

December 2017 Sightings Report

This month provided many interesting weather events with lake effect snows and multiple surges of arctic air masses. Temperatures averaged 26.0 ° F, 4.0° below normal and the coldest December since 2000. The month breaks into 4 parts. We started with 6 days above normal. Then an arctic surge dropped temperatures below freezing every night through mid-month. By the Rochester CBC time on the 17th, most of the bays and ponds were totally frozen. There was a brief thaw from the 18th-23rd, then arctic air poured in again, dropping us to where highs barely reached double digits. Precipitation totaled 2.24", 0.39" below normal. There were rain events on the 5th-6th and ending with freezing rain on the 23rd, but snowfall predominated, adding up to 34.7", 12.9" above normal. There were 11 days with snowfall of 1" or more, a number surpassed only three times in previous records. There were 6 lake effect snow events, with points east and southeast of Lake Ontario receiving far above the official/airport snow totals. Snow from December 23-25 produced a white Christmas.

Again, snowfall in the hills south of Rochester on the 16th hampered the Letchworth-Silver Lake CBC (Christmas Bird Count); some observers did not even make it out. The Rochester CBC had decent weather but with mostly frozen water holding down waterfowl numbers. Still, the species count was about average at 91, with 2 more count week species. The Little Lakes (Conesus-Hemlock) CBC began with light rain increasing through the morning and changing to freezing rain just after noon, then to snow for the rest of the day. Some observers stopped early as visibility dropped, and turnout at the countdown was light, but the tally of 87 species was good, and some of the numbers surprising. Five more species were added in the count week. Most of the waterfowl were on Conesus Lake, with Honeoye Lake totally frozen. A House Wren at the Jordan's feeders just north of Honeoye was new for the count. (Remember the Lewis's Woodpecker there a few years back?) Record highs were few, but included: King Eider (tie), Red-breasted Merganser, Red-necked Grebe, Osprey (tie), Snowy Owl (tie), Red-bellied Woodpecker, Common Raven, and Yellow-rumped Warbler for Rochester and Wood Duck, Northern Shoveler (tie), and Sandhill Crane for Little Lakes. New species for the counts were Green-winged Teal for Letchworth-Silver Lake and the House Wren for Little Lakes. This year the total number of individual birds for Rochester plummeted when the usual flight to a crow roost was not located.

Waterbird numbers were generally low, as can be seen in the maxima in the Noteworthy table posted on the RBA website. There were some good numbers reported for Long-tailed Duck and for Red-breasted Merganser. Several King Eiders lingered in the area, and a female Harlequin Duck was seen at Irondequoit Bay outlet and a couple of males at West Port Bay. Again, the large numbers of Snow Geese of recent early winters did not appear. Loons and grebes were generally scarce, but there were some big counts for Red-necked Grebe off Hamlin Beach. Double-crested Cormorants lingered, and late in the month an immature Great Cormorant, approximately the 21st local record, appeared with them at the

area near the old Newport House on Irondequoit Bay. Another interesting observation was of a group of 46 Great Blue Herons in the edge of a field near Caledonia on the 9th.

An Osprey on the Rochester CBC is very rare for winter. Bald Eagle reports were high, with again many congregating on Irondequoit Bay and joined at times by a rare immature Golden Eagle. Again jumping ahead to the falcons, we find American Kestrel scarce and Merlin and Peregrine Falcon typical for winter. Rough-legged Hawks were relatively scarce. Snowy Owls continued to be reported in good numbers from around the region, with at least 43 different birds reported. The DEC's Short-eared Owl surveys were plagued by bad weather on Tuesdays, but still some good numbers were tallied. A surprising number of Northern Saw-whet Owls for this time of year was found in the usual Owl Woods area this month.

The expected Purple Sandpiper was missed, but lone Killdeer and Wilson's Snipe provided at least 2 shorebird records. Among the gulls, the highlight was a long-staying immature Black-legged Kittiwake at Sodus Point. Bonaparte's Gulls were few. There were good numbers of the usual winter gulls: Iceland, Lesser Black-backed, and Glaucous at a few locations.

