

Birds in the Saginaw Bay Area

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Summary: A total of 263 species from the Michigan Bird List were reported in the Saginaw Bay Area this spring, the second highest total since the Birds in the SBA compilation was initiated. This report lists each of these species, along with the highest reported individual count(s) for each, and a list of the SBA counties in which each was noted. First dates are listed for species not recorded in the preceding February, and last dates for (most of) the species that don't remain into the summer. Five new SBA peak counts were established, as well as one new SBA spring early date. Five Michigan Review List species were reported.

The unusual cold of winter carried into spring, and water and earth were slow to thaw. Several species (such as blackbirds), which usually have individuals arrive in late February, had their first appearances in March this year. After the slow start, it appeared that migration caught-up with normal. In fact, based just on the reports received of last dates for songbirds that pass through late but don't breed in the SBA, it looks as if their migration actually ended a bit sooner than normal. There were a couple of the fabulous songbird fall-outs that TPSP is noted for, as well as some really nice offshore waterfowl counts at TPSP, which haven't been routinely since the days of Ron Weeks. Several relatively massive passerine migration counts along the Huron Co shoreline were reported. It was way back during the Mershon Expedition in the early 1900's, that this Thumb shoreline phenomenon was first recorded.

Overall, the total numbers of observers contributing to this report, (most through postings on SBB.org), increased this year, and total coverage was better than average. If one reviews the compilation, it is clear just how much of the SBA's birdlife and birding is dependent on public ownership and management. Locations such as Nayanquing Point SWA, Fish Point SWA, Deford SGA, Rush Lake SGA, Verona SGA, Shiawassee NWR, Tawas Point SP, AuSable SF, Pinconning Park, Port Crescent SP, Wigwam Bay SWA and numerous others account for the significant majority of SBA bird habitat, habitat that at least in part, is open to birders. This is not just a factor of their accessibility to birders. The vast amount of private land in the SBA is dedicated to farming, business, and residential use, not birds. While these situations do not exclude birds, they are by-and-large of far lower benefit to birds than natural habitats are. They are also (with few exceptions) off-limits to birders, and importantly, they are threatened with any number of land use initiatives that can negatively affect future SBA birdlife. Bottom line...if public lands like those noted frequently in this report did not exist, this report, and SBA birding itself, would be pretty lousy. So support the protection, management, and expansion of public lands in the SBA, and as always, speak up when SBA birdlife is threatened.

This report, as well as previous seasonal reports from 2000-2014, can be found at <http://www.saginawbaybirding.org>, along with updates on summer 2015 birds in the Saginaw Bay Area, as reported to Joe Soehnel at saginawbaybirding@gmail.com.

Many thanks to all observers who contributed their sightings directly to this compilation. Your extra efforts result in a significantly more accurate and thorough report. Additional thanks to Joe Soehnel for his ongoing support.

Species	Number	Date	Location	Observers / Comment
GRTR WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE	6	3/13	SNWR, Sa	JMS,RMD - first date
	8	3/16	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Mi
	2	4/1	SNWR, Sa	RMD - last date
SNOW GOOSE:	4	3/13	SNWR, Sa	JMS,RMD - first date
	14	4/8	NPSWA, Ba	VT,JL - also noted in Mi,Tu
ROSS'S GOOSE:	1	3/16	SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date
	3	3/17	Midland Twp., Mi	RMD
	2	3/18	Dow Ponds, Mi	MKE
CHEN SP:	3	3/26	Bayport, Hu	MKE - also noted in Sa,Tu
CACKLING GOOSE:	1	3/13	SNWR, Sa	JMS,RMD - first date
	4	3/21	Dow Ponds, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Hu
	4	4/1	SNWR, Sa	RMD - last date



Doug Jackson captured this excellent comparative study of the morphological characteristics separating Canada Geese and Cackling Geese. Standish Sewages Lagoons, Ar., on March 31, 2015

CANADA GOOSE:	9429	4/1	SNWR, Sa	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Mi,Tu
MUTE SWAN:	35	3/6	Edenville, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ba,Hu,Mi,Sa,Tu

TUNDRA SWAN:	24 1291	3/19 4/3	Saginaw, Sa NPSWA, Ba	DJP - first date MKE - also noted in Hu,Mi,Tu
TRUMPETER SWAN:	3 4 9 3 4 8 8 1 1 3 6 2	3/1 3/13 3/17 3/23 4/11 4/11 5/1 5/4 5/9 5/13 5/26 5/28	Foote Dam, Io SNWR, Sa Iargo Springs, Io Tuttle Marsh, Io Tuttle Marsh, Io SNWR, Sa Tuttle Marsh, Io PCHW, Hu NPSWA, Ba Moffatt Twp., Ar NPSWA, Ba SNWR, Sa	WWS JMS,RMD - thru 3/20 DLJ RAE RAE - thru 4/12 JMS - thru 4/15 RAE MKE RMD DLJ JMS RMD,VT
WOOD DUCK:	9 268	3/16 3/27	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Mi,Tu
GADWALL:	120	4/15	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Mi,Tu
AMERICAN WIGEON:	10 250	3/19 4/6	SNWR, Sa NPSWA, Ba	DJP - first date DLJ - also noted in Ar,Hu,Io,Mi,Tu
AMERICAN BLACK DUCK:	196	3/27	SNWR, Sa	RMD - also noted in Ba,Hu,Mi
MALLARD:	4887	3/27	SNWR, Sa	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Mi,Tu
BLUE-WINGED TEAL:	9 93	3/27 4/24	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	RMD - first date JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Mi,Tu
NORTHERN SHOVELER:	4 137	3/19 4/24	Dow Ponds, Mi SNWR, Sa	RMD - first date JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Tu
NORTHERN PINTAIL:	2 1533	3/9 4/1	Karn Plant, Ba SNWR, Sa	JMS - first date RMD - also noted in Ar,Hu,Mi,Tu
GREEN-WINGED TEAL:	1 1609	3/13 4/15	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	JMS,RMD - first date JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Tu
CANVASBACK:	75 1	4/11 5/13	Pinconning Park, Ba SNWR, Sa	RMD,RR - also noted in Hu,Mi,Sa,Tu JMS,RMD - last date
REDHEAD:	1266	4/10	Pinconning Park, Ba	JMS,DLJ - also noted in Ar,Hu,Io,Mi,Sa,Tu
RING-NECKED DUCK:	641	4/11	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Mi,Tu
GREATER SCAUP:	1430	4/9	Kawkawlin Twp., Ba	RAE - also noted in Ar,Hu,Io,Mi,Tu
LESSER SCAUP:	42	4/1	SNWR, Sa	RMD - also noted in Ba,Hu,Io,Mi,Tu
SCAUP SP:	24	4/6	NPSWA, Ba	DLJ
SURF SCOTER:	4	5/15	TPSP, Io	JB

