Birds in the Saginaw Bay Area August 1st thru November 30th, 2004

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Weather: Please see the monthly charts at the end of the report for detailed information.

Summary:

First of all, the American Ornithologists' Union (AOU) has made major changes to the taxonomical order and you will notice the changes, beginning with this survey. Waterfowl and gallinaceous birds (turkeys, grouse, quail, etc.) are placed ahead of loons, etc. A name change has occurred on a species in our region as well. Rock Dove is now called Rock Pigeon, conforming to changes that the British Ornithologists' Union has made. Lastly, a new split among Canada Goose subspecies now gives us the luxury of a potential new tick on our checklists. Cackling Goose is now considered a separate species.

The pick bird for the fall season has to be the **Parasitic Jaeger** that was observed for roughly forty minutes at the Karn Plant, BA, on 10/22 by yours truly and subsequently observed on the same afternoon by other birders from a greater distance away. There were **Cackling Goose** observations noted, primarily in Huron County. All three **Scoter** species were observed for the fall period. **Red-throated Loon** was observed at Nayanquing Point (10/26) and Tawas Point (11/11).

Other goodies for the fall period included: **Red-necked Grebe** in several locations; **Snowy Egret** on 09/22 @ the Karn Plant, BA; an impressive **12 Cattle Egrets** in Bangor Twp, BA; good numbers of **Peregrine Falcon** observations; **Whimbrel** on 08/25 at Tawas Point, IO; **Hudsonian Godwit** on 10/06-31 at SNWR, SA; **Red-necked Phalarope** on 10/20-22 at BCSRA, BA; **Iceland Gull** on 11/28 at Harbor Beach, HU; **Lesser Black-backed Gull** on 11/23 at BCSRA, BA; **Short-eared Owl** from Hampton Twp, BA & SNWR, SA; **Olive-sided Flycatcher** on 09/03 in Hampton Twp, BA; **Carolina Wren** from Wagener Pk, HU & Tawas, IO; 25 Warbler species including a **Connecticut Warbler** on 09/15 at Mayville, TU, and impressive **Pine Siskin** numbers off Tawas Point, IO. The fall period produced 226 species in the SBA, which is a bit down from recent fall periods.

New SBA records: Late date: Snowy Egret on 09/22 @ Karn Plant, BA; White-rumped Sandpiper on 11/19 @ SWNR, SA; Magnolia Warbler on 1-/18 @ BCSRA, BA.

<u>Peak count</u>: Cattle Egret (12) on 08/06 @ Bangor Twp, BA; Eastern Screech Owl (35) on 09/29 @ SWNR, SA; Pine Siskin (850) on 10/31 @ Tawas Pt, IO.

Look for this report (graphs/photos in color) at http://www.saginawbaybirding.org along with a "heads up" on winter records in the Saginaw Bay Area as they are reported to me at soehnelj@hotmail.com or by calling at 989-892-3687.

Good birding and, as always, thanks for sending in your seasonal reports!!!

| Species | Number | Date | Location | Observers / Comment | |
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| GREATER WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE: | None to | report | | | |
| SNOW GOOSE: | 5 5 15 1 | 09/29 10/20 10/22 11/13 11/28 | SWNR, SA Fraser Twp, BA SWNR, SA Port Austin, HU Harbor Beach, HU | DP JZ BG, CS – 2 blue-phase KO, RE, GNo, NG – blue phase M&JH, M&MW | |
| ROSS' GOOSE | None to | report | | | |
| BRANT: | None to | report | | | |
| CACKLING GOOSE: | 1 10 9 1 2 | 09/24 10/06 10/20 11/13 11/28 | Port Austin, HU SWNR, SA Fraser Twp, BA Harbor Beach, HU Port Austin, HU | MH, MW DP AC KO, RE, GNo, NG M&JH, M&MW | |
| CANADA GOOSE: | 960 | 10/27 | SWNR, SA | BG - Also noted in AR, BA, HU, IO, MI, TU | |
| MUTE SWAN: | 40+ 2 | 10/16 11/11 | Tobico Marsh, BA Tawas Bay, IO | JZ JS, MW – Also noted in AR, TU | |
| TUNDRA SWAN: | 152 375 | 11/13 11/15 | SWNR, SA Hampton Twp, BA | BG S&CM – Also noted in AR, HU | |
| TRUMPETER SWAN: | 1 4 | 09/17 11/11 | SWNR, SA Cooke Dam, IO | BG, CS, LA JS, MW – 2 ad, 2 imm | |
| WOOD DUCK: | 44 | 08/25 | SWNR, SA | BG – Also noted in BA, HU, TU | |
| GADWALL: | 8 | 11/19 | SWNR, SA | DP – Also noted in BA, HU | |
| AMERICAN WIGEON: | ~100 | 10/20 | Tobico Marsh, BA | JZ – Also noted in HU, TU | |
| AMERICAN BLACK DUCK: | Noted in BA, HU, IO, TU – Peak of 166 on 11/19 @ SWNR, SA – DP | | | | |
| MALLARD: | Noted in AR, BA, HU, IO, MI, TU - Peak of 5968 on 10/27 @ SWNR, SA - BG | | | | |
| BLUE-WINGED TEAL: | 1 fem | 11/11 | Tuttle Marsh, IO | JS, MW - Also noted in SA | |
| NORTHERN SHOVELER: | 37 | 11/19 | SWNR, SA | DP – Also noted in BA, HU | |
| NORTHERN PINTAIL: | 2 | 11/03 | Karn Plant, BA | JS, MH - Also noted in HU, IO | |
| GREEN-WINGED TEAL: | 543 | 10/06 | SWNR, SA | DP – Also noted in AR, BA, HU, TU | |
| CANVASBACK: | 4 | 10/27 | SWNR, SA | BG – Also noted in HU, TU | |
| REDHEAD: | ~200 | 11/29 | Gateway Pk, IO | JZ – Also noted in HU, SA | |
| RING-NECKED DUCK: | Noted in | BA, HU, | τυ | | |
| GREATER SCAUP: | 80 | 11/29 | Three Mile Pk, IO | JZ – Also noted in HU | |
| LESSER SCAUP: | 50 | 11/29 | Three Mile Pk, IO | JZ – Also noted in BA, HU | |
| SCAUP SP.: | 500+ | 11/03 | Karn Plant, BA | JS, MH | |
| SURF SCOTER: | 1 1 | 10/22 10/29 | Hampton Twp, BA Port Austin, HU | MH, MW, DD MH, MW, NS | |

