

THE GEORGIA GOSHAWK

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Editorial Comment

This has been an interesting quarter, bird-wise. Editors of local newsletters were divided on the migration. Most said the migration was off or rather poor. A few said it seemed normal or a bit above normal. Here in Northwest Georgia, the migration didn't amount to much. Birds came through in trickles; but there were only a few wave days.

Arctic terns were reported off the coast of Brunswick. As are the other sightings in this newsletter, this is undocumented.

Other sightings of interest were possible sightings of Warbling Vireos at Dalton and Cloudland Canyon State Park. House Finches were reported to be feeding young at Dalton. Here again, the observers are good "yard" birders; but lack a lot in the experience line. My feeling is that they did see House Finches feeding young. A light phase Rough-legged Hawk was spotted at Hiwassee.

It's very rewarding to see the numbers of birds of prey reported that cross my desk. Especially those of Bald Eagles. When I first started editing the bird news six years ago, I seldom had any eagle reports. Now they're coming across in numbers. Golden Eagle reports came in from Cloudland and the Eufaula National Wildlife Refuge. A sighting of a Peregrine Falcon was turned in from Brasstown Bald.

Sandhill Crane sightings came in as expected from the Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge, Atlanta, and Northwest Georgia. American White Pelicans were at the Eufaula National Wildlife Refuge: Common Loons were fairly common over the state; Glossy Ibis were reported from Augusta and Harris Neck National Wildlife Refuge. A Little Tern was spotted at Augusta. Greater Scaup were reported from down around Atlanta way.

Round-up of GOS News

Thank you Augusta Audubon Society for a great Spring meeting! Eighty-Seven people were registered; 124 species of birds were listed.

The Friday evening bird slide narrative presented by Anne and Vernon Waters gave us a sneak preview of the birds and good birding habitat we would encounter on the field trips. The photography was excellent and Vernon's lively delivery made for a successful presentation.

Doris Mager the Eagle lady of Florida, gave the banquet speech. She told of her many and varied experiences in rehabilitating birds of prey back to the wild. Bringing life to her lecture were a Great Horned Owl and a Golden Eagle. If you missed the Augusta meeting, you missed a good one -- it was a smooth-running, well-planned meeting.

Fall Meeting

Dates: Oct. 1, 2, 3, 1982. Place: Epworth-by-the-Sea, St. Simons Island. Cost: \$43.68 per person with two to a room; \$56.16 per person for single occupancy. This price includes lodging for Friday and Saturday nights and meals beginning with Friday evening through Sunday lunch. No options on the meals - they're included in the fee. Reservations must be made in writing and include a \$10.00 deposit. Address: Epworth-by-the-Sea, Box 407, St. Simons Island, Ga., 31522. When sending in your reservation, please name your room-mate plus any special needs (room on lower floor, etc.) If you wish to stay somewhere else, nearby motels include King and Prince - 912/638-3631; Sea Gate - 912/638-8661; Craft's Court - 912/638-3726; Queen's Court - 912/638-8459. There are chain motels in Brunswick. Camping facilities are most likely available.

Between Meetings Field Trips

Joint GOS - Atlanta Audubon Pelagic Trip. September 4th, 1982.

Yes, there has been a successful Georgia pelagic trip. On the last Saturday of August last year a group of AAS birders got 55+ Audubons Shearwaters, 45 Cory's Shearwaters, Wilson's Petrels, Bridled Terns, a Parasitic Jaeger and a white tailed Tropicbird - all about 65 miles out.

And we can't wait to go again - the first Saturday of September this year! We've chartered the 72 ft. Island Queen for this joint GOS/AAS venture. We'll leave the Jekyll Island marina at 12:00 A.M. and return around midnight in order to maximize time to look for those lifers and/or state records. We'll head for where the birds are - the Gulf Stream (60 - 75 miles out) and beyond (100 miles out).

Cost of this trip is only \$62.00 each, including a light breakfast and supper. Participation is limited. To reserve your spot, call Hugh Garrett (404) 874-4478.

Sunday, September 19, U. S. Forest Service Forestry Technician Harriett DiGioia - will be leading the Cherokee Audubon Society on a field trip to the Songbird Management Area. GOSers are cordially invited. Meet at 9:30 A.M. at TP's Country Store.

This management area, a pilot non-game management area, is located at the Lake Conasauga Recreation Area on the Cohutta Ranger District of the Chattahoochee National Forest. The third week in September is prime for warblers, vireos, tanagers, thrushes - this area is located on the Appalachian Flyway for these birds.

Directions to TP's Country Store - take the Chatsworth Highway 411 N exit off I-75 at Cartersville, Georgia, to Eton, next town north of Chatsworth, at only traffic light in Eton, turn right and proceed to TP's Country Store, sitting in the middle of a "Y" in the road.

Harriett might camp in the Lake Conasauga Campground that weekend. For more information and directions to campground call/write U. S. Forest Service, 401 Old Ellijay Road, Chatsworth, Georgia 30705. Phone: 404/695-6736.

