

FIELD NOTES — 1968

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The winter of 1967-1968 produced few northern finches, and the season was generally unexciting from an ornithological viewpoint. The first two months of the year were colder than normal, but there was little snowfall.

After a period of warm weather in March and early April, the last half of April and most of May saw below-average readings and quite a bit of wet weather. Accordingly, the spring landbird migration was late and not up to the standards that most observers would like to see.

The summer season was dry, but the rash of brush fires was not as severe as had been experienced in 1966 and the several preceding years. The Delaware Valley was not affected in any way by the season's crop of tropical storms.

The fall shorebird migration was an excellent one, with a number of interesting reports from inland areas as well as from shore points. Although some species were scarce (i.e. godwits), most were present in good numbers and several (i.e. Avocets, Wilson's Phalarope) were present in unprecedented numbers.

There was a substantial influx of winter finches — Evening Grosbeaks, Pine Siskins, and Pine Grosbeaks in particular — late in the year.

Following is a summary of principal local records of interest for the year:
RED-NECKED GREBE. Barnegat Inlet, N.J., January 1 (1) (B. Carrick); Holgate, N.J., January 1 (1) (B. Carrick); Brigantine Island, N. J., January 6 (2) (J. Akers).
EARED GREBE. Cape May, N.J., December 29 (1) (A. Brady, R. Mellon) (Ed — A photograph of this bird adorned the cover of the last issue of *Cassinia*. See also general notes section, Vol. 51).

WESTERN GREBE. Centennial Lake, Marlton, N.J., December 5 (1) (A. L. Davis, A. Rogers, B. Rowley) (Ed — While a sight record of this rare bird may be open to some question, the record is given added credence by the fact that a Western Grebe had been earlier reported present for two days at nearby Braddock's Mill Lake by Mr. John Whiteway. This earlier report was not known to the observers at the time of the Centennial Lake sighting).

CORY'S SHEARWATER. Twenty miles off Cape May, N.J., July 30 (75) (J. Miller).

WHITE IBIS. Stone Harbor, N.J., July 21 (1 imm.) (D. Kunkle); Cape May Point, N.J., late August — early September (1 imm.) (E. Choate and others); Little Creek, Del., August 27-28 (1) (several observers); Bombay Hook Refuge, Del., September 1 - October 17 (1, first Refuge record) (N. Holgersen).

AMERICAN FLAMINGO. Broadkill Beach, Del., July 4 (1) (H. Goldstein, J. Meritt); Story Island, Little Egg Harbor, N.J., August 27, September 30 (1) (R. Mangold); Tuckerton Bay, N.J., October 26 (1) (R. Mangold).

WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE. Bombay Hook Refuge, Del., December 22 (1) (D. Cutler).

COMMON TEAL. Tinicum Wildlife Preserve, Pa., November 2 (1) (J. Miller), December 1 (2) (J. Carroll).

EUROPEAN WIDGEON. Trenton, N.J., January 1 (1) (R. Blicharz); Brigantine Refuge, N.J., February 6 (1) (B. Carrick), March 17 (1) (A. Jenkins), October 20 (2) (H. Goldstein), November 2 (2) (F. McLaughlin); Great Egg Harbor Bay, N.J., February 23 (1) (J. Akers); Little Creek, Del., March 24 (1) (G. Hitchner); Penn Manor, Pa., December 8 (1) (R. Logan, W. Reynolds, R. Sehl).

HARLEQUIN DUCK. Island Beach, N.J., January 27 (3) (B. Carrick); Barnegat Light, N.J., November 24 (1) (T. Sutherland), November 29 (1) (E. Bloor, H. Goldstein, F. Hubbard, J. Meritt).

COMMON EIDER. Barnegat Light, N.J., December 10 (1) (R. Hendrick, J. Miller); Indian River Inlet, Del., December 29 (1) (S. Brooks, H. Brokaw).

KING EIDER. Island Beach, N.J., February 22 (1 imm. male) (W. Reynolds, R. Sehl).