| WHITE-WINGED SCOTER: | 4 2 1 | 10/20 10/20 10/22 | Tawas Pt, IO Huron County AuGres Pier, AR | AC MH, MW, NS TP |
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| BLACK SCOTER: | 1 2 | 10/22 11/03 | Hampton Twp, BA BCSRA, BA | MH, MW, DD MH |
| LONG-TAILED DUCK: | 58 2 | 10/30 11/03 | Tawas Pt, IO Karn Plant, BA | BB JS, MH |
| BUFFLEHEAD: | 22 | 10/20 | Tawas, IO | AC – Also noted in AR, BA, HU, TU |
| COMMON GOLDENEYE: | 1 | 11/07 | Karn Plant, BA | JS – Also noted in IO, HU |
| HOODED MERGANSER: | 50 | 11/03 | BCSRA, BA | MH – Also noted in HU, SA, TU |
| COMMON MERGANSER: | 6 | 11/07 | Karn Plant, BA | JS – Also noted in HU, IO, SA, TU |
| RED-BREASTED MERGANSER: | 3500 | 10/20 | AuGres, AR | AC - Peak count - Also noted in BA, HU, IO, TU |
| RUDDY DUCK: | 210 | 10/16 | Dow Pond, MI | JZ – Also noted in HU, SA |
| RING-NECKED PHEASANT: | Noted in | n AR, BA, I | HU, SA, TU – Peak cou | nt of 34 on 11/26 in Ingersoll Twp, MI – GV, M&SL |
| RUFFED GROUSE: | ~1 | 11/15 | Caro Area, TU | MW – Myles stated numbers way down |
| WILD TURKEY: | Noted in HU, IO, MI, SA, TU | | | |
| NORTHERN BOBWHITE: | None to report. | | | |
| RED-THROATED LOON: | 1 1 | 10/26 11/11 | Nayanquing Pt, BA Tawas Pt, IO | MH, MW JS & MW |
| COMMON LOON: | 6 4 1 | 10/20 11/11 11/29 | Huron County Tawas Bay, IO Port Austin, HU | MH, MW, NS – 3 on 10/20 @ AuGres, AR - AC JS, MW MW – One on the same date at Tawas Pt – JZ |
| PIED-BILLED GREBE: | 76 | 09/14 | Crow Island, SA | JS – Also noted in BA, HU, IO, TU |
| RED-NECKED GREBE: | 4 1 1 | 10/20 11/03 11/11 11/29 | Huron County BCSRA, BA Tawas Pt, IO Tawas Pt, IO | MH, MW, NS MH JS, MW JZ |
| HORNED GREBE: | 3 1 1 | 10/29 11/03 11/11 | Port Austin, HU BCSRA, BA Tawas Pt, IO | MH, MW, NS MH JS, MW |
| AMERICAN WHITE PELICAN: | None to | report | | |
| DOUBLE-CRESTED CORMORANT: | 1500 | 10/23 | Karn Plant, BA | JS, JZ – Also noted in AR, HU, IO, SA, TU |
| AMERICAN BITTERN: | 1 | 11/12 | Hampton Twp, BA | SM - Also noted in HU, IO, MI |
| LEAST BITTERN: | 1 2 | 08/12 08/13 | SWNR, SA Nayanquing Pt, BA | DP RD |
| GREAT BLUE HERON: | Noted in | n AR, BA, I | HU, IO, TU – Peak cour | nt of 47 on 08/31 @ SWNR, SA - BG, CS |
| GREAT EGRET: | 105 3 | 08/31 10/23 | SWNR, SA Karn Plant, BA | BG, CS - Also noted in AR JS, JZ |
| SNOWY EGRET: | 1 | 09/22 | Karn Plant, BA | JS – New SBA late date! |

