

# Birds in the Saginaw Bay Area

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**Summary:** Overall observer contribution was very good this spring, both in terms of number of reports and coverage of the area. There was a notable increase in the number of reports from Fish Point SWA, Tu. This is encouraging, as the site has played a significant role in the history of birds in the SBA, but observer visits there seemed to have waned in the last decades. The important contributions to bird conservation of such public owned lands is well illustrated in the location citations within this report, be it a site uniquely situated to monitor bird migration, such as Port Crescent SP; or a breeding site such as Shiawassee NWR, where three observers can achieve NAMC tallies that equal or exceed entire counties. As far as bird numbers, there did seem to be a definite inconsistency of results from any given day of field observation. For example, regarding the popular wood warblers, observer comments ranged from a personal best day ever, to the worst season in years, with exceptionally low numbers. Aside from this hit or miss aspect, the overall diversity of bird species in the SBA this spring was good. A total of 252 species from the Michigan Bird List were reported, above the average number of 248 for the previous nineteen years. Amongst the many highlights of this spring where above average number of reports received for two species of particular conservation concern - **Red-headed Woodpecker** and **Cerulean Warbler**. A species that appears to be expanding its presence in the SBA, **Yellow-bellied Sapsucker**, and one that could be on the verge of it, **Hooded Warbler**, were also reported from numerous locations. The hope of encountering a rarely occurring species often motivates observers in the field, and **Tricolored Heron\***, **White-faced Ibis\***, **Ferruginous Hawk\***, **White-eyed Vireo**, and **Painted Bunting\*** were among the big finds this spring. Lastly, if for no other reason that it is so unusual to be able to mention these species in this season, are the reports of lingering **White-winged Crossbills** and **Pine Siskins**

\*Pending acceptance by the Michigan Bird Records Committee.

**Weather\*\*:** The above normal precipitation experienced in the winter continued on into March, although relatively little fell in the form of snow, which is rather unusual for the month. Temperatures for the month cycled routinely between below and above normal. Precipitation was even further above normal in April, beginning in the first week with a storm that brought heavy snowfall. Temperatures were below normal the first half of the month, and later, when warm air masses finally did make an appearance, they were accompanied by heavy rains. The above normal precipitation pattern of 2009 finally took a break in May, with rainfall amounts of near or below average. Temperatures during the month were noteworthy, as a colder than average trend began about mid-May and remained in place, more or less, throughout the end of the spring period.

\*\*Weather is based upon the best available data from NOAA, which is for Saginaw MBS. While generally applicable to the greater SBA, conditions in the northern and thumb portions of the area may have varied to some extent.

***This report, as well as those from 2000-2008, along with updates on summer 2009 migration in the Saginaw Bay Area, can be found at <http://www.saginawbaybirding.org>.***

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***A special thanks to the talented photographers of birds in the SBA, who generously shared their images from this past spring. The three photos on this page are only a sample; many more can be viewed at <http://www.saginawbaybirding.org>.***



**White-faced Ibis by: Doug Jackson  
Taken 05/21/09 at Fish Point SWA, Tu**



**Eastern Screech-owl by: Joe Soehnel  
Taken 05/19/09 in Hampton Twp., Ba**



**Whimbrels by Roger Eriksson  
Taken 05/22/09 at Tawas Point State Park, Io**

Species	Number	Date	Location	Observers / Comment
GRTR WHITE-FRNTD GOOSE:	4	3/17	SNWR, Sa	DJP
	3	3/27	Little Prairie Hunt Club Marsh, Sa	JDS,SG
SNOW GOOSE:	103	3/9	SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date - also noted in Ba,Hu,Tu
	251	3/17	SNWR, Sa	DJP - peak count
	1	4/11	SNWR, Sa	JEV - last date
ROSS'S GOOSE:	1	3/17	Linwood, Ba	KO,MW,SJ - 11 <sup>th</sup> SBA record - pending MBRC acceptance - documentation status unknown
	5	3/27	SNWR, Sa	DJP - 12 <sup>th</sup> SBA record - pending MBRC acceptance - documentation submitted
	1	4/10	FPSWA, Tu	MW - 13 <sup>th</sup> SBA record - pending MBRC acceptance - no details provided
CHEN SP:	8	3/17	SNWR, Sa	DJP - the observer noted "a distinct subgroup within a large snow goose flock. It is probable that these were Ross's geese, but my viewing distance did not permit the separation of hybrids."
CACKLING GOOSE:	2	3/17-3/27	SNWR, Sa	DJP
	3	4/8	SNWR, Sa	LA
CANADA GOOSE:	2000+	3/25	FPSWA, Tu	JL - also noted in Ba,Hu
	15146	3/26	SNWR, Sa	JJD,DEP - peak count
MUTE SWAN:	20	3/27	BCSRA, Ba	GSP - also noted in Hu,Sa,Tu
TUNDRA SWAN:	42	3/15	Hampton Twp., Ba	JMS - first date - also noted in Ar,Io,Hu,Tu
	3000+	3/22	Pinconning Park, Ba	DLJ - peak count
	1	5/29	SNWR, Sa	SFK,DJP - last date - ID by bill, including yellow lores, and overall shape/attitude
TRUMPETER SWAN:	14	3/8	Cooke Dam area, Io	WWS
	2	4/2	Cooke Dam area, Io	WWS
	16	4/4	Cooke Dam area, Io	WWS,RAE
	12	4/9	FPSWA, Tu	JEV - 6 remained here thru 5/8 (JEV)
	3	5/1	Cooke Dam area, Io	WWS
	6	5/1	SNWR, Sa	DJP - all 1 <sup>st</sup> year age
	2	5/6	SNWR, Sa	DJP
	1	5/9	Ba	NAMC
WOOD DUCK:	6	3/4	Hampton Twp., Ba	JMS - first date - also noted in Io,Mi,Tu
	57	3/30	SNWR, Sa	DJP - peak count
GADWALL:	1	3/12	AuSable R. mouth, Io	RAE - first date - also noted in Hu,Mi,Sa,Tu
	100+	4/10	NPSWA, Ba	JCD - peak count
AMERICAN WIGEON:	58	3/17	Crow Island SGA, Sa	JMS - first date - also noted in Hu,Tu
	82	3/26	Pinconning Park, Ba	RAE,DLJ
AMERICAN BLACK DUCK:	868	3/26	SNWR, Sa	JJD,DEP - peak count
	2	5/8	FPSWA, Tu	JEV - also noted in Ba,Io
MALLARD:	10168	3/26	SNWR, Sa	JJD,DEP - peak count
	50	4/22	FPSWA, Tu	JEV - also noted Ba,Hu

BLUE-WINGED TEAL:	38 58	3/26 4/21	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	JJD,DEP - first date - also noted in Ba,Tu DJP - peak count
NORTHERN SHOVELER:	2 143	3/4 4/21	Hampton Twp., Ba SNWR, Sa	JMS - first date - also noted in Hu,Mi,Tu DJP - peak count
NORTHERN PINTAIL:	12 461	3/6 3/26	Hampton Twp., Ba SNWR, Sa	JMS - first date - also noted in Hu,lo JJD,DEP - peak count
GREEN-WINGED TEAL:	8 547	3/9 4/21	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date - also noted in Ba,Hu,Tu DJP - peak count
CANVASBACK:	362 64	4/4 4/9	Pinconning Park, Ba Pinconning Park, Ba	RAE - peak count - also noted in Hu,Tu RAE
REDHEAD:	~2000 2	3/26 5/22	Pinconning Park, Ba FPSWA, Tu	RAE,DLJ - peak count JMS - last date - also noted in Hu,Mi,Sa
RING-NECKED DUCK:	<b>3373</b> 2	3/26 5/23	SNWR, Sa NPSWA, Ba	JJD,DEP - <b>new SBA peak count</b> DLJ - last date - also noted in Ba,Hu,Mi,Tu
GREATER SCAUP:	18 8	3/27 4/7	TPSP, lo Karn Plant, Ba	RAE - peak count SM - last date
LESSER SCAUP:	600+ 3	4/5 5/22	Dow Ponds, Mi Dow Ponds, Mi	RD - peak count - also noted in Ba,Sa RD
SCAUP SP:	1000+ 60+	3/22 5/5	Pinconning Park, Ba Linwood Rd., Ba	DLJ RD
LONG-TAILED DUCK:	8 100+ 45	3/16 3/27 5/5	Harbor Beach, Hu Linwood, Ba TPSP, lo	AR,MR SG - peak count RD - last date
WHITE-WINGED SCOTER:	8 3	3/15 5/5	AuSable R. mouth, lo TPSP, lo	RAE -peak count RD - last date
BUFFLEHEAD:	1 87 1	3/6 4/21 5/23	FPSWA, Tu SNWR, Sa NPSWA, Ba	JMS - first date - also noted in Ar,Hu,lo,Tu DJP - peak count DLJ - last date
COMMON GOLDENEYE:	37 1	3/17 5/20	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	JJD -peak count - also noted in Hu,Tu DJP - last date
HOODED MERGANSER:	31 17	3/13 4/9	SNWR, Sa Pinconning Park, Ba	DJP,DEP - peak count RAE - also noted in lo,Tu
COMMON MERGANSER:	300+ 2	3/28 5/18	Tawas Bay, lo TPSP, lo	RAE - peak count GSP,EMP - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Sa,Tu
RED-BREASTED MERGANSER:	1 150+	4/1 4/24	Fraser Twp., Ba Tawas Bay, lo	GSP - also noted in Hu,Sa RAE - peak count
RUDDY DUCK:	39 268	3/26 4/21	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	JJD,DEP - first date DJP - peak count - also noted in Ba,Mi,Tu
RING-NECKED PHEASANT:	7	4/21	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Ba,lo,Tu
RUFFED GROUSE:	3 5	4/23 5/1	Koylton Twp., Tu Cooke Dam area, lo	JEV - also noted in Ar WWS