Among the non-passerine land birds, the Eurasian Collared-Dove was spotted a couple of times at the Greenwell farm, and there were good numbers of reports for Red-headed Woodpecker and Yellow-bellied Sapsucker.

Maybe to be expected after the warm fall into early this month, the list and numbers of reports for many of the potential half-hardy lingerers was high. These are summarized in the Noteworthy table. Rarer half-hardy passerines included: Eastern Phoebe, Tree Swallow, House, Winter, and Marsh Wrens, Ruby-crowned Kinglet, Hermit Thrush, Gray Catbird, American Pipit, Orange-crowned Warbler, Common Yellowthroat, lots of Yellow-rumped Warblers, Eastern Towhee, Chipping, Savannah, and many White-crowned Sparrows, and Rusty Blackbirds. Again, there were no reports of large blackbird flocks. The expected irruption of winter finches was represented by only a few reports of small numbers of Common Redpolls and Pine Siskins. There are large quantities of spruce cones here if the irruption continues this way.

Please send your reports by the 5th of the month to Andrea Patterson, 144 Greystone Lane, #24, Rochester, NY 14618.

	2017	2016	10-year Average (2007-2016)
Species for December	136	131	130.5
New for the year	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1.4</u>
Total for the year	289	291	292.3

Bob Spahn and the RBA Records Committee

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<u>Species</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Observers</u>
Snow Goose	<u>max 200</u>	5	NMWMA (Carncross Rd)	W. & M. Rowley
Snow Goose	113	26	South Conesus, Livingston Co.	K. Close
Snow Goose	150	28	Braddock Bay	S. Carroll
Cackling Goose	<u>max 15</u>	1	Twin Cedars Environ Area, Avon	M. Wasilco
Cackling Goose	<u>18 rep, 39 ind</u>	1-28	12 loc	13+ obs
Mute Swan	<u>max 150</u>	19	Irondequoit Bay - N	M. Brown
Trumpeter Swan	<u>max 25</u>	2	NMWMA (Carncross Rd)	J. Wing
Tundra Swan	<u>max 63</u>	20	Conesus Lake	T. Bohling
Wood Duck	<u>max 6</u>	<u>1</u>	Burger Park (Greece)	G. Recer
Wood Duck	<u>5, CBC RH</u>	<u>23</u>	LLCBC	J. Kimball, A. Consler
Gadwall	<u>max 128</u>	3	Round Pnd. (Greece)	C. Wood
American Wigeon	<u>max 54</u>	3	Round Pnd. (Greece)	C. Wood
American Black Duck	<u>max 36, low</u>	9	Round Pnd. (Greece)	C. Wood
Northern Shoveler	<u>max 8</u>	<u>10</u>	Buck Pnd. (Greece)	A. Guthrie, C. Wood
Northern Pintail	<u>max 25</u>	23	Hemlock Lake Park	B. Howe
Green-winged Teal	<u>max 12</u>	9	Hamlin Beach SP	L. Kahle, A. Kramer, G. Lawrence
Redhead	<u>max 3000</u>	9; 20	Conesus Lake	C. Giles, K. Sucey; T. Bohling
Ring-necked Duck	<u>max 54, low</u>	9	Round Pnd. (Greece)	C. Wood
Greater Scaup	<u>max 90, low</u>	3	Round Pnd. (Greece)	C. Wood
Lesser Scaup	<u>max 100, low</u>	18	Irondequoit Bay - N	D. Daniels
<u>King Eider</u>	1 imm m, ph	9	off Irondequoit	Bri. Morse
<u>King Eider</u>	1 imm m	9	off Irondequoit	L. Kahle, A. Kramer, G. Lawrence
<u>King Eider</u>	1 imm m & f	18	Irondequoit Bay - N	D. Daniels
<u>King Eider</u>	1 f	21	Sandbar Park (Webster)	A. Guthrie
<u>King Eider</u>	1 imm m	30	off E. Manitou Rd.	R. & S. Spahn
<u>Harlequin Duck</u>	1 fem ph	17; 24	Irondequoit Bay Outlet	J. Miles; C. & J. Goetz
<u>Harlequin Duck</u>	2 m	15, 21	West Port Bay (Wayne Co.)	W. & M. Rowley
White-winged Scoter	<u>max 195</u>	21	Sandbar Park (Webster)	A. Guthrie
Black Scoter	<u>max 33</u>	2	off E. Manitou Rd.	K. Griffith
Long-tailed Duck	<u>max 974</u>	9	off Irondequoit	C. Wood
Long-tailed Duck	<u>700</u>	17	off Rigney Bluff (Greece)	Bri. Morse
Long-tailed Duck	<u>800</u>	28	Braddock Bay	S. Carroll