A Message from the Earle Greene Award Committee

The Earle Greene Award Committee is seeking nominations. This memorial award is made by the Georgia Ornithological Society to an individual or organization that has made the most outstanding contribution to the field of ornithology or to the Georgia Ornithological Society within the state of Georgia.

In past years the award has been made to:

Harriett G. DiGioia
Ricahrd A. Parks
Dr. J. Fred Denton
Milton R. Hopkins, Jr.
Dr. L. B. Davenport, Jr.

The Earl R. Greene Award panel welcomes recommendations from the Society's membership for this important recognition. Please send nominations to:

Richard A. Parks, Chairman
253 - 14th Street, N. E.
Apt. 12
Atlanta, Georgia 30309

We welcome the following new members: Marc & Carole Sorenson, Decatur; Lydia Thompson, Atlanta.

Georgia Birds at a Glance

Records listed in this newsletter are largely unchecked and do not constitute an official sighting. Publication of these records is intended to bring interesting sightings to the attention of the membership and to remind them to be alert to unusual species in the area indicated.

An asterisk (*) following the name of a bird denotes that it is listed as occasional, rare, uncommon, or casual for that particular area/season in the Annotated Checklist of Georgia Birds, J. Fred Denton. Editor's notes and dates in parentheses are taken from this checklist.

Abbreviations used in this newsletter: Audubon Society - AS; National Wildlife Refuge - NWR; Ranger District - RD; National Forest - NF; National Recreation Area - NRA; Wildlife Management Area - WMA; Forest Service Road - FS Rd; State Park - SP; Lake - L; River - R; Creek - Cr; Island - Is; Mountain - Mtn; Fort - Ft; County - Co; adult - ad; immature - im; male - m; female - f.

Dates are 1982.

Loon, Common*: Cumberland Is, Feb. 20, Coastal Georgia AS; 13, West Point L., Jan. 16, Donna & Patrick Brisse; 2, Villa Rica, March 31, Frank McCamey; L. Lanier, April 9 & 22, Van McWhorter; Commerce Water Works L., April 2-21, Stacy Caudwell; 8, Rum Cr. WMA - L. Juliette, April 21, Terry Johnson; Dublin - Thundering Springs L. - April 27, Tommy Patterson; L. Chatuge,

- Feb. 25, March 2, Arthur Green.
- Grebe, Horned*: Sweetwater Cr. SP, March 16 & 17, Donna & Patrick Brisse; Rum Cr. WMA - L. Juliette, April 21, Terry Johnson.
- Pelican, American White*: Eufaula NWR, Jan. 31, Donna & Patrick Brisse; Feb. 20, Frank McCamey.
- Pelican, Brown: Cumberland Is., Feb. 20, Coastal Georgia AS.
- Gannet, Northern: Cumberland Is., Feb. 20, Coastal Georgia AS.
- Comorant, Double-crested*: Cumberland Is., Feb. 20, Coastal Georgia AS; Harris Neck NWR, April 17, Coastal Georgia AS; Columbus - Brookstone School, April 14, 3 on May 19; L. Lanier, April 22, Van McWhorter; Commerce Water Works L., April 15 - 17, Stacy Caudwell; Dublin, 2 im., April 5, 20, 30, 8-10 im. May 9 & 15, 3 im. May 23 - 1 ad. seen - Tommy Patterson.
- Heron, Great Blue*: 2, Augusta - Heron Roost, March 26, Anne & Vernon Waters; Harris Neck NWR, April 17, Coastal Georgia AS; Hiwassee, 6 in Jan., 4 in Feb., Arthur Green.
- Heron, Northern Green*: Augusta - Merry Ponds, March 23, Clarence Belger; Harris Neck NWR, April 17, Coastal Georgia AS; 3, Forston, May 10, Sam Pate; Fairburn, March 24, Donna & Patrick Brisse; Whitfield County, April 11, Delano Crowe.
- Heron, Little Blue: 20 plus nests, Twin City - Haw Hammock Rookery, May 29, Anne & Vernon Waters.
- Egret, Cattle*: Augusta - Clark Hill, March 6, Augusta AS; 12, Augusta - Heron Roost, March 26, Anne & Vernon Waters; Gordon Co - Rest Area, April 20, Delano Crowe; Pendergrass, April 4, Stacy Caudwell; 4000 estimated nesting, Midville Rookery, May 29, Anne & Vernon Waters; 800-1000 nests, Twin City - Haw Hammock Rookery, May 29, Anne & Vernon Waters; East Dublin, nest repair April 30, first young May 23, estimated 750 nests May 30, Tommy Patterson.
- Egret, Great: Several dozen, Harris Neck NWR, April 17, Coastal Georgia AS; Whitfield Co., April 28, Vernon Gordon; 1 nest with 2 young, Twin City - Haw Hammock Rookery, May 29, Anne & Vernon Waters.
- Heron, Black-crowned Night*: Augusta, March 14, Anne & Vernon Waters; Cumberland Is., Feb. 20, Coastal Georgia AS; Harris Neck NWR, April 17, Coastal Georgia AS.
- Heron, Yellow-crowned Night; Augusta - Merry Ponds, April 17, Augusta AS; on nest, Augusta, May 24 & 25, GOS meeting; April 17, 3 adults building nest; April 18, 2 ad. at nest; June 5, 3 young - Anne & Vernon Waters.
- Bittern, Least: Dublin - Buckeye Marsh, April 17, Tommy Patterson.
- Bittern, American: Augusta - Merry Ponds, April 17, Augusta AS; Dublin - Jackson's Pasture, 1 on March 19, 3 on April 22, 2 on April 5, Tommy Patterson.
- Stork, Wood: Harris Neck NWR, April 17, Coastal Georgia AS.
- Ibis, Glossy*: Augusta - Heron Roost, April 18, Clarence Belger; Harris Neck NWR, April 17, Coastal Georgia AS.
- Ibis, White: Harris Neck NWR, April 17, Coastal Georgia AS; 500 nesting, Midville Rookery, May 29, Anne & Vernon Waters.
- Goose, Canada: pair, Whitfield Co., March, Linda Coker - Nesting on roof of shed in yard.
- Goose, Snow*: 1, blue morph, Atlanta - Chattahoochee RNRA, March 28, Spring Walk; Blue morph, Norcross, March 29, Joel Volpi.
- Duck, American Black*: 2, Peachtree City, Feb. 21, Terry Moore; Atlanta - Chattahoochee RNRA, Jan. 17, Dennis & Pam McClure.

