round Pd., CV.

**Canvasback** - 100+/15 Hudson River @ Poet's walk, CV.

**Ring-necked Duck** - 30+/3 & 16/7 Lk. Walton, BAM; 100/30 Abel's Pd, BB; 10/1 Sylvan Lk CP; see on Travers & Sylvan Lk, JD; 8/30 Round Pd., CV.

**Lesser Scaup** - 2/5 Twin Is. Lk., 2/30 Round Pd., CV.

**Bufflehead** - 3/5 Stissing Lk., CV.

**Common Goldeneye** - 1/30 Round Pd., CV.

**Hooded Merganser** - 8/14 Norrie Pt., MVW; pr/16 Traver's pd, JD; 1m/15 Vandenberg Cove stream, CV.

**Common Merganser** - 2/6 Round Pd., CV.

**Ruddy Duck** - 2/7 Lk. Walton, BAM; 20/30 Abel's Pd BB; 50/1 Sylvan Lk CP; 1+6-30 & 8/10 Round Pd., CV.

**Bald Eagle** - 1ad./18 Stissing Mt. (flying & sitting), CV.

**Northern Harrier** - 1/3 Shaughnessy Rd UnionVale CP; 1/18 Stissing Mt. Rd. & 1/30 Round Pd., CV.

**Sharp-shinned Hawk** - 11 reported by FT; BAM; BB; ES; CP & CV.

**Cooper's Hawk** - 1/19,20,22 yd Depot Hill CP; 1/17 yard, MP; 1/5 Buttercup west, CV.

**Red-shouldered Hawk** - 2/17, 24,& 25th (almost daily) Tree Top Ln,MK.

**Red-tailed Hawk** - well reported.

**Golden Eagle** - 1/18 Stissing Mt. - flying & dueling with 2 Red tails, CV.

**Peregrine Falcon** - 1/2 & 15 Mid Hudson RR bridge, CV.

**Ring-necked Pheasant** - 1/3 Shaughnessy Rd UnionVale CP.

**Wild Turkey** - 6-20 reported by BAM; ES; CP; EP; & CV reports 70-100 @ Domin's farm.

**Northern Bobwhite** - 10-12/5 Buttercup west, CV.

**American Coot** - 1-10 reported usual places & 50/1 Pawling Nature Reserve CP.

**Killdeer** - 1/10 Round Pd. along shore, CV.

**Solitary Sandpiper** - Round Pd. along shore, CV.

**Ring-billed & Herring Gulls** - normal numbers river & malls.

**Great Black-backed Gull** - 1/7 Denning's Pt., FT; 2/15 Hudson River from Waryas Pk, POK., CV.

**Eastern Screech-Owl** - 1/all mo. in box across creek, EP.

**Great Horned Owl** - 1 regular all mo., JD; 2/7 heard yard, CV.

**Long-eared Owl** - 1/2,7 & 8th, 18,20, & 22 heard calling yard, TG.

**Belted Kingfisher** - 7 reported by FT; BB/CP; EP; CV.

**Yellow-bellied Sapsucker** - 1/3 Ferncliff, FT; 1/14 Cary, FT; 1/20 yd BB; 1/6 HVRT & 1/13 Rombout Rd., CV.

**Northern Flicker** - 16 reported including 6/30 HVRT, CV.

**Pileated Woodpecker** - 1 each reported by BAM; BB; CP; MVW; MP; EP; CV & 3/21 Vassar Campus, FT.

**Eastern Phoebe** - 1/14 Cary, FT.

**Northern Shrike** - 1/27 Baird Pk., CV.

**Common Raven** - 1/1 Rombout Rd., 1/18 Stissing Mt., CV.

**Horned Lark** - 100+/15 & 45-50/27 Greig's farm, CV.

**Red-breasted Nuthatch** - 1/13 feeder yd., BAM; 1/16 thru mo. yard, JD; 1/1-26 seen often feeder, CV.

**Brown Creeper** - 2/3 Ferncliff, & 3/7 Denning's Pt., FT; 2/15-19th yd, MK; 1/20 Holiday Hills Pawling CP; 1 yd, JD.

**Carolina Wren** - 30 reported including 1/26 yd. Lincoln Dr., Evelyn Stevenson.

**Winter Wren** - 1/18 yard, TG; 1/7 Denning's Pt., FT; 1/6 HVRT, CV.

**Golden-crowned Kinglet** - 1-2 reported by CP; CV; FT & 6/20 Holiday Hills Pawling BB/CP.

