

Spring 1969

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A late spring, March very cold, and April warm in the first half but cool in the second. April unusually wet. May mostly cool.

Waterfowl migration probably average in numbers, but of short duration.

A Cinnamon Teal seen for several days. Found 3/20 by Joe Brown.
Hawks - no noticeable movement.

Shorebirds. Very poor migration despite lots of suitable areas.

Gulls. Many Ring-billed seen compared with other years.

Cuckoos. Very few seen or heard.

Woodpeckers. A good movement of Flickers.

Flycatchers. Many Empidonaces but silent and unidentified.

Thrushes. Two waves of Swainson's and Gray-cheeked.

Kinglets. Golden-crowned scarce.

Vireos. Poor migration.

Warblers. No waves, merely trickled through. Myrtles few, and

Blackpoll about the only one in usual numbers.

Finches. Indigo Buntings and Dickcissels arrived late and seemingly not as many as normal.

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