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“We are honoured to be here on ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq. The land on which we gather is covered by the Historic Treaties of Peace and Friendship.”

Nature PEI News

Nature PEI was still operating under Provincial Covid Guidelines and Restrictions as of our last meeting and presentation before our summer break. Hopefully, we will see some changes to these restrictions before our first fall meeting in October. Even with the restrictions, the Executive council continued to move forward and concentrate on these following environmental issues and nature initiatives.

- Nature PEI received the prestigious “Award of honour” at the PEI Museum and Heritage Foundation’s awards ceremony held on Feb 19, 2021. President Rosemary Curley accepted this amazing award on behalf of Nature PEI.
- Nature PEI is looking to fill most of the Executive Positions, (President, Secretary, Treasurer, Director and Newsletter Editor) at the end of this term (2022). If anyone has an interest in any of these positions, or knows anyone that would be interested, please reach out to one of us. Thanks
- Nature PEI discussed the significant contributions made to PEI’s natural history by Daryl Guignion and has decided to donate \$200.00 to the UPEI Daryl Guignion and Ian MacQuarrie Graduate Scholarship in Science in memory of Daryl.
- The Island Wings coloring book is available on the Nature PEI website for downloading and printing. <http://naturepei.ca/island-wings-coloring-book/>
- With concerns about the mange outbreak in Island Foxes and the continuous feeding of our wild foxes , Nature PEI has partnered with the municipalities of Charlottetown and Summerside, a wildlife veterinarian at the Canadian Wildlife Health Cooperative, and Forests, Fish and Wildlife to develop and distribute an educational and raising awareness project that will involve signage, brochures and social media. With help from personnel from Parks Canada and funding from the PEI Wildlife Conservation Fund, a campaign is underway to educate people on Please don’t feed our foxes.
- Nature PEI reported that Dr David McRuer had been appointed to fill the biodiversity member vacancy for the PEI Wildlife Conservation Fund.
- Both the City of Charlottetown and Summerside were registered to take part in the “City Nature Challenge”, where all participants were encouraged to submit all nature observations to iNaturalist.ca from April 30 to May 3, 2021.
- The Nature PEI Board continues to discuss and encourage the Provincial Government to fund and staff a Curator of Natural History.
- Nature PEI is planning a Bird Identification Course for the winter of 2022. Stay tuned for more information.
- In response to the Supplemental Irrigation Strategy developed by the PEI Federation of Agriculture, President Rosemary Curley will review the strategy and prepare a response on behalf of Nature PEI.
- Nature PEI currently has 186 active members as of June 1, 2021. A big thank you for your continued and new support.

Nature PEI Field Trips

- Birding walk with Dwaine Oakley** - Take a walk around Allisary Creek to see (and hear!) the great variety of birds that a wetland habitat has to offer. Bring binoculars and your favorite bird guide, if you have them.
Location: Pigot's Trail, Mount Stewart
Date: Saturday, June 5, 2021
Time: 7am
Meet in the parking lot at the end of Allisary Creek Lane
- Fern & Plant ID walk with Kate MacQuarrie** - Come wander through the woods and learn all about the variety of ferns that can be found on PEI. We will take a look at many other woodland plants and beautiful wildflowers along the way!
Location: Brookvale Nordic Centre
Date: Saturday, July 10, 2021
Time: 10am
- Fundraising with Feathers in September**

Each autumn for the last 27 years, Island Nature Trust and Nature PEI have joined forces for birds and nature on PEI. The Neil Bennett Autumn Birding Classic is both a fun birding event and an important fundraiser for the Trust. Since we started it, almost \$50,000 has been raised for the Trust's conservation programs on PEI and each dollar raised has levered 2 to 4 more dollars in other grants!

The Bennett is a great opportunity to have some outdoor fun in your favorite area of the Island or in your own backyard. You can form your own team with 2 to 7 members and gather pledges from family and friends, or simply make a pledge directly to the Trust or one of the team members. The various teams will head out on Saturday, September 18th to find as many species of birds as possible in the 24-hour period. Should the weather be bad, the event will be held on either the 19th or the 25th. Teams follow simple rules to avoid inadvertently causing disturbance to the birds during the trip.

The Bennett Autumn Birding Classic is an important citizen science event. The bird observations are recorded in the *Island Naturalist* newsletter and other bird data reservoirs. When combined with other counts carried out at different times of the year, the bird data from the Bennett helps researchers to identify changes in population sizes and timing of migration. Rare birds are often seen during this one-day event and this information is incorporated into the latest revision of the *Field Checklist of Birds of Prince Edward Island*.

All funds raised through pledges and donations go to Island Nature Trust's land acquisition and stewardship work on PEI. The Trust is hoping to raise sufficient funds from this and other events to assist in the acquisition of old forests and forested wetlands in PEI. These areas are critical breeding habitats for certain bird species and contain attributes for other species.

If you are interested in participating, drop a line to Island Nature Trust. Individuals and corporations are also welcomed to sponsor a team or the event. To register, make a pledge, or get more information, contact Island Nature Trust at 902-892-7513 or admin@islandnaturetrust.ca or follow us on Facebook!

Kindness to Red Foxes Misplaced

By Rosemary Curley, Nature PEI



Red Fox

Photo by: Jordi Segers

It seems normal that people were intrigued and excited by a high urban red fox population in Charlottetown a mere five years ago. Each sighting was a highlight, and fox kits at a den were like little puppies, playing with each other and, oh, so cute! Rare silver foxes were reported. People were also kind and believed they should provide food for foxes that might otherwise go hungry. Perhaps they did not believe that the fox could find natural foods for itself and its pups; foods such as fruit and berries, worms, grasshoppers, moths attracted to street lamps, mice, voles, and even rats, all found within the city. Indeed, people put out food for the red fox; treats as grand as raw steak and cooked meats, and as unnatural as sugary donuts, bread and hotdogs. With this extra feeding, foxes were living in unnaturally high densities in the downtown, and throughout the wider urban area. Biologists predicted that disease would spread quickly through this closely packed fox population. The word “pandemic” comes to mind.

Unfortunately, disease did strike as predicted. In December 2017, the first fox infected with mange was confirmed in Charlottetown. Mange is a cruel disease and anyone who has seen a sick, mangy fox with a bare tail, scabby skin and eyes crusted shut, does not want to see another one. The mite *Sarcoptes scabiei*, burrows into the skin of the fox and causes it to scratch incessantly, to the point where it stops hunting. In winter, loss of fur speeds death. In summer, a female can spread mange to all its pups with fatal results. Sarcoptic mange reduced the fox population in Charlottetown to the point that they were rarely sighted by urban residents.

Mange is still present, but as the red fox population recovers, should we hope that they will return to the previous situation, jam-packed in a few city blocks? There are many reasons to hope not. Consider a low-density fox population that is not fed by people. These foxes will be healthier when left to consume natural foods, and a low-density population will be less susceptible to disease. They may have a better immune system. Fox pups that were previously fed from cars will learn to hunt natural foods and will be more likely to survive. They will be less likely to suffer a collision with a car, a common cause of pup mortality.

For humans and their pets, living in close proximity to the red fox is not always a positive experience. The fox carries several parasites that transmit to domestic dogs, especially dogs that may consume fox feces. Besides mange, the worst of these may be two species of lungworms that often occur together and can cause breathing problems in dogs, described as equivalent to severe chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) in humans. People encouraging a high-density fox population through feeding is risky business; risky for a fox as it may contract diseases (Many biologists believe “A fed fox is a dead fox”), and risky for dogs that are highly likely to catch a parasite from a fox. Feeding a fox may seem like an act of kindness but it can backfire if it supports several fox families in a small area, allowing disease to transmit more readily. Let’s allow wild foxes to find their own food and appreciate them for their ecological services in rodent control. We must stop treating them like pets. To be kind to foxes, please do not feed them!



Red Fox

Photo by: Jordi Segers

Belugas were having a whale of a time in PEI waters this spring. Numerous sightings were recorded from all around PEI, with reports of 2 belugas coming in from Colville Bay in Souris (May 14, Delbert Francis), and others being reported from Souris Harbour (May 30, Lana Chaisson), Cardigan Bay (June 7, Tyler Gillivary), Panmure Island (June 8, Shawna Butler), Cape Bear (June 19, Tara Dawn Johnston), Beach Point in Murray Harbour (June 23, Julie Smith), West Point lighthouse (June 26, Martina MacKay), and the most famous, in Mt Stewart on May 12, seen by too many people to list.

Marine Animal Response Society stated that these whales normally travel in pods from 2 to hundreds, and these Beluga's around PEI waters are part of the endangered St Lawrence Estuary population protected under federal law. Although PEI is outside their normal range, sightings are not as rare as one might think. Apparently, some Belugas like to wander, and we normally get a few reports yearly as they migrate north back to their feeding and breeding grounds. With the exception of the Mount Stewart whale, which is identifiable by a spinal deformity, we know we had at least three whales for sure, but the question still remains how many different Beluga whales were actually spotted in PEI waters this spring.

One white whale in particular, put on quite a show for island residents by staying for approximately a month and allowing thousands of people from across PEI to enjoy this whale as it fed at the bridge in Mount Stewart, PEI. Was this Mount Stewart's first Beluga whale? Is history repeating itself? See for yourself. An interesting article, but beglad we are a bit more respectful of our marine mammals now.

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A History of Mount Stewart

Large White Whale

Apart from witnessing the beginning of Daylight Saving Time and the Family Allowance scheme, the war years were also notable for a famous Mount Stewart fish story. Armed with shotguns and rifles, some village residents managed to shoot and kill a large white whale in the area between the two bridges on August 7, 1941. The large carcass, measuring 16 feet in length and weighing almost a ton, was taken to Morell by Mr. Earl Jay and displayed on the back of a truck as part of the Bristol Day celebrations. The Lord Major of the bomb-damaged city of Bristol in England was subsequently advised that the residents of the tiny rural settlement of Bristol, Prince Edward Island, had sponsored an entertainment netting over \$1,000 for the relief of its namesake. Part of this money was raised from the 875 people who paid to see the whale.



*The very rare Beluga whale shot in the Hillsborough River in 1941.
Anne & Dan Mullen Collection*

Source: A History of Mount Stewart by Franklin Pigot and the Hillsborough River Association.

SPECIES AT RISK IN PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

The Yellow-Banded Bumble Bee, a Species of Special Concern

By Rosemary Curley

The Yellow-Banded Bumble Bee (*Bombus terricola*) is declining in southern Canada. The Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada (COSEWIC) reviewed its status in 2015 and determined it was a Special Concern species. Thus the Yellow-Banded Bumble Bee was added to Schedule 1 of the federal Species at Risk Act (SARA) in 2018. This listing indicates that the species may become Threatened if factors causing its decline are not reversed. In Prince Edward Island, John Klymko collected 195 bumblebees in a single day in 2013 and two (about 1%) were the Yellow-Banded



Yellow-banded Bumblebee

Photo by: David McCorquodale

Bumble Bee. Overall, from 2004-2013, of 1306 bumble bees collected on PEI, only 41 (3%) were of this species. But prior to 2004, slightly more than one bumblebee in five (22%) was this species. Comparisons of proportional abundance are not rigorous science. However, similar data indicate this once-common bee has experienced an average 66.5% reduction at ten sites across south eastern and south-central Canada. Population trends in bees have generally not been monitored historically in Canada.

The Yellow-banded Bumble Bees occurs in a diverse range of habitats, including mixed woodlands, and farmlands and helps pollinate agricultural crops. It forages on a wide range of flowers for pollen and nectar and nests underground in abandoned rodent burrows and rotten logs. Colonies usually have around 100 workers. The queens overwinter underground and in decomposing organic material.

