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# SUMMER POPULATIONS OF SANDHILL CRANES IN SOUTHEASTERN WISCONSIN, 1976-77.

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In Wisconsin, the Greater Sandhill Crane (Grus canadensis tabida) has recovered from an estimated five breeding pairs in 1929 (A. Leopold 1929 unpubl.), to a current summer population exceeding 1,000 birds (Hunt and Gluesing 1976). Protection from hunting has been assumed to be an important factor in this recovery (Walkinshaw 1949), as has the development of extensive state and federally-owned waterfowl areas in central Wisconsin (Hunt and Gluesing 1976). Of equal importance however, has been the remarkable adaptability of cranes. They now use a wide variety of different wetland habitat types including smaller sized wetlands. They are becoming increasingly tolerant of human activity near their nest sites, and they breed at relatively high densities. While many current land use practices are detrimental to cranes and wetlands, several practices associated with dairy farming have indirectly favored cranes in many areas of southern Wisconsin. The grazing of cattle on lowland pastures and the annual harvest of marsh hay are important elements in the development and maintenance of the sparsely vegetated meadows which are highly preferred nesting, feeding, and brood rearing habitat. Cranes also make intensive use of agricultural crops for feeding and the availability of harvested grain fields is an important factor in the selection of staging areas by cranes in the fall.

Former population estimates based on a mail survey of state wildlife personnel by Gluesing (1974) and by Howard and Nauman (1975) indicated a resident population of 300 to 400 cranes in southeastern Wisconsin, primarily in Marquette, Green Lake, and Columbia Counties. However, the accuracy of these mail surveys had not been tested or compared with a field census. Because of the large number of cranes on small privately owned wetlands (Gluesing 1974:29), the secretive nature of nesting cranes, and the remoteness of many large marshes, these population figures were considered minimum estimates.

In conjunction with an ecological study of Sandhill Cranes in 17 southeastern Wisconsin counties during 1976 and 1977, we censused the current resident population level of breeding and non-breeding cranes, identified major staging areas, and determined the fall migratory chronology of cranes passing through southeastern Wisconsin.

#### **METHODS:**

Sandhill Cranes were located by auditory censusing (Bennett 1978), ground observations, aerial surveys with helicopter and fixed-wing aircraft, personal interviews with resident wetland landowners, and reports from local naturalists and game managers. On most wetlands several census techniques

were used. Censusing started two weeks after the first cranes began arriving in spring, and ended on July 30 each year. Migrating cranes were censused weekly from August 10 to October 30 by early morning roost counts (Lewis 1973).

#### RESULTS

**Resident Crane Population** 

We censused a resident population of 1,106 adult Sandhill Cranes during the spring and summer of 1977. Four counties (Marquette, Green Lake, Columbia, and Jefferson) contained more than 92 percent of the crane population (Figure 1). There were small groups of cranes in all remaining counties except Sheboygan, Ozaukee, and Milwaukee. Table I gives the location (county, township, and section) of marshes occupied by cranes, the number of breeding pairs and non-breeding cranes present, the number of young produced, and the years of crane occupancy, when available.

Breeding pairs of cranes (defined as a pair occupying and defending a specific wetland from April 1 to July 31), comprised 52.5 percent of the total population. Single birds and non-breeding groups of cranes comprised the remaining 47.5 percent. Groups of non-breeding cranes averaged 28 birds and ranged in size from 5 to 90 birds.

#### **Migratory Crane Population**

We were able to identify seven major staging areas in southeastern Wisconsin (Table 2). Sandhill Cranes began accumulating at staging areas during the first week in August and the peak concentration occurred during the last half of September. Most of these staging areas have a long history of use and local residents report that flocks of 100 to 200 cranes have stopped annually at the White River and Colmstock Marshes since the early 1930's. All staging sites were also major concentration areas for non-breeding flocks of cranes throughout the summer.

The departure of cranes from southeastern Wisconsin in the fall is directly linked to the early October opening of the waterfowl hunting season. Sand-hill Cranes are very intolerant of disturbances near their roosts and only a portion of the White River Marsh closed to hunting retained birds into October. Waterfowl hunting is also the major factor governing the departure of Sandhill Cranes from southern Michigan (Walkinshaw and Hoffman 1974).

#### DISCUSSION:

The current resident population of Sandhill Cranes in southeastern Wisconsin is three times larger than previously estimated by Gluesing (1974) and Howard and Nauman (1975). The greatest error in previous estimates occurred in the densely populated counties (Marquette, Green Lake, and Columbia).

We may have missed some cranes in this survey, but cross-checking with different census methods in each county greatly reduced the chances for error. We resurveyed two counties censused in 1976. There was only a 4.1 percent difference between the estimates of the total population of breeding pairs in the two years. Individual county figures fluctuate because of the wandering tendencies of non-breeding cranes. Their numbers in a given county are very unstable after July 1.

In addition to resident cranes, migrating cranes concentrate in large numbers at staging areas in southeastern Wisconsin. If all resident cranes and their young move to one of the staging areas in the fall, they can account for only 28 percent of the birds present in late September. Observations of tagged cranes during these studies indicate that cranes from northeastern Wisconsin and possibly northern Michigan fly south to stage in Marquette and Green Lake Counties.

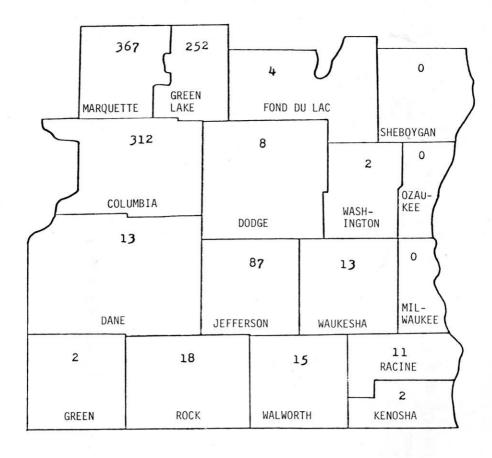


Figure 1

Population and distribution of sandhill cranes in southeastern Wisconsin, summer 1977.

Table 1-1

Location of Sandhill Cranes in southeastern
Wisconsin, summer 1977.

Wetland Location	Breeding Pairs	Young	Non- Breeders	Years Occupancy
COLUMBIA COUNTY Townships				
Lod1 (T10N - R8E) Sec. 2,3	1			
Hampden (T10N - R11E) Sec. 2 Sec. 27, 28, 33 Sec. 23	1 1 1			
Columbus (T10N - R12E) Sec. 2 Sec. 18	1 1			
Caledonia (T11+12N - R8E) Sec. 5 Sec. 8,9,10 Sec. 19,30	1 2 1		12	
Dekorra (T11N - R8+9E Sec. 1,2 Sec. 13,18 Sec. 25,26,30 Sec. 29,32	2 1 3 2		8	
Sec. 16 (T11N - R10E)	1			5+
Sec. 1 Sec. 14,15 Sec. 27,28 Sec. 33	1 2 1 1	1		
Sec. 3,10 Sec. 5 Sec. 18	1 1 1			
Pacific (T12N - R9E) Sec. 33 Sec. 2,3,10,11 Sec. 13, 14, 23, 24	1 2 2		8 20	18 11
yocena (T12N - R10E) Sec. 5,6	1		10	10+
Sec. 7,8 Sec. 10,11,12 Sec. 19,20 Sec. 24 Sec. 35	2 3 1 1		10	21
pringvale (T12N - R11E) Sec. 2 Sec. 27,28	1 1			5+
Sec. 26,27	. 1			
ewport (T13N - R6+7E) Sec. 4,9	2			
ewiston (T13N - R7+8E) Sec. 3 Sec. 2,3,4 Sec. 5,8 Sec. 13 Sec. 21	1 2 1		11	10+ 10+ 10+
Sec. 26,34,35 t. Winnebago (T13N - R9E) Sec. 3 Sec. 5				7+
Sec. 9 Sec. 2,10-14 Sec. 22-24 Sec. 27,28	1 5 2 2		80	14 20 5+ 11

Table 1-2

Wetland Location	Breeding Pairs	Young	Non- Breeders	Years Occupancy
Marcellon (T13N - R10E) Sec. 19-21 Sec. 32	2			
Scott (T13N - R11E) Sec. 3 Sec. 7 Sec. 20-22	1 1 4			8+
DANE COUNTY Townships				
Albron (T5N - R12E) Sec. 33	1			
Dunn (T6N - R10E) Sec. 10,15	1			
Deerfield (T7N - R12E) Sec. 2,11,12	2		1	
Medina (T8N - R12E) Sec. 6	1			
Montrose (T5N - R8E) Sec. 36	1			
OODGE COUNTY Townships				
Portland (T9N - R13E) Sec. 29,33	2			4+
Sec. 8 (T12N - R16E)	1			
Sec. 2 OND DU LAC COUNTY	1			
ownship				
osendale (T16N - R15E) Sec. 15,22 REEN COUNTY	1			
ownship pring Grove (TIN - R9E)	(4)			
Sec. 18 REEN LAKE COUNTY	1			
ownship ingston (T14N - R11+12E)				
Sec. 8-10 Sec. 15,22	3 1	2		15+ 6
arquette (T14+15N - R11+12E) Sec. 2,3 Sec. 18 Sec. 17,19,20 Sec. 13,14 Sec. 19,30 Sec. 19,30	1 2	1		9
Sec. 17,19,20	2		6	21 30+
Sec. 13,14 Sec. 19,30 Sec. 23,24,26	1 2 2	1 3 2	40 50	16 35 30
rinceton (T15+16N - R11E) Sec. 15 Sec. 33,34	1			8 6+
Sec. 17,8 Sec. 10,11 Sec. 17	1 1	1		6 3
Sec. 11-14,18 Sec. 19-21 Sec. 23	6 2 1	5	35 33	53 47 11
t. Marie (T16+17N - R11+12E) Sec. 3	1			1
Sec. 1,2,35,36 Sec. 5,6 Sec. 13,14 Sec. 35	3 1 2 1	3 2 1	10	30+ 12 16 4
Sec. 19,28,32	ž		4	4+

Table 1-3

wetland Location	Breeding Pairs	Young	Non- Breeders	Years Occupancy
JEFFERSON COUNTY Townships				
Cold Springs (T5N - R15E) Sec. 4, 11, 12	1	* 1		5+
Concord (T7N - R16E)				
Sec. 2 Sec. 19	1			4+
Sec. 25	1			14
Sec. 34 Sec. 14, 22, 23, 27	1 2	1	3	28
armington (T7N - R15E)	548			
Sec. 32 Sec. 35,36	1			6 7
lebron (T6N - R15E)				
Sec. 25	1			12
Sec. 27, 28 Sec. 20, 21, 29	2			
efferson (T6N - R15E)				•
Sec. 13 Sec. 7-9, 16-18	1 3	2	9	5+ 39
	·	•		
ake Mills (T7N - R13E) Sec. 26, 27, 35	2			14+
ullivan (T6N - R16E)	1			4+
Sec. 4, 9 Sec. 15, 16, 21, 22	4	4	15	20+
umner (T5N - R13E)				
Sec. 10	2 2	Z		40+
Sec. 7, 12, 13 Sec. 18, 19, 24	1	-		
aterloo (T8N - R13E)				
Sec. 34, 35	1			5+
ENOSHA COUNTY ownships				
righton (T2N - R20E) Sec. 9, 10	1			
ARQUETTE COUNTY				
ouglas (T14N - R8E)				
Sec. 4, 5	2	2 2	10	23 20
ouglas (T14N - R8E) Sec. 4, 5 Sec. 17, 18 Sec. 16, 21 Sec. 28	2 2 1	1	10	10
Sec. 28	1 3	2		3 30
Sec. 33, 34	2	1		21
Sec. 22, 23	1			40.
Sec. 22, 23 Sec. 26, 27	1 1	1	20	40+
Sec. 26, 27 Sec. 33 Sec. 34	1			4 15
Sec. 34 Sec. 36	i	1		8
uffalo (T14N - R9&10E)	•	2		•
Sec. 1 Sec. 19, 21	1 1			6 5
Sec. 19, 21 Sec. 14, 15 Sec. 11	2	1 2		40+
Sec. 24	1	1		5+
Sec. 33, 34 Sec. 25, 31, 36	1 3	3	90	10 22
xford (T15N - R8E) Sec. 26, 35				
	?	1	7	20+
Sec. 10, 11	1			10+
Sec. 22	1 -	3		
Sec. 24, 25 Sec. 28, 29	1	3		28 5
ackwaukee (T14&15N - R9E)				

Table 1-4

Wetland Location	Breeding Pairs	Young	Non- Breeders	Years Occupancy
Sec. 1 Sec. 21, 22 Sec. 25, 26, 35, 36 Sec. 4, 5, 32, 33	1 1 3 1	1 2 2 1	21	7 6 10+ 27
Mecan (T15&16N - R11E) Sec. 10 Sec. 5, 32 Sec. 18 Sec. 19 Sec. 29 Sec. 30 Sec. 30	1 2 1 1 1 1	2 1 1		10 25+ 4 1 5+ 8
Harris (T16N - R9E) Sec. 10 Sec. 1, 2, 11, 12	1 4	2		4 15
Sec. 8 Sec. 10, 11, 14, 15 Sec. 25, 26 Sec. 34	1 7 1 1	8 1	20	5 50+ 17 7
Newton (T17N - R9E) Sec. 10, 11 Sec. 14, 15 Sec. 21 Sec. 22, 23, 26 Sec. 28 Sec. 28 Sec. 36	1 2 1 2 1	1 2	9	10 10+ 3 15+ 4
rystal Lake (TI7N - RIOE) Sec. 1b Sec. 17 Sec. 20, 21 Sec. 13, 14, 23, 24 Sec. 25, 26 Sec. 31, 32 Sec. 34-36	1 1 2 1 1 3	1 1 3	16	1 3 10 16 8 8+ 10+
eshkoro (T17N-R11E)  Sec. 15  Sec. 16  Sec. 17  Sec. 19  Sec. 21  Sec. 28-33	1 1 1 1 1 2	1 2 2		20+ 9 5 4 15+
ASHINGTON COUNTY Dwnships				
ackson (T10N - R20E) Sec. 3, 16 ACINE COUNTY	1			5+
ownships urlington (T3N - R19E)				
Sec. 18, 19 aterford (T4N - R19E) Sec. 4 Sec. 9 Sec. 16	1 1 1 1			
DCK COUNTY Dwnships	•			
11ton (T4N - R13E) Sec. 24, 25	2		7	15+
ma (T4N - R14E) Sec. 15, 21, 22 ELWORTH COUNTY	Ž		3	10 .
wnships st Troy (T4N - R18E)				
Sec. 12, 13	2		1	
<u>Sec. 24</u> (T2N - R17E)	- 1			

Table 1-5

Wetland Location	Breeding Pairs	Young	Non- Breeders	Years Occupancy
LaGrange (T4N - R16E) Sec. 31	1			
Lyons (T2N - R18E) Sec. 16, 17	1			
<u>Troy</u> (T4N - R17E) Sec. 2	1			
Whitewater (T4N - R15E) Sec. 30	1		1	
WAUKESHA COUNTY Townships				
Eagle (T5N - R17E) Sec. 17	2			
Mukwonogo (T5N - R18E) Sec. 12, 13	1		1	
Oconomowoc (T8N - R17E) Sec. 9, 10	1			
Ottawa (T6N - R17E) Sec. 31	1			
Summit (T7N - R17E) Sec. 21	1			

 $\label{eq:TABLE 2} \mbox{Sandhill Crane Staging Areas and Census Figures, $1977$}$ 

		August	;		Septemb	er		October	
Roost Location	10	20	30	10	20	30	10	20	30
Marquette County Colmstock Marsh T16N-R10E, Sec. 10,11,15	97	158	291	344	400	296	0	0	0
Widow-Green Creek T14N-R8E, Sec. 17,18	59	116	248	366	450	390	0	0	0
Endeavor Marsh T14N-R9E, Sec. 15	0	0	41	50	180	200	0	0	0
Green Lake County White River Marsh T17N-R11,12,13E, Sec. 8, 13,21	200	361	400	700	1,030	981	200	46	0
Lake Puckaway T15N-R12E, Sec. 17,19,20	0	100	91	140	156	126	0	0	0
Grand River T14N-R11,12E, Sec. 8	0	0	0	76	96	90	0	0	0
Columbia County French Creek T13N-R9E, Sec. 11	0	59	71	70	88	0	0	0	0
Totals	356	794	1,142	1,746	2,400	2,079	200	46	0

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#### The 1977 Wisconsin Christmas Bird Count

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The 1977 Christmas Bird Counts in Wisconsin were highlighted by an unprecedented invasion of winter finches. Pine Grosbeaks, White-winged Crossbills, and Pine Siskins all greatly exceeded previous records for numbers seen and the percentage of counts on which they were seen. The rest of the winter finches, Common Redpolls, Hoary Redpolls, Red Crossbills, Purple Finches, and Evening Grosbeaks also were above normal in numbers. Only the resident American Goldfinch was present in about normal numbers. The rest of the Christmas Counts would have to be considered quite average, with 125 species being found statewide (Tables 1 and 2); but there were other highlights. Six Barrow's Goldeneyes at Newburg and a Little Gull at Milwaukee are the first sightings for these species on a Wisconsin Christmas Count. The Loggerhead Shrike at Holcombe is only the second well-documented record for that species, and Gyrfalcons at Solon Springs, Oshkosh, and Newburg represent only the third year this species has been sighted.

Although weather during the count period was generally mild, the weeks before the count period were cold and almost all lakes, marshes, and rivers were solidly frozen, keeping numbers of most water-associated birds well below normal. Numbers of Black Ducks continued their steady decline and were recorded at the lowest number in several years. It was a good, but not an exceptional year for most hawks and owls, with Great Horned Owls and Long-eared Owls being abnormally common. Numbers of the Tufted Titmouse continued to decline, with this species being found on the lowest percentage of counts since 1952. Red-breasted Nuthatches occurred in record numbers, with a phenominal total of 261 seen at Brule. Northern Shrikes were again unusually numerous, but not as abundant as in last year's record year. Totals for Yellow-rumped Warblers exceeded past records, with 8 being sighted at Sauk City. Blackbirds were also much in evidence on several counts, with all species except the Brown-headed Cowbird occurring in abnormally high numbers. Seen within three days of the count but not on the day of the count were a Common Loon at Ephraim and a Harlequin Duck at Racine.