- Gadwall*: 9, Atlanta - Chattahoochee Nature Center, Jan. 21, Scott Ranger; 10, Peachtree City L., Feb. 21, Lydia Thompson; 3, Villa Rica, March 31, Frank McCamey; 1 F, Augusta - Merry Ponds, April 6, Anne & Vernon Waters.
- Pintail, Common*: m & f, Atlanta - Shakerag, Jan. 24, Patrick Brisse; m, Sweetwater Cr. SP, Feb. 13, Patrick Brisse; L. Chatuge, Jan. 6, Arthur Green.
- Wigeon, American*: 12, Augusta, March 6, Anne & Vernon Waters; Cumberland Is., Feb. 20, Coastal Georgia AS; Atlanta - Chattahoochee Nature Center, Jan. 30, Jay Stolar; 13, Sweetwater Cr. SP, Mar. 7, Hugh Garrett; 10, Fairburn - Twin Is. & Peachtree City L., March 28, Terry Moore.
- Shoveler, Northern*: m, Peachtree City L., Feb. 15, Patrick Brisse; 4, Villa Rica, March 31, Frank McCamey; Small flock, West Point WMA, late April, Jim Hackley.
- Redhead*: Peachtree City L., Feb. 15 & 21, Terry Moore; 12, L. Chatuge, Feb. 25, Frank Stahlkuppe & Robert Siems.
- Canvasback*: Cumberland Is., Feb. 20, Coastal Georgia AS; Sweetwater Cr. SP, Jan. 15 & 17, Donna & Patrick Brisse; L. Chatuge, Jan. 31, Arthur Green.
- Scaup, Greater*: Atlanta - Freeman L., Feb. 20, Patrick Brisse - this is a possible sighting; Sweetwater Cr. SP, March 7, John Swiderski.
- Goldeneye, Common*: Sweetwater Cr. SP, Jan. 17 - Feb. 16, Carolina Lane; 8, L. Lanier, March 4, Van McWhorter; 1 m, 3 f, L. Chatuge, Feb. 16, Frank Stahlkuppe.
- Bufflehead*: 41, Sweetwater Cr. SP, March 16, Donna & Patrick Brisse; 65, same place & observers, March 17; Chattahoochee NF - Cohutta RD - Hill's L., week of April 18, J. G. Dover; m, L. Chatuge, Feb. 25, Arthur Green.
- Scoter, White-winged*: m, L. Lanier - near Pineisle, March 31, Patrick Brisse.
- Duck, Ruddy*: 6, Sweetwater Cr. SP, March 28, Patrick Brisse.
- Merganser, Common: Rum Cr. WMA - L. Juliette, April 20, Terry Johnson.
- Merganser, Red-breasted*: m, Sweetwater Cr. SP, Feb. 21, Patrick Brisse; 1 f, Augusta - Merry Ponds, April 7, Anne & Vernon Waters.
- Kite, Mississippi: Augusta Airport, April 23 (April 25, 1967), Anne & Vernon Waters.
- Hawk, Sharp-shinned*: Columbus - Bradley Park, Feb. 23, Sam Pate; Columbus - Brookstone School, March 17, Brooks Yancey.
- Hawk, Cooper's*: Hiwassee, Jan 24 - March 9, Arthur Green.
- Hawk, Red-Tailed: Harris Neck NWR, April 17, Coastal Georgia AS; 4, East Point, March 14, Don & Doris Cohrs; Hiwassee, Jan. & Feb., Arthur Green.
- Hawk, Red-shouldered: Columbus - Brookstone School, April 11, Nicki Trawick; building nest, Augusta - Lock & Dam, March 14, Anne & Vernon Waters.
- Hawk, Broad-winged: Augusta - Clark Hill, March 6, Augusta AS; Columbus - Brookstone School, April 11, Nicki Trawick; Chattahoochee NF - Cohutta RD - FS Rd., 18, April 17, Harriett DiGioia; 2, Ft. Mtn. SP, April 11, Mark Oberle.
- Hawk, Rough-legged*: light phase, Hiwassee, Feb. 25, Arthur Green.
- Eagle, Golden*: 2 im., Cloudland, Feb. 14, Atlanta AS; ad., Eufaula NWR, Feb. 20, Frank McCamey.