Threats to this species are not well known but suspected factors contributing to decline are pesticide use, habitat conversion, and pathogen spillover from managed greenhouse bumblebee colonies. Bumblebees like *Bombus impatiens* are usually released outside at end of the hothouse growing season, and studies elsewhere have shown they may carry pathogens that infect native bees. Other information indicates a pattern of bumblebees disappearing from southern Canada but persisting in cooler areas to the north. Thus, climate change could be a factor in declines. This species is listed under SARA and a Management Plan is being written with input from all provinces and territories within its range (ie. most of Canada). The plan will focus on the thorny question of ways to keep it from declining further. Otherwise, no protection is extended for it by SARA and it is not protected provincially, but it is being monitored in parts of its range by citizen science programs like BumbleBeeWatch.org and iNaturalist.

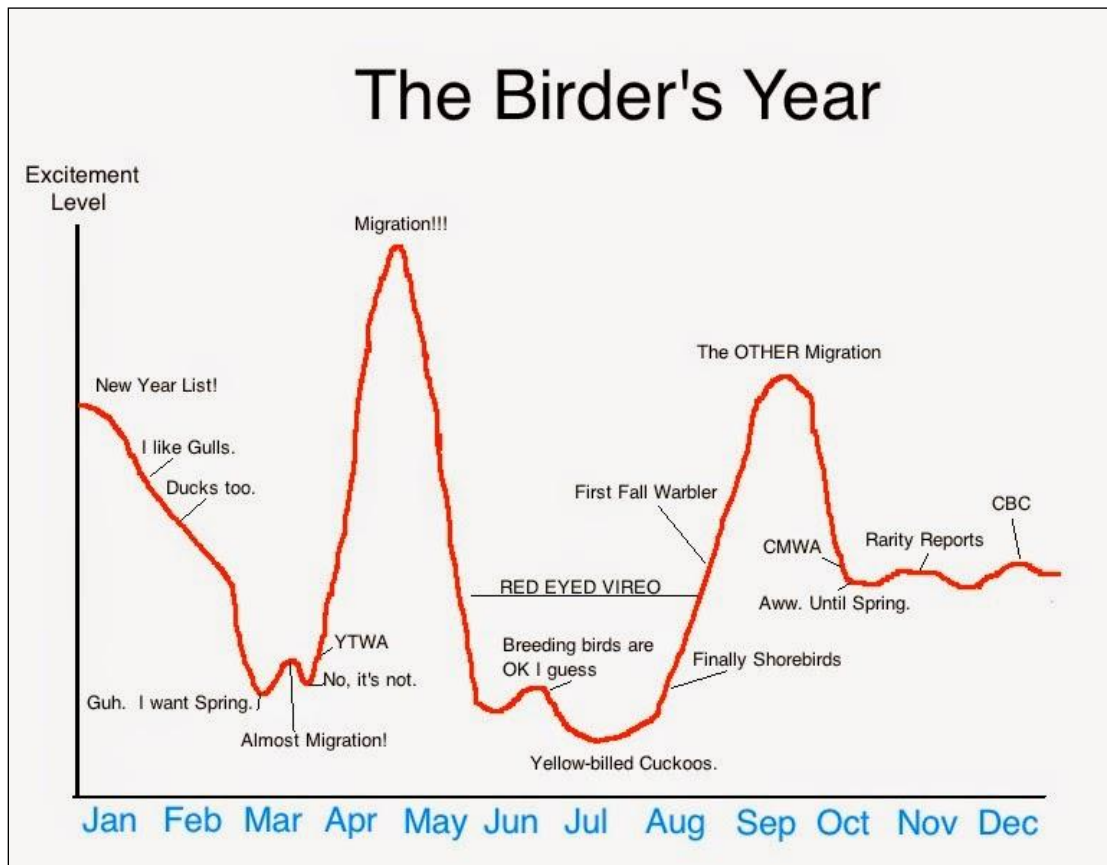
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News from About

- **Island Nature Trust** secures significant carbon sink in its largest single acquisition to date. A property in Forest Hills that is approximately 136 hectare is a large unfragmented block of rich lowland forest and a fen peatland, which are natural carbon sinks. Read the full story here: <https://islandnaturetrust.ca/forest-hill-protected/>
- **Nature Canada** is looking to build a community of environmental leaders that are motivated to drive accountability especially among our political leaders. You can join this movement this spring or summer with help from Nick Carter at ncarter@naturecanada.ca or Eseoho Ojo at e.ojo@greenpac.ca.
- **The 2021 AOS Supplement is out.** Changes in Avian taxonomy and nomenclature can be found here: <https://www.aba.org/the-2021-aos-supplement-is-out/>
- **Help birds this summer.** Thirteen ideas to try: <https://www.birdscanada.org/help-birds-this-summer-13-ideas-to-try/>
- **Report your Sightings** of Bank Swallows in Atlantic Canada. In Canada, Bank Swallows have declined a whopping 98% and measures are being taken to try and save these bird's habitats. See how you can help at <https://www.birdscanada.org/report-your-sightings-bank-swallows-in-atlantic-canada/>



For all our birders....Can you relate? Just for fun, but oh so true.....
Source: <https://birdersconundrum.blogspot.com/2014/06/graph-year-in-life-of-birder.html>

Island Leafminers - a Summer Scavenger Hunt

By Robert W. Harding

Leafminers are the larval stage of tiny insects that feed between the upper and lower surfaces of a leaf, leaving a trail or blotch – known as a mine – as they feed on the interior plant tissue. Most mines are very distinctive, and most of these insect species are specialized to a specific host plant. Because of this, it is often possible to identify a leafminer species from photographs of the mined leaf. This makes leafminers a perfect focus for citizen science.

Nature PEI members are encouraged to photograph any mined leaves they see when outside this summer and fall. There are lots of insect species that have not yet been recorded from PEI, and maybe some of these leafminer photos will turn out to be new provincial records. It's almost as simple as photographing wildflowers, and it will add greatly to our knowledge of the Island's insect species.

John Klymko of the Atlantic Canada Conservation Data Centre recently started a new project on iNaturalist.ca called Leafminers of the Maritimes. Photos posted to that project are being assessed by experts to identify species. For anyone who is not on iNaturalist.ca, please send me your photos and I will post them for you, to ensure that your observations will also become dots on the PEI map!



Leaf Miners

Photos by Bob Harding

Nature PEI Bird Walk

Nature PEI put on a very successful bird walk on Saturday, June 5, 2021, with Dwaine Oakley leading a group of 16 keen birders around Allisary Creek, in Mount Stewart. Everyone enjoyed both the weather and the walk



with many birds seen. A few birding highlights included 6 male wood ducks and a male shoveler showing off their gorgeous colors. The fields were alive with tree swallows and the Bobolinks were singing their breeding songs. Other birds of interest were a Gray Catbird, 3 Ruddy Ducks, an Olive-sided Flycatcher and several Bald eagles feeding and flying along the river.

Nature PEI Walk

Photo by: Bob Harding

Did You Know

By Donna Martin

That the Yellow-bellied Sapsucker is considered both a short and long distant migratory species of woodpecker. Its migration can lead them to the Southern US or all the way down to Mexico, the West Indies or to Central America. Females tend to migrate further than males, which allows males to arrive back earlier in the spring to set up breeding territories. But interestingly, there is a black crowned variant seen in female Yellow-bellied Sapsuckers. These Sapsuckers make up a small portion of the population that lacks the red crown seen normally in most females of this species. Not much is known about this variant although there are thoughts that the female Yellow-bellied Sapsucker naturally lacks the red plumage in the throat so this may make females more susceptible to additional "acarotenism", which is the lack of carotenoid pigmentation that gives birds their red plumage. A female Black crowned variant was seen and photographed in Chelton, PEI collecting food, so definitely feeding young.



ON THE FEMALE YELLOW-BELLIED SAPSUCKER,
THE THROAT IS WHITE, NOT RED. USUALLY SHE
HAS A RED CROWN LIKE THE MALE, BUT RARELY
THE CROWN IS SOLID BLACK.

Kenn Kaufman Illustration



Black-crowned variant of the Yellow-bellied Sapsucker



Los Angeles Museum of Natural History Black crowned and normal colored Yellow-bellied Sapsucker. Photo's by Donna Martin

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A Slap in the Face for a Leafy Heart

By Frazer Smith

As soon as I stepped out of the woods and into the old cut block, I knew I was in for a good face slapping. All the pin cherry and birch and maple saplings were just at the right height to get me right in the chops with their springy young branches. All I could do is put up my arms to protect my face while I stumbled into and out of the wheel ruts left by the log skidders and tripped over the old smashed up branches. The only thing worse, I thought, is fighting my way through a thicket of small half dead balsam firs, or maybe bayberry and thorny roses along the shore or ...



Heart Leaved Birch

By Frazer Smith

even on iNaturalist, except for a couple of observations which provide no clues as to how to identify it. And it certainly isn't on Go Botany. But, hey, after checking out only about a dozen birch saplings, bingo! Heart leaved birch! Maybe. And if the guys on iNaturalist are to be believed, it probably is.

So there you go, stumble about in the woods for a while, realize tall trees have no leaves low enough to look at, and go find some small trees somewhere else. As a bonus, the bugs weren't all that bad and I only got a few scratches. Maybe I'll spot a blue birch someday soon on some other rodeo in the woods.

Editors Notes: Blue Birch (*Betula caerulea*) or *Betula x caerulea-grandis*
Heart-leaved Birch or Heartleaf Paper Birch (*Betula cordifolia*)

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Hazelnuts on PEI

By Kate MacQuarrie

It's the nut in Nutella spread, the crunch in Ferrero Rocher chocolates, and the flavour in Frangelico liqueur: hazelnuts! Did you know they grow wild on PEI?



Beaked Hazelnut

Photo by: Kate MacQuarrie

This is the Beaked Hazelnut (*Corylus cornuta*), a common, native, understory shrub found in mixed forests and along streams and trails across the Island. Tiny female flowers that were pollinated in the spring are now developing into nuts (shown here) that will ripen by fall.

The nuts (also known as filberts) are encased in green, bristly husks with a long "beak", giving Beaked Hazelnut its common name. Inside the husk is a brown shell, and inside that is the rich, tasty nut. The real challenge is getting the nuts before the squirrels do, but it's worth the effort! (Always forage sustainably, leaving some for wildlife and for reproduction of the shrub).

Hazelnut hybrids selected for nut production and disease resistance are being grown commercially on PEI. If you want to add hazelnuts to your own property, you can get the native Beaked Hazelnut from the Macphail Woods Nursery, or cultivars of the more southern American Hazelnut from Havenloft Tree Nursery.

2021 BAIN BIRD COUNT

Dan McAskill, Ray Cook, Dwaine Oakley, Jill and Lucas MacCormack, Paul & Arlene McGuigan, Gerald MacDonald, Gene MacDonald, Jean Watts, Ron Arvidson, Donna Martin, Sharon Clark, Scott Sinclair, Fiep de Bie, Roberta Clark, Don Jardine, John Klymko, and Melanie McCarthy



Philadelphia Vireo

By: Dwaine Oakley

by 8 pm.