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Bufflehead	<u>max 150</u>	9	Conesus Lake	T. Bohling, C. Giles, K. Sucey
Common Goldeneye	<u>max 275</u>	25	Braddock Bay	G. Lawrence
Hooded Merganser	<u>max 245</u>	21	Conesus Lake	M. Wasilco
Common Merganser	<u>max 300</u>	21	Irondequoit Bay Outlet	J. Bower
Red-breasted Merganser	<u>max 2375</u>	2	B. Forman Park (Pultneyville)	Je. Barry, C. Wood
Red-breasted Merganser	<u>2195</u>	3	Hamlin Beach SP	Je. Barry, A. Guthrie, C. Wood
Red-breasted Merganser	<u>1000</u>	11	West Port Bay (Wayne Co.)	W. & M. Rowley
Ruddy Duck	<u>max 7</u>	3	Round Pnd. (Greece)	C. Wood
Wild Turkey	<u>max 54</u>	27	Tyre (Wayne Co.)	D. Odell
Red-throated Loon	<u>max 24</u>	2	Sandbar Park (Webster)	Je. Barry, C. Wood
Common Loon	<u>max 26</u>	2	off Sodus Point	G. Lazoration
Horned Grebe	<u>max 34, low</u>	2	B. Forman Park (Pultneyville)	Je. Barry, C. Wood
Red-necked Grebe	<u>732</u>	2	Hamlin Beach SP	A. Guthrie
Red-necked Grebe	<u>max 866</u>	9	Hamlin Beach SP	A. Kramer, G. Lawrence
Double-crested Cormorant	<u>max 23</u>	1	Irondequoit Bay - Newport House	J. Miles
<u>Great Cormorant</u>	1 imm, 21st Reg	30F-31	Irondequoit Bay - Newport House	C. Giles, K. Hartquist; 5 oth obs
Great Blue Heron	<u>max 46</u>	9	Caledonia	M. Wasilco
Turkey Vulture	<u>max 34</u>	6	Pittsford	P. Martin
Osprey	1	17	Irondequoit Bay	T. Nash
Bald Eagle	<u>105 rep, ~ 72 ind</u>	all month	57+ loc	mob
<u>Northern Goshawk</u>	1 imm	10	Braddock Bay	C. Wood, A. Guthrie
Rough-legged Hawk	<u>13 rep, ~ 13 ind</u>	2-27	11 loc	13+obs H. Greenberg, K. Nunn, L. Morgens,
<u>Golden Eagle</u>	1 imm	5	Irondequoit Bay	M. Sarver
<u>Golden Eagle</u>	1 imm	17	Irondequoit Bay Bridge	R. Bricks
<u>Golden Eagle</u>	1 imm	30	Irondequoit Bay	K. Hartquist
<u>Golden Eagle ph</u>	1 imm	31	Irondequoit Bay	A. Guthrie, M. Gullo
American Coot	<u>max 60</u>	9	Conesus Lake	C. Giles, K. Sucey
Sandhill Crane	<u>max 107; 105</u>	2; 3	NMWMA (Armitage Rd)	J. Lee; D. Nutter
Sandhill Crane	84; 90	5	NMWMA (Savannah Mucklands)	M. Gullo; W. & M. Rowley
Sandhill Crane	<u>9, CHCBC RH</u>	23	<u>Honeoye Creek WMA</u>	K.Kirsch, M. Mundirck, W. Stevenson
Killdeer	1	9	<u>Poplar Hill Rd. (Livonia)</u>	K. Kirsch
Wilson's Snipe	1	26	NMWMA (Morgan Rd Marshes)	N. Paprocki
Black-legged Kittiwake	1 imm	11-21 <u>L</u>	Sodus Point	J. Wing, 27+ oth obs L. Kahle, A. Kramer, G. Lawrence,
Bonaparte's Gull	<u>max 70, low</u>	9	LaSalle Landing Park	Ji. Miles
Ring-billed Gull	<u>max 2150</u>	3	Salmon Creek (Greece)	C. Wood
Herring Gull	<u>max 3000</u>	22	Mill Seat Landfill (T Riga)	A. Guthrie, Bri. Morse
Herring Gull	<u>1900</u>	25	Braddock Bay	G. Lawrence
Iceland Gull	<u>16 rep, ~ 24 ind</u>	all month	10 loc	10+ obs
Iceland Gull	<u>max 11</u>	29	Mill Seat Landfill (T Riga)	A. Guthrie
Lesser Black-backed Gull	<u>16 rep, ~ 22 ind</u>	all month	13 loc	13+ obs
Lesser Black-backed Gull	<u>max 6</u>	22	Mill Seat Landfill (T Riga)	Bri. Morse
Glaucous Gull	<u>8 rep, ~ 15 ind</u>	2-29	8 loc	8 obs
Glaucous Gull	<u>max 7</u>	29	Mill Seat Landfill (T Riga)	A. Guthrie
Great Black-backed Gull	<u>max 23</u>	21	Irondequoit Bay Outlet	A. Guthrie
<u>Eurasian Collared-Dove</u>	1	17; 30	Hamlin (Greenwell farm)	M. Gullo, Ji. Miles; A. Guthrie
E. Screech-Owl	<u>max 86</u>	17	Rochester CBC	sev
Snowy Owl	<u>~ 43+ ind</u>	all month	28+ loc	mob
Short-eared Owl	<u>max 6</u>	10	Nations Rd. IBA, Little Rd.	K. Sucey, R. Reilly
N. Saw-whet Owl	1	3	Manitou (Owl Woods)	A. Guthrie, C. Wood
N. Saw-whet Owl	1	8	Manitou (Owl Woods)	D. Horsey