GOLDEN EAGLE. New Ringgold, Pa., February 13-27 (1) (M. Broun).

PEREGRINE FALCON. Brigantine Island, N.J., January 1 (1) (J. Akers); Brigantine Refuge, N.J., November 16 (2) (J. R. Billings).
BLACK RAIL. Broadkill Beach, Del., May 12 (8) (H. Armistead, B. Carrick, W. Russell); Philadelphia, Pa., September 26 (1 picked up dead on city street) (T. Dougherty).
GOLDEN PLOVER. Brigantine Refuge, N.J., April 3 (15) (J. Wunderle), September 21 (1) (J. Meritt), October 26 (1) (H. Goldstein); Pedricktown, N.J., April 20 (5) (H. Goldstein); Tuckerton, N.J., June 21 (1) (C. Leck); Harrisonville, N.J., September 1 (4) (H. Goldstein); Cranbury, N.J., September 3 (100) (P. Sigler); Thorofare, N.J., September 6 (2) (E. Manners); Bombay Hook Refuge, Del., October 12 (23) (N. Holgersen); Longport, N.J., December 26 (1) (E. Choate, P. Livingston).
BAIRD'S SANDPIPER. Thorofare, N.J., September 6 (1) (E. Manners); Cape May Point, N.J., September 26 (1) (E. Manners); Tincum Wildlife Preserve, Pa., September 30 (1) (C. Atkinson); Bombay Hook Refuge, Del., October 12 (1) (N. Holgersen).
CURLEW SANDPIPER. Bombay Hook Refuge, Del., May 17-20 (1, first State record) (several observers), July 28-30 (1) (N. Holgersen), Brigantine Refuge, N.J., May 19 (1) (J. Meritt), July 13 (1) (C. Stasz).
BUFF-BREASTED SANDPIPER. St. Georges, Del., May 18 (1) (B. Carrick); Harrisonville, N.J., August 24 (1) (J. Meritt); Brigantine Refuge, N. J., August 24 (1) (J. R. Billings), August 27 (4) (G. Stern), September 15 (1) (C. Leck); Cranbury, N.J., September 3 (4) (P. Sigler); Broadkill Beach, Del., September 5 (3) (N. Holgersen); Bombay Hook Refuge, Del., September 28 (2) (N. Holgersen).
MARbled GODWIT. Tuckerton, N.J., August 19 (2) (C. Leck), August 25 (2) (C. H. Rogers), August 30 (2) (B. Hiatt).
HUDSONIAN GODWIT. Bombay Hook Refuge, Del., November 3 (1) (H. Goldstein).
RUFF. Salem, N.J., April 6 (3), April 20 (4) (H. Goldstein); Bombay Hook Refuge, Del., April 6-21 (1) (N. Holgersen), September 7 (1) (W. Wayne); Tincum Wildlife Preserve, Pa., May 12 (1) (J. Miller).
AMERICAN AVOCET. Bombay Hook Refuge, Del., March 23 (1) (E. Dyer), October 12-17 (133 peak) (N. Holgersen and others), November 3 (86) (H. Goldstein), December 5 (17) (N. Holgersen); St. Georges, Del., April 28 - May 14 (2) (B. Carrick, D. Cutler); Brigantine Refuge, N.J., September 2 (2) (J. Meritt), September 21 (17) (D. Coggeshall, J. Meritt).
BLACK-NECKED STILT. Bombay Hook Refuge, Del., August 20 (22, peak local count in recent years) (N. Holgersen).
WILSON'S PHALAROPE. Little Creek, Del., May 12 (1) (H. Armistead, B. Carrick, W. Russell); Bombay Hook Refuge, Del., May 13 (1) (N. Holgersen), September 28 (20, probably peak count for Delaware Valley) (several observers), October 13 (4) (H. Goldstein), November 28 (1) (N. Holgersen), November 30 (1) (J. R. Billings), December 3 (1) (N. Holgersen); Thorofare, N.J., August 22 (2) (C. Bresler), September 6 (3) (E. Manners).
(NORTHERN PHALAROPE. Little Creek, Del., May 12 (2) (H. Armistead, B. Carrick, W. Russell); Brigantine Refuge, N.J., August 7 (1) (J. Akers); Tincum Preserve, Pa., May 18 (1) (J. Miller).
PARASITIC JAEGER. Island Beach State Park, N.J., September 20 (50) (J. Miller).
LONG-TAILED JAEGER. Island Beach State Park, N.J., September 20 (2) (J. Miller).
GLAUCOUS GULL. Cape May Point, N.J., February 1 (1) (J. Northwood); Bivalve, N.J., March 15 - April 15 (1) (D. Kunkle); Brigantine Island, N.J., December 7 (1) (J. Akers); Barnegat Light, N.J., December 21 (1) (I. Black).
ICELAND GULL. Sea Girt, N.J., January 27 (1) (J.R. Billings); Cape May Point, N.J., May 8 (1) (E. Choate); Tincum Wildlife Preserve, Pa., November 25 (1) (C. Atkinson, J. Carroll), November 29 (1) (J. Miller); Newtown, Pa., November 26 (1) (A. Brady); Rehoboth, Del., December 28 (1) (D. Cutler).
BLACK-HEADED GULL. Point Pleasant, N.J., January 27 (1) (J. R. Billings); Holgate, N.J., January 27 (1) (B. Carrick); Cape May, N.J., March 3 (2) (J. R. Billings); Hereford Inlet, N.J., October 13 (1) (R. Sehl); Rehoboth, Del., December 28 (1) (D. Cutler).