Ray, Dwaine, and Dan commenced their day at 1:30 am and covered the area from Reeve's Estates to Dromore, Milburn, Rollo Bay, Little Harbour, East Point, and then through to French Village, Afton Road, Mount Stewart, Pisquid, Tracadie Harbour, Covehead Harbour, Borden, Chelton, and Churchill before returning to Stratford at 10:30 pm. To finish the day, Great-horned Owl calls were played at Churchill and Killdeer at Stratford without success. They drove 460 km, walked ~1 km and ended up with 132 species in total. The numbers for some common species were significantly lower than those of ten plus years ago but they did very well diversity wise. There was hardly a gull to be found in Souris Harbour but at East Point, there were lots of gulls on the water and feeding near shore. There were several Black-legged Kittiwake, 60 Common Eider, 30 Black Scoter, a White-winged Scoter, ~50 mature and immature Northern Gannet actively feeding, a Long-tailed Duck, an Iceland Gull, a Lesser Black-backed Gull, several Great Cormorant, and a Merlin. There were three Ruddy Duck at Allisary Creek Impoundment and one at Borden Lagoon, an Upland Sandpiper responding to calls off the Bedford Road, two Eastern Bluebird along St. Peter's Road at Basin Head and Kingsboro, a Brown Thrasher at East Point, a Virginia Rail at River Meadows and another at Little Harbour, 2 Boreal Chickadees at East Lake, a Bobolink at Pigot's Trail, a Veery at River Meadows, an American Coot at Brackley Beach, a Pileated Woodpecker at Afton Road, and a Northern Cardinal singing at Chelton. As well, we had a flurry of warblers and vireos respond to a mob call at MacVane's Creek thus providing incredible views and photographs of a Philadelphia Vireo, Bay-breasted Warblers, and other species. Thanks to cell phone alerts from Ron Arvidson and Donna Martin, our group travelled to Borden Lagoon for the Redhead and Wilson's Phalarope. While there, we saw a mixed flock of 400 Tree, Bank and Barn Swallows, made up of mostly the two former species. Thankfully, there were few mosquitoes, and blackflies were only bothersome at a few sites! All in all, it was a great birding day.

The seven-member Eastern Team travelled in convoy using three vehicles. Gerald MacDonald, Gene MacDonald, and Jean Watts were in Vehicle 1, Paul and Arlene McGuigan were in Vehicle 2, and Lucas and Jill MacCormack were in Vehicle 3. They covered the northeastern end from Monticello to East Point, South Lake, Little Harbour and points between

There were two teams that participated in this year's Bain Bird Count, which was held on May 29, 2021, the Society's traditional last Saturday of May for this event. Unfortunately, due to a communication error, the date was not announced on the Society's website. However, nine birders did go out during the Bain Bird Count Day and their reports contributed to this report.

Owling playback conditions were essentially ideal with virtually no wind. The moon was mostly full but obscured in part by light clouds. During the day, it was partly cloudy and later sunny, with temperatures from 1 to 12°C. Just before dawn, light wind commenced, and by mid-day, the wind had come up to 15 km/hr from the northwest to northeast and then again dropped to negligible



Bay-breasted Warbler (M)

By: Dwaine Oakley



Bay-breasted Warbler (F)

By: Dwaine Oakley

top on St. Charles Road and moving low and slowly to a newly greening juniper, at what seemed to be at the height of their windshield, a Northern Saw-whet Owl at Monticello, the beautiful colours of an American Redstart on Hermitage Road, and the thrill of a good long look and listening to a male Rose-breasted Grosbeak on Hermitage Road. The core members of this team have been doing the Bain Count for decades, and during this time, it has become multi-generational. While Jill and Lucas had to leave early for another event, Gerald, Gene, Jean, Paul and Arlene were able to enjoy a return for their annual sumptuous lobster feast at Gerald's home in Monticello. It was a wonderful respite from the COVID 19 distancing provisions imposed during last year's event that prevented their traditional feast.

Ron Arvidson (8:10 to 9:10 am), Donna Martin (9:45 to 10:15 am) and Sharon Clark (5:45 to 6:45 pm) all visited Borden Carleton separately, picking up a total of 39 species. The highlights included: 4 Northern Shovelers, 2 Blue-winged Teal, 5 male and 6 female Redheads, a male Ruddy Duck, 2 Red Knot, 1 male Wilson's Phalarope, over 100 Tree Swallow, a Barn Swallow, and 2 Boreal Chickadee.

Fiep de Bie birded at Waterford and Skinners Pond, picking up 39 species. Her highlights included 1 Common Loon, 1 Red-tailed Hawk, 2 Barn Swallows, 3 Veery, 2 Bobolink, and 2 Rose-breasted Grosbeak.

Scott Sinclair birded the Anderson Road Point Deroche area for 1.5 hours in the morning, picking up 20 species. His highlights included Blue-headed Vireo, Red-eyed Vireo, Swainson's Thrush, and Hermit Thrush.

Roberta Palmer birded East Point and picked up 11 species. Her highlights included 3 Red-breasted Merganser, 1 Iceland Gull, 200 Northern Gannet, and a Merlin.

John Klymko picked up a Northern Mockingbird along Queen Street in the afternoon. Melanie McCarthy conducted a nest and roost count on the Hillsborough Bridge Double-crested Cormorant colony (184 present plus 2 Great Black-backed Gulls). Sharon Clark picked up a Ruby-throated Hummingbird and 2 Cedar Waxwing in her Charlottetown yard. Don Jardine picked up 18 species in Winsloe South including the day's only Downy Woodpecker recorded.

The combined bird species list was 138.

Canada Goose

Wood Duck

Blue-winged Teal (pair at French Village and Pigot's Trail lagoon)

Northern Shoveler (2 at Rollo Bay, 1 at Pigot's Trail, 3 at Borden)

Gadwall

American Wigeon

Mallard

American Black Duck

Green-winged Teal

Redhead (Borden Lagoon)

including Kelly Road and Bog Pond. Vehicle 1 covered 88 km between 9:30 am and 4 pm while Vehicle 2 & 3 covered 164 km between 8:30 am and 4 pm. Team members walked about 1.5 to 2 km. There were relatively few black flies or mosquitoes, and the temperature was 11 to 12° C. During this birding excursion, they found 76 species of birds and 3 species of mammals (a Red Fox with two kits at Monticello and one with 4 kits at Little Harbour, a cat, and a Red Squirrel). Their highlights included the gorgeous colours of male Green-winged Teal, a Blue-winged Teal and a Long-tailed Duck at Big Pond, a Hooded Merganser at North Lake, a Red-tailed Hawk along the Bear River Road, the fantastic discovery of 2 Wilson's Phalaropes at Little Harbour, a Bald Eagle swooping down from a tall tree

Ring-necked Duck
 Common Eider
 White-winged Scoter
 Black Scoter
 Long-tailed Duck (1 East Point)
 Common Goldeneye (1 at Black Pond)
 Hooded Merganser (1 at North Lake)
 Red-breasted Merganser
Ruddy Duck (3 at Pigot's Trail, male at Borden Lagoon)
 Ruffed Grouse (4)
 Gray Partridge (2 at Dromore)
 Common Loon (off Little Harbour)
 Pied-billed Grebe (4)
 Rock Pigeon
 Mourning Dove
 Ruby-throated Hummingbird
Virginia Rail (1 River Meadows, 1 at Little Harbour)
 Sora
American Coot (1 Brackley Beach)
 Black Guillemot (Little Harbour)
 Black-bellied Plover
Upland Sandpiper (1 at Anderson Road)
 Spotted Sandpiper
 Least Sandpiper (1 at Tracadie Harbour)
Red Knot (2 at Borden)
 Sanderling
 Dunlin (3 at Covehead Harbour)
 Semipalmated Sandpiper (1 at Little Harbour)
 Short-billed Dowitcher (3 at Covehead Harbour)
 American Woodcock
 Wilson's Snipe
 Lesser Yellowlegs (1 at Rollo Bay)
 Willet
 Greater Yellowlegs
Black-legged Kittiwake (3 at East Point)
 Bonaparte's Gull
Black-headed Gull (1 at Covehead Harbour)
 Ring-billed Gull
 Herring Gull
 Iceland Gull (1 at East Point)
Lesser Black-backed Gull (1 at East Point)
 Great Black-backed Gull
 Caspian Tern (3 at Covehead Harbour)
 Common Tern (1 at Rollo Bay)
Wilson's Phalarope (male at Borden Lagoon, 2 juveniles at Little Harbour)
 Northern Gannet
 Great Cormorant (2 at East Point, 2 at Little Harbour)
 Double-crested Cormorant
 American Bittern
 Great Blue Heron
 Osprey (2)

Bald Eagle (33+)
 Northern Harrier (1 at Little Harbour, 1 at Baltic Road, 1 North Lake)
 Red-tailed Hawk (1 at Waterford, 1 along Bear River Road)
 Great Horned Owl (1 at St. Patrick's Road)
 Barred Owl (1 at Auburn, 1 at Avondale, 1 at Afton Road)
 Northern Saw-whet Owl (2 at Auburn)
 Belted Kingfisher
 Yellow-bellied Sapsucker
 Downy Woodpecker
 Hairy Woodpecker
 Northern Flicker
Pileated Woodpecker (1 Afton Road)
 American Kestrel (3)
 Merlin (2)
 Eastern Kingbird (1 at Peter's Road, 1 at MacVane's Creek, 1 at Pigot's Trail)
 Alder Flycatcher
 Least Flycatcher
 Blue-headed Vireo
Philadelphia Vireo (MacVane's Creek)
 Red-eyed Vireo
 Blue Jay
 American Crow
 Common Raven
Bank Swallow (200 at Borden Lagoon)
 Tree Swallow
Barn Swallow (2 at MacVane's Creek, 3 at St. Peter's, 2 at Borden)
 Black-capped Chickadee
Boreal Chickadee (2 East Lake, 2 at Borden)
 Red-breasted Nuthatch
 Golden-crowned Kinglet
 Ruby-crowned Kinglet
Eastern Bluebird (2 at Basin Head and Kingsboro)
Veery (1 at River Meadows, 3 at Waterford/Skinners Pond)
 Swainson's Thrush
 Hermit Thrush
 American Robin
 Gray Catbird (1 French Village)
Brown Thrasher (1 at East Point)
Northern Mockingbird (1 at Charlottetown)
 European Starling
 Cedar Waxwing
 House Sparrow (2 at Pisquid)
 Purple Finch
 American Goldfinch
 Chipping Sparrow
 Savannah Sparrow
 Song Sparrow
 Lincoln's Sparrow
 Swamp Sparrow
 White-throated Sparrow
 Dark-eyed Junco

Bobolink (1 at Pigot's Trail, 3 at Waterford/Skinners Pond)

Red-winged Blackbird

Brown-headed Cowbird (1 at Canavoy & 1 in northeast)

Common Grackle

Ovenbird

Northern Waterthrush

Black-and-White Warbler

Nashville Warbler

Mourning Warbler

Common Yellowthroat

American Redstart

Cape May Warbler

Northern Parula

Magnolia Warbler

Bay-breasted Warbler

Blackburnian Warbler

Yellow Warbler

Chestnut-sided Warbler

Black-throated Blue Warbler (1 at Father James Road)

Palm Warbler (1 at East Lake and 1 at West Tarantum Road)

Yellow-rumped Warbler

Black-throated Green Warbler

Canada Warbler (1 at Afton Road)

Wilson's Warbler (1 at MacVane's Creek, 1 at East Lake)

Rose-breasted Grosbeak

Northern Cardinal (1 at Chelton)

During the field trip, we saw or heard 2 Muskrat, 1 Raccoons, 3 Red Squirrels, 5 Red Fox and 6 kits, 1 Snowshoe Hare, Grey Seal, 5 Harbour Porpoise (off Little Harbour), a Beluga at Mount Stewart, a House Cat and heard Spring Peepers and a few Green Frogs. We saw no moths flying, but did see one Spring Azure Blues, 1 Cabbage White, and a few bumblebees. There were a small number of mosquitos and black flies but the winds kept them at bay after temperatures warmed up.

The following plants were in flower: Marsh Marigold, Dandelion, lots of Wild Strawberry, a few Leatherleaf, Northern White Violets, Marsh Blue Violets, Pale Bog Laurel, Creeping Buttercup, Red Maple, Sugar Maple, Red Oak, a few Star-flower, scattered Rhodora, Blueberry, Pin Cherry, Service Berry, Red-berried Elder, Canada Fly Honeysuckle (*Lonicera canadensis*), Common Winter Cress (Yellow Rocket; *Barbarea vulgaris*), and Grey Birch catkins open. Some Field Horsetail were at the strobilus (terminal cone) stage. Willow with yellowish stamens present at a few sites. Leaf flush had commenced on Red Oak, Red Maple, and Sugar Maple, the bud caps were largely pushed off on White Spruce and they were shedding pollen and in flower, and there was a good flush of leaves on Raspberry, Spirea, Alder, Beech, Service Berry, and Trembling Aspen.



