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# GOSHAWK NEWSLETTER OF THE GEORGIA ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY

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Harriett G. DiGioia, Editor

# SEE YOU AT JEKYLL OCT. 7, 8 & 9

By Don Cohrs

Jekyll Island on the weekend of October 7, 8 and 9 - where else would a birder want to be? There is no better place in Georgia for birding.

We have had some very unusual sightings on past fall meetings on Jekyll. While we cannot promise a Black-throated Gray Warbler, we have had one individual of that species. Who know what will turn up

As an additional inducement to attend the fall meeting, our Saturday evening speaker will be Dr. Sidney Gauthreaux, Jr. of Clemson University. A specialist on the use of radar in tracking bird migration, Dr. Gauthreaux just might be able to tell us where the birds are. He will bring along some interesting equipment. This is a "don't miss."

On Friday evening, Tommy Patterson, an experienced field birder from Dublin, will tell us about the birds he sees in central Georgia. He's a great photographer too, and he will treat us to some of his beautiful

Saturday there will be field trips to the South Beach, to the golf course, to the north end of the island, to Brunswick and Andrews Island, to St. Simons, and another shorebird identification workshop. All these trips will have experienced leaders to show the way.

Interested in the bird list? We usually get a check list of well over 100 species on a weekend at Jekyll. At some meetings, 125 species have been recorded. What more can you ask!

October 7, 8 & 9 should be a birding bonanza if you are with us on Jekyll Island. Headquarters will be at the Ramada Inn on the island, with the beach close at hand. Make your reservations promptly and remember to identify yourself as a member of GOS to take advantage of the special rates. Send in your registration form early and join in the fun.

Let's see all of you there - and bring a friend.

## From the Editor's Desk:

One bird, not on either the official or hypothetical lists for Georgia, was seen: a Baird's Sandpiper was recorded on Cumberland Island. This species has been reported in Georgia before.

A Black-legged Kittiwake was spotted offshore of Jekyll Island. This bird is on the hypothetical list and this is the second sighting in as many years. An Arctic Tern was sighted offshore Jekyll and is one of the accidental birds for this quarter. Here again, this is the second sighting in two years. Our other Accidental is a Red Phalarope seen offshore of Jekyll.

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# Fall & Winter Field Trips

Lake Seminole November 25-26.

Explore a new area with us, under leadership of John Pritchett, of Blakely. Wintering waterfowl will be in, and we will look for fall vagrants from the west, such as Vermilion and Scissor-tailed Flycatchers.

Meet at Seminole State Park. 20 miles southwest of Bainbridge, Friday evening, or by 7:00 a.m. Saturday morning. Cabins, tent sites and good fishing at the Park; motels in Donalsonville and Bainbridge.

For more information, call John at (912) 723-3740 or Frank McCamey at (404) 455-7533.

Lake Scherer December 4. Waterfowl and the new Georgia Power Visitor Center.

Meet 8:00 a.m., Rum Creek Wildlife Management Area, on Route 18, three miles east of I-75 (Exit #61, Juliette, near Forsyth).

For more information, call Frank McCamey (404) 455-7533.

Eufaula National Wildlife February 25-26, 1984. Refuge

Here is the best of winter birding in Georgia. waterfowl, hawks, eagles and early shorebirds. Meet at 8:00 a.m. each day (Georgia time) at the Lodge, Lakepoint Resort State Park, Eufaula, Alabama. There will be more information in a later newsletter.

**Special meeting registrations** (Special rate applies

\*\*Children under 16 with parents do not register\*\*.

for you and your guest if your guest is not a GOS

member or a member of your family.)

Reservations for Saturday box lunch

## Editor's Desk . . .

As is often the case, we have a "supposed" bird reported. An accipiter, felt to be a Northern Goshawk, was seen in Atlanta. This was a winter sighting. A Northern Goshawk was well described from Union County last January. This bird is not on either list for Georgia.

Other birds worthy of comment are as follows: throated Loon at Lake Lanier and Horned Grebes at Lake Chatuge and Sweetwater Creek State Park. A white morph of the Great Blue Heron appeared on Jekyll Island. Over at the Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge, a Glossy Ibis was watched, while an immature Roseate Spoonbille was at Jekyll. A Rough-legged Hawk made news at Duluth (winter record); a Golden Eagle was found in Harris County (winter record); and Bald Eagle reports came from Lakes Oconee and Chatuge, Cumberland Island and the Altamaha National Waterfowl Management Area.

