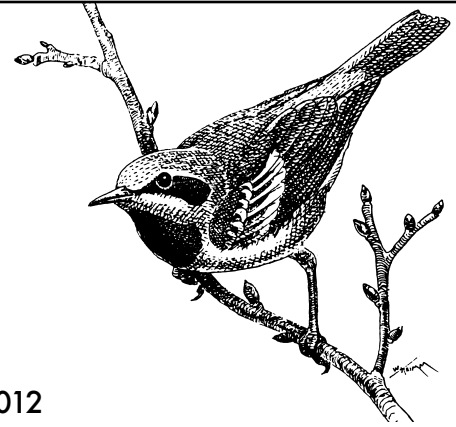


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## HARLEQUIN DUCKS ENJOY COLD WEATHER AND ROUGH SURF

*by John Piwowarski*

When I go winter birding on Long Island at Jones Beach State Park, I never know what I might find. The Harlequin Ducks were just one example of many interesting possibilities. This state park encompasses the ocean frontage with its sand dunes and the bay side of the park with its salt marshes, so birding here allows you to wander through two different habitats and encounter the variety of animal and plant life that call them home.

The Harlequin Ducks have two separate populations. The larger population is on the west coast and then there's the east coast population. These two populations breed in the far north along coastal areas, rivers and swiftly moving mountain streams. In addition, they relish the crashing waves along rocky coast lines.

At Jones Beach they have a number of rock jetties, going from the beach shoreline out at least two hundred feet into the ocean. The jetties reduce the loss of beach frontage caused by storms and currents that move the sand westward. This is where the waves crash in against the jetties and where you may find Harlequin Ducks diving in this rough surf, feeding on fish and marine insects. I have seen them a number of times and they are striking to look at and interesting to see how tightly they flock together in such rough surf. We see them occasionally on Long Island after the breeding season in winter where the rock jetties mimic the rocky coastlines of further north.



HARLEQUIN DUCKS

PHOTO BY JOHN PIWOWARSKI

Some other interesting birds that can be seen on the ocean in winter Black Scoters, common Eider, Common Loon, Red-throated Loon, Northern Gannet, Purple Sandpipers, Razorbills and Horned Grebes. Found between the dunes there can be Snowy Owls, Northern Shrike, Snow Buntings, and Horned Larks. On the bay side it's possible to see Oldsquaw, Snow Geese usually with Canada Geese. Snow Buntings and Horned Larks can sometimes be found right in the parking lots at the beach or flat sandy areas along the bay. Another good place to look for most of these birds is at Point Lookout the exit right before the toll booths that go to Jones Beach, which are closed in the winter.

**ADBC BOARD MEETING**  
**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2012, AT 7:00 PM**

*At the home of Nancy Kern. All members are welcome.*  
*Please phone if you plan to attend.*

# A WALKER'S THOUGHTS

by Mike Birmingham, Entomologist<sup>1</sup>



TRAIL LEADS TO DORSON'S ROCK

It was a dull, damp and cold day for walking. From the main parking lot of the Powell Wildlife Sanctuary, the trail dips as it passes through a marshy area and then rises steadily between two stone walls that follow an abandoned road. I had company. Fresh tracks in the snow were headed my way. At the trail juncture, I turned eastward following the Orange Trail. The tracks led the way before leaving the trail.



FOOTPRINTS IN THE FRESH SNOW



REILLY POND VIEWED FROM THE ORANGE TRAIL

Behold Reilly Pond! It appears through the leafless tree canopy beneath a snow covered plain. What a contrast from months ago when the pond was choked with vegetation, when fallen trees dotted with small turtles lying in the sun and waters full of large snapping turtles. Now it appears uncluttered, desolate and expansive.

The Sanctuary's woods have a "healthy" amount of diseased trees. As diseased trees die from storm damage, pestilence and competition, they provide food and habitat for much wildlife.