Brown Thrasher

By: Dwaine Oakley

WEATHER EVENTS: New temperature records recorded at Harrington on June 7 and 8, 2021. 30.3 degrees and 31.3 degrees respectively, followed by a brief thunderstorm on June 8, 2021. (JDM)

ANIMAL AND PLANT SIGHTINGS:

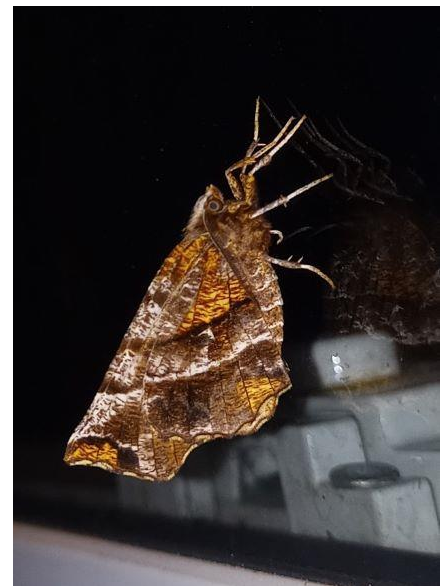
PLANTS: Mayflowers, Georgetown, April 16, 2021 (RWH); FOY Dandelion, Ch'town, April 26, 2021(WFB &EM)White Violets, Donagh, May 5, 2021(JDM); Marsh Marigold, Orwell, May 7, 2021(WFB & EM); Pin



Showy Lady's Slippers Photo by: Donna Martin

Cherry flush, My Stewart, May 7, 2021(WFB & EM);Marsh Blue Violets flowering, Donagh, May 11, 2021 (JDM); Red Oak Buds, Donagh, May 11. 2021(JDM); Wild Strawberry, Donagh, May 17, 2021(JDM); Yellow Birch catkins opened, Donagh, May 11, 2021, (JDM); Painted Trillium, Union Road, May 23, 2021 (RWH); Wild Pear in bloom, Donagh, May18, 2021(JDM); Goldenthread, Dromore, May 18, 2021(DO)White spruce flower, Donagh, May 20, 2021(JDM); Grey Birch catkins open, Donagh, May 27, 2021(JDM); Linden Flowers Falling, Donagh, May 27, 2021(JDM);Wild Apple in flower, Donagh, May 27, 2021(JDM); Red Oak leaf flush, Donagh, May28, 2021(JDM);Pink Lady's Slipper, Kelvin Grove, May 27, 2021(DRM) Painted Trillium, Miscouche, May 28, 2021(DRM); Water Arum, Miscouche, May 28, 2021(DRM); Nodding Trillium, Miscouche, May29, 2021(DRM); Bog Buckbean, Miscouche, May 29, 2021(DRM) Hawthorn flowering, Donagh, May 30, 2021(JDM); Wild Apple, Miscouche, May 30, 2021(DRM);Mountain Ash, Donagh, June 3, 2021(JDM);Tartarium Bush Honeysuckle flowering, Donagh, June 4, 2021(JDM); June 5, 2021 many species in flower, Cotton grass, Choke cherry, Goat's beard, Lupin, Starflower, Wild lily of the valley, Bunchberry, Blue-eyed grass, Buttercup(JDM & DRM) Eastern Hemlock Flush, Donagh June 7, 2021(JDM); Dames Rocket, Stratford, Mermaid, June 8, 2021(JDM); Red Osier Dogwood, Johnston's River, June 11, 2021(JDM) Ox-eye Daisy, Bunbury, June 11, 2021(JDM); Labrador Tea, Miscouche, June 14, 2021(DRM) Blue Flag Iris, Mt Stewart-Morell, June 7, 2021(DO) Alternate Leaf Dogwood flowering, Donagh, June 15, 2021(JDM)

INSECTS: Mining Bees feeding Allisary Creek, April 20, 2021(RWH) Tri-colored Bumblebee, Corraville, April 29, 2021(BC) First black flies(not biting) Donagh, May 10, 2021(JDM); Syrphid Flies(Many Species) Coorraville, May 14, 2021(BC) Brown Tipped Thorn Moth, (New Record) Riverton, May 21, 2021 (JHa); Black Swallowtail, Miscouche , May 28, 2021(DRM) June bug emergence, Donagh, June 2, 2021(JDM) Black Swallowtail, Summerville, June 3, 2021(RWH)Firefly, Donagh, June 4, 2021(JDM) 2 Black Swallowtails at Savage Harbour, June 5, 2021(JDM & DRM); 2 Canadian tiger Swallowtails at Pigot's Trail, June 5, 2021(JDM & DRM) Cabbage whites, Common Sulphurs and Silvery blues on the wing, June 5, 2021(JDM & DRM) Black Swallowtail, Tracadie, June 6, 2021(BC); Tiger Swallowtail, Tracadie, June 7, 2021(BC);Four Spotted Skimmer, Miscouche, June 7, 2021(DRM)Eastern Forktail, Misouche,, June 7, 2021(DRM); Bluet Sp. Miscouche, June 7, 2021(DRM) White-spotted Sawyer with Phoretic Mites, Corraville, June 8, 2021(BC);); Tiger Swallowtail, Miscouche, June 10, 2021(DRM);



Brown-tipped Thorn Moth (First PEI Record) Photo by: Jake Harding

AMPHIBIANS/REPTILES: Spring Peeper calling, Alberry Plains, April 16, 2021(RWH) Wood Frogs calling, Alberry Plains, April 16, 2021 (RWH) American Toad, Souris Line

Road, May 15, 2021(RWH) Leopard frog, Miscouche, June 7, 2021(DRM); Green Frog, Miscouche, June 7, 2021(DRM);

MAMMALS: 1 Beluga Whale; Mt Stewart May 11, (JDM) May 13, (DO) May 14, (BAM); 2 Beluga whales, Colville Bay, Souris, May 11 (SAB); American Mink, Summerville, March 26, (RWH) Eastern Chipmunk (FOY) Summerville, April 1, (RWH); Canadian Beaver, Mt Albion, April 18, (RWH); Weasel sp: , Summerside, April 29,(DD); American Mink, Crapaud, May 24,(DD); Harp Seal pup, Souris, March 21, 2021(DRM): Red Fox with 7 kits, Crapaud, May 11, (DD) Muskrat, Cherry Hill, May 11(BAM); 1 Raccoon , Stratford, June 8, (DO)



Harp Seal Pup By: **Roberta Palmer**

BIRDS: This checklist order has been adjusted to conform with the November 2017 American Ornithological Society's Checklist of Northern and Middle American Birds. **Snow Goose** - ; **Pink-footed Goose** - ; **Brant** - 3 at Hillsborough, April 20, (VB)(MAM)(DRM); 2 at Hillsborough. April 19, (SGC); 8 at Point Prim, May 4, (DO) (TSh)(BAM); **Cackling Goose** - ; **Canada Geese** -6 at Mt Stewart, Mar 23, (GR); 8 at Mount Carmel, Mar 31, (JFJ); 67 at St Peters, June 5

(JDM) DRM); 9 at Stratford, April 14, (RP) 2 at Cabot Park, April 21, (DRM); 9 at Borden, May 8, (DRM); 4 at Little Harbour Beach, May 15, (RP); 18 at Gulf Shore Pky, May 24, (MAM); 2 at Afton Rd, May 24, (RC); 6 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); 10 at Stewart's pond, May 24, (RA); **Wood Duck** -25 at St Peter's , Mt Stewart, June 5, (JDM)(DRM) ; 6 at Borden, May 29, (SGC);**Gadwall** -8 at French Village, June 5, (DRM)(JDM) ; 4 at Tryon, April 29, (RA): 8 at Borden, May1, (MAM); 3 at Borden, May 8, (DRM); 12 at Borden, May 8, (DRM);4 at Gulf Shore Pky, May 24, (MAM); 3 at Mt Stewart, May 24, (RC); 2 at Mt Stewart, May 24, (RC); 10 at Borden, May 29, (SGC); **Blue-winged Teal** -11 at Borden, May1, (MAM);4 at Borden, May 8, (DRM); 1 at Hermitage Creek, May 14, (KIM); 1 at French Village, June 5, (DRM)(JDM); 2 at Borden, May 29, (SGC); **Northern Shoveler** - 2 at Borden, May1, (MAM) ; 3 at Borden, May 8, (DRM);4 at Borden, May 29, (SGC); **Eurasian Wigeon** - 1 at Hermitage, March 10, (RA) ; **American Wigeon** -1 at French Village, June 5, (JDM)DRM) ; 1 at Dromore, April 23, (RC); **Mallard** -2 at Mount Carmel, Mar 31, (JFJ) ; 1 at Borden, May1, (MAM); 5 at Borden, May 8, (DRM); 1 at Pownal. May 10, (RP); 1 at Hermitage Creek, May 14, (KIM); 6 at Borden, May 29, (SGC); **American Black Duck** -1 at Summerside March 21 (SRa); 2 at Hillsborough walking trail, April 20, (MAM); 20 4 at Tryon, April 29, (RA): 2 at Summerside, May 5, (DRM); 4 at Borden, May 8, (DRM); 6 at Little Harbour Beach, May 15, (RP); 1 at Canavoy, May 17, (KM)(DFG); 2 at Borden, May 29, (SGC); **Northern Pintail** -2 at Tryon, April 29, (RA) ; 2 at Mt Stewart, May 24, (RC); **Green-winged Teal** -12 at Borden, May1, (MAM) ; 16 at Borden, May 8, (DRM);4 at Little Harbour Beach, May 15, (RP); 1 at Canavoy, May 17, (KM)(DFG); 2 at Borden, May 29, (SGC); **Redhead** - 10 at Borden, May29, (RA) 11 at Borden, May 29, (DRM) (SGC)(JDM)(DO)(RAC) ; 4 at Borden, June 6, (RA); **Ring-necked Duck** - 74 at Borden, May1, (MAM) ; 33 at Borden, May 8, (DRM); 2 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); 2 at Milburn, May 29, (RC); 6 at Borden, May 29, (SGC); **Greater Scaup** - 186 at



Brant Geese

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May 29, (SGC); **Eurasian Wigeon** - 1 at Hermitage, March 10, (RA) ; **American Wigeon** -1 at French Village, June 5, (JDM)DRM) ; 1 at Dromore, April 23, (RC); **Mallard** -2 at Mount Carmel, Mar 31, (JFJ) ; 1 at Borden, May1, (MAM); 5 at Borden, May 8, (DRM); 1 at Pownal. May 10, (RP); 1 at Hermitage Creek, May 14, (KIM); 6 at Borden, May 29, (SGC); **American Black Duck** -1 at Summerside March 21 (SRa); 2 at Hillsborough walking trail, April 20, (MAM); 20 4 at Tryon, April 29, (RA): 2 at Summerside, May 5, (DRM); 4 at Borden, May 8, (DRM); 6 at Little Harbour Beach, May 15, (RP); 1 at Canavoy, May 17, (KM)(DFG); 2 at Borden, May 29, (SGC); **Northern Pintail** -2 at Tryon, April 29, (RA) ; 2 at Mt Stewart, May 24, (RC); **Green-winged Teal** -12 at Borden, May1, (MAM) ; 16 at Borden, May 8, (DRM);4 at Little Harbour Beach, May 15, (RP); 1 at Canavoy, May 17, (KM)(DFG); 2 at Borden, May 29, (SGC); **Redhead** - 10 at Borden, May29, (RA) 11 at Borden, May 29, (DRM) (SGC)(JDM)(DO)(RAC) ; 4 at Borden, June 6, (RA); **Ring-necked Duck** - 74 at Borden, May1, (MAM) ; 33 at Borden, May 8, (DRM); 2 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); 2 at Milburn, May 29, (RC); 6 at Borden, May 29, (SGC); **Greater Scaup** - 186 at



