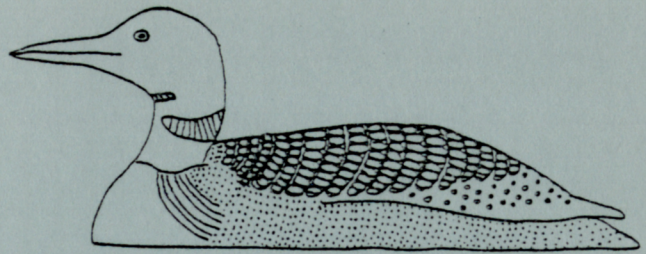


Ring-billed Gull - 2 on Oct. 1 in Charlottetown (FRC, MLM); at least 200 near Wilmot on Oct. 21 (GH). Similar large flocks were common throughout Prince and Queens Counties during September and October (GH).



Bonaparte's Gull - 50+ adults in Charlottetown on Oct. 1 (FRC, MLM); 20 at Vernon Bridge on Oct. 2 and 80 at Stanley Bridge on Oct. 3 (WEC).

Arctic Tern - 6 Arctic's plus 70 tern sp. at Greenwich on Oct. 4 (WEC).

Caspian Tern - 9 at Wilmot on Sept. 27 (MLM); 6 at North Rustico and 2 at Cape Tryon on Oct. 3 and 6 at Greenwich on Oct. 4 (WEC); 1 at Cow Creek on Oct. 8 (FRC, MLM).

Mourning Dove - 1 in Pinette on Sept. 25 (MLM); 1 in St. Mary's Road on Oct. 2 (WEC); 1 at East Point on Oct. 24 (GH).

Snowy Owl - 1 in Borden on Oct. 18 (SDa).

Belted Kingfisher - 1 in Murray Harbour on Oct. 8 (WEC).

Blue Jay - 1 flock of 2 dozen at East Point on Oct. 24 (GH).

American Robin - 1 singing at Waterside on Oct. 22 (FRC).

Northern Oriole - 1 in West Royalty on Oct. 4 (SDr).

Snow Bunting - 6 at North Cape on Oct. 6 (AB, SM).

Gray Seal - 1 at East Point on Oct. 24 (GH).

BIRDING FROM THE FERRIES. On Oct. 17, two society members crossed the Northumberland Strait to New Brunswick. The day was chilly and cloudy with a brisk wind from the north. Nevertheless an interesting variety of birds was observed. Almost all of those flying were heading down the Strait away from the wind. On the 1100 ferry from Borden the following species were recorded: 12 loon sp. (including at least 1 each of Common Loon and Red-throated Loon), 1 Leach's Storm Petrel, 12 Northern Gannet (all immature), 1 Marsh Hawk (near Borden), 12 Great Black-backed Gull (all at Cape Tormentine), 30 Herring Gull (mostly at C.T.), 10 Bonaparte's Gull and 1 Harbour Porpoise. On the 1715 ferry from Cape Tormentine the tally was as follows: 9 loon sp. (including at least 5 Common Loon), 1 Red-necked Grebe (at C.T.), 12 Northern Gannet (8 adult and 4 immature), 26 cormorant sp. (near C.T.), 1 Common Eider (at C.T.), 5 scoter sp. (including at least 1 Surf Scoter), 30 Great Black-backed Gull (all at Borden), and 50 Herring Gull (mostly at Borden). (WEC, GH). Earlier this fall 9 Northern Gannet were sighted on Sept. 23 on the Borden ferry (GH). Two Northern Gannet and 1 Wilson's Storm Petrel were seen on Oct. 4 from the Wood Islands ferry (GH).

FEEDER REPORT. On Oct. 11 Thelma Clark reported the following recent bird visitors to their home in Indian River: 36 Mourning Dove, lots of Blue Jay, about 6 Black-capped Chickadee, too many American Robin to count, 3 Red-winged Blackbird, about 6 Dark-eyed Junco, 1 White-throated Sparrow, and 4 Song Sparrow. In addition Canada Geese were numerous in the area.