WILD TURKEY:	35 15	3/6 3/13	Freeland, Sa Deford SGA, Tu	RMu,CM- also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Mi JEV
RED-THROATED LOON:	1	<b>4/22-</b> 4/25	FPSWA, Tu	JEV - 1 <sup>st</sup> Tu record - <b>new SBA spring early</b>
COMMON LOON:	1 8	3/26 5/15	Haitlco Park, Sa TPSP, Io	RAE - first date - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu RAE - peak count
PIED-BILLED GREBE:	2 8	3/17 4/30	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	JJD - first date - also noted in Ba,Io,Mi,Tu DJP - peak count
HORNED GREBE:	1 27	3/29 4/28	Haitlco Park, Sa Midland, Mi	RAE - also noted in Ba AD - peak count
EARED GREBE:	1	5/12 - 5/18	Crow Island SGA, Sa	DD,RH
AMERICAN WHITE PELICAN:	2  1 1	5/3  5/9 5/19- 5/20	NPSWA, Ba  Karn Plant, Ba SNWR, Sa	JDS,JLS - 2, possibly the same 2, noted this date at nearby BCSRA (DLJ) JMS JDS,JLS,DEP,SFK,DJP
DOUBLE-CRSTD CORMORANT:	1  1200+	3/27  4/26	TPSP, Io  AuGres, Ar	RAE - first date - also noted in Ba,Hu,Mi,Sa,Tu RAE - peak count
AMERICAN BITTERN:	1 2	4/4 4/30	Wigwam Bay, Ar SNWR, Sa	DLJ - first date - also noted in Ba,Tu DJP
LEAST BITTERN:	1 2	5/6 5/22	BCSRA, Ba NPSWA, Ba	GSP,EMP RD
GREAT BLUE HERON:	25	5/9	SNWR, Sa	DJP,SFK,JDS - also noted in Ba,Mi,Tu
GREAT EGRET:	3 71	3/27 4/25	Linwood, Ba Karn Plant, Ba	SG - first date - also noted in Io,Mi,Sa,Tu JMS,SM - peak count
SNOWY EGRET:	1 2 1 1	<b>4/11</b> 5/9 5/22 5/27	Karn Plant, Ba Karn Plant, Ba Cody-Estey Rd., Ba Ba	<b>SM - new SBA spring early</b> JMS,SM DLJ DD - photographed
TRICOLORED HERON:	1	5/15	Pinconning, Ba	DD,MW - 16 <sup>th</sup> SBA record, pending MBRC acceptance - photograph forwarded to state compiler
CATTLE EGRET:	2 3 1	4/29 5/1-5/3 5/6	Wickes Park, Saginaw, Sa Wickes Park, Saginaw, Sa Finn Rd. Park, Ba	JDS,JLS JDS,DJP GSP,MW
GREEN HERON:	1 6	4/17 5/2	SNWR, Sa Hampton Twp., Ba	EPD - first date - also noted in Ar,Ba,Tu SM
BLK-CROWNED NIGHT- HERON:	1 3	3/30 4/16	Hampton Twp., Ba FPSWA, Tu	SM - also noted in Sa DLJ
WHITE-FACED IBIS:	1	5/21- 5/22	FPSWA, Tu	DS, DLJ,MW,JMS,GSP,EMP - 3 <sup>rd</sup> SBA record, 1 <sup>st</sup> Tu record - photographed - pending MBRC acceptance
TURKEY VULTURE:	371 10	4/2 5/24	PCSP, Hu BCSRA, Ba	MKE,DD,MF - peak count GSP,EMP - also noted in Mi,Sa,Tu

OSPREY:	1 13	4/4 4/27	Midland, Mi PCSP, Hu	MKE - first date - also noted in Ba,Sa,Tu MKE,DD - peak count
BALD EAGLE:	62 22	3/5 5/3	SNWR, Sa PCSP, Hu	DJP - peak count MKE - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi,Tu
NORTHERN HARRIER:	7	4/18	PCSP, Hu	MKE - peak count - also noted in Ar,Ba,Sa,Tu
SHARP-SHINNED HAWK:	1 <b>762</b>	3/29 4/27	Bangor Twp., Ba PCSP, Hu	GSP,EMP - also noted in Io,Tu MKE,DD - <b>new SBA peak count</b>
COOPER'S HAWK:	2  10	4/12  4/18	Koylton Twp., Tu  PCSP, Hu	JEV - the observer noted "Courtship flight over suitable nesting habitat." MKE - also noted in Ba,Io,Sa
NORTHERN GOSHAWK:	1 3 1 2	4/4 4/18 5/1 5/3	Cooke Dam area, Io PCSP, Hu Deford SGA, Tu PCSP, Hu	WWS,RAE MKE - 1 here on 4/27 (MKE,DD) JEV MKE
RED-SHOULDERED HAWK:	2 1 10 1	3/14 3/15 4/18 5/12	Hampton Twp., Ba Price Nature Center, Sa PCSP, Hu Deford SGA, Tu	JMS JDS MKE JEV
BROAD-WINGED HAWK:	3 747	4/18 4/27	PCSP, Hu PCSP, Hu	MKE - first date MKE,DD - peak count On 4/25, MKE counted noted 3338 BWHA along Huron County's eastern shoreline. This observer has long been considering the patterns of annual spring hawk migration in the thumb, and her comments on this day are worth including - "Arriving to limited hawk movement ... (I) decided to take a drive down the east coast of Huron County, thinking that with the slamming (SW) winds, hawks arriving at the eastern shoreline would opt to go south and cross over by Port Huron rather than fight the winds heading north along the coast and passing by Port Crescent. Indeed. On my 30 mile drive from Huron City to White Rock (I) counted over 3.000 Broadwings, fighting their way back onshore and heading in a generally southern direction. Am guessing there could have been 5x as many had there been several stationary observers along that 30 mile stretch."
	1 1	5/10 5/20	CNC, Mi Taymouth Twp., Sa	AD - also noted here on 5/29 JDS - also noted in Io,Tu
RED-TAILED HAWK:	133  1	4/2  3/1 - 4/9	PCSP, Hu  SNWR, Sa	MKE,DD,MF - peak count - also noted in Ba,Io,Mi,Tu DJP - wintering dark western intermediate morph bird
FERRUGINOUS HAWK:	1	5/3	PCSP, Hu	MKE - an immature dark morph - 2 <sup>nd</sup> SBA record - pending MBRC acceptance
ROUGH-LEGGED HAWK:	7 18 1	4/27 5/3 5/30	PCSP, Hu PCSP, Hu Tuttle Marsh, Io	MKE,DD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Sa,Tu MKE - peak count AV per JR - last date