| CATTLE EGRET: | 12 1 | 08/06 09/20 | Bangor Twp, BA SWNR, SA - DP | G&MV - New SBA peak count! - The VanWormer's have had Cattle Egrets in their field for a number of years but have never had this many. | | |
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| GREEN HERON: | 26 1 | 08/17 10/20 | SWNR, SA SNWR, SA | BG BG, CS, LA – Also noted in AR, BA, HU, TU | | |
| BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT HERON: | 1 | 10/20 | SWNR, SA | BG, CS, LA - Also noted in BA, MI, SA | | |
| TURKEY VULTURE: | 1 | 10/06 | SWNR, SA | BG, CS – Also noted in BA, HU, IO, TU | | |
| OSPREY: | 1 1 1 | 08/11 08/13 08/30 | SWNR, SA Nayanquing Pt, BA Tawas Pt, IO | BG RD D&RF | | |
| BALD EAGLE: | 4 | 11/11 | AuSable River, IO | JS, MW - Also noted in BA, HU, SA, TU | | |
| NORTHERN HARRIER: | 1 | 11/11 | Tawas Pt, IO | JS, MW - Also noted in BA, HU, SA, TU | | |
| SHARP-SHINNED HAWK: | 1 | 11/05 | Bangor Twp, BA | G&EP - Also noted in HU, IO, SA, TU | | |
| COOPER'S HAWK: | Noted i | n BA, HU, | SA, TU | | | |
| NORTHERN GOSHAWK: | 1 1 1 | 11/06 11/11 11/23 | Fraser Twp, BA Tawas Pt, IO Nayanquing Pt, BA | M&JH – Also noted in HU JS, MW – juvenile bird KB | | |
| RED-SHOULDERED HAWK: | 1 | 11/11 | Tawas Pt, IO | JS, MW | | |
| BROAD-WINGED HAWK: | Noted i | Noted in BA, HU, TU | | | | |
| RED-TAILED HAWK: | | Noted in BA, HU, IO, MI, SA, TU – Perennial wintering dark morph individual returned on 10/07 @ SWNR, SA – DP | | | | |
| ROUGH-LEGGED HAWK: | 1 1 | 10/24 11/28 | Nayanquing Pt, BA No. Huron County | RD, LM M&JH, M&MW – Also noted in SA, TU | | |
| GOLDEN EAGLE: | None to | o report. | | | | |
| AMERICAN KESTREL: | Noted i | Noted in BA, IO, SA | | | | |
| MERLIN: | 1 1 2 | 10/06 10/20 11/11 | SWNR, SA Huron County Tawas Pt, IO | DP – There through 10/14 MH, MW, NS JS, MW | | |
| PEREGRINE FALCON: | 1 1 1 1 | 09/26 10/02 10/07 10/30 10/31 | SWNR, SA Sand Bch Twp, HU Fish Pt, TU Tawas Pt, IO Bay County | DP KO, RE, NG MH, DD BB DD – Also noted in AR | | |
| VIRGINIA RAIL: | | | | | | |
| SORA: | Noted i | n BA | | | | |
| COMMON MOORHEN: | 31 6 | 08/31 09/14 | SWNR, SA Crow Island, SA | BG, CS – Peak count. JS – Also noted in BA | | |
| AMERICAN COOT: | 113 | 10/27 | SWNR, SA | BG - Also noted in BA, HU, MI, TU | | |
| SANDHILL CRANE: | 30 13 | 10/21 10/31 | SWNR, SA Bay County | DP DD | | |
| BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER: | 29 | 11/06 | Fraser Twp, BA | M&JH | | |

| | 5 | 11/11 | Tawas Pt, IO | JS, MW - Also noted in HU, SA |
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| AMERICAN GOLDEN PLOVER: | 3 | 09/22 | Tawas Pt, IO | TN |
| | 17 5 | 09/24 09/29 | Caseville, HU SWNR, SA | MH, MW DP |
| | 1 | 10/20 | Tawas Pt, IO | AC |
| SEMIPALMATED PLOVER: | 4 | 10/24 | BCSRA, BA | RD, LM – Also noted in IO, SA |
| PIPING PLOVER: | None to | report | | |
| KILLDEER: | 128 5 | 09/29 11/06 | SWNR, SA Fraser Twp, BA | DP – Peak count. M&JH – Also noted in AR, HU, MI, TU |
| AMERICAN AVOCET: | None to | report. | | |
| GREATER YELLOWLEGS: | 60 7 | 09/03 11/18 | SWNR, SA Prior Rd, SA | BG MH – Last date. Also noted in BA, IO |
| LESSER YELLOWLEGS: | 213 1 | 09/02 11/03 | SWNR, SA SWNR, SA | DP – Peak count. DP – Last date. Also noted in BA, HU, IO, TU |
| SOLITARY SANDPIPER: | 1 1 | 09/14 10/14 | Hampton Twp, BA SWNR, SA | JS DP |
| WILLET: | None to | report. | | |
| SPOTTED SANDPIPER: | 11 2 | 08/13 09/22 | SWNR, SA Karn Plant, BA | DP JS - Also noted in HU, TU |
| WHIMBREL: | 1 | 08/25 | Tawas Pt, IO | G&DG |
| HUDSONIAN GODWIT: | 1 | 10/06 | SWNR, SA | DP – There through 10/31 |
| MARBLED GODWIT: | None to | report. | | |
| RUDDY TURNSTONE: | 1 | 09/29 | SWNR, SA | DP |
| RED KNOT: | 6 3 1 | 09/02 09/17 09/22 | Tawas Pt, IO SWNR, SA SWNR, SA | BG, CS, LA TN – Also 3 noted there on 09/24 - GN, BB DP |
| SANDERLING: | 40 2 | 10/20 11/11 | Tawas Pt, IO Tawas Pt, IO | AC – Peak count. JS, MW – Also noted in BA, HU, SA |
| SEMIPALMATED SANDPIPER: | 39 3 | 09/02 10/14 | SWNR, SA SWNR, SA | DP – Peak count. DP – Last date. |
| WESTERN SANDPIPER: | None to | report. | | |
| LEAST SANDPIPER: | 21 7 | 08/19 10/06 | SWNR, SA SWNR, SA | DP – Peak count DP – Last date. |
| WHITE-RUMPED SANDPIPER: | 18 1 | 10/20 11/19 | Tawas Pt, IO SWNR, SA | AC – Peak county. DP – New SBA late date! |
| BAIRD'S SANDPIPER: | 1 5 | 09/03 09/15 | Tawas Pt, IO SWNR, SA | BB DP – Last there on 09/29 |
| PECTORAL SANDPIPER: | 159 | 10/21 | SWNR, SA | DP – Last there on 10/31 Also noted in BA, IO |
| PURPLE SANDPIPER: | None to | report | | |