- Eagle, Bald*: 3 ad., 1 im., Harris Co., Jan. 8 & 9, Sam Pate; 2 ad., 1 im., Valdosta, Jan. 8 - 9, eagle survey; 1 ad., L. Sinclair, Jan. 8 & 9, eagle survey; 2 ad., Coastal Georgia, Jan. 8 & 9, eagle survey; ad. & im., Eufaula NWR, Jan. 30, Donna & Patrick Brisse; from Cumberland Is. Ferry, Jan. 1, Hugh Garrett; ad., Murray Co. - U. S. Highway 411 N. - near Carter's Dam, May 26, Frank Cogburn; im, West Point WMA, late April, Jim Hackley; Bald Eagle survey, Jan. 8 & 9, turned up 12 - 14 birds and 4 nesting eagles have been reported.
- Harrier, Northern: m, Atlanta - Roger's Bridge, Feb. 28, Terry Moore; Hiwassee regularly through winter, 3 on Feb. 11, Arthur Green.
- Osprey*: Augusta - levee, March 27, Anne & Vernon Waters; Columbus-Brookstone School, April 13; 2, Columbus - Ls. Juniper, Oliver, Harding; Atlanta - Chattahoochee R., Feb. 13, Jay Stolar; 5, Rum Cr. WMA - L. Juliette, April 21, Terry Johnson; Dublin, 1 on March 25, 3 on March 27, Tommy Patterson.
- Falcon, Peregrine*: Chattahoochee NF - Brasstown Bald, April 15, Joe Greenberg.
- Merlin*: Hiwassee, Feb. 22, Arthur Green.
- Kestel, American: 40-50/hour, Cumberland Is., March 20 & 21, Hugh Garrett.
- Grouse, Ruffed: good numbers, Chattahoochee NF - Cohutta RD, spring, Harriett DiGioia.
- Bob-white, Common: Harris Neck NWR, April 17, Coastal Georgia AS; more being seen at elevations over 3,000 feet, Chattahoochee NF - Cohutta RD, Harriett DiGioia.
- Turkey, Wild: Dublin - Ben Hill L., April 27, Tommy Patterson -- Game & Fish Commission repopulation area; good population, Chattahoochee NF - Cohutta RD, Harriett DiGioia.
- Crane, Sandhill*: 2 flocks, Okefenokee NWR, Mid-March, Bill & Virginia Culpepper; 48, Callaway Gardens, Feb. 26, Judy Bolyard; 12, Decatur, March 25, Anselm Atkins; 200, Atlanta area, between March 2-5 & 14, reported by Terry Moore; 100, Chattahoochee NF - Cohutta RD - L. Conasauga, March 3, Harriett DiGioia; 20-30 same place & observer, March 4; 70, Murray Co. - Spring Place, March 12, fide Harriett DiGioia.
- Rail, King: Banks Co., March 23, Stacy Caudell; Dublin, heard on April 17, 27, 30 & May 9, 30, young heard May 9, Tommy Patterson.
- Sora*: Augusta - Merry Ponds, April 18, Clarence Belger.
- Coot, American: Chattahoochee NF - Cohutta RD - Hill's L., week of April 18, J. G. Dover.
- Oystercatcher, American*: Cumberland Is., Feb. 20, Coastal Georgia AS; 100, same place, Jan. 1, Patrick Brisse.
- Plover, Semipalmated*: Eufaula NWR, Feb. 21; 2, Augusta - Merry Ponds, May 11, Anne & Vernon Waters; Dublin, Jackson's Pasture, 3 on May 9, 2 on May 16, Tommy Patterson.
- Plover, Lesser Golden*: Dublin-Jackson's Pasture, March 10, Tommy Patterson.
- Whimbrel*: Cumberland Is., Jan. 1, Hugh Garrett.
- Sandpiper, Upland*: Dublin-Jackson's Pasture, in numbers, 2-25 on April 11-27, Tommy Patterson.
- Yellowlegs, Greater: 13, Augusta - Merry Ponds, March 23, Clarence Belger; Harris Neck NWR, April 17, Coastal Georgia AS; Atlanta - Shakerag, March 20, Patrick Brisse.