BLACK-LEGGED KITTIWAKE. Manasquan Inlet, N.J., November 17 (1) (E. Bloor); Barnegat Inlet, N.J., November 24 (1) (E. Manners); Rehoboth, Del., December 28 (1) (D. Cutler).

ROSEATE TERN. Cape Henlopen, Del., May 30 (2) (B. Carrick).

SANDWICH TERN. Tuckerton, N.J., August 26 (1) (E. Choate).

SNOWY OWL. Brigantine Refuge, N.J., January 1 (1) (R. Musgnug), January 18 (1) (J. Northwood), February 3-4 (1) (J. Evans); New Ringgold, Pa., January 23 (1) (M. Broun); Glenolden, Pa., December 21 (Xmas Count).

WESTERN KINGBIRD. Tyler Arboretum, Media, Pa., September 17 (2) (C. Atkinson); Cape May Point, N.J., September 29 (1) (J. Evans, J. Northwood).

SCISSOR-TAILED FLYCATCHER. Bombay Hook Refuge, Del., May 4 (1, first State record) (two separate parties).

FORK-TAILED FLYCATCHER. Cape May Point, N.J., August 23 (1) (fide J. Northwood) (Ed — Photographs of this bird were shown at a D.V.O.C. meeting. Prior New Jersey records for this species are summarized in *New Jersey Nature News*, December, 1968, p. 157. This bird was incorrectly reported as a Scissor-tailed Flycatcher in *Audubon Field Notes*, Vol. 23, No. 1, February, 1969, p. 31).

BLUE-GRAY GNATCATCHER. Penn Manor, Pa., December 8 (1) (R. Logan, W. Reynolds, R. Sehl).

BOHEMIAN WAXWING. Barnegat Light, N.J., December 1 and several days thereafter (3) (Robert Litch and others).

NORTHERN SHRIKE. New Ringgold, Pa., December 7 (1) (M. Broun).

SWAINSON'S WARBLER. Linwood, N.J., May 23 (1 banded and photographed, first State record) (W. Savell).

YELLOW-THROATED WARBLER. Princeton, N.J., May 14 (1) (R. Blicharz), June 22 (1) (J. Meritt).

OVENBIRD. Browns Mills, N.J., December 15 (1 seen during snowstorm) (John Cadbury).

