

- Short-eared Owl - 1 at Elliotvale, mid-September (P&AW)  
 Ruby-throated Hummingbird - 1 at Covehead marsh, September 3 (SM, JDM, BB)  
 M2 1 at feeder in York to September 7th (JTR)  
 Belted Kingfisher - 2 at Stanhope, September 3 (JDM, SM, BB)  
 Blue Jay - 3 harvesting hazelnuts at York, September 29 (JTR)  
 Red-breasted Nuthatch - 3 + singing at Bonshaw, September 14 (JDM, BG1)  
 - 1 at Rose Valley, October 4 (JDM, SC)  
 Northern Mockingbird - 1 eating hawthorne berries at Indian River, October 19  
 (BG, SH)  
 Brown Thrasher - 1 at Savage Harbour, mid-September (EL)  
 Golden-crowned Kinglet - 1 at Bubbling Springs Trail, October 7 (JDM, SM, RP)  
 Ruby-crowned Kinglet - 6 at Bubbling Spring Trail, October 7 (SM, JDM, RP)  
 Water Pipit - 35 at Covehead marsh, October 7 (SM)  
 Black and White Warbler - 1 at Brookvale, August 24 (SM, JDM)  
 Cape May Warbler - 1 at Bubbling Springs Trail (SM, JDM)  
 Yellow-rumped Warbler - several at Sharam Point, most of October (P&AW)  
 - 1 at Summerside, October 2 (JC)  
 Black-throated Green Warbler - 1 at Brookvale, August 24 (SM, JDM)  
 Blackburnian Warbler - 1 in white pine plantation, Brookvale August 24 (SM)  
 Evening Grosbeak - 20 to 30 in spruce hedgerow at York, September 29 (JTR)  
 Purple Finch - 4 to 6 males, 3 females at Summerside, Sept. 22 - Oct. 3 (JC)  
 - 1 at Cherry Hill marsh, October 1 (JDM)  
 Pine Siskin - 9 in shrubs at Brookvale, August 24 (SM, JDM)  
 American Goldfinch - 4 males, 3 females, and 1 begging young at Summerside, all  
 of September (JC)  
 - 2 at Stanhope, October 7 (SM)  
 Dark-eyed Junco - 1 on nest with 4 young, August 24 (JH)  
 Chipping Sparrow - with fledglings at Brookvale, August 24 (SM, JDM)  
 - 2 at Stanhope, October 7 (SM, JDM, RP)  
 White-throated Sparrow - at Sharam Point, October 10 (P&AW)  
 Song Sparrow - 8 at Stanhope, October 7 (SM, JDM, RP)

#### OTHER NATURAL HISTORY OBSERVATIONS

- September 1 - dragonflies and gulls pursuing swarms of ants at Brackley (JDM)  
 September 8 - several red maples on Old Fort Augustus road starting to show  
 red leaves on single branches (JDM)  
 September 9 - 4 Atlantic white sided dolphins seen at Red Point on  
 Hillsborough River (BB)  
 September 18 - 4 to 6 Atlantic white sided dolphin just upriver of the causeway  
 causing traffic jam on Hillsborough Bridge  
 September 30 - dandelions in flower at Dunstaffnage (AS)  
 October 1 - Atlantic white sided dolphins seen just below Mount Stewart (MF)  
 October 7 - fresh inky cap mushrooms growing on lawn in Winsloe (JDM)  
 October 8 - chipmunk seen feeding on apple at the Deroche Pond Natural Area  
 October 13 - 3 lupins in flower at Alliston (BB)

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