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Canada Goose: Largest flocks: 1500/9 McEnroe mudpuddle CV; 125/10 Mills Mansion FT; 100/17 Tymor Pk FT; 136/20 Wappinger BJM; 152/24 HVRT Amenia FT

Mute Swan: 2/7 Southlands MP; 2/9, 17 (on nest) BAM, 8/11 Wappinger Lk BJM, CV; 5-10 WappLk, 1/11 Locust Grove KH; 2/17 Tymor Pk FT; 2/20-24 Overlook Pk, Overlook Rd JAK/JA; a pair on most small Pds by month end CV

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Canvasback: 1 /14 Southlands MP; x/20 TivoliB JBNHS FT

Ring-necked Duck: 20 reports incl. highs of 28/9 Sheffield Hill Rd CV; 23-30/16 Lk Walton KH; 30/19 Round Pd DF; 21/28 Ryder Pd. AP

Greater Scaup: x/20 Tivoli Bays JBNHS FT

Lesser Scaup: 1/25 Riverfront Pk Beacon KH; x/20 Tivoli Bays JBNHS FT

Bufflehead: 3/8 Mills Mansion, 2/27 Vandenburg Cove CV; 4/10 Mills FT; pr/19 Round Pd DF; 2/27 Father's Trail FT

Common Goldeneye: 2/10 Mills Mansion FT; 11/8 Mills Mansion Cove CV

Hooded Merganser: 2/4 Wapp Cr at Salt Point, 8/9 Pd @ Rt 55/292 CV; 2/4, 4/10 Salt Pt Tpk, 2/29 Shunpike AP; 5/6 Jeckose Lk BJM, SG, f/17 Hillside Lk BJM; 1/7 Rhinebeck MP; 2/11 WappLk KH; 2/13 Rhinebeck yd MP; pr/28 Pd Gut Sue Infante

Common Merganser: 25 reports including high counts of 17/1 Norrie Pt, 18/7 Beacon Long Dock, 18/27 Vandenburg Cove CV; 27/19 Round Pd DF

Ruddy Duck: 1/11 Hudson River @ New Hamburg CV; 3/18 Lk Oniad BJM

Wild Turkey: 4/1 15/31 Sleight Plass Rd, 2-6 at Wigsten Rd, Domin Fm, Stanford Preserve, Myers Corners Rd CV; 3f 2m/18 Shaughnessy Rd, gobbling/17, 19 yd BB; 15/27 Father's Trail FT; 2-21/most Rhinebeck MP; 1m 5f/many days in yd BAM

Pied-billed Grebe: 1/11 WappLk KH; 1/28 Mud Pd, Pine Plns. It struggled, but swallowed a sunfish as I watched CV; 1/25 Tamarack Lk. AP

Double-crested Cormorant: 20/10 Poughkeepsie CP/HT; 1/26 WappLk KH; 1/27 Rhinecliff CV; 1/31 Beacon DR

Great Blue Heron: 13 rpts incl 1/2, 3/8, 7/9, 5/24, 30 Baird Heronry DJK; 5/23 Taconic Pkwy nests CV; 1/12 Taconic at Baird w/stick BJM; 3 on nests/28 heronry W of Taconic, N of 52 BB

Black Vulture: 14 reports of 1-3 each throughout month plus 8/5 Waterbury Hill Rd BB

Turkey Vulture: Many reports, earliest 16/4 Wappinger BJM; other highs 11/8 slowly Stanfordville DJK; 13/28 Stissing Mtn, 12/16 LaGrange CP/HT

Bald Eagle: 1-5 ea. Norrie, Pawling, Mashomack, New Hamburg, Verbank, Red Hk, Tamarack Sw, Locust Grv, Wapp Lk, Reese Sanct, Salt Pt Tpk, RoundPd, Father's Trail, Shunpike.

Northern Harrier: 2/2 1/5, 28 Mashomack CV; 1/4 Shuman Rd, 1/7 Killean Rd AP; 1/16 Poughkeepsie CP/HT; 1/18 Stormville EBR

Sharp-shinned Hawk: 1/2 Mashomack CV; 1/19 StonyKill KH; 1/27 Father's Trail FT

Cooper's Hawk: 1/5 Rt 82 CV; 1/13 Rhinebeck MP; 1/10 yd BAM, 1/18 Humeston/BBT BJM; 1/17 Tymor Pk FT; 1/18 StonyKill, 1/22 WappLk KH

Northern Goshawk: 1 imm/20 Tivoli Bays JBNHS FT; 1/27 StonyKill KH

Red-shouldered Hawk: 1/3-4, 6, 13, 19, 20, 26-28, 3/5, 2/7, 12, 4/18 Rhinebeck MP; 1/9, 16 DRTH, 2/18 StonyKill KH; 1/10 Domin Fm CV; 1/11 Widmer Rd, 1-2/many yd BAM; 1/27 Father's Trail FT; 1/occ neighborhood MK

Red-tailed Hawk: Many reports throughout month, incl. 1/27 Bulls Head on nest, 1/28 Conklin Hill on nest DJK; 1/27 on nest StonyKill KH; 5 /31 (2 nests) Millbrook School FT

Golden Eagle: 1/4, 17 Little Stissing Mtn JW

American Kestrel: 1/3 Verbank FT; 1/10 Shunpike AP; 1/24 Red Hook NG; 1/27 Dinsmore Golf Course CV

Merlin: 1/6 StonyKill KH

Peregrine Falcon: 1/8 Mid-Hudson Bridge tower CV

Killdeer: 2/8 Southlands, 4/18 5/19 4/20 7/27 StonyKill KH; 1/9 HVRT, 4/11 Overlook Pk, 2/25 Rombout Rd, 5/28 Pderosa CV; 2/10 Pd near Pderosa BB; 1/11 Hitchcocks John Askildsen; 5/13, 6/14, 28, 8/20 Southlands MP; 1/15, 18 Slezak Fm DJK; 2/17 Tymor Pk FT; 1/17 McEnroe's JR; 2/18 Humeston Fm/BBT BJM; 1/24 HVRT Amenia FT

Wilson's Snipe: 1/27 StonyKill KH; 4/28 Southlands MP

American Woodcock: 4/16 Cary IES FT; 1/16, 18, 25, 2/17, 21 Red Hook NG

Ring-billed Gull: 1/3 Verbank FT; 7-32 WappLk, 40/25 Riverfront Pk Beacon KH; 50/11 Wapp Lk BJM/CV; 1/24 HVRT Amenia FT; 18/27 Father's Trail FT

Herring Gull: 5/2 Reagan Rd, 2/11 New Hamburg, also Marist boathouse, Vandenburg Cove CV; 3/11 Wappingers Lk BJM/CV; 1-3 Wapp Falls, 3/25 Riverfront Pk Beacon KH



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Great Black-backed Gull: 5/7 Beacon Long Dock, 1/8 Norrie Pt, 2/27 Vandenburg Cove CV; 1/10 Mills FT; 1/11 WappLk BJM/CV; 6/25 Riverfront Pk Beacon, 1/2,22 WappLk KH

Rock Pigeon: Usual numbers.

Mourning Dove: On most reports. Highs: 4-10/most yd MP; 6-10/all, 20/1 yd Poughquag CP/HT

Eastern Screech-Owl: 1/early mo 122 Maple Av, Millbrook folks from Cary IES

Great Horned Owl: nest/2-31 Sleight Plass Rd, nest/4-31 Hennessey Lane (high on nest on 25 - yg hatched?) CV; 1/8,17,24 on nest Mabbetsville Rd, 1/11 Shunpike, 1/16 CIES AP; calling/14 & 25 yd BB; 1/16 Cary IES FT

Barred Owl: 1/9 DRTH, 2/18 StonyKill KH; 1/10 Domin Fm CV; 1/16,21,31 Tivoli NG; 1/16 Gidley & Skidmore Rd Ellen Bender; calling/17 & 21 yd BB

Belted Kingfisher: 1/5 Arborios, 1/8 Norrie, 2/9 Mill Rd swamp (Northeast), 1/11 Vassar Lk CV; 1/7 CIES WHS/LDS; 1/16 pd on Stringham Rd BJM/TS; 1/27 Father's Trail FT

Red-bellied Woodpecker: 1-5 on most reports.

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker: 1/10 Mills Mansion FT; 1/12 Liss Rd DJK; 1/14 Southlands MP; 1/17 Wapp Rural Cemetery KH; 1/20 Vassar Fm MHB Eidam, 1/29,30 yd Stormville EBR

Downy Woodpecker: Many sightings of 1-7 each.

Hairy Woodpecker: Many sightings of 1-4 each.

Northern Flicker: Many sightings of 1-4 each.

Pileated Woodpecker: 2/1 Rombout Rd, 2/11 Vassar Fm, 1 ea at Lk Rd (Pine Plains), yd LaGr, Domin Fm CV; 1/10 Mills Mansion FT; 1/20,27 StonyKill, also at 4 other places KH; 2/27 Father's Trail FT; 1/31 Millbrook School FT; 1-2/all yd Poughquag CP/HT

Eastern Phoebe: 1/17-31 Ludlow Woods DJK; 1st/24 yd BB; 3/25 Rombout Rd CV; 2/24 HVRT Amenia FT; 2/25 Mdm Brett, 1/25 Dennings Pt, 1-2 at Wapp Rural Cem, StonyKill, Bowdoin KH; 4/27 Father's Trail FT; 5/31 Millbrook Schl FT

Northern Shrike: x/20 Tivoli Bays JBNHS FT

Blue Jay: Good numbers.

American Crow: Highest reports 30/3 Verbank FT; 44/24 HVRT Amenia FT; 10/31 Millbrook School FT

Fish Crow: 1/1 Marist Boathouse, 2/7 Beacon Long Dock CV; 2/11,22 WappLk, 1/9,16 DRTH, 3/20 StonyKill, 1-2 many places along Hudson KH; 6/16 Poughkeepsie CP/HT; 1/20 over yd, 1/27 South Hills Mall BAM; 1/24 HVRT Amenia FT

Common Raven: 2/2 Deerfield Ponds Pawling, 1/4 2/5,27 Stissing Mtn, feeding young by the 28th on Stissing Mtn CV; 2/11 Tamarack Swamp John Askildsen

Horned Lark: 30/1 Winchell Mt Rd, 24/1 Pulver Rd AP; 50/3 Verbank FT

Tree Swallow: 1/25 Rombout Rd, 6/28 Mud Pd, 35/28 Mashomack, 15/29 Traver Pd, most Pds by month end CV;

Black-capped Chickadee: Good numbers.

Tufted Titmouse: Good numbers

White-breasted Nuthatch: Good numbers

Brown Creeper: 1/1,3,4,13-15 yd LaGr, Lagrange CV; 1/1 yd Stormville EBR; 1/5 FDR Home, 1/10 Norrie Pt, 1/28 Bowdoin Pk KH; 1/17 Tymor Pk FT; pr/20 Tivoli Bays JBNHS FT; 1/27 Father's Trail FT; 1/occ yd MP; almost daily yd AP

Carolina Wren: Many reports of 1-3 of these perky birds.

Winter Wren: 1/7 Long Dock, 1/9 HVRT CV

Golden-crowned Kinglet: 1/10 Mills Mansion FT; 11/17 Tymor Pk FT; 3/18 StonyKill, 1/19 2/26 Wapp Rural Cemetery KH; 3/24 HVRT Amenia FT

Eastern Bluebird: Many reports throughout month. Highs: 8/11 Vassar Fm CV; 7/17 Tymor Pk FT; 6/20 Vassar Fm MHB Eidam; 6/24 HVRT Amenia FT; 8/31 Millbrook Schl FT

American Robin: Many reports all month. Highest: 68/11 Vassar Fm, 20/25 Rombout Rd CV; 17/24 HVRT Amenia FT; 27/27 Father's Trail FT; 25/31 Millbrook School FT

Gray Catbird: 1/4,6 Rombout Rd CV

Northern Mockingbird: 3/1,7,25 Rombout Rd, 4/11 Vassar Fm CV; 1/4 Buttercup E BB; 2/6,18,19,27 StonyKill, 1 ea at Wapp Rural Cem, Southlands, WappLk KH; 1/14 Southlands, 1/20 RHGC MP; 2/17 Tymor Pk FT; 3/24 HVRT Amenia FT; 2/27 Father's Trail FT; 2/31 Millbrook School FT; 1/occ yd Poughquag CP/HT

European Starling: Usual numbers.

Cedar Waxwing: 8/19 Round Pd DF

Yellow-rumped Warbler: 1/4,9 Rombout Rd CV

American Tree Sparrow: 1/6 StonyKill KH; 3/6 yd MP; 1/11 Vassar Fm (less than normal for March) CV; 2/18 StonyKill KH; 1-3/most 7/16 yd LaGr JA/KJ

Field Sparrow: 1/18 StonyKill KH; 1/20 TivoliB JBNHS FT

Savannah Sparrow: 1/14 yd LaGr JA/KJ; 2/20 3/27 StonyKill KH; 6/28 Southlands MP

Fox Sparrow: 1/11 feeder, Millbrook John Askildsen; 1/15 Millerton yd JR; 1/27 StonyKill KH; 1/31 Stony Kill DR

Song Sparrow: Many reports including 15/25 Rombout Rd, 10/11 Vassar Fm CV; 10/24 HVRT Amenia FT; 18/31 Millbrook School FT

White-throated Sparrow: Still around all month. Highest reports included 12/25 Rombout Rd CV; 5-15/all yd Poughquag CP/HT

White-crowned Sparrow: 1/2 Reagan Rd CV; 1/31 Millbrook School FT

Dark-eyed Junco: Many reports throughout month, incl. 14/30 yd LaGr CV; 10/31 Millbrook School FT; 10-15/all, 40/13 yd Poughquag CP/HT

Snow Bunting: 60/1 Winchell Mt. Rd., 23/3 No. Mabbetsville Rd AP

Northern Cardinal: Good numbers & starting to sing!

Red-winged Blackbird: Many reports incl. 15/1 35/7 22/25 Rombout Rd, 20/9 HVRT CV; 15/11 yd BB; 12-16/all yd MP; 1-11/all yd JA/KJ

Rusty Blackbird: 5-7/18 StonyKill in with Redwings KH; 2/31 Millbrook School FT

Common Grackle: 2/2 Sheffield Hill Rd, 45/7 6/25 Rombout Rd, 8/9 HVRT CV; 1/4 -> 5/11-31 yd BB; 21/11 WappLk, 20/16 DRTH, 12/25 Long Dock, 1-7 other places KH; 7/17 Tymor Pk FT; 2/24 HVRT Amenia FT; 2/31 Millbrook School FT; 6-12/all yd MP; 1-13/all yd LaGr JA/KJ

Brown-headed Cowbird: Usual numbers.

Purple Finch: 1/2 Wapp Rural Cemetery KH; 1/3,13,14 yd Lagrange CV; 1m/13 & 26 yd BB; 1/30 yd AP; 1/31 Millbrook School FT

House Finch: Most reported sightings of 1-6. Also reported: 82/17 Tymor Pk FT

Pine Siskin: 1 with goldfinches/27 Hillside Lk yd TC/RW.

American Goldfinch: Many reports. Highest counts 12/1-19, 20-35/20-30 yd Poughquag CP/HT; 10/1 19/3 33/12 daily at feeders CV; 8-10/all yd BAM

House Sparrow: Usual numbers.



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Other Sightings:

Eastern Comma & Mourning Cloak: x/20 Tivoli Bays JBNHS
FT

Wood Frogs: calling/16 Cary IES FT

Painted Turtle: 1/11 (female) at Vassar Fm Pd. CV

Spotted Salamander: 10th Mills Mansion FT

Garter Snake: 1/20 Tivoli Bays JBNHS FT

Red Fox: 1/19 LaGrange CP/HT

Mink: 1/3 Verbank FT

Observers:

Judy Atwood & Karen Jaquith (**JA/KJ**); Tammie Carey & Robert Williams via BJM (**TC/RW**); Barbara Butler (**BB**); Dot Fleury via BB (**DF**); Annatje Gilbert (**AG**); Susan Gilnack via BJM (**SG**); Carrie Grey via BB (**CG**); Natalie Gilbert (**NG**); Maha Katnani via BB (**MK**); Doug Koch (**DJK**); Barbara & Allan Michelin (**BAM/BJM/AJM**); Mona Payton (**MP**); Carena Pooth (**CP**); Adrienne Popko (**AP**); Edith & Barry Rosen (**EBR**); Jane Rossman via BB (**JR**); Dick Ryley (**DR**); Lisa Dellwo Schlesinger (**LDS**); William Schlesinger (**WDS**); Thalia Sudnick via BJM (**TS**); Herb Thompson (**HT**); Chet Vincent (**CV**); Jane Waters (**JW**)

Field Trips (FT):

3rd Verbank, 10th Mills Mansion, 16th Cary IES (Woodcock Walk), 17th Tymor Pk, 24th Hudson Valley Rail Trail Amenia, 27th Father's Trail, 31st Millbrook School

Abbreviations:

BBT – Bluebird Trail;

DRTH – Dutchess Rail Trail (Hopewell)

Southlands – Southlands Farm

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Canada Goose: Normal numbers with some report on nest – most: 150/2 Strever Farm Rd pd, BB & 300/17, 200/18 Mashomack WLS & Mashomack club.

Mute Swan: 5-9 WappLk, a nest KH, nest also at Hillside Lk BAM and Hatfields CV; 2-4 at 4 other places.

Wood Duck: 1-4 reported most places by most observers – most: 8/14 Buttercup W. FT; 8/17 Mashomack WLS & Mashomack club.

American Black Duck: 4/1 Willowbrook farm CV; 2/3 & 10 Cary IES WLS; 2-6 most of mo. IES, 2/1 Market Ln, 1/14 No. Mabbettville Rd., 3/14 Shuman Rd., 5/23 Salt Pt. Tpk, 2/26 Stringham Rd. & 2/29 Tamarack Lk. AMP.

Mallard: Normal numbers with most: 50/17 & 18 Mashomack WLS & Mashomack club.

Green-winged Teal: 8 pr/2 Strever Farm Rd pd BB; 4/1 Willowbrook farm, 12/11 & 6/27 Strever farm Rd. & 2/19 Buttercup W. CV; pr/8 Denning's Pt. SI; 3/14 Buttercup W. FT; 10/23 Strever Farm pd, Pine Plains DG; 2/30 Buttercup W. KCF;

Ring-necked Duck: 12/1 Traver Pd. & 6/1 Ore Pit Pd. CV; 1/4 Buttercup WLS

White-wing Scoter: 4/9 Hudson River, Chelsea, DRy; 7/10 Hudson River, Chelsea RJ;

Hooded Merganser: 1f/14 Buttercup W. FT; pr/29 pd. Kennel Rd. Tim Bontecou, BJM; 2f 1m/29 near Stone House Rd BB;

Common Merganser: 50 reported @ Wapp. Cr., Cary/IES, Madam Brett, Nuclear Lk. Buttercup Sanc. & 2 other places by JA, DE, KH, DK, KCF, AMP, WLS - most: 11/1 Willowbrook farm, 9/13 Wapp. Cr. Greenway Pl Val CV.

Ring-necked Pheasant: 1/7 Cary/IES KH; MHB 1/13 & 20 Buttercup W. ES; 6/17, 4/18 Mashomack WLS & Mashomack club

Ruffed Grouse: 1/7 Buttercup E Art Jones

Wild Turkey: Well reported throughout county by most observers – most: 12/2 & 6/25 Titusville Rd. CV; 10/ 11 Woodstock Rd, Millbrook, DK; 12/15 Crestwood Rd., Red Hook AG/NG; 12/3, Cary/IES WLS;

Pied-billed Grebe: 2/8 Upton Lk. JA; 1/29 Tamarack Lk. AMP.

Double-crested Cormorant: 1/2 & 2/29 Tamarack Lk. AMP; 6/15 Norrie Pt. & 57/17 Tivoli River Front CV; 5/21 Dennings Pt/Long Dock FT; 1/28 Lk Walton/So. Dut. Rail Trail BAM; 1/17 Mashomack WLS & Mashomack club; 1/25 Veteran's Pk., 2/30 Beacon Riverfront, 1/30 Peter J Sharp Pk. KH;

American Bittern: FOS - 1/15 Cary/IES/Fowler Rd. DK; 1/18 IES & 1/23 Hobbs Ln. AMP.

Great Blue Heron: 1-2 many areas by DE, DK, BAM, BAM/MK, MP, AMP, WLS, CV, and FT's; 3/2 on nest TSP/Baird PK BJM;

Great Egret: 1/12 Conservancy Pd. Rombout Rd. CV;

Black Vulture: 1/10 Salt Pt. Tpk./Market Ln. DK; 1/24 Pond Gut FT; 1/12 Nuclear Lk. KCF; 4/11 Rt. 82, 2/18 Nellie Hill, 9/19 McEnroe compost, 2/22 Thompson Pd., CV; 1/18 Rt. 82 AMP.

Turkey Vulture: Well reported of 1-6 most areas by most observers – most: 16/7 Rt 82 Stanfordville, DK; 15/11, 9/22 Thompson Pd., 2/15 Norrie Pt., CV.

Osprey: FOS – 1/1 Reese Pk. KH; 2/3 Creek Rd, Wapp Falls, 1/15 Thompson Pd. DK; 1/21 Poughquag CP/HT; 2/22 Thompson Pd. & 1/29 Sleight Farm, CV; 1/27 Fisherman's Pk., 1/30 Peter J. Sharp PK, KH; 1/28 over Wapp. Cr. Red Oaks Mill BAM; 3/28 Abel's Pd BB; 1/29 fishing Fishkill Creek, Madam Brett, HRA/Hereth & 4th grade class/Beacon Sch.

Bald Eagle: 1ad/3 Wapp Cr, 1ad/11 Tamarack DK; 1ad/19 Rt 52/Fishkill Cr Bob Hoose, BJM; 2/11 & 22 Thompson Pd., 1/15 Norrie Pt., 2imm/17 Ferncliff Forest, CV; 1/17 Mashomack WLS & Mashomack club; 1/30 over Springside, Poughkeepsie HRA/Myrod & Lutters

Northern Harrier: 1/10 Peach Hill FT; 1/18 Mashomack WLS & Mashomack club; 1/19 Reagan Rd. CV; 1m/21 Bangall-Amenia Rd. JA.