- Sandpiper, Solitary: Harris Neck NWR, April 17, Coastal Georgia AS: very large numbers, Columbus, mid-spring, Sam Pate; Atlanta-Shakerag, March 20, Patrick Brisse.
- Willet*: Cumberland Is., Feb. 20, Coastal Georgia AS; Harris Neck NWR, April 17, Coastal Georgia AS.
- Sandpiper, Spotted: Atlanta - Twin Ls., Feb. 21 (March 30, 1944), Lydia Thompson; Fairburn, March 21, Donna & Patrick Brisse; Chattahoochee NF - Cohutta RD - L. Conasauga, May 4, Harriett DiGioia; Rum Cr. WMA - L. Juliette, April 21, Terry Johnson.
- Woodcock, American: Atlanta - John Ward Swamp, April 18, Frank McCamey.
- Dowitcher, Short-billed*: 18, Eufaula NWR, Feb. 21, Frank McCamey.
- Knot, Red*: Cumberland Is., Feb. 20, Coastal Georgia AS.
- Sandpiper, Least: Fairburn, March 21, Donna & Patrick Brisse.
- Sandpiper, White-rumped*: 9, Augusta - Merry Ponds, June 1, Clarence Belger; Dublin - Jackson's Pasture, 1 on May 9 & 30, Tommy Patterson.
- Sandpiper, Stilt*: Dublin - Jackson's Pasture, 1 on April 11 & 30, Tommy Patterson.
- Gull, Greater Black-backed*: Cumberland Is., Feb. 20, Coastal Georgia AS.
- Gull, Herring*: Cumberland Is., Feb. 20, Coastal Georgia AS; Atlanta-Howell Mill Rd. Waterworks, Jan. 20-25, Patrick Brisse; 3, L. Chatuge, Jan. 31, Arthur Green.
- Gull, Ring-billed: Atlanta - Howell Mill Rd. Waterworks, Jan. 20-25, Patrick Brisse; 7, Dalton-Thread Mill L., Feb. 28, Harriett DiGioia; 5, L. Chatuge, Feb. 25, Arthur Green.
- Gull, Laughing*: Cumberland Is., Feb. 20, Coastal Georgia AS; 3 ad., Augusta - Merry Ponds, April 30, Anne & Vernon Waters; Dublin - Thundering Springs, May 2, Tommy Patterson - 1st county record.
- Gull, Bonaparte's*: Cumberland Is., Feb. 20, Coastal Georgia AS; 4, Lawrenceville, March 29, Joel Volpi: 40-50, L. Lanier, first 2 week-ends March, Joe Greenberg; 1-50, Commerce Water Works L., March 30-April 3, Stacy Caudell; 2, Clark Hill Dam, April 4, Anne & Vernon Waters.
- Tern, Forster's*: Cumberland Is., Feb. 20, Coastal Georgia AS; Commerce L., April 29, Stacy Caudell.
- Tern, Common*: L. Lanier, April 27, Van McWhorter.
- Tern, Arctic*: reported in the plural, off coast at Brunswick, Chris Haney - taken from Tennessee Ornithological Society Newsletter of the Chattanooga Chapter. He has a doctorate in ornithology (Editor's note: Accidental, one record on Suwannee Cr., Ware Co., May 22, 1921, specimen.)
- Tern, Little*: 1, Augusta - Merry Ponds, May 20, Anne & Vernon Waters.
- Owl, Barn*: found dead, Laurens Co., Jan. 28, Bob Manns; 2, Eufaula NWR, Feb. 21, Frank McCamey.
- Owl, Great Horned*: Cumberland Is., Feb. 20, Coastal Georgia AS; m & f talking across lake, Chattahoochee NF - Cohutta RD - L. Conasauga, March 3, Harriett DiGioia; Hiwassee, March 10, Arthur Green; Juvenile, Murray Co., June, Harriett DiGioia - brought into Cohutta Wildlife Rehabilitation Center with broken pelvis. Released on Chattahoochee NF - Cohutta RD.
- Owl, Barred: Augusta, May 24 & 25 GOS; Atlanta - corner of Briarcliff & Clairmont, March 21, Stan & Pat Chapman; Whitfield Co., April 10, Delano Crowe; Chattahoochee NF - Cohutta RD - FS Rd. 68, April 14, Harriett DiGioia