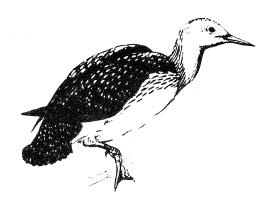
From Darien comes a Peregrine Falcon sighting. Pomarine and Parasitic Jaegers were recorded offshore of Jekyll. A Willow Fly-catcher was spotted at Rabun Gap. Bewick's Wren successfully fledged young in Whitfield County. Red Crossbills from Atlanta (winter record) and Augusta: Dickcissel from down around Americus: Henslow's Sparrow from Atlanta and a Bachman's Sparrow at Fitzgerald wrap up our editorial birds for the spring/early summer quarter.

## Report Sightings

Please send any Piping Plover sightings to Susan Haig at the Delta Waterfowl Research Station, Portage la Prairie, Manitoba, R1N 3A1, Canada.

Include date, location, number of birds and any color bands.

## GA Birds at a Glance



### Waterbirds

Loon, Common\*: L Juliette-Macon, April 9, TI; Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-L Conasauga, May 3, HD; beaver pond, same area, May 30, PW; 5-8, L Chatuge, April 4-9, BL; 6, Sweetwater Cr SP, April 23 & 24, D&PB; South Douglas Co, April 23-25, D± Decatur, April 24, MO; 2, L Lanier, May 8, FMc.

Loon, Red-throated\*: L Lanier, Mar. 2-8, JP.

Grebe, Horned\*: 1, breeding plumage, L Chatuge, April 4, BL; 15, Sweetwater Cr SP, Mar. 19, P&TM; 8, same place, April 2, PB.

Grebe, Pied-billed: Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-L Conasauga, April 28, HD; L Chatuge, April 4 & 9, BL.

Gannet, Northern: Good number-offshore Jekyll Is, Mar. 5, Atlanta AS; few-offshore, last 2 weeks April, CH.

Cormorant, Double-crested\*: Commerce Water Works, Mar. 6, SC; Waycross, Jan. 6 and May 4, SW; Sweetwater Cr SP, April 24, D&PM. Anhinga, American: Savannah NWR, Jan. 6, SW.

Heron, Great Blue\*: Hiawassee, Feb. 2 & 18, AG; white morph, Jekyll Is, Mar. 5, Atlanta AS.

Heron, Northern Green: Columbus, April 9, B&DP; Whitfield Co, April 17, DC; L Chatuge, April 8, BL.

Heron, Little Blue: ad, L Chatuge, April 7, BL; 4, Waycross, Mar. 30, SW.

Egret, Cattle\*: Augusta-Merry Ponds, Mar. 15, LF; Okefenokee NWR-Suwannee Canal RA, Mar. Gainesville-airport, April 9, JC.

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 one of the locations where it was seen according to the <u>Annotated Checklist of Georgia Birds</u>, J. Fred Denton. Editor's notes and dates in parentheses are taken from this checklist. Dates are 1982 and 1983.

NWR-Suwannee Canal RA, Mar. 16, SW; 12, Douglas Co, D±

Egret, Great: Atlanta-Chattahoochee Nature Center, April 4, FM.

Egret. Snowy: 6, Jekyll Is, April 10, SW.

Heron, Louisiana\*: Commerce L, April 9, JP; Macon-nesting, June, Ocmulgee AS.

Heron, Yellow-crowned Night: 2, Southwest GA, May 5, WH -nesting-pair - called up by yelping for turkeys.

Bittern, American: Atlanta-Chattahoochee Nature Center, April 30,

JS.

Stork, Wood\*: 22, Millen-Magnolia Springs, April, JC; 3, Stephen Foster SP, Mar. 26, Okefenokee Bird Club; Cumberland Is, May 13, SP; Jenkins Co, April 17, BH -150 nests with eggs; 10, Jekyll Is, May 12, SW.

Ibis, Glossy\*: Okefenokee NWR, April 24, reported by visitor, fide SW.

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Birders are encouraged to submit items of interest to GOSHAWK, Harriett G. DiGioia, Editor, U.S. Forest Service, 401 Old Ellijay Road, Chatsworth, GA 30705.

# JEKYLL MEETING REGISTRATION

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Make all checks payable to GOS. Before September 30, mail check and registration form to:

Betsy Phillips, 220 Hillside Drive, NW, Atlanta, Ga 30342.

## **ACCOMMODATIONS**

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# Welcome **New Members**

Welcome to these new members: Wilson Lovett, Adairsville, and Lenn Sisson, Smyrna, both Life Memberships given by George Dorsey.

Regular memberships:

Atlanta-Mike Tippens Clayton-Lewis Reeves Dalton-Marion Rankford Rocky Face-Conrad Lasley Valdosta-Patricia Davis

Jennings, Florida- Mr. and Mrs. Harris Mathis.

Bring a guest to Jekyll and take advantage of the special

## A NORTHERN GUEST?

registration rate.

Harriett DiGioia

Every now and again reports cross my desk of very improbable birds being seen in Georgia.

On February 25, a couple in Augusta saw a bird in their yard. Having no bird guide, they called the public library and then Bill and Lee Gibbs. From the description given, both felt the bird was a Great Grey Owl.