Sharp-shinned Hawk: 1/9 Chelsea, DRy; 1/19 Reese Pk. BAM, MK; 1/19 HVRT, 1/30 Peach Hill CV;

Cooper's Hawk: 15 reported or 1-2 most areas by JA/KJ, KH, DK, BAM, BAM/MK, MP, AMP, CP/HT, CVFT; pr/21 doing courtship yd. HRA/Whalen.

Northern Goshawk: 1/24 Pond Gut (by Chet) FT; 1/25 Pond Gut Rd. DK

Red-shouldered Hawk: 1/8 Newbold Rd., Hyde Pk, BAM, MK; 2/10, 1/24 Stony Kill farm, 1/29 Valkill KH; 1/15 over Thompson Rd. DK; 1/18 Old Hopewell Rd & Route 9 GZ/AP; 2/24 Pond Gut FT; 1-2 most days yd. MP; 1-2 most days Hi View Rd. BAM; 1/29 near Stone House Rd BB; 1/18 IES AMP; 1/reg. Clinton yd Barry Haydasz; 2/all mo, Field Rd, Milan DG;

Broad-winged Hawk: FOS - 1/18 Nuclear Lk., 12/20 Rombout Rd., CV; 2/19 Rhinebeck Susan Joseph; 1/30 Buttercup W KCF;

Red-tailed Hawk: Everywhere & well reported by all observers. 1/28 on nest So. Dut. Rail Trail BAM; active nest/30 Pine Plains yd. JW.

American Kestrel: 36 reported @ Vassar Farm, Cary/IES, TSF, Shaunessy Rd., Crestwood Rd., and 3 other places by BB, DE, KCF, AG/NG, MK, DK, MP, AMP, WLS, JW; 2/26 & 28 entering tree hold Cary/IES CV; 2/2 observed doing courtship flight No. Mabbettville Rd., AMP,

Merlin: 1/13 Vassar Farm, 1/30 chased by 9 Blue Jays & missed a Tree Swallow Peach Hill, CV.

Peregrine Falcon: 1/2 I-84 Bridge CV; 1/7 Dennings Point DRy.

Virginia Rail: 2/10 Thompson Pd. CV, DG; 2/11 Thompson Pd, DG; 2/19 Thompson Pd, 1/22 HVRT CV;

Killdeer: 40 reported @ Vassar Farms, Stony Kill, Buttercup W., Fishkill Cem., Willowbrook farm & other areas by BB, DE, KH, MK, DK, BJM, MP, AMP most: 6 - 8 daily TSF MP & 1/13 nesting w/4eggs/20 Overlook Pk., CV.

Spotted Sandpiper: 1/18 Mashomack WLS & Mashomack club

Wilson's Snipe: 1/2 Stony Kill KH; 6/4 Strever Farm pond, Pine Plains DG; 4/10, 4/17 both TSF MP; 1/22 Thompson Pd., CV

American Woodcock: 6/2 Cary IES WLS; on/4 Cary/IES WLS, OVMK & AS; 2/19, 20 & 23 yd. AMP.

Ring-billed Gull: 3/21 Dennings Pt/Long Dock FT; 4/30 Beacon Riverfront KH;

Herring Gull: 3/2 Beacon Long Dock, 2/15 Norrie Pt., CV; 3/21 Dennings Pt/Long Dock FT; 2/30 Beacon Riverfront KH;

Great Black-backed Gull: 5/2 Beacon Long Dock, 2/15 & 1/30 Norrie Pt., CV; 1/21 Dennings Pt/Long Dock FT; 2/30 Beacon Riverfront KH;



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Rock Pigeon: normal thru Co. CV; 5/4 Reese Pk. KH; 2/15 IES, 12/28, 15/29 Haight Rd. AMP; 3/3, 1/20, 3/28 Cary/IES WLS; 4/17, 6/18 Mashomack WLS & Mashomack club;

Mourning Dove: 2-5 on most reports – most: 6-8/all yd Poughquag CP/HT

Eastern Screech-Owl: 1/15-21, 23 red-morph Cary/IES DK; grey/29-30 Pine Plains yd JW.

Great Horned Owl: 1/1, 2/9 & 20 nest w/2 yg. Hennessy Ln, 1/11 & 26, 3/16, 19, 22 & 28 nest w/2 yg. Sleight Plass Rd., 1/12 Sleight Plass Rd. KCF; 1/1, 2/17 early am near home BB; heard/2, 5 & 8 No. Mabbettsville Rd. AMP; 2 yg in nest/21 Pine Plains yd JW.

Barred Owl: 1/1, 5 & 6 Tivoli NG; 1/4 h Vassar Farms DRu; 2/8, 19 am calling & 2/19 pm calling Ludow Woods & 1/21 Whitlock Pres. DK; 1/9 Smith & Netherwood Rds LM; 1/15 yd. & 1/17 Ferncliff Forest CV; 2 occ. yd., 1/27 Newbold Rd., Hyde Pk KCF; 2/24 Wilcox Park JA; 1/29 FDR Estate KH; 1/29 Vassar Farm DE; 2/ all mo. little Stissing Mt, Pine Plains, 2/all mo. Field Rd, Milan DG;

Chimney Swift: FOS - 1/30 Denning's Pt. KH.

Belted Kingfisher: 26 reported @ Cary/IES, Vassar Farm, Denning's Pt., Nuclear Lk, Wapp. Cr. plus 3 other areas by DE, KCF, KH, DK, MK, BAM/MK, AMP, EBR, ES, WLS, CV & FT's.

Red-bellied Woodpecker: 1-3 reported by most observers – most; 7/21 Dennings Pt/Long Dock FT; 5/15 IES AMP>

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker: 1/2 & 4 yd Stormville EBR; 2/4 Reese Pk. KH; 4/4, 1-2/8-30 yd Poughquag CP/HT; 1/9 yd. AMP; 3/12 Nuclear Lk. KCF; 1/19 Reese Pk. BAM, MK; 2/24 Pond Gut FT; 1/25 yd. MP; 8/18 Nuclear Lk. CV; 1/24 Nuclear Lk WLS & JA/GL;

Downy Woodpecker: 1-4 by all observers – most: 6/14 Buttercup W. FT.

Hairy Woodpecker: 1-2 reported by BB, KCF, AG/NG, BAM, MP, AMP, EBR, ES, CV, & FT's - most: 2-4 all yd Poughquag CP/HT.

Northern Flicker: 1-6 reported throughout county by most observers.

Pileated Woodpecker: 1-2 reported most areas by BB, AG/NG, KH, DK, BAM, BAM/MK, AMP, CP/HT, DRy, DRu, ES, WLS & JA/GL & FT's - most: 3/13 Vassar Farm CV.

Eastern Phoebe: 1-4 reported by most observers – most: 6/2 Cary/IES CV; 6/4 Buttercup, WLS; 9/11 IES KCF.

Great Crested Flycatcher: FOS - 1/30 yd BB.

Eastern Kingbird: FOS – 1/30 Madam Brett Pk. KH.

Blue-headed Vireo: FOS - 1/11 IES & 1/12 Nuclear Lk. KCF; 1/18 Nuclear Lk. CV; 2/19 Reese Pk. BAM, MK; 1/21 Dennings Pt/Long Dock FT; 4/24 Pond Gut FT; 3/24 Nuclear Lk WLS & JA/GL; 1/27 Pond Gut MK.

Warbling Vireo: FOS - 1/21 Dennings Pt/Long Dock FT; 1/29 near Stone House Rd BB; 1/29 Valkil, 3/30 Peter J. Sharp Pk. KH;

Red-eyed Vireo: FOS - 1/9 yd Poughquag CP/HT; 1/15 Locust Grove, 1/22 Peach Hill KH;

Blue Jay: Normal throughout county.

American Crow: Normal throughout county.

Fish Crow: 1/2 Beacon Long Dock, 1/12 Rombout Rd., 1/15 Rt. 44 Plaza, 2/19 McEnroe compost, 1/30 Peach Hill CV; 2/1&4 Reese Pk., 7/1, 3/6, 2/28 Wapp. Rural Cem., 1/2, 20&24 Stony Kill farm KH; 1/28 So. Dut. Rail Trail BAM.

Common Raven: 2/11, 1/22 & 27 Thompson Pd., 5/18 Nuclear Lk., 2/19 McEnroe compost CV; 1/14 Buttercup W. FT; 1/18 Mashomack WLS & Mashomack club; 1/15 Locust Grove KH; MHB 1/20 Buttercup W. ES; 1/24 Pond Gut FT; 1/occ yd BB; 1/25 IES AMP.

Tree Swallow: Well reported throughout county by most observers.

Northern Rough-winged Swallow: FOS – returned/6 Upton Lake Christian School, Jim Clinton; 2/15 Norrie Pt. CV; 4/19 Wapp. Cr. BAM, MK; 2/19 Reese Pk., 7/25 & 40-50 mixed flock/27 Fisherman's Pk., 1/29 Valkill KH;

Bank Swallow: FOS – 2/25, 40-50 mixed flock/27 Fisherman's Pk. KH.

Cliff Swallow: FOS – 1/25 Fisherman's Pk. KH.

Barn Swallow: FOS – 1/24 Stony Kill farm, 2/25, 40-50/27 in mixed flock Fisherman's Pk., 3/30 Beacon Riverfront KH; 25/28 Lk Walton/So. Dut. Rail Trail BAM; MHB 4/29 Vassar Farm DE

Black-capped Chickadee: Normal numbers throughout county & 2-6 daily, pair nesting beginning 3rd week yd. MP;

Tufted Titmouse: Normal numbers throughout county by all observers.

Red-breasted Nuthatch: 1/18 Tymor BB.

White-breasted Nuthatch: Normal numbers by most observers & 1/4 carrying a twig for nesting material yd JA/KJ.

Brown Creeper: 1/2 yd. AMP; 2/8 Newbold Rd., Hyde Pk, BAM, MK; 1/11 IES KCF; MHB 3/13 Buttercup W. ES; 1/19 Reese Pk. BAM, MK; 1/20 Pond Gut GZ/AP; 1/29 Pond Gut, MK.

Carolina Wren: Normal numbers of 1-3 most areas by most observers & week-old yg in nest/14 her porch Carrie Grey.

House Wren: FOS - 1/19 yd Beekman Road GZ/AP; 1-2 daily beg. 23rd MP; 1/23 Wapp. Cr. Greenway Trail PL. Val., 1/24 Rombout Rd., 1/29 Sleight farm, 4/30 Peach Hill CV; 2/24 Stony Kill farm, 1/30 Klara Sauer Trail/Long Dock Beacon KH;

Winter Wren: FOS - 1/27 Buttercup W. MHB-ES.

Golden-crowned Kinglet: 1/10 IES AMP; 1/24 yd Poughquag CP/HT.

Ruby-Crowned Kinglet: FOS – 1/8 yd Poughquag CP/HT; then 1-5 reported most areas by BB, DE, KH, KCF, DK, BAM, AMP, ES, WLS/JA/GL, CV, & FT's - most: 5/19 Reese Pk. BAM, MK.

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher: FOS - 2/10 Cary/IES MHB-DE; 1-5 reported most areas by JA, BB, KH, ES, WLS & JA/GL, GZ/AP, FT - most: 9/30 Buttercup W. KCF; 2/26 & 27 nest almost complete Cary/IES CV; 1/23 flying on & off nest IES AMP.

Eastern Bluebird: Well reported by all observers and started nesting early this year.

Veery: FOS - 1/30 Stonykill GZ/AP.

Hermit Thrush: 1/4 & 19 Reese Tpw Pk. & 1/4 & 19 Reese Sanc. 1/15 Locust Grove KH; 2/8 Newbold Rd., Hyde Pk, BAM, MK; 4/14 Buttercup W. FT; 1/21 Dennings Pt/Long Dock FT;

Wood Thrush: FOS - 2/27 Newbold Rd. Hyde Pk, KCF.

American Robin: 2-18 throughout the county by all observers - most: 27/23 IES AMP.

Gray Catbird: FOS - 1/30 Peach Hill CV.

Northern Mockingbird: 1-3 most areas by most observers.

Brown Thrasher: FOS - 2/10 Peach Hill FT; 1/11 Vassar Farm MK; 3/13, Peach Hill CV; 7 (1-2 each) in 5 other places.

Cedar Waxwing: MHB 8/20 Buttercup W. ES; 6/29 Buttercup W. CV.

Blue-winged Warbler: FOS - 1/30 Humeston farm BJM



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Nashville Warbler: FOS – 1/19 Reese Pk., 1/22 Peach Hill KH.

Yellow Warbler: FOS – 1/7 Cary/IES, 1/29 Valkil, 2/30 Klara Sauer Trail, Beacon, 1/30 Madam Brett KH; 1/28 Pond Gut GZ/AP; 5/30 Buttercup W. KCF; 2/30 Peach Hill CV; 2/30 Humeston farm BJM; 2/30 yd BB; 1/27 & 29 Pond Gut MK;

Chestnut-sided Warbler: FOS - 1/21 Dennings Pt/Long Dock FT; 2/30 Denning's Pt. KH.

Yellow-rumped Warbler: 1/7 Cary/IES, 3/22 Peach Hill, 5/30 Madam Brett KH; sev/30 yd. TS; by mid month up to 5 found in 10 places mostly in the southern part of the county.

Black-throated Green Warbler: FOS - 1/8 yd Poughquag CP/HT

Pine Warbler: FOS - 4/8 Newbold Rd., Hyde Pk, BAM,MK; 1/11 IES KCF; 2/14, 1/16 Cary/IES CV; MHB 3/20 Buttercup W. ES; 1/12 Pond Gut GZ/AP; 1/18 Tymor BB; 3/24 Pond Gut FT

Prairie Warbler: FOS - 1/27 h Stissing Mt. Rd. CV.

Palm Warbler: FOS - 1/1 Buttercup/Pine Plains DG; 1/7 yd. Fishkill HRA/Ed Spaeth; by mid month up to 5 found in 10 places singly.

Black-and-white Warbler: FOS – 2/22 Peach Hill KH; 4/24 Pond Gut FT; 2/28 Pond Gut GZAP; 5/30 IES KCF;

Worm-eating Warbler: FOS – 1/29 Valkil KH.

Ovenbird: FOS - 1/15 IES AMP.

Northern Waterthrush: FOS -1/19,22 singing Fern Glen, Cary/IES DK; 1/24 Nuclear Lake WLS & JA/GL; 1/29 near Stone House Rd BB.

Louisiana Waterthrush: 1-2 in usual areas reported by JA,BB,KCF,KH,BAM/MK, WLS, WLS & JA/GL,CV,GZ/AP – most: 6/24 Pond Gut FT.

Hooded Warbler: FOS - 1/10 Peach Hill FT.

Wilson's Warbler: FOS – 1/30 Klara Sauer Trail, Beacon KH.

Eastern Towhee: 1-3 reported by BB,AG/NG,KCF,BAM,AMP,EBR,ES,WLS,CV, & FT's.

American Tree Sparrow: MHB 30+/10 Cary/IES DE.

Chipping Sparrow: 1-6 most areas by all observers.

Field Sparrow: 1-4 reported many areas by JA/KJ,BB,DE,KCF,KH,BJM,BAM,AMP,DRy,WLS, FT's - most: 6/29 Sleight farm CV.

Savannah Sparrow: 1/10, 2/24 Stony Kill farm, 3/30 Peter J Sharp Pk. KH; 4/17 & 24 TSF, MP; 2/19 Sharon Station RD., 1/30 Peach Hill CV; 1/13 IES AMP.

Song Sparrow: 1-12 by most observers – most: 15/ Rombout Rd. CV; 15/17 Mashomack WLS & Mashomack club.

Swamp Sparrow: 1-9 reported by KH,MK,AMP,WLS & FT's – most: 10/11 IES & 6/30 Buttercup W. KCF; 18/22 Thompson Pd., CV.

White-throated Sparrow: 2-12 reported by most observers – most: 15+/2 Vassar Farms DE; 24/18-23 yd.AMP.

Dark-eyed Junco: 1-4 & most gone by mid month reported by BB,KH,DK,BAM,MP,AMP,CP/HT, FT's, last date seen 4/20 CV & 1/30 yd. JA/KJ.

Northern Cardinal: Normal numbers reported by all observers.

Rose-breasted Grosbeak: FOS -1/28-30 feeder Stormville EBR; 1/29 Sleight farm, CV; 1/30 yd. TS; 1/30 yd BB;

Red-winged Blackbird: Normal numbers most of Co. by most observers – most: 30/17, 20/18 Mashomack WLS & Mashomack club.

Eastern Meadowlark: FOS - 1/7 Cary/IES KH; 2/11 Bethel Cross Rd. – only time CV; MHB few/18 Buttercup W. Art Jones.

Rusty Blackbird: MHB 1/10 Cary/IES DE; 1/21 Millbrook Sch. JA; MHB 1/21 yd. ES; 8/26 Cary/IES CV; 20/29 near Stone House Rd BB; 2/28 yd. AMP; 6/28 Cary IES WLS;

Common Grackle: 2-15 reported by JA/KJ,BB,DE,KH, BJM,BAM,AMP,MP,ES,WLS & JA/GL,CV & FT's - most:25/17, 20/18 Mashomack WLS & Mashomack club.

Brown-headed Cowbird: 2-8 reported by EBR, BB,DE,KH,DK,BAM,BAM/MK, MP,AMP,ES, WLS; WLS & JA/GL CV, & all FT's.

Baltimore Oriole: FOS - 1/30 Buttercup W. KCF; 1/30 Norrie Pt. CV; 1/30 Madam Brett Pk. KH; 1-3/occ yd Poughquag CP/HT;

Purple Finch: 1/3 yd. JA/KJ; 1/8 yd Poughquag CP/HT; 1/9,12,13 yd BB

House Finch: 2-6 reported by JA/KJ, EBR,KH,BAM/MK, BAM, AMP,CP/HT, CV, & FT.

American Goldfinch: Normal numbers reported by most observers – most: 20/1, 50/4, 10-12/all, 30/26 yd Poughquag CP/HT.

Other Sightings:

Red Fox: 1/13 Lincoln Dr., Pok, Evelyn & Dave Stevenson.

Otter: 1/22 swimming & diving Thompson Pd. CV.

Observers:

JA-Janet Allison, JAKJ-Judith Atwood/Karen Jaquith, BB-Barbara Butler, DE-Derrick Eidam via-MHB, KCF-Ken & Carol Fredericks, DG-Dick Gershon, AG-Ann Gilbert, NG - Natalie Gilbert, KH-Ken Harris, SI-Suzanne-Infante RJ-Rodney Johnson, SJ-Susan Joseph, MK-Maha Katnani, DK-Debi Kral, LM-Liz Martens, BAM-Barbara & Allan Michelin, MP-Mona Payton, CP-Carena Pooth, AMP-Adrienne Popko, EBR-Edith & Barry Rosen, DRu-Dora Russell, ES-Elisa Shaw via-MHB, DRy-Dick Ryley, TS-Thalia Sudnik, HT-Herb Thompson, WLS-William & Lisa Schlesinger, CV-Chet Vincent, JW-Jane Waters, AP/GZ- Adrienne Papazian/Gary Zylkuski, FT-Field Trip, HRA - Hudson River Almanac with last name, MHB - Mid-Hudson Birds

Groups: WLS,OVMK & AS-William & Lisa Schlesinger & Olivia Van Melle Kamp & Amy Schuler, WLS,JA/GL-William & Lisa Schlesinger & Janet Allison/Gary Lovett

Field Trips (FT):

7th Tamarack, 10th Peach Hill, 14th Buttercup W., 21st Dennings Pt/Long Dock, 24th Pond Gut, 28th Thompson Pond

Abbreviations:

BBT-Bluebird trail; FOS-First of Season; HVRT-Harlem Valley Rail Trail; IES-Institute of Ecosystem Studies; TSF-The Southlands Farm; RHGC-Red Hook Golf Course; TSP-Taconic State Parkway

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May 2010 Records

A hot spell in late April and early May triggered an early leaf-out. Would the migrants go through early too? Mid-May was cool. A frost on May 11th killed the growing tips of several tree species. We found migrants still here after the Census, so the birds apparently stuck to their usual timing.

Canada Goose: 250/21 Overlook Park incl 50-60 yg CV; small groups all over.

Brant: 3000+/20 near sundown Norrie Pt JL; 400-500/31 evening migrating north over Hudson at Rhinecliff RJ.

Mute Swan: 13/7 Wapp. Lk. BJM; 1ad & 4 yg/15 near Overlook Rd, 2 ad & 5 yd/20 Thompson Pd CV, others.

Wood Duck: 3 ad & 10 yg/10 Cary IES, also at HVRT Rombout Rd, Buttercup W CV; 3 (possibly ducklings)/11 creek near powerlines, Hopewell Jct KK.

Mallard: nesting all over CV.

Green-winged Teal: 1 male/16 HVRT CV; x/22 Vlei marsh RJ.

Greater Scaup: 2/13 Craft Pond OW/FW.

White-winged Scoter: 20/12 Hudson near Esopus lighthouse, flying south MHB DeDea.

Scoter, sp: 100-125/12 Hudson at Chelsea, flying south RJ, Ed Solan. Were these the white-wings? See prior entry. Both sightings were in the early morning.

Hooded Merganser: 1f/7-20, 9yg/8-10, 4yg/28 Cary IES CV, KCF, WLS.

Common Merganser: 3/8 Cary IES CV; 2/23 Wapp Lk KH.

Ring-necked Pheasant: 2/16 Buttercup W AMP; 1/20 Cary IES KH; 1/26 Cascade Mtn FT.

Wild Turkey: 1-5 several places mostly early in the month.

Pied-billed Grebe: x/3 Tamarack JAs.