GOLDEN EAGLE:	2	3/8	SNWR, Sa	SFK - immature age
	1	3/21	FPSWA, Tu	JCD
	1	3/26	Mayville, Tu	MW
	1	4/2	PCSP, Hu	MKE,DD,MF
	1	4/11	SNWR, Sa	JEV
	4	4/18	PCSP, Hu	MKE
	4	4/27	PCSP, Hu	MKE,DD
	1	5/15	FPSWA, Tu	DD
7	5/3	PCSP, Hu	MKE - <b>new SBA peak count</b>	
A very nice spring for GOEA records. Note the species tendency to primarily visit the south and east portion of the SBA.				
AMERICAN KESTREL:	9	4/23	Lighthouse Rd., Hu	AR,MR - peak count
	8	5/2	PCSP, Hu	MKE - also noted in Ba,Mi,Sa,Tu
MERLIN:	2	4/25	TPSP, Io	RAE
	1	4/27	PCSP, Hu	MKE,DD - individuals also noted in Ba,Tu
	1	5/18	SNWR, Sa	DJP - last date
PEREGRINE FALCON:	1	4/18	PCSP, Hu	MKE - also 1 here on 5/5 (MW)
	2	4/7	Karn Plant, Ba	SM - noted as nesting here on 4/25 (JMS)
	1	5/18	SNWR, Sa	DJP - the observer noted - "heard before it was seen, not by voice though, but by the <i>whoosh</i> it made as it dove in on it's prey in a pool I had my back to"
VIRGINIA RAIL:	1	3/30	Hampton Twp., Ba	SM - individuals also noted in Ar,Sa,Tu
SORA:	6	4/22	FPSWA, Tu	JEV - also noted in Ar,Ba
	4	4/30	SNWR, Sa	DJP
COMMON MOORHEN:	5	4/29	SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date
	1	5/21	FPSWA, Tu	MW - also noted in Ba
AMERICAN COOT:	1	3/27	Hampton Twp., Ba	DLJ - first date
	229	4/21	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Tu
SANDHILL CRANE:	39	4/18	PCSP, Hu	MKE - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Tu
	43	5/9	SNWR, Sa	DJP,SFK - peak count
BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER:	5	5/5	Linwood Rd., Ba	RD - first date - also noted in Hu,Io,Sa
	8	5/29	FPSWA, Tu	JEV - peak count
SEMIPALMATED PLOVER:	6	5/5	SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date - also noted in Ba,Io,Tu
	110	5/15	SNWR, Sa	DJP - peak count
PIPING PLOVER:	1	5/5	LeBourdais Rd., Ba	RD
KILLDEER:	2	3/4	Hampton Twp., Ba	JMS - first date - also noted in Hu,Mi,Tu
	32	5/9	SNWR, Sa	DJP,SFK,JDS - peak count
SPOTTED SANDPIPER:	6	4/22	FPSWA	JEV - first date - also noted in Ba,Io
	47	5/22	SNWR, Sa	DJP - <b>new SBA spring high count</b>
SOLITARY SANDPIPER:	10	4/22	FPSWA, Tu	JEV - first date - also noted in Ba
	1	5/22	SNWR, Sa	DJP - last date
GREATER YELLOWLEGS:	1	3/26	SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date -also noted in Ba,Io,Tu
	21	4/30	SNWR, Sa	DJP - peak count
	1	5/29	SNWR, Sa	DJP - last date

WILLET:	1	5/2	PCSP, Hu	MKE
	1	5/2	Gateway Park, Io	DLJ
	4	5/2	Tawas City Park, Io	DLJ
	1	5/26	LeBourdais Rd., Ba	DD,MW
LESSER YELLOWLEGS:	3	3/26	SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date - also noted in Io,Tu
	54	5/5	Hampton Twp., Ba	JMS - peak count
	1	5/31	Hampton Twp., Ba	JMS - last date
YELLOWLEGS SP:	15	5/5	Nayanquing Point, Ba	RD
WHIMBREL:	188	5/22	TPSP, Io	RAE
	70	5/23	AuGres, Ar	KO
MARBLED GODWIT:	1	5/8 - 5/11	Knight Rd., Hampton Twp., Ba	DD,LA,CS,EL
	1	5/24	SNWR, Sa	LA,CS,EL,JDS,JLS
RUDDY TURNSTONE:	3	5/14	Ba	DD - first date - also noted in Ar,Io
	17	5/24	SNWR, Sa	LA,CS,JDS,JLS,EL - peak count
RED KNOT:	2	5/17	NE Ba	MW
	2	5/26	Lebourdais Rd., Ba	MW
	3	5/29	Ba	DD
SANDERLING:	30	5/21	TPSP, Io	RD - first date
	10	5/30	Boutell Rd., Ba	GSP,MW
SEMIPALMATED SANDPIPER:	2	5/18	SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date - also noted in Ba,Io
	33	5/29	SNWR, Sa	DJP - peak count
LEAST SANDPIPER:	5	4/30	SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date - also noted in Ba,Io
	48	5/9	SNWR, Sa	DJP - peak count
	1	5/29	SNWR, Sa	DJP - last date
WHITE-RUMPED SANDPIPER:	1	5/14	Ba	DD - first date - also noted in Io
	2	5/29	SNWR, Sa	DJP - peak count
PECTORAL SANDPIPER:	1	4/2	SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date - also noted in Ba,Io,Tu
	73	4/17	SNWR, Sa	DJP - peak count
	34	5/5	SNWR, Sa	DJP - last date
DUNLIN:	9	4/30	SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Tu
	500+	5/24	SNWR, Sa	LA,CS,JDS,JLS,EL - peak count
SHORT-BILLED DOWITCHER:	5	5/15	SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date - also noted in Ba,Io
	13	5/22	SNWR, Sa	DJP - peak count
	1	5/29	SNWR, Sa	DJP - last date
WILSON'S SNIPE:	7	3/26	SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date - also noted in Ba,Tu
	17	4/17	SNWR, Sa	DJP - peak count
AMERICAN WOODCOCK:	2	3/15	Hampton Twp., Ba	SM - first date - also noted in Ar,Io,Sa,Tu
	<b>15</b>	4/8	Hampton Twp., Ba	SM - <b>new SBA peak count</b>
WILSON'S PHALAROPE:	1	5/20	TPSP, Io	RAE
	1	5/29	SNWR, Sa	DJP
PHALAROPE SP:	1	3/27	Dow Ponds, Mi	per JL



BONAPARTE'S GULL:	2 140 65	3/17 4/5 5/21	SNWR, Sa LeBourdais Rd., Ba TPSP, Io	DJP - first date - also noted in Hu,Tu RD - peak count RD
RING-BILLED GULL:	400 652	4/13 5/9	Monitor Twp., Ba SNWR, Sa	GSP - also noted in Hu,Tu SFK,DJP
HERRING GULL:	824	3/5	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Ba,Hu,Tu
GLAUCOUS GULL:	1 1 1 2	3/9 3/28 5/2 5/14	SNWR, Sa Tawas Bay, Io PCSP, Hu Dufty Rd., E of Howard, Hu	DJP - adult age RAE - 2 <sup>nd</sup> winter age MKE JEV - immature age - in a freshly plowed field w/RBGU
GREAT BLACK-BACKED GULL:	2 9 1	3/17 3/26 5/31	SNWR, Sa Boutell/LeBourdais Rd., Ba LeBourdais Rd., Ba	DJP - 1 <sup>st</sup> winter age - also noted in Io RAE - <b>new SBA spring high count</b> JMS
CASPIAN TERN:	1 70	4/5 5/8	LeBourdais Rd., Ba FPSWA, Tu	RAE - first date - also noted in Hu,Io,Sa JEV - peak count
COMMON TERN:	4 65 15	4/22 5/22 5/25	FPSWA, Tu NPSWA, Ba Dow Ponds, Mi	JEV - first date - also noted in Ba,Hu,Io,Sa RD - peak count MKE
FORSTER'S TERN:	1 30+	4/10 5/5	LeBourdais Rd., Ba LeBourdais Rd., Ba	DLJ - first date - also noted in Sa,Tu RD
BLACK TERN:	1 28 12	5/5 5/25 5/25	NPSWA, Ba Wigwam Bay SWA, Ar Dow Ponds, Mi	RD - first date DLJ - peak count - also noted in Io,Sa MKE
ROCK PIGEON:	35	3/17	Bay City, Ba	GSP - also noted in Sa,Tu
MOURNING DOVE:	39	5/9	SNWR, Sa	SFK,DJP,JDS - also noted in Ba,Hu,Io,Tu
BLACK-BILLED CUCKOO:	1 2 2	5/11 5/16 5/25	TPSP, Io Hampton Twp., Ba Koylton Twp, Tu	RAE - first date JMS - also noted in Sa JEV
YELLOW-BILLED CUCKOO:	1	5/28	SNWR, Sa	DJP - only report this spring
EASTERN SCREECH OWL:	2 1	4/2 5/19	SNWR, Sa Hampton Twp., Ba	DJP,DEP - also noted in Tu JMS - the observer noted "dive bombed me, unprovoked, numerous times as I walked along the trail ...It clicked its bill and called continually so, apparently, a fledgling(s) were in the area."
GREAT HORNED OWL:	2 2	3/15 5/11	Hampton Twp., Ba Koylton Twp., Tu	JMS - also noted in Hu,Sa JEV
SNOWY OWL:	1 2 1 1	3/5 4/2 4/13 5/15	Akron Rd., Tu East Tawas, Io Hampton Twp., Ba M-15 near German Rd., Ba	LZ per RAE LZ LW,SW
BARRED OWL:	1	5/9	Gibson Twp., Ba	JMS
SHORT-EARED OWL:	1 4 1	3/9 3/17 4/8	Kinney Rd., Ba SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	LZ JJD LA