WHITE-WINGED SCOTER:	17 5	5/15 5/16	TPSP, Io TPSP, Io	JB JB - last date
LONG-TAILED DUCK:	4320+	5/16	TPSP, Io	JB - also noted in Ar,Ba
BUFFLEHEAD:	146	4/11	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Mi,Tu
COMMON GOLDENEYE:	1765 1	3/12 5/28	Karn Plant, Ba Dow Ponds, Mi	JMS - also noted in Ar,Hu,Io,Sa,Tu RMD,VT - last date
HOODED MERGANSER:	44 44	3/27 4/4	SNWR, Sa Tuttle Marsh, Io	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Mi,Tu RAE
COMMON MERGANSER:	452	4/9	Tawas Bay, Io	RAE - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Mi,Sa,Tu
RED-BREASTED MERGANSER:	167	5/12	Wagener Park, Hu	DA - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi,Sa
RUDDY DUCK:	2 95	3/16 4/24	Dow Ponds, Mi SNWR, Sa	JMS - first date JMS - also noted in Ar,Hu,Tu
RING-NECKED PHEASANT:	15	3/9	Portsmouth Twp., Ba	JMS - also noted in Ar,Mi,Sa,Tu
RUFFED GROUSE:	1	5/3	Rush Lake, Hu	MKE - not typically noted from Hu - also noted in Ba,Io,Mi
WILD TURKEY:	87	3/30	Larkin Twp., Mi	MKE - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Sa,Tu
RED-THROATED LOON:	1	3/2	Karn Plant, Ba	JMS
COMMON LOON:	1 19	4/4 5/2	Sanford Lake, Mi TPSP, Io	RMD,VT - first date JB - also noted in Ba,Hu
PIED-BILLED GREBE:	2 34	3/14 4/11	Karn Plant, Ba SNWR, Sa	JMS,JZ - first date JMS - also noted in Io,Mi,Tu
HORNED GREBE:	8 1	4/23 5/6	Port Austin, Hu SNWR, Sa	MKE - also noted in Ba,Io,Mi JMS - last date
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RED-NECKED GREBE:	1	5/17	TPSP, Io	JB - last date - also noted in Hu
DOUBLE-CRSTD CORMORANT:	4500	5/28	Little Charity Island, Michigan Islands NWR, Ar	JMS - also noted in Ba,Hu,Io,Mi,Sa,Tu
AMERICAN WHITE PELICAN:	11 1	4/28 5/13	Dow Ponds, Mi SNWR, Sa	RMD,VT - first date JMS,RMD
AMERICAN BITTERN:	1 9	4/9 5/6	Karn Plant, Ba SNWR, Sa	JMS - first date JMS - also noted in Mi,Tu
LEAST BITTERN:	1 4	4/29 5/13	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	JMS - first date JMS,RMD - also noted in Io,Mi,Tu
GREAT BLUE HERON:	1 66	3/8 5/28	Saginaw, Sa SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date RMD,VT - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Tu

GREAT EGRET:	1	3/19	Bangor Twp., Ba	GSP,EMP - first date
	138	4/13	Karn Plant, Ba	JMS - also noted in Hu,Io,Sa,Tu
SNOWY EGRET:	1	5/20	Linwood, Ba	DD
CATTLE EGRET:	1	5/2	Bangor Twp., Ba	JMS - first date
GREEN HERON:	3	5/4	PCSP, Hu	MKE - first date
	6	5/28	SNWR, Sa	RMD,VT - also noted in Ba,Io,Tu
BLK-CROWND NIGHT- HERON:	4	4/6	NPSWA, Ba	DLJ - first date
	12	5/24	NPSWA, Ba	DLJ - also noted in Io,Sa,Tu
*PLEGADIS SP:	2	5/7	NPSWA, Ba	DLJ - pending MBRC acceptance
	1	5/24	SNWR, Sa	DJP - pending MBRC acceptance



**The finest moments in birding can't be planned.
A fact that Monica Essenmacher, Teri Duso, and Dan Duso
(who also just happened to have his camera ready for an opportunity that is not likely to be repeated)
can attest to. Port Crescent State Park, Hu., May 18, 2015.**

TURKEY VULTURE:	5 806	3/14 5/18	Monitor Twp., Ba PCHW, Hu	MN - first date, here and in Hu(JMS,JZ) MKE,DD - also noted in Ar,lo,Mi,Sa,Tu
OSPREY:	1 6 6	4/6 4/18 5/17	Oil City area, Mi Tuttle Marsh, lo PCHW, Hu	RMD - first date RAE - also noted in Ar,Ba,Sa MKE
*MISSISSIPPI KITE:	1 1	5/18 5/26	PCSP, Hu PCSP, Hu	MKE,DD,TD - pending MBRC acceptance MKE - At PCSP, then shortly thereafter by DA at McGraw County Park - pending MBRC acceptance
BALD EAGLE:	32	4/12	PCHW, Hu	MKE,DD,TD - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Mi,SaTu
NORTHERN HARRIER:	19	4/2	PCHW, Hu	MKE - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Mi,Sa,Tu
SHARP-SHINNED HAWK:	243	4/20	PCHW, Hu	MKE - also noted in Ba,lo,Mi,Tu
COOPER'S HAWK:	21	4/12	PCHW, Hu	MKE,DD,TD - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Mi,Sa,Tu
NORTHERN GOSHAWK:	1	4/2	PCHW, Hu	MKE
RED-SHOULDERED HAWK:	70	5/26	PCHW, Hu	MKE - also noted in Ar,lo,Mi,Tu
BROAD-WINGED HAWK:	10 5011	4/12 5/26	PCHW, Hu PCHW, Hu	MKE,DD,TD - first date, here and in Mi(RMD) MKE - new SBA peak count - also noted in Ar,lo,Sa,Tu
SWAINSON'S HAWK:	1	5/24	PCHW, Hu	MKE
RED-TAILED HAWK:	102	5/26	PCHW, Hu	MKE,DD,TD - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Mi,Tu
ROUGH-LEGGED HAWK:	14 4	3/29 5/26	PCHW, Hu PCHW, Hu	MKE - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Mi,Sa,Tu MKE - last date
GOLDEN EAGLE:	4	4/12	PCHW, Hu	MKE,DD,TD - also noted in lo
VIRGINIA RAIL:	1 16	4/13 5/28	Rush Lake SGA, Hu SNWR, Sa	MKE - first date RMD,VT - also noted in Ba,lo,Tu
SORA:	1 18	4/10 4/29	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,lo,Mi,Tu
COMMON GALLINULE:	2 15	4/20 5/28	FPSGA, Tu SNWR, Sa	JMS - first date RMD,VT - also noted in Ba,lo
AMERICAN COOT:	7 197	3/12 4/15	Karn Plant, Ba SNWR, Sa	JMS - first date JMS - also noted in lo,Mi,Tu
SANDHILL CRANE:	13 173	3/13 4/1	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	JMS,RMD - first date RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Mi,Tu
AMERICAN GOLDEN PLOVER:	14	5/7	NPSWA, Ba	DLJ
BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER:	1 9	4/24 5/28	SNWR, Sa Little Charity Island, Michigan Islands NWR, Ar	JMS - first date JMS - also noted in Ba,lo,Mi
SEMPALMATED PLOVER:	1 99	5/4 5/26	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date DJP - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Mi,Tu
PIPING PLOVER:	1	5/2	TPSP, lo	JB - first date