The cry nearby of a Pileated Woodpecker (*Dryocopus pileatus*) makes clear the meaning of what is beheld. Without the dead and dying trees, where would the bird find grubs and carpenter ants in the winter months? Where does the playful crow-sized bird hide? It calls but is not seen. I stop, listen and step lightly forward. A momentary flash of bird and it disappears. Clever bird I think. Most life this season is hidden from view but not memory. Bracken, or shelf fungi, observed as conks, grew on tree trunks indicating wood-rot. Wood-rot releases minerals, nutrients and organic matter. The trees' death helps renew soil tilth.



FALLEN TREES ABOUND AT THE SANCTUARY



STONE WALL COMMON THROUGHOUT AREA

What had started as a desolate walk turned full of life and history. Under foot are countless animal tracks. From a brush pile a cottontailed rabbit (probably Eastern Cottontailed, *Sylvilagus floridanus*) runs followed by an Eastern Gray Squirrel (*Sciurus carolinensis*). In the impassable Multiflora Rose (*Rosa multiflora*) bushes, Dark-eyed Juncos (*Junco hyemalis*) and other small birds move among the thorny branches and on ground protected from the elements and predators. The forest would be less sparse of understory vegetation were deer browsing and shade from a closed overhead canopy less.

A train-whistle blows filling the air around me with sound. My attention turns from nature to human history. A stone foundation in ruins is near the trail. Could it have supported a structure to sheltered sheep? Sheep wire lays rusted and tangled on stone walls and wire protrudes from tree trunks nearby.

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## REMINDERS & NOTICES

### ADBC FIELD TRIPS



#### **Feb. 4, Sat. - SHRIKE SEARCH**

(morning) Meet at 9:00 am at Lindenwald parking lot on Route 9H. We will look for Northern Shrike on Eichybush Road in Kinderhook. Northern Harrier and Rough-legged Hawk are more likely than Northern Shrike. Coordinator: Drew Hopkins

#### **Mar. 11, Sun. - WATERFOWL OF THE HUDSON RIVER (Greene County)** (morning)

Meet at 8:00 am at the Coxsackie boat launch. From the intersection of 9W and 385 in Coxsackie go east on 385 (Mansion St.) and continue straight to the Hudson River where the road bears left to the boat launch site. We will search the Hudson River from Coxsackie to Catskill where waterfowl usually congregate on their way north. There is a good chance of seeing Bald Eagle. This is a joint trip with the Hudson-Mohawk Bird Club. Coordinator: Bill Cook

#### **Mar. 17, Sat. - CLERMONT STATE HISTORIC SITE**

(morning) Meet 9 am at the Visitor Center of Clermont State Historic Site. We will meet looking for spring migrants. The park charges a fee (\$3) for this event. Coordinator: Bill Cook

**NOTE TO FIELD TRIP LEADERS:** *Following the field trip for which you are the leader, send a brief summary/write-up of the trip for the Warbler to the editor - Nancy Kern*

### COLUMBIA LAND CONSERVANCY OUTINGS

For Information about CLC events, programs & outings:  
Visit [www.clctrust.org](http://www.clctrust.org) or call 518-392-5252



### HUDSON MOHAWK BIRD CLUB TRIPS & PROGRAMS

More info: 518-439-8080 or [www.hmbc.net](http://www.hmbc.net)

Programs start at 7:00 pm at the William K. Sanford (Colonie) Library on Albany Shaker Road.

**Monday, Feb. 6, 2012 - "On Safari in Namibia"** with Gregg Recer. Gregg will share photos from self-guided travels he and his family took through northern Namibia in 2010.

**Monday, Mar. 5, 2012 - "All About Bluebirds - And More"** with John Rogers. This PowerPoint presentation encompasses the life history of the Eastern Bluebird, nest box management, other birds that nest in bluebird boxes and more.