This is a bird of the Canadian Northwest, rare to casual in New England and the Great Lake states. It is highly unlikely for this bird to be in the state. Therefore, I print this item as an interest story only.

## GA BIRDS Cont'd.

Yellowthroat, Common: Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-Alaculsey Valley, April 24, HD; L Chatuge, April 9, BL.

Warbler, Hooded: Dalton-yard, April 13, AH.

Warbler, Canada: Dalton, April 26, AH.

Redstart, American: Atlanta-Chattahoochee R NRA, April 9, D&PB; Columbus, April 14, BL. Oriole, Orchard: Macon, April 9, DD; Martinez, April 7, RC; Whitfield Co, April 19, HW; Waycross, May 13, SW.

Oriole, Northern: Atlanta, Jan.2, DG; Waycross, Jan. 12 & 29, Okefenokee Bird Club; Macon, Mar. 24, DL; Dalton, April 26, AH.

Tanager, Scarlet: Dalton-yard, April 23, HD; Columbus, April 28, BLi.

Tanager, Summer: Dalton, April 19, AH; Waycross, April 15, SW.

### Finches

Grosbeak, Rose-breasted: Dalton, Arpil 26, AH; Harris Co, April 26, FL.

Grosbeak, Blue: Marietta, April 15, BK.

Bunting, Indigo: Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-Alaculsey Valley, April 6, HD; Macon-L Tobesofkee, April 15, KC; Augusta-yard, April, CB.

Bunting, Painted: Jekyll Is, May 12, SW.

Dickcissel\*: US 28 between Plains and Americus, June 4, MO.

Finch, House: 10-12, Dalton-feeder, left in mid-April, OM; f, Dalton-feeder, June 1, HD.

Siskin, pine: Conyers, April 3, FM.

Crossbill, Red\*: m, Atlanta-feeder, Jan. 31, ND; f, Augusta-yard, Mar. 15, DK.

Sparrow, Henslow's\*: Atlanta-Chattahoochee R NRA, April 4, PR. Sparrow, Bachman's\*: Fitzgerald-near Osierfield, June 25, MO.

Sparrow, White-crowned\*: Augusta, Mar. 5, Augusta AS.

Sparrow, Fox\*: Savannah RNWA, Jan. 6, SW; Pendergrass, April 9, JP (April 3, 1966 & 1976).

## Contributors:

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CB	Belger, Clarence	DL	Lux, Dick
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SC	Caudwell, Stacy	JM	Mayer, Joe
JCL	Clark, James	FMc	McCamey, Frank
KC	Clark, Ken	EM	McClintock, Ellery
D&DC0	Cohrs, Don	D&PM	McClure, Dennie & Pam
	& Doris	FM	Michael, Francis
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DC	Crowe, Delano		Morrison, Vaughn
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HD	DiGioia, Harriett	PN	Northrup, Phillip
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DD	Duncan, Dan	JP	Paget, John
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B&LG	Gibbs, Bill & Lee	JPa	Parrott, Jane
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VG	Gordon, Vernon	TP	Patterson, Tommy
AG	Green, Arthur	DP	Parks, Dick
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## GEORGIA BIRDS AT A GLANCE Cont'd.

Ibis, White: 140, Blakeley, April 1, SP; 10, Stephen Foster SP, Mar. 26, Okefenokee Bird Club; 2, Crooked R SP, May 14, same club.

Spoonbill, Roseate\*: im, Jekyll Is, May 12, SW.

Goose, Canada: 50, Macon, Mar. 3, EM; banded, Whitfield Co-yard, mid-April, JPa; 3, Convers, Mar. 1-8, FM.

Goose, Greater White-fronted\*: 5, Eufaula NWR, Feb. 20, D&PB.

Duck, American Black\*: Peachtree City L, Jan. 29, TM; 4, L Chatuge, Feb. 19, AG; 2, Savannah R NWR, Jan. 6, SW.

Gadwall\*: Atlanta-Chattahoochee Nature Center, Jan. 16, HG; 4, Sweetwater Cr SP, Mar. 27, D± 2, Clayton Co Water Treatment Plant, April 1, PB.

Teal, Green-winged\*: Augusta, Mar. 5, Augusta AS; m, Sweetwater Cr SP, April 2, P&TM.

Teal, Blue-winged\*: Savannah R NWR, Jan. 6, SW.

Wigeon, American\*: pair, Atlanta-Piedmont Park, Jan. 15, TS.

Shoveler, Northern\*: Augusta, Mar. 5, Augusta AS; 11, L Chatuge, April 7, BL; Peachtree City L, Mar. 6, D± 3, Sweetwater Cr SP, April 2, PB.

Redhead: 4, Sweetwater Cr SP, Feb. 17, D&PB and March 6, D± 2, Peachtree City L, Mar. 6, D&PM.