- Chuck-will's-widow: Augusta, Clark Hill, April 18, Clarence Belger; Harris Co., April 10, Florence Lynn; Conyers, April 13, Francis Michael; East Point, April 13 & 14, Don & Doris Cohrs; Whitfield Co., April 13, Delano Crowe.
- Whip-poor-will: Clark Hill, March 17, Clarence Belger; Harris Co., April 1, Florence Lynn; Chattahoochee NF & Pine Mtn., March 20, Donna & Patrick Brisse; Chattahoochee NF - Cohutta RD - Work Center, April 16, Harriett DiGioia - heard at 5:45 A.M. while coming off fire duty.
- Nighthawk, Common: Cartersville, April 18, John Swiderski.
- Swift, Chimney: Atlanta - Airport, March 25, Joel Volpi; Dalton, April 1, Anne Hamilton.
- Hummingbird, Ruby-Throated: Augusta - levee, March 27, Anne & Vernon Waters; Columbus, March 28, Jim Shirah; Whitfield Co., April 15, Harry White.
- Kingfisher, Belted: Hiwassee, Feb. 17, Arthur Green.
- Woodpecker, Pileated: Cumberland Is., Feb. 20, Coastal Georgia AS.
- Woodpecker, Hairy*: Harris Neck NWR, April 17, Coastal Georgia AS.
- Kingbird, Eastern: Augusta - Merry Ponds, April 17, Augusta AS; Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-Work Center, April 28, Harriett DiGioia.
- Flycatcher, Great-crested: Augusta-Merry Ponds, April 17, Augusta AS; Harris Co., April 11, Florence Lynn; Dalton, April 15, Anne Hamilton; Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-L. Conasauga, April 26, Harriett DiGioia.
- Flycatcher, Acadian: Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-FS Rd. 18, March 30, Harriett DiGioia.
- Lark, Horned: Lookout Plateau, Feb. 14, Atlanta AS.
- Swallow, Tree*: Augusta - levee, March 27, Anne & Vernon Waters; 2, Peachtree City L., March 7, John Swiderski; Banks Co., Commerce Water Works L., March 15, Stacy Caudell; f, Hiwassee, March 14, Arthur Green.
- Swallow, Rough-winged: 2, Clark Hill, March 22, Clarence Belger; 3, Peachtree City L., March 7, Hugh Garrett; 1, Sweetwater Cr. SP, March 7, Carolina Lane; Murray Co.-Ga. Highway 286, April 18, Harriett DiGioia.
- Swallow, Barn: Augusta - levee, March 27, Anne & Vernon Waters; Conyers Monastery, March 27 - hatched young April 14, Francis Michael; 4, Peachtree City L., March 28, Patrick Brisse; Murray Co.- Ga. Highway 286, April 14, Harriett DiGioia; Banks Co., March 15, Stacy Caudell.
- Swallow, Cliff*: Stevens Co. - Tugaloo R, April 11, Stacy Caudell - nested there in 1981.
- Martin, Purple: 3, Atlanta - Shakerag, Feb. 20, Patrick Brisse - area resident told him they'd arrived on February 13; Whitfield Co.- Ga. Highway 286, March 6, Mourine King; Banks Co., March 16, Stacy Caudell.
- Nuthatch, White-breasted: Atlanta - Bobby Jones Golf Course, March 2, Patrick Brisse - building nest.
- Nuthatch, Red-breasted: Atlanta - Chattahoochee Nature Center, Feb. 6, Frank McCamey; Peachtree City, Feb. 14, Atlanta AS.
- Nuthatch, Brown-headed: Whitfield Co., April, Doris & Delano Crowe - building nest in yard.
- Creeper, Brown*: Augusta, March 14, Anne & Vernon Waters.
- Catbird, Gray: Chattahoochee NF - Cohutta RD - L. Conasauga, April 28, Harriett DiGioia.

- Robin, American: Cumberland Is., Feb. 20, Coastal Georgia AS; Hiwassee, Feb. 3, none wintered - seen migrating, Arthur Green.
- Thrush, Wood: Harris Co., March 21, Florence Lynn; Atlanta - Fernbank Forest, March 28 - Spring Walk; Dalton, April 14, Anne Hamilton.
- Thrush, Gray-cheeked*: Vogel SP, May 15, Mark Oberle.
- Bluebird, Eastern: Washington, March 9, Laurie Jones - nesting.
- Gnatcatcher, Blue-gray: Atlanta-Fernbank Forest, March 17, Georgann Schmalz; Chattahoochee NF - Cohutta RD - FS Rd. 18, March 30, Harriett DiGioia.
- Waxwing, Cedar: 1000, Augusta - levee, March 27, Anne & Vernon Waters; Cumberland Is., Feb. 20, Coastal Georgia AS; massive crop, Columbus-Brookstone School, as of May 24, Sam Pate; 1000, Augusta, same place & observers, April 17.
- Vireo, White-eyed: Clark Hill, March 6, Augusta AS; Dalton - West Hill Cemetery, April 11, Harriett DiGioia; Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-Cottonwood Patch Dispersed Camping Area, April 21, Harriett DiGioia.
- Vireo, Yellow-Throated: Harris Co., April 3, Florence Lynn; Atlanta-Fernbank Forest, March 28, Spring Walk; Whitfield Co., March 31, Harry White.
- Vireo, Solitary*: Augusta, March 14, Anne & Vernon Waters; Doraville, Feb. 17, Frank McCamey; Dalton, March 14, Anne Hamilton.
- Vireo, Red-eyed: Doraville, April 9, Frank McCamey; Dalton, April 15, Anne Hamilton.
- Vireo, Warbling*: Dalton, April 13, Anne Hamilton - thought she heard one singing - not a positive identification; Cloudland Canyon SP, June 2, Doris & Delano Crowe - possible sighting.
- Warbler, Black & White: f, Augusta, March 14, Anne & Vernon Waters; Harris Co., March 16, Florence Lynn; Atlanta - Chattahoochee Nature Center, March 21, Eileen Hutchenson; Dalton April 9, Anne Hamilton; Fort Mtn., March 18, Harriett DiGioia; Fort Mtn. SP, April 11, Mark Oberle.
- Warbler, Prothonotary: Augusta - Merry Ponds, April 17, Augusta AS; Vinings, April 21, Peggy Moore.
- Warbler, Swainson's: Augusta - Merry Ponds, Mid-April, Clarence Belger.
- Warbler, Worm-eating: Harris Co., March 16, Florence Lynn.
- Warbler, Blue-winged*: Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-FS Rd. 90, April 26th, Harriett DiGioia; Chattahoochee NF - FS Rd 92-D-Stevens Co., April 30, Stacy Caudell; Banks Co., May 2, Stacy Caudell; Augusta, April 18, Anne & Vernon Waters.
- Warbler, Tennessee: Pendergrass, April 24, Stacy Caudell.
- Warbler, Orange-crowned*: Atlanta-Fernbank Forest, March 21, Spring Walk; Alto, April 19, Stacy Caudell.
- Warbler, Northern Parula: Augusta, March 14, Anne & Vernon Waters; Harris Neck NWR, April 17, Coastal Georgia AS; Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-Bear Cr. Dispersed Camping Area, April 6, Harriett DiGioia.
- Warbler, yellow: Augusta, May 24 & 25 GOS.
- Warbler, Magnolia: Banks Co., May 2, Stacy Caudell.
- Warbler, Cape May: Dalton, April 27, Anne Hamilton.
- Warbler, Black-throated Blue: North Atlanta, April 15, Eileen Hutchenson; Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-Bear Cr. Dispersed Camping Area, April 6, Harriett DiGioia; Dalton, April 30, Harriett DiGioia; Fort Mtn. SP, April 12, Mark Oberle; Augusta, April 18, Anne & Vernon Waters.
- Warbler, Black-Throated Green: Atlanta - Fernbank Forest, March 28, Spring Walk; Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-FS Rd. 18, March 30,