Double-crested Cormorant: 5/5 Locust Grove, 1/26 Mills Norrie KH; 1/13 Craft Pond OW/FW; 2/30 Tamarack AMP.

American Bittern: 1/22 Vlei marsh RJ; 1/23 Tivoli North Bay MHB Schoenberger.

Great Blue Heron: 4/5 Ferncliff FT; 4/29 Southlands FT, many reports of 1 to 3.

Green Heron: 1/2 & 7 pd. Deising farm FOS BJM; 1/21 Overlook Park ate a frog CV, 5 others.

Black Vulture: 3/13 Pine Plains area OW/FW; 8 other reports.

Turkey Vulture: 5/11 Tymor BB; 5/22 Rt.55, Pawling BJM; seen all over the county.

Osprey: 1/1 Deep Hollow FT; x/3 Tamarack JAs.

Bald Eagle: 1 ad/20 Thompson Pd CV.

Northern Harrier: 1/26 Cascade Mtn FT.

Cooper's Hawk: 1/8 Cary IES made 2 passes at yg Hooded Mergansers, missed, birds dove CV; 1 most yd. & h yg/24-25 across street. BAM.

Northern Goshawk: 1/16 PNR KCF.

Red-shouldered Hawk: 3/7 over BBT/Humeston farm BJM; 1-2 most days & 3/21 near home BAM; 1-2 nearly daily, also 3/31 circling and calling overhead MP; 9 others.

Broad-winged Hawk: 1/1 Deep Hollow FT; 2/17 Rhinebeck yard RJ; 3 others.

Red-tailed Hawk: 4/13 Pine Plains area OW/FW; 1-2 on most reports.

American Kestrel: 2/26 Cascade Mtn FT; 2/29 1/all month Cary IES AMP, WLS; 2/29 Southlands FT; 1/7, 11 Kiyawana Farm EBR; 4 others.

Peregrine Falcon: 1/1 Listening Rock Farm, Wassaic BB.

Virginia Rail: 2/9 Millbrook Sch KCF, DK; 1/10 Cary IES heard, 2/20 Thompson Pd heard & seen CV.

Sora: 2/22 Vlei marsh RJ.

Killdeer: 4/26 Haight Rd incl 2 yg AMP; 5/21 Overlook Pk CV; 6-8 daily Southlands MP; 1-3 in 8 places.

Greater Yellowlegs: 2/13 1/20 Strever Farm Rd OW/FW CV.

Lesser Yellowlegs: 2/9 Millbrook Sch, 1/10 Strever Farm Rd KCF; 1/20 river at Chelsea RJ.

Solitary Sandpiper: x/3 Tamarack JAs; 4/9 Millbrook Sch, 3/10 Buttercup West KCF; 1/16 HVRT, 5/20 Strever Fm Rd, 1/21 Vassar Farm CV; 1/17&20 Cary IES WLS.

Spotted Sandpiper: 3/7 Nuclear Lk, 6/21 Overlook Pk CV; x/3 Tamarack JAs; 4 in other places.

Least Sandpiper: 2/13 Strever Farm Rd pd OW/FW; 9/20 Strever Farm Rd CV.

Wilson's Snipe: 1/9 Millbrook School KCF.

American Woodcock: 2/4 yard AMP; heard/14 Town of Clinton BB.

Rock Pigeon: 6/13 9/30 Reese Sanct KH.

Mourning Dove: 7/26 Cascade Mtn FT; 8/all yard AMP; 4-8/all yd Poughquag CP/HT; 1-5 many places.

Black-billed Cuckoo: 1/11 Ferncliff RM; 1/17 Rhinebeck yard RJ.

Yellow-billed Cuckoo: 1/4 Rombout Rd, 1/20 Thompson Pd CV; 4/5 Ferncliff FT; 1 ea at PNR, Southlands.

Barred Owl: 2/1 Deep Hollow FT; 1/15, 25, 28 Tivoli NG; 2/20 Thompson Pd heard 5:55 am CV; 2 seen/22 PNR FT; also Ferncliff, StonyKill, KCF yard.

Common Nighthawk: 5/20 near Inky Lane, Hopewell Jct KK; 1/21 @ 4:45pm & 1/22 @ 7:00 pm over yd. BJM; 1/23 BBT/Humeston farm BJM; 2/26 Chelsea DR.

Chimney Swift: 2-3/7 Wapp. Village BJM; 8/8 Rt 55 @ HGPage CV; 8/27 Rt 55 by HGPage KCF; 1-6 in 3 places.

Ruby-throated Hummingbird: 1m/3 BAM; then regular at 7 feeders by the second week, plus 10 more on trips.

Belted Kingfisher: 1/all mo, 2/20 Cary IES KH, WLS, CV, KCF; 2/31 Buttercup W AMP; 6 others.

Red-bellied Woodpecker: 6/5 Ferncliff FT; 6/17 Cruger Island Rd BB/CV; on all trips and yards. Now more than Downies.

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker: 4/1 Deep Hollow FT; 9/7 Nuclear Lk heard all along trail & lake, saw sev CV; 4-5/13 Pine Plains area OW/FW; 2 at nest hole/26 Cascade Mtn FT; 8 others.

Downy Woodpecker: 5 avg yard AMP; 19th & 23rd adults feeding young at nest hole Reese Pk/Sanct KH; 1-3 yards.

Hairy Woodpecker: 2 avg yard AMP; 2/all yd KCF; 2 all mo. yd. BAM; 2-4/all yd Poughquag CP/HT; 1-2 daily yard, at nest hole w/ food/14 Buttercup W CV; 1 ea on some trips & yards.

Northern Flicker: 4/2 FDR Farm Lane FT; 2/7 at nest hole Nuclear Lk, 1/10 at nest hole Cary IES CV; 1-2 from 15 places.

Pileated Woodpecker: 3/5 Ferncliff FT; 3/17 Cruger Island Rd BB/CV; 1-2 from 25 places.

Olive-sided Flycatcher: 1/14 Buttercup W seen, but not heard CV; 1/28 IES KCF.

Eastern Wood-Pewee: 1/7 BBT/Humeston farm BJM; 1/7 Reese Pk KH; a few on the 13th, then normal #s 15th on.

Alder Flycatcher: 1/20 Millbrook School Janet Allison, Lisa Dellwo; 1/31 Cary IES WLS.

Willow Flycatcher: 1/13 4/23 4/31 Cary IES WLS; 3/20 Millbrook School Janet Allison, Lisa Dellwo.

Least Flycatcher: 2/1 Deep Hollow FT; 1/2 Reese Pk KH; 4/13 Pine Plains area OW/FW; 6/16 HVRT CV; reports of 1-2 mostly after mid-month.



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Eastern Phoebe: 6 avg yard, 6/2 Cary IES AMP; pr on nest/24-31 porch BB; 1-4 all yards & trips.

Great Crested Flycatcher: 1/1 Deep Hollow FT; 3/2 FDR Farm Lane FT; 5/5 Ferncliff FT; 4/19 Nuclear Lake FT; 1-3 in many yards & trips.

Eastern Kingbird: 1/1 Listening Rock Farm BB; 4/2 Peach Hill KCF; 4/all Cary IES WLS, AMP; 1-3 many places.

Yellow-throated Vireo: 2/2 Peach Hill Pk KCF first; 2/2 FDR Farm Lane FT; 6/5 Ferncliff FT; 1-3 in 9 places.

Blue-headed Vireo: 2/1 Deep Hollow FT; 2/5 Ferncliff FT; 3 (1 on nest)/22 PNR FT; 2/26 Mills/Norrie KH; 4 others.

Warbling Vireo: 5/13 Pine Plains area OW/FW; 8/16 HVRT CV; 4/19 Reese Sanct KH; 4/24 Airport Ind. Rd. BJM; many reports of 1 or 2 all over.

Philadelphia Vireo: 1/19 Reese Sanct KH.

Red-eyed Vireo: 10/16 PNR, 6/17 Tivoli Bay WMA KCF; 7/19 Nuclear Lk FT; 16/22 PNR FT; 1-5 on most trips, some yards.

Blue Jay: 15/1 Deep Hollow FT; 35+(moving)/2 FDR Farm Lane FT; 3-6/all, 12/2 yd Poughquag CP/HT; many around.

American Crow: 3-6 on all trips & yards.

Fish Crow: 4/1 StonyKill, 1/7, 1/20 Wapp Rural Cem, 1 ea at Locust Grove, Reese Pk, Bowdoin Pk KH; 1/21 Vassar Farm CV; 1/31 Millbrook Tribute Garden BB .

Common Raven: 1 ad, 6 yg/16 HVRT, 2/20 Thompson Pd CV; 1-2 a couple of times/week at the back of our property which has wetlands rising to thick woods MP; 3 others.

Tree Swallow: 20/7 6-12/all Cary IES KCF, WLS; 15/22 Buttercup WLS & group; 12/19 Nuclear Lk FT; 20/29 Southlands FT; 22 all mo. nesting 11 boxes, BJM; many more.

Northern Rough-winged Swallow: 2/9 4/13 Cary IES WLS; 4/20 Verbank BB; 1-2 at 6 other places.

Bank Swallow: 4/10 Cary IES CV.

Cliff Swallow: 15/29 Southlands FT; 4/30 Southlands MP.

Barn Swallow: 8/13 Rombout Rd CV; 10/19 Nuclear Lake FT; 15/29 Southlands FT; up to 6 in many open areas.

Black-capped Chickadee: 12/2 FDR Farm Lane FT; 2 daily, raising 5 babies MP; 8/all yd KCF; 2-5 in most yards & trips.

Tufted Titmouse: 7/2 FDR Farm Lane FT; 10/5 Ferncliff FT; 1-3 on most reports.

Red-breasted Nuthatch: 1/11 Tymor BB; 1/20 Cary IES KH.

White-breasted Nuthatch: 4 avg yd AMP; 3 at Ferncliff, Cruger Island Rd; 1-2 in yards & trips.

Brown Creeper: 2/2 FDR Farm Lane FT; 1/5 Ferncliff FT; 1/17 Rhinebeck yd RJ.

Carolina Wren: 2/all yd CP/HT, BAM, KCF; 1-2 on most trips.

House Wren: 11/2 Peach Hill Pk KCF; 4/17 Sleight Plass Rd CV; 1-2 most places, nesting.

Winter Wren: 4/1 Deep Hollow FT; 1/17 Cruger Island Rd BB/CV.

Marsh Wren: 5/17 Cruger Isl. Rd BB/CV; x/22 Vlei marsh RJ.

Ruby-crowned Kinglet: 2/2 FDR Farm Lane FT; 1/2 Reese Pk KH; 1/17 Rhinebeck yd RJ.

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher: 5/5 Ferncliff FT; 12/10 Buttercup West KCF; 6/13 Pine Plains area OW/FW; 2nd ad on nest, 18th M fed F on nest Cary IES AMP; also at Deep Hollow, Nuclear Lk, Buttercup, FDR Farm Ln, and other places.

Eastern Bluebird: 4/5 N Mabbettsville Rd, 7/16 Buttercup AMP; 4/29 Southlands FT; 1-2/2-27, 5 babies/12-27 yd Poughquag CP/HT; 1-5 many places and nesting.

Veery: 8/16 PNR, 8/17 Tivoli Bay WMA, 9/25 Buttercup East, 10/28 IES KCF; 14/19 Nuclear Lake FT; 20/22 PNR FT; #s low and they didn't sing until second week.

Swainson's Thrush: 1/19 Reese Sanct KH.

Hermit Thrush: 2/2 FDR Farm Lane FT; 2/22 PNR FT; 2/26 Cascade Mtn FT; 5 others.

Wood Thrush: 20/5 Ferncliff FT; 8/16 PNR, 6/17 Tivoli Bay WMA KCF; 9/21 7/22 StonyKill KH; 11/22 PNR FT; in most woods.

American Robin: all over, nesting.

Gray Catbird: all over, especially abundant at Peach Hill Park, Cary IES, Buttercup, StonyKill, Cascade Mtn, HVRT.

Northern Mockingbird: 5/4 Rombout Rd; 4/8 RHGC MP; 6/29 Southlands FT; 1-2 in 15 other places.

Brown Thrasher: 2/5 N Mabbettsville Rd AMP; x/4 Andrew Haight Rd JAs; 1/7 Cary IES WLS; 1/1,20,29 Crestwood Rd, Red Hook AG; 1/28 Hopeland area Ed Solan.

European Starling: 22/26 Cascade Mtn FT; 20/29 Southlands FT; and 1-3 other places.

American Pipit: 3/13 in recently mowed field Domin Farm CV.

Cedar Waxwing: 15/3 Cary IES WS; 12/11 Tymor BB; 16/28 IES, 8/25 Buttercup East KCF; 24/26 Cascade Mtn FT; 10/29 Southlands FT; 2-7 in 10 other places.

Blue-winged Warbler: 12/2 Peach Hill Pk, 16/25 Buttercup East KCF; 3-10/all Cary IES WLS; 6/26 Cascade Mtn FT; 1-6 in 15 other places.

Brewster's Warbler (hybrid): 1/21 Red Hawk Hollow Rd off Diddell Rd Janet Allison, first found on May Census.

Lawrence's Warbler (hybrid): 1/7 KCF; 1/9 David Arner; 1/10 CV; 1/13 BB/OW/FW all at Cary IES on Fowler Rd.

Tennessee Warbler: 2/5 Ferncliff FT; 2/11 Ferncliff RM; 1/13 Canoo Hill Rd BB/OW/FW; 1/16 yard BB; sev/17 Ferncliff RM.

Nashville Warbler: 4/2 Peach Hill Pk KCF; 4/5 Ferncliff FT; 2/17 Rhinebeck yd RJ; 2/20 Cary IES, 1/21 StonyKill KH.

Northern Parula: first- 2/2 FDR Farm Lane FT; most-10/5 Ferncliff FT; last- 3/19 Quiet Cove Curt McDermott; 12 other reports.

Yellow Warbler: 10/2 Peach Hill Pk, 15/10 Buttercup West, 11/25 Buttercup East KCF; 4-20/all Cary IES WLS; 13/13 Rombout Rd, 10/16 HVRT CV; 1-9 in 30 other places.

Chestnut-sided Warbler: first- 2/6 App Trail CV; 14/25 Buttercup East KCF; 8/13 Pine Plains area OW/FW; 1-2 in a dozen other places.

Magnolia Warbler: first-1/6, 10 Cary IES AMP, CV; most- 7/17 Rhinebeck yd RJ; last- 1/20 Bowdoin Pk KH; 1-3 in 7 places.

Cape May Warbler: 1/5 Ferncliff FT; 1/17 Rhinebeck yd RJ.

Black-throated Blue Warbler: 1/2 FDR Farm Lane FT; 5/5 Ferncliff FT; 5/22 PNR FT.

Yellow-rumped Warbler: 15/16 yard BB; 56/5 Ferncliff FT; 30/9 Andrew Haight Rd KCF; hordes/11 Ferncliff RM; last- 1/22 Crestwood Rd, Red Hook AG; 10 other places.

Black-throated Green Warbler: 18/1 Deep Hollow FT; 14/5 Ferncliff FT; 7/16 PNR KCF; 5/22 PNR FT; 1-3 6 other places.

Blackburnian Warbler: 1/5 sev/11, 17 2/18 Ferncliff FT, RM, AMP; 5/17 Rhinebeck yd RJ; 1/22 PNR FT.

Pine Warbler: 1/17 Tivoli Bay WMA KCF; 1/27 Cary IES CP/HT; 2/31 Millbrook Tribute Garden BB.

Prairie Warbler: 1/10 Buttercup West, 2/25 Buttercup East KCF; 1-5/all Cary IES WLS; 4/13 Pine Plains area OW/FW; 1-4 at 5 other places AMP; 5/17 Rhinebeck yd RJ; 1/22 PNR FT.

Bay-breasted Warbler: 1/11 & 17 Ferncliff RM; 1/17 Tivoli Bay WMA KCF; 1/17 Rhinebeck yd RJ; 1/20 Fountains BB/BJM; 1/22 StonyKill KH.



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Blackpoll Warbler: 1/14 yd. BAM; 1/17 yd BB; 4/17 Rhinebeck yd RJ; 1/18 Ferncliff AMP; 1/19 Quiet Cove Curt McDermott; 2/23 BBT/Deising farm BJM.

Cerulean Warbler: 1 heard/21 StonyKill KH.

Black-and-white Warbler: 5/2 Peach Hill Pk, 5/25 Buttercup East KCF; 8/13 Pine Plains area OW/FW; 6/17 Rhinebeck yard RJ; 1-4 Cary IES; 8 other places.

American Redstart: first 1/4 Pond Gut CV; 12/13 Pine Plains area OW/FW; 8/18 Ferncliff AMP; 20/22 PNR FT; many more.

Worm-eating Warbler: 1/1 Deep Hollow FT; 9/17 Rhinebeck yard RJ; 1/25 Winnakee Nature Pres, 3/26 Norrie & Mills SP KH; also Ferncliff, PNR, Buttercup, Deep Hollow, Tivoli Bay.

Ovenbird: 7/1 Deep Hollow FT; 5-18/all Cary IES; 20/22 PNR FT; 12/17 Tivoli Bay WMA KCF; many more.

Northern Waterthrush: 1/13 Cary IES WLS; 1/20 Millbrook School Janet Allison, Lisa Dellwo; 1/21 Vassar Farm heard and seen at 1st pond in CV.

Louisiana Waterthrush: 12/1 Deep Hollow FT; 4/22 PNR FT; 9 other places.

Kentucky Warbler: 1/11 Ferncliff RM.

Mourning Warbler: 1/17 Rhinebeck yard RJ; 1/17 Ferncliff RM; 1/18 Ferncliff heard only AMP; 2/22 PNR FT.

Common Yellowthroat: first- 1/1 Listening Rock Farm BB; 1 9/16 Buttercup AMP; 13/17 Tivoli Bay WMA, 21/25 Buttercup East KCF; 1-18/all Cary IES WLS; many more.

Hooded Warbler: 3/11 Tymor BB; 1/16 PNR KCF; 2/17 Rhinebeck yard RJ; 1/20 Fountains BB/BJM; 6/22 PNR FT.

Wilson's Warbler: 1/1 StonyKill KH; 1/16 yd BB.

Canada Warbler: first-1/16 HVRT CV; 3/17 Cruger Island Rd BB/CV; 1/17 yd RJ; 2/18 Ferncliff AMP; 1/25 Winnakee Nature Pres KH.

Scarlet Tanager: first- 1/1 Deep Hollow FT; 8/5 Ferncliff FT; 12/22 PNR FT; 1-6 many places.

Eastern Towhee: 9/2 Peach Hill Pk, 5/17 Tivoli Bay WMA, 6/25 Buttercup East KCF; 6/13 Pine Plains area OW/FW; 7/26 Cascade Mtn FT; 1-6/all Cary IES WLS,AMP,KCF; many more.

Chipping Sparrow: 4/all yard BB; 4/all yd Poughquag CP/HT; most trips & yards.

Field Sparrow: 3/2 19/6 Cary IES, 6/5 7/27 Market Ln AMP; 1-5/all Cary IES WLS,KH; a dozen other places.

Vesper Sparrow: 1/29 StonyKill (white malar area and edges of tail) KH.

Savannah Sparrow: 1/1 & 22 StonyKill KH; x/3 Millbrook area JAs; 5/4 1/13 Rombout Rd, 1/6 Lagrange Rec area, 1/8 Cary IES CV; 6/8 TSF then flushing up and down into pasture and more difficult to see mid-month on MP.

Song Sparrow: 12/4 5/13 Rombout Rd CV; 10/29 Southlands FT; 1-6 all over.

Lincoln's Sparrow: 1/10 Cary IES, seen but not heard CV; 1/16 heard and seen yd BB.

Swamp Sparrow: 1-4/all Cary IES WLS,KCF; 4/9 Millbrook Sch KCF; 4/20 Thompson Pd CV; 5/31 Buttercup W AMP; 8 other places.

White-throated Sparrow: 6/1 10/2 4/3 yard AMP; last- 1/17 Cary IES WLS.

White-crowned Sparrow: 2/2 Reese Pk KH; x/3 Andrew Haight Rd JAs; 1/8 Cary IES, 1/13 Rombout Rd, 1/14 Buttercup W, 1/16 HVRT, 1/21 Vassar Farm CV; 1/13 Pine Plains, 1/13 Wapp yard OW/FW; 1/17 Cruger Island Rd BB/CV; 3 others.

Dark-eyed Junco: 2/1 Deep Hollow FT.

Northern Cardinal: 1-6/all Cary IES WLS AMP; 3-6 yards & on all trips.

Rose-breasted Grosbeak: 10/5 Ferncliff FT; 7/17 Cruger Island Rd BB/CV; 5/26 Cascade Mtn FT; all trips & yards.

Blue Grosbeak: 1/17 Salt Point yard Bob Bowler.

Indigo Bunting: first- 1/2 FDR Farm Lane FT; 1/2 Reese Pk KH; most- 6/25 Buttercup E KCF; 1/8-31 Cary IES; 9 other places.

Bobolink: 15/4 Domin Farm CV; 12/13 Pine Plains area OW/FW; 6/29 Southlands FT; 5 Flint Hill Rd, Buttercup; 6 other places.

Red-winged Blackbird: 40/20 Thompson Pd, in all swamps and grasslands CV; 35/26 Cascade Mtn FT; 25/29 Southlands FT; many widespread.

Eastern Meadowlark: 1/1 Shaughnessy Rd heard & seen. CV; x/3 N Mabbettsville Rd JAs; 2/8 Southlands MP; 1/16 Waterbury Hill Rd BB.

Common Grackle: 15 avg yard, 30/18 Ferncliff, 17/2 20/6 27/29 Cary IES AMP; widespread over county all month.

Brown-headed Cowbird: 20 avg yard AMP; 20th at Wapp Rural Cem Juv being fed by Phoebes. KH; many more.