	4	5/26	TPSP, lo	DLJ
KILLDEER:	2	3/9	Karn Plant, Ba	JMS - first date
	19	3/13	SNWR, Sa	JMS,RMD - also noted in Ar,Hu,lo,Mi,Tu
*BLACK-NECKED STILT:	1	4/29	SNWR, Sa	JMS - photographed - pending MBRC acceptance
	2	5/19	SNWR, Sa	DJP,SFK - female and male pair, photos - pending MBRC acceptance
AMERICAN AVOCET:	3	4/24	BCSRA, Ba	per SBB.org - present thru 4/26
	3	5/19	Dow Ponds, Mi	RMD,VT - also noted in Sa
SPOTTED SANDPIPER:	1	4/28	CNC, Mi	RMD,VT - first date
	18	5/28	SNWR, Sa	RMD,VT - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,lo,Tu
SOLITARY SANDPIPER:	2	5/4	SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date, here and in Hu(MKE)
	6	5/13	SNWR, Sa	JMS,RMD - also noted in Ba,lo,Tu
GREATER YELLOWLEGS:	3	4/1	SNWR, Sa	RMD - first date
	118	4/24	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,lo,Mi
LESSER YELLOWLEGS:	5	4/11	SNWR, Sa	JMS - first date
	118	5/6	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,lo,Mi,Tu
UPLAND SANDPIPER:	2	5/7	Wurtsmith Airport, lo	RAE - first date
	1	5/15	FPSWA, Ba	MKE
WHIMBREL:	50	5/16	TPSP, lo	RMD - first date
	104	5/24	TPSP, lo	JB
RUDDY TURNSTONE:	1	5/22	TPSP, lo	DLJ - first date - also noted in Ar,Ba
RED KNOT:	1	5/25	Baldwin Twp., lo	RAE
SANDERLING:	1	5/18	Kawkawlin Twp., Ba	JMS - first date
	25	5/26	TPSP, lo	DLJ
SEMPALMATED SANDPIPER:	1	5/9	NPSWA, Ba	RMD - first date
	65	5/26	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in lo,Mi
LEAST SANDPIPER:	7	5/5	SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date
	37	5/13	SNWR, Sa	JMS,RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Mi
	14	5/26	TPSP, lo	DLJ - last date, here and in Sa(DJP)
WHITE-RUMPED SANDPIPER:	1	5/15	TPSP, lo	JB - first date, also noted in Tu

PECTORAL SANDPIPER:	4	4/6	FPSWA, Tu	JEV - first date
	14	5/6	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Hu
	1	5/25	Baldwin Twp., Io	RAE - last date
DUNLIN:	5	4/18	NPSWA, Ba	RAE - first date
	1500	5/16	FPSWA, Tu	DD - also noted in Ar,Io,Mi,Sa



While its former common name, Red-Backed Sandpiper, was less creative than the Dunlin's current name, it was spot-on descriptive. Image by an Dan Duso, Fish Point State Wildlife Area, Tu.

STILT SANDPIPER:	1	5/18	FPSWA, Tu	DD
SHORT-BILLED DOWITCHER:	2	4/22	SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date
	20+	5/16	TPSP, Io	JB - also noted in Ba,Tu

WILSON'S SNIPE:	2 18	4/6 4/18	Jerome Twp., Mi NPSWA, Ba	ME - first date JMS,PD - also noted in Ar,Hu,Io,Sa,Tu
AMERICAN WOODCOCK:	3 7	3/18 4/16	Greendale Twp., Mi PCSP, Hu	RMD - first date MKE - also noted in Ba,Io,Sa,Tu
WILSON'S PHALAROPE:	1	5/8	TPSP, Io	JB
BONAPARTE'S GULL:	65 300+	4/4 5/16	Linwood, Ba TPSP, Io	RAE - first date JB - also noted in Ar,Hu,Mi,Sa,Tu
LITTLE GULL:	1	4/17	Caseville, Hu	KO
RING-BILLED GULL:	1500	3/12	Karn Plant, Ba	JMS - also noted in Ar,Hu,Io,Mi,Sa,Tu
HERRING GULL:	3000	5/28	Little Charity Island, Michigan Islands NWR, Ar	JMS - also noted in Ba,Hu,Io,Mi,Sa,Tu
LESSER BLACK-BACKD GULL:	1	3/12	Karn Plant, Ba	JMS
GLAUCOUS GULL:	20 1	4/18 4/21	Pinconning Twp., Ba PCHW, Hu	JMS,PD - also noted in Ar MKE - last date
GREAT BLACK-BACKED GULL:	7 1	3/14 5/20	Karn Plant, Ba BCSRA, Ba	JMS,JZ - also noted in Ar,Hu,Io DD - 3 rd year aged - last date
CASPIAN TERN:	1 185	4/10 5/28	Pinconning area, Ba Little Charity Island, Michigan Islands NWR, Ar	JMS,DLJ - first date JMS - also noted in Hu,Io,Mi,Sa,Tu
BLACK TERN:	1 26	5/9 5/16	NPSWA, Ba Tawas Lake, Io	RMD - first date JMS
COMMON TERN:	11 208	5/2 5/18	Kawkawlin Twp., Ba Kawkawlin Twp., Ba	RMD,VT - first date JMS - also noted in Io,Mi,Sa,Tu
FORSTER'S TERN:	4 8	4/16 4/18	Standish Lagoons, Ar Pinconning Park, Ba	DLJ - first date JMS,PD - also noted in Io
ROCK PIGEON:	18	3/19	Bay City, Ba	GSP,EMP - also noted in Ar,Hu,Io,Sa,Tu
MOURNING DOVE:	8	4/1	Bangor Twp., Ba	GSP,EMP - also noted in Ar,Hu,Io,Mi,Sa,Tu
YELLOW-BILLED CUCKOO:	1 2	5/8 5/28	Io SNWR, Sa	NAMC - first date RMD,VT - also noted in Ba,Hu,Tu
BLACK-BILLED CUCKOO:	1	5/8	Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD - first date - also noted in Ar,Hu,Io
EASTERN SCREECH OWL:	1	3/3	Hampton Twp., Ba	JMS - also noted in Hu,Io,Sa,Tu
GREAT HORNED OWL:	3	3/27	SNWR, Sa	RMD - also noted in Ba,Hu,Io,Mi,Tu
SNOWY OWL:	4 1	4/8 5/9	NPSWA, Ba Io	VT,JL - also noted in Ar,Hu,Mi,Tu NAMC - last date
BARRED OWL:	3	3/30	Oil City area, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ba,Hu,Io