The 125 species reported statewide compares favorably with recent years. There were 72 counts (Figure 1), the same number as last year, with a few of last year's counts not being repeated and a few new counts being added. The Milwaukee North count reported the most species (71) with Madison (68), Appleton (65), Newburg (64), and Milwaukee South (62) all reporting more than 60 species. Fifty or more species were seen on eight additional counts (Table 1).

Details of the counts are summarized in Tables 3 and 4. Weather on many of the counts was certainly less than ideal, with rain and wind being especially bad. A few counts were even cancelled because of the adverse weather. Next year the count period will be from Saturday, December 16 to Monday, January 1. Perhaps in 1978 we will be more fortunate weatherwise and have sunny, calm days instead of wind, rain, and snow.

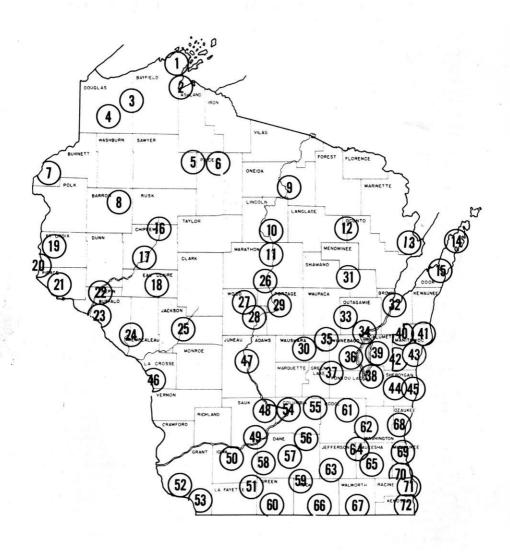


FIGURE 1. Locations of the 1977 Wisconsin Christmas Bird Counts.

Table 1. - Species seen on 13 or more counts.

Species   1   2   3   4   5   6   7   8   9   10   11   12   13   14   14   14   14   15   15   15   15					North	west				_		No	rthea	st		
Species		ayfield	shland	rule	olon Springs	жьо	lfield	rantsburg	edar Lake	hinelander	erri];	ausau	akewood	eshtigo	phraim	Sturgeon Bay
Canada Goose		ı	2	3			6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	1
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Common Marganser 4						• •				• •						8
Red-tailed Hawk Rough-legged Hawk	Common Goldeneye	26	#		6					• •	3	18		5	87	2
Rough-legged Hawk		4	• •	2	• •	* *		1		• •	1	1			13	
Bald Bagle		••				• •	• •			• •		• •		• •		
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Herring Gull		••	•••						••					• •		• •
Rock Dove         .89         .1         .6         65         148         16         *         .23         12         2           Common Screech Owl			5						••	• •	• •			1133	985	•
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Great Horned Owl																
Barred Owl		1		2	1	1				-				•	• •	
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Downy Woodpecker   1			• •							• •				1		
Horned Lark	Hairy Woodpecker											7	2	4	51	2
Blue Jay		1.	8	2	5	10	17	11	32	31	2	10	10	4	49	3
Northern Raven											• •					
American Crow 7 13 39 72 15 11 147 87 19 60 73 10 165 32 4 Black-cap. Chickadee 33 49 166 10 125 254 77 163 325 53 168 36 45 361 White-br. Nuthatch 2 11 6 6 4 28 32 40 63 10 27 2 10 60 Red-br. Nuthatch 16 6 201 16 18 27 9 109 35 1 23 12 1 42 Brown Creeper 4 1 3 2 * 1 1 3 2 2 *												84		90		11
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Red-br. Nuthatch         16         6         261         16         18         27         9         109         35         1         23         12         1         42           Brown Creeper         4         1         3         2          *         1         1         3          * <td< td=""><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>7</td></td<>																7
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Northern Shrike							2000			• •	••	• •	• •		•:	
Starling       7       178										•••	• •	• ;				• •
House Sparrow																
Red-winged Blackbird																
Rusty Blackbird			93													
Common Grackle 2																
Northern Cardinal																
Evening Grosbeak   10   125   360   89   179   657   719   230   451   170   163   33   90   591   1   Purple Finch								4	5						63	
Purple Finch		10	125	360	89	179	657			451						18
Pine Grosbeak       8       30       22       58       26       30       52       77       59       37       129       4       .        .       .       .       .       .       .       .       .       .       .       .       .       .       .       .        .	Purple Finch				4			15					0.0			
Common Redpoll . 32 6 222 72 120 695 376 27 50 54 37		8	30	22	58	26	36	52		59	37	129				- 1
Pine Siskin       0       12       6c       16       12       85       6c       24       143       24       34       8       35       8         American Goldfinch         2       2        .44       13       19        99        22       2         Red Crossbill       2       16       8       10        10       2       12        9        *        *		• •						695		27	50					
American Goldfinch        2       2        .44       13       19       .99        22       2         Red Crossbill       2       16       8       10        10       2       12        9   <		0	12			12	85	60			24		8	35	8	
White-w. Crossbill       21       6       24       12       18       23        2       592       23							• •			2223				22		
Northern Junco				10000				10		12	••		••		*	
Tree Sparrow			6	24		18									••	
White-thr. Sparrow			*	••	1						6		4			
Song Sparrow		•									••	2.5				
Lapland Longspur 2 3		• •	••		••	••	1	••	••	2	••	1	••	1	*	
Snow Bunting 4 6 18 10 150 104 384 80 101 4 21 68 2		••	••		• :	••	••	•:	••	••		•••	••		••	•
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		Holcon'se	Chippewa	Aurusta		L O	Ellsworth	pu	LO	Arcadia	× 0	~	c	Wisconsin	Stevens	Wautoma
		010	- 27	25.0	Nex	Hudson	118	Durand	Ne l son	Ca	Black	Dancy	Arpin	Sc	. e	ut
	Species Canada Goose	<u>lo</u>	17	18	19	20	-21	22	3	-24 11		26	27	28	29	30
	Mallard		171			2012	6/12		80	21		::	5	34	350	223
	American Black Duck		10			18									8	
	Common Goldeneye	••	123	• •	5	14	5	••	1	• •	• •	• •		15	76	
	Common Merganser Red-tailed Hawk	::	i	4	·i	15	20	?	2	28	4	• •	3	·i	3	3
	hough-legged Hawk	• • •		6	1	2				4		2	5	1	4	1
	Bald Eagle		3			2	4	1	18		1	2			2	
	Northern Harrier	••	••	• •	.:	• ;	2	• ;		• •	•	5	2			2
	American Kestrel Ruffed Grouse		i	5	7	1	1	8		6	• •	·i	3	3	2	9
	Ring-necked Pheasant				3	12	ī		::	î	i	1	2			
	Gray Partridge		••													
	Herring Gull		***		205	,;;		• •	• •	•••	• •		::		• • •	
	Mourning Love		166	132	195	166	28	24 35	25	306	89 31	3	30 17	34	41	16
	Common Screech Owl					1					••			54	5	45
	Great Horned Owl		1	1	1	1			2	3		• •	2	2	1	2
(8)	Barred Owl	••	1	*	• •	1	• •	••	1	2	• •	• •	2			••
	Long-eared Owl Belted Kingfisher	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	·i	••	::	1 2	·i	2	••	1	••	• •	1	••		• • •
	Common Flicker			••	i	3		3			• • •	• • •		::	3	2
	Pileated Woodpecker	1	2			1		2	2	1	4			1	2	3
	Red-bel. Woodpecker	1	4	3	5	14	12	6	11	14	5	• •	1	1	2	12
	Red-head. Woodpecker Hairy Woodpecker	12		16	3	21	12	12	10	1 11	15	••	3	*	3	29
	Lowny Woodpecker	11	7	15	7	39	31	6	17	13	25	·i	4	8	14 25	48 62
	Horned Lark	• •	••	115		24		3				1	13		42	14
	Blue Jay	90	240	385	242	149	52	181	78	74	178	74	11	122	320	392
	Northern Raven American Crow	11 126	904	407	137	227	175	94	100	149	61	80	30	68	1212	267
	Black-cap. Chickade		107	34	55	128	83	24	60	23	89	55	15	70	178	367 198
	White-br. Nuthatch	10	25	8	14	41	34	16	20	10	45		8	16	39	78
	Red-br. Nuthatch	12	6	1	8	10	• •	1	••	••	• •	1	• •	2	9	5
	Brown Creeper American Robin	••	1	••	1	2	1	·i	••	••	••	• •	• •	• •	1	••
	Golden-cr. Kinglet	• •	• • •	::	2	9	• • •	3				::	::	::		::
	Cedar Waxwing			20		189		74	1							
	Northern Shrike		1	2	3	2	1	•••	. 2	6	1	1	3	1	4	1
	Starling House Sparrow	19 162	131 388	130	145 511	78 578	62	223 675	48 1094	284 1127	51 298	124	60	65 151	212 498	331 357
	Red-winged Blackbird		,	1,04		,,,		•••	1074	5	2,70	177	•••	151	490	1
	Rusty Blackbird								1					4		
	Common Grackle	1	**	1	•:	2	::	.1	**	. 1	7	• •	2	• • •	••	
	Northern Cardinal Evening Grosbeak	433	18 176	10 167	13	48	45	11	37 119	75	29 416	97	50	201	17 507	53
	Purple Finch	•	4	6		131	::	3	6	•••	75		5	201	507	473 134
	Pine Grosbeak	31	20	28		37	1	8	29		3	8	11	22	137	57
	Common Redpoll	187	131	585	150	559	92	12	145	1	1	160	30	259	1292	131
	Pine Siskin American Goldfinch	40	12 74	196	58	156	10	98	57	66	64 98	29	21 55	90	92	78
	Red Crossbill	••	6	••	6	12		3	4	2	,,		5	74	94	199
	White-w. Crossbill	3	1			3				1		10		8	23	
	Northern Junco	8	183	129	97	252	136	280	22	308	331	45	6	127	364	967
	Tree Sparrow White-thr. Sparrow	22	27	47	104	94	96	203	49	149	4	41	17	1	68	49
	Song Sparrow				::	• • •		i	• • •	•••	• • •	••		• • •		::
	Lapland Longspur			7	3	17		1							2	
	Snow Bunting		150	83	-97	3	25		1			15	100		354	60
	TOTAL SPECIES	27	38	33	38	53	30	38	30	38	29	25	41	31	42	38

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	Shawanc		Shiocton	Appleton	Frenont	Oshkosh		qη	kbi	la i	Woodland Northeast	Woodland Southwest	Woodland Southeast	Plymouth	Sheboygan
	a	Green	hio	ppl	ren	shk	Rush	Fond	00	ood	ood	ood	ood	Lym	e p
Caralas	31	32	33	34	35	36	₹ 37	38	39	N N			SS		S
Species Canada Goose	21.	372	- 22	24				4	27	40	41_	42	43	44	45
Mallard		1928	38	2182	27	195		270	2		9	131	24	46	2
American Black Duck	• •	337	••	319	1	24	••	12	• •	• •	1		47	4	••
Common Goldeneye	1	56 201	••	174 26	••	10	• •	• •	• •	• •	3	• •	113	2	109
Common Merganser Red-tailed Hawk	î	201		18	16	5	·i	6	4	22	5	2	25	12	4
Rough-legged Hawk	4	2	4	4	23	4		*		9	3	1	2		4
Bald Eagle	2	• •	• •	• •	••	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •			• •		
Northern Harrier American Kestrel	1	12	5	. 14	2	12	2		7	8	2	·i	1		1
Ruffed Grouse	W		6	7		12			*	10	ıı	15	1	3	10
Ring-necked Pheasant	1	115		261		42		19	8	10	21	2	26	7	20
Gray Partridge	*	47	••	13		8	••	9	1	75	11	22	28	54	13
Herring Gull	52	442	94	112 282	34	57 632	36	13 275	12 311	33	103	156	24	226	213 360
Rock Dove Mourning Dove	26	205	38	488	8	75	14	59	8		199	6	272 105	336	175
Common Screech Owl				1		*		••	2			1		••	
Great Horned Owl	••	1	2	1	••	1	٠	1	2	1	2	4	4	7	
Barred Owl	• •	• •	*	*	*	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	••	• •	1	1	• •		• •	4	• •
Long-eared Owl Belted Kingfisher	::	• • •	::			1	::	1	••	::	::	3	3	·i	::
Common Flicker	i	2	• • •		• • •		::	3	2	i	*		*	4	4
Pileated Woodpecker	5		3		1	• •							1		
Red-bel. Woodpecker	7	3	3	5	3	7	••	2	16	•:	2	2	2	4	3
Red-head. Woodpecker Hairy Woodpecker	24	10	21	15	2 15	1 2	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	13	3 17	12	2 17	9	10	7 29	7
Downy Woodpecker	33	25	35	34	33	21	3	17	28	27	36	25	28	44	14
Horned Lark			8	2	23	4		12	6		15	2	31	14	74
Blue Jay	279	76	110	73	78	27	. 2	32	55	75	146	73	91	114	34
Northern Raven American Crow	283	76	90	1713	149	80	16	109	44	73	78	35	225	134	331
Black-c. Chickadee	175	58	93	120	71	50	2	73	93	126	146	149	107	106	67
White-br. Nuthatch	54	10	57	46	20	30	2	24	25	23	33	32	25	61	8
Red-br. Nuthatch	14	7	3	13	• •	4	• •	6	3	13	26	9	6	6	23
Brown Creeper American Robin	4	1	2	10	·i	4	• •	3	8	2	3	3	6	6	13
Golden-cr. Kinglet			••	3		••	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	*		ī	• •	8	3		
Cedar Waxwing				2	1			*					*	21	
Northern Shrike	.::	**	2	3	1	2	::		*	9	3	2	1	7	1
Starling House Sparrow	151 258	1331	454 798	775 883	110 583	1835	54 75	1081	258 1024	172 238	137	197 374	300 770	947 1160	429 2338
Red-winged Blackbirg		26		2	3	7		8	1024	2,0	1		110	1	2))0
Rusty Blackbird															
Common Grackle	1	3	4	22	3		• •	*	8	::	1	*	1	2	2
Northern Cardinal	12 985	26 41	22 61	71	13 175	13	2	11	24	20	85	14	47	26	9
Evening Grosbeak Purple Finch	29	10	4	38	20	2	::	23	01	13	345	34	42	59 20	16
Pine Grosbeak	10	*	55	47	132	8		1	23	47	27	37	27	30	2
Common Redpoll	20	26	101	17	36	• •	40	5		62	55			4	120
Pine Siskin American Goldfinch	195 178	42	96 35	384 98	63	3	27	8	••	172	261	28	298	88	87
Red Crossbill	1/8	42	35	98	1	••	::	39	::	41	36	49	115	41	66
White-w. Crossbill		*	25	10	10	8		5		160	484	14	18	7	i
Northern Junco	211	133	95	383	179	80	15	84	93	40	192	149	225	349	185
Tree Sparrow	39	28	80	70	122	124	••	54	42	2	48	43	57	250	6
White-thr. Sparrow Song Sparrow	10 26	·i	i	2	::	*	::	1		••	::	*	1	2	1
Lapland Longspur		••	••		1		• • •	2	153	• • •	24		28	4	
Snow Bunting	70			*	34	55		36	105		384		30	8	26
TOTAL SPECIES	43	48	37	65	40	40	16	42	35	37	47	37	52	54	44

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	LaCrosse	Petenwel	Baraboo	Sauk	Clyde	31a	Beetown	Cornelia	Portage	Randolph	Sun	Madison	Mt.	00	Monroe
Species	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
Canada Goose	26									4				1	
Mallard	559	• •	25	96	••	••			••	8	2	2452		28	6
American Black Duck		::	••	::	••	••	•:	• •	••	••	••	51		2	
Common Goldeneye	2	12	••	37	• •	• •	8	• •	• •		••	76		1	
Common Merganser	29 30	••	36	37	3	7	37	18	• •	•;	ï	23	::		::
Red-tailed Hawk Rough-legged Hawk	5	·i	7	23	1	6	16	12	·i	4		16	24	3	16
Bald Eagle	2	10	í	16			100	*		::	::			-	7
Northern Harrier												4		.:	
American Kestrel	3	1	1	3		3	2		1	1	1	5	i	2	2
Ruffed Grouse	4		15	7	43		11						3		
Ring-necked Pheasar	nt 1			4	*	9		7		4	4	57	16	5	20
Gray Partridge			• •				••	••				7			
Herring Gull	5	::	• • • •		::	::	.::		• • •		••	69	••	••	
Rock Dove	230	13	226	504	14	79	211	585	71	166	92	1241	32	155	97
Mourning Dove	9	37	21	112	• •	1	2	22	6	21	3	176	2	44	21
Common Screech Owl	2	• •	.6	3	·i	9	·:	3	••	3	••	5		•;	
Great Horned Owl Barred Owl		• •			2		2	*	••		••	8		1	
Long-eared Owl	• • •	• •		• • •	3			2			• • •		••		
Belted Kingfisher		::	::	1		i		î	::	::	::	4	·i	3	.;
Common Flicker	3		1	3	••	3		*				4	ī		
Pileated Woodpecker			2	6				1			١		6		
Red-bel. Woodpecker			13	30	. 7	5	22	9	2	1		11	17	2	:
Red-head. Woodpecke		2	4	8	*		7	3	••	4		1	7	1	1
Hairy Woodpecker	19	• •	11	33	5	2	4	1	• •	1	• •	40	25	3	,
Downy Woodpecker	45	1	19	66	8	11	12	7	6	4	1	99	36	11	10
Horned Lark	162	63	117	71 212	32	24 25	13	51	16	4	20	200	42	43	10
Blue Jay Northern Raven	163	••	117	210	20				16	43	1	205	106	15	13
American Crow	105	42	659	563	16	32	103	29	12	49	4	565	81	29	48
Black-c. Chickadee	96	5	90	171	58	50	87	12	31	19	1	260	149	13	1/
White-br. Nuthatch	38	5	45	52	19	21	26	12	4	9		90	39	5	
Red-br. Nuthatch	4			4	1		22	4				22	1	2	
Brown Creeper	4		1	4		1	1					40		*	
American Robin			3	1	••	••		• •	••			63			
Golden-cr. Kinglet	••	••	• ;	::	• :	••	• ;	• •	••	••	••	2			
Cedar Waxwing	i	• •	1	11	1		1	·i	••	••	.:	35	28	#	
Northern Shrike Starling	767	17	214	644		138	713	359	137	597	260	3578	75	294	20
House Sparrow	1084	4	241	1895	64	470	1124	1219	125	361	951	2373	1083	661	21
Red-w. Blackbird	4803						1	50		5		210	100)	1	
Rusty Blackbird	50							70				12		2	
Common Grackle	55		8	1								145	24	13	
Northern Cardinal	76		15	106	37	26	53	42	21	2	2	158	55	16	1
Evening Grosbeak	27	lo	224	63	3	1	2		51	3		2	80	12	
Purple Finch	18	::	8	205	3	15	14	27	12	::	• •	70	48	8	1
Pine Grosbeak	10	35	22	12	.:	11	•••	•••	••	12	••	63		•••	
Common Redpoll	34	••	34	149	1	1	••	••	••	• •	• •	222	24	32	:
Pine Siskin American Goldfinch	103	56	95	300	41	22		7	86	30	••	121	36 96	14	1:
Red Crossbill	105	50	77	,00	41		::			50		121	70	100	•
White-w. Crossbill			4	3	• • •					::		30	::	::	:
Northern Junco	176	4	135	1668	210	94	302	86	450	12	15	1006	379	155	2
Tree Sparrow	243		134	972	4	54	97	252	186	64		815	200	227	6
White-thr. Sparrow												5	×		
Song Sparrow				5		2	2	2				12	2	1	
Lapland Longspur		••	::	•••	• •			*						#	
Snow Bunting	48	18	30 39	49	28	31	38	35	18	28	16	68	2	78 39	20