Orchard Oriole: 2/2 Peach Hill Pk KCF; x/3 Tamarack JAs; pr copulating/16 pr/7-31 yd BB; pair/19 Quiet Cove Curt McDermott; 1/21 Vassar Farm, male seen & heard CV; 1m/21 Pok Rural Cemetery JL.

Baltimore Oriole: 6/22 StonyKill KH; 6/25 Buttercup East KCF; 6/5 Ferncliff FT; 8/19 Nuclear Lake FT; all trips/yards.

Purple Finch: 1/occ all yd BB; 2/occ yd KCF.

House Finch: 2-6 at most feeders.

American Goldfinch: 10/2 Peach Hill Pk, 20/7 IES, 20/9 Andrew Haight Rd, 20/10 Buttercup West KCF; at feeders.

House Sparrow: 10/29 Southlands FT, 25 yd AMP.

Other Sightings:

Mink: 1/14 HVRT CV.

Beaver: 1/20 Lake Rd, at Thompson Pd, plugging culvert CV.

Spotted Turtle: 1/20 crossing Lake Rd at Thompson Pd, CV.

Observers:

JAs - John Askildsen, JA - Judy Atwood, RB - Robert Bowler, BB - Barbara Butler, DE - Derrick Eidam, KCF - Ken & Carol Fredericks, AG - Ann Gilbert, NG - Natalie Gilbert, KH - Ken Harris, KJ - Karen Jaquith, RJ - Rodney Johnson, SJ - Susan Joseph, KK - Kateri Kosek, DK - Debi Kral, JL - Jeff Lucas, RM - Ryan MacLean, BAM - Barb & Allan Michelin, BJM - Barbara Michelin, MP - Mona Payton, CP - Carena Pooth, AMP - Adrienne Popko, EBR - Edith & Barry Rosen, DR - Dick Ryley, WLS - William & Lisa Dellwo Schlesinger, HT - Herb Thompson, CV - Chet Vincent, FW - Fritz Waterman, OW - Otis Waterman
FT - Field Trip

Abbreviations:

BBT - bluebird box trail, Cem - cemetery, HVRT - Harlem Valley Rail Trail, IES - Institute of Ecosystem Studies, PNR - Pawling Nature Reserve, Pok - Poughkeepsie Sanct - Sanctuary, TSF - Southlands, x - count not specified

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June 2010 Records

Connecticut does summer bird counts covering their Christmas Bird Count circles. The Pawling circle is half in CT. Angela Dimmit, the count compiler for Connecticut half, organized a June count of the Pawling circle, both the CT and NY parts. The results for Dutchess are included in this report. That's the "JunCt" that you see in the reports. The initials following are the observers.

A Red Crossbill was found by Angela's group, which included 2 other Connecticut birders. We find the nomadic Red Crossbills on occasion in the winter, but this is the first summer report. They nest in the Adirondacks and in Chenango County, but wander widely even during the summer. This one was along Quaker Lake Road south of Quaker Lake.

Canada Goose: few reports with small numbers; largest are 48/20-21 Pawling area JunCt SG; 56/9 IES BH.

Mute Swan: 4/21 Pawling area JunCt SG; normal #s KH.

Wood Duck: well reported with many ad and juv seen; 10/15 Vassar Fm DE; 1f/3 yg/9 Reese PK KH.

American Black Duck: m/f/3yg/19 Lakeside Pk JunCt BB.

Mallard: some with Wood ducks/15 Vassar Fm DE; most numbers small; 20/9 Wethersfield FT.

Hooded Merganser: 25/20 Pawling area JunCt-AD; 2/20 Cary IES WLS.

Common Merganser: 2/13 IES Juvenile AMP.

Ring-necked Pheasant: 1/20 Pawling area JunCt-AD; 1/2, 9 IES BH; 1/26 Bontecou Wetland FT.

Wild Turkey: reports w ad & poults; small groups; 2-3 bachelors often yd MP; 10/2 Boston Crs CP/HT.

Double-crested Cormorant: 4/4 PJS Pk, 1/5 StonyKill KH; 1/26 Railtrail BJM; 1/3 Bontecou Lk CP.

American Bittern: 1/21 River Rd Pawling JunCt SG.

Great Blue Heron: many reports, mostly 1 bird; 1/15 caught, ate fish Beekman EBR.

Green Heron: 1-2 in most reports, seen on ponds, 4/18 Vassar Fm pond DE.

Black Vulture: 2/24 Marshall Fm Verbank BB; 2/19 Pawling area JunCt SG; 3/26 Andrew Haight Rd FT.;

Turkey Vulture: very well reported with numbers 1-4 in all; 8/26 Andrew Haight Rd FT.

Osprey: 1/20 flying West Dover Rd JunCt AD; 1/2 IES BH.

Bald Eagle: 1/20 flying West Dover Rd JunCt AD; 1 imm/9 Peach Hill MHB Gum; 1 ad 29 Amenia EW.

Sharp-shinned Hawk: 1/20 Pawling area JunCt AD; 1/19 Pawling area JunCt SG.

Cooper's Hawk: Chased by Kingbird /19 yd BB; 4/25-30 pr/2juv nest yd BAM; 7 other single reports.

Red-shouldered Hawk: 2/11 Dut Rail Trail KH; 1-2 all mo yd BAM; 1-2 daily, vocal yd MP; 2 other reports.

Broad-winged Hawk: 1/30 Turkey Hollow FT.

Red-tailed Hawk: reports of yg; many reports from everywhere; mobbed by crows Vassar Fm DK.

American Kestrel: reports of 1-2 in FT & by DE;KH;DK;CP/HT;WLS.

Killdeer: 2 reports of active yg; 10/21 Airport Ind Rd BJM; 1-8 in 13 other reports.

Spotted Sandpiper: 1/20 Pawling area JunCt AD; 3/26 Bontecou Wetland FT.

American Woodcock: 1/23 IES BH; 5 chicks/21 crossed Willowbrook Rd TS.

Ring-billed Gull: 2/4 Beacon riverfront KH.

Rock Pigeon: 23/20 Pawling area JunCt AD; 30/21 Pawling area JunCt SG; 8/26 Andrew Haight Rd FT; 4 others.

Mourning Dove: 4/27 yg Grackle begging from ad Dove yd JA/KJ; very well reported, 1-6 for all.

Yellow-billed Cuckoo: hear/29 yard BB.

Black-billed Cuckoo: 1/28 (3pm) yard BB.;

Eastern Screech-Owl: 1/21 Linden Ln WLS.

Great Horned Owl: 1/1 mobbed by crows Marshall's Fm Verbank CP/HT.

Barred Owl: 3/20 Pawling area JunCt AD; 2/2 IES BH; 1/30 h Ludlow Woods DK; 1/13 Cary IES WLS.

Chimney Swift: mostly 1-6 reported by BB;AD;SG;KH;BH;BJM;WLS;FT; 9/5 Verbank CP/HT.

Ruby-throated Hummingbird: very well reported throughout area, 1-3 in all reports.

Belted Kingfisher: 3/2 BWA AMP; 1-2 in 14 other reports by BB;AD;DE;SG;KH;BH;DK;BJM;WS.

Red-bellied Woodpecker: 1-3 all reports 2 w yg; many prs; 4/23 Nellie Hill FT; 5/2 Peach Hill FT.

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker: 13/20 Pawling area JunCt AD; 5/30 Turkey Hollow FT; 1-2 reported by BB;CP/H.

Downy Woodpecker: reported all over, many prs, ads at feeders w yg; 3sets of yg, 2 in most sets.

Hairy Woodpecker: 2ad/1yg/all yd KCF; 2/29-30 ad fed 1yg fders yd BAM; 5 other reports & 2 FTs.

Northern Flicker: many reports of 1-2; 4/20 Pawling area JunCt AD.

Pileated Woodpecker: all 8 reporters & 4 FTs report 1-2.

Olive-sided Flycatcher: 2/21 River Rd, 1 Scudiere Preserve JunCt SG.

Eastern Wood Pewee: 1-4 in 25 indiv & FT reports; 6/12 Buttercup W; 6/13 Canoe Hill Rd AMP.

Acadian Flycatcher: 1/21 Nuclear Lk JunCt BB; 1/3 Tower Hill Rd CP.

Alder Flycatcher: 2/21 AT Rt 22 JunCt BB; 2/20 Pawling area JunCt AD; 3 other single reports.

Willow Flycatcher: 1-3 in reports from BB;AD;SG;KH;CP;AMP;WLS and FTs.

Least Flycatcher: 3/13 Canoe Hill Rd; 2/5 Pond Gut FT; 3/26 Bontecou Wetland FT; 6 single reports.

Eastern Phoebe: extensive reports of 1-10; 4 reports ad/yg/nesting; 6/8 suddenly nest abandoned AMP.

Great-crested Flycatcher: numerous reports, all had 1-3; 2ad raised and fledged 2 young MP.

Eastern Kingbird: chased Coopers Hawk/19, 3 nest reports; 1-5 reported by many others.

White-eyed Vireo: 1/19 Lakeside Pk JunCt BB; 1/20 Pawling area JunCt AD; 1/2 Peach Hill FT.

Yellow-throated Vireo: 5/21 Nuclear Lk JunCt BB; 3/20 Pawling area JunCt AD; 4/16 Nellie Hill FT; 5 other.

Blue-headed Vireo: 2/20 Pawling area JunCt AD; 1/5 StonyKill, 1/7 Locust Grove, 1/11 Dut Rail Trail KH; 2/5 Pond Gut FT.

Warbling Vireo: well reported, most 1-4; 6/12 Buttercup W AMP; 6/26 Bontecou Wetland FT.

Red-eyed Vireo: extensive reports 1-4 most, 20/20 Pawling area JunCt-AD; 24/19-21 Pawling area JunCt SG.



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Blue Jay: 1-6 in all reports from JA/KJ;BB;AD;KCF;KH;BH;DK;BAM;MP;CP/HT;AMP;WLS;FTs.

American Crow: normal numbers around county.

Fish Crow: 2/2 Peach Hill FT.

Common Raven: 2/20 Pawling area JunCt AD; 2/7 Locust Grove KH; 4/1 Mabbettsville CP/HT; 4 other reports.

Tree Swallow: reported by all; 7 reports of young in nest boxes.

Northern Rough-winged Swallow: 1/19 Lakeside Pk JunCt; 4/24 Verbank BB; 4/7 Locust Grove KH.

Bank Swallow: 6/20 Pawling area JunCt-AD; x/19 StonyKill DE; 2/30 Turkey Hollow FT.

Cliff Swallow: 4/20 Pawling area JunCt AD; 4 all TSF w nesting MP; 8/2, 10/18, 17/24, 20/26 Haight Rd AMP.

Barn Swallow: good numbers; many reports; 1ad, 3yg/29 Wapp BJM; many w nests all TSF MP.

Black-capped Chickadee: normal numbers; all around area; at feeders.

Tufted Titmouse: normal; well reported all over; 1 ad fed 2 yg/15-19 & 1-2yg/27-30 feeders yd BAM.

Red-breasted Nuthatch: 1/19 Lakeside Pk JunCt BB; 1/19 Linden Ln WS.

White-breasted Nuthatch: at feeders; usual numbers from all reporters.

Brown Creeper: 2/20 Pawling area JunCt AD; 1/2, 2/23 IES BH.

Carolina Wren: 16th nest yd JA/KJ; 1-2 in all reports; widely reported by all.

House Wren: 5 reports of successful nests; 1-2 all mo, nesting/6eggs/27 yd BAM; normal numbers.

Winter Wren: 1/2 IES BH; 1/5 Pond Gut FT; 2/30 Turkey Hollow FT.

Golden-crowned Kinglet: 1/20 Quaker Lk Rd JunCt AD.

Ruby-crowned Kinglet: 1/2 IES BH.

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher: 1/21 Nuclear Lk JunCt BB; 3/20 Pawling area JunCt AD; 1/28, 30 TSF MP; 1/30 Turkey Hollow FT.

Eastern Bluebird: good numbers from all reports; nearly all report nests and all are successful.

Veery: in 35 reports, numbers range from 1 to 10; 36/30 Turkey Hollow FT; 49/20 Pawling area JunCt AD.

Hermit Thrush: yg & ad/16 Nellie Hill FT; 1/30 Turkey Hollow FT.

Wood Thrush: all reported 1-4 in all sightings; 10/23 Cary IES FT; 26/20 Pawling area JunCt AD.

American Robin: good large numbers, well reported all over; 2 raising yg under barn eave MP.

Gray Catbird: well reported, high numbers; nstg in hedge row and lilacs 5/2 BWA; 32/2 Peach Hill FT.

Northern Mockingbird: 1-8 in reports from AD;DE;SG;BJM;MP;AMP;FTs.

Brown Thrasher: 1-2 in 9 reports; 3 ad,1juv/25, 1juv/27 Vassar Fm DE; 4/2 Peach Hill FT.

European Starling: normal numbers; 2 ad 2 yg/25 Buttercup E BB; feeding yg at Kestrel box AMP.

Cedar Waxwing: many reports and high numbers BB;AD;DE;KH;BH;DK;BJM;MP;CP/HT;AMP;WLS.

Blue-winged Warbler: sev feeding yg/19 Vassar Fm MHB Gum; 1-5 in single reports; 10/16 Nellie Hill FT.

Lawrence's Warbler (hybrid): 1/25 Fowler Rd IES KCF.

Northern Parula: 2/4 Dennings Pt KH.

Yellow Warbler: reports from all over the area, high numbers in most reports.

Chestnut-sided Warbler: 1-3 in reports from BB;AD;DE;SG;BH;CP/HT;AMP;FTs.

Magnolia Warbler: 3/20 P Duell Hollow & Askins Rd AD; 2/25 Fowler Rd/IES KCF; 1/5 StonyKill KH; 3/16 Nellie Hill FT.

Black-throated Blue Warbler: 1/20 Pawling area JunCt AD.

Black-throated Green Warbler: 1/2 IES BH; 2/5 Pd Gut FT; 3/23 IES FT; 6/30 Turkey Hollow FT.

Blackburnian Warbler: 1/20 Pawling area JunCt-AD; 2/30 Turkey Hollow FT.

Pine Warbler: 1/19 Lakeside Pk JunCt BB; 3/20 Pawling area JunCt AD; 1/8 Cary IES KH.

Prairie Warbler: 1-2 seen in 15 reports; 5/16 Nellie Hill FT; 5/23 Cary IES FT.

Black-and-white Warbler: 1-3 reported by BB;SG;BH;CP/HT;WLS;FTs; 4/20 Pawling area JunCt AD.

American Redstart: 7ad, 1yg/21 Nuclear Lk JunCt BB; 19 other reports, most with 1-4.

Worm-eating Warbler: 2/20 Pawling area JunCt AD; 1/1,20 yd Poughquag CP/HT; 2/12 Buttercup W AMP; 1/13 Cary IES WLS; 2/5 Pond Gut FT; 3/30 Turkey Hollow FT.

Ovenbird: 15/20 Pawling area JunCt AD; 11/19-21 Pawling area JunCt SG; 5/8 ad feeding fldg Cary IES KH; 9/23 Cary IES FT; 14/30 Turkey Hollow FT; many other reports of 1-4.

Northern Waterthrush: 2/20 Pawling area JunCt AD; 2/20 S Quaker Hill JunCt SG; 1/5 Pond Gut FT.

Louisiana Waterthrush: 5/20 Pawling area JunCt AD; 6/30 Turkey Hollow FT; 5 reports of 1-2.

Common Yellowthroat: very well reported by all; very good numbers.

Hooded Warbler: m&yg/19 Lakeside Pk, 2/19 Dodge Rd JunCt BB; 3/20 Pawling area JunCt AD; 1/9 Silver Mtn Rd Millerton CP/HT; 1/16 Nellie Hill FT.

Canada Warbler: 1/12 Cary IES WLS.

Scarlet Tanager: 8/20 Pawling area JunCt AD; 6/5 Pond Gut FT; 4/23 Cary IES FT; 1-3 by BB;KH;BH;FTs.

Eastern Towhee: many reports of 1-4 by all observers with many sightings; 13/2 Peach Hill FT.

Chipping Sparrow: nearly all reporting with 1-8 reported by most.

Field Sparrow: 1-6 reported by BB;DE;KCF;KH;BH;CP/HT;AMP;WLS;FTs.

Savannah Sparrow: 1/20 Pawling area JunCt AD; 2/20-21 Pawling area JunCt SG; 1/28 TSF MP.

Song Sparrow: abundantly reported throughout area by nearly all; 15/26 Bontecou Wetland FT.

Swamp Sparrow: 1-8 in reports from BB;AD;SG;CP;AMP;WLS;FTs.

Scarlet Tanager: reports of 1-3 from BB;BJM;CP/HT;AMP;WLS.

Northern Cardinal: normal numbers; at feeders; 2ad with yg, ad feeding fledglings MP.

Rose-breasted Grosbeak: well reported 1-4 by all; 11/20 Pawling area JunCt AD.

Indigo Bunting: 1-5 in 21 reports; 18/20 Pawling area JunCt AD; 7/23 Cary IES FT.

Bobolink: 10/20 S Quaker Hill JunCt SG; 20+ all mo TSF MP; 21/9 Wethersfield FT; 4 other reports.

Red-winged Blackbird: normal numbers; 50/24 flew in cloud like formation across road AMP.



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Eastern Meadowlark: 1/5 Thorndale Fm Millbrook CP; 1/5 Skidmore Rd FT.

Common Grackle: normal numbers.

Brown-headed Cowbird: normal numbers.

Orchard Oriole: pr feeding yg in nest/11, fledged/17 yd BB; 4 other reports with 2 in each.

Baltimore Oriole: 1-6 most reports; 3 reports of pr with yg; 20+/20 Buttercup E mobbing a crow DK.

Purple Finch: reports of 1-3 in yds by JA/KJ;BB;KCF;DK; CP/HT; 2/16 Nellie Hill FT.

House Finch: normal numbers.

Red Crossbill: 1/20 Quaker Lake Rd JunCt-AD; a first for June in the county.

American Goldfinch: normal numbers; at feeders; 50/27 Vassar Fm DE; 10-20/all yd KCF.

House Sparrow: 1-2 usual; 18/20 Pawling area JunCt AD; 24/20-21 Pawling area JunCt SG; 12/9 Wethersfield FT.

Other Sightings:

Wood Frog: 2/5 Pond Gut FT

Beaver: 1/26 Bontecou Wetland FT.

Observers:

JA/KJ: Judy Atwood/Karen Jaquith; BB: Barbara Butler; BC: Binnie Chase; AD: Angela Dimmitt; DE: Derrick Eidam; MF: Melissa Fischer; KCF: Ken & Carol Fredericks; SG: Sibyll Gilbert; KH: Ken Harris; BH: Barry Haydasz; DK: Deborah Kral; AM: Al Marrotta; AJM/BJM/BAM: Barbara & Allan Michelin; MP: Mona Payton; CP/HT: Carena Pooth/Herb Thompson; AMP: Adrienne Popko; EBR: Edith & Barry Rosen; WLS: William & Lisa Schlesinger; WS: William Schlesinger; TS: Trish Schoultz; EW: Ellen Walsh.

Abbreviations:

ad: adult; BWA: Bontecou Wetland Area; fm: farm; fders: feeders; FT: field trip; fldlg: fledgling; Grv: Grove; imm: immature; indiv: individual; IES: Institute of Ecosystem Studies; JunCt: June Count; juv: juvenile; m: male; mo: month; nstg: nesting; pr: pair; Pk: park; PJS: Peter Jay Sharp Park (Beacon); sev: several; Sanct: Sanctuary; TSF: Southlands Farm; Wapp: Wappingers; w: with; yd: yard; yg: young.

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July 2010 Records

The best bird encounter of the month is Mona Payton's with her horse and a Blackburnian Warbler. "I was riding in the indoor ring but the large sliding doors were open. The warbler flew in, flitted about, and then landed on my horse's left rein while I was riding! As we were only walking the bird was able to steady herself and hold on for a few min. Then she sort of reestablished her positioning and flew down onto the riding ring floor and picked at insects."

I received only two county reports of Common Nighthawks. Mid-Hudson Birds had several reports of them along the Hudson, including 150+ on the 25th in Saugerties from Frank Murphy. Our other August visitors, Great Egrets, were here in force this year.

The weather was hot and very dry, punctuated by an intense storm (macroburst) which took down many trees in the Spackenkill area, plus a multi-inch rain on the 22nd.

Canada Goose: 25/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT; few other reports.

Mute Swan: 5/2 & 8 (pr+3 cygnets)/21 Wapp Lk, 7/7 & 21 incl. 2 cygnets Hillside Lk BJM; 1-2 at Thompson Pd, Bowdoin Pk.

Wood Duck: f & yg/2-8 Reese Pk, 5/21 StonyKill KH; 6/7 & 21 Hillside Lk. BJM; 6/29 Thompson Pd KCF2 ea at Madam Brett, Andrew Haight Rd, Cary IES.

Mallard: 6+/7 & 10/21 Hillside Lk. BJM; 2f/6yg/11 Madam Brett FT, and at Cary IES & Wapp Cr Reese boat house.

Ring-necked Pheasant: 1/25 Cary IES BH.

Wild Turkey: 5/11 f+4poults Joe Woleader's yd. BAM ; 5-6 hens, 1 male, 20 poults/12 Salt Pt/Rt 82 DK; 16/25/ Cary IES KH; 5 other places.

Pied-billed Grebe: 1/22 Fisherman's Pk KH.

Double-crested Cormorant: 1/2 Wapp Lk, 1/11 Dennings Pt, 2/11 Peter J Sharp Pk, 5/26 Beacon waterfront KH.

Great Blue Heron: Over 30 reports of 1-3 all over. 4 each at Reese Sanctuary and Hillside Lake.

Great Egret: 10-15/1st half of month, then 2-9 Wappingers Lk KH; 8/4 Father's Trail FT; 1/8 Fishkill Cem Fran Henry; 1/26&30 Bowdoin Pk Dave & Ev Stevenson; 2/29 Cruger Island SJ; 4 other places.