SHORT-EARED OWL:	2 1	4/1 4/30	Tuttle Marsh, Io Geneva Twp., Mi	PR,PO,EC - also noted in Sa RMD,VT - last date
NORTHERN SAW-WHET OWL:	1	3/9	Cooke Dam area, Io	WWS
COMMON NIGHTHAWK:	2 67	5/13 5/18	SNWR, Sa PCHW, Hu	RMD,JMS - first date MKE,DD - also noted in Io
EASTERN WHIP-POOR-WILL:	1 2	5/3 5/22	Oil City area, Mi Jerome Twp., Mi	RMD - first date - also noted in Ba,Io ME
CHIMNEY SWIFT:	17 683	4/29 5/31	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	JMS - first date DJP - also noted in Ba,Hu,Io,Mi
RUBY-THRTD HUMMINGBIRD	1 9	5/3 5/8	Koylton Twp., Tu TPSP, Io	JEV - first date, here and in Mi(JC) JB - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu
BELTED KINGFISHER:	3	4/2	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Mi,Tu
RED-HEADED WOODPECKER:	2	4/30	Bridgeport area, Sa	LMA - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Mi
RED-BELLIED WOODPECKER:	10	4/18	Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Ba,Hu,Io,Sa,Tu
YELLOW-BELLIED SAPSUCKR:	1 12	4/2 4/18	Oil City area, Mi Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD - first date RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Sa
DOWNY WOODPECKER:	5	3/10	Bangor Twp., Ba	GSP,EMP - also noted in Ar,Hu,Io,Mi,Sa,Tu
HAIRY WOODPECKER:	5	5/8	Garfield Twp., Ba	MKE - also noted in Ar,Hu,Io,Mi,Sa,Tu
NORTHERN FLICKER:	97	4/12	PCHW, Hu	MKE,DD,TD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi,Sa,Tu
PILEATED WOODPECKER:	6	4/3	Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Sa,Tu
AMERICAN KESTREL:	18	4/13	PCHW, Hu	DD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi,Sa,Tu
MERLIN:	2	4/2	PCHW, Hu	MKE - also noted in Ba,Io
PEREGRINE FALCON:	2	4/2	PCHW, Hu	MKE - also noted in Ba,Io,Sa,Tu
*PRAIRIE FALCON:	1	3/29	PCHW, Hu	MKE - pending MBRC acceptance
OLIVE-SIDED FLYCATCHER:	2	5/16	TPSP, Io	JB - first date - also noted in Hu
EASTERN WOOD-PEWEE:	1 23	5/7 5/28	TPSP, Io SNWR, Sa	JB - first date RMD,VT - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Mi,Tu
YELLOW-BELLID FLYCATCHR:	1 1	5/16 5/18	TPSP, Io Wilderness Arboretum, Hu	JB,RMD MKE
ACADIAN FLYCATCHER:	4	5/18	Port Crescent Cemetery, Hu	MKE - first date - also noted in Mi
ALDER FLYCATCHER:	2 7	5/17 5/24	Verona SGA, Hu Verona SGA, Hu	MKE - first date MKE - also noted in Ba,Mi,Sa

WILLOW FLYCATCHER:	1 19	5/9 5/28	NPSWA, Ba SNWR, Sa	RMD - first date RMD,VT - also noted in Hu,lo
LEAST FLYCATCHER:	1 18+	5/6 5/16	SNWR, Sa TPSP, lo	JMS - first date JB - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu
EASTERN PHOEBE:	1 11	3/30 4/3	SNWR, Sa Greendale Twp., Mi	DJP - first date RMD - also noted in Ba,Hu,lo,Tu
GRT-CRESTED FLYCATCHER:	1 23	5/4 5/28	Hampton Twp., Ba SNWR, Sa	JMS - first date, here and in Mi(RMD) RMD,VT - also noted in Ar,Hu,lo,Tu
EASTERN KINGBIRD:	1 30+	4/26 5/8	Koylton Twp., Tu TPSP, lo	JEV - first date JB - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Sa
*LOGGERHEAD SHRIKE:	1	5/23	TPSP, lo	VT,JB - photographed - pending MBRC acceptance
NORTHERN SHRIKE:	2 1	3/6 4/1	Geneva Twp., Mi Grindstone City area, Hu	RMD - also noted in Ba,Sa MKE - last date
WHITE-EYED VIREO:	1	5/9	Hampton Twp., Ba	TB
YELLOW-THROATED VIREO:	1 4	5/4 5/6	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,lo,Mi,Tu
BLUE-HEADED VIREO:	1 7	4/18 5/16	Omer Plains, Ar TPSP, lo	DLJ - first date JB - also noted in Ba,Hu,Mi,Tu
WARBLING VIREO:	1 44	4/29 5/28	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	JMS - first date RMD,VT - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,lo,Tu
PHILADELPHIA VIREO:	1 5 1	5/9 5/16 5/18	Garfield Twp., Ba TPSP, lo TPSP, lo	MKE - first date RMD - also noted in Ar GSP,EMP - last date, here and in Hu(MKE)
RED-EYED VIREO:	1 16	5/8 5/19	TPSP, lo Rush Lake SGA, Hu	RAE - first date, here and in Mi(RMD) MKE - also noted in Ar,Ba,Sa,Tu
BLUE JAY:	30	3/15	Geneva Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,lo,Sa,Tu
AMERICAN CROW:	400	4/2	PCHW, Hu	MKE - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Mi,Sa,Tu
COMMON RAVEN:	3	5/3	Moffatt Twp., Ar	DLJ - also noted in Ba,lo,Mi
HORNED LARK:	50	3/7	Akron Twp., Tu	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,lo,Mi,Sa
N ROUGH-WINGED SWALLOW:	2 1700	4/11 5/12	SNWR, Sa Wagener Park, Hu	JMS - first date DA - new SBA peak count also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Mi,Tu
PURPLE MARTIN:	1 25	4/10 5/16	Kawkawlin Twp., Ba TPSP, lo	JMS - first date RMD - also noted in Hu,Tu
TREE SWALLOW:	150 1200	4/1 5/12	SNWR, Sa Wagener Park, Hu	RMD - first date, here and in lo DA - also noted in Ar,Ba,Mi,Tu