NORTHERN WATERTHUFISH. Princeton, N.J., January 1 (1) (E. Bloor) (Ed — This bird had been first reported on the Christmas Count several days earlier).

YELLOW-BREASTED CHAT. Hatboro, Pa., November 24 - December 6 (1) (S. Mallanson).

WILSON'S WARBLER. Jenkins, N.J., June 23 (1) (C. Stasz).

YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD. Newark, Del., January (at least two separate birds reported by several observers); Penn's Neck, N.J., October 13 (1) (M. Doscher); Springfield, Pa., December 21 (1 at feeder) (Christmas Count).

BALTIMORE ORIOLE. Wenonah, N.J., January 6 (1) (W. Middleton); Norristown, Pa., February 4 (1) (R. Middleton); Moorestown, N.J., March 3 (1) (F. Hochgesang); Churchville, Pa., throughout December (2) (L. Thomas); Roxborough, Philadelphia, Pa., December 7 (1) (F. Ulmer); Pennypack Park, Philadelphia, Pa., December 20 - mid-January 1969 (1) (J. R. Billings); Princeton, N.J., December 28 (1 at feeder) (Christmas Count); Buckingham, Bucks Co., Pa., December 21 (5—all in one tree!) (O. H. Coles, R. Frock, R. Hendrick).

BREWER'S BLACKBIRD. New Ringgold, Pa., October 27 (1) (M. Broun); Bombay Hook Refuge, Del., December 22 (6) (D. Cutler).

PAINTED BUNTING. Island Beach, N.J., September 8 (1 banded) (I. B. O. R. report).

PINE GROSBEAK. Barnegat Light, N.J., November 12 through end of year (3) (many observers); Hawk Mountain, Pa., November 21 (208, peak one-day count) (A. Nagy); Bake Oven Knob, Pa., November 23 (8) (F. Hubbart); Princeton, N.J., December 28 (4) (Christmas Count).

COMMON REDPOLL. Plainsboro, N.J., December 28 (4) (P. Sigler).

WHITE-WINGED CROSSBILL. Quaker Bridge, N.J., December 29 (12) (A. L. Davis, E. and J. Woodford).

RED CROSSBILL. Barnegat Light, N.J., November 24 (8) (T. Sutherland); Quaker Bridge, N.J., December 29 (5) (A. L. Davis, E. and J. Woodford).

GREEN-TAILED TOWHEE. Flemington, N.J., November 30 - December 14 (1 at feeder, seen by many observers).

LARK SPARROW. Newfield, N.J., January 2 (1 at feeder) (R. McKenzie); Levittown, Pa., March 27 (1 at feeder) (R. Wiltshire).

HARRIS' SPARROW. Bucktown, Chester County, Pa., March 13-14 (1 at feeder) (R. Cook, I. Kuch); Grover's Mill, N.J., November 11, December 18 into January, 1969 (1 at feeder of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Taylor; seen by many observers) (Ed — The October 11 date in *Audubon Field Notes*, Vol. 23, No. 3, June, 1969, p. 466, is incorrect).
LAPLAND LONGSPUR. Holgate, N.J., January 6 (8) (J. R. Billings), January 27 (3) (B. Carrick); Glenolden, Pa., December 21 (2) (Christmas Count); Bombay Hook Refuge, December 22 (2) (Christmas Count); Blawenburg, N.J., December 28 (1) (T. Sutherland); Brigantine Refuge, N.J., December 28 (23) (Christmas Count); Cape May, N.J., December 29 (7) (Christmas Count).

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January was an excessively cold month, but more normal temperatures prevailed in February and March. There was virtually no snow during January and only moderate amounts during the next two months. Northern finches continued to be present in good numbers, but except for their presence the winter season provided little of interest.

Most observers were agreed that the spring landbird migration was one of the poorest in years. Foliage development seemed early, but most migrant species seemed late. Weather conditions in May left a lot to be desired, as that month certainly contained more than its share of cold, dark, and wet mornings. A fine spring shorebird migration was one bright spot.

