

Red-throated Loon  
Common Loon  
Pied-billed Grebe  
Wilson's Storm-Petrel  
Leach's Storm-Petrel  
Northern Gannet  
Double-crested Cormorant  
Great Cormorant  
American Bittern  
Great Blue Heron  
Canada Geese  
Gadwall  
American Wigeon  
American Black Duck  
Mallard  
Blue-winged Teal  
Green-winged Teal  
Ring-necked Duck  
Common Eider  
Surf Scoter  
White-winged Scoter  
Black Scoter  
Common Goldeneye  
Hooded Merganser  
Bald Eagle  
Northern Harrier  
Sharp-shinned Hawk  
American Kestrel  
Merlin  
Virginia Rail

Sora Rail  
Black-bellied Plover  
American Golden Plover  
Semipalmated Plover  
Killdeer  
Greater Yellowlegs  
Lesser Yellowlegs  
Ruddy Turnstone  
Red Knot  
Sanderling  
Semipalmated Sandpiper  
Least Sandpiper  
White-rumped Sandpiper  
Pectoral Sandpiper  
Dunlin  
Black-headed Gull  
Bonaparte's Gull  
Ring-billed Gull  
Herring Gull  
Iceland Gull  
Great Black-backed Gull  
Caspian Tern  
Common Tern  
UID Murre/Razorbill  
Black Guillemot  
Rock Pigeon (Dove)  
Mourning Dove  
Great Horned Owl  
Barred Owl  
Long-eared Owl

Northern Saw-whet Owl  
Ruby-throated Hummingbird  
Northern Flicker  
Blue Jay  
American Crow  
Common Raven  
Horned Lark  
Cliff Swallow  
4 UID swallows  
Black-capped Chickadee  
Boreal Chickadee  
Red-breasted Nuthatch  
Golden-crowned Kinglet  
Ruby-crowned Kinglet  
American Robin  
European Starling  
Cedar Waxwing  
Yellow-rumped Warbler  
Black-throated Green Warbler  
Common Yellowthroat  
Chipping Sparrow  
Savannah Sparrow  
Song Sparrow  
Swamp Sparrow  
White-throated Sparrow  
Dark-eyed Junco  
Red-winged Blackbird  
Common Grackle  
American Goldfinch  
House Sparrow

In addition to the birds seen, we also observed a skunk, two raccoons, several fox, five red squirrels and one gray seal.

### CLIFF SWALLOW MIGRATION:

by Dan Kennedy

On Wednesday and Thursday of the first week of October, Vern Laux, Dwayne Oakley and I, birded from East Point to St. Peter's Harbour. We spent most of our time at East Point but also visited East Lake, North Lake, Rollo Bay, St. Peter's Harbour (Redhead Harbour to some), and a lot of the surrounding areas.

The most startling event on Wednesday occurred very late in the afternoon. A small group of swallows flew over us. We had seen a small number of Tree Swallows earlier and a couple of Barn Swallows but these birds were very different. They were heading inland and we were easily able to identify them as Cliff Swallows, a bird that is classified as accidental in Prince Edward Island. We were naturally delighted to have seen them. We were still congratulating ourselves on what was a lifer for two of us, when more swallows started to fly past. Every one without exception that we were able to check proved to be Cliff Swallows. We estimated a minimum of 600 birds but we were being very conservative and I believe that the real number was probably double that. Early the next morning, we were back at East Point and again saw the swallows as they were trying to sort themselves out to fly back across the Strait. This was an amazing sighting for all of us.

The five Piping Plovers that we found at St Peter's Harbour were extremely late lingering birds so I hope they succeed in making it south before it gets too cold.