

BIRD REPORT

WINTER BIRD SIGHTINGS

Great Cormorant - 1 in the Valleyfield Road area well away from water on Feb. 29 (SW). About 60 in patches of open water off Launching on Mar. 4 (WEC).

Goshawk - 1 seen feeding on a Starling at Mrs. Irene Craig's on St. Clair Ave. in Charlottetown on Mar. 3 (fide GH). A possible bird of this species was sighted on St. Peter's Island on Mar. 8 (DKC, WEC, GH).

Sharp-shinned Hawk - 1 in Mrs. Irene Craig's yard on St. Clair Ave. on Feb. 13 (fide GH).

Bald Eagle - 2 adults seen in Montague-Commercial Cross area on Feb. 18 (WEC).

Gray Partridge - a covey of 4 at Milltown Cross in early March (LA).

Barred Owl - 1 at Kilmuir on Mar 5 (SW).

Belted Kingfisher - 1 at Knox's Dam on the South Montague Road all winter until at least Mar. 3 (RK fide JW).

Horned Lark - 8 seen at Vernon Mar. 12. Several more, possibly including the same ones were seen in Orwell and Cherry Valley on the 13 of Mar. (JW).

Brown Creeper - 1 in Milltown Cross in early March (LA).

Robin - 3 to 4 have been spending the winter in Georgetown (fide JW).

Bohemian Waxwing - 1 at Mrs Alex MacKinnon's feeder in Georgetown on Mar. 5 (JW).

Red-winged Blackbird - 1 in Kilmuir on Feb. 29 (SW). 3 at a feeder on North River Road on Mar. 3 (GH). 2 at a feeder in Orchard Hill Park during the week of Mar. 10 (KL).

Common Grackle - 4 at a feeder on North River Road near CHTN Radio on Mar. 3 (GH).

Brown-headed Cowbird - 4 males consorting with House Sparrows in Montague on Mar. 1 (JW). 3 in Kilmuir on Mar. 2 (SW). 6 at a feeder on North River Road near CHTN Radio on Mar. 3 (GH). 5 males and 2 females at Mrs. Alex MacKinnon's feeder in Georgetown from last week of February on.

Song Sparrow - 1 in Georgetown on Mar. 5 (JW). The individual wintering at the Holman feeder on North River Road began singing on Feb. 26 and has continued since (GH).

Snow Bunting - about 125 near the Summerside air base on Jan. 27 (GH and WEC). 5 in a flock of Starlings in Hampshire on Jan. 27 (GH and WEC). 12 at York Point on Feb. 29 are reported to have been around most of February (GH). 3 flocks of 30, 30 and 50 seen in the Summerville - Albery Plains area on Feb. 29 (WEC). 150 at Brudenell on Mar. 5 (JW).

WINTERING DUCKS

Orwell Cove - about 100 Black Ducks on Mar. 7 (WEC).

Vernon Bridge - 7 Black Duck, 40 Common Goldeneye and 4 Common Merganser (Mar. 7, WEC).

West River Causeway at St. Catherine's - 1 male Mallard, 110 Black Duck, 1 male Mallard - Black Duck hybrid, 100 Common Goldeneye and 25 Common Merganser (Mar. 8, DKC, WEC, GH).