

Common Crow - building nest in spruce hedgerow, 3rd week March, L. York (JtR); carrying nest material in early March (SS); carrying nest material Cornwall, March 20 (MF);

Boreal Chickadee - 1 at Foxley River, January (JB)

Brown Creeper - 1 at Baldwin's Road, March 23 (GS)

American Robin - 1 at Winsloe North, Feb. 25 (G&NP); 1 at Sherwood, March 1 (DW) and March 2 (RC); 1 on lawn, Lewis Pt., March 29 (A&MW)

Bohemian Waxwing - 17+ at Winsloe North, Feb. 25 (G&NP); 30 at Confederation Centre Library, early Mar. (LT)

Cedar Waxwing - 8 at Sherwood, March 2 (RC)

Northern Shrike - 1 at Crapaud, Feb. 21 (JK); 1 at Brackley Beach, Mar. 27 (RC); 1 at Pisquid River, Mar. 29 (BCP); 1 at Five Houses, Mar. 30 (BCP);

House Sparrow - 1 partial albino female seen at Mount Stewart since last fall. Dull brown of plumage bleached blond, underparts white, pupils black (BCP)

Red-winged Blackbird - 1 at Mount Stewart (BCP) & 2 at Brackley (RP), March 19 One with two yellow wing bars (not bright like spring plumage) watched for 2 -3 minutes at Kildare River, week of April 7th (Td'A)

Common Grackles - 2 at Sherwood, March 3 (RC); 3 males at Mt. Stewart, March 7 (BCP); 6 returned to Little York, March 22 (JtR); daily in Sherwood starting March 22 (RC); arrived en masse (50) on March 24 at Cornwall (MF)

Brown-headed Cowbird - 7 at Little York, April 2 (JtR)

Evening Grosbeak - 1 at Little York feeder, March 22 (JtR)

Blue Grosbeak - 1 male (first Island record) at feeders in Mt. Albion, April 23-26 (L&RM, JDM)

Pine Siskin - 7 at Loius Point Park Feb. 17 (A&MW); 2 at feeder March 11 & 3 March 24 at Cornwall; daily at Sherwood feeder, March 27 (RC);

American Goldfinch - 2 to 25 at feeder in Cornwall in March (MF)

Northern Junco - 3 at Little York, March 31 (JtR)

American Tree Sparrow - 1 from mid-to late Jan., Foxley River (JB); 2 at Brackley Pt. feeder in Feb-Mar (RP);

Fox Sparrow - 1 at Bonshaw, April 1st (BG)

Song Sparrow - 4 at York, early March (JtR); 1 at Sherwood, March 29, March 31 (RC)

Snow Buntings - 150 at Winsloe North, Jan. 2 (G&NP)

Spring peepers first heard in Donagh, April 24 (JDM); Smelts spawning run on a number of rivers week of April 15th (JDM); 36 seals on the ice at Souris on March 9 (BP); mink crossing Beach Grove Road with a smelt, April 15 (JDM); silver fox on bay ice in Savage Harbour, March 16 (BP); Red Fox (female) on North River ice came out on lawn at Lewis Point, March 14; Red Fox at Albany March 17 pouncing for mice (EC); Red Fox (grey in colour) seen at Beech Grove Road last week of March, (MC); honey bees foraging for pollen at Stanhope Golf course on March 27 (BCP).

The following birds were reported at various locations in February, March, and April: Downy Woodpeckers, Blue Jays, Black-capped Chickadees, Cowbirds, Evening Grosbeaks. All indications suggest that we had a normal spring migration this year.

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