Saw-whet Owl Phot by: Dale Murchison

Hillsborough Walking trails, April 20, (MAM); 6 at Little Harbour Beach, May 15, (RP); 28 at Gulf Shore Pky, May 24, (MAM); **Lesser Scaup** -1 at Borden, May 8, (DRM); **Common Eider** -20 at Mount Carmel, Mar 31, (JFJ);; 260 at East Point, April 29, (SCS); 200 at East Point, May 14, (RP); 9 at East Point, May 16, (SCS); 75 at East Point, June 5, (JDM)DRM)
Harlequin Duck -4 at East Point, May 14, (RP); 9 at North Cape, May 27 (DRM) ; **Surf Scoter** -18 at Borden, May1, (MAM); 1 at East Point, June 5, (JDM) DRM) ; 8 at Murray River, June 2, (TB); **White-winged Scoter** -1 at East Point, June 5, (JDM)DRM) ; 3 at Cabot Park, April 21, (DRM); 5 at Mount Carmel, April 25, (JFJ); 1 at East Point, April 29, (SCS); **Black Scoter** - 20 at Mount Carmel, Mar 31, (JFJ); 41 at Borden, May1, (MAM);; 17 at Cabot Park, April 21, (DRM); 125 at East Point, April 29, (SCS); 6 at Summerside, May 5, (DRM);50 at East Point, May 14, (RP); 50 at East Point, June5,(JDM)DRM); **Long-tailed Duck** -10 At Mount Carmel, Mar 31, (JFJ) ; 6 at Borden, May 8, (DRM); 3 at East Point, May 16, (SCS); **Bufflehead** -2 at Pownal, May 10,(RP) ; **Common Goldeneye** -6 at Hillsborough Walking Trail, April 20, (MAM) ; **Barrow's Goldeneye** -3 ; 4 at Tryon, April 29, (RA); **Hooded Merganser** -3 at Borden, May 21,(DRM) ; **Common Merganser** -90 at MT Stewart, Mar 23, (GR) ;2 at Mount Carmel, Mar 31, (JFJ); 5 at Rustico, May 10, (MSA);

Red-breasted Merganser -4 At Souris, Mar 25, (RP) ; 15 at Hillsborough Walking Trail, April 20, (MAM);4 at Cabot Park, April 21, (DRM); 2 at Mount Carmel, April 25, (JFJ); 2 4 at Tryon, April 29, (RA): 15 at Borden, May1, (MAM); 28 at Rustico, May 5, (VB); 2 at Summerside, May 5, (DRM);17 at Barachois Beach, May 12, (Scor); **Ruddy Duck** -1 at Borden, May 29, (RA)DRM)JDM)SGC)DO)RAC) ; 1 at Borden, May1, (MAM); 1 at Borden, May 8, (DRM); 1 at Borden, May 21,(DRM) ; 1 at Borden, May 29, (SGC); **Gray Partridge** -1 at Vernon River, May 1, (TB); 2 at Mount Herbert, (BAM) ; **Ring-necked Pheasant** - 1 at Elmwood, May 31, (BJ) ; **Ruffed Grouse**

- 1 at Elm RD, June 6, (BC) ; 1 at Greenwich, May 18, SCS); 1 at Afton Rd, May 24, (RC); 2 at Crown Point Road, May 28, (MAM); 1 at Milburn, May 29, (RC); **Sharp-tailed Grouse** - ; **Pied-billed Grebe** -11 at Allisary Creek, June5, (JDM)DRM) ; 2 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); 2 at Borden, May1, (MAM); 2 at Borden, May 8, (DRM); 1 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); **Horned Grebe** - ; **Red-necked Grebe** - ; **Eared Grebe** - ; **Rock Pigeon** -15 at Montague, April 6, (DMur) ; 1 at Skinner's Pond, May 29, (FdB); **Mourning Dove** 4 at Summerside, March 21, (SRA); 2 at Georgetown, Mar 29, (SCS); - 4 at Montague, April 6, (DMur);



Great-horned Owl

Photo By: Fraser Iderstine

8 at Lake Verde, June 8, (TR) ;2 at Stratford, April 14, (RP); 2 at Summerside, May 5, (DRM); 1 at Pownal. May 10, (RP); 1 at Little Harbour Beach, May 15, (RP); 2 at Horne Cross RD, May23, (VB); 1 at Milburn, May 29, (RC); **Yellow-billed Cuckoo** - ; **Black-billed Cuckoo** -1 at Greenwich, June 2, (SCS); **Common**

Nighthawk - ; **Chimney Swift** - ; **Ruby-throated Hummingbird** – 1 male at Launching, May 10, (JAI))1 at



Virginia Rail

Photo by: **Roberta Palmer**

Summerville, May 14, (WGH)1 male at CCorraville, May 14, (BC) 1 female, Corraville, May 21, (BC) ; 1 at Horne Cross RD, May23, (VB); 1 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); 2 at Abram’s Village, May 29, (JFJ); **Virginia Rail** – 1 at Borden, May 2, (VB) (MAM); 1 at Borden, May 15, (DRM);1 at Cumberland Rd, May 24, (SCS); 1 at River Wetlands. May 29, (RC); 1 at Little Harbour, May 29, (RC); **Sora** -1 at Little Harbour Beach, May 15, (RP); 2 at Borden, May 21,(DRM) ; 1 at Little Harbour, June 6, (JFJ); **American Coot** – 1 at Brackley May 24, (DRM); 1 at Brackley, May 25, (GR); 1at Brackley, (SGC); 1 at Brackley Pond, June 1, (RP) ; **Sandhill Crane** – 1 at St Peters, May 30, (GW)(MK) ; - **Black-bellied Plover** -9 at Borden, May 21,(DRM) ; 14 at N Rustico, May 23, (GR); 40 at Gulf Shore Pky, May 24, (MAM); 104 at Abram’s Village, May 29, (JFJ);

2 at Borden, May 30 (RA); 2 at Bothwell, June 6, (RP); **American Golden Plover** - ; **Semipalmated Plover** -2 at New Glasco, June 12, (MSA) ;1 at Rustico, May 10, (MSA); 2 at Borden, May 30 (RA); **Piping Plover** - 3 at Rustico, April 29, (DRM); 3 at Rustico, May 5, (VB); 3 at Rustico, May 10, (MSA); 3 at Barachois Beach, May 12, (Scor); **Killdeer** – 2 at Summerside, April 15, (DRM) ; 2 at Hillsborough Walking Trail, April 20, (MAM); 1 at Borden, May1, (MAM); 1 at Summerside, May 5, (DRM); 15 at Gulf Shore Pky, May 24, (MAM); 1 at Hillsborough Walking Trail, June 7, (MAM); **Upland Sandpiper** -1 at Afton Rd, May 24, (RC); ; **Whimbrel** - ; **Hudsonian Godwit** - ; **Ruddy Turnstone** – 1 at North Rustico, May 23, (GR); 5 at Chelton, May 26, (DRM); 2 at Gulf Shore Pky, May 24, (MAM); 2 at Abrams Village, May 29, (JFJ); **Red Knot** -2 at Borden, May 29, (DRM) ; **Ruff** - ; **Stilt Sandpiper** - ; **Sanderling** -1 at Rustico, April 30, (DRM) ; 3 at Rustico, May 10, (MSA); 1 at Barachois Beach, May 12, (Scor); **Dunlin** – 1 at Borden, May1, (MAM); ; **Purple Sandpiper** – 1 at Rustico, April 30, (DRM) 1 at Rustico, May 4, (ML at BPEI); **Baird’s Sandpiper** - ; **Least Sandpiper** -7 at Borden, May 19, (DRM) ; 5 at Borden, May 21,(DRM) ; **White-rumped Sandpiper** – 2 at Borden, May 30 (RA); **Pectoral Sandpiper** - ; **Semipalmated Sandpiper** -2 at Borden, May 30, (RA) ; **Short-billed Dowitcher** - ; **Long-billed Dowitcher** - ; **American Woodcock** – 1 at St Patrick Rd, May 29, (RC) ; 1 at Milburn, May 29, (RC); **Wilson’s Snipe** – 1 at Corraville, May 10,(BC); 1 at Little Harbour Beach, May 15, (RP); 1 at Milburn, May 29, (RC); 2 at Little Harbour, June 6, (JFJ); **Spotted Sandpiper** - 1 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); 1 at Allisary Creek, June 5, (JDM)DRM) ; **Solitary Sandpiper** -1 at Hermitage Creek, May 14, (KIM); **Lesser Yellowlegs** -1 at St Peter’s, April 28, ((TR) ; 6 at Gulf Shore Pky, May 24, (MAM); **Greater Yellowlegs**- 2 at Borden, May 8, (DRM); 9 at Barachois Beach, May 12, (Scor); 1 at Abram’s Village, May 29, (JFJ);



Spotted Sandpiper

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at Borden, May 8, (DRM); 9 at Barachois Beach, May 12, (Scor); 1 at Abram’s Village, May 29, (JFJ);

Willet – 1 at Covehead, June 13, (TR) ; 3 at Rustico, May 5, (VB); 1 at Summerside, May 5, (DRM); 2 at Barachois Beach, May 12, (Scor); 1 at Greenwich, May 18, (SCS); 2 at Borden, May 21,(DRM) ; 4 at N Rustico, May 23, (GR); 1 at Mt Stewart, May 24, (RC); 2 at Abram’s Village, May 29, (JFJ); 2 at Borden, May 30 (RA); 1 at Little Harbour, June 6, (JFJ); **Greater Yellowlegs** - 1 at Rollo Bay, June 5, (JDM)DRM) ; 1 at Rustico, May 5, (VB); 2 a at Gulf Shore Pky, May 24, (MAM); t Hermitage Creek, May 14, (KIM); 2 at Gulf Shore Pky, May 24, (MAM); 2 at Brackley, June 5, (DRM); 1 at Little Harbour, June 6, (JFJ); **Wilson’s Phalarope** -1 at MT Stewart, May 23, (RP)(SCS) 1 at Borden, May 29(DRM) (JDM)DO) RAC) ; 2 at Little Harbour Beach, May 15, (RP); 2 at Borden, May 21,(DRM) ; **Red-necked Phalarope** - ; **Pomarine Jaeger** - ; **Parasitic Jaeger** - ; **Razorbill** - ; **Black Guillemot** – 1 at East Point, April 29, (SCS); 2 at East point, May25, (DRM); 3 at Murray River, June 2, (TB), 3 at Guernsey Cove, June 2, (TB); **Black-legged Kittiwake** – 3 at East Point, May 29, (DO)(RC)(JDM) ; **Bonaparte's Gull** – 5 at East point, May 25, (DRM) ; **Black-headed Gull** - 1 at Souris, March 24, (VB);1 at Souris, Mar 25, (RP) ; **Little Gull** - ; **Ring-billed Gull** – 12 at Souris, Mar 25, (RP); 91at Mount Carmel, Mar 31, (JFJ); 13 at Stratford, April 14, (RP); 2 at Hillsborough Walking trail, April 20, (MAM); 9 at Cabot Park, April 21, (DRM); 4 at Rustico, April 29, (DRM); 13 at Borden, May1, (MAM); 19 at Summerside, May 5, (DRM); 4 at Borden, May 8, (DRM); **Herring Gull**– 2 at Mt Stewart, Mar 23, (GR); 50 at Summerside, March 21, (SRa); 27 at Souris, Mar 25, (RP); 5 at Mount Carmel, Mar 31, (JFJ); 20 at Montague, April 6, (DMur); 2 at Hillsborough Walking Trail, April 20, (MAM); 6 at Cabot Park, April 21, (DRM); 8 at East Point, April 29, (SCS); 9 at Rustico, April 29, (DRM); 16 at Borden, May1, (MAM); 6 at Borden, May 8, (DRM); 2 at East Point, May 16, (SCS); 50 at East Point, June5,(JDM)DRM); 31 at Gulf Shore Pky, May 24, (MAM); 2 at Skinner’s Pond, May 29, (FdB); **Iceland Gull** -4 at Hillsborough Walking Trail, April 20, (MAM) ; 11 at Summerside, May 5, (DRM); 5 at Borden, May 8, (DRM); **Lesser Black-backed Gull** – 1 at Summerside, May 5, (DRM); **Glaucous Gull** – 1 at East Point, April 29, (SCS); 1 at Milburn, May 29, (RC); **Great Black-backed Gull** -5 at Summerside, March 21, (SRa) ;1 at Souris, Mar 25, (RP); 2 at Rustico, April 29, (DRM); 3 at Borden, May1, (MAM); 2 at Borden, May 8, (DRM); 15 at East Point, May 14(RP); 15 at East Point, May 16, (SCS); **Laughing Gull**- 1 at Covehead, June 5(DRM) **Caspian Tern** -1 at Rustico, April 25,



