

April 22/77. Earle Hickey observed a Glossy Ibis from 13.30 to 15.00 near the Hillsborough River, 1/2 mile West of Mount Stewart. Confirmation of the sighting was made by Bruce Pigot. The last recorded sighting was on April 24, 1975 when Barrett Horne observed two Glossy Ibis feeding near the Queen's Road, Montague.

EARLY RETURNING MIGRANTS

During the spring of 1977, many avian migrants received their cue to return to the summer residence unusually early. A number of early sightings are summarized below in order of date.

<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE, REMARKS</u>	<u>OBSERVER</u>
Pintail	Mar. 2	Souris	Buddy McIntyre
Baldpate	Mar. 2	Souris	Buddy McIntyre
Green-winged Teal	Mar. 9	Mt. Stewart	Earle Hickey
Belted Kingfisher	Mar. 25	Head of Montague	John Wright
Common Grackle	Mar. 28	Rosemount Drive	R.B. MacLaren
	Mar. 29	Stanley Bridge	Wendell MacKay
Great Blue Heron	Mar. 28	Orwell Corner .	John Wright
	Mar. 29	Glenfinnan, Mt. Stewart	Earle Hickey
Red-wing Black Bird	Mar. 29	Stanley Bridge	Wendell McKay
	Mar. 30	Orwell Cove	John Wright
Savannah Sparrow	Mar. 31	North River	Earle Hickey
Lincoln's Sparrow	Late Mar.		Martin McNicholl
Lapland Longspur	Late Mar.		Martin McNicholl Geoff Hogan
Song Sparrow	Late Mar.		Martin McNicholl Geoff Hogan
Red-tailed Hawk	Apr. 1	Alberry Plains	Geoff Hogan
Double-Crested Cormorant	Apr. 1	Stanley Bridge	Martin McNicholl
Red-Breasted Merganser	Apr. 1	Stanley Bridge	Martin McNicholl
Blue Winged Teal	Apr. 2	West River Causeway	Kathy Martin
Kestrel	Apr. 3	New London	Martin McNicholl
Marsh Hawk	Apr. 5	Midgel	Geoff Hogan
Killdeer	Apr. 11	North River (2)	Earle Hickey
Common flicker	Apr. 13	North River	Earle Hickey
Osprey	Apr. 13	Bell River	Nelson Hurry
Tree Swallow	Apr. 19	Mt. Stewart (6)	Earle Hickey
Pied-billed Grebe	Apr. 20	Mt. Stewart	Earle Hickey
A. Bittern	Apr. 20	Mt. Stewart	Earle Hickey