

pulling and carrying beak fulls of dry grass on Pier 1 on Apr. 24; pair mating at Hillsborough Piers of April 25 (JDM)

Ring-billed Gull - 2 at Ellen's Creek, Mar. 25 (RP); 1 at Victoria Park on Mar. 31 (RC)

Black-headed Gull - 1 at the Burger King parking lot in April (LT)

Common Tern - The first terns returned to the Hillsborough Bridge Piers on May 1st. The terns did not settle of the piers until May 8th. (BS)

Mourning Doves - 4 at Hazelbrook feeder, February (DM); 7 at North River feeder on Apr. 4 (RP)

Great Horned Owl - 1 calling at Baldwin's Road, Feb. 27 (GS); 1 calling at York, Apr. 8 (JtR);

Northern Saw-whet Owl - 1 responded to tape call at Avondale, Mar. 14 (RC)

Ruby-throated Hummingbird -

Northern Flicker - 2 at Brackley on Mar. 25 (RP); 1 at Sherwood feeder, week of Apr. 7 (PH); 2 at feeder on Mar. 24 and Apr. 14 (A&MW);

Black-backed Woodpecker - 1 at Greenwich, May 26 (JW, AS)

Tree Swallow - 1 swooping repeatedly over open a patch of ice bound open water at P.E.I. National Park on Apr. 15 (RC)

American Crow - seen carrying nesting material on April 10 in Parkdale. One on Second Street was breaking branchlets off a tree while a second on the ground gathered and carried them off. (BB)

Boreal Chickadee - 2 pairs were excavating a cavity in the end of a broken and rotten gray birch branch about 12 feet off the ground at Rustico Island (JDM, BB, SS)

Red-breasted Nuthatch - 2 at National Park, Feb. 10 and 3 at Kildare, Mar. 23 (RC)

Northern Mockingbird - 1 at Bellevue Cove on Feb. 14 (CS); 1 at Parkdale, Apr. 22 to 24 (LK, BB)

Northern Shrike - 1 at Argyle Shore, Apr. 11

Yellow-rumped Warblers - at least 8 successfully wintered at Savage Harbour this winter. 1 seen on Feb. 8, 8 on Mar. 8, 4 on Mar. 11, and 8 on Mar. 16 at Noreen Kelly's about the roof of the house, the few hardwood trees in front of the house, and the hardwood woodlot to the north and west of the house. Although there is a well patronized feeder on the deck the warblers were not seen there. In winter in this country they feed on bayberries. The birds were very active and in excellent shape. (BCP)

Palm Warbler - 1 at Rustico Island on April 25 (SS, JDM, BB)

Red-winged Blackbird - 2 at Brackley feeder, Apr. 3 (RP); 3 at York, Apr. 4 (JtR); 1 male at Springvale, Apr. 13 (SS)

Common Grackle - 11 passing through York on Mar. 29 (JtR); 2 at Brackley feeder on Mar. 30 (RP); 12 took up residence in York Apr. 4 (JtR); 6 at Oyster Bed Bridge, Apr. 5 (GP); 35 to 40 in Sleepy Hollow on Apr. 11 (EC); 1 at Springvale Apr. 13 (SS)

Brown-headed Cowbird - 1 in Brackley on Apr. 10 (RP); 3 at York, Apr. 11 (JtR);

Purple Finch - 6 at Sherwood feeder Apr. 4 (PH); 100+ on the lawn where the snow was gone on Apr. 4 & 9;

Northern Cardinal - 1 female at Afton Hall feeder for past 3 to 4 weeks near New Dominion, April 2 (LD)

White-winged Crossbill - 1 male singing in top of white spruce at Rustico Island on April 25 (JDM, SS, BB)

Northern Junco - 10 at Hazelbrook feeder, Feb. (DM); 2 to 4 at Donagh feeder in March (JDM); 8 at Brackley feeder on Apr. 12 (RP); 8 Apr. 13 at Glenfinnon (EC);