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Black-headed Gull - 1 at Souris, March 24, (VB);1 at Souris, Mar 25, (RP) ; **Little Gull** - ; **Ring-billed Gull** – 12 at Souris, Mar 25, (RP); 91at Mount Carmel, Mar 31, (JFJ); 13 at Stratford, April 14, (RP); 2 at Hillsborough Walking trail, April 20, (MAM); 9 at Cabot Park, April 21, (DRM); 4 at Rustico, April 29, (DRM); 13 at Borden, May1, (MAM); 19 at Summerside, May 5, (DRM); 4 at Borden, May 8, (DRM); **Herring Gull**– 2 at Mt Stewart, Mar 23, (GR); 50 at Summerside, March 21, (SRa); 27 at Souris, Mar 25, (RP); 5 at Mount Carmel, Mar 31, (JFJ); 20 at Montague, April 6, (DMur); 2 at Hillsborough Walking Trail, April 20, (MAM); 6 at Cabot Park, April 21, (DRM); 8 at East Point, April 29, (SCS); 9 at Rustico, April 29, (DRM); 16 at Borden, May1, (MAM); 6 at Borden, May 8, (DRM); 2 at East Point, May 16, (SCS); 50 at East Point, June5,(JDM)DRM); 31 at Gulf Shore Pky, May 24, (MAM); 2 at Skinner’s Pond, May 29, (FdB); **Iceland Gull** -4 at Hillsborough Walking Trail, April 20, (MAM) ; 11 at Summerside, May 5, (DRM); 5 at Borden, May 8, (DRM); **Lesser Black-backed Gull** – 1 at Summerside, May 5, (DRM); **Glaucous Gull** – 1 at East Point, April 29, (SCS); 1 at Milburn, May 29, (RC); **Great Black-backed Gull** -5 at Summerside, March 21, (SRa) ;1 at Souris, Mar 25, (RP); 2 at Rustico, April 29, (DRM); 3 at Borden, May1, (MAM); 2 at Borden, May 8, (DRM); 15 at East Point, May 14(RP); 15 at East Point, May 16, (SCS); **Laughing Gull**- 1 at Covehead, June 5(DRM) **Caspian Tern** -1 at Rustico, April 25,



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(SGC) ; 2 at Borden, May1, (MAM); 1 at Gulf Shore Pky, May 24, (MAM); **Common Tern** -1 at Rustico, May 10, (MSA) ; 3 at Abram’s Village, May 29, (JFJ); **Arctic Tern** - ; **Red-throated Loon** – 1 at East Point, May 25, (DRM) ; **Common Loon** – 1 at Crown Point Road, May 28, (MAM); 1 at Skinner’s Pond, May 29,

(FdB); **Great Shearwater** - ; **Wilson's Storm-Petrel** - ; **Leach's Storm-Petrel** - ; **Northern Gannet** -1 at Mount Carmel, April 25, (JFJ); 10 at East Point, April 29, (SCS); 100 at East Point, May 14(RP); 25 at East Point, May 16, (SCS); 100 at East Point June 5, (JDM)DRM); **Double-crested Cormorant**- 11 at Borden, May 8, (DRM); 7 at Hillsborough Walking Trail, April 20, (MAM); 7 at Cabot Park, April 21, (DRM); 11 at Rustico, April 29, (DRM); 7 at Borden, May 1, (MAM); 26 at Rustico, May 5, (VB); 5 at Summerside, May 5, (DRM); 7 at Barachois Beach, May 12, (Scor); 100 at East Point, May 14(RP); 1 at Skinner's Pond, May 29, (FdB); **Great Cormorant** -1 at Mount Carmel, Mar 31, (JFJ) ; 8 at East Point, May 14(RP); 1 at East Point, May 16, (SCS); **American White Pelican** - ; **American Bittern** -1 at Little Harbour Beach, May 15, (RP); 1 at Little Harbour, June 5(JDM)DRM) ; 2 at Milburn, May 29, (RC); 1 at Borden, June 6, (RA); **Great Blue Heron** - 2 at Cabot Park, April 21, (DRM); 3 at Borden, May 1, (MAM); 1 at Summerside, May 5, (DRM); 1 at Hermitage Creek, May 14, (KIM); 4 at Skinner's Pond, May 29, (FdB); **Great Egret** -1 at Malpeque, May 28 (DRM) ; **Cattle Egret** -1 at Morell, April 23, (DO) (NM) (BSA); 1 at Morell, April 24, (MAM)(DRM)JDM)(TB); 1 at Red Head RD, April 25, (BAM); **Glossy Ibis**- 1 at Borden, May 1, (MAM); 1 at Summerside, May 8, (GC); 4 at Cape Bear, May 9, (DMur); 1 at Summerside, May 10, (RP)(DRM); 1 at Pownal, May 11, (HF via BPEI); **Black Vulture** - ; **Turkey Vulture** -2 at East Point, May 14, (RP)8 at North Lake, June 11, (DRM) ; **Osprey** - 1 at Morrel, June



Cattle Egret

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Indigo Bunting
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13, (TR); 1 at Rustico, May 5, (VB); 1 at Rustico, May 10, (MSA); 1 at Barachois Beach, May 12, (Scor); 2 at Robinson Island, June 4, (VB); **Bald Eagle** -1 at Mt Stewart, Mar 23, (GR) ; 1 at Montague, April 6, (DMur); 2 at Rustico, May 5, (VB); 1 at North Wiltshire, May 11, (JK); 1 at Barachois beach, May 12, (Scor); 1 at Crapaud, May 15, (DD); 3 at Greenwich, May 18, (SCS); 9 at Gulf Shore Pky, May 24, (MAM); **Northern Harrier** -1 at Summerville, May 10, (WGH) 1 at Rustico, May 5, (VB); 1 at Barachois Beach, May 12, (Scor); 1 at Little Harbour Beach, May 15, (RP); 2 at Greenwich, May 18, (SCS); 2 at Little Harbour, June 5, (JDM)DRM)1 at Covehead, June 13, (TR) ; **Sharp-shinned Hawk** -1 at East Point, April 29, (SCS); 2 at East Point, May 14, (RP); 1 at East Point, June 9, (RP); **Cooper's Hawk** - ; **Northern Goshawk** -1 at North Wiltshire, May 11, (JK) ; **Broad-winged Hawk** - 1 at Dromore, April 23, (RC); **Red-tailed Hawk** -1 at Cherry Vallet, May 10, (JDM); 1 at North Wiltshire, May 11, (JK); 1 at Ch'town, May 27, (BC); 1 at Skinner's Pond, May 29, (FdB); **Rough-legged Hawk** - 1 at Earnscliff, May 10, 2021(RP); 1 at Mount Carmel, April 25, (JFJ); **Great Horned Owl** - 1 at Stratford, March 27, (FVI); 1 at St. Patrick Road, May 29, (RC) ; **Snowy Owl** - ; **Barred Owl** - 1 at Tignish, April 3, (CA Via BPEI); 2 at Harmony, April 15, (DRM); 2 at New Perth, May 7, (WGH) ; 2 at Abram's Village, May 29, (JFJ); **Long-eared Owl** - ; **Short-eared Owl** - ; **Northern Saw-whet Owl** - 1 at Auburn, May 29, (RC); **Belted Kingfisher** - 1 at Hillsborough Walking Trail, April 20, (MAM) ; 2 at Mount

Carmel, April 25, (JFJ); 1 at Abram's Village, May 29, (JFJ); **Red-bellied Woodpecker** -1 at Montague, April 6, (DMur) ; **Yellow-bellied Sapsucker**-2 at St Charles Road, May 10, 2021(JGM) ; 1 at Cabot Park, April 21, (DRM); 1 at Mount Carmel, April 25, (JFJ); 5 at Summerside, May 5, (DRM); 6 at North Wiltshire, May 11, (JK); **Downy Woodpecker** -1 at Summerside, March 21, (SRa) ; 1 at Georgetown, Mar 29, (SCS); 1



Black-backed Woodpecker (F) Photo by: Fiep de Bie

1 at Hillsborough Walking Trail, April 20, (MAM) ; 1 at Summerside, May 5, (DRM); 1 at North Wiltshire, May 11, (JK); **Hairy Woodpecker**-1 at St. Charles Road, May 10, (JGM) ; 1 at Stratford, April 14, (RP);2 at Hillsborough Walking Trail, April 20, (MAM) ; 1 at Cabot Park, April 21, (DRM); 1 at Mount Carmel, April 25, (JFJ);1 at Summerside, May 5, (DRM); 2 at North Wiltshire, May 11, (JK); 1 at Greenwich, May 18, SCS); 2 at Skinner's Pond, May 29, (FdB); **American Three-toed Woodpecker** -1 at Hermanville, May2, (SCS) ; **Black-backed Woodpecker**- 1 at Greenwich, April 10, (KM) ;1 at Robinson Island, May 14, (VB) (MAM) ; 2 at West Tarantum Rd, June 6, (SCS) (FdB);**Northern Flicker** – 2 at Hillsborough Walking Trail, April 20, (MAM) ; 3 at Cabot Park, April 21, (DRM); 1 at Mount Carmel, April 25, (JFJ); 2 at East Point, April 29, (SCS); 1 at Borden, May1, (MAM); 2 at Summerside, May 5, (DRM); 2 at North Wiltshire, May 11, (JK); 1 at East Point, May 14, (RP); 1 at Canavoy, May 17, (KM) DFG); 2 at Greenwich, May 18, SCS); **Pileated Woodpecker** -1 at Afton Rd, May 20, (DO); 1 at Fanning Brook, June 1, 2021(WGH); 1 at Uigg, June 9, (DO); **American Kestrel** -1 at Iona, May 16, (JMA) ; 2 at east Point, May 25, (DRM); **Merlin** – 1 at Cabot Park, April 21, (DRM); 2 at Mount Carmel, April 25, (JFJ); **Peregrine Falcon** 1 at Borden, May 19, (DRM) 1 at Borden, May 20, (DRM) (RP)1 at Rocky Point, June5, (JFJ)- ; **Olive-sided Flycatcher** -1 at Belle River, June 2, (TB);1 at MacVane Farm LN, June 5, (RP); **Eastern Wood Peewee** -1 at Abram's Village, May 29, (JFJ) ; 1 at Little Harbour, June 6, (JFJ); **Yellow-bellied Flycatcher** – 1 at Abram's Village, May 29, (JFJ); ; **Alder Flycatcher** – 1 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); 1 at Milburn, May 29, (RC); 9 at Abram's Village, May 29, (JFJ); 6 at Skinner's Pond, May 29, (FdB); 7 at Greenwich, June 2, (SCS); **Least Flycatcher** -1 at Borden, May 21,(DRM) ; 1 at Skinner's Pond, May 29, (FdB); **Eastern Phoebe** – 1 at Tignish, May 7,8,9, (JoW); 1 at Valleyfield Road, June7, (DMur) ; **Great-Crested Flycatcher** - ; **Eastern Kingbird** – 1 at Hunter River, June 4,(TR) 1 at Pigot's Trail, June 5, (JDM)DRM); **Northern Shrike** – 1 at Corraville, April 11, (SCS) ; **Blue-headed Vireo** -1 at North Wiltshire, May 11, (JK); 2 at Fox Meadow, May 15, (LM); 1 at Canavoy, May 17,(DFG)(KM); 3 at