Green Heron: 2/11 Madam Brett FT; 1/3 8/20 Bowdoin Pk Dave & Ev Stevenson; 2/21 Hillside Lk. BJM; 2/21 1/28 Cary IES WLS; 4 other places.

Black-crowned Night-Heron: 1/2 Reese Sanct KH.

Turkey Vulture: 3/18 Rt.343 Millbrook BAM; 3/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT; 2 imm/25 Nuclear Lk; reports of 1-2 all over.

Osprey: 1/11 Dennings Pt KH; 1/14 Madam Brett MHB Eidam; 1/21 Wapp. Creek Reese's boat house AJM.

Northern Harrier: 2/14 Beacon EBR; 1/15 Buttercup WLS; 1 male/27 Peach Hill KH.

Sharp-shinned Hawk: 1/15 Buttercup West, 1/21 Buttercup East KCF; 1/16 found dead at T of Pok office building HRA Lund; only reports.

Cooper's Hawk: 1-2ad most days, 2 juv/a few days yard BAM; 9 others .

Red-shouldered Hawk: 1/6 Fishkill yard Dominic Sherony; ad & yg/7 Staatsburg HRA Lund; 1 most days, occasionally 2 MP; 1 often over yd. BAM.

Broad-winged Hawk: 1/6 Fowler Rd by IES KCF; on wire over Clove Valley Rd/20 BB.

Red-tailed Hawk: ad pair & yg/8 Randolph Ave, Pok Thalia Sudnik; 3/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT; seen all over.

American Kestrel: 4/9 Vassar Farm KH; 1/21 Red Hook NG; 1/14-31 Cary IES WLS.

Peregrine Falcon: 1/19 Fisherman's Pk KH.

Killdeer: 6/9 (family)New Hackensack Cem. BJM; **150/21** Mashomack, Pine Plains DG; 6-8 daily TSF, also 4-6 most days RHGC MP; 1/29 Thompson pd KCF.

Solitary Sandpiper: 2/24, 1/31 our pond BB.

Spotted Sandpiper: 2/7 Hillside Lk. BJM.

Least Sandpiper: 6/7 & 8/21 Hillside Lk. BJM; 4/14, 2/21 TSF MP; 2/24 our pond BB.

Ring-billed Gull: 16/26 Beacon riverfront, 2 ea at Vanderbilt, Dennings Pt KH.

Herring Gull: 1/4 Father's Trail FT.

Mourning Dove: 10/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT; 10/27 Peach Hill KH; 3-12 in 6 yards; 1-7 many other places.

Black-billed Cuckoo: 1/11 Madam Brett FT.

Yellow-billed Cuckoo: 1/6 Fowler Rd IES KCF; 1/8 yard BB.

Eastern Screech-Owl: 1 heard/7 Red Hook NG; 1/8 Creek Rd Wappingers KH; 1h/29 Thompson Pd KCF.

Great Horned Owl: 1/7 StonyKill KH; 2/13 7am hooting, 2/27 in trees in my yard, 1/28 hooting Ludlow Woods DK.

Barred Owl: heard/11 & 20 yard BB; 2/17 Nuclear Lk, 1-2/occ yd KCF; 2/5,6 around 11pm hooting, 1/28 hooting, Ludlow DK.

Common Nighthawk: 15-18/29 Staatsburg HRA Seymour; 5-7/29 Bowdoin Pk - seen flying overhead at 7:30pm KH -- only report from Dutchess

Chimney Swift: 8/11 Madam Brett FT; 12/17 Reese Pk, 9/31 Wapp Rural Cem KH; 1-8 in 8 other places.

Ruby-throated Hummingbird: 2-5/all yd (incl yg) KCF; 5/28 Cary IES WLS; 3m,2f & 1juv/all yd. BAM; 1-2 in many other places.

Belted Kingfisher: 2/4 Father's Trail FT; 1-2/all Fisherman's Pk KH; singles in 8 other places.

Red-bellied Woodpecker: 3/17 Nuclear Lk, 4/21 Buttercup East, 3/29 Thompson Pd KCF; 3/4 Father's Trail FT; 4/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT; 1-2 most places.

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Downy Woodpecker: 4/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT; 6/25 Nuclear Lk FT; 1-3 most places.

Hairy Woodpecker: 2/17 Nuclear Lk, 1yg/29 Thompson pd, 4/all yd (incl yg) KCF; 2 all yd. BAM; 1-3/all yd Poughquag CP/HT; 5 other places.

Northern Flicker: 1-2 Cary IES WLS; 5/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT; 1juv/16 yard BJM; 1-2 many places.

Pileated Woodpecker: 2 ea at Reese Pk & StonyKill KH; 1-2/all yd Poughquag CP/HT; a dozen others.

Eastern Wood-Pewee: 4/2 Reese Sanct, 5/21 StonyKill KH; 4/4 Father's Trail FT; 9/17 Nuclear Lk, 6/29 Thompson pd KCF; 5/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT; 10 other places.

Willow Flycatcher: 1/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT.

Eastern Phoebe: 6/21 Buttercup East KCF; 6/15 Buttercup, 8/21,31 Cary IES WLS; many reports of 1-4.



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Fish Crow: 3/6 Hudson Plaza, Pok. AJM.

Common Raven: 1/8 yard BB; 2/15 Buttercup West, 1/17 Nuclear Lk KCF; 2/5, 1/27 yd Poughquag CP/HT.

Tree Swallow: 20/4 Father's Trail FT; 100/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT; 10+/18 Kennel Rd BAM; 4-6 daily early month TSF MP; only 3 other places.

Bank Swallow: 20/7 Southlands MP.

Barn Swallow: 5/7 8/14 7/21 5/24 StonyKill, 8/9 Vassar Farm, last 3/27 Peach Hill KH; 6+/21 Hillside Lk. BJM; many daily early month TSF, most gone by month-end MP; 7 other places.

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Red-breasted Nuthatch: 1/24 StonyKill KH; 1/25 Nuclear Lk FT; 1/29 Daley Rd Lagrange HT; 1/28-30 yard BB; 1/28-31 near home BJM.

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House Wren: 8/3 Peach Hill Pk KCF; 5/4 Father's Trail FT; 2 adults nesting with young, first half of month, then gone MP; 10 more reports.

Winter Wren: 1/28 yd Poughquag, 1/27 Daley Rd Lagrange CP/HT.

Marsh Wren: 1/4 Father's Trail FT.

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher: 2/3 Peach Hill Pk, 5/17 Nuclear Lk KCF; 2/21 Cary IES WLS; 2/25 Nuclear Lk FT; 7 other singles.

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American Robin: 15/4 Father's Trail FT; 11/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT; up to 8 Cary IES WLS; 5 other places.

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Northern Mockingbird: 7/3 Peach Hill Pk KCF; 3/27 Peach Hill KH; 1-2 at 5 other places.

Brown Thrasher: 1/3 Peach Hill Pk KCF; 1/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT; 1/27 Peach Hill KH.

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Blue-winged Warbler: 4/3 Peach Hill Pk, 2/6 Fowler Rd by IES, 1/17 Nuclear Lk, 3/21 Buttercup East KCF; 1 ea at StonyKill, Andrew Haight Rd, Nuclear Lk.

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Black-throated Blue Warbler: 1/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT; 1/28 yd Poughquag CP/HT; 1 ea at Andrew Haight Rd, Nuclear Lk, Peach Hill.

Yellow-rumped Warbler: 1/18 Cary IES KH; 1/29 yd Poughquag CP/HT.

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Blackburnian Warbler: 1/22, female, Southlands MP (See story above); 1/24 StonyKill KH; 2/25 Nuclear Lk FT.

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Black-and-white Warbler: 3/6 Fowler Rd, 9/17 Nuclear Lk KCF; 2/7 Deep Hollow FT; 4/25 Nuclear Lk FT; 7 others.

American Redstart: 3/15 Buttercup West, 4/21 Buttercup East KCF; 1juv/15-21 & 2/22 yd. BAM; 1/14 4/21 Cary IES WLS; 4/24 StonyKill KH; 3/25 Nuclear Lk; 2 ea at Peach Hill, Thompson Pd, Father's Trail, & 6 others .

Worm-eating Warbler: 2/17 Nuclear Lk KCF.

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Common Yellowthroat: 4/21 Buttercup East, 4/29 Thompson pd KCF; 4/14 2/21,28 Cary IES WLS ; 4/25 Nuclear Lk FT; 5/27 Peach Hill KH; 6 more reports of 1-3.

Canada Warbler: 2/17 Nuclear Lk KCF; 1/21,24 StonyKill KH.

Scarlet Tanager: 4/6 Fowler Rd by IES, 3/15 Buttercup West KCF; 1/21,28 Cary IES WLS; 9 reports of 1-2.

Eastern Towhee: 4/6 Fowler Rd by IES KCF; 4/4,11 IES BH; 4/27 Peach Hill Park KH; 13 reports of 1-3.

Chipping Sparrow: 16/3 Wapp Rural Cem, 14/20 FDR, 7/9 Vassar Farm, 8/25 Cary IES KH; 4-8/all yd Poughquag CP/HT; adult/20-26 fed 2 yg. yd. BAM; many other places .

Field Sparrow: 6/3 Peach Hill Pk KCF; 6/4 Father's Trail FT; up to 4 Cary IES; 1 Vassar Farm, yard BB.

Song Sparrow: 6/6 Fowler Rd by IES, 4/17 Nuclear Lk KCF; 5/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT; 1-3 most places.

Lincoln's Sparrow: 1/27 Peach Hill KH.

Swamp Sparrow: 1/11 Madam Brett FT; 1/28 Cary IES WLS.

Dark-eyed Junco: 2/7 Deep Hollow Rd FT.



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Northern Cardinal: 6/15 Buttercup West, 8/all yd (incl yg) KCF; 9/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT; 4-6 all mo. 1-2ad/22-30 fed yg. yd. BAM; on all reports.

Rose-breasted Grosbeak: 5/3 Peach Hill Pk, 5/6 Fowler Rd by IES KCF; yg male, wings black & white, head like young/16 2/all yard BB; 5/28 Cary IES WLS; f&2juv/daily yard until 19th DK; 5 other places.

Indigo Bunting: 4/4 Father's Trail FT; 2/7 5/14 2/21 StonyKill, 4/9 Vassar Farm, 3/11 Dennings Pt, 3/20 Vanderbilt KH; 3/11 1/18 IES BH; 1/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT; 5 other places, none after 18th.

Bobolink: 6-8/21 median Taconic State Parkway above Rt.199 DK; 17/24 StonyKill KH; 16-24 early month, then gone by month-end MP.

Red-winged Blackbird: 3/4 Father's Trail FT; 5+/11 Madam Brett FT; 25/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT; 8-16 daily TSF MP – only reports!

Common Grackle: 100/21 briefly yard BB; 9 reports of up to 5.

Brown-headed Cowbird: 1/9 Vassar Farm, 2/20 FDR KH; 3/17 Nuclear Lk, 1/29 Thompson Pd KCF – only reports.

Baltimore Oriole: 4/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT; 1/25 IES BH; 1/25 Nuclear Lk FT.

Purple Finch: 2/all yd KCF.

House Finch: 3-4 all mo. 1-2ad/17-20 fed yg. yd. BAM ; 2-10 reported in 5 yards, plus Father's Trail, Buttercup.

American Goldfinch: 22/3 Peach Hill Pk, 12/6 Fowler Rd by IES, 14/15 Buttercup West, 12/all yd KCF ; 16/4 Father's Trail FT; 10/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT; 6-15/all yd Poughquag CP/HT; 2-6 most yards & other places.

Other Sightings:

Bobcat: 1/1 Buttercup West DG.

Observers:

JA - Judy Atwood, BB - Barbara Butler, KCF - Ken & Carol Fredericks, DG - Dick Gershon, AG - Ann Gilbert, NG - Natalie Gilbert, KH - Ken Harris, KJ - Karen Jaquith, SJ - Susan Joseph, DK - Debi Kral, AJM - Allan Michelin, BAM - Barb & Allan Michelin, BJM - Barbara Michelin, MP - Mona Payton, CP - Carena Pooth, EBR - Edith & Barry Rosen, WLS - William & Lisa Schlesinger, HT - Herb Thompson

Other sources:

HRA(observer) - Hudson River Almanac

MHB(observer) - Mid-Hudson Birds

FT - Field Trips:

4th Father's Trail (Red Hook)
7th Deep Hollow Rd (Amenia)
11th Madam Brett (Fishkill)
18th Andrew Haight Rd (Washington)
25th Nuclear Lake (Pawling)

Abbreviations:

BBT - bluebird box trail, Cem – cemetery, IES - Institute of Ecosystem Studies, Pok – Poughkeepsie, RHGC - Red Hook Golf Club, Sanct – Sanctuary, TSF – Southlands

Also see our **Key to Notation**.

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August 2010 Records

The best bird encounter of the month is Mona Payton's with her horse and a Blackburnian Warbler. "I was riding in the indoor ring but the large sliding doors were open. The warbler flew in, flitted about, and then landed on my horse's left rein while I was riding! As we were only walking the bird was able to steady herself and hold on for a few min. Then she sort of reestablished her positioning and flew down onto the riding ring floor and picked at insects."

I received only two county reports of Common Nighthawks. Mid-Hudson Birds had several reports of them along the Hudson, including 150+ on the 25th in Saugerties from Frank Murphy. Our other August visitors, Great Egrets, were here in force this year.

The weather was hot and very dry, punctuated by an intense storm (macroburst) which took down many trees in the Spackenkill area, plus a multi-inch rain on the 22nd.

Canada Goose: 25/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT; few other reports.

Mute Swan: 5/2 & 8 (pr+3 cygnets)/21 Wapp Lk, 7/7 & 21 incl. 2 cygnets Hillside Lk BJM; 1-2 at Thompson Pd, Bowdoin Pk.

Wood Duck: f & yg/2-8 Reese Pk, 5/21 StonyKill KH; 6/7 & 21 Hillside Lk. BJM; 6/29 Thompson Pd KCF2 ea at Madam Brett, Andrew Haight Rd, Cary IES.

Mallard: 6+/7 & 10/21 Hillside Lk. BJM; 2f/6yg/11 Madam Brett FT, and at Cary IES & Wapp Cr Reese boat house.

Ring-necked Pheasant: 1/25 Cary IES BH.

Wild Turkey: 5/11 f+4poult Joe Woleader's yd. BAM ; 5-6 hens, 1 male, 20 poult/12 Salt Pt/Rt 82 DK; 16/25/ Cary IES KH; 5 other places.

Pied-billed Grebe: 1/22 Fisherman's Pk KH.

Double-crested Cormorant: 1/2 Wapp Lk, 1/11 Dennings Pt, 2/11 Peter J Sharp Pk, 5/26 Beacon waterfront KH.

Great Blue Heron: Over 30 reports of 1-3 all over. 4 each at Reese Sanctuary and Hillside Lake.

Great Egret: 10-15/1st half of month, then 2-9 Wappingers Lk KH; 8/4 Father's Trail FT; 1/8 Fishkill Cem Fran Henry; 1/26&30 Bowdoin Pk Dave & Ev Stevenson; 2/29 Cruger Island SJ; 4 other places.

Green Heron: 2/11 Madam Brett FT; 1/3 8/20 Bowdoin Pk Dave & Ev Stevenson; 2/21 Hillside Lk. BJM; 2/21 1/28 Cary IES WLS; 4 other places.

Black-crowned Night-Heron: 1/2 Reese Sanct KH.

Turkey Vulture: 3/18 Rt.343 Millbrook BAM; 3/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT; 2 imm/25 Nuclear Lk; reports of 1-2 all over.

Osprey: 1/11 Dennings Pt KH; 1/14 Madam Brett MHB Eidam; 1/21 Wapp. Creek Reese's boat house AJM.

Northern Harrier: 2/14 Beacon EBR; 1/15 Buttercup WLS; 1 male/27 Peach Hill KH.

Sharp-shinned Hawk: 1/15 Buttercup West, 1/21 Buttercup East KCF; 1/16 found dead at T of Pok office building HRA Lund; only reports.

Cooper's Hawk: 1-2ad most days, 2 juv/a few days yard BAM; 9 others .

Red-shouldered Hawk: 1/6 Fishkill yard Dominic Sherony; ad & yg/7 Staatsburg HRA Lund; 1 most days, occasionally 2 MP; 1 often over yd. BAM.

Broad-winged Hawk: 1/6 Fowler Rd by IES KCF; on wire over Clove Valley Rd/20 BB.

Red-tailed Hawk: ad pair & yg/8 Randolph Ave, Pok Thalia Sudnik; 3/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT; seen all over.

American Kestrel: 4/9 Vassar Farm KH; 1/21 Red Hook NG; 1/14-31 Cary IES WLS.

Peregrine Falcon: 1/19 Fisherman's Pk KH.

Killdeer: 6/9 (family)New Hackensack Cem. BJM; **150/21** Mashomack, Pine Plains DG; 6-8 daily TSF, also 4-6 most days RHGC MP; 1/29 Thompson pd KCF.

Solitary Sandpiper: 2/24, 1/31 our pond BB.

Spotted Sandpiper: 2/7 Hillside Lk. BJM.

Least Sandpiper: 6/7 & 8/21 Hillside Lk. BJM; 4/14, 2/21 TSF MP; 2/24 our pond BB.

Ring-billed Gull: 16/26 Beacon riverfront, 2 ea at Vanderbilt, Dennings Pt KH.

Herring Gull: 1/4 Father's Trail FT.

Mourning Dove: 10/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT; 10/27 Peach Hill KH; 3-12 in 6 yards; 1-7 many other places.

Black-billed Cuckoo: 1/11 Madam Brett FT.

Yellow-billed Cuckoo: 1/6 Fowler Rd IES KCF; 1/8 yard BB.

Eastern Screech-Owl: 1 heard/7 Red Hook NG; 1/8 Creek Rd Wappingers KH; 1h/29 Thompson Pd KCF.

Great Horned Owl: 1/7 StonyKill KH; 2/13 7am hooting, 2/27 in trees in my yard, 1/28 hooting Ludlow Woods DK.

Barred Owl: heard/11 & 20 yard BB; 2/17 Nuclear Lk, 1-2/occ yd KCF; 2/5,6 around 11pm hooting, 1/28 hooting, Ludlow DK.

Common Nighthawk: 15-18/29 Staatsburg HRA Seymour; 5-7/29 Bowdoin Pk - seen flying overhead at 7:30pm KH -- only report from Dutchess

Chimney Swift: 8/11 Madam Brett FT; 12/17 Reese Pk, 9/31 Wapp Rural Cem KH; 1-8 in 8 other places.

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Northern Cardinal: 6/15 Buttercup West, 8/all yd (incl yg) KCF; 9/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT; 4-6 all mo. 1-2ad/22-30 fed yg. yd. BAM; on all reports.

Rose-breasted Grosbeak: 5/3 Peach Hill Pk, 5/6 Fowler Rd by IES KCF; yg male, wings black & white, head like young/16 2/all yard BB; 5/28 Cary IES WLS; f&2juv/daily yard until 19th DK; 5 other places.

Indigo Bunting: 4/4 Father's Trail FT; 2/7 5/14 2/21 StonyKill, 4/9 Vassar Farm, 3/11 Dennings Pt, 3/20 Vanderbilt KH; 3/11 1/18 IES BH; 1/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT; 5 other places, none after 18th.

Bobolink: 6-8/21 median Taconic State Parkway above Rt.199 DK; 17/24 StonyKill KH; 16-24 early month, then gone by month-end MP.

Red-winged Blackbird: 3/4 Father's Trail FT; 5+/11 Madam Brett FT; 25/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT; 8-16 daily TSF MP – only reports!

Common Grackle: 100/21 briefly yard BB; 9 reports of up to 5.

Brown-headed Cowbird: 1/9 Vassar Farm, 2/20 FDR KH; 3/17 Nuclear Lk, 1/29 Thompson Pd KCF – only reports.

Baltimore Oriole: 4/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT; 1/25 IES BH; 1/25 Nuclear Lk FT.

Purple Finch: 2/all yd KCF.

House Finch: 3-4 all mo. 1-2ad/17-20 fed yg. yd. BAM ; 2-10 reported in 5 yards, plus Father's Trail, Buttercup.

American Goldfinch: 22/3 Peach Hill Pk, 12/6 Fowler Rd by IES, 14/15 Buttercup West, 12/all yd KCF ; 16/4 Father's Trail FT; 10/18 Andrew Haight Rd FT; 6-15/all yd Poughquag CP/HT; 2-6 most yards & other places.

Other Sightings:

Bobcat: 1/1 Buttercup West DG.

Observers:

JA - Judy Atwood, BB - Barbara Butler, KCF - Ken & Carol Fredericks, DG - Dick Gershon, AG - Ann Gilbert, NG - Natalie Gilbert, KH - Ken Harris, KJ - Karen Jaquith, SJ - Susan Joseph, DK - Debi Kral, AJM - Allan Michelin, BAM - Barb & Allan Michelin, BJM - Barbara Michelin, MP - Mona Payton, CP - Carena Pooth, EBR - Edith & Barry Rosen, WLS - William & Lisa Schlesinger, HT - Herb Thompson

Other sources:

HRA(observer) - Hudson River Almanac

MHB(observer) - Mid-Hudson Birds

FT - Field Trips:

4th Father's Trail (Red Hook)
7th Deep Hollow Rd (Amenia)
11th Madam Brett (Fishkill)
18th Andrew Haight Rd (Washington)
25th Nuclear Lake (Pawling)

Abbreviations:

BBT - bluebird box trail, Cem – cemetery, IES - Institute of Ecosystem Studies, Pok – Poughkeepsie, RHGC - Red Hook Golf Club, Sanct – Sanctuary, TSF – Southlands

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Canada Goose: 40/25 Abel's Pond BB; 100/30 Abel's Pond BB. 9 rpts, avg 26 each.

Mute Swan: 5/9 Hillside Lk. BAM; 2/26 Bontecou Lake WLS; 5/29 Hillside Lk. BAM. 3 rpts.

Wood Duck: 14/9 Hillside Lk. BAM; 14/29 Hillside Lk. BAM. 9 rpts, avg 7 each.