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N. Saw-whet Owl ph	1	<u>25-26</u>	Manitou (Owl Woods)	C. Giles, G. Lawrence, +
N. Saw-whet Owl	1	<u>29</u>	Manitou (Owl Woods)	J. Oddi, +
Red-headed Woodpecker ph	<u>max 6</u>	3	Hamlin Beach SP	Je. Barry, A. Guthrie, C. Wood; J. Dachenhaus
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	<u>14 rep, ~14</u>	<u>3-31</u>	10 loc	12+ obs
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	<u>max 3</u>	9	Riverside Cemetary (Rochester)	C. Wood
American Kestrel	<u>total 17</u>	8-29	14 loc	10+ obs
Merlin	<u>total 15</u>	all month	14 loc	16+ obs
Peregrine Falcon	<u>total 11</u>	all month	8 loc	15+ obs
Eastern Phoebe	1	9	Hamlin Beach SP	L. Kahle, A. Kramer, G. Lawrence
Northern Shrike	<u>13 rep, 13 ind</u>	all month	10 loc	19+ obs
American Crow	<u>max 500</u>	24	Chili	J. Goetz
Horned Lark	<u>max 250</u>	30	Moscow Rd. (Hamlin)	G. Ford
Tree Swallow	7	8	West Port Bay (Wayne Co.)	W. & M. Rowley
Black-capped Chickadee	<u>max 61</u>	17	Beatty Point, RCBC	G. Lawrence
<u>House Wren</u>	1, 1st CHCBC	<u>23, RL</u>	Honeoye (Ontario Co.)	F. & E. Jordan
Winter Wren	<u>total 26+</u>	<u>2-29</u>	13 loc	sev
Marsh Wren	<u>total 6</u>	<u>2-10L</u>	5 loc	sev
Golden-crowned Kinglet	<u>max 12</u>	9	Webster Park	R. Spahn
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	1	<u>27</u>	Mendon Ponds Park	C. Goetz
Hermit Thrush	<u>total 8</u>	<u>8-30</u>	4 loc	4 obs
American Robin	<u>max 80</u>	17	Durand-Eastman Park	J. Powell
Gray Catbird	<u>total 5</u>	<u>1-23</u>	3 loc	5 obs
American Pipit ph	1	<u>24</u>	Reed Rd (Ontario Co.)	B. Howe
Cedar Waxwing	<u>max 95, low</u>	3	Hamlin Beach SP	Je. Barry, A. Guthrie, C. Wood
Snow Bunting	<u>max 180</u>	3	Braddock Bay - East Spit	Ji. Miles
Snow Bunting	<u>130</u>	3	N. Hamlin Rd.	A. Guthrie
Snow Bunting	<u>120</u>	30	Adams Rd. (Livingston Co.)	B. Howe
Orange-crowned Warbler	1	<u>2; 9</u>	Church Trail (Greece)	C. Wood; Je. Barry
Common Yellowthroat	1	<u>6</u>	Conesus Inlet	M. Wasilco
Yellow-rumped Warbler	<u>max 14</u>	<u>10</u>	Church Trail (Greece)	A. Guthrie, C. Wood
Yellow-rumped Warbler	<u>12</u>	<u>17</u>	Beatty Point (Greece)	G. Lawrence
Eastern Towhee	1	<u>2</u>	Church Trail (Greece)	C. Wood
Eastern Towhee	1	<u>9</u>	Webster Park	R. Spahn
American Tree Sparrow	<u>max 56</u>	16	L-SLCBC	S. Burch, J. McCartney
Chipping Sparrow	1	<u>22</u>	T Livonia (Livingston Co.)	J. & B. VanDerMeid
Savannah Sparrow	max 5	<u>24</u>	Perry Rd. (Livingston Co.)	R. Stevens
Savannah Sparrow	1	<u>27</u>	N. Wolcott (Wayne Co.)	W. & M. Rowley
White-crowned Sparrow	<u>max 22</u>	<u>28</u>	Cook Rd. (Hamlin)	A. Guthrie
Red-winged Blackbird	<u>max 75, LOW</u>	15	West Port Bay (Wayne Co.)	W. & M. Rowley
Rusty Blackbird	3	3	Hamlin Beach SP	Je. Barry, A. Guthrie, C. Wood
Rusty Blackbird	1	<u>9</u>	Beatty Point (Greece)	C. Wood
Common Grackle	<u>max 38, LOW</u>	9	Mendon Ponds Park	N. Kachala
Brown-headed Cowbird	<u>max 30, LOW</u>	22	Fowlerville Rd. (Avon)	S. Burch, J. McCartney
Common Redpoll	<u>max 24</u>	2	Hamlin Beach SP	A. Guthrie
Evening Grosbeak	1	<u>9FF</u>	Beechwoods SP (Wayne Co.)	M. Gullo