BANK SWALLOW:	1 4600	4/22 5/12	SNWR, Sa Wagener Park, Hu	DJP - first date - also noted in Ba,lo,Mi,Tu DA - new SBA peak count
BARN SWALLOW:	1 480	4/10 5/12	SNWR, Sa Wagener Park, Hu	DJP - first date DA - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Tu
CLIFF SWALLOW:	12 70	4/29 5/12	SNWR, Sa Wagener Park, Hu	JMS - first date DA - also noted in Hu,lo,Tu
SWALLOW SP:	9000	5/12	Wagener Park, Hu	DA - the observer noted "Insane numbers of swallows, as far as the eye can see." Indeed, this encounter with a total of 17,050 swallows is unprecedented in the annals of SBA bird history.
BLACK-CAPPED CHICKADEE:	10	3/31	Koylton Twp., Tu	JEV - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,lo,Mi,Sa
TUFTED TITMOUSE:	8	5/9	Sand Point Nature Preserve, Hu	CV - also noted in Ba,lo,Mi,Sa,Tu
RED-BREASTED NUTHATCH:	4	4/11	Koylton Twp., Tu	JEV - also noted in Ba,Hu,lo,Mi
WHITE-BREASTED NUTHATCH:	5	5/9	Sand Point Nature Preserve, Hu	CV - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Mi,Tu,Sa
BROWN CREEPER:	6	4/19	WBSWA, Ar	DLJ - also noted in Ba,lo,Hu,Mi,Sa
CAROLINA WREN:	1 1 1	3/18 4/13 4/14	Midland, Mi Rush Lake SGA, Hu FPSWA, Tu	JMS MKE JEV
HOUSE WREN:	1 10	4/19 5/13	BCSRA, Ba SNWR, Sa	CS - first date JMS,RMD - also noted in Ar,Hu,lo,Tu
WINTER WREN:	1 2	4/11 4/18	Pinconning Park, Ba Omer Plains, Ar	RMD,RR - first date DLJ - also noted in Hu,lo,Tu
SEDGE WREN:	2 2	5/3 5/16	Rush Lake SGA, Hu Au Gres Twp., Ar	MKE - first date JMS - also noted in Ba,lo
MARSH WREN:	1 32	4/29 5/28	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	JMS - first date RMD,VT - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Tu
BLUE-GRAY GNATCATCHER:	1 20+	4/15 5/8	FPSWA, Tu TPSP, lo	MKE - first date JB - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Mi,Sa
GOLDEN-CROWNED KINGLET:	2 16	3/15 4/10	Beaver Twp., Ba SNWR, Sa	MKE - first date DJP - also noted in lo,Mi,Tu
RUBY-CROWNED KINGLET:	1 12 1	4/10 4/19 5/16	Pinconning Park, Ba WBSWA, Ar TPSP, lo	JMS,DLJ - first date DLJ - also noted in Hu,Mi,Sa,Tu RMD - last date
EASTERN BLUEBIRD:	12	5/18	PCHW, Hu	MKE,DD - also noted in Ba,lo,Mi,Sa

TOWNSEND'S SOLITAIRE:	1	4/7	Alabaster Junction area, Io	AE, RAE - 4 th SBA record - present thru 4/15 (per eBird)
VEERY:	1	5/9	NPSWA, Ba	RMD - first date, here and in Hu(CV)
	24	5/22	AuSable Sate Forest, Mi	JB - also noted in Ar,Io,Sa
GRAY-CHEEKED THRUSH:	1	5/21	Wilderness Arboretum, Hu	KO
SWAINSON'S THRUSH:	2	5/9	NPSWA, Ba	RMD - first date, here and in Hu(CV)
	7	5/16	TPSP, Io	JB - also noted in Hu,Mi,Sa
HERMIT THRUSH:	2	4/11	Hampton Twp., Ba	PR - first date
	13	5/2	TPSP, Io	JB - also noted in Ar,Hu
WOOD THRUSH:	1	5/4	Hampton Twp., Ba	JMS - first date, here and in Mi & Sa
	5	5/9	Sand Point Nature Preserve, Hu	CV - also noted in Ar,Io,Tu
AMERICAN ROBIN:	2400	4/2	PCHW, Hu	MKE - also noted in Ba,Io,Mi,Sa,Tu
GRAY CATBIRD:	1	5/2	BCSRA, Ba	JMS - first date
	50	5/9	NPSWA, Ba	RMD - also noted in Ar,Hu,Io,Sa,Tu
NORTHERN MOCKINGBIRD:	1	5/1	Geneva Twp., Mi	RMD
	1	5/18	TPSP, Io	GSP
BROWN THRASHER:	1	4/11	Pinconning Park, Ba	RMD,RR - first date
	14	5/2	TPSP, Io	JB - also noted in Ar,Hu,Mi,Sa,Tu
EUROPEAN STARLING:	500	3/5	Pinconning Twp., Ba	RAE - also noted in Ar,Hu,Io,Sa,Tu
AMERICAN PIPIT:	32	4/21	PCHW, Hu	MKE - first date
	1	5/16	TPSP, Io	RMD - last date
BOHEMIAN WAXWING:	1	4/1	Lighthouse Park, Hu	MKE
CEDAR WAXWING:	2447	5/25	PCHW, Hu	MKE - new SBA peak count - also noted in Ba,Io,Mi,Sa,Tu
LAPLAND LONGSPUR:	246	4/29	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Hu,Mi,Tu
	3	5/9	Ba	NAMC - last date
SNOW BUNTING	35	4/25	Sherman Twp., Hu	DA - also noted in Mi
	3	4/6	Unionville area, Tu	JEV - last date
OVENBIRD:	1	4/28	Greendale Twp., Mi	JC - first date
	12	5/9	Garfield Twp., Ba	MKE - also noted in Ar,Hu,Io,Sa,Tu
LOUISIANA WATERTHRUSH:	1	4/18	Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD - first date
NORTHERN WATERTHRUSH:	1	4/30	Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD,VT - first date
	21	5/17	Verona SGA, Hu	MKE - also noted in Ba,Io,Sa,Tu



**What would early May in dense, shady, wet, woody shrub-lands of the SBA be without the song of the Northern Waterthrush?
Imaged by Doug Jackson, Moffatt Twp., Ar., on May 3, 2015.**

BLUE-WINGED WARBLER:	1	5/7	TPSP, lo	JB - first date
	2	5/11	Deford SGA, Tu	JEV
GOLDEN-WINGED WARBLER:	1	5/6	WBSWA, Ar	DLJ - first date
	5	5/22	AuSable State Forest, Mi	RMD - also noted in Hu,lo,Tu
BREWSTER'S WARBLER:	2	5/24	Au Gres Twp., Ar	LMA - also noted in Mi
BLACK & WHITE WARBLER:	2	5/3	Moffatt Twp., Ar	DLJ - first date
	12	5/16	TPSP, lo	RMD - also noted in Ba,Hu,Mi,Sa,Tu
PROTHONOTARY WARBLER:	1	5/4	SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date
	4	5/6	SNWR, Sa	JMS
TENNESSEE WARBLER:	1	5/7	TPSP, lo	JB - first date
	8	5/16	TPSP, lo	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Mi,Sa
	1	5/24	Verona SGA, Hu	MKE - last date
ORANGE-CROWND WARBLER:	1	5/7	TPSP, lo	JB - first date
	5	5/9	Port Hope, Hu	DA - also noted in Ba
	1	5/18	TPSP, lo	GSP,EMP - last date