**Ruby-crowned Kinglet** - 1/3 Ferncliff, FT; 2/7 Denning's Pt., FT.

**Eastern Bluebird** - good numbers with most 20/20 Pawling BB/CP.

**Hermit Thrush** - 2/7 Denning's Pt., FT; 1/30 HVRT, CV.

**American Robin** - well reported with largest numbers: 50 evening yd, MVW & 100+/21 Vassar farms, CV.

**Gray Catbird** - 1/7 heard Denning's Pt., FT; 1/3 yard-last one, MVW; 1/30 HVRT, CV.

**Northern Mockingbird** - 25+ reported including 7/13 Rombout Rd., CV.

**American Pipit** - 19/6 HVRT & 22-25/15 Greig's farm, CV.

**Cedar Waxwing** - good numbers with most: 50+/7 Denning's Pt., FT.

**Northern Parula** - 1/7 Denning's Pt., FT.

**Yellow-rumped Warbler** - 3/10 Amenia/Millerton RR Trail (HVRT), FT; 2/6 HVRT & see on & off thru 26, CV.

**American Tree Sparrow** - 30 reported including 12-15/10 Amenia/Millerton RR Trail (HVRT), FT & 8/30 HVRT, CV.

**Savannah Sparrow** - 3/15 Greig's farm, CV.

**Fox Sparrow** - 11 reported by FT; TG; BB; EP; MVW & 3/10 Amenia/Millerton RR Trail (HVRT), FT.

**Song Sparrow** - 17 reported by FT; CP; EP; CV says low in his area.

**Swamp Sparrow** - 1/5 Buttercup west, CV.

**White-throated Sparrow & Dark-eyed Junco** - 2-25 most reports.

**Snow Bunting** - 5/15 Greig's farm, CV.

**Northern Cardinal** - 2-6 reported by FT; BAM; JAKJ; ES; CP; JM; EP; CV.

**Rose-breasted Grobeak** - 1/3 backyard feeders, Fishkill, ES.

**Red-winged Blackbird** - 30/7 mixed flock Denning's Pt., & 5/10 Amenia/Millerton RR Trail (HVRT), FT; seen Rombout Rd. & 19/6 HVRT, CV.

**Eastern Meadowlark** - 8/3 Shaughnessy Rd UnionVale CP.



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**Rusty Blackbird** - 7/28 Baird Pk., FT; 6/1 Conservancy Pd., 2/27 Baird Pk., CV.

**Common Grackle** - 1/3 Ferncliff, FT; 1/1 & 2 yd., BAM; 30/7 mixed flock Denning's Pt., FT; 12/30 yd CP.

**Brown-headed Cowbird** - 30/7 mixed flock Denning's Pt., FT; 4/10 Amenia/Millerton RR Trail (HVRT), FT; 1/30 feeder BB; 22/13 Domin farm & 33/30 HVRT, CV.

**Purple Finch** - 1-4 feeders by BAM; BB; JM; EP; CV & FT.

**House Finch** - numbers up with 2-6 most yards & 10-20 by BB; EP & JAKJ.

**White-winged Crossbill** - 1/10 Overlook Rd injured & died - from Elaine Andersen BB; 2-3/22 yard, CV; 6 for 1 hr. feeders 1st week of Nov., Bob & Agnes Busing.

**Pine Siskin** - 2/1 & 4/8 feeder BAM; 5/1-31 built to 12 by month's end BB; 2/11 feeders yd., ES; 1-6/12 & daily, MVW; 2/7 feeder, CV.

**Common Redpoll** - 2/6 HVRT, CV.

**Evening Grosbeak** - 1/1 feeder briefly yard, MVW; 1/11&18 yard heard BB.

#### **Out-of-County Sighting:**

**Snowy Owl** - 1/12th-30th seen by several members at the Hudson Valley Plaza, Kingston, NY & 2/25 seen by David Arner's sister, Judy.

#### **ADDITIONAL OCTOBER RECORDS** from Mona Payton:

EASTERN MEADOWLARK: 4/14 Southland Farm; SPOTTED

SANDPIPER: 1/20 Southland Farms; AMERICAN KESTREL:

1/20 Southland Farms & COMMON SNIPE: 2/21 Southland Farms.