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	Letchworth-Silver Lake	Rochester	Conesus-Hemlock	
	Dec.16, 2017	Dec. 17, 2017	Dec. 23, 2017	Total
Snow Goose			45	45
Cackling Goose	12		1	13
Canada Goose	8,349	4,321	2,634	15,304
Mute Swan		229	2	231
Tundra Swan	24	33	112	169
Wood Duck			5	5
Gadwall	18	2	15	35
American Wigeon		cw	3	3
American Black Duck	18	16	116	150
Mallard	251	1,157	1,136	2,544
Northern Shoveler			3	3
Northern Pintail		cw	25	25
Green-winged Teal	5		1	6
Canvasback			25	25
Redhead	6	38	2,512	2,556
Ring-necked Duck	18	1	89	108
Greater Scaup		126	2	128
Lesser Scaup	2	51	101	154
King Eider		2		2
Harlequin Duck		1		1
Surf Scoter		2		2
White-winged Scoter		192	1	193
Black Scoter		7		7
Long-tailed Duck		1,365		1,365
Bufflehead	6	23	62	91
Common Goldeneye		608	455	1,063
Hooded Merganser	1	32	238	271
Common Merganser	3	145	97	245
Red-breasted Merganser		2,165	6	2,171
Ruddy Duck	2		1	3
Ring-necked Pheasant			2	2
Ruffed Grouse			1	1
Wild Turkey	36	7	17	60
Red-throated Loon		15		15
Common Loon		2	3	5
Pied-billed Grebe		3	6	9
Horned Grebe		2	6	8
Red-necked Grebe		10		10
Double-crested Cormorant		8		8
Great Blue Heron	1	12	5	12
Turkey Vulture			2	2
Osprey		1		1
Bald Eagle	3	7	3	13
Northern Harrier	4		5	9
Sharp-shinned Hawk		6		6
Cooper's Hawk	2	9	1	12
Red-tailed Hawk	9	33	30	72
Rough-legged Hawk	1		1	2
American Coot		130	100	230
Sandhill Crane			9	9
Bonaparte's Gull		1		1