#### ALAN DEVOE BIRD CLUB MEMBERSHIP FORM

**Membership Annual Renewal Date: January 1st**

Send check to: Sandra Williams, 1730 Co. Rte 9, Chatham, NY 12037, payable to the Alan Devoe Bird Club, Inc.

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#### MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES:

Adult \$15 [ ] Junior (18 or younger) \$10 [ ]

Supporting Adult \$30 [ ] Individual Life \$500 [ ]

Family/Household \$25 [ ]

Supporting Family/Household \$45 [ ]

#### ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS:

General Fund: \_\_\_\_\_

Sanctuary Fund: \_\_\_\_\_

Educational Opportunities Fund: \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \_\_\_\_\_

### RENEWING MEMBERS FOR 2012

Mimi Brauch	Robert Kessler & Janet Lincoln
James Costello & Laura Cannamela	Jeffery & Evan Drasner
Elizabeth Davis	Susan Roberts
Elle Dietemann	Paul Schuchmann
Howard Ennes	Marion & Willard Ulmer
Betty Grindrod	Valerie Wallin

### NEW MEMBERS FOR 2012

Jere Wrightsman





# COLUMBIA COUNTY ANNUAL WATERFOWL COUNT, SUN., JAN. 15, 2012

by Nancy Kern

Elisabeth Grace, her dog Cole and I met at Stuyvesant Landing by the Hudson River at 9 a.m. to conduct the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual NYS Waterfowl Count. We remembered the late Kate Dunham who led the count for ADBC at its beginning, and we kept our promise to her to keep it going. It was a breezy, clear, sunny day with a temperature of -3 degrees F reaching 16 in the afternoon. The river had significant ice out from the shores, but the fast, outgoing high tide and high water made the channel open and clear. This stop produced 500 Canada Geese and 12 Common Mergansers. We continued to Nutten Hook, Stockport Station, Hudson

Boat Launch, Roe Jan Creek, Germantown's Lasher Park and the area near the old apple storage facility where Elisabeth and Cole returned home. I continued on to Cheviot and Clermont State park, Bell's Pond, and then inland to Copake Lake and surrounding fields and streams. Totals for the day were: about 7,000 Canada Geese, 112 Common Mergansers, 34 Black Ducks, 114 Mallards, and 3 American Coot (at Copake Lake). Marion Ulmer added a Mute Swan and Ring-necked Duck at Old Pond in Chatham. The variety of species was low, but there were good numbers for most of those found.

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## A WALKER'S THOUGHTS

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The woods are divided by stone walls that separate ownerships and former fields. Rocks push up to ground surface following removal of forests. Farmers toiled to remove the stone from fields. Stone walls were a practical use of stone to demark boundaries and to separate fields. Stones lay across one another, bound together in a pattern of one over two and two over one. The walls have stood for decades after the stone workers and farms were gone. No easy job laying stone. Some stone at the Westside of the sanctuary weighed more than 400 pounds. Miles of stone walls at the Sanctuary and adjoining properties meant a herculean work for farm families that moved stone on stone-boats drawn by horses and oxen.



FOUNDATION WAS FOR ANIMAL SHELTER



SIGNAGE INDICATES BORDER CROSSING

Plastic signs with owner's name and address mark boundary lines today. In earlier times, the owners lived on the land with the walls they built. People knew the owners of the land by association, and sometimes by the way the stone walls were built. Plastic serves its purpose to communicate property ownerships. As it ages it shreds. Stone ages gracefully. It is mottled by lichens and mosses – it is colored and patterned by the living growing on the inanimate. There is the thought of oneness of man and nature. Especially here at the Sanctuary where one can walk and see how man and nature are evolving to a sustainable relationship.

<sup>1</sup> Photos are by author.

<sup>2</sup> Scientific names are from Wikipedia.

<sup>3</sup> Bird identification is from Sibley Field Guide to Birds of Eastern North America.