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**Field Trips (FT):** 3rd Ferncliff, 7th Dennings Point, 10th HVRT, 14th IES (Cary Arboretum), 21st Vassar College Campus, 28th James Baird State Park

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## December 2001 Records

Extraordinarily warm and dry first part of the month. Several days during the first week had temps in the 60's. Behind on rainfall since summer, streams and ponds were very low. They froze quickly when the cold finally came a few days before Christmas. The only snow was 3 inches on the 8th.

Some common species are omitted.

**Pied-billed Grebe** - 1/31 Abel's Pond BB; 4/2 Thompson Pd and Stissing Lk, 1/11 Twin Island Pd CV; 1/12 Lk. Walton BAM.

**Great Blue Heron** - 1/12 Verbank FT; 2/11 Twin Island Pd, standing on beaver lodge CV; 1/12 Hillside Lk. BAM; 1/25 home MP; Seen only occasionally this month, low water has made for poor use of creek EP

**Turkey Vulture** - 1/30 Vassar Farm BDL.

**Snow Goose** - 2/29 blue phase adult Round Pd CV

**Canada Goose** - all over, most 500/5 Millbrook School FT; 450+/31 Stringham Rd BAM; 300+ all month on Upper Kays LM; many flocks of 20-100 reported.

**Mute Swan** - most (10-12) at Lk Oniad & Wappinger Lk BAM; also at Lk Walton, Abel's Pond and Sylvan Lk.

**Wood Duck** - 2/4 Conservancy Pd, 2/31 Stissing Lk CV

**American Black Duck** - 20/4 Wappinger Lake CP; 16/21 Conservancy Pd CV; 2 pr/18,20 Fire Academy Lake, Hyde Park JM; other reports of 2-5 from Lk Walton & Oniad, Morgan Lk and elsewhere.

**Mallard** - 36/12 Abel's Pond FT; 41+/12 Lk. Walton, 48+/31 Wapp Lk, 38/13 Lk. Oniad BAM; lots of other smaller groups.

**Northern Shoveler** - 7/4 Wappinger Lake CP.

**Northern Pintail** - 3/29 1 male, 2 female Round Pd CV.

**Green-winged Teal** - 1/5 Beaver Dam BB; 6/29 Round Pd, also on the 14th CV.

**Ring-necked Duck** - 10+/12 Abel's Pond FT down to just 1 by the 31st BB; all mo at Round Pd, peak 200/29 CV; 32+/12 Lk. Walton BAM.

**Common Goldeneye** - 1/28 Waryas Park, in river CV.

**Hooded Merganser** - 2/29 (pair) Round Pd, 3/30 all female or imm Upper Kays Pd CV; 1/15th, 2/26th, 3/31 on Upper Kays LM.

**Common Merganser** - 3-8/15-31 Upper Kays pond BB,CV,LM; 2/30 Hudson at Brass Anchor CV; 3/4 Wappinger Lake CP; 5f/31 lower Wapp Creek BAM; 1m/25-28, 3f1m/29 first of season since creek too low from Oct on. Usually have every day Nov 1-May 1 EP.

**Ruddy Duck** - 12-15/12 Abel's Pond FT; 1/12 Lk. Walton, 5f/13 Lk. Oniad BAM.

**Bald Eagle** - 2/4 Wappinger Lake CP; 1/15 flying over Freedom Road near Pleasant Valley Ceris Valesey; 1 imm/19 Vanderbilt FT; 1/20 ad flying over TEG credit union, 1/31 imm at Stissing Mtn CV.

**Northern Harrier** - 11/22 Vail's Farm Noxon Rd BB; 1/2,11,31 Mashomack and Thompson Pd CV.

**Sharp-shinned Hawk** - 1/7-21 at times in yard & around county CV; 1/28 checking feeders & missed prey BAM; 1/30 Vassar Farm BDL; 1/16 yard Lagrange JA/KJ 1/15,28 yd Poughquag CP.

**Cooper's Hawk** - 7 sightings of 1 each, 3 at feeder CV; 1/18 yd BAM; 1/all New Hackensack Rd BDL; 1 BIG female/26 yard Lagrange JA/KJ; 1/10,18-31 yd Poughquag CP; 1/7,15 Southlands MP.