American Black Duck: 3/28 Buttercup West FT. 1 rpt.

Mallard: 60+/24 Wapp. Lk. BJM; 16/28 Buttercup West FT; 6+/29 Hillside Lk. BAM. 14 rpts, avg 9 each.

Green-winged Teal: 2/28 Buttercup West FT. 1 rpt.

Ring-necked Duck: 12/25 Abel's Pond BB. 1 rpt.

Wild Turkey: 4m/9 & most days yd. BAM; 12/25 Cary IES WLS. 4 rpts, avg 6 each.

Pied-billed Grebe: 1/22 Lakeside Park FT; 1/14 Dennings Pt KH. 1 rpt.

Double-crested Cormorant: 1/1 Poet's Walk FT; 2/24 Wapp. Lk. BJM; 4/26 Bontecou Lake WLS. 3 rpts.

Great Blue Heron: 4/2 Ryder Lk KCF; 4/26 Bontecou Lake WLS. 20 rpts, avg 2 each.

Great Egret: 3/24 Wapp. Lk. BJM; 1/27 Wapp. Cr. near Reese Pk. AJM. 11 rpts, avg 2 each.

Green Heron: 1/1 Traver Pond BB; 3/10 Bowdoin Pk KH; 1/11 Buttercup West KCF. 6 rpts, avg 1 each.

Black-crowned Night-heron: 2/10 Bowdoin Pk, 8/14 Dennings Pt, 1/19 2/26 New Hamburg Rd KH; 2-3/16-30 Dennings Point cove BJM. 4 rpts.

Yellow-crowned Night-Heron: 1/14 Dennings Pt, a juv - had smaller white spots on wings and less white than black-crowned juv nearby KH. 1 rpt

Black Vulture: 5/22 Lakeside Park FT; 3/22 over Castle Point VA Ken McDermott; 1/30 Millbrook BB. 3 rpts.

Turkey Vulture: 6/9 Tac. St. Pkwy BJM; 10/22 Lakeside Park FT; 8/29 yd CP/HT. 26 rpts, avg 3 each.

Osprey: 1/1 Poet's Walk FT; 1/8 Abel's Pond BB; 1/11 flying over our pond BB; 1/22 Lakeside Park FT. 4 rpts, avg 1 each.

Bald Eagle: 1/5 Esopus Meadows HRA Marsteller; 1/10 Hunns Lake HRA Jackson; 3/15 Vanderbilt FT. 3 rpts.

Northern Harrier: 1/26 Ryder Pond WLS. 1 rpt.

Sharp-shinned Hawk: 1/15 Vanderbilt FT; 1/28 Buttercup West FT. 5 rpts, avg 1 each.

Cooper's Hawk: 1 ad most & 1juv/2 yd. BAM; 3/24 over So. Hills Mall chasing Red-tail BJM; 1/25 Vassar Farm FT. 6 rpts, avg 2 each.

Red-shouldered Hawk: 12/23 Hi View Rd. BAM; 1 most days Hi View Rd. BAM; 1/most yd MP. 5 rpts, avg 4 each.

Broad-winged Hawk: 1/4 Peach Hill Pk KCF; 2/22 Lakeside Park FT. 4 rpts, avg 1 each.

Red-tailed Hawk: 5/19 Cary IES WLS; 2/28 Buttercup West FT; 1-2/most RHGC MP. 16 rpts, avg 2 each.

American Kestrel: 1/4 Cary IES WLS; 1/9 Crestwood Rd. NG; 1/9 IES KCF; 1/22 Lakeside Park FT. 4 rpts, avg 1 each.

Killdeer: 4/26 Ryder Pond WLS; 6-8/all TSF MP. 5 rpts, avg 4 each.

Solitary Sandpiper: 1/2, 2/3, 1/19 our pond BB. 1 rpt.

Spotted Sandpiper: 1/14 Dennings Pt KH; 1/15 Vanderbilt FT. 2 rpts.

Ring-billed Gull: 3/1 Poet's Walk FT. 1 rpt.

Rock Pigeon: 3/4 Cary IES WLS; 1/15 Vanderbilt FT. 2 rpts.

Mourning Dove: 13/12 yd JA/KJ; 1/28 Buttercup West FT; 6-16/all yd CP/HT. 13 rpts, avg 5 each.

Eastern Screech-Owl: 1/8 yd NG; 1/26 yd CP/HT. 2 rpts.

Great Horned Owl: 1/10 yd NG. 1 rpt.

Barred Owl: 1/10 Buttercup East (seen not just heard) KCF; 2h/all yd KCF. 4 rpts, avg 1 each.

Chimney Swift: 1/4 Cary IES WLS; 4/15 Vanderbilt FT; 4/25 Vassar Farm FT. 3 rpts.

Ruby-throated Hummingbird: pair/most-23 yd JA/KJ; 2 all yd MP. 17 rpts, avg 1 each.

Belted Kingfisher: 1/4 Cary IES WLS; 1/11 Beekman EBR; 2/15 Vanderbilt FT. 3 rpts.

Red-bellied Woodpecker: 3/1 Poet's Walk FT; 4/15 Vanderbilt FT; 1-2/all yd CP/HT. 21 rpts, avg 2 each.

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker: 1/4 Cary IES WLS; 2/28 Buttercup West FT. 5 rpts, avg 1 each.

Downy Woodpecker: 1/1 Poet's Walk FT; 5/22 Lakeside Park FT; 7-8/all yd KCF. 25 rpts, avg 3 each.

Hairy Woodpecker: 1/1 Poet's Walk FT; 3/all yd KCF. 9 rpts, avg 1 each.

Northern Flicker: 6/1 Poet's Walk FT; 8/18 Cary IES WLS; 3/28 Buttercup West FT. 18 rpts, avg 2 each.

Pileated Woodpecker: 1/1 Poet's Walk FT; 2/29 IES BH; 1 many days yd. BAM. 15 rpts, avg 1 each.

Eastern Wood-Pewee: 5/1 Poet's Walk FT; 1/15 IES BH. 9 rpts, avg 2 each.

Least Flycatcher: 1/11 Buttercup West KCF; 1/23 StonyKill KH. 2 rpts.

Eastern Phoebe: 8/4 Cary IES WLS; 10/18 Cary IES WLS; 1/29 IES BH. 22 rpts, avg 4 each.

Great Crested Flycatcher: 1/6 Ferncliff KCF; 1/06 Nellie Hill Preserve BH; 1/1-3 yd BB. 3 rpts.

White-eyed Vireo: 1/16 StonyKill KH. 1 rpt.

Yellow-throated Vireo: 1/5 yd CP/HT; 2/6 Ferncliff KCF; 1/11 Buttercup West KCF. 3 rpts.

Blue-headed Vireo: 2/20 yd BB; 3/28 Buttercup West FT. 4 rpts, avg 2 each.

Warbling Vireo: 1/1 Poet's Walk FT; 1/15 Cary IES WLS. 5 rpts, avg 1 each.

Red-eyed Vireo: 5/1 Poet's Walk FT; 8/9 IES KCF; 1/28 Buttercup West FT. 15 rpts, avg 3 each.

Blue Jay: 10/1 Poet's Walk FT; 48/28 Buttercup West FT; 9/29 IES BH. 27 rpts, avg 9 each.

American Crow: 10/9 IES KCF; 10/22 Lakeside Park FT; 10/daily Rockefeller La. NG. 23 rpts, avg 5 each.

Fish Crow: 1/24 So. Hills Mall BJM. 1 rpt.

Common Raven: 1/06 Nellie Hill Preserve BH; 2/18 RHGC MP. 6 rpts, avg 1 each.

Black-capped Chickadee: 30/11 Buttercup West KCF; 24/28 Buttercup West FT; 10/29 IES BH. 31 rpts, avg 8 each.

Tufted Titmouse: 7/1 Poet's Walk FT; 12/28 Buttercup West FT; 1/29 IES BH. 20 rpts, avg 4 each.

Red-breasted Nuthatch: 1/4 yd CP/HT; 1/2-5 Red Hook feeder MHB Elisa Shaw. 6 rpts, avg 1 each.

White-breasted Nuthatch: 7/11 Buttercup West KCF; 8/28 Buttercup West FT; 1/29 IES BH. 24 rpts, avg 3 each.

Brown Creeper: 2/01 & 1/29 IES BH. 4 rpts, avg 1 each.

Carolina Wren: 4/25 Vassar Farm FT; 2/28 Buttercup West FT; 2 all yd. BAM. 23 rpts, avg 2 each.

House Wren: 2/22 Lakeside Park FT; 1/26 singing yd. BAM. 6 rpts, avg 1 each.



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Golden-crowned Kinglet: 1/22 Lakeside Park FT; 2/22 IES BH. 4 rpts, avg 1 each.

Ruby-crowned Kinglet: 1/15 Vanderbilt FT; 2/22 Lakeside Park FT; 1/29 yd. BAM. 6 rpts, avg 1 each.

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher: 1/3 over yd. BAM. 1 rpt.

Eastern Bluebird: 20/9 IES KCF; 12/25 Vassar Farm FT; 3/28 Buttercup West FT. 15 rpts, avg 5 each.

Veery: 1/8 Buttercup E FT. 1 rpt.

Swainson's Thrush: 1/6 Ferncliff KCF; 1/11 FDR Home, 2/23 StonyKill KH. 3 rpts.

Hermit Thrush: 1/6 Ferncliff KCF. 1 rpt.

Wood Thrush: 5/6 Ferncliff KCF; 2/22 IES BH. 5 rpts, avg 2 each.

American Robin: 25/1 Poet's Walk FT; 16/28 Buttercup West FT; 2-4 all yd MP. 15 rpts, avg 7 each.

Gray Catbird: 39/11 Buttercup West KCF; 1/29 IES BH; 3/all yd BB. 29 rpts, avg 9 each.

Northern Mockingbird: 5/25 Vassar Farm FT; 2-4 all TSF MP. 5 rpts, avg 2 each.

Brown Thrasher: 1/4 Peach Hill Pk KCF. 1 rpt.

European Starling: 3/1 Poet's Walk FT; 20/25 Vassar Farm FT; 5/25 Cary IES WLS. 3 rpts.

Cedar Waxwing: 53/9 IES KCF; 35/22 Lakeside Park FT; 2-4/all yd CP/HT. 19 rpts, avg 13 each.

Blue-winged Warbler: 2/2 Andrew Haight Rd KCF; 1/4 Cary IES WLS. 2 rpts.

Brewster's Warbler (hybrid): 1/25 StonyKill, yellow version KH. 1 rpt.

Tennessee Warbler: 1/15 Vanderbilt FT. 1 rpt.

Nashville Warbler: 1/1 Poet's Walk FT. 1 rpt.

Northern Parula: 1/8 Buttercup E FT; 3/9 IES KCF; 1/11 Buttercup West KCF; 3/14 Dennings Pt, 1/16,23,25 StonyKill, 1/26 Creek Rd KH. 6 rpts.

Chestnut-sided Warbler: 1/1 Poet's Walk FT; 3/10 Buttercup East KCF; 1/11 Buttercup West KCF; 1/25 StonyKill KH. 7 rpts, avg 2 each.

Magnolia Warbler: 1/2 Ryder Lake KCF; 4/11 Buttercup West KCF; 1/22 Lakeside Park FT; 2/24 Beacon waterfront KH. 10 rpts, avg 2 each.

Black-throated Blue Warbler: 1/5 yd CP/HT. 1 rpt.

Yellow-rumped Warbler: 2/5 yd CP/HT; 10/22 Lakeside Park FT; 2/29 Hillside Lk. AJM. 6 rpts, avg 3 each.

Black-throated Green Warbler: 1/1 Poet's Walk FT; 6/8 Buttercup E FT; 1/22 Lakeside Park FT. 10 rpts, avg 3 each.

Blackburnian Warbler: 1/6 Ferncliff KCF; 2/22 Lakeside Park FT. 4 rpts, avg 2 each.

Pine Warbler: 1/6 Ferncliff KCF; 1/15 Vanderbilt FT; 1/16 StonyKill, 1/19 Cary IES KH. 4 rpts.

Prairie Warbler: 2/4 Peach Hill Pk KCF. 1 rpt.

Palm Warbler: 1/9 IES KCF; 2/25 Vassar Farm FT; 2/30 yd JA/KJ. 3 rpts.

Bay-breasted Warbler: 1/6 Ferncliff KCF. 1 rpt.

Blackpoll Warbler: 2/23 StonyKill KH. 1 rpt.

Black-and-white Warbler: 3/6 Ferncliff KCF; 1/11 Buttercup West KCF. 4 rpts, avg 2 each.

American Redstart: 1/1 Poet's Walk FT; 4/9 IES KCF; 1/22 Lakeside Park FT. 10 rpts, avg 2 each.

Ovenbird: 1/11 Buttercup West KCF. 1 rpt.

Mourning Warbler: 1/25 StonyKill a female, gray hood, very fine indistinct eye ring KH. 1 rpt.

Common Yellowthroat: 1/1 Poet's Walk FT; 4/10 Buttercup East KCF; 2/28 Buttercup West FT. 11 rpts, avg 2 each.

Wilson's Warbler: 1/10 Buttercup East KCF; 3/11 Buttercup West KCF; 1/12 Wappingers Lk KH. 3 rpts.

Canada Warbler: 1/01 IES BH. 1 rpt.

Scarlet Tanager: 1/1 Poet's Walk FT; 2/2 Andrew Haight Rd KCF; 3/30 yd JA/KJ. 10 rpts, avg 1 each.

Eastern Towhee: 2/01 IES BH; 4/22 Lakeside Park FT; 1/29 IES BH. 13 rpts, avg 2 each.

Chipping Sparrow: 50/15 Vanderbilt FT; 1/25 Cary IES WLS; 2-4/all yd KCF. 8 rpts, avg 9 each.

Field Sparrow: 8/01 IES BH; 4/30 yd JA/KJ; 6/all yd BB. 8 rpts, avg 4 each.

Savannah Sparrow: 20/25 TSF MP; 2 all TSF MP. 2 rpts.

Song Sparrow: 1/01 IES BH; 15/28 Buttercup West FT; 2-4 most yd MP. 17 rpts, avg 3 each.

Swamp Sparrow: 4/15 Cary IES WLS; 2/28 Buttercup West FT; 3/30 yd JA/KJ. 3 rpts.

White-throated Sparrow: 38/28 Buttercup West FT; 4/30 yd JA/KJ. 2 rpts.

Dark-eyed Junco: 1/20, 2/26 yd BB. 1 rpt.

Northern Cardinal: 2/1 Poet's Walk FT; 7/11 Buttercup West KCF; 8(ad & yg)/all yd KCF. 23 rpts, avg 3 each.

Rose-breasted Grosbeak: 10/4 Cary IES WLS; 8/18 Cary IES WLS; 1/16&25 StonyKill KH. 12 rpts, avg 3 each.

Indigo Bunting: 3/01 IES BH; 1/11 FDR Home, 2/16 StonyKill KH. 3 rpts.

Bobolink: 30/2 Andrew Haight Rd KCF; 56/2 Tamarack Lk KCF; 4/23 StonyKill KH. 3 rpts.

Red-winged Blackbird: 7/1 Poet's Walk FT; 44/30 yd JA/KJ. 4 rpts, avg 17 each.

Common Grackle: 5/30 yd JA/KJ; 1-2/early yd JA/KJ. 2 rpts.

Brown-headed Cowbird: 1/25 Vassar Farm FT. 1 rpt.

Baltimore Oriole: 1/01 IES BH. 1 rpt.

Purple Finch: 2/8 Buttercup E FT; 4f/26 feeder yd. BAM; 2/occ yd KCF. 3 rpts.

House Finch: 40/25 Vassar Farm FT; 8/all yd BB. 8 rpts, avg 9 each.

American Goldfinch: 51/4 Peach Hill Pk KCF; 30/25 Vassar Farm FT; 18/30 yd JA/KJ. 28 rpts, avg 9 each.

House Sparrow: 1/1 Poet's Walk FT. 1 rpt.

Observers:

JA - Judy Atwood, BB - Barbara Butler, KCF - Ken & Carol Fredericks, NG - Natalie Gilbert, KH - Ken Harris, BH - Barry Haydasz, KJ - Karen Jaquith, AJM - Allan Michelin, BAM - Barb & Allan Michelin, BJM - Barbara Michelin, MP - Mona Payton, CP - Carena Pooth, EBR - Edith & Barry Rosen, WLS - William & Lisa Schlesinger, HT - Herb Thompson

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October 2010 Records

The colors moved in, some birds moved in, others left, some just migrated through, and then the colors moved out! Purple Finches were unusually plentiful, and Pine Siskins are showing up here and there; maybe we'll have a good finchy winter. Peter Bedrossian spotted a Snow Bunting already (taxonomy changes have moved this species ahead of the warblers on the list below).

Snow Goose: 1 dk phs/28 Thompson Pd, a striking bird CV
Brant: 220/18 Walkway/Hudson right over the Brant sign CP
Canada Goose: Many reports. Largest flocks 90/2 CIES WS/LDS; 75/6 Abel's Pond BB; 79/9 Peach Hill FT; 2000/14 Conservancy Pd, Lagrange, 750/28 Thompson Pd CV; 350+/14 Hillside Lk. BJM
Mute Swan: Many reports, incl. 8/15 WappL BJM; 12/26 8/29 Wapp Lk, 8/31 Creek Rd KH; 9/30 Traver Pd CV
Wood Duck: 2/2 CIES, 2/3 Buttercup WS/LDS; 1/14 Reese Sanc, 7/24 Creek Rd KH 15/17 3/28 Thompson Pd, 2/12 Traver Pd, 1/25 Norrie Pt CV;
Gadwall: 1/19, 2/26 Wapp Lk KH
American Black Duck: 4/3 Buttercup WS/LDS; 3/6 Abel's Pd BB; 1/6 Strever Fm Pk, 3/12 Traver Pd, 7/28 Thompson Pd CV; 1/20 Bowdoin FT
Mallard: On many reports, numbers normal. Highest 50/6 Abel's Pd BB; 20/20 Bowdoin FT
Blue-winged Teal: 5/3 Buttercup WS/LDS;
Northern Pintail: 3/6 Strever Fm Pd, 2/28 The Fly CV; **Green-winged Teal:** 35/6 125/17 65/28 Strever Fm Pd, 51/30 Buttercup W CV; 30-40/23 Buttercup West DE
Ring-necked Duck: 75/6 Abel's Pd BB; 50/22 Ryder Pd AMP; 55/28 Thompson Pd CV
Common Merganser: 5/7, 4/26 Wapp Lk, 3/9, 20 Reese Sanc, 8/24 Creek Rd KH
Red-breasted Merganser: 1/26 Wapp Lk - orange shaggy crest, pale fading neck KH
Ruddy Duck: 24/17 Mashomack pd, with 1 cormorant CV
Ring-necked Pheasant: 2f/28 CIES KH
Wild Turkey: 4m/27 yd BAM; 15/27 Staatsburg Pk CV
Pied-billed Grebe: 4/15 WappL BJM; 1/28 Thompson Pd CV
Double-crested Cormorant: 10/5 3/25 Norrie Pt, 1/17 Mashomack pd CV; 3/15 Wapp. Lk. BJM; 1/16 NuclearL, 3/17 SylvanL CP/HT; 1/19 6/21 2/26 5/29 Wapp Lk, 2/24 1/31 Creek Rd KH
Great Blue Heron: Many reports of 1-3 each.
Great Egret: 4/2 Wapp. Creek near Reese Pk. AJM; 3/5 Norrie Pt CV; 2/6 Reagan Rd DF; 7/7 2/26 Wapp Lk, 1/24 Creek Rd KH; 1/13 cove at Vanderbilt (from a friend) BB
Little Blue Heron: 1/22 Home Acre, Fishkill ES
Black Vulture: 1/16 over Verbank BB
Turkey Vulture: Many reports. Highest counts 6/12 Tac/Willowbrook Rd BJM; 9/28 Thompson Pd CV
Osprey: 1/9 Peach Hill FT
Bald Eagle: 1/17 1/28 Mashomack, both adults CV; 2/20 Bowdoin FT; 1/29 Tamarack L AMP
Northern Harrier: 2/17 Thompson Pd, 1/30 Buttercup W, all juv birds CV; 1/22 Shuman Rd AMP

Sharp-shinned Hawk: 1/9 Reese Sanc KH; 1/9 Peach Hill FT; 2/13 Tymor FT; 1/16 StonyKill FT; harrassed by 2 BLJA/12 yd, also 1/18&29 & 1 imm/31 yd BB; 1/22 Vassar Fm, 1/28 Thompson Pd, 1/30 Buttercup W CV
Cooper's Hawk: 1/3 Stony Kill, 1/most yd BAM; 1/16 StonyKill FT; 1/23 StonyKill KH; 1 imm/28 Mashomack, 1 ad/28 Strever Fm Pd CV; 1/24 CIES WS/LDS
Red-shouldered Hawk: 2/9 Peach Hill FT; 1/22 CIES KH; 1 ad/22 Vassar Fm CV; 1 most days Rhinebeck MP
BRd-winged Hawk: 1/9 Peach Hill FT
Red-tailed Hawk: On most reports; all over county.
American Kestrel: 2/2 Stony Kill by Jim Harrington BJM; 1/5 Waterbury Hill Rd BB; 1/16 StonyKill FT; 1/17 Northeast CP/HT; 1 male/18 Strever Fm Rd (with Dick Gershon) CV
Merlin: 1 imm/5 Morrie Pt in dead tree in Pking lot CV; **Peregrine Falcon:** 1 ad/25 Waryas Pk, on Pok tower of Mid-Hudson Bridge CV
American Coot: 1/26 2/29 Wapp Lk KH; 5/28 Thompson Pd, with ring-necks CV
Killdeer: 3/3 Stony Kill AJM; 15/4 Overlook Pk, 1/17 Thompson Pd CV; 1/5 South Hills Mall BB; 2/16 South Hills Mall, 2/23 StonyKill KH; 1/16 StonyKill FT; 6-8/most TSF MP
Semipalmated Sandpiper: 1/28 Thompson Pd CV
Least Sandpiper: 1/17 Thompson Pd CV
Pectoral Sandpiper: 1/17 Thompson Pd CV;
Wilson's Snipe: 1/8, 10, 30 Southlands Fm MP
Ring-billed Gull: 16/15 Wapp. Lk. BJM; 1/16 StonyKill FT
Great Black-backed Gull: 1/19, 21 Wapp Lk KH;
Rock Pigeon: Usual numbers.
Mourning Dove: Usual numbers.
Yellow-billed Cuckoo: 1/16 StonyKill FT
Eastern Screech-Owl: 1/10, 22 yd CP/HT; 1/31 CIES AMP
Great Horned Owl: 1/14, 24 Reese Pk, hooting across Wapp. Creek both times. KH; calling am/24-28 pr calling early am/31 yd BB; 1/27 Vassar Fm at 6:10 pm CV
Barred Owl: 1/7 yd heard at 5:30 am CV; 1/8 Red Hook NG; 1/9 Reese Pk KH
Belted Kingfisher: 2/3 Buttercup WS/LDS; 1/7, 2/21 Wapp Lk, 1/14 Reese Sanc KH; 1/13 CIES BH; 1/13 Tymor FT; 1/17 yd BB; 2/25 Marist, singles twice at Overlook Pk, Norrie Pt CV; 1/all summer still there the 4th, Bog Hollow DF
Red-bellied Woodpecker: Good numbers.
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker: 1/2 StonyKill, 1/20 Reese Sanct KH; 1/5 Norrie Pt, 1/14 Rombout Rd, 1/30 Buttercup W CV; 1/9 Peach Hill FT; 1/16, 19, 30, 31 yd Stormville EBR
Downy Woodpecker: Good numbers
Hairy Woodpecker: Usual numbers.
Northern Flicker: Usual numbers.
Pileated Woodpecker: On most reports; doing well
Eastern Wood-Pewee: 1/2 StonyKill KH
Eastern Phoebe: 1/1-18 yd BB; 2/2 CIES, 2/3 Buttercup WS/LDS; 4/2 StonyKill, 1/9 Bowdoin Pk KH; 1/6 DaleyRd LaGrg CP; 4/5, 1/25 Norrie Pt, 3/14 Rombout Rd, 1-2 elsewhere thru 25th CV; 3/9 Peach Hill FT; 3/13 Tymor FT; 1/16 StonyKill FT
Blue-headed Vireo: 1/2 StonyKill, 2/28 CIES KH; 3/3 Buttercup WS/LDS; 2/5 Norrie Pt CV; 2/8 CIES BH; 1/13 Tymor FT; 2/16 yd BB
Red-eyed Vireo: 1/2 StonyKill KH;
Blue Jay: Usual numbers.
American Crow: going to Pok roost by late month CV; 50/24 CIES WS/LDS. Many other reports of a few each.