## NEW OSPREY NESTING PLATFORM

*by Elisabeth Grace*

At 10 o'clock on a balmy January morning, a small crowd gathered at the far end of Ooms Conservation Area at Sutherland Pond on Rock City Road, Old Chatham, to witness the final stage of a project begun many months before. In fact, Marcia Cary of the Columbia Land Conservancy tracked our email correspondence about the project back to 2008. That was when I first proposed to her that Ooms (or Sutherland) Pond seemed a promising site for the erection of an Osprey nesting platform; I have often seen an Osprey fishing at Ooms over the years, and there was even, at one time, a tree on one shore which served as a perch for visiting birds.

We knew there would be permits to be applied for and instructions to be studied for the correct location and building of a platform, and many other projects became our priorities and diverted us from our purpose. In time, having received the blessing of CLC's Peter Paden, Marcia researched these matters and we met to discuss the plans on several occasions. The ADBC guaranteed a contribution towards the cost of materials, and Club member Mimi Asbornsen, an admirer of Maine's Ospreys, added some extra dollars in support of the project.

Sometime in mid-2010, New York State Electric and Gas Company was enrolled to do the heavy labor involved and, despite all the extra work required of utility companies in the wake of the Halloween snowstorm, and later on, Hurricanes Irene and Leigh, crew leader Bill Gallup remained faithful to the project, supplied the needed telephone pole and had his workers

construct a framework to hold it off the ground so that the platform could be built on site.

Michael Brenner, a CLC member and frequent volunteer, built the square wooden platform with a sturdy mesh base and the requisite few branches tacked to the floor to "give the Ospreys the right idea," as the directions suggested. He added a perching arm to one side of the platform, to complete his handsome construction.

On January 10th, Bill Gallup and his NYSEG team, one board member and five staff members from the CLC, Michael Brenner, Mike Birmingham and I convened at the site and watched as a four-foot-deep hole was dug with an enormous auger operated from the lofty cab of a NYSEG truck (we were all told to stand back at least 10 feet!) The pole, detached from its supporting frame, was raised and then lowered into the hole until it stood plumb. The attached platform sat atop the pole, at the approximate recommended 14 feet above ground level. Once the hole was filled in, the weathered pole and its platform had a look of permanence; Bill Gallup assured us that it could last for a hundred years.

Ospreys are summer visitors, returning to our area in early spring. If they choose to nest at Ooms, in this or any future years, it will be thanks to the volunteer efforts of many people. Special thanks are due to Marcia Cary and Michael Brenner for their hours of work on the project. Of course, we'll welcome any news of Osprey sightings at Ooms Pond!

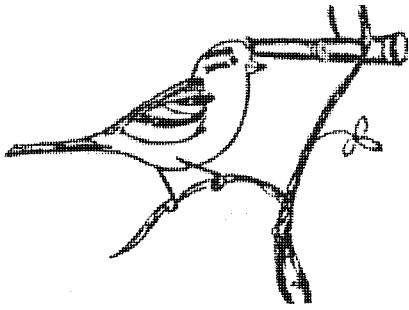
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## WINTER EAGLE SURVEY

*by Nancy Kern*

In addition to the waterfowl count, we also conducted the annual eagle survey. All the eagles observed were Bald Eagles including 2 adults that acted as a bonded pair at Copake Lake. The rest were seen along the Hudson River. There were a total of 14 adults and 11 immature Bald Eagles. It was wonderful to see the increase in numbers over the years, and particularly to see so many young eagles. At Germantown an adult eagle flew down to the water and grabbed a fish which

it dropped as it flew up. It circled and grabbed another even bigger fish which it had trouble lifting up until it finally gained some altitude. It flew toward the west side of the river when another adult and an immature bird tried to take the fish. The eagle possessing it was larger and a wily bird who escaped into the trees. The other two gave up and flew off. Eagles notoriously steal food, but this time the thieves were unsuccessful.