			_				South	east							
	pecies	P Horicon	W Hartford	SFt. Atkinson	Oconomomoc	9 Waukesha	Beloit	2 Lake Geneva	& Newburg	Milwaukee	Milwaukee South	Racine	Kenosha	TOTAL COUNTS	TOTAL INDIVIDUALS
	anada Goose	51		0,5		8	55	4	2	23	70	71	72	17	735
	allard	14		48	166	299	703	155	6	1052		1026	187	52	14579
	merican Black Duck	2			5	7	6	18		103	7	- 40	- 4	32	1107
	ommon Goldeneye	• •	4	• •	1	1	45	450	101	271	347	155	905	41	3311
	mmon Merganser		• •	::	23	4	6	300	6	22	4	15	7	24	737
	ed-tailed Hawk ough-legged Hawk	13	6	14	35	13	14,	4	22	8	16	11	14	54	593
	ald Eagle				4					1	3	2	7	52	246
	orthern Harrier	3		2	::		·i	••		• ::	·i	2	4	19	175 40
	merican Kestrel	3	5	ĩ	7	12	13	2	9	9	13	11	8	51	231
	ffed Grouse								- 2					43	310
	ing-necked Pheasant	14	3	10	14	9	15		7	17	20	71	- 16	40	876
	ay Partridge	3	51		• •				11	25				16	378
	erring Gull	1		• •	92	471	8	12	1195	3522	241	456	146	27	10012
	ock Dove	252	253	••	4	817	746	66	672	899	304	657	337	62	13282
	ourning Dove	10	- 31	52	61	126	37	15	152	728	76	207	121	.61	4000
	ommon Screech Owl reat Horned Owl	2	2	::	3	9 23	••	• •	4	1	13	2	• •	13	43
	rred Owl		1	• • •			2	• •	1	1	. 0	1	3	20	144
	ong-eared Owl					1	.3				2	4	••	14	35 25
	lted Kingfisher					5		1	4	1	2	4	••	24	52
	ommon Flicker		*		1	3	1		11	4		2	3	24	66
	leated Woodpecker								1					31	77
Re	d-bel. Woodpecker		3	5	5	4	8	4	6	3	2	4	3	55	347
	ed-head. Woodpecker			1	1	1	12	3	6			9	3	43	215
	iry Woodpecker	1	9	5	21	31	5		31	ó	6	2	14	65	810
	wny Woodpecker	4	17	29	47	65	36	9	119	23	36	29	16	72	1635
	orned Lark	12	54	14		110	7:	9	6	::	7	39	19	35	777
	ue Jay orthern Raven	12	12	28	50	149	04	10	242	31	63	31	45	72	6819
	merican Crow	17	17	90	181	295	10930	152	265	672	20000	443	200	15 72	370
	ack-c. Chickadee	37	43	72	116	241	90	65	603	239	94	73	81	72	43965 7395
	ite-br. Nuthatch	4	19	20	36	100	18	34	100	22	24	ii	19	70	1899
Re	d-br. Nuthatch	1	3	2	9	. 10	4	1	2	16	21	8	- 1	58	914
Br	own Creeper		3	3		1	5	1	8	3	10	2	1	42	168
	merican Robin	• •	-	2	1	11	1		11	33	35	42	2	28	258
	olden-cr. Kinglet	• •	• •	• •	• •	2	1	• •	1	9	8	••		16	- 60
	dar Waxwing	• •	• •	• •	2	3	••	3	20	• •	14	58	11	21	500
	orthern Shrike	2	2 358	1	1588	2		1	2	3	2		••	48	99
	arling ouse Sparrow	506 638	621	180 479	1148	1133 1191	13333 3364	566 309		72829	1634	848	250	69	114929
	d-winged Blackbird		021	4/9	51	10	1	112	1897	1304	429 14	509	716	70	47548
	sty Blackbird	4			2	*	î	::	'n	•••	14	53	304	13	5566 154
	mmon Grackle	11		2	10	8	36		5	2	2	37	::	39	451
	orthern Cardinal	2	21	36	46	63	55	22	70	53	29	35	22	62	1903
Ev	ening Grosbeak		14	16	3	136	11	6	61	36	7	*	4	63	9210
Pu	rple Finch		7	2	36	66	1	6	18	35	30	21	27	47	1261
	ne Grosbeak	41	14	45	15	24	24	8	30	34	95			55	1946
	mmon Redpoll	• •	• • •	203	::	2	76	18	20	3	31	0	1	51	8484
	ne Siskin	• :	29	20	61	140	40	32	23	153	56	59	35	60	4119
	merican Goldfinch	6	106	91	66	184	30	28	195	22	79	151	95	59	-3940
	d Crossbill	8	i	••	• • •	• • •	• •	••	10	2	1	• •	••	22	141
	rthern Junco	19	123	246	272	61.2	743	212	12	133	34		.::	36	1766
	ree Sparrow	577	57	195	440	642 788	750	212	840 207	95	1053	881	463	68	15934
	ite-thr. Sparrow	211	) (	17)	*	1	750	1	201	25	1053	69	436	61	10050
	ng Sparrow		4	4	1	9	9	1	9	11	11		16	27	145
	pland Longspur												10	14	257
Sn	TAL SPECIES	34	33	- 73 37	47	56	52	54		71	- 5	66	134	42	3005

#### TABLE 2. - Species seen on less than 13 counts.

Number Number of Counts of Birds

Species	Coun	its of bird	Count and number seen
Pied-billed Grebe	2	3	Ephraim 2, Waukesha 1
Great Blue Heron	3	3	Brule 1, Woodland Dunes SW 1, Monroe 1
Mute Swan	4	14	Bayfield 9, Lake Geneva 1, Milwaukee N. 2, Mil-
			waukee S. 2
Whistling Swan	6	6	Cedar Lake 1, Green Bay 1, (Shiocton), Appleton 1, Baraboo 1, Sauk City 1, Lake Geneva 1
Snow Goose	1	4	Green Bay 4, (Milwaukee N.)
Gadwall	7	285	Cedar Lake 3, Madison 221, Waukesha 22,
			Beloit 3, Lake Geneva 4, Milwaukee N. 29,
	-	-	Milwaukee S. 3
Common Pintail	5	7	Sturgeon Bay 1, Green Bay 1, Appleton 3, Madi-
Corres on Tool	1	1	son 1, Lake Geneva 1 Cedar Lake 1
Green-w. Teal	2	2	Waukesha 1, Lake Geneva 1
Northern Shoveler	ī	17	Madison 17
Wood Duck	9	14	Wausau 1, Green Bay 2, Appleton 3, La Crosse
Wood Duck	,		1, Madison 1, Oconomowoc 1, Beloit 2, Lake Geneva 1, Milwaukee N, 2
Redhead	7	11	Green Bay 1, Appleton 2, Madison 2, Oconomo-
			woc 1, Lake Geneva 2, Milwaukee N. 1, Keno-
			sha 2
Ring-necked Duck	5	12	Appleton 6, Oconomowoc 1, Newburg 2, Mil-
			waukee N. 2, Milwaukee S. 1
Canvasback	3	18	Lake Geneva 1, Milwaukee N. 1, Racine 16
Greater Scaup	6	2207	Ephraim 2, Newburg 29, Milwaukee N. 1155,
	0	20	Milwaukee S. 1000, Racine 1, Kenosha 20
Lesser Scaup	8	20	Bayfield 2, Brule 1, Green Bay 2, Appleton 2, La Crosse 1, Madison 4, Oconomowoc 4, Lake
			Geneva 4
Barrow's Goldeneye	1	6	Newburg 6
Bufflehead	11	284	Bayfield 1, Ephraim 19, Sturgeon Bay 1, Apple-
Dulliencau			ton 1, Woodland Dunes SE 6, Madison 3, New-
			burg 2, Milwaukee N. 66, Milwaukee S. 62, Ra-
			cine 102, Kenosha 21
Oldsquaw	7	860	Ephraim 35, (Woodland Dunes NE), Woodland
			Dunes SE 3, Newburg 12, Milwaukee N. 86, Mil-
The Confidential Confedence			waukee S. 495, Racine 109, Kenosha 120
White-w. Scoter	3	6	Ephraim 1, Woodland Dunes NE 3, Sheboygan
Control of the state of the		•	2, (Racine)
Ruddy Duck	1	2 8	Lake Geneva 2, (Milwaukee N.)
Hooded Merganser	4	0	Wausau 2, Appleton 2, Madison 1, Lake Geneva 3
Red-br. Merganser	6	78	(Ephraim), Green Bay 1, Lake Geneva 2, New-
Reu-bi. Mei ganser	•		burg 6, Milwaukee N. 8, Milwaukee S. 52,
			(Racine), Kenosha 9
Northern Goshawk	4	6	Brule 2, Black River Falls 2, Stevens Point 1,
			Green Bay 1
Sharp-shinned Hawk	12	15	Wausau 1, Chippewa Falls 2, (Hudson), Arca-
			dia 1, Stevens Point 1, (Green Bay), Woodland
			Dunes NW 1, Sauk City 3, Blanchardville 1, Madison 3, Ft. Atkinson 1, Waukesha 1, Beloit
			1 Milwaykee N 1
Cooper's Hawk	11	11	1, Milwaukee N. 1 (Chippewa Falls), Hudson 1, Wautoma 1, Green
Cooper's Hawk	11	11	Bay 1, Appleton 1, Woodland Dunes NW 1, La
			Crosse 1, Sauk City 1, Cooksville 1, Newburg 1,
			Milwaukee N. 1, Milwaukee S. 1
Red-shouldered Hawk	9	9	Hudson 1, Ellsworth 1, Arcadia 1, Arpin 1, Bee-
			town 1, Ft. Atkinson 1, Beloit 1, Milwaukee N.
			1, Kenosha 1

Golden Eagle	1	1	Nelson 1
Gyrfalcon	3	3	Solon Springs 1, Oshkosh 1, Newburg 1
Prairie Chicken	2	79	Dancy 54, Arpin 25
Sharp-t. Grouse	1	3	Brule 3
Common Bobwhite	4	31	Durand 15, Fremont 9, Sauk City 6, (Cornelia),
Virginia Rail	1	1	(Cooksville), Newburg 1 Milwaukee S. 1
American Coot	10	200	Ephraim 2. New Richmond 1 (Green Ray)
Tamerican Coor ( ) ( )			Appleton 4, Madison 26, Oconomowoc 38, Be-
			loit 5, Lake Geneva 120, Newburg 1, Milwaukee
			N. 2, Racine 1
Killdeer	2	2	Cornelia 1, Racine 1
Common Snipe	8	14	Woodland Dunes SE 1, Plymouth 1, Clyde 1,
			Madison 1, Cooksville 4, Ft. Atkinson 4, Waukesha 1, Lake Geneva 1
Glaucous Gull	2	3	Bayfield 1, Milwaukee N. 2
Ring-billed Gull	12	1281	(Green Bay), Appleton 4, Fond du Lac 4, Stock-
-			bridge 2, La Crosse 1, Baraboo 21, Madison 65,
			Lake Geneva 1, Newburg 83, Milwaukee N.
Damananta'a Call	2	0	1004, Milwaukee S. 55, Racine 35, Kenosha 6
Bonaparte's Gull	3	9 1	Sheboygan 1, Milwaukee N. 7, Racine 1 Milwaukee N. 1
Little Gull	4	4	Ashland 1, Green Bay 1, (Appleton), Plymouth
Showy Own	7	•	1, Newburg 1
Short-eared Owl	6	9	Augusta 2, Arcadia 1, Arpin 1, (Cornelia), Mil-
			waukee N. 1, Milwaukee S. 2, Kenosha 2
Saw-whet Owl	4	4	New Richmond 1, Appleton 1, Cornelia 1,
Val. hal. Commission	-		Milwaukee N. 1
Yelbel. Sapsucker	5	5	Black River Falls 1, Sauk City 1, Madison 1,
Blb. Woodpecker	1	2	Waukesha 1, Milwaukee N. 1, (Racine) Brule 2
Gray Jay	6	27	Brule 1, Solon Springs 4, Oxbo 8, Fifield 8,
			Cedar Lake 3, Rhinelander 3
Boreal Chickadee	3	7	Brule 1, Fifield 2, Rhinelander 4
Tufted Titmouse	12	60	Rhinelander 2, Chippewa Falls 8, (Augusta),
			Shawano 2, Baraboo 8, Sauk City 9, Clyde 2,
			Beetown 9, Cornelia 4, Madison 7, Mt. Horeb 6, Oconomowoc 1, Beloit 2
Winter Wren	2	2	Woodland Dunes NE 1, Plymouth 1
Brown Thrasher	3	4	Stevens Point 1, (Green Bay), Mt. Horeb 2,
			Racine 1
Varied Thrush	2	2	Shawano 1, Appleton 1
Hermit Thrush	1	2	(Woodland Dunes NE), Madison 2
Ruby-cr. Kinglet Bohemian Waxwing	1	69	Appleton 1 Enhant 45 Holcombo 1 Hudson 8 Woodland
Doneman waxwing	7	09	Ephraim 45, Holcombe 1, Hudson 8, Woodland Dunes NE 15, (Racine)
Loggerhead Shrike	1	1	Holcombe 1
Yellow-r. Warbler	3	10	Appleton 1, Sauk City 8, Beetown 1
Meadowlark Spp	12	15	(Ashland), Wautoma 1, Appleton 1, Fremont 1, Oshkosh 1, Plymouth 1, Cornelia 1, Randolph 2,
			Oshkosh 1, Plymouth 1, Cornelia 1, Randolph 2,
			Madison 1, (Cooksville) Monroe 1, Oconomo-
Brewer's Blackbird	3	3	woc 1, Waukesha 1, Racine 3 Arpin 1, Green Bay 1, (Woodland Dunes SW),
Diewer S Dimension 11111111111	-		Waukesha 1
Brh. Cowbird	10	153	(Shiocton), Fremont 2, Rush Lake 1, (Fond du
			Lac), Woodland Dunes NE 2, Plymouth 5, Mad-
			ison 56, Beloit 75, Lake Geneva 8, Newburg 1,
Hoary Padnoll	2	4	Milwaukee N. 2, Milwaukee S. 1, (Racine)
Hoary Redpoll	3	6	Cedar Lake 2, Holcombe 1, Milwaukee N. 1 Fifield 1, Rhinelander 3, (Ephraim), (Appleton),
ALLE OUS S. LOWING.	-	U	Woodland Dunes SE 1, Kenosha 1
Vesper Sparrow	1	1	Plymouth 1
Field Sparrow	3	7	Hudson 3, Durand 3, Appleton 1
White-cr. Sparrow	2	17	(Oshkosh), Beloit 2, Kenosha 15

Parentheses indicate species seen during count period but not on day of the count.

#### Table 3. Count, count number (Fig. 1), center of count area, and compiler.

Appleton (34); Jct. Hwys 10 & 125; Daryl Tessen, 2 Pioneer Park Place, Elgin, IL 60120

Arcadia (24); Jct. Hwy. J and town road 1½ mi. S. of Arcadia; Thomas Roskos, Rt. 1, Box 84, Arcadia, WI 54612

Arpin (27); Arpin; Don Follen Sr., Rt. 1, Box 96, Arpin, WI

Ashland (2); Jct. Hwy. 2 & 118; Dick Verch, Biology Dept., Northland College, Ashland, WI 54806

Augusta (18); 1 mi. W. of Jct. Hwys 12 & V; Sam Robbins, Box 117, Cadott, WI 54727.

Baraboo (48); International Crane Foundation; Lynn Mueller, Rt. 1, Box 90, Reedsburg, WI 53959

**Bayfield** (1); Midway between Washburn, Cornucopia, and Bayfield; Bernard Klugow, Box 13, Brule, WI 54820.

Beetown (52); Beetown; Terrance Ingram, Box 155, Apple River, IL 61001.