NORTHERN SAW-WHET OWL:	1	3/3	Mayville, Tu	MW
COMMON NIGHTHAWK:	8 4	5/19 5/30	BCSRA, Ba Hampton Twp., Ba	GSP - first date - also noted in Io,Tu JMS - also 2 pair @ Saginaw, Sa (DJP)
WHIP-POOR-WILL:	1 1 1	5/2 5/5 5/29	Hampton Twp., Ba TPSP, Io FPSWA, Tu	SM RD JEV
CHIMNEY SWIFT:	1 284	4/27 5/9	Bay City, Ba SNWR, Sa	SM - first date SFK,DJP,JDS - peak count
RUBY-THRTD HUMMINGBIRD:	1 12	4/29 5/21	Bangor Twp., Ba TPSP, Io	GSP,EMP - first date RD - peak count - also noted in Hu,Sa,Tu
BELTED KINGFISHER:	1 3	3/17 5/9	PCSP, Hu SNWR, Sa	KO,RE,SJ,MW DJP,SFK - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi,Tu
RED-HEADED WOODPECKER:	1 1 2 1 1 2 1 2	3/13 4/9 4/27 5/5 5/11 5/13 5/13 5/15	Cass City, Tu FPSWA, Tu Midland, Mi TPSP, Io Saginaw, Sa Murphy Lake SGA, Tu Bangor twp., Ba TPSP, Io	JEV JEV BR,MS RD DJP LA GSP,EMP MW
			This represents three times the average number of spring sightings, although the number of individuals per sighting remains low, even at TPSP.	
RED-BELLIED WOODPECKER:	2 24	5/3 5/9	CNC, Mi SNWR, Sa	AD - also noted in Ba,Mi,Tu DJP,SFK,JDS - peak count
YELLOW-BELLIED SAPSUCKER:	1 6 2 5 1	3/26 4/9 4/29 5/1 5/17	Hampton Twp., Ba FPSWA, Tu SNWR, Sa Cooke Dam area, Io Omer, Ar	JMS - first date JEV - peak count JEV WWS MW
			Though still uncommon, it is now less so than it was in the past.	
DOWNY WOODPECKER:	3 26	3/1 5/9	Bangor Twp., Ba SNWR, Sa	GSP,EMP - also noted in Io,Tu SFK,JDS,DJP - <b>new SBA peak count</b>
HAIRY WOODPECKER:	4 11	4/22 5/9	FPSWA, Tu SNWR, Sa	JEV -also noted in Ba,Hu,Mi JDS,SFK,DJP - <b>new SBA peak count</b>
NORTHERN FLICKER:	130 116	4/18 4/25	PCSP, Hu TPSP, Io	MKE - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Sa,Tu RAE
PILEATED WOODPECKER:	3 6	4/4 5/9	Cooke Dam area, Io SNWR, Sa	WWS,RAE - also noted in Ba SFK,JDS - peak count
OLIVE-SIDED FLYCATCHER:	1 1 1	5/22 5/29 5/29	SNWR, Sa Ba TPSP, Io	DJP DD JR
EASTERN WOOD-PEWEE:	1 23	5/8 5/29	FPSWA, Tu SNWR, Sa	JEV - first date - also noted in Ar,Ba DJP - <b>new SBA peak count</b>
ACADIAN FLYCATCHER:	1 1 1	5/13 5/18 5/30	Murphy Lake SGA, Tu FPSWA, Tu SNWR, Sa	LA JEV JZ et.al.

YELLOW-BELLIED FLYCTCHR:	1	5/24	SNWR, Sa	LA,CS,JDS,JLS,EL
ALDER FLYCATCHER:	1 15	5/8 5/29	SNWR, Sa TPSP, lo	JEV - first date, the observer noted "sang" JR - <b>new SBA peak count</b> - also noted in Ar,Ba,Sa
WILLOW FLYCATCHER:	1 21	5/9 5/29	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	SFK - singing in a traditional nesting location - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,lo DJP - peak count
LEAST FLYCATCHER:	1 13	5/1 5/9	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Tu SFK,DJP,JDS - peak count
EASTERN PHOEBE:	1 8	3/17 5/5	SNWR, Sa CNC, Mi	DJP - first date - also noted in Ba,Hu AD - peak count
GRT CRESTED FLYCATCHER:	1 20	5/3 5/9	BCSRA, Ba SNWR, Sa	GSP,EMP - first date, here and in Tu (JEV) - also noted in Ar,lo JDS,DJP,SFK - peak count
EASTERN KINGBIRD:	1 8	4/25 5/29	BCSRA, Ba SNWR, Sa	GEP,EMP - first date DJP - also noted in Hu,lo,Mi,Tu
NORTHERN SHRIKE:	2 1	3/5 4/6	SNWR, Sa Fish Point, Tu	DJP MW - last date
WHITE-EYED VIREO:	1 1 1	5/9 5/13 5/19	southern Ba TPSP, lo Ba	MW - 10 <sup>th</sup> SBA record, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ba record RAE - 11 <sup>th</sup> SBA record, 4 <sup>th</sup> lo record DD - 12 <sup>th</sup> SBA record, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Ba record The observer noted "The white-eyed vireo was seen while viewing a blue-winged warbler. Its white eye stood out like a beacon and yellow lores, wing bars and washed yellow on the side were all seen. I talked with Myles (Willard) about his bird and it sounds like we had 2 different birds.
YELLOW-THROATED VIREO:	1 7	5/3 5/9	Taymouth Twp., Sa SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Tu DJP,JDS - <b>ties SBA peak count</b>
BLUE-HEADED VIREO:	1 3 1	4/23 5/14 5/28	Midland, Mi BCSRA, Ba Bangor Twp., Ba	MKE - first date - also noted in Hu,lo,Sa KO,RE,JLe,PB GSP
WARBLING VIREO:	2 44	4/27 5/9	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date - also noted in Ba,Tu DJP,SFK,JDS - <b>new SBA peak count</b>
PHILADELPHIA VIREO:	2 1	5/14 5/22	Sleeper State Park, Hu TPSP, lo	JEV - also noted in Ba,Tu RD - 1 here on 5/29 as well (JR)
RED-EYED VIREO:	2 7	5/8 5/29	Deford SGA, Tu SNWR, Sa	JEV - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,lo DJP
BLUE JAY:	150 31	4/27 5/9	Whiterock, Hu SNWR, Sa	JEV - also noted in Ba,Tu SFK,JDS,DJP
AMERICAN CROW:	67 32	3/4 3/10	SNWR, Sa Kingston Rd., Tu	DJP - also noted in Ba,Hu JEV
COMMON RAVEN:	6 2 1	3/8 5/1 5/30	Cooke Dam area, lo Cooke Dam area, lo Gibson Twp., Ba	WWS WWS MW per GSP