# BIRD SIGHTINGS



December 2011

Compiled for the Alan Devoe Bird Club by William Cook, Ph.D., Columbia-Greene Community College, 4400 Route 23, Hudson NY 12534

## Report for December 2011

A juvenile **Yellow-headed Blackbird** visited Helen Specht's feeder on December 9<sup>th</sup> along with a flock of blackbirds but it didn't stay long enough for anybody else to see it. This species, which is common in the west, annually wanders to New York but the last club record was before 1964 for which I don't have records. My only sighting for New York was July 10, 1983 near Columbia-Greene Community College which was before I started reporting to the club. Large numbers of blackbirds were a dominant theme of our Christmas Count this year. Over 78,000 were counted on December 17<sup>th</sup> in Columbia County.

A **Wilson's Snipe** jumped up out of the marsh at Mud Creek Environmental Learning Center in Ghent at the feet of Jon Boulette, Jeff Novick and myself on the Christmas Count. New York is at the southern edge of the breeding range of this species and a few individuals do overwinter in New York but we rarely find them in Columbia County except during spring migrants.

Writing this report, and the unpredictability of birds, requires that I often have to eat my words. Last month I wrote that Elisabeth Grace's November sighting of a **Broad-winged Hawk** was probably the last for the season but Roberta Bernstein, Ingrid and Steve Bogel, and Viki Sand found an immature one during the Christmas Count perched in a tree near Valatie. Broad-winged Hawks used to only be found on the Atlantic Coast in New York during the winter but they are being found annually upstate now although still considered rare. An adult **Bald Eagle** spent a few weeks at Bell's Pond this month and was observed by many club members.

Jerry Lazarczyk, a birder from Chautauqua County, came through Columbia County on December 6<sup>th</sup>. He added some species to his Columbia County list, delivered an American Pipit specimen, the first to be added to the

Columbia-Greene Community College Natural History Museum, and added **Greater Scaup** to our annual list.

**Barred Owls** and **Black Vultures** are here all year round but this month only Mitzi Lobdell reported the owl and only Rich and Gale Nord reported the vulture. Drew Hopkins has been keeping track of the Black Vultures and photographed them on the Hudson Intermediate School on January 2<sup>nd</sup> but his best sighting of the month was **Turkey Vulture**.

82 species on our December list this year is a new all-time high for December for us. It beats the previous December record of 78 set in 1994. We did well with lingering species like **Gray Catbird** and **Swainson's Thrush** but missed the winter finches and buntings of last year. Species that we missed this year, but had in 2010 include: Blue-winged Teal, Northern Pintail, Iceland Gull, Marsh Wren, American Pipit, Golden-winged Warbler and Cerulean Warbler.

Mimi Brauch was surprised to find four Black Swans, native to Australia, on Keller's Pond, Dale's Bridge Road in Germantown early this month. These popular pets are occasionally found as escapees in North America.

A total of 82 species were reported in December. Of these 58 are common residents or winter visitors: Canada Goose, Mute Swan, American Black Duck, Mallard, Common Merganser, Ruffed Grouse, Wild Turkey, Black Vulture, Bald Eagle, Northern Harrier, Sharp-shinned Hawk, Cooper's Hawk, Red-tailed Hawk, American Kestrel, Peregrine Falcon, Ring-billed Gull, Herring Gull, Great Black-backed Gull, Rock Pigeon, Mourning Dove, Eastern Screech-Owl, Great Horned Owl, Barred Owl, Belted Kingfisher, Red-bellied Woodpecker, Yellow-bellied Sapsucker, Downy Woodpecker, Hairy Woodpecker, Northern Flicker, Pileated Woodpecker, Blue Jay, American Crow, Common Raven, Horned Lark, Black-capped