Beloit (66); N. end of Big Hill Park; Thomas Ellis, 1757 Townline Rd., Beloit, WI 53516.

Black River Falls (25); Black River Falls; Mrs. Francis Harmer, Rt. 1, Box 70, Black River Falls, WI 54615.

Blanchardville (51); 2½ mi. SW of Blanchardville; David Willard, 2306 Hollister Ave., Madison, WI 53705.

Brule (3); Jct. Hwys B & 27; Bernard Klugow, Box 13, Brule, WI 54820.

Cedar Lake (8); Jct. Hwys M & 48 2 mi. E. of Rice Lake; Craig Faanes, 1002 10th Street, Hudson, WI 54016.

Chippewa Falls (17); Jct. Hwys 178 & S; Charles Kemper, Box 2, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729.

Clyde (50); Hwy 130 1 mi. W. of Hwy. 123; Bill Sievert, 8430 W. Capitol Dr., Milwaukee, WI 53222.

Cooksville (59); Cooksville; John Wilde, Rt. 1, Box 480, Evansville, WI 53536.

Cornelia (53); Cornelia; Terrance Ingram, Box 155, Apple River, IL 61001.

Dancy (26); 3 mi. NW of Dancy; Don Helgerson, Senior High School, Marshfield, WI 54449.

Durand (22); Jct. Hwys 25 and DD 3 mi. N of Durand; Charles Kemper, Box 2, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729.

Ellsworth (21); Jct. Hwys C and V, 5 mi. S. of Ellsworth; Craig Faanes, 1002 10th Street, Hudson, WI 54016.

Ephraim (14); Jct. Hwy A, 3 mi. S. of Hwy 42; Charlotte Lukes, Box 152, Baileys Harbor, WI 54202.

Fifield (6); Fifield Post Office; Thomas Nichols, 2160 Draper Ave., Roseville, MN 55113.

Fond du Lac (38); Jct. Tower and Cody Rds.; Walter Gilles, 41 Algoma St., Fond du Lac, WI 54935.

Fort Atkinson (63); Fort Atkinson; Richard Wanie, 208 S. 4th St. W., Fort Atkinson, WI.

Fremont (35): 4 mi. SW of Fremont at Jct. Hwys I & HH; Daryl Tessen, 2 Pioneer Park Place, Elgin, IL 60120.

Grantsburg (7); Jct. Hwys 70 & 87 in Grantsburg; Clarence Wagman, Box 166, Grantsburg, WI 54840.

Green Bay (32); Jct. Webster and Allouex Ave.; Ida Baumann, Wildlife Sanctuary Rd., Green Bay, WI 54302.

Hartford (62); Hartford; Mrs. Norma Schmidt, 450 Seventh St., Hartford, WI 53027.

Holcombe (16); Chippewa-Rusk Co. line 1 mi. E. of Hwy. 27; Sam Robbins, Box 117, Cadott, WI 54727.

Horicon (61); Jct. Main Ditch & Main Dike; Bob Drieslein, Horicon National Refuge, Route 2, Mayville, WI 53050.

Hudson (20); S. end L. St. Croix; Manley Olson, 1974 W. Summer St., St. Paul, MN 55113 Kenosha (72); Hwy. 158 1 mi. E. of I-94; Ron Hoffman, Box 886, Kenosha, WI 53141.

La Crosse (46); La Crosse County Courthouse; Frederick Lesher, 509 Winona St., La Crosse, WI 54601

Lake Geneva (67); Williams Bay; Clarence Palmquist, 834 Windsor Rd., Glenview, IL

Lakewood (12); Jct. FR 2117 and Hwy. T; John Woodcock, 1440 F N. 7th St., Manitowoc, WI 54220

Madison (57); State Capitol; William Hilsenhoff, 33 S. Eau Claire Ave., Madison, WI 53705

Merrill (10); NE corner S-31, 3 mi. NW of Merrill; Alan Rusch, 3342 Westview Lane, Madison, WI 53713

Milwaukee North (69); Jct. Port Washington Rd. and Hampton Ave.; Mary Donald, 6918 Belmont Lane, Milwaukee, WI 53217

Milwaukee South (formerly Hales Corners) (70); Jct. Puetz Rd. and Hwy. 41 (old); John Idzikowski, 3232 AS. Illinois, Milwaukee, WI 53207

Monroe (60); Monroe Airport; Dr. J.R. Weir, Rt. 4, Box 37A1, Monroe, WI 53566

Mount Horeb (58); Jct. Hwys 18-151 & 92-78; Joyce Powers, 9738 Overland Rd., Route 2, Mt. Horeb, WI 53572

Nelson (23); 1 mi. S. Jct. Hwys I & D; Charles Kemper, Box 2, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

Newburg (68); Jct. Hwy. 33 & Lakefield Rd. 3 mi. E of Newburg; Charles Mayhew III, Riveredge Nature Center, 4438 W. Hawthorne, Newburg, WI 53060

New Richmond (19); 11/2 mi. E. of Boardman; Peter Tweet, 507 Laurel, Hudson, WI 54016

Oconomowoc (64); Hwy. 67 2 mi. N. of Oconomowoc; Edward Peartree, 36513 Lisbon Rd., Oconomowoc, WI 53066

Oshkosh (36); Jct. Hwys 21 & 41; Tom Ziebell, 350 W. 17th Ave., Oshkosh, WI 54901

Oxbo (5); Jct. Hwys 70 & EE; Maybelle Hardy, Rt. 1, Box 263, Park Falls, WI 54552 Peshtigo (13); Harmony Corners; Harold Lindberg, 311 Emery Ave., Peshtigo, WI

Petenwell (47); Hwy 21 & Wisconsin River; W.D. Brown, 225 W. Lakeside St., Madison, WI 53715

Plymouth (44); Jct. Hwys 23 & C; Harold Koopmann, 415 Caroline St., Plymouth, WI 53073

Portage (54); Silver Lake Campground; W.D. Brown, 225 W. Lakeside St., Madison, WI 53715

Racine (77); Hwy H 1/2 mi. S. of Hwy R; Ed Prins, 1238 Indiana Ave., Racine, WI 53405

Randolph (55); Hwy P midway between Randolph and Cambria; Charles Gilmore, 246 N. High, Randolph, WI 53956

Rhinelander (9); Jct. Stevens & Davenport Streets; Philip DeWalt, Rt. 3, Box 156, Rhinelander, WI 54501

Rush Lake (37); Rush L.; Betty Paterson, 1224 Wisconsin St., Oshkosh, WI 54901 Sauk City (49); 1½ mi. SE of Witwen; N.R. Barger, 4333 Hillcrest Dr., Madison, WI 53705 Shawano (31); Jct. Main & Green Bay Streets; Larry Fenton, 1032 S. Washington St., Shawano, WI 54166

Sheboygan (45); Sheboygan Falls; June Platz, 1106 Whittier Ave., Howards Grove, WI 53081

Shiocton (33); Jct. Hwys 54 & M; Daryl Tessen, 2 Pioneer Park Place, Elgin, IL 60120

Solon Springs (4); Jct. Hwys 53 & M; Bernard Klugow, Box 13, Brule, WI 54820

Stevens Point (29); Old Main on U.W. campus; Steve Krings, 2140 Dixon St., Stevens Point, WI 54481

Stockbridge (39); Kloten Swamp 3 mi. E. of Stockbridge; Richard Daun, Rt. 1, Box 102, Chilton, WI 53014

Sturgeon Bay (15); Sturgeon Bay; Adrian Freitag, 940 N. 3rd AVe., Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235

Sun Prairie (56); center of town; W.D. Brown, 225 W. Lakeside St., Madison, WI 53715

Waukesha (65); Jct. Hwys ZZ & D; John Bielefeldt, 1706 Norman Way, Madison, WI 53705

Wausau (11); Thomas St.; Emily Bierbrauer, 1611 9th St., Wausau, WI 54401

Wautoma (30); Mount Morris; Delbert Greenman, Rt. 1, Box 263, Redgranite, WI 54970

Wisconsin Rapids (28); Jct. Hwys 73 and Q; Dar Tiede, 1428 21st AVe. S., Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494

Woodland Dunes NW (40); T20N, R22E, S-21-22; James Steffen, Woodland Dunes Nature Center, P.O. Box 763, Manitowoc, WI 54220

Woodland Dunes NE (41); T20N, R23E, S-7, 8, 17, 18; James Steffen, Woodland Dunes Nature Center, P.O. Box 763, Manitowoc, WI 54220

Woodland Dunes SW (42); 1 mi. E. of Hwy. 32, ½ mi. S. of Hwy. C; James Steffen, Woodland Dunes Nature Center, P.O. Box 763, Manitowoc, WI 54220

Woodland Dunes SE (43); Jct. Hwys 41 & V; James Steffen, Woodland Dunes Nature Center, P.O. Box 763, Manitowoc, WI 54220

#### ADDITIONS TO 1976 CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT

While typing Table 1 of the 1976 bird count, numbers of the American Crow were omitted inadvertently from counts in the Northcentral Westcentral, and Central parts of the state. These numbers are as follows: Merrill 0, Antigo 51, Wausau 445, Shawano 620, Dancy 130, Augusta 180, Durand 447, Nelson 69, Black River Falls 43, Arcadia 119, LaCrosse 79, Marshfield 144, Stevens Point 528, Fremont 96, and Wautoma 154.

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## HABITAT FOR WILDLIFE

Mary and Charlie Nelson

				Cmarr		Temp. °F	77 0	Field	Parties	Total Party Hours
Name of Count	Date	a.m. p.r	Sky	Snow (in)	wind	Low High	Feeder Ubservers			
Appleton	D-17	6:00-8:00	Cloudy PC1	5	WSE 15-40	37 41 7 21	20	24	15	60
Arcadia Arpin	11-28	5:40-4:00 7:30-3:30	Yair	2	W-15	7 21 -5 2	0	3	2	17
Ashland	D-: 2	8:00-4:00	Cloudy	3	S-SW 0-15	11 23	2	2	i	8
Augusta	J-2	6:00-4:30	C1-PC1	9	N:: 5-25	3 22	1	7	3	24 }
Baratoo	D-18	0:00-0:00	Cloudy	tr	NE 5	35 40	0	9	4	30
bayfield	D-18 D-17	6:00-5:00 7:30-5:30	Cloudy	5	SE-E 15-3 SE 10-20	33 39	3	4	5	20
deetown Seloit	D-17	7:00-5:15	Cloudy	1	SW 5	39 45 32 38	C	29	12	59
Black River Falls	D-27	7:00-4:00	Fair	8	W 7	-18 0	20	14	2	67
blanchardville	D-30	0:30-0:00	Cloudy	4	SW 5	19 25	C	2	1	114
Brule	D-17	6:00-5:00	Cloudy	4	N-NE 12-15	33 37	3	4	2	19
Cedar Lake	D-23 D-26	4:30-7:00 5:30-4:30	Fair-FCl Fair	3	W 0-5 W 8-15	6 13 -5 5	3	3	2	25k
Chippewa Falls Clyde	0-31	6:30-4:30	Snow	6	NW 2-5	22 28	1	5	~	17.
Cooksville	J-1	5:45-5:0C	Snow-PC1	9	NV 8-15	15 22	7	5	3	194
Cornelia	D-28	8:30-5:30	Fog .	5	SE 5-10	28 37	2	2	1	9
Dancy	1)-22	7:00-4:00	Fair	7	SW 5-15	10 22	0	8	2	14
Jurand -	D-17	0:15-4:45	Rain	3	E 5-20	39 41	0	3	2	181
illsworth iphraim	D-26 D-17	7:00-4:30	Fair Cl-Rain	2	W 5-15 E 18-30	-6 7 34 40	32	15	2 5	17 20
rifield	0-27	8:00-4:00	Fair	4	W 1-3	-20 0	ii	3	3	11
Fond du Lac	D-17 -		Rain	o	S-SE 20-30	35 39	1	21	7	45
Fort Atkinson	J-2	8:30-4:30	Fair	1.2	SW-W ?	-4 10	7	15	4	27
Fremont	D-27	6:30-4:30	Fair	5	¥ 4-13	-12 4	0		1	10
Grant sburg	D-17 D-17	8:00-5:00 7:00-4:30	⊰ain Kain-FC1	2	ENE 5-17 D 15-25	36 37 38 41	5	13	5	4C4
Green day Hartford	D-30	5:30-4:30	Cloudy	tr 7	NN 5-7	20 26	7	7	00	13:
Holcombe	D-21	7:00-4:15	Cloudy	3	NV 15-20	17 23	í	2	1	91
Horicon	0-17	7:30-4:30	Rain-Cl	1	SE 5-30	34 38	0	11	2	17
Hudson	J-1	5:45-5:00	Fair-PC1	11	N-NW 10-25	-3 4	11	7	4	30 }
(enosha	D-30 D-17	0:00-6:00	Cloudy Fog-Cl	2	NNE-NNY ? ESE 5-25	32 38	3	17 28	8 12	50 t
LaCrosse Lake Ceneva	J-2	5:00-5:00 7:00-4:30	C1-PC1	11	N 5-10	42 47 2 12	0	5	3	25
Lakewood	ī. <del>-3</del> 0	7:15-4:30	Cloudy	10	NW 10	9 20	o	í	í	91
Madison	D-17	4:45-4:30	Rain-Cl	1	SE 17-23	41 50	1	58	24	1691
Merrill	0-27	7:20-4:30	Fair	6	Var. 5-0	-li. 0	C	3	2	131
Milwaukee North	D-17	6:00-5:00	PC1-C1	C1.	SE-NW 19-12		2	21	12	66
Milwaukee South Monroe	D-13 D-31	5:30-5:00 8:00-1:00	Cloudy	tr 4	ENE 5-15 Var. 5	37 42 30 30	2	4	17	97
Mount Horeb	D-20	3.30-1.30	Fair	4	? 9-14	-12 0	1.7	10	7	33
Velson	D-31	6:45-4:30	Snow	7	NE 2-15	15 20	0	3	2	13
Newburg	D-17	6:30-4:00	Rain-PCl	1	NE 5-15	42 42	10	43	.20	1131
lew hichmond	D-17	7:30-4:00	Rain		? 14	39 42	0	5	3	203
Oshkosh	D-19 D-17	7:00-3:30 7:00-4:30	Cloudy	tr	SE 3-5 S-SE 18-22	40 43 36 43	0	23	12	35 <u>8</u>
Oxho	D-18	7:30-4:00	Drizzle	3	calm	35 35	5	12	6	231
eshtigo	0-18	7:30-4:00	Cloudy	4	E 1-4	34 36	1	8	4	333
Petenwell	D-19	7:55-2:40	Fog-C1	tr	□ 0-5	31 35	C	2	1	63
lymouth	0-18	7:00-8:00	Fog	1	0-5	37 42	10	34	12	65
Fortage hacine	5-27 D-17	7:00-3:00 5:30-5:00	Fair Rain-Cl	3 tr	NW 5-15 SE 5-15	-7 5 43 47	8	21	8	8 58
Randolph	1-18	0:30-5:00	Cloudy	tr	5 0-10	36 44	0	1	1	101
ihinelander	2-25	8:00-4:00	Fair	8	NN 10	-10 -5	28	8	3	30
Hush Lake	5-31	10:00-2:30	Snow		N-NE 18	18 21	0	2 .	1	44
Sauk City	J-2	5:30-6:00	Fair	9	NW 10-15	<b>-</b> 3 20	1	21	8	561
Shawano	D-17	8:00-4:00	Rain	8	E 20-30	37 38	31	17	8	35
Sheboygan Shiocton	D-28 D-23	7:00-12:00	PC1-Fair Fair-FC1		? 7-12 SW 2-8	0 14 24 32	3	20	8	394 21
Solon Springs	5-19	7:00-5:00	Cloudy	1	SW 3-10	25 31	4	5	4	20
Stevens Point	J-2	0:15-4:30	C1-PC1	18	W 10-30	-2 12	1	22	8	51
Stockbridge	D-17	7:00-4:30	Cloudy	0	? 20-30	33 35	0	- 9	8	32
Sturgeon Bay	D-29	8:30-2:30	Cloudy	2	? 5	18 21.	2	2	1	5
Sun Frairie	D-28	11:00-5:00	PC1-Fair	3	W 5-10 SW 2-12	9 23 36 41	0	42	1	116
laukesha Jausau	D-18 D-18	5:00-4:45 7:20-5:30	MC1-C1 Fog-Dr	tr	? 5	36 38	2	16	16	116
Vautoma	D-30	5:30-5:30	Fair	6	NE 0-5	7 22	16	7	5	28
wisconsin Rapids	D-31	7:00-4:30	Snow	15	NE 7	14 20	5	14	9	33
Woodland Dunes NW	31	5:00-6:00	Cloudy	5	NE 10	20 20	4	7	5	353
Woodland Lunes NE	J-1	5:00-6:00	Cl-Fair	7	NE 20-25	20 25	32	23	19	104
Woodland Dunes SW	0-18	5:00-0:00	Fog	5	Light	40 40	18	34	9	743

# FIELD NOTES



#### By Rockne Knuth

#### Spring Season, 1977

March 1 - May 31, 1977

Relatively speaking, the spring of 1977 never did happen. Weather-wise the seasons shifted rapidly from winter-like to summer-like conditions. Beginning the first two weeks in March temperatures climbed to unseasonably high readings in the 60's. They varied somewhat during the latter part of the month, ranging from the 30's to the 60's.

Temperatures averaged below normal during the first week in April, but a warming trend caused them to climb again to record breaking heights (in the 80's by April 10th). A cold front on April 13 cooled things off for a few days, but on April 16 temperatures again were in the 80's. These summer-like temperatures held until a cold front on April 27 brought a hard freeze.

A steady warming trend following a May 9th frost brought temperatures up again into the 80's, and even the 90's, through the remainder of the month.