| DUNLIN: | 876 14 | 10/31 11/19 | SWNR, SA SWNR, SA | DP – Peak count. DP – Also noted in AR, HU, IO, TU |
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| STILT SANDPIPER: | 11 | 09/22 | SWNR, SA | DP – Peak count and last date. |
| BUFF-BREASTED SANDPIPER: | None to | report | | |
| SHORT-BILLED DOWITCHER: | 2 | 08/13 | SWNR, SA | DP |
| LONG-BILLED DOWITCHER: | None to | report | | |
| DOWITCHER SP: | 47 | 10/21 | SWNR, SA | DP |
| WILSON'S SNIPE: | 5 | 11/20 | Hampton Twp, BA | S&CM – Also noted in HU, SA |
| AMERICAN WOODCOCK: | 1 | 09/22 | Hampton Twp, BA | MW – Also noted in TU – Myles stated numbers are down. |
| WILSON'S PHALAROPE: | 1 | 09/17 | Tuttle Marsh, IO | DH |
| RED-NECKED PHALAROPE: | 1 | 10/20 | BCSRA, BA | JZ – Also noted there on 10/24 – RD, LM |
| PARASITIC JAEGER: | 1 | 10/22 | Karn Plant, BA | JS – The jaeger was observed by MH, MW, DD on the same afternoon. Unfortunately yet expectedly, a one day wonder. |
| FRANKLIN'S GULL: | None to | report. | | |
| LITTLE GULL: | None to | report. | | |
| BONAPARTE'S GULL: | 500+ | 10/16 | Dow Pond, MI | JZ – Peak count. Also noted in AR, BA, HU, IO, SA, TU |
| RING-BILLED GULL: | Noted in AR, BA, HU, IO, MI, SA, TU - Peak of 2500 on 11/11 @ SWNR, SA - BG | | | |
| HERRING GULL: | Noted in BA, HU, IO, MI, TU - Peak of 254 on 11/12 @ SWNR, SA - BG, LA | | | |
| ICELAND GULL: | 1 | 11/28 | Harbor Beach, HU | M&JH, M&MW |
| LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL: | 1 | 11/23 | BCSRA, BA | КВ |
| GLAUCOUS GULL: | 1 2 | 10/29 11/11 | Port Austin, HU Oscoda, IO | MH, MW, NS JS, MW |
| GREAT BLACK-BACKED GULL: | 4 1 | 11/11 11/28 | Oscoda, IO Port Austin, HU | JS, MW M&JH, M&MW – Also noted in BA |
| CASPIAN TERN: | 62 1 | 08/04 10/23 | SWNR, SA Karn Plant, BA | DP JS, JZ – Also noted in HU, TU |
| COMMON TERN: | 28 1 | 08/30 10/23 | Hampton Twp, BA Karn Plant, BA | JS JS, JZ – Also noted in HU, IO |
| FORSTER'S TERN: | None to | report | | |
| BLACK TERN: | 1 | 09/05 | 9/05 Tawas Pt, IO DH – Also noted in BA, SA | |
| ROCK PIGEON: | Noted in | n BA, HU, I | O, MI, TU | |
| MOURNING DOVE: | Noted in | n AR, BA, I | HU, IO, MI, TU – Peak | count of 342 on 08/11 @ SWNR, SA - BG |
| BLACK-BILLED CUCKOO: | None to | report | | |
| YELLOW-BILLED CUCKOO: | 1 | 08/03 | SWNR, SA | DP |
| EASTERN SCREECH OWL: | 35 | 09/29 | SWNR, SA | BG, CS, LA, JSo – New SBA peak count! |