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	Letchworth-Silver Lake	Rochester	Conesus-Hemlock	
	Dec.16, 2017	Dec. 17, 2017	Dec. 23, 2017	Total
Ring-billed Gull	6	2,960	77	3,043
Herring Gull	1	1,032	74	1,107
Iceland Gull		1		1
Lesser Black-backed Gull		1		1
Glaucous Gull		1		1
Great Black-backed Gull		76	cw	76
Rock Pigeon	102	837	100	1,039
Mourning Dove	417	400	231	1,048
Eastern Screech-Owl	9	86	26	121
Great Horned Owl	4	12	7	23
Snowy Owl		5		5
Barred Owl	1			1
Short-eared Owl	4		cw	4
Belted Kingfisher	1	3	3	7
Red-bellied Woodpecker	22	192	29	243
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	2	1	1	4
Downy Woodpecker	25	166	58	249
Hairy Woodpecker	10	43	11	64
Northern Flicker	15	34	14	63
Pileated Woodpecker	5	20	6	31
American Kestrel	1		3	4
Merlin		1		1
Peregrine Falcon		4		4
Northern Shrike		1	1	2
Blue Jay	63	382	230	675
American Crow	95	180	250	525
Fish Crow		1		1
Common Raven	1	4	1	6
Horned Lark	160	6	5	171
Black-capped Chickadee	109	517	318	944
Tufted Titmouse	27	56	36	119
Red-breasted Nuthatch	4	34	cw	38
White-breasted Nuthatch	40	137	48	225
Brown Creeper	1	6	1	8
House Wren			1	1
Winter Wren		12	3	15
Carolina Wren	2	9	9	20
Golden-crowned Kinglet	5	17	4	26
Eastern Bluebird	9	6	43	58
Hermit Thrush		5		5
American Robin	9	700	4	713
Northern Mockingbird	1	14	3	18
European Starling	1,397	2,236	897	4,530
American Pipit			cw	cw
Cedar Waxwing		36	25	61
Lapland Longspur		12	7	19
Snow Bunting	56	32	302	390
Yellow-rumped Warbler		28	1	29
American Tree Sparrow	269	139	184	592
Song Sparrow	1	29	15	45
Swamp Sparrow		7	3	10
White-throated Sparrow	11	52	8	71

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	Dec. 16, 2017	Dec. 17, 2017	Dec. 23, 2017	Total
White-crowned Sparrow	10		2	12
Dark-eyed (S-c) Junco	339	214	223	776
Northern Cardinal	53	325	162	540
Red-winged Blackbird	2	93	2	97
Rusty Blackbird	1			1
Common Grackle	1	1		2
Brown-headed Cowbird	15		8	23
House Finch	39	151	36	226
Pine Siskin		15	cw	15
American Goldfinch	240	233	355	828
House Sparrow	281	1360	370	2,011
Total Individuals (count day)	12,637	23,687	12,075	48,399
Total species (count day)	66	91	87	113
Total species (incl. count week)	66	93	92	114
Bold number indicates new high or low count				