Most observers described the spring of 1977 as a lean year for birders with a variety of theories as to why the migration, generally, seemed to be so poorly represented. The majority of speculators proposed that the consistently warm, basically uneventful season, lacking major weather systems, allowed for a steady, uninterrupted flow of migrants. Rivers and lakes opened early throughout the state offering quick passage to migrant waterfowl. Favored shorebird haunts dried up, and trees budded and foliated two to three weeks earlier than usual making observation of migrating passerines difficult.

A total of 284 species were reported by 73 observers in 65 counties. Species that were present throughout the period about which the Seasonal Editor felt that comments were not necessary included: Canada Goose, Mallard, Black Duck, American Kestrel, American Coot, Herring Gull, Ring-billed Gull, Rock Dove, Mourning Dove, Belted Kingfisher, Common Flicker, Red-headed Woodpecker, Hairy Woodpecker, Downy Woodpecker, Horned Lark, Blue Jay, American Crow, Black-capped Chickadee, White-breasted Nuthatch, Red-breasted Nuthatch, American Robin, Cedar Waxwing, European Starling, House Sparrow, Eastern Meadowlark, Western Meadowlark, Red-winged Blackbird, Common Grackle, Brown-headed Cowbird, Purple Finch and Song Sparrow.

#### **Seasonal Summary**

Common Loon: First reported in Milwaukee County on March 19 (D. Tessen). 45 were in Burnett County on May 25 (J. Frank, D. Tessen).

Red-throated Loon: Six observers reported it in Ozaukee County from April 3 (D. Tessen) to April 29 (D. Tessen). Also reported in Racine County on April 18 (L. Erickson).

Red-necked Grebe: Reported in Winnebago County from April 10 through the end of the period (18 counted on May 20) (T. Ziebell); and, in St. Croix County, April 15 through the end of the period (14 there on May 23) (C. Faanes). Also reported in Dane County, April 16-23 (W. Hilsenhoff); Douglas County, April 21 (R. Johnson); and, Polk County, May 6 (C. Faanes).

**Horned Grebe:** First noted in Milwaukee County on March 6 (E. Epstein). Present at the end of the period in Barron County (A. Goff).

Pied-billed Grebe: Present at the beginning of the period in Dane County (R. Koroter).

**Double-crested Cormorant:** Reported in 18 counties. First noted in Burnett County on April 9 (J. Evrard). Present at the end of the period in Douglas, Marathon, Burnett, Brown and Portage Counties.

Great Blue Heron: First reported on March 12 in Dane (W. Hilsenhoff, R. Ake) and Waukesha (R. Curtis) Counties.

Green Heron: First reported in Ashland County on April 4 (R. Verch).

Little Blue Heron: One was in Oconto County on May 14 (R. Ake), and one in Shawano County, May 15 (J. Trick).

Cattle Egret: Reports came from Ashland County, April 3 (R. Verch); La Crosse County, April 21 - May 18 (J. Rosso); Brown County, May 2 (Mr. & Mrs. Beuwana and C. Orde fide Bro. Columban); Oconto County, May 3 (R. Hoffmann) - May 15 (6 birds) (R. Koroter, D. Tessen); Dodge County, May 3 (4 birds) (B. Drieslein); Rock County, May 15 (M. Maxson); Forest County, May 17 (P. Vanderschaegen); and Sheboygan County, May 22 (J. Brumer).

Great Egret: First reported in La Crosse County on March 19 (J. Rosso).

Snowy Egret: Reports came from Dodge (D. Hanbury) and Washington (D. Gustafson) Counties, May 6; and, Oconto (R. Ake) and Ashland (R. Verch) Counties, May 14.

Louisiana Heron: One was reported in Oconto County on May 14 (D. Gustafson).

Black-crowned Night Heron: First noted in Columbia County on March 29 (R. Hoffman).

Yellow-crowned Night Heron: Reports came from Milwaukee County, April 26 (E. Epstein) - May 27 (L. Erickson); Columbia County, May 7 (R. Hoffman); Racine County (nesting), May 7 (D. Tessen), 4 birds present on May 21 (L. Erickson); Outagamie County, May 14 (D. Tessen; Oconto County, May 15 (R. Koroter, R. Ake); La Crosse County, May 18 to the end of the period (J. Rosso); and, Ashland County, May 19 (R. Verch).

Least Bittern: First reported in Dodge County, May 10 (B. Drieslein).

American Bittern: First reported in Ashland County, April 2 (R. Verch).

Mute Swan: Reported in Ozaukee County, April 3 (D. Tessen); Ashland County, April 9 (R. Koroter) to the end of the period (M. Butterbrodt), with 21 present on May 13 (R. Verch); Bayfield County, April 9 (R. Koroter) and May 30 (R. Ake); and, Winnebago County, May 13 (T. Ziebell) and May 18 (J. Frank).

Whistling Swan: Present at the beginning of the period in Brown County (Bro. Columban, E. Cleary); and at the end of the period in Marathon County (D. Goetsch).

Greater White-fronted Goose: Reports came from Columbia County, March 13 (R. Hoffman) - March 27 (D. Tessen); Dodge County (6 birds), April 3 (Michael Ayers); St. Croix County, April 28 (C. Faanes); and, Ashland County, May 19-24 (R. Verch).

Snow Goose: Present at the beginning of the period in Brown County (Bro. Columban, E. Cleary); and at the end of the period in St. Croix (C. Faanes) and Brown County (Bro. Columban, E. Cleary).

Gadwall: Present at the beginning of the period in Dane County (W. Hilsenhoff, R. Koroter).

Common Pintail: Present at the beginning of the period in Brown (Bro. Columban, E. Cleary) and Racine (L. Erickson) Counties.

- Green-winged Teal: Present at the beginning of the period in Walworth (E. Carnes) and Milwaukee (E. Strehlow) Counties.
- **Blue-winged Teal:** Present at the beginning of the period in Rock (Brakefields) and Walworth (E. Carnes) Counties.
- European Wigeon: Reported in Columbia County, March 19-26 (R. Hoffman, R. Koroter, C. Faanes, R. Ake).
- American Wigeon: Present at the beginning of the period in Walworth County (E. Carnes).
- Northern Shoveler: Present at the beginning of the period in Dane (W. Hilsenhoff, R. Koroter), Rock (Brakefields), and Walworth (E. Carnes) Counties.
- Wood Duck: Present at the beginning of the period in Dane (W. Hilsenhoff, R. Koroter) and Milwaukee (E. Strehlow) Counties.
- **Redhead:** Present at the beginning of the period in Brown (Bro. Columban, E. Cleary) and Racine (L. Erickson) Counties.
- Ring-necked Duck: First reported in La Crosse County on March 6 (F. Lesher).
- Canvasback: Present at the beginning of the period in Milwaukee (E. Epstein), Dane (R. Ake), and Racine (L. Erickson) Counties; and at the end of the period in Burnett, St. Croix, Dodge, Winnebago and Racine Counties.
- Greater Scaup: Present at the beginning of the period in Milwaukee (E. Epstein), Walworth (E. Carnes) and Rock (L. Erickson) Counties; and at the end of the period in Barron County (A. Goff).
- Lesser Scaup: Present at the beginning of the period in Brown (Bro. Columban, E. Cleary) and Walworth (E. Carnes) Counties, and at the end of the period in St. Croix, Brosn, Winnebago, Jackson and Barron Counties.
- Common Goldeneye: Present at the end of the period in Dunn (Halvorsons) and Ashland (Mary Butterbrodt) Counties.
- **Bufflehead:** Present at the beginning of the period in Milwaukee (G. Seegert), Marathon (D. Goetsch), and Walworth (E. Carnes) Counties, and at the end of period in Barron County (A. Goff).
- Oldsquaw: Reported in Racine, Milwaukee, Sheboygan, Ozaukee and Door Counties. Last reported in Sheboygan (R. Hoffman) and Door (S. Theissen) Counties on May 14.
- White-winged Scoter: Two were found in Ozaukee County, March 26 (C. Faanes, R. Ake; and one in Racine County, May 19 (L. Erickson).
- Surf Scoter: Two were reported in Douglas County on May 22 (C. Faanes).
- Black Scoter: Reported in Brown and Manitowoc Counties on April 24 (Luepkes); and in Douglas County, May 22-29 (C. Faanes, R. Ake).
- Ruddy Duck: First reported in Dane (R. Hoffman, R. Ake) and Winnebago (T. Ziebell) Counties on March 5.
- Hooded Merganser: Present at the beginning of the period in Barron (C. Faanes) and Brown (Bro. Columban, E. Cleary) Counties, and at the end of the period in La Crosse, Florence, St. Croix, Barron, Dodge and Ashland Counties.
- Common Merganser: Present at the beginning of the period in Marathon (D. Goetsch), Dane (W. Hilsenhoff, R. Hoffman), Racine (L. Erickson), St. Croix (C. Faanes) and Brown (Bro. Columban, E. Cleary) Counties. Last reported in Florence County on May 29 (R. Koroter).
- Red-breasted Merganse: Present at the beginning of the period in Racine County (L. Erickson). Last noted on May 30 in Douglas (J. Frank, D. Tessen) and Bayfield (R. Ake) Counties.
- Turkey Vulture: First reported in Walworth County on March 7 (E. Carnes). Reports came from 31 additional counties.
- Mississippi Kite: One was found in Brown County on May 14 (R. Koroter), D. Gustafson). See "By the Wayside".

Northern Goshawk: Last report came from Forest County on May 29 (R. Koroter). Additional reports came from Langlade, La Crosse, Taylor, St. Croix, Milwaukee, Brown, Door, Monroe, Portage, Vilas, Columbia and Clark Counties.

Sharp-shinned Hawk: Present at the beginning of the period in St. Croix (C. Faanes) and Marquette (R. Williamson). Reported in 30 additional counties.

Cooper's Hawk: Present at the beginning of the period in Marquette County (R. Williamson). Reported in 18 additional counties.

**Red-shouldered Hawk:** Present at the beginning of the period in St. Croix County (C. Faanes). Reported in 17 additional counties.

**Broad-winged Hawk:** Present at the beginning of the period in Marquette County (R. Williamson).

Rough-legged Hawk: Last reported in Sheboygan County on May 22 (R. Schoenfeldt).

Swainson's Hawk: Reported in Grant County, May 7 (T. Gram).

Bald Eagle: Reports came from 18 counties throughout much of the state.

Golden Eagle: One was in Eau Claire County on March 8 (C. Faanes).

Northern Harrier: Present at the beginning of the period in Dodge (B. Drieslein) and Marquette (R. Williamson) Counties.

Osprey: First reported in Ashland County on March 16 (R. Verch). Reports came from 21 additional counties.

Peregrine Falcon: Reported in St. Croix County, April 26 (C. Faanes); Juneau County, May 1 (C. Faanes, D. Tessen); and in Portage (G. Baldasarre, S. Krings), Columbia (B. Fiehweg), Grant (T. Ingram) and Manitowoc (Bernard Brouchard fide, J. Woodcock) on May 7.

Merlin: First reported in Taylor County on March 18(J. & L. Fadness). Present at the end of the period in Jackson County (D. Harmer). Additional reports came from Marathon, Columbia, St. Croix, Douglas, Price, Dane, Marinette and Milwaukee Counties.

Spruce Grouse: Reports came from Oneida County, April 1 (P. Vanderschaegen); Vilas County, April 9 (J. Baugman); and, Douglas County, May 30 (D. Tessen).

Ruffed Grouse: Reported as far south as Grant, Dane and Waukesha Counties.

Greater Prairie Chicken: Reported in Portage (S. Robbins, R. Hoffman, R. Koroter, C. Faanes, D. Tessen, G. Baldasarre, S. Krings, R. Anderson, R. Ake), Marathon (D. Goetsch, Luepkes, R. Ake) and Burnett (J. Evrard) Counties.

Sharp-tailed Grouse: Reported in Portage (S. Robbins, C. Faanes, D. Tessen, G. Baldasarre, S. Krings, R. Anderson), Burnett (J. Evrard, J. Baugman), Taylor (R. Koroter, J. & L. Fadness, R. Ake), Oneida (P. Vanderschaegen) and Ashland (R. Verch) Counties.

Bobwhite: Reported in La Crosse (F. Lesher, J. Rosso, R. Ake), Trempealeau (S. Robbins); Grant (T. Ingram), Columbia (R. Hoffman; Sauk (R. Koroter, R. Ake), Rock (D. Tessen, Mrs. J. Mahlum), Dane (Halvorson), Vernon (V. Weber), Marquette (R. Williamson) and Portage (R. Anderson) Counties.

Ring-necked Pheasant: Reported as far north as Barron, Marathon and Brown Counties. One, however, was reported in Douglas County (R. Johnson).

Gray Partridge: Except for one report from St. Croix County (C. Faanes), all other reports came from south and east of Brown, Portage and Dane Counties.

Wild Turkey: 52 were found in Juneau County on March 6 (W.D. Brown).

Sandhill Crane: First reported in Marquette (R. Williamson) and Waukesha (J. Bielefeldt) Counties on March 11. Additional reports came from Wood, Waupaca, Marathon, Lauglade, La Crosse, Portage, Burnett, Dane, Columbia, Juneau, Jefferson, Jackson, Ozaukee, Winnebago, Dodge, Taylor and Walworth Counties.

King Rail: Reported in Waukesha County from April 27 to the end of the period (R. Curtis); St. Croix County, April 28 (C. Faanes); and Dodge County from May 15 to the end of the period (B. Drieslein).

Virginia Rail: First noted in Dane County on April 12 (R. Koroter).

Sora: First reported in Dane County on April 12 (R. Koroter).

- Yellow Rail: Four were found in Burnett County, May 28 and 29 (D. Tessen, R. Ake). See "By the Wayside".
- Common Gallinule: First reported in Brown County on April 16 (Bro. Columban, E. Cleary).
- Semipalmated Plover: First reported in Brown County, April 24 (Bro. Columban, E. Cleary). Present at the end of the period in Dane (R. Koroter) and Ashland (R. Verch) Counties.
- Piping Plover: Reported in Racine County, April 29 (D. Tessen); Waukesha County, May 15 (R. Curtis; five in Brown County, May 21 (Bro. Columban, E. Cleary); and, two in Douglas County, May 22-30 (R. Johnson, C. Faanes, D. Tessen, R. Ake).
- Killdeer: Present at the beginning of the period in Marathon (D. Goetsch), La Crosse (J. Rosso) and Rock (Brakefields) Counties.
- Lesser Golden Plover: First reported in Outagamie County, April 13 (D. Tessen). Last reported in Douglas County, May 22 (C. Faanes).
- Black-bellied Plover: First reported in Dane County, May 2 (R. Ake, R. Koroter). Last reported on May 30 in Marathon (D. Goetsch), Douglas (D. Tessen) and Door (R. & C. Lukes) Counties.
- Ruddy Turnstone: First noted in Columbia County, May 7 (R. Hoffman). Present at the end of the period in Columbia (R. Hofman), Brown (Bro. Columban, E. Cleary) and Milwaukee E. Epstein) Counties.
- American Woodcock: First noted in Waukesha (J. Bielefeldt) and Dane (R. Koroter) Counties on March 12.
- Common Snipe: Present at the beginning of the period in La Crosse County (J. Rosso).
- Whimbrel: 30 were found in Door County on May 21 (R. & C. Lukes). See "By the Wayside". Also reported in Douglas County, May 29-30 (C. Faanes, D. Tessen, R. Ake).
- Upland Sandpiper: First reported in Taylor County on March 27 (J. & L. Fadness).
- Spotted Sandpiper: First reported in Dane (R. Hoffman) and La Crosse (J. Rosso) Counties on April 16.
- Solitary Sandpiper: First reported in Milwaukee County on April 15 (E. Strehlow). Present at the end of the period in Douglas (R. Johnson), Milwaukee (E. Strehlow) and Ashland (R. Verch) Counties.
- Willet: Three were found in Milwaukee County, April 21-22 (E. Epstein), and one on May 18 (D. Gustafson, J. Idzikowski); five in Burnett County, May 1 (J. Evrard), and one on May 14 (C. Faanes); Ashland County, April 27 (R. Verch); Dane County, May 5 (R. Ake), and May 19-23 (R. Koroter); two in Kewaunee County, May 29 (E. Epstein); and, two in Douglas County, May 29-30 (C. Faanes, D. Tessen, R. Ake).
- Greater Yellowlegs: First noted in Waukesha County, March 26 (J. Bielefeldt). Last reported in Oconto County on May 30 (R. Hoffman).
- Lesser Yellowlegs: First reported in La Crosse (J. Rosso) and Jefferson (J. Frank) Counties on March 17. Last report came from Douglas County on May 29 (R. Ake).
- Red Knot: Reported in Dane County, May 19 (R. Ake); and, three in Douglas County, May 22-29 (C. Faanes, D. Tessen, R. Ake).
- Pectoral Sandpiper: First reported in Columbia County, March 12 (R. Ake). Present at the end of the period in Dane County (R. Koroter).
- White-rumped Sandpiper: First reported in Dane County, May 3 (R. Ake). Present at the end of the period in Columbia County (R. Hoffman). Additional reports came from Brown, St. Croix, Douglas, Dodge, Burnett, Milwaukee, Kewaunee, Waukesha, Marathon and Racine Counties.
- Baird's Sandpiper: First reported in La Crosse County, May 5 (J. Rosso). Last report came from Douglas County, May 29 (C. Faanes). Additional reports came from Columbia, Dane, St. Croix, Dodge, Waukesha and Ashland Counties.
- Least Sandpiper: First reported in Columbia County, April 20 (R. Hoffman), Present at the end of the period in Columbia (R. Hoffman), Dodge (B. Drieslein) and Ashland (R. Verch) Counties.

Dunlin: First reported in Taylor (J. & L. Fadness) and Brown (Bro. Columban, E. Cleary) Counties, April 14. Present at the end of the period in Columbia, Dane, Winnebago and Ashland.

Short-billed Dowitcher: First reported in La Crosse County, April 21 (J. Rosso). Last noted in Kewaunee County, May 24 (E. Epstein). Additional reports came from Fond du Lac, Wood, Dunn, Dane, Columbia, Brown, Oconto, Burnett, St. Croix, Winnebago and Ozaukee Counties.

