

Ruffed Grouse  
 Black-bellied Plover  
 Semipalmated Plover  
 Greater Yellowlegs  
 Lesser Yellowlegs  
 Ruddy Turnstone  
 Sanderling  
 Semipalmated Sandpiper  
 Least Sandpiper  
 Baird's Sandpiper  
 Pectoral Sandpiper  
 Dunlin  
 Bonaparte's Gull  
 Ring-billed Gull  
 Herring Gull  
 Iceland Gull  
 Great Black-backed Gull  
 Caspian Tern

Common Tern  
 Rock Dove  
 Mourning Dove  
 Great Horned Owl  
 Northern Saw-whet Owl  
 Belted Kingfisher  
 Hairy Woodpecker  
 Northern Flicker  
 Blue-headed Vireo  
 Red-eyed Vireo  
 Blue Jay  
 Common Raven  
 American Crow  
 Black-capped Chickadee  
 Boreal Chickadee  
 Red-breasted Nuthatch  
 Golden-crowned Kinglet  
 Hermit Thrush

American Robin  
 European Starling  
 Magnolia Warbler  
 Yellow-rumped Warbler  
 Blackburnian Warbler  
 Common Yellowthroat  
 Chipping Sparrow  
 Savannah Sparrow  
 Song Sparrow  
 Lincoln's Sparrow  
 Swamp Sparrow  
 White-throated Sparrow  
 Red-winged Blackbird  
 Common Grackle  
 Purple Finch  
 American Goldfinch  
 House Sparrow

#### WEATHER EVENTS:

In the wee hours of Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>, tropical storm Juan hit Charlottetown with sustained winds over 120 km per hour and gusts of 140+ km per hour. Many historic trees were split off or toppled roots and all. The storm covered much of Queens and Kings counties. The weather this autumn has been very mild with only a few days of frost in plowed fields up until November 30th. A strong easterly gale took brought a number of Dovekies to our shores.

An incredible display of northern lights occurred in the early evening hours on Oct. 30 (EMa).

#### ANIMAL AND PLANT SIGHTINGS:

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**MAMMALS:** 1 chipmunk & 3 red squirrels at feeder on Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> in Donagh . Dead skunks on Route 3 near Poole's Corner (JDM).

**BIRDS:** **Red-throated Loon** - 50 at Rice Point on Oct. 19 (EMa), at East Point on Nov. 2 (DC&ES), 3 at East Point on Nov. 8 (DO), 2 in Borden area on Nov. 15 (EMa), a few at East Point on Nov. 24 (SS); **Common Loon** - 2 at Rustico Bay on Oct. 15 (DCS), at Dalvay on Nov. 12 (RA), 1 at Souris Harbour on Nov. 23 (DC&ES); **Horned Grebe** - on Clyde River on Oct. 12 (EMa); **Red-necked Grebe** - 5 at Clyde River on Sept. 25 (EMa), 1 at East Point on Nov. 2 (DC&ES); **Northern Gannet** - ~20 at East Point on Sept. 5, 20 at Colville Bay on Oct. 25 (AB), numerous on Oct. 30 (DO), 300+ at East Point on Nov. 8 (DO), 7 at East Point on Nov. 10 (DK); **Double-crested Cormorant** - 50 on Hillsborough bridge piers in Charlottetown on Oct. 8 & 5 on Nov. 17 (JDM), ~300 at Clarke's Pond in Cavendish & ~500 off shore at Cavendish on Oct. 13 (DCS) **Great Blue Heron** - small number at Covehead on Nov. 15 (DCS), 1 at Brackley Marsh on Nov. 29 (DCS); **Snow Geese** - 69 at Cavendish on Oct. 13 (DCS), 40 at Lake of Shining Water's Cavendish in mid-Nov. (DCS); **Canada Geese** - calling at Lake of Shining Waters on Sept. 10 & 40 at Donagh on Sept. 11 (JDM), 5 at Ellen's Creek on Sept. 16 (JDM), at Clarke's Pond in Cavendish on Oct. 13 (DCS), ~2,700 at Summerside in potato field on Nov. 17 (JDM); **Wood Duck** - at Clarke's Pond in Cavendish on Oct. 13 (DCS); **Northern Shoveller** - male at Clarke's Pond on Nov. 11 (DCS), 3 immatures at Borden area on Nov. 15 (EMa); **Northern Pintail** - 3 males & eclipse plumage at Borden area on Nov. 15 (EMa); **Green-winged Teal** - 30 at Rice Point on Oct. 19 (EMa), 4 males & eclipse plumage at Borden area on Nov. 15 (EMa), 80 at New Glasgow on Nov. 29 (EMa); **Canvasback** - 1 at Cape Jouriman, N.B. on Nov. 10 (EMa); **Tufted Duck** - at East Point on Oct. 11 (RC) **Greater Scaup** - at Clarke's Pond in Cavendish on Oct. 13 (DCS), with large raft at East Point on Oct. 30 (DO), at East Point on Nov. 2 (DC&ES); **Scaup** - 6 at Borden area on Nov. 15 (EMa); **Common Eider** - with large raft at East Point on Oct. 30 (DO), at East Point on Nov. 10 (DK); **Harlequin Duck** - female at East Point on Oct. 11 (RC), 3 males on Oct. 25 (DO), 2 males on Oct. 30, 4 males at East Point on Nov. 8 (DO), 3 males at East Point on Nov. 10 (DK), pair Nov. 22 (DCS, EMa) 2 males & 1