HORNED LARK:	12 28	3/4 3/17	FPSWA, Tu SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ba,Hu,Tu JJD - peak count
PURPLE MARTIN:	6 12 4	4/22 5/8 5/30	FPSWA, Tu FPSWA, Tu Linwood Rd., Ba	JEV JEV - also noted in lo GSP,MW
TREE SWALLOW:	1 639	3/17 4/13	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	JJD - first date - also noted in Ba,Hu,lo,Mi DJP -DJP - peak count
N ROUGH-WINGED SWALLOW:	2 36	4/17 5/9	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Tu DJP,SFK,JDS - peak count
BANK SWALLOW:	2 81	4/21 5/9	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date - also noted in Ba,Tu SFK,DJP - peak count
CLIFF SWALLOW:	2 24	4/25 5/9	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Tu SFK,DJP - peak count
BARN SWALLOW:	1 78	4/10 5/9	NPSWA, Ba SNWR, Sa	JCD - first date - also noted in Hu,lo,Tu DJP,SFK,JDS - <b>new SBA spring high count</b>
BLACK-CAPPED CHICKADEE:	20 28	3/28 5/9	Koylton Twp., Tu SNWR, Sa	JEV - also noted in Ba,Hu JDS,SFJ,DJP - peak count
TUFTED TITMOUSE:	5 17	3/27 5/9	BCSRA, Ba SNWR, Sa	GSP - also noted in Tu JDS,SFK - peak count
RED-BREASTED NUTHATCH:	6 3	3/15 5/1	Cooke Dam area, lo Cooke Dam area, lo	WWS - also noted in Ba,Mi,Tu WWS
WHITE-BREASTED NUTHATCH:	6 12	3/8 5/9	Cooke Dam area, lo SNWR, Sa	WWS - also noted in Ba,Tu JDS,SFK,DJP - peak count
BROWN CREEPER:	4 16	3/28 5/9	Koylton Twp., Tu SNWR, Sa	JEV - also noted in Ba,lo,Mi JDS,SFK,DJP - peak count
CAROLINA WREN:	1 2 1 1 1	3/14 4/10 tp 4/10 4/12 5/20	Midland, Mi Mt. Haley Twp., Mi Bridgeport Twp., Sa Albee Twp., Sa SNWR, Sa	MKE KB - a nesting pair LA JDS DH
HOUSE WREN:	1 45	4/25 5/9	FPSWA, Tu SNWR, Sa	JEV - first date - also noted in Ba,Hu,Mi DJP,JDS,SFK - <b>new SBA peak count</b>
WINTER WREN:	1 3 1	4/2 4/24 5/14	BCSRA, Ba SNWR, Sa Etzler Rd., Hu	GSP,EMP - first date JDS - also noted in lo,Tu JEV
SEDGE WREN:	1 4	5/9 5/25	NPSWA, Ba Wigwam Bay SWA, Ar	JMS - first date DLJ - also noted in Sa
MARSH WREN:	10 25+	5/5 5/22	NPSWA, Ba NPSWA, Ba	RD - first date - also noted in Ar,Hu,Sa,Tu RD - peak count
GOLDEN-CROWNED KINGLET:	16 12	4/3 4/11	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	DJP - peak count - also noted in Ba,Tu JEV - last date

RUBY-CROWNED KINGLET:	1 14 3	4/4 4/24 5/9	Cooke Dam area, lo SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	WWS,RAE - first date - also noted in Ba JDS - peak count JDS - last date
BLUE-GRAY GNATCATCHER:	2 46	4/24 5/9	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	JDS - first date - also noted in Ba,Hu,lo,Tu DJP,JDS,SFK - <b>ties SBA peak count</b>
EASTERN BLUEBIRD:	1 5 5	3/1 4/2 5/29	Karn Plant, Ba PCSP, Hu CNC, Mi	SM - first date MKE - also noted in lo,Sa,Tu AD
VEERY:	1 8 1	5/4 5/9 5/19	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa Hampton Twp., Ba	DJP - first date - also noted in Ar,lo,Tu DJP,JDS - peak count JMS
GRAY-CHEEKED THRUSH:	1 1 1 1 1	5/1 5/8 5/9 5/18 5/29	SNWR, Sa Deford SGA, TU SNWR, Sa TPSP, lo TPSP, lo	LA,CS fide DJP - first date JEV JDS - also 1 noted this date in Ba GSP,EMP JR - last date
SWAINSON'S THRUSH:	1 4 1	4/24 5/16 5/29	Fish Point, Tu SNWR, Sa Hampton Twp., Ba	DD - <b>ties (3-way) SBA spring early</b> DJP JMS - last date - also noted in Ar,Hu,lo,Mi
HERMIT THRUSH:	1 60+ 1	4/8 4/24 5/9	Saginaw, Sa Knight Rd., Ba SNWR, Sa	LA - first date - also noted in Tu LA - peak count JDS
WOOD THRUSH:	1 15	4/24 5/9	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	JDS - first date - also noted in Ba,lo,Tu JDS,SFK,DJP - peak count
AMERICAN ROBIN:	5 182	3/1 5/9	Karn Plant, Ba SNWR, Sa	SM - also noted in Tu,Hu SFK,DJP,JDS
GRAY CATBIRD:	1 34	4/24 5/9	Hampton Twp., Ba SNWR, Sa	LA - first date - also noted in lo,Tu JDS,DJP,SFK - peak count
NORTHERN MOCKINGBIRD:	3 1 1	4/17 5/10- 5/20 5/15	Koylton Twp., Tu TPSP, lo NPSWA, Ba	JEV - up to 2 remained thru 5/8 RAE LW,SW
BROWN THRASHER:	1 14	4/5 5/5	BCSRA, Ba TPSP, lo	RD - first date - also noted in Sa,Tu RD - peak count
EUROPEAN STARLING:	64 162	3/5 5/9	Kingston, Tu SNWR, Sa	JEV - also noted in Ba,Hu SFK,DJP,JDS
AMERICAN PIPIT:	4 40 6	5/5 5/11 5/20	NPSWA, Ba SNWR, Sa TPSP, lo	RD - first date - also noted in Hu,Tu DJP - peak count RAE - last date
CEDAR WAXWING:	54 38	3/10 5/31	Hampton Twp., Ba Hampton Twp., Ba	JMS - peak count JMS - also noted in Sa,Tu
BLUE-WINGED WARBLER:	1 5	4/28 5/8	Deford SGA, Tu CNC, Mi	JEV - first date - also noted in Ba,Sa AD
GOLDEN-WINGED WARBLER:	1 4	5/7 5/15	Deford SGA, Tu Sterling Truck Trail, Ar	JEV - first date - also noted in Ba,Sa DJ

BREWSTER'S WARBLER:	1	5/14	TPSP, lo	KO,RE,JL,PB
TENNESSEE WARBLER:	4	5/9	SNWR, Sa	JDS,SFK - first date - also noted in Ba,Tu
	4	5/22	TPSP, lo	RD
ORANGE-CROWNED WARBLER:	1	4/29	SNWR, Sa	JEV
	1	5/9	Tobico Marsh, Ba	RH
NASHVILLE WARBLER:	1	4/24	Knight Rd., Ba	LA - first date - also noted in lo,Tu
	22	5/9	SNWR, Sa	JDS,DJP,SFK - peak count
	3	5/15	Sterling Truck Trail, Ar	DLJ
NORTHERN PARULA:	1	5/2	Knight Rd., Ba	JDS,JLS -first date
	5	5/14	BCSRA, Ba	KO,RE,JLe,PB - peak count
	1	5/22	NPSWA, Ba	RD - last date - also noted in lo,Sa,Tu
YELLOW WARBLER:	4	4/24	Knight Rd., Ba	LA - first date - also noted in Hu,Mi,Tu
	<b>198</b>	5/9	SNWR, Sa	DJP,SFK,JDS - <b>new SBA peak count</b>
CHESNUT-SIDED WARBLER:	1	5/6	Hampton Twp., Ba	DD - first date - also noted in Tu
	7	5/9	SNWR, Sa	JDS,DJP - peak count
	2	5/29	TPSP, lo	JR
MAGNOLIA WARBLER:	2	5/8	FPSWA, Tu	JEV - first date - also noted in Sa
	8	5/14	BCSRA, Ba	KO,RE,JL,PB - peak count
	5	5/29	TPSP, lo	JR - 2m,3f
CAPE MAY WARBLER:	1	5/6	Finn Rd. Park, Ba	GSP,MW - also noted in Tu
	3	5/14	BCSRA, Ba	KO,RE,JLe,PB - last date
BLK-THRTD BLUE WARBLER:	1	5/6	Hampton Twp., Ba	JMS - first date - also noted in Hu,Sa,Tu
	6	5/14	BCSRA, Ba	KO,RE,JLe,PB - peak count
	2	5/18	TPSP, lo	GSP,EMP - last date
YELLOW-RUMPED WARBLER:	1	4/4	Hampton Twp., Ba	PR - first date - also noted in Hu,lo,Mi
	60	4/30	Novesta Twp., Tu	JEV - peak count
	2	5/16	SNWR, Sa	DJP
BLK-THRTD GREEN WARBLER:	1	4/27	Bay City, Ba	SM - first date - also noted in Ar,Tu
	<b>19</b>	5/9	SNWR, Sa	JDS,SFK,DJP - <b>new SBA peak count</b>
	2	5/29	TPSP, lo	JR - 1m,1f
BLACKBURNIAN WARBLER:	1	5/6	Hampton Twp., Ba	JMS - first date - also noted in Tu
	5	5/9	SNWR, Sa	JDS,SFK,DJP
	4	5/29	TPSP, lo	JR - 2m,2f
PINE WARBLER:	1	4/24	BCSRA, Ba	GSP,EMP - first date
	6	4/24	Knight Rd., Ba	LA - peak count - also noted in lo,Sa,Tu
PALM WARBLER:	1	4/24	SNWR, Sa	JDS - first date - also noted in lo,Tu
	50	5/3	Hampton Twp., Ba	PR - peak count
	4	5/14	BCSRA, Ba	KO,RE,JLe,PB - last date
BAY-BREASTED WARBLER:	1	5/2	Knight Rd., Ba	JDS,JLS - first date
	1	5/8	FPSWA, Tu	JEV
	1	5/18	TPSP, lo	GSP,EMP - last date
BLACKPOLL WARBLER:	1	5/6	SNWR, Sa	LA - first date - also noted in Tu
	10	5/29	TPSP, lo	JR - 8m,2f - peak count
	1	5/31	Hampton Twp., Ba	JMS