Long-billed Dowitcher: First reported April 12 in Columbia County (D. Gustafson). Last reported in Waukesha County, May 27 (R. Curtis). Additional reports came from Dane, Brown, Dunn, Winnebago, Walworth and Ashland Counties.

Stilt Sandpiper: Reported in Dane County, May 18 (R. Koroter, R. Ake).

Semipalmated Sandpiper: First noted in Columbia County, April 17 (R. Ake). Present at the end of the period in Columbia, Dane and Ashland Counties.

Marbled Godwit: Reported in Pierce County, April 27 (C. Faanes); Dane County, May 8 (R. Koroter); Columbia County, May 16 (C. Faanes); two in Marathon County, May 19 (G. Baldassare, S. Krings); and, Ashland County, May 26 (R. Verch).

Hudsonian Godwit: Reported in Ashland County, April 22 (M. Butterbvodt), 16 there May 16-23 (R. Verch); Brown County, May 11 (Bro. Columban, E. Cleary), May 14 (R. Koroter), May 15 (D. Tessen, R. Ake); five in Columbia County, May 14-22 (R. Hoffman, C. Faanes, D. Tessen); Dane County, May 18-27 (R. Koroter, D. Tessen, R. Ake); Marathon County, May 19 (G. Baldaarre, S. Krings); Racine (L. Erickson) and Marinette (May Count) Counties, May 21; and Winnebago County, May 28 (T. Ziebell).

Ruff: One was found in Brown County on May 14 (R. Koroter). See "By the Wayside".

Sanderling: First reported on April 15 in Taylor County (J. & L. Fadness). Present at the end of the period in Douglas County (R. Johnson).

American Avocet: Reported on May 19 in Dunn (R. Koroter) and Burnett (where six were found) (J. Evrard) Counties.

Wilson's Phalarope: First noted in Dodge County on April 26 (B. Drieslein).

Northern Phalarope: Reported in Waukesha (Bintzs) and Brown (D. Tessen) Counties, May 15; Columbia County, May 16 (C. Faanes); Oconto County, May 30 (R. Hoffman); and Dane County, May 31 (R. Koroter, R. Ake).

Glaucous Gull: Two were in Milwaukee County from the beginning of the period until April 26 (E. Epstein); Racine County from the beginning of the period to March 10 (L. Erickson); Dodge County, March 27 (D. Haseleu); Bayfield County, April 10 (R. Koroter); Ozaukee County, April 16 (D. Hanbury, D. Gustafson); and, Door County, May 12 (S. Thiessen).

Iceland Gull: Present in Racine County, March 8 - April 21 (L. Erickson).

Franklin's Gull: Reported in St. Croix County, April 25 (C. Faanes); and, Milwaukee County, May 4 (J. Idzikowski).

Bonaparte's Gull: First noted in St. Croix County, April 8 (C. Faanes). Last reported on May 30 in Bayfield County (R. Ake).

Forster's Term: First reported in Racine County, April 13 (L. Erickson).

Common Tern: First reported in Dane County, April 9 (Halvorsons).

Caspian Tern: First noted in Racine County, April 15 (L. Erickson). Present at the end of the period in Brown County (Bro. Columban, E. Cleary).

Black Tern: First report came from Langlade County, April 22 (B. Pickering).

Yellow-billed Cuckoo: First reported in Jackson County, April 30 (D. Harmer).

Black-billed Cuckoo: First noted in Columbia County, May 7 (R. Hoffman).

Screech Owl: Reported in 15 counties.

Great Horned Owl: Reported in 26 counties.

Snowy Owl: Present in Milwaukee, Langlade, Dane, Columbia, Brown and Winnebago Counties. Last noted in Ashland County, May 4 (R. Verch).

Barred Owl: Reported in 22 counties.

Long-eared Owl: Reported in Milwaukee County, March 6 (D. Hanbury, D. Tessen) and April 23 (R. Ake); Dane County, April 1 (R. Ake); Dodge County, April 26 to the end of the period (B. Drieslein); Sheboygan County, May 22 (R. Hoffman); and, Iron County, May 28 to the end of the period (M. Butterbrodt).

Short-eared Owl: Reported in Brown County from the beginning of the period until March 31 (Bro. Columban, E. Cleary); throughout the period in Dodge County (B. Drieslein); Dane County, March 5 (R. Ake) and April 1 (R. Koroter); Portage County, April 2 (R. Korotev), April 17 (R. Ake) and May 7 to the end of the period (G. Baldasarre, S. Krings); Burnett County, April 9 (J. Evrard); and, Kenosha County, April 23 (R. Ake).

Saw-whet Owl: Reported in Sauk County, March 20 (R. Koroter, R. Ake); La Crosse County, April 6 (F. Lesher); and, Portage County, April 30 - May 7 (G. Baldasarre, S. Krings).

Chuck-wills-widow: Reported in May in Dane County (G. Culp). See "By the Wayside".

Whip-poor-will: First reported in La Crosse (F. Lesher) and Price (M. Hardy) Counties on April 16.

Common Nighthawk: First reported in Langlade County, April 21 (B. Pickering).

Chimney Swift: First noted in Ashland County, April 10 (R. Verch).

Ruby-throated Hummingbird: First reported in Brown County, April 15 (Bro. Columban, E. E. Cleary).

Pileated Woodpecker: Reported in 29 counties north and west of Brown, Portage, Marquette, Columbia and Dane Counties.

Red-bellied Woodpecker: Reported in 24 counties as far north as St. Croix, Barron, Chippewa, Taylor, Marathon, and Marinette Counties.

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker: Present at the beginning of the period in Dane County (W. Hilsenhoff). Present at the end of the period in Douglas, Chippewa, Barron, Dane, Price, Door, Waukesha, Vernon, Iron, Marquette and Ashland Counties.

Eastern Kingbird: First reported in Dane County, April 17 (R. Ake).

Great Crested Flycatcher: First noted on April 22 in Langlade County (B. Pickering).

Eastern Phoebe: First noted in Waukesha County, March 19 (J. Bielefeldt).

Yellow-bellied Flycatcher: First reported in Jefferson County, April 15 (J. Burbach). Present at the end of the period in Milwaukee and Brown Counties. Additional reports came from Waupaca, Chippewa, Ashland, Sawyer, Sheboygan, Barron, Douglas, Forest, Walworth, Portage, Jefferson and Racine Counties.

Acadian Flycatcher: Reported in Sauk (R. Hoffman) and Trempealeau (C. & R. Faanes) Counties, May 17; and, Grant (R. Koroter, D. Tessen, R. Ake) and Waukesha (D. Tessen) Counties, May 21.

Alder Flycatcher: First reported in Fond du Lac County, May 14 (R. Knuth). Additional reports came from Milwaukee, Douglas, Ashland, Sawyer, Dane, Forest, St. Croix, Barron, Walworth, Waukesha, Door and Vilas Counties.

Willow Plycatcher: First reported in Dodge County, May 14 (D. Gustafson). Additional reports came from Waukesha, Milwaukee, La Crosse, Chippewa, La Crosse, Dane, Columbia, Sheboygan, Sauk, St. Croix, Oconto, Walworth, Dodge and Door Counties.

Least Flycatcher: First reported in Langlade County, April 16 (B. Pickering).

Eastern Peewee: First noted in Columbia County, May 7 (R. Hoffman).

Olive-sided Flycatcher: First reported in Dane County, May 8 (R. Ake). Present at the end of period in Ashland County (R. Verch). Additional reports came from Douglas, Columbia, Oneida. Forest, Milwaukee, Vilas, Sawyer and Racine Counties.

Tree Swallow: First reported in Marathon County, March 23 (Luepkes).

Bank Swallow: First reported in Racine County, April 9 (L. Erickson).

Rough-winged Swallow: First reported in Milwaukee County, April 10 (D. Hanbury).

Barn Swallow: First reported in Brown County, April 4 (D. Tessen).

Cliff Swallow: First reported in Dane (R. Hoffman) and Brown (M. Wierzbicki) Counties, April 17.

Purple Martin: First reported in Brown County, March 25 (Bro. Columban, E. Cleary).

Gray Jay: Reported in Ashland, Oneida, Douglas, Burnett, Washburn, Price, Vilas and Forest Counties.

Northern Raven: Reported in 16 counties as far south as Burnett, Barron, Taylor, Marathon, Portage, Shawano, Langlade and Florence Counties.

Boreal Chickadee: Reported in Ashland County from the beginning of the period to March 13 (R. Verch), and May 28 (S. Robbins); Price County, March 1-29 (M. Harady); Oneida County, April 1 (P. Vanderschaegen) and May 14 (R. Ake); Vilas County, April 12 (J. Baugman); and Forest County, May 14 (R. Ake).

Tufted Titmouse: Reported throughout the period in Dane (W. Hilsenhoff), La Crosse (J. Rosso), St. Croix (C. Faanes), Vernon (V. Weber) and Racine (L. Erickson) Counties. Also reported in Grant County, March 27 (R. Ake) and April 24 (R. Koroter); Waukesha County, April 18 (J. Bielefeldt); and, Eau Claire County, April 23 (S. Robbins).

Brown Creeper: Present at the end of the period in Outagamie, Door and Ashland Counties.

Northern House Wren: First reported in Waukesha County, April 8 (R. Curtis).

Winter Wren: First reported in Columbia County, March 26 (R. Hoffman). Present at the end of the period in Douglas, Langlade, Barron, Door and Ashland Counties.

Bewicks Wren: Reported in Chippewa County, May 8 (S. Robbins), and Kenosha County, May 14 (R. Hoffman).

Carolina Wren: Reported in Racine County, May 21 (L. Erickson).

Marsh Wren: First noted in Winnebago County, April 13 (T. Ziebell).

Sedge Wren: First reported in Dane County, May 5 (W. Hilsenhoff).

Northern Mockingbird: Reported in Ashland County, April 20-23 (R. Verch); two in Iron County, May 12 (M. Butterbrodt); and, Door County, May 23 to the end of the period (R. & C. Lukes).

Gray Catbird: First noted in Milwaukee County, April 11 (E. Strehlow).

Brown Thrasher: First reported in Brown County, March 11 (Bro. Columban, E. Cleary).

Wood Thrush: First reported in Brown County, April 13 (Halvorsons).

Hermit Thrush: First reported in Dane County, April 5 (R. Ake).

Swainsons Thrush: First reported in Racine County, May 2 (L. Erickson). Present at the end of the period in Douglas, Milwaukee and Brown Counties.

**Gray-cheeked Thrush:** First reported in Waukesha County, May 3 (J. Bielefeldt). Present at the end of the period in Milwaukee County (E. Strehlow).

Veery: First reported in Langlade County, April 17 (B. Pickering).

Eastern Bluebird: First noted on March 10 in Waukesha County (J. Bielefeldt).

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher: First noted in Dane County, April 11 (R. Hoffman). Reported in 17 additional counties.

Golden-crowned Kinglet: Present at the beginning of the period in Ashland County (R. Verch). Present at the end of the period in Langlade (B. Pickering), Door (Lukes) and Ashland (R. Verch) Counties.

Ruby-crowned Kinglet: Present at the beginning of the period in Ashland County (R. Verch). Present at the end of the period in Douglas (R. Johnson), Langlade (B. Pickering), Milwaukee (E. Strehlow), Door (Lukes) and Ashland (R. Verch) Counties.

Water Pipit: First reported in St. Croix County, April 26 (C. Faanes). Last reported in Douglas County, May 22 (C. Faanes). Additional reports came from Fond du Lac, Chippewa, Columbia, Dane, Winnebago, Marquette, Ashland, Milwaukee, Racine and Marathon Counties.

Bohemian Waxwing: Reported in Ashland (R. Verch, R. Koroter), Langlade (B. Pickering), Washington (D. Haseleu) and Oneida (P. Vanderschaegen) Counties. Last reported in Ashland County, May 13 (R. Verch).

Northern Shrike: Reported in Waukesha, Langlade, Marathon, Columbia, Dane, St. Croix, Brown, Price, Dodge, Portage, Ashland and Sauk Counties. Last noted in Portage County, April 6 (G. Baldasarre, S. Krings).

Loggerhead Shrike: Reported in Columbia County, April 3 (R. Hoffman); St. Croix County, April 13 (C. Faanes); Dane County, April 16 (R. Hoffman) and May 8 (D. Tessen); Sauk County, April 23 - May 8 (D. Tessen), and May 17 (R. Hoffman); and, Racine County, May 21 (L. Erickson).

White-eyed Vireo: Reported in Milwaukee County, April 17 (J. Idzikowski) and May 4 (D. Hanbury, D. Gustafson); and, Racine County, May 16 (L. Erickson).

Bell's Vireo: Reported in Dane County, May 15-17 (R. Hoffman); Trempealeau County, May 17 (C. Faanes) and May 22 (R. Ake); and, La Crosse County, May 20 (F. Lesher), May 21 (S. Robbins) and May 28 (D. Tessen).

Yellow-throated Vireo: First reported in Columbia County, April 10 (R. Hoffman).

Solitary Vireo: First reported in Brown County, April 9 (Bro. Columban, E. Cleary). Present at the end of the period in Douglas and Ashland Counties.

Red-eyed Vireo: First reported in Vernon County, May 1 (V. Weber).

Philadelphia Vireo: First reported in Dane (R. Ake) and Racine (L. Erickson) Counties, May 4. Present at the end of the period in Langlade, Milwaukee and Ashland Counties.

Warbling Vireo: First reported in La Crosse County, April 30 (J. Rosso).

Black and White Warbler: First reported in Milwaukee County, April 18 (E. Strehlow).

Prothonotary Warbler: First reported in Dane County, April 16 (R. Hoffman). Additional reports came from Milwaukee, Brown, Ashland, Grant, Trempealeau and Buffalo Counties.

Worm-eating Warbler: Reported in Grant County, May 21 (D. Tessen).

Golden-winged Warbler: First reported in Dane County, May 1 (R. Hoffman).

Blue-winged Warbler: First reported in Vernon County, May 2 (V. Weber).

(Brewster's Warbler): Reported in Manitowoc County, May 9 (J. Woodcock) and Door County, May 25 (E. Epstein).

Tennessee Warbler: First reported April 23 in Milwaukee County (E. Strehlow). Present at the end of the period in Waukesha, Douglas, St. Croix and Milwaukee Counties.

Orange-crowned Warbler: First noted April 17 in Dane County (R. Koroter). Last reported in Douglas County, May 22 (C. Faanes).

Nashville Warbler: First reported in Milwaukee County, April 27 (G. Seegert).

Northern Parula Warbler: First reported in Dane County, April 18 (B. Fiehwig). Present at the end of the period in Douglas and Ashland Counties.

Yellow Warbler: First reported in Milwaukee County, April 23 (E. Strehlow).

Magnolia Warbler: First noted May 1 in Portage (R. Anderson) and Juneau (C. Faanes) Counties. Present at the end of the period in Douglas and Milwaukee Counties.

Cape May Warbler: First reported in Milwaukee County, May 1 (D. Hanbury). Last noted in Douglas County, May 30 (D. Tessen).

Black-throated Blue Warbler: First reported in Brown County, May 5 (Bro. Columban, E. Cleary). Last noted May 30 in Vernon County (V. Weber). Additional reports came from Douglas, Dane, Milwaukee, Ashland, Vilas and Racine Counties.

Yellow-rumped Warbler: First reported in Milwaukee County, March 30 (E. Epstein). Present at the end of the period in Douglas, Dane, Price, Door, Barron and Ashland Counties.

**Black-throated Green Warbler:** First reported in Brown (M. Wierzbicki) and Dodge (D. Gustafson) Counties, April 30. Present at the end of the period in Douglas, Langlade, Brown, Ashland and Racine Counties.

Cerulean Warbler: First reported in Sheboygan County, April 24 (H. Koopman). Additional reports came from Fond du Lac, Waukesha, Marinette, Chippewa, Dane, La Crosse, St. Croix, Milwaukee, Grant, Vilas, Door, Outagamie, Sauk, Rusk, Ashland, Douglas and Waupaca Counties.

**Blackburnian Warbler:** First reported in Milwaukee County, April 29 (D. Gustafson). Present at the end of the period in Douglas, Milwaukee, Ashland and Racine Counties.

Chestnut-sided Warbler: First reported in Columbia County, April 30 (R. Hoffman).

**Bay-breasted Warbler:** First reported in Milwaukee County, May 6 (E. Epstein). Last reported in Douglas (R. Johnson, C. Faanes), Portage (G. Baldasarre, S. Krings) and Sheboygan (R. Hoffman) Counties, May 22.

**Blackpoll Warbler:** First noted in Milwaukee County, May 3 (E. Epstein). Present at the end of the period in Milwaukee County.

Pine Warbler: First reported in Jackson County, April 11 (D. Harmer). Present at the end of the period in Chippewa, Barron, Ashland and Portage Counties.

Prairie Warbler: Reported in Dane County, May 5 (R. Koroter, R. Ake).

Palm Warbler: First reported in Brown County, April 10 (Bro. Columban, E. Cleary). Present at the end of the period in Douglas and Ashland Counties.

Ovenbird: First reported in Racine County, April 16 (Joan Rohan fide L. Erickson).

Northern Waterthrush: First noted in Waukesha County, April 10 (R. Curtis).

Louisiana Waterthrush: Reported in Milwaukee County, April 13 (G. Seegert); Sauk County, April 16 - May 22 (R. Koroter); St. Croix County, May 5 to the end of the period (C. Faanes); and Dane County, May 7 (R. Hoffman).

Kentucky Warbler: Reported in Dane County, May 7-21 (R. Hoffman); Brown County, May 6-10 (Bro. Columban, E. Cleary); five in Grant County, May 21 (R. Ake, D. Tessen, R. Koroter); and Waukesha County, May 23 (J. Bielefeldt).

Connecticut Warbler: First reported in Jefferson County, May 11 (J. Burbach). Last noted in Vilas County, May 27 (J. Baugman). Additional reports came from Milwaukee, Dane, Door, Waukesha, Outagamie, Oconto, Douglas, Ashland and Racine Counties.