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Common Raven: 2/3 Buttercup WS/LDS; 1/14 Rhinebeck MP; 2/17, 1/28 Thompson Pd, 1/18, 30 Buttercup W CV; 1-3/occ yd BB;

Black-capped Chickadee: Usual nos. Highest 10/all yd BB;

Tufted Titmouse, W-b Nuthatch: Normal numbers

Red-breasted Nuthatch: 1/8, 16, 27 yd BB; 1/23-24 (1ST ever at my house) MP; 1/26 yd BJM; 1/1-4, 7, 21, 24, 28, 29 Stormville EBR

Brown Creeper: 1/5 Norrie Pt, 1/6 Rombout Rd, 1/12, 29 yd CV; 1/13 Tymor FT; 1/17 Linden La WS/LDS; 1/20 Reese Sanc KH

Carolina Wren: Good numbers everywhere.

Winter Wren: 1/4 Overlook Pk, 1/5, 25 Norrie Pt CV

Golden-crowned Kinglet: 2/2, 1/23 StonyKill, 7/22, 1/28 CIES KH; 10/8, 5/13, 2/20 CIES BH; 7/13 Tymor FT; 4/20 Bowdoin FT; 2/24 CIES WS/LDS; 1/25 Norrie Pt, 2/28 Thompson Rd CV; 2-3/26-30 yd BAM

Ruby-crowned Kinglet: 2/2 StonyKill, 1/22 2/28 CIES KH; 1/4 yd BAM; 6/5, 2/25 Norrie Pt, 1/6, 5/14 Rombout Rd, 1-3 elsewhere CV; sev/7-19 yd BB; 3/8, 13, 1/20 CIES BH; 1/8, 11 yd Poughquag CP/HT; 5/9 Peach Hill FT; 1/11 Home Acre, Fishkill ES; 4/13 Tymor FT; 1/16 StonyKill FT; 4/20 Bowdoin FT; 1/31 CIES AMP

Eastern Bluebird: Many reports. Highest: 6/20 Bowdoin FT; 7/22 CIES KH; 6/25 Poets Walk CP

Swainson's Thrush: 1/3 Buttercup WS/LDS

Hermit Thrush: 2/16 NuclearL CP/HT; 1/16 yd BB; 1/19 yd Stormville EBR; 1/26 Home Acre, Fishkill ES

American Robin: Many reports; some larger flocks moving through: 33/13 Tymor FT; 30/16 yd BB; 75/22 Sleight Fm CV; 3/24, 40/27 yd Poughquag, 35/15 Daley Rd LaGrg CP/HT; 100+24 Red Hook AG

Gray Catbird: 4/2 CIES WS/LDS; 8/2 StonyKill, 1/9 Reese Pk, 1/22 CIES KH; 2/3 Arborios, 1/4 Overlook Pk, 1/6 Rombout Rd CV; 2/3 Stony Kill AJM; 14/9 Peach Hill FT; 2/20 Bowdoin FT; 1/28 yd BB;

Northern Mockingbird: Many reports. Highest: 13/14, 9/26 Rombout Rd CV;

European Starling: Flocks reported: 50/2 StonyKill KH; 50/16 StonyKill FT; 50/26 Home Acre, Fishkill ES

American Pipit: 2/16 StonyKill FT; 1/22 CIES KH

Cedar Waxwing: 12/7, 4/16 yd, 20/30 yd BB; 7/9 Peach Hill FT; 13/14 Rombout Rd, 8/19 Sharon Sta Rd, 17/25 Norrie Pt, 23/30 Cary IES CV; 20/16 StonyKill FT; 3/20 CIES BH; 4/22 2/28 CIES, 14/23 StonyKill KH; 26/20 Bowdoin FT; 6/24 CIES WS/LDS; 2/28 yd BJM; 6/31 CIES AMP

Snow Bunting: 1/17 Beacon South Mountain PB

Tennessee Warbler: 1/2 StonyKill KH;

Nashville Warbler: 1/16 StonyKill FT

Magnolia Warbler: 1/2 StonyKill KH;

Black-throated Blue Warbler: 2/3 Buttercup WS/LDS; 1m/9 Bowdoin Pk KH

Yellow-rumped Warbler: Wow, they're everywhere! Highest counts: 10/24 CIES WS/LDS; 10/3 Arborios, 11/6 23/14 12/26 Rombout Rd CV; at least 10/12-14 yd BB; 76/9 Peach Hill FT; 48/13 Tymor FT; 10/20 Bowdoin FT

Black-throated Green Warbler: 1/8 CIES BH

Palm Warbler: 1/2, 20 5/23 StonyKill, 4/22 CIES KH; 1/3 Stony Kill AJM; 2/8, 1/13 CIES BH; 2/9 Peach Hill FT; 5/16 StonyKill FT; 9/22 Vassar Fm, 1/4 Overlook Pk, 1/12 Traver Pd, 1/14 Rombout Rd CV; 1/20 Bowdoin FT

Blackpoll Warbler: 4/2 StonyKill, 1/9 Reese Sanc KH;

Ovenbird: 2/28 Whitlock Preserve AMP

Common Yellowthroat: 5/2 StonyKill KH; 1/12 TraverPd CV

Eastern Towhee: 1/6 Rombout Rd CV; 1/9 Reese Pk, 1/9 Bowdoin Pk KH; 1/9 Peach Hill FT; 1/7 & 17 yd BB;

American Tree Sparrow: 2/16 Rhinebeck MP

Chipping Sparrow: Many reports of 1-4. Also 20/9 Bowdoin Pk KH; 14/20 Bowdoin FT (this was the latest sighting).

Field Sparrow: 4/9 Peach Hill FT; 2/13 CIES BH; 2/16 StonyKill FT; 1/23 StonyKill KH

Savannah Sparrow: 5/2, 23 StonyKill KH; 3/4 Overlook Pk, 5/14 Rombout Rd, 4/22 Vassar Fm CV; 12/16 StonyKill FT; 4-6/most TSF MP

Fox Sparrow: 1/13 Tymor FT; 1/26 Rombout Rd w/chipping sparrows in Fm Drive, 1/30 CIES, w/waxwings CV

Song Sparrow: Numerous reports. Highest: 22/9 Peach Hill FT; 10/20 Bowdoin FT; 10/22 CIES KH; 10/30 StonyKill BB

Lincoln's Sparrow: 2/2 1/23 StonyKill KH; 1/16 StonyKill FT

Swamp Sparrow: 2/4 Overlook Pk, 2/14 Domin Fm, 2/17 Thompson Pd CV; 1/9 Peach Hill FT; 4/16 StonyKill FT; 1/30 StonyKill BB; 1/31 CIES AMP

White-throated Sparrow: Earliest 15/2 StonyKill KH. High numbers: 22/9 Bowdoin, 19/22 16/28 CIES, 25/23 Reese Sanc KH; 20/3 Buttercup, 30/24 CIES WS/LDS; 18/5 Norrie Pt CV; 80/9 Peach Hill FT; 33/20 Bowdoin FT

White-crowned Sparrow: 3/2 8/23 StonyKill, 1/22 CIES KH; 5/6, 1/26 Rombout Rd, 1/12 Traver Pd, 3/22 Vassar Fm CV; 10/9 Peach Hill FT; 1/13 Tymor FT; 8/16 StonyKill FT; 3/20 Bowdoin FT; 1/29-30 Rhinebeck MP; 2 imm singing!/30 StonyKill BB

Dark-eyed Junco: Earliest 1/5 Norrie Pt. CV; Highest 20-25/24-31 yd Pquag CP/HT; 19/22 19/28 CIES KH; 17/20 Bowdoin FT; 18/31 CIES AMP

Northern Cardinal: Good numbers everywhere.

Red-winged Blackbird: 200/17, 50/28 Mashomack, 90/19 HVRT CV; 40/17 Northeast CP/HT; 50/30 StonyKill BB;

Eastern Meadowlark: 2/2 gardens Stony Kill by Jim Herrington BJM; 2/3, 10 TSF MP

Rusty Blackbird: 6/12 Traver Pond, 19/30 Buttercup W CV; 16/23 Buttercup West DE

Common Grackle: Many reports of a few each. Also 200/14 mixed flock of blackbirds in yd BB; 800/24, 50/26 Home Acre, Fishkill ES; 120/26 Rombout Rd CV

Brown-headed Cowbird: 100/10 TSF MP

Purple Finch: 4-7/12-31 9/22 yd, 13/18 HVRT, more than normal for Oct CV; 1/11, 17, 3/19-26, 5/27-28, 2/31 yd BAM; 2/12-19 6/16 yd BB; 3/13 Tymor FT; 1/20 Bowdoin FT; 1/30 Home Acre, Fishkill ES; 1-3 most days yd Stormville EBR

House Finch: Highest counts were 14/10 TSF MP; 12/16 StonyKill FT; 10/20 Bowdoin FT

Pine Siskin: 1/17-23, 2/24 feeder DK; 1/26 yd w/goldfinch & purple finch CV; 1/28 Stormville EBR ; 1/31 yd BAM

American Goldfinch: Many reports. Highest 75/9 Peach Hill FT; 10-30/all yd Pquag CP/HT; 10-25/all, 28/29 yd CV;

House Sparrow: Usual numbers.

Other Sightings:

Red Fox: 1/2 yd Poughquag CP/HT



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Other sources:

HRA(observer) - Hudson River Almanac

MHB(observer) - Mid-Hudson Birds

FT - Field Trips:

9th Peach Hill, 13th Tymor Pk, 16th Stony Kill, 20th Bowdoin

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November 2010 Records

The weather was normal for November except for a heavy rain storm with 65 MPH winds that caused tree damage and brought down any lingering leaves. We had some interesting sightings which included Surf and Black Scoters, a late Blue-headed Vireo at Vassar Farms and the best were Evening Grosbeaks reported by a luck few members.

Snow Goose: 1/5 w/Ca. geese Rt. 82 Brinkerhoff Sch. BAM; skeins/7 migrating, River Wapp. Tom Lake HRA; 1/17 with Canada's Fishkill Rural Cem., ES.

Canada Goose: normal throughout county; most: 500/2 1000/25 Strauss marsh, 2000/25 Round Pond CV.

Mute Swan: normal numbers of 1-6 most in most lakes and ponds.

Tundra Swan: 1/20 with Mute Swans Sylvan Lk, Steve Golladay.

Wood Duck: 1/2 Huckleberry Rd, 1/12 Thompson Pd CV; 28/5 Vlei marsh, Rhinebeck RJ; 2/6 SMP, FT .

Gadwall: 4/2 3/8 Fisherman's Pk KH.

American Black Duck: 2/2 9/10 17/25 Strauss marsh, 2/12 The Fly CV, 3/26 Traver Pd CV; 4/3 4/29 Fisherman's Pk. Wapp Lk. KH; 12/5 Vlei marsh, Rhinebeck RJ; seen/13 Buttercup Farm DE; 2/28 Christie Pd, Clove Valley & 7/28 Traver Pd OW, KM, BC, RC, BB.

Mallard: normal numbers throughout county.

Northern Pintail: 2/12 Mashomack, 5/12 The Fly CV.

Green-winged Teal: 22/5 Vlei marsh, Rhinebeck RJ; 15/12 The Fly CV; seen/13 Thompson Pd/Buttercup Farm DE.

Ring-necked Duck: good numbers @ Strauss Marsh, Lk. Onaid, Christie Pd, Thompson Pd. by BAM, DE, CP/HT & most: 45/26 Traver Pd CV; 100/9, 150/24 Abel's Pd BB; 100/28 Sylvan Lk , 70/28 Traver Pd OW, KM, BC, RC, BB.

Greater Scaup: 1/29 Veteran's Pk KH.

Lesser Scaup: 9/26 Sylvan Lk CV.

Surf Scoter: 8/1 River @ Chelsea RJ.

Black Scoter: 25/6 flew over SMP & swimming in Cedar Lake FT.

Bufflehead: 6/18 Redwing Beekman CP/HT; 1f/28 Hillside Lk OW, KM, BC, RC, BB; 15/30 Mills CV.

Common Goldeneye: 4/5 Red Wing Pd, Green Haven Rd CV.

Hooded Merganser: 2-4 Wapp. Crk, Strauss Marsh & most: 7/10 14/21, 10/29 Fisherman's Pk. Wapp Lk., 9/5 Vlei marsh, Rhinebeck RJ; 15/28 Sylvan Lk & pr/28 Red Wing, Green Haven Rd OW, KM, BC, RC, BB; pr/30 Tymor, 4 pr/30 McKinney Pd BB.

Common Merganser: 1/2 Strauss marsh, 12/12 4/21 Mashomack, 9/30 Norrie Pt CV; 5/2 7/8 6/10 10/21 11/29 Fisherman's Pk. Wapp Lk., 14/25 Reese Sanctuary KH; 1f/19 Wapp Creek Tom Lake HRA.

Red-breasted Merganser: 1f/2 Fisherman's Pk Wapp. Lk. KH.

Ruddy Duck: 1-16 @ Lk. Onaid, Cedar Lk. & Strauss Marsh; most 80/5 40/26 Sylvan Lk CV.

Ring-necked Pheasant: 3m/23 Titusville Rd near Cornell Farm JA/KJ; 1/25 Strauss farm (no game farm nearby) CV.

Wild Turkey: 2-10 reported by KH, BAM, MP, CV & 1 FT; most: 13/10 Delaverge Hill, Amenia DF; 12/10 Rt 343 & Chestnut Ridge Rd BB.

Red-throated Loon: 1/20 Hudson R across from Esopus Meadows Pk, Lin Fagan on JBNHS trip.

Pied-billed Grebe: 3/5 Red Wing Pd, Green Haven Rd CV; 4/6 Cedar Lk FT; 1/8 Fisherman's Pk, Wapp Lk. KH; 2/28 Red Wing, Green Haven Rd OW, KM, BC, RC, BB.

Double-crested Cormorant: 2/2 1/8 1/10 Fisherman's Pk Wapp Lk. KH; 3/20 Norrie Point FT.

Great Blue Heron: 1/6 Lk. Onaid BJM; 1/11 Sylvan Lk BAM; 1/6 Vassar Farm, 1/7 HVRT, 1/20 Norrie Pt, 1/24 Vassar Campus FT; 1 occ. MP; 2/28 Sylvan Lk & 2/28 Baird Pk OW, KM, BC, RC, BB; 6 reported from various places CV.

Great Egret: 1/9 Wapp. Lk. RJ.

Black Vulture: more being seen in county -1/2 Millbrook Sch, 2/2 Huckleberry Rd CV; 2/7 HVRT, 6/10 Millbrook Sch FT; 1/10 yd Fishkill & 1/26 I-84/Fishkill Prison ES; 1/17 StonyKill KH; kettle of 25/13 Rt 55 & Clove Rd BB; 1/20 Hopewell Jct. HT; 1/28 McEnroe's Organic Farm JD.

Turkey Vulture: avg. of 1-5 by most observers; most: 7/6 Vassar Farm, 10/26 I-84/Fishkill Prison ES.

Osprey: 1/4 Clove Valley BB.

Bald Eagle: 1 imm/6 SMP & Cedar Lk (same bird seen both places) FT; 2/11 by Mary & Paul Coiteux, Sylvan Lake BAM; 1/14 Tivoli Bay North, 1/30 Norrie Pt CV; 1Ad./20 Hammond Pt., Fishkill Crk & 1f/22 Wapp. Tom Lake HRA; 1/27, ad, TSFarm MP; 1 ad/28 Sylvan Lk OW, KM, BC, RC, BB.

Northern Harrier: 1/2 Taylor Rd, 1/12 1/21 1/29 Mashomack CV; 1/7 HVRT FT.

Sharp-shinned Hawk: 9 reported of 1 ea. by JA/KJ, BB, KH, BAM, CV & on 3 FT's.

Cooper's Hawk: 10 reported of 1 each by BB, DE, KH, BAM, MP, CP/HT, CV Tom Lake & 2 FT's.

Red-shouldered Hawk: 1/24 CIES WHS/MD; 2/28 Hillside Lk OW, KM, BC, RC, BB; 1/30 yd. Milan FM.

Red-tailed Hawk: avg. of 1-5 by most observers; most: 9/29 Mashomack, CV.

American Kestrel: 3-4 beg. of mo. fields Uphill Farm, Salt Pt. Tpk. BMa.

Peregrine Falcon: 1/14 Mid-Hudson Bridge CV.

American Coot: 30/5 to 50/28 Sylvan Lk, CV, CP/HT, group: OW, KM, BC, RC, BB; 2/29 Thompson Pd CV; 1/6 Lk. Onaid BJM; 40/6 Cedar Lk FT; 1/2 Fisherman's Pk. Wapp Lk. KH.

Killdeer: 1/14 Grieg Farm CV; 6-8 early month TSF, then none, MP; 5/30 StonyKill KH.

Wilson's Snipe: seen/13 Southlands Peter Schoenberger & Susan Rogers (MHB).

Ring-billed Gull: most: 100/10 125/25 McEnroe compost, also in most large shopping centers up & down Hudson River CV; with 3 other reports.

Herring Gull: 6/10 13/25 McEnroe compost CV; 5/28 Hillside Lake OW, KM, BC, RC, BB.

Great Black-backed Gull: 1/8 1/10 1/22 1/29 Fisherman's Pk., Wapp Lk. KH; 1/14 1/30 N Water St. Pok CV.

Mourning Dove: normal; most: 36/26 yd Fishkill ES; 20/26 yd Poughquag CP/HT; 14 daily early mo, up to 28 daily late mo, MP.

Eastern Screech-Owl: 1/12 Cary IES - grey phase in hole CV; heard/14 Beach/Hynes Rd, Poughquag BC; 1/20 heard MP.

Great Horned Owl: calling/12, 13, 22 yard BB; 1 1st week of mo. for 7 nights calling yd. Fishkill Betsy Carswell.

Barred Owl: 1/21 Thompson Pd, heard only CV; 1/27 yd Pok WL.

Northern Saw-whet Owl: 1/11 found stunned on sidewalk Main St., Village Wapp. Maury & Mariam Lacher. – see article.