There was above average rainfall during the summer months, and some damage was reported to coastal nesting colonies by the summer storms.

The fall migration was much more exciting than its spring counterpart. In addition to the fine flights of the normally expected transients, that season produced one of the finest northern finch flights in recent years. In October and November crossbills of both species were frequently reported along the Pennsylvania hawk ridges, but subsequent reports in the immediate Delaware Valley and coastal regions were principally of Red Crossbills. Evening Grosbeaks and Pine Siskins were again present in numbers, and Redpolls, too, made one of their infrequent good showings. Because of the frequency of reports of these species in the fall, these records are omitted in the summary which follows.

RED-NECKED GREBE. Barnegat Light, N.J., January 5 (2) (H. Armistead, J. Sparks); Stone Harbor, N.J., March 1 (1) (J. Sawyer); Lake Ontelaunee, Pa., March 21 (1) (M. Spence); Brigantine Refuge, N.J., November 2 (1) (K. Richards); Egg Island Point, N.J., November 13 (1) (D. Kunkle).

GREATER SHEARWATER. Off Island Beach State Park, N.J., October 12 (1) (J. C. Miller).
SOOTY SHEARWATER. Indian River Inlet, Del., May 23 (20) (W. Bailey, E. Choate).

BROWN PELICAN. Normandy Beach, N.J., August 5 (2) (G. Woolfenden).

MAGNIFICENT FRIGATE-BIRD. Shark River Inlet, N.J., June 20-21 (1) (E. Van Brunt, W. Sandford); Lewes, Del., June 22 (1) (E. Bloor, J. Meritt) (Ed — it would appear quite probable that just one bird was involved in these two reports. For a detailed account of the Delaware observation see *Cassinia*, No. 51, 1968-1969, p. 59).

WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE. Bombay Hook Refuge, Del., November 30 (1) (N. Holgersen).

COMMON TEAL. Brigantine Refuge, N.J., March 7 (1) (A. Williamson), April 6, (1) (R. Grant), November 29 (1) (H. Goldstein); Tinicum Wildlife Preserve, Pa., March 4 (2), March 9 (2), April 4 (2) (J. Carroll, J. C. Miller); Bombay Hook Refuge, Del., March 27-31 (1) (N. Holgersen), December 28 (1) (D. Cutler, N. Holgersen).

EUROPEAN WIDGEON. Scudders Falls, Pa., March 2 (1) (E. Reimann); Little Creek, Del., March 16 (1) (E. Reimann), May 19 (1) (M. Ward); Primehook, Del., March 23 (1) (E. Reimann); Brigantine Refuge, N.J., October 25-26 (1) (J. Meritt, W.

Middleton); Penn Manor, Pa., November 30 (1) (A. Kronschnabel, W. Reynolds, R. Sehl); Cape May Point, N.J., December 6 (1) (E. Choate).

HARLEQUIN DUCK. Deal, N.J., January 18 (1) (H. Drinkwater); Sea Girt, N.J., February 4 (2) (H. Goldstein); Barnegat Light, N.J., February 27 (1) (B. Hiatt); Cape May, N.J., December 21 (2) (D. Cutler).

COMMON EIDER. Manasquan, N.J., January 18 (1) (H. Drinkwater); Cape May, N.J., October 18 (1) (I. Gabrielson), November 28 (1) (D. Kunkle), December 21 (11) (fide E. Choate); Stone Harbor, N.J., December 10 (1) (J. Akers).

KING EIDER. Little Beach Island, N.J., June 22 (1) (DVOC field trip); Indian River Inlet, Del., October 18 (1) (W. Wayne).

BLACK VULTURE. Tuckerton, N.J., May 30 (1 photographed on telephone pole) (R. Conn); Hawk Mt., Pa., November 17 (1, first Sanctuary record) (fide A. Nagy).

SWAINSON'S HAWK. Hawk Mt., Pa., October 22 (1, first Sanctuary record) (fide A. Nagy).