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| GREAT HORNED OWL: | Noted in | BA, IO, M | II, SA | |
| SNOWY OWL: | 1 | 11/11 | Tawas Pt, IO | JS, MW |
| BARRED OWL: | 1 | 09/29 | SWNR, SA | BG, CS, LA, JSo |
| LONG-EARED OWL: | None to | report | | |
| SHORT-EARED OWL: | 4 1 | 10/20 11/20 | SWNR, SA Hampton Twp, BA | BG, CS, LA S&CM |
| NORTHERN SAW-WHET OWL: | None to | report. | | |
| COMMON NIGHTHAWK: | 6 | 08/22 | SWNR, SA | DP |
| WHIP-POOR-WILL: | None to | report. | | |
| CHIMNEY SWIFT: | 2 | 09/23 | Bangor Twp, BA | G&EP – Also noted in SA |
| RUBY-THROATED HUMMINGBIRD: | 1 | 10/12 | Midland, MI | JZ – Also noted in BA, IO, SA, TU |
| BELTED KINGFISHER: | Noted in BA, HU, IO, TU - Last (1) on 11/26 at SWNR, SA - DP Peak count of 14 on 08/19 @ SWNR, SA - DP | | | |
| RED-HEADED WOODPECKER: | 1 1 | 09/21 10/03 | Bangor Twp, BA Tawas Pt, IO | EP CP, BC |
| RED-BELLIED WOODPECKER: | Noted in | Noted in BA, HU, IO, MI, SA, TU | | |
| YELLOW-BELLIED SAPSUCKER: | 1 | 10/01 Hampton Twp, BA JS – Also noted in SA | | JS – Also noted in SA |
| DOWNY WOODPECKER: | Noted in | BA, HU, I | O, MI, SA, TU | |
| HAIRY WOODPECKER: | Noted in | BA, HU, I | O, TU | |
| NORTHERN FLICKER: | 1 | 11/21 Midland, MI | | JZ – Also noted in BA, HU, SA, TU |
| PILEATED WOODPECKER: | 3 2 1 1 | 08/29 Cooke Dam, IO 08/20 SWNR, SA 11/03 Homer Twp, MI 11/22 Caro Area, TU | | WS DP CA MW |
| OLIVE-SIDED FLYCATCHER: | 1 | 09/03 | Hampton Twp, BA | JS |
| EASTERN WOOD-PEWEE: | 1 | 09/26 | Bangor Twp, BA | G&EP – Also noted in SA, TU |
| YELLOW-BELLIED FLYCATCHER: | None to | report | | |
| ALDER FLYCATCHER: | None to | report | | |
| WILLOW FLYCATCHER: | 2 | 08/09 | Hampton Twp, BA | JS – Also noted in SA |
| LEAST FLYCATCHER: | 1 | 08/31 | Hampton Twp, BA | JS – Also noted in IO, SA |
| ACADIAN FLYCATCHER: | None to | report | | |
| EASTERN PHOEBE: | 1 | 10/31 | Bay County | DD - Also noted in HU, IO, MI, SA, TU |
| GREAT CRESTED FLYCATCHER: | 2 | 09/07 | SWNR, SA | DP – Also noted in BA, TU |
| EASTERN KINGBIRD: | 11 3 | 08/03 09/02 | Hampton Twp, BA FSL, SA | JS – Also noted in AR, TU JS |

| NORTHERN SHRIKE: | 1 1 1 | 10/25 11/06 11/13 | Nayanquing Pt, BA Fraser Twp, BA SWNR, SA | MH, MW MH – Also noted in SA BG |
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| LOGGERHEAD SHRIKE | None to | Report. | | |
| YELLOW-THROATED VIREO: | 1 | 09/23 | SWNR, SA | BG, CS |
| BLUE-HEADED VIREO: | 1 | 10/15 | Hampton Twp, BA | JS – Also noted in IO |
| WARBLING VIREO: | 3 | 09/23 | SWNR, SA | BG, CS |
| PHILADELPHIA VIREO: | 1 | 09/24 | Mayville, TU | G&EP – Also noted in BA |
| RED-EYED VIREO: | 1 | 10/13 | Hampton Twp, BA | JS – Last date. – Also noted in SA |
| BLUE JAY: | Noted in | BA, HU, I | O, MI, TU – Peak count | t of 60 on 11/11 on River Rd, IO – JS, MW |
| AMERICAN CROW: | Noted in | AR, BA, H | HU, IO, MI, SA, TU | |
| COMMON RAVEN: | 3 | 11/11 | Loud/Cook Dam, IO | JS, MW |
| HORNED LARK: | 25 | 11/26 | Ingersoll Twp, MI | GV, M&SL – Also noted in BA, HU, IO, SA, TU |
| PURPLE MARTIN: | 3 | 08/01 | Hampton Twp, BA | JS |
| TREE SWALLOW: | 1200 | 09/14 | Crow Island, SA | JS - Also noted in HU, MI, SA, TU |
| NO. ROUGH-WINGED SWALLOW: | 6 | 09/02 | FSL, SA | JS |
| BANK SWALLOW: | 150 3 | 08/07 08/20 | Hampton Twp, BA FSL, SA | JS – Also noted in TU JZ |
| CLIFF SWALLOW: | 1 | 08/13 | Nayanquing Pt, BA | RD |
| BARN SWALLOW: | 40 | 09/07 | Nayanquing Pt, BA | DH – Also note in MI, TU |
| BLACK-CAPPED CHICKADEE: | Noted in BA, HU, IO, MI, TU – Peak count of 31 on 09/17 @ SWNR, SA - BG, CS, LA | | | |
| TUFTED TITMOUSE: | Noted in BA, HU, IO, MI, SA, TU | | | |
| RED-BREASTED NUTHATCH: | Noted in | BA, HU, I | O, MI, SA, TU | |
| WHITE-BREASTED NUTHATCH: | Noted in | BA, HU, I | O, MI, SA, TU | |
| BROWN CREEPER: | 1 | 11/18 | Pine River, MI | G&JV - Also noted in BA, IO, SA, TU |
| CAROLINA WREN: | 1 1 | 08/29 11/09 | Wagener Pk, HU Wilber Rd, IO | KO, JP KT – Came to his feeders |
| HOUSE WREN: | 1 | 10/04 | Hampton Twp, BA | JS – Also noted in HU, SA, TU |
| WINTER WREN: | 2 6 1 | 09/08 10/18 10/31 | Hampton Twp, BA Nayanquing Pt, BA Tawas Pt, IO | JS – First return. MH, MW – Peak count. BB – Also noted in BA, HU |
| SEDGE WREN: | 2 | 09/03 | Hampton Twp, BA | JS |
| MARSH WREN: | 1 | 11/20 | Hampton Twp, BA | S&CM - Quite late! - Also noted in HU, SA, TU |
| GOLDEN-CROWNED KINGLET: | 45 1 | 10/20 11/11 | Tawas Pt, IO Loud Dam, IO | AC – Peak count. JS, MW – Also noted in BA, HU, TU |
| RUBY-CROWNED KINGLET: | 15 1 | 10/18 10/23 | Nayanquing Pt, BA Pinconning Pk, BA | MH, MW – Peak count. JZ - Also noted in HU, IO, SA, TU |