CERULEAN WARBLER:	3	5/10	Davis Rd., Ar	TP - first date
	1	5/12	TPSP, lo	RAE - a female
	1	5/16	Murphy Lake SGA, Tu	JDS
	1	5/18	Knight Rd., Ba	LA
	6	5/23	near Manor Rd., Ar	KO
BLACK & WHITE WARBLER:	1	4/25	TPSP, lo	RAE - first date
	9	5/9	SNWR, Sa	SFK,JDS,DJP - peak count
	2	5/15	Sterling Truck Trail, Ar	DLJ - also noted in Ba,Tu
AMERICAN REDSTART:	1	5/6	Hampton Twp., Ba	JMS - first date - also noted in Ar,lo,Tu
	15	5/9	SNWR, Sa	JDS - peak count
PROTHONOTARY WARBLER:	1	5/9	SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date
	10	5/29	SNWR, Sa	DJP - 8m,2f - peak count
OVENBIRD:	1	5/6	Hampton Twp., Ba	JMS - first date - also noted in lo,Tu
	11	5/9	SNWR, Sa	JDS,DJP,SFK - <b>new SBA peak count (tie)</b>
	11	5/30	Manor Rd. area, Ar	GEP,MW - <b>new SBA peak count (tie)</b>
NORTHERN WATERTHRUSH:	1	4/24	Knight Rd., Ba	LA - first date - also noted in Tu
	5	5/9	SNWR, Sa	SFK,JDS,DJP
	1	5/29	SNWR, Sa	DJP
LOUISIANA WATERTHRUSH:	1	5/1 tp	Mayville, Tu	MW
	1	5/10	Price Nature Center, Sa	JDS
	2	5/13	Murphy Lake SGA, Tu	LA
CONNECTICUT WARBLER:	1	5/18	FPSWA, Tu	JEV
MOURNING WARBLER:	1	5/7	Deford SGA, Tu	JEV - first date - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Sa
	12	5/29	TPSP, lo	JR - peak count
COMMON YELLOWTHROAT:	1	4/30	SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date - also noted in Ba,lo,Tu
	125	5/9	SNWR, Sa	DJP,SFK,JDS - peak count
HOODED WARBLER:	1	5/1	Bridgeport Twp., Sa	CS - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sa record
	1	5/18	Bangor Twp., Ba	GSP- 4 <sup>th</sup> Ba record
	1	5/23	Davis Rd., Ar	KO - 1 <sup>st</sup> Ar record
WILSON'S WARBLER:	1	5/12	Knight Rd., Ba	PR - first date
	14	5/29	TPSP, lo	JR - <b>new SBA peak count</b>
	2	5/31	Hampton Twp., Ba	JMS
CANADA WARBLER:	12	5/14	Sleeper State Park, Hu	JEV - first date - also noted in Ar,Ba,Sa,Tu
	11	5/29	TPSP, lo	JR - peak count
YELLOW-BREASTED CHAT:	1	5/15	TPSP, lo	RH,PR
SCARLET TANAGER:	1	4/29	Murphy Lake SGA, Tu	JEV - first date - also noted in Ba,Hu,Sa
	10	5/14	TPSP, lo	KO,RE,JLe,PB - peak count
	3	5/15	Sterling Truck Trail, Ar	DJ
EASTERN TOWHEE:	1	3/27	Bangor Twp., Ba	GSP,EMP - first date
	12	5/15	Sterling Truck Trail, Ar	DJ - also noted in lo,Mi,Sa,Tu
AMERICAN TREE SPARROW:	47	3/17	SNWR, Sa	DJP - peak count - also noted in Ba,Tu
	2	5/5	TPSP, lo	RD - last date
CHIPPING SPARROW:	1	3/26	FPSWA, Tu	JEV - first date - also noted in Ba,lo,Sa
	6	5/3	Koylton Twp., Tu	JEV - peak count

CLAY-COLORED SPARROW:	1	5/6	SNWR, Sa	LA,CS,BG - first date - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sa record
	1	5/9	Tittabawassee Trail, Mi	MKE
	1	5/22- 5/29	TPSP, Io	RD, JR
	2	5/31	Rush Lake, HU	MKE - "territorial behavior noted"
	1	5/31	Hickory Island Rd., Ar	DLJ
FIELD SPARROW:	1	3/26	FPSWA, Tu	JEV - first date - also noted in Ba, Io, Sa
	2	5/15	Sterling Truck Trail, Ar	DLJ
VESPER SPARROW:	1	4/17	SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date - also noted in Ba, Mi
	4	5/9	SNWR, Sa	DJP, SFK
	3	5/31	Rush Lake, Hu	MKE
SAVANNAH SPARROW:	2	3/28	Koylton Twp., Tu	JEV - first date - also noted in Ba, Io
	50	5/9	SNWR, Sa	DJP, SFK, JDS - peak count
	13	5/31	Rush Lake, Hu	MKE
GRASSHOPPER SPARROW:	4	5/8	Deford SGA, Tu	JEV
HENSLOW'S SPARROW:	1	5/8	FPSWA, Tu	JEV
FOX SPARROW:	2	3/17	Hampton Twp., Ba	DLJ - first date - also noted in Sa
	up to 4	4/8- 4/23	Homer Twp., Mi	GEV, JKV
	10	4/19	Hampton Twp., Ba	DLJ - peak count
	1	4/29	Mayville Rd., Tu	JEV - last date
SONG SPARROW:	1	3/13	Hampton Twp., Ba	JMS - also noted in Hu, Tu
	<b>268</b>	5/9	SNWR, Sa	DJP, SFK, JDS - <b>new SBA peak count</b>
LINCOLN'S SPARROW:	1	5/3	Nayanquing Point, Ba	JDS, JLS - first date
	3	5/9	SNWR, Sa	DJP, SFK
	3	5/14	BCSRA, Ba	KO, RE, JLe, PB
	1	5/29	TPSP, Io	JR
SWAMP SPARROW:	1	4/9	SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date - also noted in Ba, Tu
	46	5/9	SNWR, Sa	DJP, SFK - peak count
WHITE-THROATED SPARROW:	1	3/14	Midland, Mi	MKE - also noted in Hu, Io, Tu
	59	5/9	SNWR, Sa	DJP, JDS, SFK - peak count
	1	5/19	Hampton Twp., Ba	JMS
WHITE-CROWNED SPARROW:	1	4/25	Karn Plant, Ba	JMS, SM - first date
	8	5/3	BCSRA, Ba	DLJ - also noted in Io, Sa, Tu
	1	5/14	Bangor Twp., Ba	GSP, EMP - last date
DARK-EYED JUNCO:	40	4/19	Koylton Twp., Tu	JEV - peak count - also noted in Ba, Sa
	6	5/1	Cooke Dam area, Io	WWS - last date
LAPLAND LONGSPUR:	50+	3/21	FPSWA, Tu	JCD - peak count
	2	5/9	SNWR, Sa	DJP - last date
SNOW BUNTING:	75	3/27	Bradleyville Rd., Tu	SG - peak count - also noted in Hu
	50+	3/29	Linwood Park, Ba	RAE - last date - in breeding plumage
NORTHERN CARDINAL:	28	3/1	Bangor Twp., Ba	GSP, EMP - also noted in Hu, Tu
	<b>63</b>	5/9	SNWR, Sa	JDS, SFK, DJP - <b>new SBA peak count</b>
ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK:	1	4/27	Bangor Twp., Ba	GSP, EMP - first date
	40	5/9	SNWR, Sa	- also noted in Hu, Io, Mi, Tu SFK, JDS, DJP - peak count