TURKEY. Hawk Mt., Pa., November 1 (5) (R. Hendrick).

SANDHILL CRANE. Tinicum Wildlife Preserve, Pa., July 4-10 (1) (J. Carroll); Bombay Hook Refuge, Del., October 18 - January 10, 1970 (many observers).

VIRGINIA RAIL. Brandywine Creek State Park, Wilmington, Del., January 1-4 (2) (S. Brooks); Tinicum Wildlife Preserve, Pa., January 5-6 (1) (J. Carroll); Brigantine Refuge, N.J., January 12 (1) (J. R. Billings); Princeton, N.J., December 27 (7) (E. Bloor).

YELLOW RAIL. Brigantine Island, N.J., January 19 (1) (J. Akers) (Ed - See general notes section, this issue).

GOLDEN PLOVER. Primehook, Del., April 25 (10) (N. Holgersen); Little Creek, Del., May 11 (1) (E. Reimann); Bombay Hook Refuge, Del., August 27 (1), October 31 (20), November 15 (2) (N. Holgersen); Tuckerton, N.J., September 9 (1) (H. Goldstein); Dutch Neck, N.J., September 14 (88) (R. Blicharz); Island Beach State Park, N.J., September 27 (1), October 14 (1) (J. C. Miller); Lewes, Del., October 18 (1) (W. Wayne); Tinicum Wildlife Preserve, Pa., October 28 - November 1 (3), November 9 (10) (J. C. Miller).

BAIRD'S SANDPIPER. Bombay Hook Refuge, Del., August 24 (1) (H. Brokaw); Cape May Point, N.J., September 20-21 (1) (many observers), September 27 (1) (H. Todd); Brigantine Refuge, N.J., October 4 (1) (E. Bloor); Bristol, Pa., October 26 (1) (W. Logan, W. Reynolds, R. Sehl).

CURLEW SANDPIPER. Tuckerton, N.J., May 17 (1) (J. Evans); Brigantine Refuge, N.J., May 23 (1) (H. Goldstein); Bombay Hook Refuge, Del., October 4 (1) (C. Atkinson); Tuckahoe, N.J., October 4 (1) (J. Akers).

BLUFF-BREASTED SANDPIPER. Brigantine Refuge, N.J., May 17 (1) (F. Frazier, Jr.); Cape May Point, N.J., September 19-21 (1) (many observers).

MARBLED GODWIT. Brigantine Island, N.J., August 8 (1) (J. Akers); Brigantine Refuge, N.J., August 16 (3) (J. Akers), August 23 (1) (E. Bloor), November 29 (5) (H. Goldstein); Tuckerton, N.J., August 28 (2) (F. McLaughlin); Holgate, N.J., September 1 (6) (C. Wonderly); Cape May, N.J., September 17 (1) (J. Sawyer).

HUDSONIAN GODWIT. Little Beach Island, N.J., August 3 (1) (A. Brady, E. Choate); Bombay Hook Refuge, Del., September 19 (2) (C. Johnson), October 21-24 (2) (N. Holgersen), November 15 (1) (W. Wayne); Churchville, Pa., October 5 (1) (R. Frock, Jr., K. Seager); Woodland Beach, Del., November 15 (1) (W. Wayne).

RUFF. Bombay Hook Refuge, Del., March 27 (1) (N. Holgersen), April 6 (1) (N. Holgersen), May 4 (1) (W. Wayne), July 7 (1) (N. Holgersen), October 4 (1) (C. Atkinson); Salem, N.J., April 20 (1) (H. Goldstein).

AMERICAN AVOCET. Bombay Hook Refuge, Del., January 29 (2), July 24 (7), July 30 (16), August 14 (19), August 27 (49), October 26 (146), November 30 (21), December 1 (11) (N. Holgersen); Tinicum Wildlife Preserve, Pa., May 30 (3) (J. Miller); Brigantine Refuge, N. J., August 16 (5) (C. Leck), October 26 (11) (J. Meritt), November 9 (9) (J. Akers), November 15 (2) (J. Evans).