NASHVILLE WARBLER:	5 15+	5/3 5/7	Moffatt Twp., Ar TPSP, Io	DLJ - first date, here and in Ba & Mi JB - also noted in Hu,Sa,Tu
CONNECTICUT WARBLER:	1	5/22	AuSable State Forest, Mi	RMD
MOURNING WARBLER:	1 3	5/15 5/18	TPSP, Io Hume Twp., Hu	JB - first date MKE - also noted in Ar,Ba,Mi,Sa
COMMON YELLOWTHROAT:	1 87	5/5 5/28	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date RMD,VT - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Mi,Tu
HOODED WARBLER:	1	5/9	Port Hope, Hu	DA - a female
AMERICAN REDSTART:	3 40	5/6 5/16	WBSWA, Ar TPSP, Io	DLJ - first date RMD - also noted in Ba,Hu,Mi,Sa,Tu
KIRTLAND'S WARBLER:	1	5/24	TPSP, Io	GSP,EMP,JB
CAPE MAY WARBLER:	1 9 1	5/4 5/9 5/17	Hampton Twp., Ba Sand Point Nature Preserve, Hu Koylton Twp., Tu	JMS - first date JB - also noted in Io,Mi,Sa JEV - last date
CERULEAN WARBLER:	1 2	5/9 5/17	Port Hope, Hu Verona SGA, Hu	DA - first date MKE - also noted in Ar,Ba
NORTHERN PARULA:	3 12	5/7 5/16	Wurtsmith Airport, Io TPSP, Io	RAE - first date RMD,JB - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Mi,Sa,Tu
MAGNOLIA WARBLER:	1 25	5/7 5/16	TPSP, Io TPSP, Io	JB - first date RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Mi,Sa,Tu
BAY-BREASTED WARBLER:	2 8	5/8 5/17	TPSP, Io Sand Point Nature Preserve, Hu	JB - first date CV - also noted in Ba,Mi,Sa,Tu
BLACKBURNIAN WARBLER:	1 6	5/6 5/16	SNWR, Sa TPSP, Io	JMS - first date RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Tu
YELLOW WARBLER:	1 142	4/24 5/9	SNWR, Sa NPSWA, Ba	JMS - first date RMD - also noted in Ar,Hu,Io,Mi,Tu
CHESNUT-SIDED WARBLER:	1 12	5/7 5/16	Wurtsmith Airport, Io TPSP, Io	RAE - first date RMD,JB - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Mi,Sa,Tu
BLACKPOLL WARBLER:	2 3 1	5/8 5/16 5/28	FPSWA, Tu TPSP, Io SNWR, Sa	JEV - first date, here and in Hu(DA) JB - also noted in Ba,Mi RMD,VT - last date
BLK-THRTD BLUE WARBLER:	1 12 1	5/4 5/9 5/25	Port Austin, Hu Sand Point Nature Preserve, Hu PCSP, Hu	MKE - first date CV - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Sa,Tu MKE - last date

PALM WARBLER:	1	4/27	Hampton Twp., Ba	JMS - first date
	324	5/9	Port Hope, Hu	DA - new SBA peak count - also noted in Ar,Mi,Sa,Tu
	7	5/17	Sand Point Nature Preserve, Hu	CV - last date
PINE WARBLER:	1	4/11	Tawas City, Io	RAE - first date
	4	5/3	Moffatt Twp., Ar	DLJ - also noted in Ba,Hu,Mi,Sa,Tu
YELLOW-RUMPED WARBLER:	2	4/11	Pinconning Park, Ba	RMD,RR - first date
	226	5/9	Port Hope, Hu	DA - also noted in Ar,Io,Mi,Sa,Tu
PRAIRIE WARBLER:	1	5/9	Port Hope, Hu	DA - a male
BLK-THRTD GREEN WARBLER:	3	5/3	Hampton Twp., Ba	JMS - first date, here and in Mi(RMD)
	15+	5/16	TPSP, Io	JB - also noted in Ar,Hu,Sa,Tu
CANADA WARBLER:	2	5/13	Moffatt Twp., Ar	DLJ - first date
	4	5/16	TPSP, Io	RMD - also noted in Ba,Hu,Mi,Sa
WILSON'S WARBLER:	1	5/8	Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD - first date, here and in Io(JB)
	10	5/16	TPSP, Io	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Sa
	3	5/25	TPSP, Io	WWS - last date
YELLOW-BREASTED CHAT:	1	5/7	TPSP, Io	JB - new SBA spring early date
WARBLER SP.:	1109	5/4	Port Austin, Hu	MKE - the observer wrote "As the rain approached, a vast number of birds were moving west. Mostly mixed warbler flocks...It was magical!"
	120	5/9	Port Hope, Hu	DA
EASTERN TOWHEE:	1	3/10	Jerome Twp., Mi	ME - overwintering bird
	19	5/1	AuSable State Forest, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Sa,Tu
AMERICAN TREE SPARROW:	70	3/27	SNWR, Sa	RMD - also noted in Ar,Hu,Io,Mi,Tu
	1	5/4	Bangor Twp., Ba	GSP,EMP - last date
CHIPPING SPARROW:	1	4/1	Lighthouse Park, Hu	MKE - first date
	39	5/9	Garfield Twp., Ba	MKE - also noted in Ar,Io,Mi,Sa,Tu
CLAY-COLORED SPARROW:	2	5/3	Rush Lake SGA, Hu	MKE - first date
	7	5/18	Rush Lake SGA, Hu	MKE - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io
FIELD SPARROW:	1	4/3	Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD - first date
	18	5/1	AuSable State Forest, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Sa,Tu
VESPER SPARROW:	4	4/3	Pinconning area, Ba	MKE - first date
	9	4/17	Geneva Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Ba,Io,Sa,Tu
*LARK SPARROW:	1	5/24	Harbor Beach area, Hu	DA - 2 nd Hu record - pending MBRC acceptance
SAVANNAH SPARROW:	9	4/11	SNWR, Sa	JMS - first date, here and in Ba(RMD,RR)
	33	5/5	Verona SGA, Hu	MKE - also noted in Ar,Io,Mi,Tu