| BLUE-GRAY GNATCATCHER: | 7 1 | 08/25 09/14 | SWNR, SA Mayville, TU | BG MW |
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| EASTERN BLUEBIRD: | 78 2 | 10/31 11/06 | Tawas Pt, IO Fraser Twp, BA | BB – Peak count. – Also noted in HU, TU (CTP) M&JH |
| VEERY: | 2 | 09/21 | Hampton Twp, BA | JS - Also noted in SA |
| GRAY-CHEEKED THRUSH: | 1 | 09/26 | Bangor Twp, BA | G&EP – Stayed until 09/30 Also noted in TU |
| SWAINSON'S THRUSH: | 1 | 10/02 | Grindstone City, HU | KO, RE, NG – Also noted in BA, TU |
| HERMIT THRUSH: | 8 1 | 10/18 11/21 | Nayanquing Pt, BA Caro Area, TU | MH, MW – Peak count MW – Also noted in IO |
| WOOD THRUSH: | 1 | 09/17 | Bangor Twp, BA | G&EP – Also noted in SA, TU |
| AMERICAN ROBIN: | Noted in | BA, HU, I | O, MI, SA, TU - Peak co | ount of 300+ near Caro Berry Patch, TU - MW |
| GRAY CATBIRD: | 1 1 | 11/10 11/13 | CNC, MI, MI Grindstone City, HU | JL – Also noted in BA, IO, SA, TU KO, RE, GNo, NG – Both rather late dates. |
| NORTHERN MOCKINGBIRD: | None to | report | | |
| BROWN THRASHER: | 1 | 09/23 | Hampton Twp, BA | JS – Last date. Also noted in IO |
| EUROPEAN STARLING: | Noted in | AR, BA, F | IU, IO, TU | |
| AMERICAN PIPIT: | 4 | 10/31 | Tawas Pt, IO | BB – Also noted in AR, BA, HU, SA |
| CEDAR WAXWING: | 30 | 10/29 | Grindstone City, HU | MH, MW, NS - Also noted in BA, SA, TU |
| BOHEMIAN WAXWING: | None to | report | | |
| BLUE-WINGED WARBLER: | 1 | 08/28 | Bangor Twp, BA | G&EP – Also noted in TU |
| GOLDEN-WINGED WARBLER: | 1 | 08/30 | Bangor Twp, BA | EP |
| TENNESSEE WARBLER: | 2 | 10/13 | Hampton Twp, BA | JS – Also noted in IO, SA, TU |
| ORANGE-CROWNED WARBLER: | 1 | 10/20 | Huron County | MH, MW, NS – Also noted in BA, HU, SA, TU |
| NASHVILLE WARBLER: | 1 1 | 08/16 10/06 | Tawas Pt, IO Mayville, TU | G&DG MW – Also noted in BA, HU, SA |
| NORTHERN PARULA: | 1 3 | 09/08 09/23 | Bangor Twp, BA SWNR, SA | G&EP – Also noted in TU BG, CS |
| YELLOW WARBLER: | 1 | 09/09 | SWNR, SA | BG, LA – Also noted in BA |
| CHESTNUT-SIDED WARBLER: | 1 1 | 08/22 09/24 | Bangor Twp, BA Hampton Twp, BA | G&EP JS – Also noted in HU, SA |
| MAGNOLIA WARBLER: | 1 | 08/24 10/18 | Bangor Twp, BA BCSRA, BA | G&EP MH, MW – New SBA Late Date! – Also noted in HU, SA, TU |
| CAPE MAY WARBLER: | 1 1 | 08/30 10/10 | Bangor Twp, BA Tawas Pt, IO | G&EP RD, LM – Also noted in BA, TU |
| BLACK-THROATED BLUE WARBLER: | 1 1 | 08/28 10/10 | Bangor Twp, BA Tawas Pt, IO | G&EP RD, LM – Last date. Also noted in BA, TU |
| YELLOW-RUMPED WARBLER: | 2 | 08/16 | Tawas Pt, IO | G&DG |