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## December 2011 Report

Species	Date	Location	Observer
Wood Duck	17	SP	C
Green-winged Teal	4 17	CM SP	G C
Ring-necked Duck	6-30	LV HL HR GH	P B G U
Greater Scaup	6	LV	Lazarczyk
Lesser Scaup *	12	CO	P
Bufflehead	16	CO	P
Hooded Merganser	6 17	RN HR	G C
Ruddy Duck	2-23	CO	P
Common Loon	6 17	LV HR	Lazarczyk J
Great Blue Heron	8-30	LV HL HD	A P H
Turkey Vulture	28	HD	H
Northern Goshawk	17	GH	U
<b>Broad-winged Hawk</b>	17	KH	Bernstein
Merlin*	4	GP	N
American Coot	2-23	CO	P
<b>Wilson's Snipe</b>	17	GH	C
Snowy Owl*	16	CH	Bernstein
Fish Crow	17	SP	C
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	17	SP	C
<b>Swainson's Thrush</b>	14	SV	K N
<b>Gray Catbird</b>	14	SV	K
Field Sparrow	17	GH	S
Savannah Sparrow	9	HL	P
<b>Yellow-headed Blackbird *</b>	9	TG	S

### December 2011 Summaries

	1981	2001	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	Low	High
Total Species	70	87	74	76	69	71	77	82	62	82
Year to Date	185	204	187	200	183	184	183	182	(1989)	(2011)

## BIRD SIGHTINGS REPORT

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Chickadee, Tufted Titmouse, Red-breasted Nuthatch, White-breasted Nuthatch, Brown Creeper, Carolina Wren, Eastern Bluebird, American Robin, Northern Mockingbird, European Starling, Cedar Waxwing, Yellow-rumped Warbler, American Tree Sparrow, Song Sparrow, White-throated Sparrow, Dark-eyed Junco, Northern Cardinal, Red-winged Blackbird, Common Grackle, Brown-headed Cowbird, Purple Finch, House Finch, American Goldfinch, House Sparrow. The remaining 24 species, less common residents, fall migrants and winter visitors are detailed below. Four species (\*) were added to the annual total this December.

### Key to Locations:

AC	Ancram
AS	Austerlitz
CL	Clermont
CM	Chatham
CN	Canaan
CO	Copake
CV	Claverack
DT	N. Dutchess
GH	Ghent
GL	Gallatin
GM	Germantown
GP	Greenport
HD	Hudson
HL	Hillsdale
HR	Hudson River
KH	Kinderhook
LV	Livingston
MC	Mill Creek
NL	New Lebanon
RN	S. Rensselaer
SC	Powell Sanct.
SP	Stockport
SV	Stuyvesant
TG	Taghkanic

### Observers

A=Alan, Phyllis & Betsy Wirth, B=Mimi Brauch, C=Bill Cook, D=Tim Dormady, G=Elisabeth Grace, H=Drew Hopkins, I=Cris Winters, J=George Rodenhause and Ron Bussian, K=Kathryn Schneider, L=Mitzi Lobdell, N=Richard Nord, O=Tim O'Connor, P=John Piwowarski, Q=Susan Scheck, S=Carl, Helen & Stephanie Specht, T=Scotti Tomson, U=Marion & Bill Ulmer, V=Marlene Vidibor, W=Owen & Carol Whitby, Y=Will Yandik and Z=Nancy Kern