GRASSHOPPER SPARROW:	5	5/25	SNWR, Sa	DJP
HENSLOW'S SPARROW:	1	5/17	Rush Lake SGA, Hu	MKE - first date
	2	5/25	SNWR, Sa	SFK
FOX SPARROW:	6	4/2	Oil City area, Mi	RMD - first date
	27	4/10	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Io,Tu
	1	4/25	Pinconning Park, Ba	DLJ - last date
SONG SPARROW:	200+	4/1	SNWR, Sa	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Mi,Tu
LINCOLN'S SPARROW:	2	5/7	TPSP, Io	JB - first date
	16	5/9	NPSWA, Ba	RMD
	1	5/24	Wurtsmith Airport, Io	RAE - last date
SWAMP SPARROW:	1	4/3	Tuttle Marsh, Io	RAE - first date
	36	5/3	Tuttle Marsh, Io	RAE - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Sa,Tu
WHITE-THROATED SPARROW:	1	4/17	Oil City area, Mi	RMD - first date
	51	5/4	Hampton Twp., Ba	JMS - also noted in Ar,Hu,Io,Sa,Tu
HARRIS'S SPARROW:	1	3/1-3/6	Harbor Beach area, Hu	JM,JEV
WHITE-CROWNED SPARROW:	4	5/4	PCHW, Hu	MKE - first date, here and in Ba(JMS)
	70+	5/7	TPSP, Io	JB - also noted in Ar,Hu,Mi,Sa,Tu
	3	5/18	TPSP, Io	GSP,EMP - last date
DARK-EYED JUNCO:	146	4/10	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Ar,Hu,Io,Mi,Tu
	1	4/26	Bangor Twp., Ba	GSP,EMP - last date
SCARLET TANAGER:	1	5/6	SNWR, Sa	JMS - first date
	15	5/16	TPSP, Io	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Mi,Tu
NORTHERN CARDINAL:	15	3/11	Bangor Twp., Ba	EMP - also noted in Hu,Io,Mi,Sa,Tu
ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK:	1	4/29	Jerome Twp., Mi	ME - first date
	22	5/13	SNWR, Sa	JMS,RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Tu
INDIGO BUNTING:	1	5/4	Oil City area, Mi	RMD - first date
	32	5/8	TPSP, Io	JB - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Tu
DICKCISSEL:	1	5/22	SNWR, Sa	SFK - for a record fifth consecutive year
	1	5/24	Verona SGA area, Hu	DA
BOBOLINK:	1	5/3	Rush Lake SGA, Hu	MKE - first date
	83	5/17	TPSP, Io	JB - also noted in Ar,Ba,Sa,Tu
RED-WINGED BLACKBIRD:	1	3/10	Hampton Twp., Ba	JMS - first date
	1000+	3/26	NPSWA, Ba	DLJ - also noted in Ar,Hu,Io,Mi,Sa,Tu
EASTERN MEADOWLARK:	1	3/16	SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date
	18	4/12	Geneva Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Hu,Io,Tu
YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD:	1	4/6	NPSWA, Ba	DLJ - first date
	5	5/9	NPSWA, Ba	RMD - also noted in Sa

RUSTY BLACKBIRD:	8 224 4	3/14 4/3 5/6	FPSWA, Tu NPSWA, Ba SNWR, Sa	JMS,JZ - first date MKE - also noted in Hu,lo,Mi JMS - last date
BREWER'S BLACKBIRD:	2 2	3/19 4/28	Hume Twp., Hu SNWR, Sa	MKE - first date DJP
COMMON GRACKLE:	20 25,000+	3/13 4/12	SNWR, Sa PCHW, Hu	JMS,RMD - first date MKE,DD,TD - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Mi,Tu
BROWN-HEADED COWBIRD:	5 700	3/10 4/2	Hampton Twp., Ba Huron Twp., Hu	JMS - first date MKE - also noted in lo,Mi,Sa,Tu
BLACKBIRD SP:	24,000	4/2	PCHW, Hu	MKE
ORCHARD ORIOLE:	7 8+	5/7 5/8	TPSP, lo TPSP, lo	JB - first date JB - also noted in Hu,Mi,Sa
BALTIMORE ORIOLE:	1 173+	5/4 5/8	Hampton Twp., Ba TPSP, lo	JMS - first date JB - also noted in Ar,Hu,Sa,Tu
PURPLE FINCH:	5	4/12	Bangor Twp., Ba	GSP,EMP - also noted in Mi,Tu
HOUSE FINCH:	8	4/7	Bay City, Ba	CS - also noted in Hu,lo,Mi,Sa,Tu
COMMON REDPOLL:	75+ 56	3/15 3/31	Geneva Twp., Mi Baldwin Twp., lo	RMD - also noted in Ba,Hu,Tu JR - last date
HOARY REDPOLL:	1	3/15	Geneva Twp., Mi	RMD - a female
PINE SISKIN:	168	5/4	Port Austin, Hu	MKE - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Mi,Sa,Tu
AMERICAN GOLDFINCH:	626+	5/8	TPSP, lo	JB - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Mi,Sa,Tu
HOUSE SPARROW:	40	3/7	Bangor Twp., Ba	GSP,EMP - also noted in Ar,Hu,lo,Mi,Sa,Tu

TOTAL: 263 Species

**HYPOTHETICALS:

*WHITE-TAILED KITE:	1	5/8	Wilbur Twp., lo	NAMC - no images - this would represent the first Michigan record - pending MBRC review
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*Michigan Review List Species. Inclusion of records for these species in this report does not signify that they have been verified, only that an encounter was reported. The observation will not be considered an official SBA record until it has been reviewed and accepted by the Michigan Bird Records Committee (MBRC).

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Peak/high counts and early/late dates are designated based upon records established in the publication *Birds and Bird Finding in the Saginaw Bay Area* by Ron Weeks, published in 1995, and subsequent updates to the data by the compilers of the Birds in the Saginaw Bay Area report. Comments on seasonal occurrences also relate to information found in this exhaustively researched book, as well as species notations on the Michigan Bird Survey Form.