| | 1 | 10/31 | Tawas Pt, IO | BB – Last date. Also noted in BA, HU, SA, TU |
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| BLACK-THR. GREEN WARBLER: | 1 1 | 08/21 09/24 | Bangor Twp, BA Hampton Twp, BA | G&EP JS - Also noted in SA, TU |
| BLACKBURNIAN WARBLER: | 1 1 | 08/29 09/24 | Bangor Twp, BA Hampton Twp, BA | G&EP JS – Also noted in IO |
| PINE WARBLER: | None to | report | | |
| PALM WARBLER: | 2 | 10/13 | Hampton Twp, BA | JS – Also noted in IO, SA |
| BAY-BREASTED WARBLER: | 1 | 08/30 09/18 | Bangor Twp, BA Hampton Twp, BA | G&EP JS – Also noted in SA, TU |
| BLACKPOLL WARBLER: | 1 | 10/03 | Tawas Pt, IO | CP, BC - Also noted in BA, SA, TU |
| CERULEAN WARBLER: | None to | report | | |
| BLACK-AND-WHITE WARBLER: | 2 1 | 08/16 09/21 | Tawas Pt, IO Hampton Twp, BA | G&DG JS – Also noted in SA, TU |
| AMERICAN REDSTART: | 1 | 10/10 | Tawas Pt, IO | RD, LM – Last date. Also noted in BA, HU, SA, TU |
| PROTHONOTARY WARBLER: | None to | report. | | |
| OVENBIRD: | 1 | 09/25 | Bangor Twp, BA | G&EP – Also noted in MI, SA, TU |
| NORTHERN WATERTHRUSH: | None to | report | | |
| LOUISIANA WATERTHRUSH: | None to | report | | |
| CONNECTICUT WARBLER: | 1 | 09/15 | Mayville, TU | MW |
| MOURNING WARBLER: | 1 1 | 08/11 09/14 | Bangor Twp, BA Mayville, TU | G&EP MW |
| COMMON YELLOWTHROAT: | 1 1 | 08/26 10/05 | Bangor Twp, BA Pinconning Pk, BA | G&EP JZ – Also noted in SA, TU |
| WILSON'S WARBLER: | 1 1 | 08/26 09/21 | Bangor Twp, BA Mayville, TU | G&EP MW – Also noted in BA, HU, SA |
| CANADA WARBLER: | 1 | 09/08 | Bangor Twp, BA | G&EP – Also noted in SA |
| SCARLET TANAGER: | 1 | 09/23 | Bangor Twp, BA | G&EP – Also noted in SA, TU |
| EASTERN TOWHEE: | 1 | 10/31 | Bay County | DD – Also noted in TU |
| AMERICAN TREE SPARROW: | 80 | 10/20 | Tawas Pt, IO | AC - Also noted in BA, HU, MI, SA |
| CHIPPING SPARROW: | 1 | 10/20 | Alabaster, IO | AC - Last date. Also noted in BA, MI, TU |
| CLAY-COLORED SPARROW: | 1 | 10/10 | Tawas Pt, IO | RD, LM |
| FIELD SPARROW: | 1 | 10/10 | Tawas Pt, IO | RD, LM – Also note in BA |
| VESPER SPARROW: | 1 | 10/02 | Tawas Pt, IO | CP, BC |
| SAVANNAH SPARROW: | 3 | 10/10 | Tawas Pt, IO | RD, LM - Also noted in BA, SA, TU |
| GRASSHOPPER SPARROW: | None to | report | | |
| HENSLOW'S SPARROW: | None to | report | | |
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| FOX SPARROW: | 5 1 1 | 10/21 10/29 11/23 | Hampton Twp, BA Grindstone City, HU Pine River, MI | JS - Also noted in HU, IO, TU MH, MW, NS G&JV - High count of 8 at their feeders on 11/15. | |
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| SONG SPARROW: | 2 | 10/20 | Tawas Pt, IO | AC – Also noted in AR, BA, HU, MI, SA, TU | |
| LINCOLN'S SPARROW: | 1 | 10/01 | Hampton Twp, BA | JS | |
| SWAMP SPARROW: | 3 | 10/20 | Tawas Pt, IO | AC – Also noted in BA, HU, SA | |
| WHITE-THROATED SPARROW: | 1 75 2 | 09/15 10/13 11/11 | Hampton Twp, BA Hampton Twp, BA Bangor Twp, BA | JS, MW JS – Peak count. – Also noted in HU, IO, SA, TU G&EP | |
| WHITE-CROWNED SPARROW: | 50+ | 10/02 | Tawas Pt, IO | CP, BC Peak count Also noted in BA, HU, TU | |
| DARK-EYED JUNCO: | 30 | 10/20 | Tawas Pt, IO | AC - Peak count. Also noted in BA, HU, MI, TU | |
| LAPLAND LONGSPUR: | 80 8 | 10/05 11/26 | Pinconning PK, BA Ingersoll Twp, MI | JZ GV, M&SL | |
| SNOW BUNTING: | 250+ 800+ | 11/26 11/29 | Ingersoll Twp, MI No. Huron County | GV, M&SL – observed in 3 different flocks. MW – One huge flock. – Also noted in BA, IO | |
| NORTHERN CARDINAL: | Noted in | Noted in BA, HU, IO, MI, SA, TU | | | |
| ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK: | 2 | 09/25 | Bangor Twp, BA | G&EP – Also noted in SA, TU | |
| INDIGO BUNTING: | 2 | 10/03 | Tawas Pt, IO | CP, BC - Also noted in BA, SA | |
| BOBOLINK: | 32 | 08/13 | SWNR, SA | DP | |
| RED-WINGED BLACKBIRD: | 2000 2 | 08/29 10/31 | SWNR, SA Bangor Twp, BA | DH - Also noted in AR, BA, HU, IO, TU G&EP | |
| EASTERN MEADOWLARK: | 3 | 10/10 | Tawas Pt, IO | RD, LM | |
| YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD: | 10+ | 08/13 | Nayanquing Pt, BA | RD | |
| RUSTY BLACKBIRD: | 5 1 | 10/10 11/11 | Tawas Pt, IO Tawas Pt, IO | RD, LM - Also noted in BA, HU, TU JS, MW | |
| BREWER'S BLACKBIRD: | None to | report | | | |
| COMMON GRACKLE: | 1200 | 10/20 | Pinconning, BA | AC - Also noted in HU, IO, SA, TU | |
| BROWN-HEADED COWBIRD: | 25 | 08/11 | SWNR, SA | BG - Also noted in BA, HU, TU | |
| BALTIMORE ORIOLE: | 15 1 | 08/16 09/04 | Tawas Pt, IO Bangor Twp, BA | G&DG G&EP - Also noted in MI, SA, TU | |
| ORCHARD ORIOLE: | None to | report | | | |
| PINE GROSBEAK: | None to | report | | | |
| PURPLE FINCH: | 3 1 | 10/29 11/11 | Loud Dam, IO Grindstone City, HU | JS, MW MH, MW, NS - Also noted in BA, TU | |
| HOUSE FINCH: | Noted in | BA, MI, T | U | | |
| RED CROSSBILL: | None to | report | | | |
| WHITE-WINGED CROSSBILL: | None to | report | | | |
| COMMON REDPOLL: | None to | report | | | |