## CHATHAM 2011 CHRISTMAS COUNT SUMMARY

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	TOTAL
Black-capped Chickadee	18	5	21	83	10	26	61	11	15	31	11	292
Tufted Titmouse	9	8	6	19	4	19	9	9	6	11	4	104
Red-breasted Nuthatch				1							1	2
White-breasted Nuthatch	8	3	4	12	2	14	3	5	3	13	5	72
Brown Creeper				1			1			2		4
Carolina Wren	1									1	3	5
Ruby-crowned Kinglet										2		2
Eastern Bluebird	9	12	12	3	4		1		1	16	6	64
American Robin	41	15	212	58	67	38	225		11	30	16	713
Northern Mockingbird	1		1	2		2	2		2	5	2	17
European Starling	131	126	1470	145	2510	570	368	27	46	490	30	5913
Cedar Waxwing							50					50
Yellow-rumped Warbler	1									1		2
American Tree Sparrow	1		8		2		1	5	1	8	1	27
Field Sparrow								1				1
Song Sparrow	2					1			2	2	3	10
White-throated Sparrow	3		3	5		11		2	4	17	1	46
Dark-eyed Junco	31	41	34	18	4	61	16	10	38	54	38	345
Northern Cardinal	6	1		2		7	4	2	4	11	4	41
Red-winged Blackbird	600		10000							28451	1200	40251
Common Grackle	50			20000						12150	800	33000
Brown-headed Cowbird										5030	3	5033
House Finch			7	15		8	15	6	3	25	13	92
American Goldfinch	34	6	15	7	1	12	25	8	1	38	57	204
House Sparrow	11		10	24	2	37	3		55	70	16	228
<b>Total</b>	<b>1692</b>	<b>1442</b>	<b>12178</b>	<b>20768</b>	<b>3222</b>	<b>1086</b>	<b>2741</b>	<b>456</b>	<b>564</b>	<b>49852</b>	<b>2952</b>	<b>96953</b>

GROUP	LEADER	SPECIES	HOURS /CAR	HOURS /FOOT	TOTAL HOURS	MILES /CAR	MILES /FOOT	TOTAL MILES
A	FRANKS	45	8	2	10	69	1	70
B	BUSSIAN	23	6	1	7	44	2	46
C	PIWOWARSKI	28	5	2	7	35	2	37
D	BERNSTEIN	29	6	2.5	8.5	58	2	60
E	GRACE	22	3	1.5	4.5	28	1	29
F	ULMER	27	6	0.5	6.5	63	1	64
G	KERN	31	9	2	11	51	0	51
H	SPECHT	21	4	0	4	37	0	37
I	WHITBY	25	5	2.5	7.5	39	0	39
J	COOK	54	4	7	11	48	5	53
K	SCHNEIDER	42	7	3	10	76	2	78
			63	24	87	548	16	564

### GROUPS

A - DREW HOPKINS, CHRIS FRANKS: GREAT HORNED OWL  
 B - RON BUSSIAN, GEORGE RODENHAUSEN: COMMON LOON  
 C - JOHN PIWOWARSKI, SUSAN AND HENRY SCHECK  
 D - ROBERTA BERNSTEIN, VIKI SAND, INGRID AND STEVE BOGEL: BROAD-WINGED HAWK  
 E - ELISABETH GRACE, MONA CADY  
 F - MARION ULMER, MITZI LOBDELL, CLARE BRACKEN, SANDY WILLIAMS: RING-NECKED DUCK, NORTHERN GOSHAWK  
 G - NANCY KERN, DEBBIE SHAW: GREAT BLUE HERON, CEDAR WAXWING  
 H - HELEN, CARL & STEPHANIE SPECHT: FIELD SPARROW  
 I - OWEN & CAROL WHITBY  
 J - BILL COOK, JON BOULETTE, JEFF NOVICK: WOOD DUCK, PEREGRINE FALCON, WILSON'S SNIPE, FISH CROW, RUBY-CROWNED KINGLET  
 K - KATHRYN SCHNEIDER, BILL SCHNEIDER, RICHARD NORD



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## Notable Dates

### Feb. 4, 2012, Saturday

9:00 am - Shrike Search. Coordinator: Drew Hopkins

For more information, see page 3.

### Feb. 9, 2012, Thursday

7:00 pm - ADBC Board Meeting at the home of Nancy Kern.

### Mar. 11, 2012, Sunday

8:00 am - Waterfowl of the Hudson River. Coordinator: Bill Cook. For more information, see page 3.

### Mar. 17, 2012, Saturday

9:00 am - Clermont State Historic Site. Coordinator: Bill Cook. For more information, see page 3.

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