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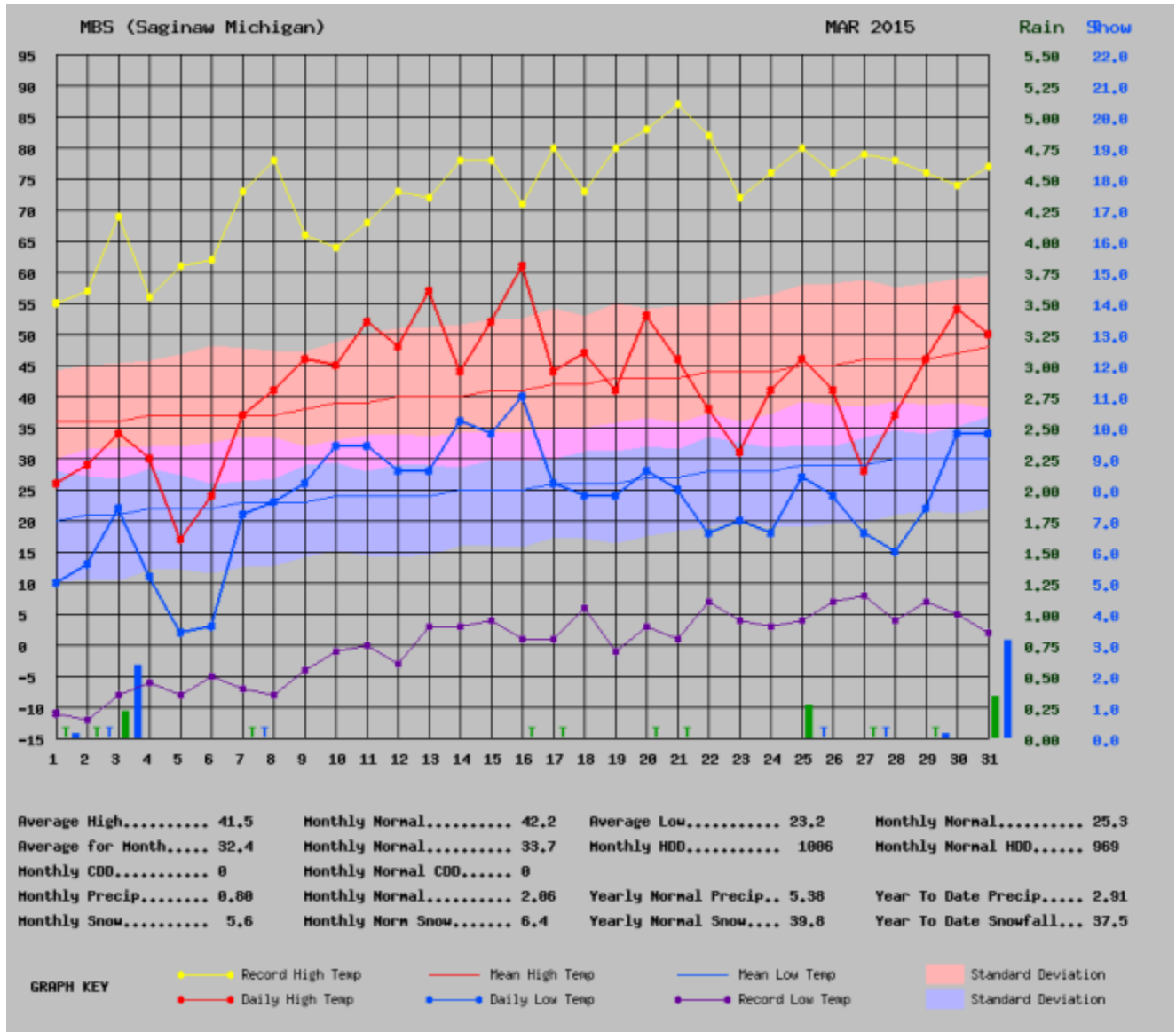
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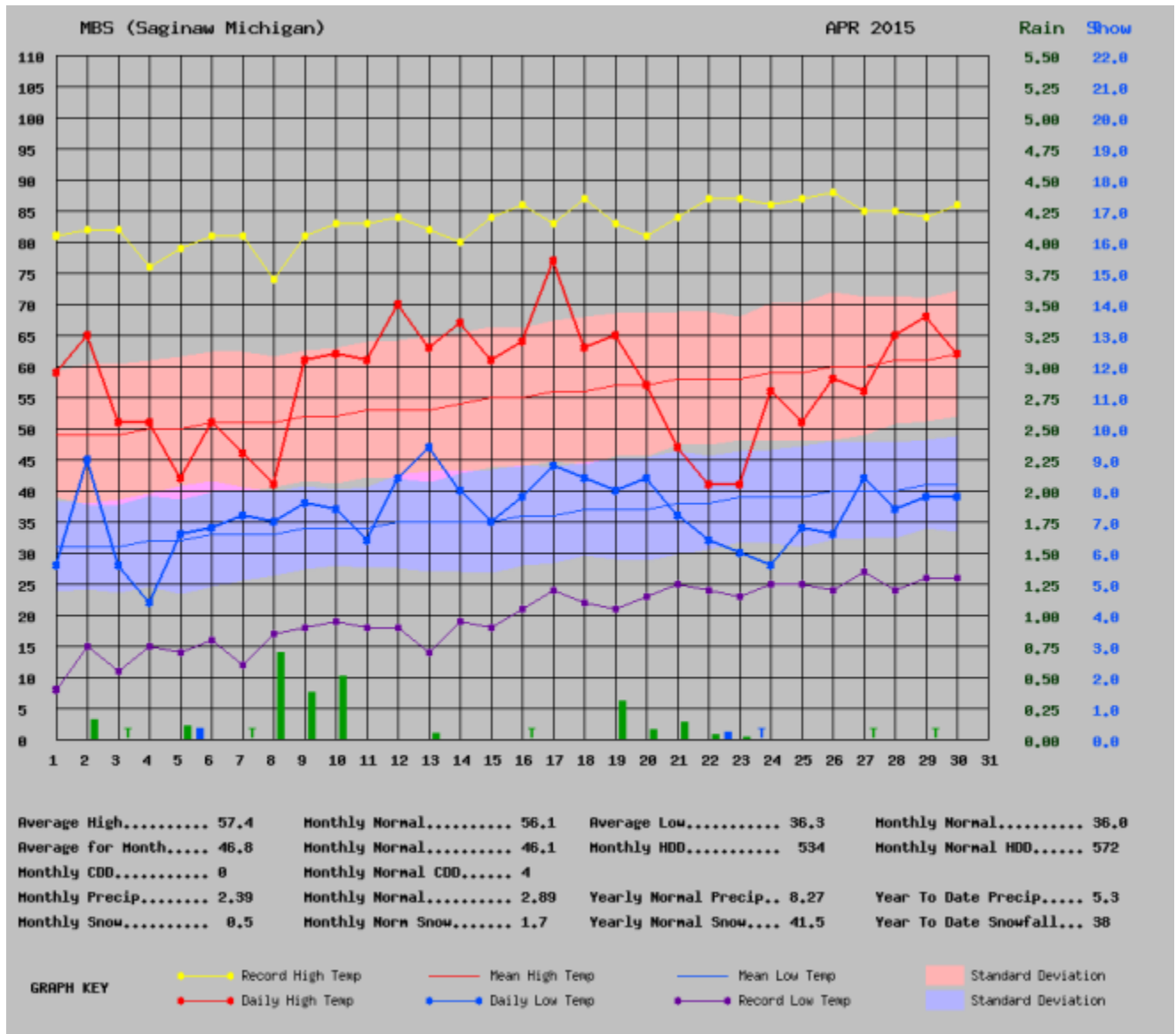
Abbreviations:

Ar	Arenac County	NAMC	North American Migration Count
Ba	Bay County	PCHW	Port Crescent Hawk Watch
BCSRA	Bay City State Recreation Area	PCSP	Port Crescent State Park
CNC	Chippewa Nature Center	Sa	Saginaw County
CDF	Confined Disposal Facility	SBA	Saginaw Bay Area
FPSWA	Fish Point State Wildlife Area	SBB.org	www.SaginawBayBirding.org
Hu	Huron County	SNWR	Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge
Io	Iosco County	SGA	State Game Area
MBRC	Michigan Bird Records Committee	tp	throughout entire period
Mi	Midland County	Tu	Tuscola County
NPSWA	Nayanquing Point State Wildlife Area	WBSWA	Wigwam Bay State Wildlife Area

March, 2015 Weather Graph – Saginaw (MBS)



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