

FEEDER REPORT. On Nov. 18 Mrs. Thelma Clark of Indian River had the following visitors to her feeder: 40 Mourning Dove, 1 Belted Kingfisher on Nov. 14, 4 Downy Woodpecker on Nov. 15, too many Blue Jay to count!, several Black-capped and Boreal Chickadee, 3 Red-winged Blackbird, 1 Common Grackle, 4 Evening Grosbeak, 1 Purple Finch earlier in the month, and several Dark-eyed Junco.

On Dec. 16 these species were present: over 60 Mourning Dove, 4 Downy Woodpecker, 50 to 60 Blue Jay, several Black-capped and Boreal Chickadee, 1 Common Grackle, and 2 male Evening Grosbeak.

On Dec. 24 Geoff Hogan reported these birds at his parents' feeder on North River Road in Charlottetown: 1 Downy Woodpecker, 1 Blue Jay, 12 Common Starling, 30 Evening Grosbeak, 1 American Goldfinch.

On Dec. 23 Peter Feldstein reported the following at the family feeder in South Melville: 12 Rock Dove, 8 Blue Jay, 20 House Sparrow, 1 Common Grackle, and 8 Brown-headed Cowbird.

REQUEST FOR SPECIMENS. The U.P.E.I. Biology Department, which maintains an ornithological collection as part of its natural history museum, is continually receiving new specimens to add to the collection. Anyone finding a dead bird in reasonably good condition (road-killed, collision with a window - whatever) is asked to save these birds for the university collection. In time we hope to have a complete representation of the avifauna of P.E.I. Common as well as rarer species are all useful. Exotic species (i.e. budgies, cockatiels, finches, etc.) are useful as well, so if a captive bird dies please save it. Please record the date and location where the bird was found. Birds may be kept wrapped in plastic in a freezer until they can be either left at the U.P.E.I. Biology Department or taken to the Natural History Society meetings where I will pick them up. Your cooperation is gratefully appreciated. (-Geoff Hogan, U.P.E.I. Biology Department)

LATE BIRD RECORDS

Harlequin Duck - 1 immature m shot by AH in Malpeque on Nov. 28.

Rough-legged Hawk - 1 at Brae on Nov. 22 (GM); 1 at North Carleton on Dec. 9 (BRB).

Marsh Hawk - 1 f at Cape Wolfe on Nov. 15 (AM, GM).

Snowy Owl - 1 in Mermaid on Nov. 19 (FM); 1 at Rustico Island on Dec. 6 (TB).

Saw-whet Owl - 1 found dead in St. Eleanor's on Oct. 1 (GM).

Common Raven - 1 albino in North Winsloe on Dec. 21 (EA).

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