INDIGO BUNTING:	1 10	5/1 5/29	Bangor Twp., Ba TPSP, Io	GSP,EMP - first date - also noted in Sa,Tu JR - peak count
PAINTED BUNTING:	1	5/6	Midland, Mi	JP,JZ - a male - 2 <sup>nd</sup> SBA record, 1 <sup>st</sup> Mi record - photographed, pending MBRC acceptance
BOBOLINK:	1  62	5/4  5/13	SNWR, Sa  TPSP, Io	DEP - first date - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Mi,Tu RAE - peak count
RED-WINGED BLACKBIRD:	125 625	4/9 5/9	Bangor Twp., Ba SNWR, Sa	GSP - also noted in Hu,Tu DJP,SFK,JDS
EASTERN MEADOWLARK:	1 8	3/11 5/9	Midland, Mi SW Ba	MKE - first date - also noted in Hu,Sa,Tu MKE - peak count
YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD:	1 14 1 2 1	4/16 5/9 5/18 5/18 5/20	FPSWA, Tu NPSWA, Ba Crow Island SGA, Sa FPSWA, Tu TPSP, Io	DLJ - first date JMS - peak count RH AR,MR RAE
RUSTY BLACKBIRD:	4 254 17	3/13 3/27 5/9	Phillips Rd., Tu SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	JEV - first date - also noted in Ba DJP - peak count SFK,DJP,JDS - last date
BREWER'S BLACKBIRD:	~50	3/21	NPSWA, Ba	JCD - <b>new SBA peak count - new SBA spring early</b> - the observer noted "...not really that much trouble to ID if you're close, which I fortunately was... The Brewer's males have a blue iridescent head very much like a grackle, but are half the size, even a bit smaller than the Redwings, (and) are decidedly two-toned. The Rusty's are uniform glossy black with a tinge of green or copper...Usually, I ID the females since they're quite different, especially in the eye color, but I was on top of this flock, perfect light, and all the iridescence and metallic was vivid." MW
	1	5/9	NE Ba	
COMMON GRACKLE:	530 137	3/10 5/9	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	DJP - peak count - also noted in Ba,Hu,Tu DJP,SFK,JDS
BROWN-HEADED COWBIRD:	155 24	5/9 5/29	SNWR, Sa BCSRA, Ba	SFK,DJP,JDS - also noted in Hu GSP,EMP
ORCHARD ORIOLE:	1 7 5 1	5/2 5/9 5/29 5/31	PCSP, Hu SNWR, Sa TPSP, Io Ridge Rd., Hu	MKE - first date - also noted in Ba,Tu DJP,SFK,JDS JR MKE - "in an orchard"
BULLOCK'S ORIOLE:	1	5/15	Ba	DD - 2 <sup>nd</sup> SBA & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ba record, pending MBRC acceptance - the observer noted "All field marks were seen in a brief appearance including black throat and cap with black eyeline through eye on orange face. White patch was also seen. I had a good 20 second view"

BALTIMORE ORIOLE:	1 69	4/27 5/9	Bay City, Ba SNWR, Sa	SM - also noted Hu,Io,Mi,Tu SFK,DJP,JDS - peak count
PURPLE FINCH:	11 12	3/4 5/1	Bangor Twp., Ba Cooke Dam area, Io	GSP,EMP - also noted in Sa,Tu WWS
HOUSE FINCH:	10 5	3/14 4/9	Koylton Twp., Tu Bangor Twp., Ba	JEV - also noted in Sa GSP,EMP
WHITE-WINGED CROSSBILL:	8 5	3/15 3/13	Cooke Dam area, Io New St.Patrick Cemetery, Ba	WWS JMS
	12	3/13	Freeland, Sa	RMu,CM
	6	3/28	Koylton Twp., Tu	JEV
	12	3/30	Midland, Mi	RM
	11	4/2	Saginaw, Sa	LA - last date
COMMON REDPOLL:	7 15 1 1	3/2 3/8 3/18 4/17	Bangor Twp., Ba Mt Haley Twp., Mi Albee Twp., Sa Homer Twp., Mi	GSP,EMP KB,JL - peak count JDS GEV - last date
PINE SISKIN:	44 7	3/5 3/28	Bangor Twp., Ba Koylton Twp., Tu	GSP,EMP - also noted in Io,Mi JEV - the observer noted "Observed Pine Siskin making three visits to a suitable nest spot carrying nesting material. Also 1/4 mile away saw a pair of siskins pulling down from a cat tail head and carrying to woods.
	90	4/18	PCSP, Hu	MKE - peak count
	51	5/2	PCSP, Hu	MKE - noted tp in Sa (SFK)
AMERICAN GOLDFINCH:	27 89	3/8 5/9	Cooke Dam area, Io SNWR, Sa	WWS - also noted in Ba,Hu,Tu SFK,JDS,DJP - peak count
EVENING GROSBEAK:	2	4/14	Cooke Dam area, Io	WWS
HOUSE SPARROW:	28 10	3/25 4/25	BCSRA, Ba Mayville, Tu	GSP - also noted in Hu,Sa JEV

**TOTAL: 252 Species**

**EXOTICS & OTHERS**

WHOOPING CRANE:	1	5/22- 5/29	FPSWA, Tu	GSP,EMP,JEV - the observer GSP noted "A banded crane. I believe part of the Wisconsin re-introduction flock."
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**ADDENDUM to BIRDS in  
the SBA Winter '08-'09**

PARASITIC JAEGER:	1	11/07	Linwood, Ba	MW - light morph - the observer noted "it had (the) light rump of a 1(st) yr bird"
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Peak counts and early/late dates are designated such 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.