**Red-tailed Hawk** - 1-2 on each Wednesday FT; 4/16 Rombout Rd, also seen often around county CV; 2/30 Vassar Farm BDL; plus others.

**Rough-legged Hawk** - 1/5 Chestnut Ridge Rd from Bob Kendall.

**Golden Eagle** - 2/31 Stissing Mtn, adults sitting and flying CV; pair/23 Stissing Mtn "One of them was dropping a piece of moss 10 to 15 feet, and then diving to catch it!" Art and Gail Jones.

**American Kestrel** - 1/2 Grieg Farm CV, 1/28 Cricket Hill Rd Dover CP.

**Peregrine Falcon** - 1/11, 1/30 Pok RR Bridge (on 30th, flew upriver with prey) CV.

**Wild Turkey** - 25-30/29 Rt 44 near Tamarack Preserve CV; other reports of small flocks, even "in town" New Hackensack Rd, Wappingers and Hyde Park.

**Northern Bobwhite** - 10-12/5 Buttercup west, CV.

**American Coot** - 4/12 Abel's Pond FT; 17/31 Abel's Pond BB; 50+/31 Sylvan Lk. BAM.

**Ring-billed & Herring Gulls** - good numbers river & malls.

**Great Black-backed Gull** - 2/19 Vanderbilt FT; 2/28 river at Waryas Park, and others CV.

**Barn Owl** - 1/15 Southlands Farm, Rhinebeck MP.

**Eastern Screech-Owl** - 1 daily in box across the creek EP; 1/28 Sand Hill Rd Dover CP.

**Great Horned Owl** - 2/1 heard in woods behind house - only time CV; 2 calling back & forth. One around the rabbit cage one morning early JD; 1/28 Berkshire Rd Dover CP.

**Long-eared Owl** - 1/7 Red Hook TG.

**Barred Owl** - 1 on Taconic on 26th JA/KJ.

**Belted Kingfisher** - 1/5 Millbrook School FT; 1/2 Rt 9G, 1/4 Rombout Rd, 1/14 Rochdale Rd, 1/30 Brass Anchor CV; not using low creek EP.

**Yellow-bellied Sapsucker** - 1/11 Red Hook TG; 1/12 Verbank FT; 1/16 yard in Salt Point LM; 1/10,16,23 Baird Pk, 2/12, 1/27 Rombout Rd CV.

**Northern Flicker** - some all mo, 6/21 Rombout Rd, 6/29 HVRT, lack of snow is helping keep them around? CV; 4/12 Verbank FT; 3/8 1/15 yard JA/KJ; 3 other reports.

**Pileated Woodpecker** - 1/12 Verbank FT; 2/2 Thompson Rd, heard & seen often CV; 1/8 yd & bird bath for drink BAM; 1/28 Berkshire Rd Dover CP; 1/8 home MP.

**American Crow** - 4000-5000/1 watched them come to roost in Vassar Hospital Rinaldi Blvd area CV; many (100s ?) seen flying toward the river from Lagrange to roost in the late afternoon JA/KJ; 100+/7 Pok Rural Cemetery JM; 20/all New Hackensack Rd BDL; other reports of up to 15.

**Fish Crow** - 2/14 44 Plaza with American Crows CV

**Common Raven** - 1/8 flying over yd & calling BB; 1/12 Verbank FT; 1/2,11,31 Stissing Mtn (only 1 there) CV.

**Horned Lark** - from 2nd on, 150-200/30 Greig Farm CV

**Red-breasted Nuthatch** - 1/16-31 at feeder quite often, like black oil seeds best CV; 1/19 & 1/27-31 yard BAM; 1/all New Hackensack Rd BDL; 1/15-31 JD; a couple in yard Pok ZM.

**Brown Creeper** - 1/21 Rombout Rd, 1/4-26 sev days at suet CV; 1/15-on JD; 1/8,14,25,29-30 home MP.

**Carolina Wren** - 2/21 Rombout Rd and Domin Farm, often all mo at peanut butter CV; EP,CP,BAM,BDL also have 1-2 daily.





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**Golden-crowned Kinglet** - 2/5 Millbrook Sch. FT; 2/30 yd BB; 2/29 HVRT CV; 6/25 Red Hook Golf Course MP.

**Eastern Bluebird** - 14/29 HVRT, in good numbers all month CV; 7/26 Vassar Farm FT; 6/5 Millbrook School FT; 5/19 Vanderbilt FT; 6 other reports.