PINE SISKIN: 60 10/02 Sand Bch Twp, HU KO, RE, NG

850 10/31 Tawas Pt, IO BB – SBA peak count shattered!

100+ 11/11 Tawas Pt, IO JS, MW – Also noted in BA, HU, MI, TU

AMERICAN GOLDFINCH: Noted in AR, BA, HU, IO, MI, SA, TU - Peak count of 89 on 10/18 @ Bangor Twp, BA - G&EP

EVENING GROSBEAK: 2 08/29 Cooke Dam, IO WS – Also noted in HU

HOUSE SPARROW: Noted in BA, HU, MI, TU

TOTAL: 226 Species

OBSERVATIONS OUTSIDE THE SAGINAW BAY AREA:

NONE REPORTED

Observer Key:

| LA | Larry Abraham | | |
|------|--------------------------|------|-------------------------|
| CA | Charlotte Ackerman | SM | Stan Madziar |
| KB | Kyle Bagnall | G&TN | Gary & Tess Nelkie |
| BB | Bob Bell | GNo | Greg Norwood |
| BC | Brent Carlson | KO | Karl Overman |
| AC | Allen Chartier | TP | Tom Pavlik |
| DD | Dan Duso | JP | Joanna Pease |
| RD | Ryan Dziedzic | DP | David Peters |
| RE | Robert Epstein | G&EP | Glen & Ellen Peterson |
| D&RF | Dale & Ruth Fitch | CP | Caleb Putnam |
| G&DG | Gus & Delores Gavit | WS | Wayne Shawl |
| NG | Neil Gilbert | NS | Napier Shelton |
| BG | Bob Grefe | JS | Joe Soehnel |
| DH | Dan Hansz | Jso | Jeff Sommer |
| M&JH | Mark & Joanie Hubinger | CS | Carolyn Szaroletta |
| M&SL | Mike & Sara Laudenslager | KT | Kyle Troyer |
| JL | Janea Little | G&MV | Gary & Mary VanWormer |
| WM | William McKenzie | G&JV | George & Judy Vogel |
| LM | Lisa McArthur | M&MW | Myles & Marilyn Willard |
| CM | Chris Madziar | JZ | Jerry Ziarno |
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Abbreviations:

| AR | Arenac County | MI | Midland County |
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| BA | Bay County | NMB | Northern Michigan Message Board |
| BCSRA | Bay City State Recreation Area | PTP | Present through period |
| CNC | Chippewa Nature Center | SA | Saginaw County |
| FSL | Freeland Sewage Lagoon | SBA | Saginaw Bay Area |
| GPNC | Green Point Nature Center | SNWR | Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge |
| HU | Huron County | SSGA | Shiawasee State Game Area |
| IO | Iosco County | TU | Tuscola County |
| MCV | Midland Cogeneration Venture (Pond) | | |

Photos Submitted in the Fall Period, 2004 Saginaw Bay Area



Scarlet Tanager by: Glenn Peterson Taken 09/22/04 in Bangor Twp, BA



Sanderling by: Tess Nelkie Taken 10/23/04 at Tawas Point, IO

Thanks for passing them along!