**Observer Key:**

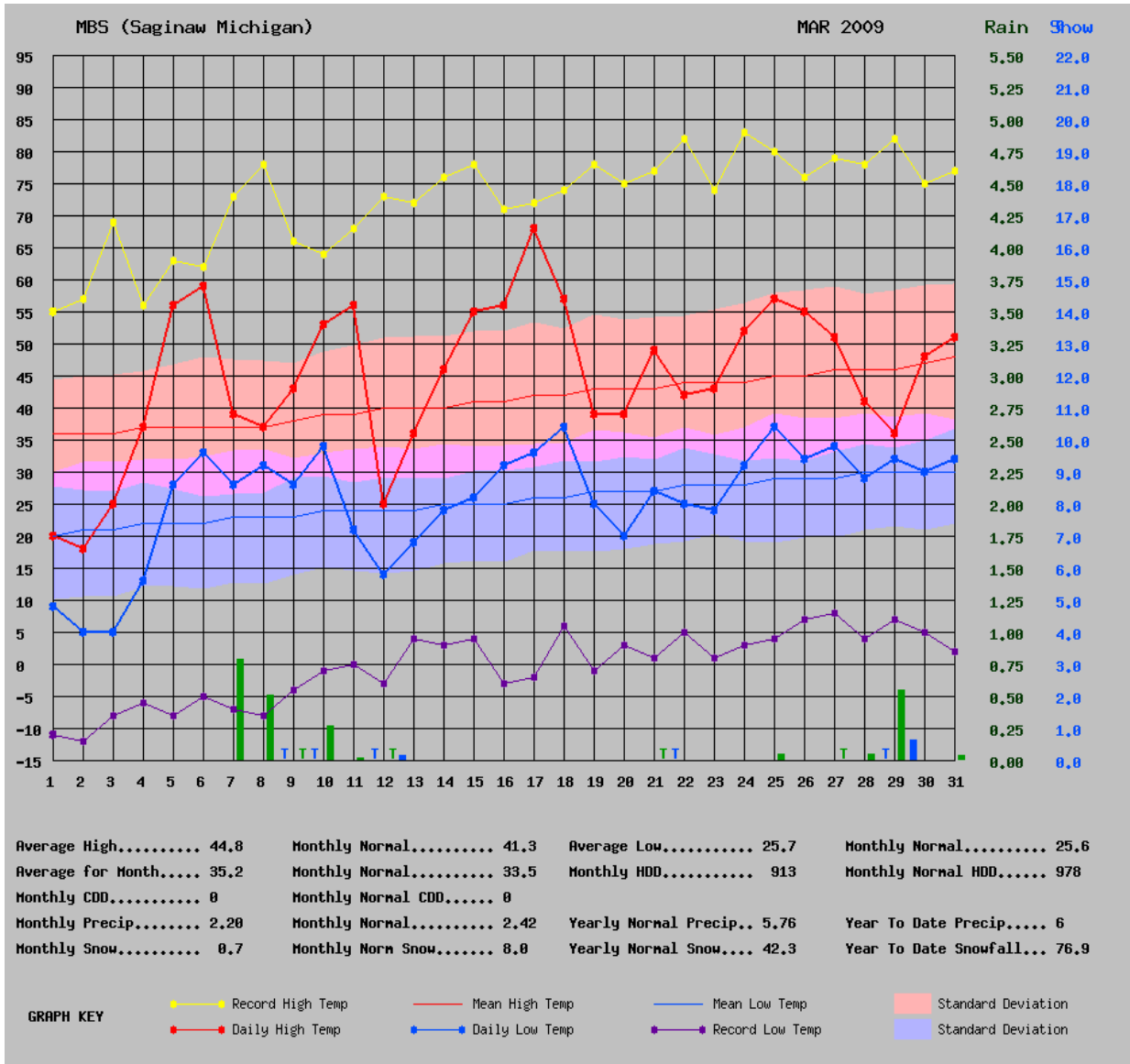
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KB	Karen Breternitz	EMP	Ellen M. Peterson
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JCD	Jim C. Dawe	DEP	Don E. Poppe
EPD	Ed P. DeVries	BR	Betty Rainwater
AD	Audrey Diadiun	JR	Jack Reinoehl
DD	Dan Duso	PR	Paul Revard
RD	Ryan Dziedzic	AR	Al Roberts
RE	Robert Epstein	MR	Margaret Roberts
RAE	Roger A. Eriksson	DS	Don Schmuck
MKE	Monica K. Essenmacher	WWS	Wayne W. Shawl
MF	Mike Fitzpatrick	MS	Mike Snable
SG	Steve Gasser	JMS	Joe M. Soehnel
BG	Bob Grefe	JDS	Jeff D. Sommer
DH	Dan Hansz	JLS	Jenn L. Sommer
RH	Roger Hill	CS	Carolyn Szaroletta
DLJ	Doug L. Jackson	VT	Val Trabucchi
SFK	Steven F. Kahl	JEV	Jim E. VanAllen
JLe	Jim Lesser	AV	Alison Village
JL	Janea Little	GEV	George E. Vogel
EL	Elaine Livingston	JKV	Judy K. Vogel
SM	Stan Madziar	LW	Lee Western
RM	Rob Maxwell	SW	Sandy Western
CM	Carol Munger	MW	Myles Willard
RMu	Ron Munger	LZ	Lori Zawerucha
KO	Karl Overman	JZ	Jerry Ziarno
TP	Tom Pavlik		

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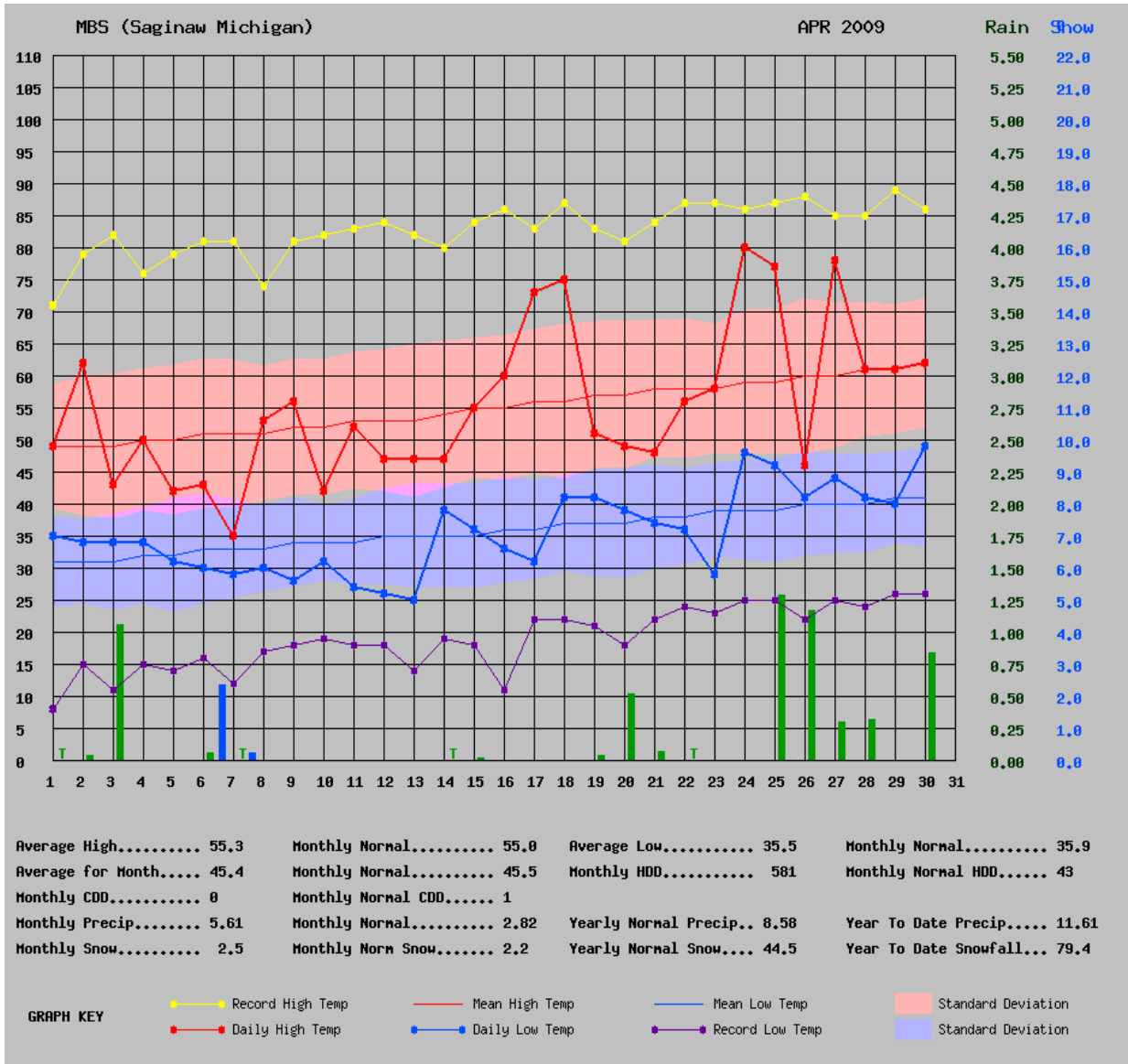
**Abbreviations:**

Ar	Arenac County	NAMC	North American Migration Count
Ba	Bay County	PCSP	Port Crescent State Park
BCSRA	Bay City State Recreation Area	Sa	Saginaw County
CNC	Chippewa Nature Center	SBB.org	SaginawBayBirding.org
FPSWA	Fish Point State Wildlife Area	SBA	Saginaw Bay Area
Hu	Huron County	SNWR	Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge
Io	Iosco County	SGA	State Game Area
MBRC	Michigan Bird Records Committee	tp	throughout entire or remainder of period
Mi	Midland County	TPSP	Tawas Point State Park
NPSWA	Nayanquing Point State Wildlife Area	Tu	Tuscola County

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