- Harriett DiGioia.
- Warbler, Blackburnian: Atlanta-Fernbank Forest, April 14, Georgann Schmalz; Dalton, April 27, Anne Hamilton.
- Warbler, Yellow-Throated: Augusta, March 14, Anne & Vernon Waters; Harris Neck NWR, April 17, Coastal Georgia AS; Atlanta-Chattahoochee Nature Center, March 21, Eileen Hutcheson; 40(?) Atlanta-Virginia Highlands, March 30, Hugh Garrett; Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-Work Center, March 29, Harriett DiGioia.
- Warbler, Blackpoll: Augusta, May 24 & 25, GOS; Dalton, April 27, Anne Hamilton.
- Warbler, Prairie: Augusta-Merry Ponds, April 17, Augusta AS; Doraville, April 9, Frank McCamey; Chattahoochee NF-Choutta RD-FS Rd. 17, May 3, Harriett DiGioia.
- Ovenbird: Atlanta-Fernback Forest, April 14, Georgann Schmalz; Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD -L. Conasauga, April 14, Harriett DiGioia.
- Waterthrush, Northern: Augusta, April 23, Anne & Vernon Waters.
- Waterthrush, Louisiana: Augusta - Clark Hill, March 6, Augusta AS; Doraville, March 17, Frank McCamey.
- Warbler, Kentucky: Augusta-Master's Golf Tournament, April 12, John Hatcher.
- Yellowthroat, Common: Augusta-Merry Ponds, April 17, Augusta AS; 2, Columbus-Whitesville Rd., March 19, Sam Pate; Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-Cottonwood Patch Dispersed Camping Area, April 21, Harriett DiGioia.
- Chat, Yellow-breasted: Augusta, May 24 & 25, GOS.
- Warbler, Hooded: Augusta, May 2, Augusta AS; Chattahoochee NF - Cohutta RD-Bear Cr. Dispersed Camping Area, April 6, Harriett DiGioia; Dalton, April 20, Anne Hamilton.
- Warbler, Canada: Dalton, April 27, Anne Hamilton; East Point, May 2, Don & Doris Cohrs.
- Redstart, American: Augusta, May 24 & 25, GOS.
- Bobolink: Augusta, May 2, Augusta AS; Harris Neck NWR, April 17, Coastal Georgia AS.
- Meadowlark, Eastern*: Harris Neck NWR, April 17, Coastal Georgia AS; Atlanta - Fulton Co. Stadium - playing center field during Braves-Red game, April 20, Peggy & Terry Moore.
- Blackbird, Yellow-headed*: 2, Grovetown, May 28, Gary Simpson; same place, same observer along with father, May 30. Also seen by another farmer in area.
- Oriole, Orchard: Martinez, April, J. A. Couch; Harris Neck NWR, April 17, Coastal Georgia AS.
- Oriole, Northern*: Augusta-feeder, March 5 & 19, Clarence Belger; College Park, Jan. 6, Donna & Patrick Brisse.
- Blackbird, Brewer's: Atlanta-Bobby Jones Golf Course, Jan. 6, Patrick Brisse-dark-eyed f in with over 100 Rusty Blackbirds. This is a possible sighting.
- Tanager, Scarlet: Dalton, April 27, Anne Hamilton; Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-Upper Milma Cr., April 14, Harriett DiGioia.
- Tanager, Summer: Harris Neck NWR, April 17, Coastal Georgia AS.
- Grosbeak, Rose-breasted: m, Whitfield Co., March 22, (April 4, 1913-casual in winter at Atlanta), Harry White; Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-L. Conasauga, April 26, Harriett DiGioia; Augusta, May 2, Augusta AS.
- Grosbeak, Blue: Augusta - Merry Ponds, April 17, Augusta AS; Chattahoochee NF - Cohutta RD - Work Center, April 20, Harriett DiGioia.
- Bunting, Indigo: Augusta - Merry Ponds, April 17, Augusta AS;

Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-Alaculsy Valley, April 18, John Swiderski; Whitfield Co., week of April 25, Harry White.

Grosbeak, Evening: reports of from 8-150 coming from Augusta, Martinez, Clark Hill, Columbus, Harris Co., Muscogee Co., Washington, North Atlanta, Suwanee, Dunwoody, Decatur, Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD, Banks Co., Feb - May 2.

Finch, Purple: 1 m, Hiwassee, Jan. 15, 17, 20, Arthur Green - only bird of season.

Finch, House*: Augusta - feeder, March, Clarence Belger; Augusta - feeder, March 11, Teena Carnes; 2 m, 2 f, Dalton-feeder, March 21, Ollie Munn; pair, feeding young, Dalton, first week June, Bud & Margaret Newman - sighting not confirmed; Athens, June 10-June 27-pair-possibly 3 f.-at feeder. None at feeder during winter, Al Kleckner.

Siskin, Pine: 200/day, Harris Co.-feeder, as of April 17, Florence Lynn; 300, Dunwoody-feeder, Feb. 4, fide Frank McCamey.

Junco, Northern: Vinings, April 11, Peggy Moore; Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-FS Rd. 68 - middle of June, Harriett DiGioia - not seen before at this location in breeding season.

Sparrow-White-crowned*: Augusta, im. & ad. from 1-4 in numbers, March 6 - May 1, Anne & Vernon Waters.

Sparrow, Fox: 3, Augusta - Merry Ponds, Feb. 20, Anne & Vernon Waters.

Sparrow, Swamp*: im, Hiwassee, March 7, Arthur Green.

Escapes/Exotics: California Quail, Kennesaw, Jan. 17, Bob Gilbert; Green Parakeet, Cumberland Is., March 20 & 21, Hugh Garrett.

News of People

GOSer Ed Bourne died on May 8. Ed and his wife, Daisy, joined GOS fairly recently. He had long been active in Georgia Botanical Society and was an excellent photographer. Our sympathies are extended to Daisy.

Jeannine Angerman has been ailing and hospitalized. We wish you a speedy and full recovery, Jeannine!

Tenney Griffin has moved from Albany to the Carolinas.

Daniel Waters, son of Anne and Vernon Waters, won first place in the art division of Sege Middle School, Augusta. He made a paper mache owl - glued approximately 3,000 brown and white tissue paper "feathers" on his owl. Congratulations, Daniel!

Kathryn May had two color photographs selected to be entered in the Arts Festival in Atlanta. Competition is keen for this honor and our congratulations to you, Kathryn!

Miscellaneous

Endangered Species Victory: Victory for the conservationists has just been reported. The renewal of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 has passed both the House and Senate on June 8 and 9. It was, in fact, unanimous.

The species of course are still in danger, but the new amendments will continue to offer the best protection available.

FALL MEETING OCTOBER 1-2-3 ST. SIMONS ISLAND

The Friday night program will feature Elaine Young with a slide presentation of "The Birds of the Marsh." She will use local slides and will add the calls of some of the birds. Following the program, field trip plans will be announced.

Along with the usual field trips on St. Simons and Jekyll Islands and the Brunswick area, you will have available a hawk watch on Jekyll Island and a shorebird identification session at the south beach.

Our Saturday evening program will feature Ann and Tommy Barber presenting their slide show "Discovering Georgia." After twenty years of traveling and photographing Georgia, they have a fine, entertaining presentation.

After the slide show, our nightcap will be a new feature for a GOS meeting. We will have a preliminary countdown so everyone will know the birds found on Saturday. This will give you a chance to know where unusual sightings took place and look for them yourself.

As a special treat on Sunday afternoon, the bird banders will open their station on Jekyll Island to visitors. From 1 p.m. until evening, you can see a live banding demonstration, if weather and birds cooperate.

See page 2 of the newsletter for details on accommodations.

HOW ABOUT AN AUCTION?

Do you have unneeded birding paraphernalia someone else could use? Let's have some fun with an auction on Saturday evening and add the proceeds to the GOS capital fund. Bring an item to donate, or sell on commission -- painting, photograph, books, carvings, field equipment.

Featured will be a Dick Parks print of the Brown Thrasher, now a collector's item. It is framed, 20 x 24 inches, ready for hanging. What is your bid?



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