Mourning Warbler: First reported in Milwaukee (D. Gustafson, E. Epstein) and Waukesha (J. Bielefeldt) Counties, May 13.

Yellowthroat: First reported in Milwaukee County, April 25 (E. Strehlow).

Yellow-breasted Chat: Reported in Milwaukee County, May 6 and 11 (J. Idzikowski), May 21 E. Epstein) and May 26 (G. Seegert); Walworth County, May 15 (E. Carnes) and May 22 (D. Tessen); Racine County, May 16 to the end of the period (L. Erickson); and, Dane County, May 26 to the end of the period (W. Hilsenhoff).

Hooded Warbler: Reported in Milwaukee County, April 20-22 (E. Epstein), May 7 (G. Seegert), May 16 (D. Hanbury), and May 21 (J. Frank); Racine County, May 12-14 (Hazel Gerth fide L. Erickson); four in Waukesha County, May 20-23 (J. Bielefeldt).

Wilson's Warbler: First reported in Milwaukee County, April 20 (D. Gustafson). Present at the end of the period in Eau Claire, Milwaukee and Racine Counties.

Canada Warbler: First reported in Milwaukee County, May 11 (D. Hanbury). Present at the end of the period in Dane, Douglas, Door, Milwaukee, Brown and Racine Counties.

American Redstart: First reported in Door County, April 12 (Lukes).

**Bobolink:** First noted in Vernon County, April 23 (V. Weber).

Yellow-headed Blackbird: First reported in Brown County, April 9 (Bro. Columban, E. Cleary).

Orchard Oriole: Reported in St. Croix County, May 10 to the end of the period (C. Faanes); Dane County, May 11 (W. Hilsenhoff); La Crosse County, May 12 (F. Lesher); Trempealeau County, May 17 (C. & R. Faanes), May 21 (S. Robbins), May 22 (R. Ake) and May 28 (D. Tessen); Marinette County (May Count) May 21; Columbia County, May 21 to the end of the period (R. Hoffman); and, Waukesha County, May 26 (J. Bielefeldt).

Northern Oriole: First reported in Ashland County, April 16 (R. Verch).

Rusty Blackbird: Present at the beginning of the period in Dane (R. Koroter) and Ashland (R. Verch) Counties. Last reported in Ashland County, May 19 (R. Verch).

Brewers Blackbird: Present at the beginning of the period in Rock County (Brakefields). Present at the end of the period in Eau Claire, Marathon, Langlade, Douglas, Wood, Barron, Brown, Portage, Ashland and Walworth Counties.

Scarlet Tanager: First reported in Pierce County, May 5 (C. Faanes).

Summer Tanager: Reported in Kenosha County, May 14 (R. Hoffman).

Northern Cardinal: Reported as far north as St. Croix, Barron, Chippewa, Marathon, Langlade and Door Counties.

Rose-breasted Grosbeak: First reported in Milwaukee County, April 20 (D. Gustafson).

Indigo Bunting: First reported in Dane County, May 4 (R. Ake).

Dickcissel: First reported in Ashland County, May 3 (R. Verch). Additional reports came from La Crosse, Dane, St. Croix, Barron, Winnebago, Rock, Grant, Sheboygan and Dunn Counties.

Evening Grosbeak: Present at the end of the period in Ashland (R. Verch) and Iron (M. Butterbrodt) Counties. Additional reports came from Eau Claire, Chippewa, Langlade, Douglas, Barron, Dane, Price, Door, Portage, Marquette, Vilas, Sawyer, Oneida and Forest Counties.

Pine Grosbeak: Reported in Ashland County from the beginning of the period to May 15 (R. Verch); and Vilas County, April 4 (M. Hafemann).

Common Redpoll: Last reported on April 14 in Outagamie County (D. Tessen).

Pine Siskin: Last reported in Sheboygan County, May 22 (R. Hoffman).

Red Crossbill: Present at the beginning of the period in Marquette County (R. Williamson), and on May 28 in Ashland County (S. Robbins).

Rufous-sided Towhee: First reported in Brown County, March 18 (Bro. Columban, E. Cleary).

Savannah Sparrow: First reported in Waukesha County, March 11 (J. Bielefeldt).

Grasshopper Sparrow: First reported in Vernon County, April 24 (V. Weber).

LeConte's Sparrow: Reported in Milwaukee County, April 17, 22 and 24 (J. Idzikowski); Wood County, May 1 (S. Robbins); Jackson County, May 1 (D. Faanes); St. Croix County, May 5 (C. Faanes); Chippewa County, May 14 (S. Robbins); Marathon County, May 15 to the end of the period (D. Goetsch); Ashland County, May 17 to the end of the period (R. Verch); and, Burnett County, May 28-29 (D. Tessen).

Henslow's Sparrow: First reported in Vernon County, April 11 (V. Weber).

Sharp-tailed Sparrow: Reported in Burnett County, May 28-29 (D. Tessen, R. Ake). See "By the Wayside".

Vesper Sparrow: First reported in Marquette County, March 15 (R. Williamson).

Lark Sparrow: Reported in Sauk County, April 23 - May 8 (D. Tessen) and May 21 (R. Hoffman); Washington County, May 16 (D. Haseleu); Trempealeau County, May 17 (C. & R. Faanes); Jackson County, May 25 to the end of the period (D. Harmer); and, Burnett County, May 29 (D. Tessen).

Dark-eyed Junco: Present at the end of the period in Langlade (B. Pickering), Marathon (D. Goetsch), Douglas (R. Johnson), Ashland (R. Verch), and Iron (M. Butterbrodt) Counties.

Tree Sparrow: Last reported in Milwaukee County, May 11 (E. Strehlow).

Chipping Sparrow: First reported in Langlade County, April 8 (B. Pickering).

Clay-colored Sparrow: First reported in Vernon County, April 16 (V. Weber).

Field Sparrow: First reported in Waukesha County, March 31 (J. Bielefeldt).

Harris Sparrow: Reported in Rock County, May 1-12 (Brakefields); Milwaukee County, May 2 (J. Idzikowski), May 3-18 (E. Strehlow); Dane County, May 4 (R. Ake); and, St. Croix County, May 12 (C. Faanes).

White-crowned Sparrow: First reported in Racine County, March 13 (L. Erickson). Last reported in Price County, May 21 (M. Hardy).

White-throated Sparrow: Present at the beginning of the period in Dane (R. Koroter), Brown (Bro. Columban, E. Cleary), Rock (Brakefields) and Racine (L. Erickson) Counties.

Fox Sparrow: Present at the beginning of the period in Racine County (L. Erickson). Last reported in Ashland County, May 11 (R. Verch).

Lincolns Sparrow: First reported in Price County, April 11 (M. Hardy).

Swamp Sparrow: First noted in Ozaukee County, March 12 (E. Epstein).

Lapland Longspur: Last reported in Winnebago County, May 15 (C. Schultz).

Snow Bunting: Last reported in Ashland County, April 29 (R. Verch).

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# **May Day Counts - 1977**

A total of 33 counts were submitted with a total of 252 species being reported.

- ANTIGO: May 22, 6:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m., 12 observers, 1 party Lee Dinsmore, Compiler. 88 species including LeContes Sparrow.
- APPLETON: May 14, 3:30 a.m. 9:00 p.m., 41 observers, 15 parties Daryl Tessen, Compiler. 179 species including Yellow-crowned Night Heron, Goshawk, Peregrine Falcon, Stilt Sandpiper, Hudsonian Godwit and Connecticutt Warbler.
- ARCADIA: May 15, 4:45 a.m. 7:00 p.m., 4 observers,1 party Tom Roskos, Compiler. 70 species including Blue-gray Gnatcatcher and Louisiana Waterthrush.
- ASHLAND-BAYFIELD COUNTIES: May 19, 6:00 a.m. 9:30 p.m., 35 observers, 10 parties Dick Verch, Compiler. 164 species including Yellow-crowned Night Heron, White-fronted Goose, Hudsonian Godwit, Prothonotary Warbler, and LeConte's Sparrow.
- BLACK RIVER FALLS: May 24, 5:00 a.m. -8:00 p.m., 3 observers, 2 parties Mrs. Francis Harmer, Compiler. 41 species including Woodcock and Whip-poor-will.
- CEDAR LAKE, BARRON COUNTY: May 21, 4:00 a.m. 10:00 p.m., 2 observers, 1 party Craig Faanes, compiler. 117 species including Bald Eagle, and Yellow-bellied Flycatcher.
- FORT ATKINSON: May 14, 6:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m., 12 observers, 1 party Richard Wanie, Compiler. 80 species including Turkey Vulture and Sandhill Crane.
- GRANT COUNTY: May 7, 5:30 a.m. 10:00 p.m., 13 observers, 3 parties Terrance Ingram, Compiler. 115 species including Swainson's Hawk, Peregrine Falcon, Bobwhite, Tufted Titmouse and Worm-eating Warbler.
- HORICON MARSH: May 15, 7:30 a.m. 4:30 p.m., 18 observers, 5 parties Bob Drieslein, Compiler. 104 species including King Rail.
- KENOSHA COUNTY: May 14, 4:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m., 22 observers, 9 parties Ron Hoffman, Compiler. 153 species including Bewicks Wren, Loggerhead Shrike, Orchard Oriole Summer Tanager.

- LA CROSSE: May 22, 4:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m., 6 observers, 1 party William Smith, Compiler. 93 species including Bobwhite, Tufted Titmouse, and Prothonotary Warbler.
- LAKE GENEVA, WALWORTH COUNTY: May 15, 5:00 a.m. 8:30 p.m., 9 observers, 4 parties Dr. G.M. Culp, Compiler. 91 species including Black-throated Blue Warbler and Yellow-breasted Chat.
- MARATHON COUNTY: May 15, 5:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m., 18 observers, 8 parties Mrs. David Bierbrause, Compiler. 125 species including Prairie Chicken, Red Crossbill and Le-Conte's Sparrow.
- MARINETTE COUNTY: May 21, 5:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m., 4 observers, 2 parties Myrtle Mathis, Compiler. 110 species including Merlin, Hudsonian Godwit and Orchard Oriole.
- MARQUETTE COUNTY: May 18, 7:30 a.m. 8:15 p.m., 1 observer, 1 party Richard Williamson, Compiler. 53 species including Bobwhite, Long-eared Owl and Red-headed Woodpecker (albino).
- MILWAUKEE-OZAUKEE COUNTIES: May 15, 3:30 a.m. 8:00 p.m., 19 observers, 10 parties Mary Donald, Compiler. 173 species including Red-throated Loon, Oldsquaw, White-eyed Vireo, Kentucky Warbler and Hooded Warbler.
- NICOLET NATIONAL FOREST: May 16, 6:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m., 1 observer, 1 party Gary Zimmer, Compiler. 35 species including Pileated Woodpecker and Raven.
- OCONOMOWOC: May 15, 5: a.m. 9:00 p.m., 19 observers, ? parties Edward Peartree, Compiler. 111 species including Tufted Titmouse and Orchard Oriole.
- OXBO-FIFIELD: May 21, 5:00 a.m. 8:00 p.m., 14 observers, 8 parties Maybelle Hardy, Compiler. 106 species including Merlin and Gray Jay.
- PLYMOUTH: May 22, 5:00 a.m. 9:00 p.m., 40 observers, 13 parties Harold Koopman, Compiler. 143 species including Cattle Egret, Rough-legged Hawk and Yellow-bellied Flycatcher.
- PORTAGE COUNTY: May 7, 3:45 a.m. 9:00 p.m., 20 observers, 5 parties Guy Baldasarre, Compiler. 129 species including Goshawk, Peregrine Falcon, Prairie Chicken, Shorteared Owl and Saw Whet Owl.
- POYNETTE: May 15, 4:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m., 8 observers, 1 party William Smith, Compiler. 127 species including Tufted Titmouse.
- ROCK COUNTY: May 15, ? a.m. ? p.m., 16 observers, 7 parties Ruth Mezger, Compiler. 117 species including Cattle Egret, Bobwhite and Tufted Titmouse.
- RUSH LAKE, WINNEBAGO COUNTY: My 26, 8:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m., 2 observers, 1 party Mary Paterson, Compiler. 39 species.
- SHEBOYGAN COUNTY: May 8, 6:00 a.m. 8:00 p.m., 21 observers, 10 parties June Platz, Compiler. 134 species including Short-eared owl and Black-throated Blue Warbler.
- VERNON COUNTY: May 7, 10:30 a.m. 7:30 p.m., 1 observer, 1 party Paul Harris, Compiler. 45 species including sharp-skinned Hawk.
- VERNON COUNTY: May 16, 5:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m., 2 observers, 1 party Viratine Weber, Compiler. 64 species including Blue-winged Warbler.
- WAUKESHA: May 15, 4:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m., 24 observers, 12 parties John Bielefeldt, Compiler. 145 species including Bobwhite, Baird's Sandpiper and Northern Phalarope.
- WAUPACA-WAUTOMA,: May 7, 4:00 a.m. 11:00 p.m., 15 observers, 10 parties Dar Tiede, Compiler. 150 species including Merlin, Bobwhite, Raven and Prothonotary Warbler.
- WHITNALL PARK, MILWAUKEE COUNTY: May 18, 7:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m., 1 observer, 1 party Elmer Strehlow, Compiler. 88 species including Yellow-bellied Flycatcher, Prothonotary Warbler, and Harris Sparrow.
- WINNEBAGO COUNTY: May 14, 5:45 a.m. 5:30 p.m., 22 observers, 11 parties Thomas Ziebell, Compiler. 156 species including Red-necked Grebe, Mute Swan, Hudsonian Godwit and Lark Sparrow.
- WISCONSIN POINT, DOUGLAS COUNTY: May 22, 12:00 a.m. 5:15 p.m., 2 observers, 1 party Craig Faanes, Compiler. 125 species including Black Scoter, Surf Scoter, Piping Plover and Red Knot.
- WISCONSIN POINT, DOUGLAS COUNTY: May 22, 6:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m., 4 observers, 2 parties Robbye Johnson, Compiler. 95 species including Black Scoter and Black-throated Blue Warbler.

# In Memoriam

# MRS. CLARA HUSSONG



With deep sorrow I report the death of Mrs. Clara Hussong on February 9, 1978. She was a well known ornithologist, conservationist and nature writer.

She was one of the founders of the Green Bay Bird Club 42 years ago and was the first president. She was a member of the Wisconsin Ornithology Society and a Honorary member of the Northeastern Audobon Society. She was a country school teacher and later taught at the Vocational School in Green Bay.

Her nature column ran for 42 years in the "Green Bay Press Gazette". She also wrote for the "Appleton Post-Crescent". Her articles also appeared in "Nature", "Better Homes and Gardens", "The Spirit" and the "Passenger Pigeon". She wrote two children's nature books entitled, "The Golden Book of Nature Talks" and "Birds".

For five years she worked full time at the Press-Gazette, handling assignments on state and women's desk, and doing book and play reviews.

Later on she became an expert photographer, worked with the Brown County Library System, filled a variety of posts with local and national nature groups and clubs. At one time she was a member of 17 organizations, professional and social.

In 1962 she was sighted by the Green Bay Council on Movies, Books and Television for her "creative constructive writings." She won many national and local awards throughout the years.

It is individuals like Clara that are responsible for making a better world because they had lived in it!

Her great love for nature and her fellowmen, her responsibility and many accomplishments might well be a memorial guide for us in the years ahead!

By Edwin D. Cleary

#### IN MEMORY OF CLARA HUSSONG

We've lost our friend — Our dearest friend!
We've known throughout the years —
So sweet and kind!
To all mankind;

We'll miss her through our tears.

The flowers of the forest, too
Will miss her gentle gaze —
She loved them so
As well we know;
So happy were her days!

The evening world seems empty now, So dark and bleak and still — For Clare is gone Before the dawn Beyond the farthest hill.

Silence streams in sympathy
Upon the winter's glow —
The world's at rest
With flowers pressed
Beneath a sheet of snow.

Goodnight my little, lady, fair, Sleep tight where nature dreams . . . Until, dear friend, We meet again; Life's shorter than it seems.

By Bernard Chartier.



# By the

# Wayside...

# Yellow Rails and Sharp-tailed Sparrows at Crex Meadows

(May 28 & 29, 1977.) "The Yellow Rails and Sharp-tailed Sparrow and LeConte's Sparrows were all heard in the same spot in the east central portion of Crex Meadows N.W.R. Bob Ake discovered the Yellow Rails (He had 5, we had 4), and the Sharp-tailed Sparrow (he had 3, we had 1). These were located on the north side of the dike road and the LeConte's Sparrows on the south side (discovered by Jim Frank and myself). Birds (Rails and

sharp-tailed) commenced calling at 6:30 and continued until around 9:00, with the Yellows continuing until after we left. The following morning all three species were calling when we arrived around 4:45 — with storms immediately to the east and west.

Daryl Tessen Elgin, IL

### 30 Whimbrels in Door County

(May 21, 1977) Tom Erdman observed them (30 whimbrels) at the mouth of Rieboldt's Creek on Mud Bay of the eastern shore of Lake Michigan at about 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 21, 1977. He came to our house to tell us and I took my Nikkornat camera and 300mm lens. We approached to within 60' before they flew. We heard their short whistling — like calls as they flew away, eventually rising high and flying to the north-northwest in a broad V formation. We watched them on the mud flats for about 15 minutes before they left.

Char Lukes Bailey's Harbor, WI

### Weather Grounded Migrants in Douglas County

On May 22, 1977 I travelled to Douglas County in hopes of finding the warbler migration which "did not occur" in western Wisconsin this spring. Stopping first at Solon Springs, two Cape May Warblers were found at their usual black spruce bog on Highway A. Moving further east, the Connecticut Warblers were not found in their usual jack pine nesting area. A chorus of Solitary Vireos, Parula and Black-throated Green Warblers livened up a rather slow morning at Stones Bridge along the Brule River.

Hoping for better luck further north, Wisconsin Point at Superior was set for the last stop of the day. A rather strong northeast wind had pushed cold air in off Lake Superior. Meeting the warmer air over land, a dense cloud of fog had formed along the lake. What awaited on Wisconsin Point was an ornithological experience I shall never forget.