WILSON'S PHALAROPE. Little Creek, Del., April 28 (1) (J. Evans); Tuckerton, N.J., May 18 (1) (R. Blicharz, W. Parker).

NORTHERN PHALAROPE. Brigantine Refuge, N.J., May 23 (2) (E. Bloor, H. Goldstein), November 28 (1) (A. Bergey); Cape May Point, N.J., November 22 (1) (J. Northwood).

LONG-TAILED JAEGER. Barnegat Light, N.J., October 11 (1) (A. Brady).

SKUA. Off Avalon, N.J., June 13 (1) (E. Reimann) (Ed — see *Cassinia*, No. 51, 1968-1969, p. 61).

GLAUCOUS GULL. Holgate, N.J., January 11 (1) (J. Billings); Pt. Pleasant, N.J., January 18 (1) (H. Drinkwater); Penn Manor, Pa., January 19 (1) (E. Bloor); Tincum Wildlife Preserve, Pa., January 24 (1) (J. C. Miller), February 2-3 (1) (J. Carroll, J. C. Miller); Lake Ontelaunee, Pa., November 18 (1) (W. Faust, M. Spence); Brigantine Island, N.J., December 31 (1) (M. Brigham, T. Thormin).

ICELAND GULL. Shark River Inlet to Manasquan, N.J., January 18 (6) (H. Drinkwater); Penn Manor, Pa., January 19 (3) (E. Bloor), November 30 (1) (A. Kronschabel, W. Reynolds, R. Sehl); Tincum Wildlife Preserve, Pa., January 24 (2), March 1 (1), April 4 (1) (J. C. Miller); Philadelphia, Pa., March 14 (4) (T. Dougherty, D. Cutler).

BLACK-HEADED GULL. Barnegat Light, N.J., January 5 (1) (H. Armistead, J. Sparks); Shark River Inlet, N.J., November 23 (1) (E. Bloor).

LITTLE GULL. Brigantine Island, N.J., September 7 (1) (J. Akers).

ROSEATE TERN. Little Beach Island, N.J., June 22 (1) (DVOG field trip).

SANDWICH TERN. Cape May Point, N.J., May 15 (1) (E. Choate).

BLACK TERN. Cape May, N.J., December 21 (1) (R. Grant, J. Sawyer).

RAZORBILL. Barnegat Inlet, N.J., November 28 (1) (S. Harty); Sea Girt, N.J., December 7 (2) (F. Gill).

THICK-BILLED MURRE. Indian River Inlet, Del., December 7 (1) (W. Borden).

BLACK-BACKED THREE-TOED WOODPECKER. Hockessin, Del., November 1-30 (1 seen many times at feeding station) (M. Ward, W. Wayne).

WESTERN KINGBIRD. Tuckerton, N.J., September 13 (1) (B. Hiatt); Cape May Point, N.J., September 17 (2) (J. Sawyer); Avondale, Pa., November 28-29 (1) (G. Ralston); Bombay Hook Refuge, Del., Dec. 1 (N. Holgersen).

COMMON RAVEN. Bake Oven Knob, Pa., September 28 (1) (G. Stern, P. Street); Lehigh Furnace, Pa., October 4 (1), November 15 (1) (R. Frock, Jr.); Hawk Mt., Pa., November 1 (1) (R. Hendrick).

BOREAL CHICKADEE. Chester Springs, Pa., November 2 (1) (P. Street); Hopewell, N.J., November 16 (10) (R. Blicharz); Ridley Park, Pa., November 27 (1) (J. C. Miller); Trenton, N.J., December 20 (1) (Xmas Count); Princeton, N.J., December 27 (2) (Xmas Count).

BEWICK'S WREN. Island Beach State Park, N.J., October 11 (1 banded and photographed) (I.B.O.R. report).