**American Robin** - 4/26 Vassar Farm FT; 45-50/12 mixed with waxwings in cedars Rombout Rd CV; 15 at a time in yard ZM; plus other reports.

**Gray Catbird** - 1/27 only time seen Rombout Rd CV.

**Northern Mockingbird** - 3/26 Vassar Farm FT; seen often on Rombout Rd 5/27 CV; 2/12 Verbank FT; other reports of singles.

**Cedar Waxwing** - 25-30/12 Rombout Rd small flocks seen occ, often with robins CV; 20/22 Southlands MP; 17+/26 Vassar Farm FT; 10+/20-on eating crabapples at mother's house JD; other smaller flocks.

**Yellow-rumped Warbler** - 7/29 HVRT, & on 6th CV.

**American Tree Sparrow** - 18/29 HVRT CV; 5/12 Verbank FT; 5/5 Millbrook School FT; 2-3/all yard BB; 4/9 home MP; 1/12 Verbank FT; from 2nd-31st, 3/10 Rombout Rd seem scarce CV; 1/9 yard Lagrange JA/KJ; 1-3/15-31 yd Poughquag CP; plus a few others.

**Fox Sparrow** - 1/14,3/20,1-2/21-31 yd Poughquag CP.

**Song Sparrow** - 2 at feeder EP; 1/28 Sand Hill Rd Dover CP.

**Swamp Sparrow** - 1/2 Thompson Pond CV.

**White-throated Sparrow** - BDL,CP each have 10 at feeders; 10/all New Hackensack Rd BDL; 8/29 HVRT, also from 4th-31st, seem very low for Dec with no snow CV; 6/12 Verbank FT; many at feeder EP; plus others.

**White-crowned Sparrow** - 1/16 adult male yard BC.

**Dark-eyed Junco** - 15/all yard BB; 14/12 Verbank FT; 2-8 at most feeders; numbers seem down.

**Northern Cardinal** - good numbers, 12/29 HVRT CV; 10/15 at feeder EP; 12/all New Hackensack Rd BDL; 10/all yd Poughquag CP; and others.

**Red-winged Blackbird** - 500/31 Mashomack, no grackles or cowbirds, 200/2 with grackles/cowbirds at Thompson Pd CV; 2/all New Hackensack Rd BDL.

**Eastern Meadowlark** - 8/3 Shaughnessy Rd UnionVale CP.

**Common Grackle** - 150-200/2 Thompson Pd with redwings CV; 4/9 New Hackensack Rd BDL; 3/25 yd Poughquag CP.

**Brown-headed Cowbird** - 50/22-31 yd BB; 50-55/4 Domin Farm and Rombout Rd, 10-12/6,16 at Domin CV; 1/5 Millbrook School FT.

**Purple Finch** - 1/26 Vassar Farm FT; 1/4 Rombout Rd CV; 1m/18 yd BAM; 2/22nd yd in Salt Point LM; 1/8,23 yd Lagrange JA/KJ; 2-4/all at feeder Frost Mills JM.

**House Finch** - 25/all yard BB; 15/18,29 BAM; 3-13/all JA/KJ; 10/5 Millbrook School FT; others have up to 8.

**White-winged Crossbill** - 1/9 New Hackensack Rd BDL.

**Pine Siskin** - 10+/3, 6/all yard BB.

**American Goldfinch** - from 8-15/2-31, 23/30 peak at feeder CV; 10-30/all yd Poughquag CP; up to 5 at other feeders; gone EP; 1-4 on trips.

#### **Out-of-County Sighting:**

**Snowy Owl** - 1/12th-30th seen by several members at the Hudson Valley Plaza, Kingston, NY & 2/25 seen by David Arner's sister, Judy.

**ADDITIONAL OCTOBER RECORDS** from Mona Payton:  
EASTERN MEADOWLARK: 4/14 Southland Farm; SPOTTED SANDPIPER: 1/20 Southland Farms; AMERICAN KESTREL: 1/20 Southland Farms & COMMON SNIPE: 2/21 Southland Farms.

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**Field Trips (FT):** 5th Millbrook School, 8th Shawangunk Grasslands NWR (Galeville Airport), 12th Verbank, 19th Vanderbilt Mansion, 26th Vassar Farm

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