Cedar Waxwing Photo by: Sharon Clark

Greenwich, May 18, SCS); 1 at Borden, May 21,(DRM) ; 4 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); 3 at Abram's Village, May 29, (JFJ); 1 at Skinner's Pond, May 29, (FdB); **Philadelphia Vireo** – 1 at Macvane's Creek, May 29, (DO) (RC) (JDM); **Red-eyed Vireo** -1 at Corraville, June 6, (BC) ; 3 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); 2 at Skinner's Pond, May 29, (FdB); **Canada Jay** – 1 at Point Desroche Road, May 17, (RP); 2 at Forest hills, May 23; 2 at Wood Islands, May 23, (MAM); 2 at Little River Road, June 12, (RC) ; (JK); **Blue Jay** – 15 at Summerside, March 21, (SRa); 4 at Georgetown, Mar 29, (SCS);5 at Montague, April 6, (DMur); 5 at Stratford, April 6, (RP); 3 at Cabot Park, April 21, (DRM); 9 at Summerside, May 5, (DRM); 1 at East Point, May 14, (RP); 1 at Canavoy, May 17, (KM)(DFG); 2 at Afton Rd, May 24, (RC); 3 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); 150 at East Point, May 25, (DRM); 5 at Skinner's Pond, May 29, (FdB); **American Crow** -10 at Summerside, March 21, (SRa);2 at Mt Stewart, Mar23,(GR) 3 at Souris, Mar 25, (RP);2 at Mt Carmel, Mar 31, (JFJ);5 at Montague, April 6, (DMur); 3 at Hillsborough Walking Trail, April 20, (MAM);5 at Cabot Park,



American Coot

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April 21, (DRM); 4 at Mount Carmel, April 25, (JFJ); 3 at East Point, April 29, (SCS); 3 at Rustico, April 29, (DRM); 15 at Borden, May1, (MAM); 5 at Summerside, May 5, (DRM); 2 at East Point, May 14, (RP); 5 at Greenwich, May 18, SCS); 1 at Afton Rd, May 24, (RC); **Common Raven** -13 at East Point, April 29, (SCS); 3 at North Wiltshire, May 11, (JK); 3 at Greenwich, May 18, SCS); 2 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); **Horned Lark** - ; **Tree Swallow** -1 at Summerville, April 25, (WGH)6 at Corraville, April 21, (BC); 1 at North Wiltshire, May 11, (JK); 5 at East Point, May 14, (RP); 1 at Canavoy, May 17, (KM)(DFG); 250 at Borden, May 19, (DRM) ; 6 at East Point, April 29, (SCS); 6 at Borden, May 8, (DRM); 4 at Pownal. May 10, (RP); 4 at Hermitage Creek, May 14, (KIM); 2 at Little Harbour Beach, May 15, (RP); 32 at East Point, May 16, (SCS); 22 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); 6 at Stewart's pond, May 24, (RA); 8 , at Mt Stewart, May 24, (RC); **Bank Swallow** – 6 at East Point, June 5, (JDM)DRM); 4 at East Point,May 25, (DRM); 4 at Murray River, June 2, (TB); 70 at Guernsey Cove, June 2, (TB); 20 at



Eastern Phoebe

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Bothwell, June 6, (RP); **Barn Swallow** -1 at Summerville May 13, (WGH) 2 at Borden, May 19 (DRM) ; 1 at Pownal. May 10, (RP); 2 at Skinner's Pond, May 29, (FdB); 5 at Borden, May 30 (RA); **Cliff Swallow** -1 at Borden, May 19 (DRM) ; **Black-capped Chickadee** -10 at Summerside, March 21, (SRa); 2 at Mt Stewart, Mar 23, (GR); 2 at Georgetown, Mar 29, (SCG); 2 at Stratford, April 14, (RP); 6 at Hillsborough Walking Trail, April 20, (MAM) ; 2 at Cabot Park, April 21, (DRM); 1 at Mount Herbert, April 25, (BAM); 2 at Mount Carmel,

April 25, (JFJ); 4 at East Point, April 29, (SCS); 3 at Borden, May 1, (MAM); 3 at Summerside, May 5,



Piping Plover Chick

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Pond, May 29, (FdB); **White-breasted Nuthatch** -1 at Montague, April 6, (DMur) ; 1

at North Wiltshire, May 11, (JK); **Brown Creeper** – 1 at Abram’s Village, May 29, (JFJ); **Winter Wren-1** at St Charles Road, May 10, (JGM)- ; 2 at Crown Point Road, May 28, (MAM); **Carolina Wren-** 1 at Georgetown, Mar 29, (SCS); **Blue-gray Gnatcatcher** - ; **Golden-crowned Kinglet** -2 at Skinner’s Pond, May 29, (FdB); **Ruby-crowned Kinglet** – 1 at Cabot Park, April 21, (DRM); 1 at East Point, April 29, (SCS); 1 at East Point, May 14, (RP); 3 at Greenwich, May 18, SCS); 2 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); **Eastern Bluebird** – 1 at Souris, April 24, (DRM) JDM)1 at Tignish, May 27 (DRM); **Veery** – 3 at Skinner’s Pond, May 29, (FdB); **Grey-checked Thrush** - ; **Townsend's Solitaire** - ; **Swainson’s Thrush** – 1 ; at Abram’s Village, May 29, (JFJ); 1 at Skinner’s Pond, May 29, (FdB); **Hermit Thrush** – 2 at North Wiltshire, May 11, (JK); 1 at Canavoy, May 17, (KM)(DFG); 1 at Greenwich, May 18, SCS); 1 at Milburn, May 29, (RC); 1 at Skinner’s Pond, May 29, (FdB); **American Robin** -2 at Mount Carmel, Mar 31, (JFJ) ; 1 at Montague, April 6, (DMur); 7 at Stratford, April 6, (RP); 5 at Cabot Park, April 21, (DRM); 2 at Mount Carmel, April 25, (JFJ); 4 at Summerside, May 5, (DRM); 1 at North Wiltshire, May 11, (JK); 1 at East Point, May 14, (RP); 2 at Hermitage Creek, May 14, (KIM); 2 at East Point, May 16, (SCS); 1 at Canavoy, May 17, (KM)(DFG); 14 at Greenwich, May 18, SCS); 7 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); 1 at Stewart’s pond, May 24, (RA); 4 at Milburn, May 29, (RC); 12 at Skinner’s Pond, May 29, (FdB); **Gray Catbird** – 1 at Robinson Island, May 27, (KG); 1 at Abram’s Village, May 29, (JFJ); 1 at Robinson Island, June 4, (VB); **Brown Thrasher** -1 at East Point, March 23, (DMur); 1 at Cotton Park, Stratford, May 10, , (FdB) (MAM) ; 1 at East Point, May 26, (RP); 1 at Stratford, May 26, (DO); **Northern Mockingbird** -1 at Ch’town, May 30, (JK) ; **European Starling** – 10 At Summerside, March 21, (SRa) ; 3 at Stratford, April 6, (RP); 16 at Cabot Park, April 21, (DRM); 23 at Borden, May 1, (MAM); **Bohemian Waxwing** -10 at Mt Stewart, Mar 23, (GR) ; **Cedar Waxwing** -6 at Corrville, June 13, (BC) ; **House Sparrow** – 2 at Cornwall, April 7, (DRM); 2 at Ch’town, April 28, (DEJ); 2 at Ch’town, March 22, (TB); 2 at Cape Egmont, March 28, (JFJ) ; 1 at Kensington, June 3, (DEJ); **American Pipit** - ; **Evening Grosbeak** -6 at Riverside Dr, Mar 11, (DRM) ; 1 at Horne Cross Rd, April 16, (VB); 7 at Glenco RD, April 21, (KIM); 2 at Robertson Road Trail, April 22, (Scor): 1 at Souris, May 16, (JK); **Pine Grosbeak** - ; **Purple Finch** -1 at Donagh, May 10, (JDM) ; 2 at East Point, May 14, (RP); 1 at Greenwich, May 18, SCS); **Red Crossbill** - ; **White-winged Crossbill** -1 at Abram’s Village, May 29, (JFJ) ; **Common Redpoll** -20 at Summerside, March 21, (SRa) ; 3 at Georgetown, Mar 29, (SCG); 12 at Mount Carmel, Mar 31, (JFJ); 1 at Stratford, April 14, (RP); 1 at O’leary, May 25, (RM); **Hoary Redpoll** -1 at Montague, April 6,

(DMur) ; **Pine Siskin** – 2 at Georgetown, Mar 29, (SCG); 2 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); **American Goldfinch** -2 at Summerville, May 20, (WGH); 5 at Montague, April 6, (DMur); 55 at Georgetown, Mar 29, (SCG); 1 at Hillsborough Walking Trail, April 20, (MAM) ; 2 at Mount Herbert, April 25, (BAM); 1 at Mount



White-throated Sparrow

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Carmel, April 25, (JFJ); 3 at East Point, April 29, (SCS); 2 at Summerville, May 5, (DRM); 1 at North Wiltshire, May 11, (JK); 5 at East Point, May 16, (SCS); 2 at Greenwich, May 18, SCS); at Horne Cross RD, May23, (VB); 1 at Afton Rd, May 24, (RC); 1 at Stewart's pond, May 24, (RA); 2 at Skinner's Pond, May 29, (FdB); **Lapland Longspur** -1 at Summerville, March 21, (SRa) ; 5 at Cabot Park, April 21, (DRM); **Snow Bunting** – 30 at St Peter's, April 10, (RP) ; **Spotted Towhee** - ; **Eastern Towhee** - ; **American Tree Sparrow** – 3 at Mount Herbert, April 25, (BAM); **Chipping Sparrow** -1 at Corraville, May 15(BC) ; 1 at Summerville, May 5, (DRM); 2 at Greenwich, May 18, SCS); **Clay-coloured Sparrow** -1 at Stratford, April 14, (RP) ; **Field Sparrow** - ; **Fox Sparrow** – 1 at Georgetown, Mar 29, (SCS); 2 at Cabot Park, April 21, (DRM); **Dark-eyed Junco** – 4 at Stratford, April 14, (RP); 3 at Cabot Park, April 21, (DRM); 2 at Mount Herbert, April 25, (BAM); 1 at Little Harbour Beach, May 15, (RP); 1 at Canavoy, May 17, (KM)(DFG); 1 at Horne Cross RD, May23, (VB); 1 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); **White-crowned Sparrow** – 1 at Riverview Estates, Ch'town, May 11, ((WFB)1 at Corraville, May 11(BC); 3 at North Wiltshire, May 11, (JK); 1 at Bothwell, May 12, (HB);1 at Greenwich, May 18, SCS); **White-throated Sparrow**- 2 at Cabot Park, April 21, (DRM); 3 at St Charles Road, May10, (JGM) ; 7 at North Wiltshire, May 11, (JK); 2 at East Point, May 14, (RP);1 at Hermitage Creek, May 14, (KIM); 1 at Canavoy, May 17, (KM)(DFG); 45 at Greenwich, May 18, SCS); 2 at Milburn, May 29, (RC); 2 at Skinner's Pond, May 29, (FdB);**Savannah Sparrow**-1 at St Charles Rd, May 10, (JGM) ; 1 at Little Harbour Beach, May 15, (RP); 10 at Greenwich, May 18, (SCS); 1 at Afton Rd, May 24, (RC); 3 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); **Nelson's Sparrow** – 1 at Gulf Shore Pky, May 24, (MAM); 2 2 at Brackley, June 5, (DRM); **Song Sparrow**-1 at Summerville, Mar 21, (SRa); 1 at Georgetown, Mar 29, (SCS); 3 at St Charles Road, May 10, (JGM) ; 5 at Mount Carmel, Mar 31, (JFJ); 2 at Montague, April 6, (DMur); 4 at Stratford, April 14, (RP); 7 at Hillsborough Walking Trail, April 20, (MAM) ; 5 at Cabot Park, April 21, (DRM); 4 at Mount Carmel, April 25, (JFJ); 2 at East Point, April 29, (SCS); 1 at Rustico, May 5, (VB);1 at Hermitage Creek, May 14, (KIM); 2 at Little Harbour Beach, May 15, (RP); 1 at Canavoy, May 17, (KM)(DFG); 12 at Greenwich, May 18, SCS); 4 at Gulf Shore Pky, May 24, (MAM); **Lincoln's Sparrow** – 1