FIELDFARE. Bombay Hook Refuge, Del., March 30-April 4 (1) (N. Holgersen and others) (Ed. — Further publication on this record is expected).

VARIED THRUSH. Newtown, Pa., December 31 - February 5, 1970 (1 seen by many observers. See General Notes Section, this issue).

NORTHERN SHRIKE. Hawk Mt., Pa., January 30 (1) (fide A. Nagy); New Ringgold, Pa., December 15 (1) (M. Broun).

ORANGE-CROWNED WARBLER. Tuckerton, N.J., January 5 (1) (H. Armistead); Island Beach State Park, N.J., October 2-17 (6 banded) (I.B.O.R. report); Avalon, N.J., November 2 (1) (H. Mills).

TENNESSEE WARBLER. Cape May, N.J., December 21 (1) (R. Grant, J. Sawyer).

NASHVILLE WARBLER. Pomona, N.J., November 22 (1) (W. Wayne); Cape May, N.J., December 21 (1) (R. Grant, J. Sawyer).

BLACK-THROATED GRAY WARBLER. Island Beach State Park, N.J., September 22 (1) (I.B.O.R. report).

YELLOW-THROATED WARBLER. Browns Mills, N.J., April 20 (1) (John Cadbury); Bombay Hook Refuge, Del., April 10 (1), May 2 (1) (N. Holgersen); Trenton, N.J., May 4 (1) (E. Bloor); Dividing Creek, N.J., May 25 (1) (D. Kunkle).

BLACKPOLL WARBLER. Germantown, Pa., November 17 (1 caught in mist net) (J. Cadbury).

PRAIRIE WARBLER. Rehoboth, Del., December 20 (1) (E. Strickland); Cape May, N.J., December 21 (1) (E. Reimann).
 NORTHERN WATERTHRUSH. Bombay Hook Refuge, Del., November 15 (1) (K. Richards).
 CONNECTICUT WARBLER. Riverton, N.J., May 4 (1) (G. Reynard).
 YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD. Glenolden, Pa., January 14 (1 at feeder) (C. Larup).
 ORCHARD ORIOLE. Princeton, N.J., January 13-16 (1 at feeder) (fide E. Bloor).
 BREWER'S BLACKBIRD. New Ringgold, Pa., October 18 (1), October 24 (8) (M. Broun).
 SUMMER TANAGER. Philadelphia Airport, Pa., May 11 (1) (J. C. Miller); Batsto, N.J., May 24 (1) (M. Broun).
 PINE GROSBEAK. Barnegat Light, N.J., January 11 (1) (J. R. Billings).
 COMMON REDPOLL. Stone Harbor, N.J., March 8 (4) (J. Sawyer); Marshalltown, N.J., March 23 (6) (D. Coman, J. Jacobs, C. Stasz).
 LARK BUNTING. Philadelphia, Pa., August 31 (1) (T. Dougherty) (Ed. — See General Notes Section, this issue).
 LARK SPARROW. Cape May, N.J., September 1 (1, photographed) (A. Brady), December 21 (1) (W. Savell).
 OREGON JUNCO. Cold Spring, N.J., March 17 (1, first Cape May County record) (E. Choate).
 HARRIS' SPARROW. Limekiln, Pa., March 18 (1 at feeder) (D. Berkheimer, E. Poole).
 LAPLAND LONGSPUR. Brigantine Refuge, N.J., February 22 (14) (H. Todd), March 9 (10) (H. Goldstein); Island Beach State Park, N.J., October 14 (1) (J. C. Miller); Holgate, N.J., November 28 (20) (R. Frohling); Dutch Neck, N.J., December 27 (4) (R. Blicharz).

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Mr. John T. Linehan (Agricultural Hall, University of Delaware, Newark, Delaware 19711) is currently working on the preparation of a listing of the birds of Delaware. DVOC members who do field work in the state are requested to send to him any appropriate information regarding individual records of interest, unusual dates or numbers, or nesting occurrences. Pelagic observations are especially desired.