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Belted Kingfisher: 16 reported with 1 each by KH,KJ,DE,MP,CV, FT's and group: OW,KM,BC,RC,BB.
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker: 12 reports of 1-2 each by KH, CP/HT,EBR,HT,CV,1/7 HVRT, & 2 FT's and 9/24 Vassar Campus FT.
Hairy Woodpecker: 1-2 @ feeders or FT's by BBKH BAM,MP,ES and 3/8 feeder CV.
Northern Flicker: avg. 1-2 each most observers; most: 4/6 SMP FT.
Pileated Woodpecker: 1-2 most observers; most: 5/20 Norrie Point FT.
Blue-headed Vireo: 2/24 Vassar Campus FT (previous late departure date of Nov 24, 2004 also on a Vassar campus field trip BB).
American Crow: 10-15000 going to roost, Rinaldi Blvd & Shadows Restaurant, thousands come from Ulster Co. CV and 10 other reports.
Fish Crow: 1/30 Marist College CV.
Common Raven: 1/3 FDR Home, 1/10 Millbrook School FT; 1/25 vocal yd. Milan, FM.
Red-breasted Nuthatch: 1/2, 6 yd. AG; 1/2,6 feeder Stormville EBR; 1/5-6 & 14 feeder yd. BAM; 1/14 yd. Tom Lake HRA; 1/14,22,25,26,& 28 yd Pok WL; 1/25 & 26 yd. MF; 1 occ. yd. BMa.
Brown Creeper: 1/3 FDR Home FT; 1/14 & 28 yd Pok WL; 1/27, 1/30 at suet tree, only time seen in Nov. CV.
Carolina Wren: 1-2 each JA/KJ,DE,AG,KH,BAM, MP,CP/HT,EBR,WLS,ES; most: 7/3 FDR Home, 6/6 Vassar Farm, 5/7 HVRT, 5/20 Norrie Point, 6/24 Vassar Campus FT; 7/13 5/25 Rombout Rd, CV.
Winter Wren: 1/10 yd Fishkill ES; 1/24 Vassar Campus FT.
Golden-crowned Kinglet: 2/3 FDR Home, 1/6 SMP, 1/6 Vassar Farm, 1/7 HVRT FT; 1/12 Buttercup E, CV; 1/10 1/29 Fisherman's Pk. Wapp Lk., 1/10 Wapp Rural Cem, 1/17 StonyKill, 2/25 Reese Sanct KH; 1/24 CIES WHS/MD.
Ruby-crowned Kinglet: 1/6 Vassar Farm FT.
Eastern Bluebird: avg. 1-6 by most observers; most:16/5 Red Wing Pd, CV; 11/24 Vassar Campus FT.
Hermit Thrush: 1/2 & 21 yd Fishkill ES; 1/12 Buttercup E CV; 1/24 Vassar Campus FT.
American Robin: most: 32/6 Vassar Farm, 50/10 Millbrook Sch, 30/20 Norrie Point, 40/25 Rombout Rd,47/22 Vassar Farm, 50-60/29 going to roost in cattails at Thompson Pd CV; 40/21 St. John's Lutheran Church Pok. JDu; 50/23 yd Poughquag CP/HT.
Gray Catbird: 1/2 Strauss farm CV; 1/6 Vassar Farm FT
Northern Mockingbird: 1 each reported by DE,KH,BAM, CP/HT,MP,ES, group:OW,KM,BC,RC,BB; & FT's; most: 6/6 Vassar Farm FT; 5/13, 7/25 Rombout Rd, CV.
European Starling: usual numbers; most: 500/10 Millbrook School FT.
American Pipit: 8/28 MetroNorth Railroad--Harlem Line--Dutchess Co. JD; seen/13 Southlands Peter Schoenberger & Susan Rogers (MHB).
Cedar Waxwing: 25/3 FDR Home, 20/6 SMP, 25/6 Vassar Farm, 2/10 Millbrook Sch., 15/20 Norrie Pt, 25/24 Vassar Campus FT; 10/2 Huckleberry Rd, 4/5 Red Wing Pd GreenHaven Rd CV; 4/7 yd Po'quag CP/HT; 12/25 Reese Sanct KH; 1/21 Holms & Academy Sts Pok JA/KJ;
Yellow-rumped Warbler: 8/6 SMP, 1/6 Vassar Farm FT; 4/13 1/25 Rombout Rd CV.

Orange-crowned Warbler: 1/13 Southlands Peter Schoenberger & Susan Rogers (MHB).
Eastern Towhee: 1/6 Vassar Farm FT.
Chipping Sparrow: 1/4 & 5 yd. BAM.
American Tree Sparrow: 2/10 Mill Rd, 1/22 Vassar Farm, 1/25 Rombout Rd, 6/25 Millbrook Sch CV; 1/13-yd AMP; 2/24 CIES WHS/MD; 1/25 Old Troy Rd KH; 1/27 yd. MP.
Field Sparrow: 1/14 TSFarm, MP.
Savannah Sparrow: 1/2 Overlook Pk CV.
Fox Sparrow: 1/1,4,5,9 yd, 3/12 Buttercup E, 1/13 Rombout Rd, 1/22 Vassar Farm, 1/25 Millbrook Sch, CV; 1/3 FDR Home, 3/6 Vassar Farm FT; 1/9 feeder BB; 2/10, 2/11, 2/19 yd AMP; 2/16, 17, 23 & 24 yd. TS; 1/19 yd Stormville EBR.

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FT - Field Trips:

3rd- FDR Home; 6th- Vassar Farm; 6th-SMP- Slocum-Mostachetti Preserve, also Cedar Lake; 7th-HVRT Amenia for 4H group; 10th- Millbrook School; 17th- Stony Kill - bad weather; 20th- Norrie Point; 24th- Vassar Campus

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December 2010 Records

A full lunar eclipse occurred on the Winter Solstice, December 21st, the first time in 372 years according to Spaceweather.com. The next occurrence will be on December 21, 2094. Most area ponds were frozen over by mid-month; there was blizzard on 12/26. Some species not found due to double records for this issue.

Canada Goose: most:1000/3 Round Pd CV; 350/8 Stringham Rd. BJM/MK; 133/8 Verbank FT; 500/15 Baird Pk FT; 300/17 Round Pd & 400/17 Amenia, Reagan Rd Dorothy Fleury; 1000/19 Millerton area Sharon CBC; 3500-4500/28 Stissing Lk John Askildsen; plus smaller groups.

Mute Swan: 11-15/all 25/17 Fisherman's Pk KH; 1/3&8 Round Pd & 3/4 Traver Pd CV; 5/5 Deerfield Pd CV; 7/6 Lk Oniad, 3/9 Sylvan LK, 15/11 Wapp Lk BJM; 2/14 Salt Pt Wapp Cr CV; 2/17 Beekman Rd Dorothy Fleury; 2/21 Hidden Lk CV; 4/22 Norrie Pt FT.

Wood Duck: 2/4 Traver Pond & 1/3 Ore Pit Pond CV.

Gadwall: 6/3,5/8 Round Pond CV.

American Black Duck: 4/3 Wapp Cr/Salt Point CV; 12/3 The Fly CV; 2/5 11/8 Fisherman's Pk KH; 17/14 Buttercup West CV; 9/19 Millerton area Sharon CBC; 5/20 Marist/Hudson River CV; 6/21 Wapp Cr/Stanfordville CV.

Mallard: normal #s reported; most: 20/10 Hudson River, New Hamburg MP; 38/19 Millerton area Sharon CBC; 20/15 Baird Pk FT; 18/22 Norrie Pt FT.

Northern Pintail: 1 male/3 Veteran's Pk KH.

Ring-necked Duck: 1/3 Thompson Pd, 156/3, 148/8 Round Pd CV; 20/4 Traver Pd CV; 2/6 Lk Oniad BJM; 57/8 South Rd. Millbrook BJM; 82/9 Red Wing/Gr Haven Rd CV; 3/15 Baird Pk FT.

Long-tailed Duck: 1/6 Waryas Park/Hudson River CV.

Hooded Merganser: 14/2 23/5 2/7 8/8 Fisherman's Pk KH; 18/3 Willowbrook Farm, 27/3 Rudd Pond CV; 4/4 Rudd Pd MN; 2/8 Round Pd CV; 12/8 Wappingers Lk DK; 12/9 Sylvan Lk CV; 39/5 Rudd Pd MN

Common Merganser: 4/3 Upper Kays CV; 410/10 on Hudson MP, near New Hamburg; 3/15 Wapp Crk/ Rochdale, 3/16 Overlook Pk, 16/20 Marist/Hudson River CV; 5/22 Norrie Pt FT; 4m/28 Fishkill Crk, Brinkerhoff BJM.

Ruddy Duck: 1/3 Mashomack CV; 4/6 Lake Oniad BAM; 13/3, 1/16 Round Pond CV

Wild Turkey: 6/2 Overlook Rd. JA/KJ; 14/2, 1/16 Rombout Rd. "scarce in usual areas" CV, 99/19 Rt. 22/199 (Millerton Area CBC) DK; 12/26 yd Pok WL; 3/29 Bangall-Amenia Rd DK.

Pied-billed Grebe: 1/9 Red Wing/Gr Haven Rd CV.

Great Blue Heron: 1/1 yd flyover, 1/2 Rombout Rd., 1/3 Rudd Pd CV; 1/4 Tivoli Bays MN; 1/4 Rhinebeck MP; 1/5 Deerfield Pd CV; 1/6 Norrie Pt; 1/14 Wapp Cr/Salt Pt CV; 1/16 Rt 376/Robinson Ln BJM; 1/22 Norrie Pt FT; 1/22 Westage pd BJM; 1/29 flying Titusville Rd/Rt 55 DK.

Black Vulture: 3-5/flyover Fishkill yd twice Betsy Carswell; 5/4 yd. Pok WL; 1/6 RT 9/Price Chopper CV; 5/8 RT 376/Lk Walton Rd. BJM; 15/11 2/31 StonyKill KH; 3/18 RT 52/ Taconic DK; 5/21,23 Wapps CP/HT; 5/27 flyover yd. BAM; 1/30 RT. 9/Vassar Rd. BJM

Turkey Vulture: 1/2 Beacon RR Stn ES; 1/9 & 11 RT. 9 Fishkill BJM; 1 many days/2/10 over yd BAM; 34/11 StonyKill KH; 2/14 Rt 82/Brinkerhoff area BJM; 1/17 Conservancy CV; 1/22 Rt 9/Wapp Falls, 1/23 Rt 376 BJM; 1/28-30 yd CV.

Bald Eagle: 1/3 Mashomack, 1/5 Deerfield Pd, 1/5 Sand Hill Rd, 1/6 Norrie Pt CV; 2/8 Verbank FT; 3/10 Hudson River Metro-North train (2 Beacon, 1 New Hambg) MP; 1/20 Longview Pk/Marist CV; 1/20 yd. Po'quag CP/HT; 1/21 Stissing Mtn CV; 1/22 Waryas Pk CV; 2/22 Norrie Pt FT; 1 imm/23 Fishkill Crk/Brinkerhoff Robert Hoose; 1ad/28 Diddell Rd. reported to BJM; 2/29, 1ad Wapp Crk, 1imm Chelsea/Hudson River AJM; 1/29 & 30 Bontecou Lk DK & WHS/LDS/JMS.

Northern Harrier: 1/4 Tivoli Bays MN; 2/14 Mashomack CV; 2/17 Amenia, Reagan Rd, 1/17 Doverdale Farm, Dover DF; 1/21 Mashomack CV; 1/30 Winchell Mt. Rd. WHS/LDS/JMS.

Sharp-shinned Hawk: 1/3 Willowbrook Farm CV; 1/4 yd. Po'quag CP/HT; 1/7,16 yd CV; 1/17 Milan feeder FM; 1/21 & 30 yd. Fishkill ES; 1/23 yd CV; 1/26 yd. ES; 1/30 yd BAM.

Cooper's Hawk: 1/2 Rombout Rd. CV, 1 most days yd BAM; 1/7 Overlook Rd. CV; 1/16 yd CV; 1/18 yd. Millbrook JD; 1/19 Millerton area Sharon CBC, 1/23 Rhinebeck MP; 1/26 yd. Pok WL; 1/29 Ludlow Rd. DK.

Northern Goshawk: 1/5 Dover Furnace Rd. CV.

Red-shouldered Hawk: 1/8 Millbank Pk, Pok. MK; 1/16 Rombout Rd. CV; 1/17 Salt Pt Tpk DK; 1/19 TopO'Hill, 1/19 New Hackensack Church BJM; 1/20 Hannaford's Lagrange DK.

Red-tailed Hawk: Most observers reported 1-2 throughout county; most: 4/5 Deerfield Pds CV; 10/14 Mashomack CV; 14/19 Millerton area Sharon CBC; Tamarack DK; 5/30 Winchell Mtn. Rd. WHS/LDS/JMS.

Rough-legged Hawk: 1/19 Millerton area Sharon CBC

Golden Eagle: 1/4 StonyKill (large, dark, with gray where white would be on juv. Flew with a slight dihedral. I think I saw a little golden color on nape.) KH; 1/8 Verbank FT; 1adult/21 Mashomack CV.

Peregrine Falcon: 1/8 eating Killdeer, Stringham Rd. Pk BJM,MK.

American Coot: 3/3 Round Pd CV; 30/5 Pleasant Ridge Rd CV; 3/21 Upton Lk CV.

Sandhill Crane: 30/28 over yd. Fishkill ES

Killdeer: 3/11 StonyKill KH

Eastern Screech-Owl 1/17 Amenia, Reagan Rd Dorothy Fleury; 1/19 Millerton area Sharon CBC

Great Horned Owl 1/18, 2/19 hooting Ludlow Woods DK; 2/28 Daley Rd. Lagrange CP/HT

Barred Owl: 2 heard & seen/17 Milan Frank Margiotta

Belted Kingfisher: 1/2 Rombout Rd. CV; 2/3 Upper Kays, Mashomack CV; 1/4 Tivoli Bays MN; 1/5 Pleasant Ridge Road CV; 1/16 Overlook Park CV; 1/22 Norrie Point FT

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker: 1/most days yd EBR; 1/7 Vassar Farm & 1/29 yd.CV; 1/15 yd. Hyde Pk RK; 2/19 Millerton area Sharon CBC; 1/22 Norrie Pt FT; 1/25 yd. Po'quag CP.

Northern Flicker: 1 each reported by JA/KJ,AG,BAM,MN, MP,CP/HT & 1 sev. areas by CV; 2/5 CIES WHS/LDS; 2/13 Sleight Farm CV; 2/22 Norrie Pt FT.

Pileated Woodpecker: 1/daily Hi View BAM; 1-2/all yd. CP/HT; 1 occ. MP; 2/4,6,14,19 - 1/15,16 yd, CV; 1/12, 17,18,26,31-yd AMP 1/11 Southlands FT 1/17-25 Separate Rd (on suet) AG; 2/22 Norrie Pt FT;



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American Crow: normal #s , most: 1000+/-2 field/yards
Overlook and Slight Plass Rds. JA/KJ; 80/8 Hillside Lake Rd.
BJM; 20000/15 Poughkeepsie roost CV

Fish Crow: 1/2 Rombout Rd. CV; 1/7 Vassar Farm CV;
1/11 So Hills Mall BJM; 1/13, 15, 22 44 Plaza CV; 3/20 Longview
Park/Marist CV

Common Raven: 1/4 StonyKill KH; 2/17 Dutchess Quarry CV;
1/21 Stissing Mt. CV

Horned Lark: 8/14 Plankenhorn Farm CV; 100/30 Winchell
Mt. Rd. WHS/LDS/JMS

Red-breasted Nuthatch: 1/4 Tivoli Bays MN; 1/4, 7, 11, 26 yd.
Pok WL; 1/5, 14, 2026, 27 feeder yard BAM; 1/19, 27 yd.
WHS/LDS.

Brown Creeper: 1/daily yd AMP; 1 most days & 2/24 MP; 1
most days CV; 1/2, 22-31 yd CP/HT; 1/4 StonyKill KH; 1/4
Tivoli Bays MN; 1/19 Millerton area Sharon CBC 1/15 Baird Pk
FT; 2/22 Norrie Pt FT; 1/24 Wappinger Rural Cem KH.

Carolina Wren: 1-3 reported by most observers.

Winter Wren: 1/2 Rombout Rd CV; 1/6 Reese Sanctuary KH;
1/17 Conservancy Area CV; 1/22 Norrie Point FT; 1/26 yd Pok
WL; 1/27 Red Hook AG.

Golden-crowned Kinglet: 3/4 Tivoli Bays MN; 1/4 StonyKill,
1/5 Fisherman's Pk KH; 2/15 Baird Park FT; 1/21 Stissing
Mountain CV; 3/22 Norrie Point FT.

Eastern Bluebird: 2/2 Rombout Rd. CV; 1/4 Tivoli Bays MN;
4/7 Vassar Farm CV; 4/5 & h/19 yd BAM; 7/8 Verbank FT;
2/14 Buttercup West CV; 1/15 Baird Pk FT; 10/17 Conservancy
Area CV; 11/19 Millerton area Sharon CBC; 10/5, 30/11 &
3/25 TSF MP; @ Southlands FT; 4/30 Bonticou Lk
WHS/LDS/JMS.

Hermit Thrush: 1/11 Southlands FT; 1/22 Norrie Point FT

American Robin: 1-6 reported throughout county by most
observers; most: 13/8 Verbank FT; 20/13 Galleria Mall, 18/16 &
57/19 Rombout Rd. CV; 89/19 Millerton area Sharon CBC;
16/22, 1/25, 18/27 yd CV; 50/29 yd. Poughquag CP/HT.

Northern Mockingbird: 7/2 Rombout Rd., 2/7 Vassar Farm
CV; 6/11 Southlands FT; 2/15 Baird Pk FT; 4/16 Rombout Rd
CV; 2/19 Millerton area Sharon CBC; 2/30 Bonticou Lk
WHS/LDS/JMS; plus 7 sightings of single bird.

Cedar Waxwing: 1/2 yd. Poughquag HT; 45/13 Galleria Mall
CV; 98/18 yd Millbrook JD; 8/19 Millerton area Sharon CBC
Yellow-rumped Warbler: 1/2 Rombout Rd. CV.

American Tree Sparrow: 1-2/20-31 MP; 7 daily & 14/27-yd;
AMP; 6/2 Rombout Rd., 1/6 Norrie Pt., 7/7 Vassar Farm CV;
6/11 Southlands FT; 18/14 Buttercup West CV; 1/15 Baird Pk
FT; 6/18, 1/25, 3/26 yd JA/KJ; 26/19 Millerton area Sharon
CBC; 1/23, 27, 28 yd. Stormville EBR; 1/26 feeder Ludlow DK;
1/27-31 Red Hook AG; 2/29 yd CV; 2/30 Bonticou Lk
WHS/LDS/JMS 5/31 StonyKill KH.

Savannah Sparrow: 2/16 Rombout Rd. CV; 2/31 StonyKill
KH.

Song Sparrow: 1-2 occ yd. CP/HT; 5/2 Rombout Rd. CV; 1/5
CIES WHS/LDS; 6/7 Vassar Farm CV; 3/11 Southlands FT;
8/14 Buttercup West CV; 8/17 Conservancy Area CV; 15/19
Millerton area Sharon CBC; 1/20 Longview Pk/Marist CV; 2/22
Norrie Pt FT; 2/30 Bonticou Lk WHS/LDS/JMS; 2/30 Winchell
Mt. Rd. WHS/LDS/JMS.

Swamp Sparrow: 2/17 Conservancy Area CV.

White-throated Sparrow: Most reported 2-4; most: 3-20/all
yd. Poughquag CP/HT; 1-6 many days with high 10/26, 29 yd
Fishkill ES; 12/6 Norrie Pt CV; 8/7 Vassar Farm, 8/9 yd, 8/17
Conservancy Area CV; 41/19 Millerton area Sharon CBC; 2/3,
5/20, 12/21-31 Red Hook AG; 8/26 yd Pok WL; 4/30 Bonticou
Lk WHS/LDS/JMS.

White-crowned Sparrow: 8/8 Verbank FT; 2/11 Southlands
FT; 15/15 Baird Pk FT; 1/16 Domin Farm CV; 8/19 Millerton
area Sharon CBC; 22/22 Norrie Pt FT.

Dark-eyed Junco: Most reported good numbers, up to 12: 5/4
up to 25/23 incl. 1 pink-sided yd BAM; 42/5 Sand Hill Rd. CV,
15/7 Vassar Farm; 89/19 Millerton area Sharon CBC; 27/22
Norrie Pt FT; 20/30 Bonticou Lk WHS/LDS/JMS.

Lapland Longspur: 2/24 Merwin Rd, Northeast DF.

Snow Buntings: 18/15, 16, 17 Overlook Park CV; 4/19
Overlook Park CV; 8/30 Winchell Mt. Rd. WHS/LDS/JMS.

Red-winged Blackbird: 2-4 early mo. then gone MP; 1/2
Rombout Rd. CV; 3/19 Millerton area Sharon CBC.

Common Grackle: 3/2 Rombout Rd. CV; 1/11 Southlands 6-
114 most days until blizzard, then none MP; 1/16 yd
Poughquag CP; 2/27 yd CV; 1/27 yd JA/KJ.

Brown-headed Cowbird: 1/7 yd CV; 17/19 Millerton area
Sharon CBC; 2f/26, 27 feeder AMP; 1/24, 6/25, 4/26 then gone
after blizzard MP; 3/27 yd Millbrook WHS/LDS.

Purple Finch: 1/2 feeder Stormville EBR; 1fe/7 Vassar Farm
CV; 4/19 Millerton area Sharon CBC; 1fe/21 Attleborough Hill
Rd CV; 2fe/27 feeder CV.

Common Redpoll: pair/22 Lagrange yd Shelley Redl; 15/23
Mabbettsville yd JA; 2/27 Rhinebeck yd RJ; 2/29, 30, 31-yd
AMP; 1/30 yd Po'quag CP.

Pine Siskin: 2/2 feeder Stormville EBR; 3-4/14, 15, 16, 17, 27,
28, 29-yd AMP; 1/2, 31 feeder CV; 1/26 yd Fishkill ES; 1/27
yd Millbrook WHS/LDS.

Other Sightings:

Red Fox – yd. Evelyn & David Stevenson

Eastern grey squirrel: as many as 16 Dec. 25 near
feeders MP

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(**MN**), Mona Payton (**MP**); Carena Pooth (**CP**) & Herb
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MHB - Mid-Hudson Birds listserve, with last name of observer
HRA - Hudson River Almanac, with last name of observer

FT - Field Trips:

2nd Harlem Valley Rail Trail **5th** Dutchess Rail Trail, P'ok,
16th Baird Park, **23rd** Norrie Point, **30th** Madam Brett Park



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Notes/Abbreviations:

CIES: Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies; **DRT:** Dutchess Rail Trail; **FOS:** First of Season; **TSF:** SouthlandsFm
Fisherman's Park is at Wappingers Lake near the Rt 9 bridge.
Veteran's Park is near the falls end of Wappingers Lake off Spring Street.

Also see our **Key to Notation**.

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