Eastern Bluebird

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at Cabot Park, April 21, (DRM); 4 at Mount Carmel, April 25, (JFJ); 2 at East Point, April 29, (SCS); 1 at Rustico, May 5, (VB);1 at Hermitage Creek, May 14, (KIM); 2 at Little Harbour Beach, May 15, (RP); 1 at Canavoy, May 17, (KM)(DFG); 12 at Greenwich, May 18, SCS); 4 at Gulf Shore Pky, May 24, (MAM); **Lincoln's Sparrow** – 1

at St Patrick Rd, May 29, (RC); **Swamp Sparrow** -3 at Borden, May1, (MAM); 7 at Borden, May 8, (DRM); 6 at Little Harbour Beach, May 15, (RP); 1 at Greenwich, May 18, SCS); 3 at Milburn, May 29, (RC); **Yellow-headed Blackbird** - ; **Bobolink**; 2 at Cherrycliff Parl RD, May 20, (LM)2 at Skinner's Pond, May 29, (FdB); 1 at Elmwood, May 31, (BJ); - 2 at Pigot's Trail, June 5 (JDM)DRM) ; 1 at Selkirk Rd, June 6, (JMA); **Red-winged Blackbird**-6 at Mt Stewart, Mar 23, (GR); 1 at Summerside, Mar 21, (SRa); 2 at Murray Harbour, March 23, (DH); 8 at Stratford, April 14, (RP); 2 at Cabot Park, April 21, (DRM); 35 at Borden, May1, (MAM); 10 at Little Harbour Beach, May 15, (RP); 1 at Canavoy, May 17, (KM)(DFG);1 at Afton Rd, May 24, (RC); 2 at Stewart's pond, May 24, (RA); **Rusty Blackbird** - 1 at Murray River, March 11, (DRM) ; 2 at Alexandra, June 1, (TB); **Common Grackle** - 2 at Mt Stewart, Mar 23, (GR); 1 at Murray Harbour, March 23, 2021(DH);16 at Mount Carmel, Mar 29, (JFJ); 3 at Montague, April 6, (DMur); 5 at Cabot Park, April 21, (DRM); 4 at Mount Carmel, April 25, (JFJ); 14 at Borden, May1, (MAM); 15 at East Point, May 14, (RP); 4 at Little Harbour Beach, May 15, (RP); **Brown-headed Cowbird** - I at Murray Harbour, March 24, (DH) ; 2 at Greenwich, May 18, SCS); **Baltimore Oriole** -2 at Hunter River, May 31(TR) ; 1 at Greenwich, June 2, (SCS); **Ovenbird** - 1 at Fox Meadows, May 15, (LM); 1 at Canavoy, May 17, (KM) (DFG); 2 at Borden, May 21,(DRM) ; 2 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); 2 at Crown Point Road, May 28, (MAM); **Northern Waterthrush** -1 at Tally Rd, May 15, (MAM)3 at Afton Rd, May 16, (RC) ; 1 at MacInnis Point, May 20, (LM); 1 at Point Desroche Rd, May 24, (RC); 2 at Father James Rd, May 25, (DRM); **Black-and-white Warbler** -9 at Greenwich, May 18, SCS); 2 at Borden, May 21,(DRM); 6 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); 3 at Crown Point Road, May 28, (MAM); **Tennessee Warbler** - 1 at Chelton, May 20, (DRM); **Orange-crowned Warbler** - ; **Nashville Warbler** - 1 at Crown Point Road, May 28, (MAM); **Connecticut Warbler** - ; **Mourning Warbler** -1 at East Point, May 24, (DRM) ; 2 at Crown Point Road, May 28, (MAM); **Common Yellowthroat** -3 at Greenwich, May 18, SCS); 1 at Borden, May 21,(DRM) ; 1 at Afton Rd, May 24, (RC); 4 at Crown Point Road, May 28, (MAM); 3 at Milburn, May 29, (RC); **American Redstart** -2 at Greenwich, May 18, SCS); 3 at Borden, May 21,(DRM) ; 2 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); 3 at Crown Point Road, May 28, (MAM); **Cape May Warbler** - 1 at Crown Point Road, May 28, (MAM); 1 at Skinner's Pond, May 29, (FdB); 1 at Robinson Island, June 4, (VB); **Northern Parula** -1 at Iona, May 16 (JMA) ; 3 at Greenwich, May 18, SCS); 2 at Borden, May 21,(DRM) ; 7 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); 5 at Crown Point Road, May 28, (MAM); 1 at Skinner's Pond, May 29, (FdB); **Magnolia Warbler** -3 at Greenwich, May 18, SCS); 3 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); 2 at Crown Point Road, May 28, (MAM); 4 at Skinner's Pond, May 29, (FdB); **Bay-breasted Warbler** - 1 at Crown Point Road, May 28, (MAM); 1 at Selkirk Rd, May 28, (RP); 2 at MacVane's Creek, May 29, (DO) (JDM)(RC); **Blackburnian Warbler** - 1 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); 2 at Crown Point Road, May 28, (MAM); 1 at Selkirk Rd, May 28, (RP); **Yellow Warbler** - 2 at Greenwich, May 18, SCS); 1 at Borden, May 21,(DRM) ; 2 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); 6 at Crown Point Road, May 28, (MAM); 3 at Skinner's Pond, May 29, (FdB); **Chestnut-sided Warbler** - 1 at Greenwich, May 18, SCS); 2 at Borden, May 21,(DRM) ; 2 at Afton Rd, May 24, (RC); 2 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); 1 at Crown Point Road, May 28, (MAM); 4 at Skinner's Pond, May 29, (FdB); **Blackpoll Warbler** -2 at Crown Point Road, May 28, (MAM); **Black-throated Blue Warbler** - 1 at North Wiltshire, May 11, (JK); 1 at Corraville, May 10, (BC); 1 at Crown Point Road, May 28, (MAM); **Palm Warbler**- 2 at St Charles RD, May 10, 2021(JGM); 1 at Borden, May1, (MAM); **Pine Warbler** - 1 at Bangor Rd, March 19, (AN) ; **Yellow-rumped Warbler** -1 at Corraville, May 10(BC); at North Wiltshire, May 11, (JK); 1 at Crapaud, May 13, (DD); 1 at Iona, May 16, (JMA) ; 2 at Borden, May1,



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(MAM); 1 at Borden, May 8, (DRM); 3 at Pownal. May 10, (RP); 1 at Little Harbour Beach, May 15, (RP); 1 at Canavoy, May 17, (KM)(DFG); 12 at Greenwich, May 18, (SCS); 7 at Borden, May 21,(DRM) ; 2 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); 5 at Crown Point Road, May 28, (MAM); 3 at Skinner's Pond, May 29, (FdB); **Prairie Warbler** - ; **Black-throated Green Warbler** - 4 at North Wiltshire, May 11, (JK); 2 at Fox Meadows, May 15, (LM); 1 at Canavoy, May 17, (KM) (DFG); 7 at Greenwich, May 18, SCS); 1 1 at Borden, May 21,(DRM) ; 1 at Afton Rd, May 24, (RC); 1 at Whitlock Pond, May 24, (SCS); 5 at Crown Point Road, May 28, (MAM); 2 at Skinner's Pond, May 29, (FdB); **Canada Warbler** - 1 at Mount Carmel, May 21, (JFJ); 2 at Wood Islands, May 23, (MAM); 2 at Afton Rd, May 24, (RC); 2 at Strang RD, May 27, (DRM);1 at Abram's Village, May 29, (JFJ); 1 at Cardigan, June 4, (RC); **Wilson's Warbler** - 1 at East Tarantum RD, June 12,(RP)(DRM); 1 at Bothwell, May 25, (HB); **Scarlet Tanager** - ; **Northern Cardinal** - 1 at N Bedeque, April 5, (JoA) ; 1 at Montague, April 6, (DMur); **Rose-breasted Grosbeak** -2 at Skinner's Pond, May 29, (FdB); ; **Indigo Bunting** - 1 at Horne Cross Road, May 23(VB).

Old Records and Corrections: Black Duck- 30 at Grand River, Feb 3, 2020(GP); 2 at Grand River, March 9, 2020 (GP); 14 at Sea Cow Pond, May 8, 2020, (GP); 9 at Tignish, June 24, 2020(GP); 1 at Rosebank, July 13, 2020(GP); 3 at Miscouche, Aug 4, 2020(GP); **Common Loon**-1 at Wellington, May 4, 2020(GP); **Northern Gannet**- 1 at Tignish, April 23, 2020(GP); **Double-crested Cormorant**- 1 at Tignish, April 30, 2020, (GP); **Great Blue Heron**- 1 at Brooklyn, April 20, 2020, (GP); 1 at Seacow Pond, April 30, 2020(GP); 1 at Kildare Cape, May 1, 2020(GP); 1 at Grand River, July 9, Aug 7, 2020(GP); **Turkey Vulture**- 1 at Christopher Cross, July 13, 2020(GP); 1 at Seacow Pond, July 16 and 26, 2020(GP); **Canada Geese**- 20 at Grand River, Feb 3, 2020(GP); 12 at St Eleanors, March 9, 2020(GP); **Mallard**- 3 at Elmsdale, Feb 3, 2020(GP); 2 at Grand River , March 9, 2020(GP); **Harlequin Duck**- 11 at Seacow Pond, April 30, 2020(GP)

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Event listing for Environmental Calendar:

April 6- Nature PEI... A Basic Introduction to Identifying Gulls on PEI- Donna Martin was our guest speaker with a presentation on identifying Gulls on PEI

April 13- Hillsborough River Association AGM...Nature PEI President Rosemary Curley gave a presentation on Terrestrial Mammals of the Hillsborough Watershed

May 4- Nature PEI...The Invention of the Polar Bear and the Spoiling of the Great Arctic Party, Dr David Cairns presented the evolution of the Polar Bear as it arrived in the Arctic.

June 1- Nature PEI...New Brunswick Bound, Don and Glenda McLellan gave an account of their travels in New Brunswick

June 5- Plant ID at MacPhail Woods with Kate MacQuarrie. Check MacPhail Woods for registering

June 6- Bird Walk at Roseberry Pond Trail Roseberry Road, by Belfast Area Watershed Group

June 19- First time foraging for Experience PEI, with Kate MacQuarrie (Sold Out)

June 26- First time foraging for Experience PEI, with Kate MacQuarrie (Sold Out)

July 6- William Stuart: Portrait of an Island artist: This exhibition will be opening at the Eptek Art and Culture Center and is about the life and artwork of Reverend William Stuart.

August 19- Join Kate MacQuarrie in Plant ID for the Trout River Environmental Committee in Granville. Please contact Trout River for registration and availability.

Sept. 18th - Neil Bennett Autumn Birding Classic Fundraiser. The more teams the better as this event supports natural area conservation and contributes to our knowledge of autumn bird migration. If you wish to form a team, participate, or make a donation, please contact Megan at 902-892-7513 / admin@islandnaturetrust.ca or Dan McAskill at 902-393-4385 (see Fundraising with Feathers article in this issue).