As we approached the old dump, a tree full of Bay-breasted and Cape May Warblers caught my eye. Abruptly stopping the car, the trees were found to be literally alive with warblers. Meeting two other birders from Superior, we teamed up to find a total of 26 species of warblers, 4 species of vireos, 4 species of thrushes plus Evening Grosbeak and Red-breasted Nuthatch. Hundreds of individual songbirds had been grounded by the inclement weather. Not wanting to continue migrating over the fogged in lake, the birds were vigorously feeding in 42 degree temperature with a strong, cold wind from the lake. The top five warbler species observed, in decreasing abundance were: American Redstart, Cape May, Chestnut-sided, Baybreasted and Wilson's. Of particular interest were approximately 30 Canada Warblers, 7 singing Connecticuts, 3 Black-throated Blue and a rather late Orange-crowned.

As the fog lifted, we pulled ourselves from the warblers and moved to the beach for shorebirds. The beach yielded 15 shorebird species including such goodies as: 2 Red Knots and 1 Piping Plover. With further improvement in the weather, the open lake was scanned with nineteen species of ducks and mergansers observed. Best among these were 2 Surf Scoters and a male Black Scoter.

By the end of the afternoon, we had observed 125 species of birds in five hours on a spit of land  $2\frac{1}{2}$  miles long and 200 yards wide at its widest point. To say the least, this was a much needed shot in the arm helping to overcome a rather slow spring migration elsewhere in Wisconsin.

Craig Faanes River, Falls, WI

#### **Chuck-wills-Widow**

Over the 1977 Memorial Day weekend, our family had a unique experience in birding. We were visiting our good friends, George and Lola MacLean at the base of Blue Mound in Dane County when "Mac" told us there was a new bird nesting in the area for the second year. He said we would begin hearing it at nightfall.

We have been used to hearing a chorus of whip-poor-wills (Caprimulgus vociferus) all night when we visit, but were in for a treat because joining the chorus was the cousin from the South, the chuck-wills-widow (Caprimulgus Carolinensis). Sure enough, when dusk came the chuck-wills-widow started first followed a little later by the whip-poor-will. Seemingly the hills echoed with the two species vieing for your ear. We thoroughly enjoyed the din in spite of hearing it all night.

The following night when the the chuck-wills-widow started calling, we cautiously approached the small dead tree from which he was calling and used our flashlight to spotlight this slightly larger and more buffy bird sitting upright in an awkward manner. He even seemed unsteady in this position with an occasional flick of a wing to maintain his balance.

After observing him for 2-3 minutes, he flew off to start calling from another vantage point none the worse for his being startled by the intruders into his nocturnal world.

Gaylord M. Culp, D.C. Lake, Geneva, WI

# Mississippi Kite & Ruff

Species: Mississippi Kite, one individual. Date and Time: May 14, 1977, 13:15. Place: Over mudflat and in cottonwoods west of incinerator and north of Tower Drive access road, Atkinson's Marsh area, Green Bay, Brown Co. Glass: Bushnell 7x50 Featherlite w/Instafocus and Bausch and Lomb Balscope Sr., 20x. Observers: Randy Koroter (submitting this report), John Idzokowski, and Dennis Gustafson.

Description and Details: This bird approached the mudflat from south of Tower Drive flying approximately north-northeast and landed in a cotton-wood on the ridge bordering the north-south running canal west of the incinerator. Its appearance caused the few thousands of shorebirds (mostly Dunlin) feeding on the mudflat to scatter. Although the kite was not observed to take a shorebird as it flew over the mudflat, it was observed to feed on a Dunlin-sized bird (perhaps a passerine) while it perched in the tree. When first observed the birds was 50-70 meters away from me.

John Idzokowski approached the bird to take photos, which caused it to move to a tree farther north and eventually to leave altogether.

In flight the falcon shape and graceful flight style were obvious. The bird appeared totally medium to dark gray from behind as it flew, except for the nearly black unmarked tail. The kite was about the size of a Bonaparte's Gull.

While perched the bird appeared totally gray. The head appeared to be nearly the same shade of gray as the wings (unlike the picture in Robbins et al.). Details could not be observed well even with the scope because the bird was perched several hundred meters away. Just a hint of the dark eyeline could be seen. The distinctive hook shaped bill was observed. Thew sky was sunny, but slightly hazy. Length of observation: approx. 15 minutes.

I have observed several Mississippi Kites, both adults and immatures, in Texas. This appeared to be an adult. No streaking was seen on the breast.

Species: Ruff, one individual, male. Date and Time: May 14, 1977, 10:25-11:15 a.m. Place: On mudflat west of incinerator and north of the Tower Drive access road, Atkinson's Marsh area, Green Bay, Brown Co. Glass: Bausch & Lomb Balscope Sr., 20x. Observer: Randy Koroter (submitting this report). Also observed later (13:00) by John Idzowski and Dennis Gustafson.

Description and Details (taken from accompanying field notes): Despite that there were well over 1,000 birds feeding on the mudflat, this bird was spotted within 10 seconds of setting up my scope. It was near the road and its appearance was quite distinctive. I watched for a few minutes and took a few notes. The birds redistributed themselves and the Ruff moved farther north, away from the road. I then walked down the cottonwood ridge that runs north-south between the mudflat and the canal behind the incinerator. I was able to approach within 30-40 meters of the bird, which was in excellent light. I studied it for about 15 minutes and noted the following features.

The bird impressed me at the time as being as large as a Greater Yellowlegs, which it probably was not. The only birds near enough with which to compare size were small shorebirds and Lesser Yellowlegs which were clearly smaller. Basically, it was a large, long-legged shorebird with a chestnut-red head and breast, white belly, dark back, and yellowish legs. The top of the head, neck, and back were darker, almost black, than the reddish breast and face (see field sketch). This black neck-stripe widened at the nape to extend around onto the sides of the neck.

A dark eye-line was observed on the red face, but the bird also had a white, broken eye-ring. The bill was straight, 3-5 cm long, and appeared dull yellowish throughout. It was considerably thicker at the base. The belly was white to the vent. There were black lateral streaks where the white belly met the reddish breast (see sketch). The wings were gray-brown. The wing coverts were darker toward the tips, but white tipped. The wings appeared the same length as the tail as the bird fed. When the bird turned its tail into the wind, the wing primaries curled back as if they were very flexible. The legs were yellowish and perhaps proportionately a bit shorter than those of a yellowlegs.

The tail was not seen well as the bird was never observed in flight. Some white was visible, but the very tip was dark.

The Ruff was feeding actively at all times. It used only the tip of its bill; it did not probe deep into the mud. It was observed to ruff the reddish feathers on its neck several times.

It eventually wandered farther out onto the mudflat giving me a chance to observe the many other birds in the area: 15 Semipalmated Plover, 10 L. Yellowlegs, 80 dowitchers, 1 each Wilson's Phalarope and Bl-bellied Plover, 20 Least and 4 Pectoral Sandpiper, and over 500 Dunlin.

This is the first experience I've had with this species.

Randy Koroter Madison, WI

# Letters to

# The Editor

### Dear Dr. Kemper:

On January 4, 1978 I had a close encounter with a Tufted Titmouse at the University of Wisconsin's Picnic Point in Madison. I heard one whistling from some distant trees, and I answered, imitating the same paired ascending notes. After about 30 seconds of this duet, I found myself face to face with my consort, only four feet from my face, who continued the duet for about 15 seconds, then suddenly began twittering and chipping agitatedly, fluttering its wings exactly like a receptive female or a begging fledgling. It continued this for at least two or three minutes from several perches near me, as it eyed me closely with each eye. Then it burst into its "Peter Peter" song which it sang for five or so minutes from different perches five to ten feet above my head. I was the one to end this brief interlude by walking away to observe some robins. (There were at least two other Tufted Titmice in the vicinity at the time of this incident, because I had heard three singing from different directions ten minutes previously.)

Curiously, Laura L. Erickson 2209 University Ave. Madison, WI 53705

## Dr. Dr. Kemper:

After reading Walter Scott's obituary for Dr. Hartley Jackson I thought about some interesting conversations that Hartley and I have had, about 15 years ago. The comments enclosed result from those thoughts. Perhaps they would be of interest to your readers of the **Passenger Pigeon**.

#### HARTLEY JACKSON AND JOHN MUIR

The interesting and historic obituary for Dr. Hartley H.T. Jackson written by Walter E. Scott in the **Passenger Pigeon** prompts me to add a few words about Jackson, the greatest mammalogist from Wisconsina and an important ornithologist and conservationist as well. While working two summers in the U.S. National Museum I got to know him, and we have corresponded through the years. In those years he had recently published his book on Wisconsin mammals, completed when he was in his eighties, and he was disappointed by the reviews. There are two outstanding features of that book which make it a classic. First, it is a very scholarly and comprehensive study on the known natural history of the species of mammals that are found in Wisconsin. That justifies his use of information from other states. Second, his bibliography for Wisconsin mammalogy is remarkably complete and very important.

Scott mentioned that Jackson published 900 articles, and Hartley mentioned that same number to me. Several mammalogists have disputed that statement, and I believe the answer lies in his counting the profusion of editorial comments and notices written while Jackson served as editor of the Journal of Mammalogy. Taxonomists hold the printed page as sacred, the ultimate document in communication, and many taxonomists list all things written and subsequently printed as publications. I do not by this intend to disparage Jackson's productivity, which was high in quality and quantity over many decades. His work on the shrews alone makes him one of the greatest mammalogists of all time. Dr. E. Raymond Hall told me once that Jackson made truly great contributions to science serving as editor of the Journal of Mammalogy. Jackson's numerous contributions to conservation of mammals and birds ought to be valued by future generations. Working in a government position Jackson stood up time and again to oppose policies detrimental to wildlife. His philosophy is clearly revealed in a comment to me saying, "Some day man will learn that he needs every species of shrew in a marsh for his survival."

I would like to recount a story Hartley Jackson told me once about his first and only meeting with John Muir, another great naturalist from Wisconsin. They grew up from areas very close together, and both attended the University of Wisconsin at Madison. The annual mammalogy meeting was held in New York City, and Muir and Jackson were both there. Hoping to meet Muir and discuss of course their mutual Wisconsin backgrounds, Jackson ventured up to Muir's hotel room. There he found Muir sitting alone, angry, bags packed, and eager to leave on the next train to California. Muir told Jackson he was upset by the way people in New York were crowded together, the noise, filth and so on. Jackson recalled that Muir passionately stated, "People should not live this way." I think it is important to note in the scriptures of natural history that Jackson and Muir met one another personally, and to place on record the essence of what they had to say.

Charles A. Long Professor and Director of the Museum of Natural History University of Wisconsin Stevens Point, WI

### Dear Dr. Kemper:

As a graduate student at UW-Stevens Point I will be initiating a study of the Black-crowned Night Heron this spring. As part of the study I will be attempting to locate all the active Black-crowned Night Heron colonies in the state. I would like to solicit the help of the WSO in my search for these colonies by putting a call for information in the next **Passenger Pigeon** and **Badger Birder**.

Anyone with information on the location or suspected location of a colony is asked to contact me at the following address:

James E. Hoefler c/o Lyle Nauman UW-Stevens Point Stevens Point, WI 54481

Respondents should include directions on how to find the colony. I would also appreciate information on the number of breeding pairs and years in existence.

This study was suggested by and is being carried out in conjunction with Ruth Hine (Chairman, DNR Endangered Species Committee). Information from the study will be used to determine the status of the black-crowned night heron in Wisconsin and to set up a possible management program if it is found to be declining.

Your help is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely, James E. Hoefler

### Dear Sir:

As I read Robert Tracy's letter to you that was on page 343 of the recent **Passenger Pigeon**, I wondered if he may have mistaken a Shrike for a Gray Jay. I see the Gray Jay & Blue Jay nearly every day of the year at my feeding area. Many times when a Northern Shrike has flown in I have thought Gray Jay, until it turned so I could the black stripe from the bill through the eye and the other differences. For one, the smaller size.

Even a young Gray Jay, when it still looks like an overgrown Martin, is as long as its parents.

There seems to be a "cat & mouse" feud that automatically starts on sight between a Shrike and a Blue Jay (also a Sharp Shinned Hawk).

Yours truly, Maybelle Hardy

## Dear Dr. Kemper:

I know the **Harris' Sparrow** is not an unknown sighting in Wisconsin. Every year there are several. But the one that has been coming to our backyard feeder since Jan. 25th has been a spectacular sighting for us.

The black crown and bib, pink bill, and streaked sides against a snow white breast are such a contrast to any other bird at our feeder, it stands out like a rose in a field of violets. As I look down on it from the window, its back and rump are more gray and unstreaked than in the books. This one's head

markings are more gray than white and the bib is somewhat blotched, so maybe it is a 2nd year bird.

I would have enjoyed sharing it with everyone, but that's impossible. It is an independent little bird, preferring to eat alone. It doesn't come at regular intervals, or even everyday. As of March 24th it was still coming, when it wanted to, as early as 6:30 a.m. and as late as 4:30 p.m. It likes sunflower seeds as well as the other seed, always feeding on the ground. Sometimes it would fly in, sit in the lilac bush awhile and leave without touching a seed.

There is a brushy area with open water across the street from us. I'm sure that is where it finds shelter.

It has been a good winter for bird lovers. We have had 19 species show up at one time or another, including a Red-breasted Nuthatch and an immature White-crowned Sparrow. But the winter of '77 will long be remembered as the year of the Harris' Sparrow at our house.

Judy Haseleu Hartford, WI

# **Book Review**

A Guide to Bird Finding East of the Mississippi by Olin Sewall Pettingill, Jr., Revised ed., Oxford University Press, 200 Madison Ave., New York, N.Y. 10016, 1977; 80 line drawings by George M. Sutton, 689 pp., \$15.95.

The updating of this "atlas of eastern bird-watching hot-spots" is indeed welcome. When Pettingill published the first edition in 1951, he pioneered in an area which has subsequently been followed and enlarged upon by such statewide publications as **Wisconsin's Favorite Bird Haunts**. Much has happened in the past 26 years to make this revision essential. The entire interstate highway system has been added, urban sprawl has claimed some former bird havens, while expanding parks and refuges have provided new ornithological oases.

For Wisconsin observers who want to learn more about Wisconsin hotspots, this book's value is limited mainly to the introductory paragraphs which describe the topographical features of the state as a whole, and list species characteristic of northern coniferous forests, deciduous hardwoods, farmlands and marshes. The eleven areas mentioned are all included in Haunts, which also features individual maps lacking in Pettingill's Guide.

For Wisconsin observers visiting in other states this volume should be of considerable help. Maps inside front and back covers show at a glance some high spots for each state. But don't be misled into thinking the mapped spots are the only ones covered in the text. The Michigan chapter describes 17 areas, while the map pinpoints only 8. The inclusion of these maps is a welcome addition to this revision. Why the maps were left incomplete is puzzling to this reviewer. If the author feared the maps would be too cluttered, I would have preferred to see the metric conversion tables eliminated and the 26 states depicted in four maps instead of the present three.

When visiting other states, don't lean too heavily for further advice on the "authorities" listed within each chapter. The Massachusetts chapter lists at least five who are deceased. It is disconcerting to see F.N. Hamerstrom listed in Michigan while omitted from Wisconsin. This came about because the author chose to acknowledge those observers who assisted with the 1951 edition as well as current contributors. Laudable, yes, but distinctions between past and present could have been made through the use of parentheses or boldface type.

For out-of-state observers visiting Wisconsin, this edition should be a real stimulus. The visitor can learn about the spring swan flight on Lake Winnebago, the tremendous goose concentrations at Horicon, the heavy hawk flights along Lake Michigan (the more public Harrington Beach State Park north of Port Washington understandably being substituted for the more restricted Cedar Grove area where too many visitors might interfere with the banding research work), the varied woodland and meadow species at Madison and Mazomanie, the breeding waterfowl and marsh species at Crex Meadows, the Connecticut Warblers near Solon Springs, the boreal forest species near Clam Lake.

Most of the directions appear concisely and carefully written except for Madison. An out-of-towner could search endlessly for "Villas" Park (should be Vilas), and if one follows the printed directions for University Bay, one is likely to end up on Bascom Hill — and perhaps in the critical eye of the campus police. Some new developments northwest of Mazomonie alter that area somewhat, but not enough to get a person lost.

One would surely get lost trying to locate the listed Wisconsin authorities. Four of the eighteen have died, and several others have moved to Illinois, Minnesota, North Dakota and California. The visitor will eventually find Clam Lake and Teal Lake, listed under "Park Falls", but he would find them more quickly had the area been listed under "Hayward" or "Glidden". The author chose to list areas under a town mentioned in the index of a Rand McNally road atlas. But "Sarona" is listed in the Guide, and not in my Rand McNally.

To this reviewer the biggest disappointment in the Wisconsin chapter is the omission of some of this state's finest areas. Space was surely at a premium, preventing the listing of many fine ornithological areas in every state. But the geographically smaller Maryland and New Hampshire are represented by 14 areas, and New Jersey by 16, compared with Wisconsin's 11. Some space was used needlessly to mention the presence of Red-eyed Vireos and Common Yellowthroats in New Hampshire, Killdeer and Red-headed Woodpeckers in Mississippi, Horned Larks and Baltimore Orioles in Ohio, Mallards and Redwinged Blackbirds in Illinois, etc. Perhaps the space saved by not mentioning ubiquitous species would not have been sufficient to allow mention of Wisconsin's Wyalusing Park, Brice Prairie, Wisconsin Point, Buena Vista Marsh, Nicolet Forest and Green Bay. But it is a shame that out-of-staters will learn nothing of these fine areas from this book.

The book makes enjoyable reading. Pettingill's descriptions, together with George Micsch Sutton's drawings, will stimulate the reader's imagination even if the reader gets no closer to the hot-spots than his favorite armchair. Most of the drawbacks I see in this **Guide** could have been avoided had the author done more double-checking with current state "authorities" before going to press.

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