Canvasback\*: f, Peachtree City L, Feb. 25, TM and Mar. 6, D&PM. Scaup, Lesser: 70, Clayton Co Water Treatment Plant, Mar., PB.

Goldeneye, Common\*: f, L Chatuge, Jan. 14, AG; Sweetwater Cr SP, Mar. 6, D&PM.

Bufflehead\*: 3, f, Jekyll Is, April 10, SW; 22, Sweetwater Cr SP, Mar. 27. D&PM.

Scoter, Surf\*: im f, Sweetwater Cr SP, Mar. 19, D&PM - remained until April 12; after extended observation was determined to be an im f, first Atlanta record.

Duck, Ruddy: 14, L Chatuge, April 6, BL.

Merganser, Hooded: f, Clayton Co Water Treatment Plant, April 11,

Merganser, Red-breasted\*: 11 m, Commerce Water Works, Mar. 29, SC; 18 m, Sweetwater Cr SP, Mar. 27, D&PM.

## Hawks

Kite, Swallow-tailed\*: Stephen Foster SP, Mar. 25, fide SW; 2, Folkston, April 23, HG; Darien, April 5, D & D Co; Midway, April 23, TM.

Kite, Mississippi: 3, Eufaula NWR, May 7, JW; Maconnesting. June. TI.

Goshawk, Northern\*: large accipiter felt to be this bird, Atlanta, Northside Hospital, mid-Feb., JC. (Ed. Note: not on official or hypothetical lists).

Hawk, Cooper's\*: Hiawassee, April 10, AG; 2, Waycross, April 5, SW.

Hawk, Red-tailed: Several, I-20, April 2, B&LG. Hawk, Red-shouldered: im, Okefenokee NWR.

Hawk, Broad-winged: Atlanta, Mar. 2, TJ; 2, Alpharetta, Mar. 4, VJ (Mar. 25, 1924); Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta Rd-Alaculay Valley, April

Hawk, Rough-legged\*: Duluth, Feb. 19, R&DM. Eagle, Golden\*: im, Harris Co, late winter, JM.

Eagle Bald\*: L Oconee, Jan. 15, NI; L Chatuge, 3 reports ads and ims, confirmed by game wardens; Cumberland Is, May 13, SP; ad, Altamah Waterfowl MA, April 5, D&PM.

## SPRING MEETING

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Spring meeting at Dalton was a smashing success. 117 birders registered; 114 species were recorded.

Friday evening, Dr. Edgar Grundset, Professor of Biology at Southern College, Collegedale, Tennessee, whetted our appetite for birds by showing slides of local birds. Seeing those warblers really gave us an incentive to get up bright and early and be afield. His running commentary sparkled and added life to the birds on the screen.

National Park Service Service historian Ken Dubke presented an excellent narrative, "Changing Bird Populations," at the banquet. He spoke of the important contributions made in this field of study by amateurs. Dubke recommended writing your unusual sightings or bird behavior for The Oriole, where they can be read, shared and officially accepted on the record.

Thank you, Cherokee Audubon Society for all the effort and hard work that went on to give us such a fine meeting! It will long be remembered.

## REPORT GULLS

Report any tagged and banded Great Black-backed Gulls you might observe.

Adults are tagged with a yellow tag on the right wing with a single black letter and twodigit number. Young of the year were banded with Fish & Wildlife bands and blue plastic numbered bands.

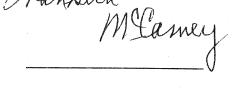
Report date, location, number/letter combinations, and bands to Bird Banding Laboratory, Laurel, MD 20708 and to Joanna Burger, Biology Department, Rutgers Unviersity-Livingston College, Brunswick, NJ 08903.

# President's Notes

Your Society will be moving forward with a new administration after the October meeting. Please note the fine slate of officers being presented for your consideration and plan to give them your full support. There will be much to do with new plans and new programs. Right now, let the Executive Committee know what you will be doing to help.

Here you have our second newsletter in the NEW LOOK! We're anxious to know what you think of it - give us your ideas.

I expect to see most of you at Jekyll Island October 7-8-9, and I'll tell you then about my summer in Alaska. We found good birding from Arctic Loon to Arctic Warbler, with Surfbirds, puffins and eagles for variety, and the scenery is magnificent. More later!



# **Election Time**

It's that time again, folks. Time to elect your new officers for the next two years. The Nominating Committee presents the following slate of officers for your consideration.

**President** Milton Hopkins

First V.P. Tommy Patterson

Second V.P. David Reynolds

Secretary Betsy Phillips

Treasurer John Swiderski

Nominations will be accepted from the floor. Nominating Committee: Lee Gibbs (Chairperson), Teena Carnes and Patrick Brisse.

## GA BIRDS cont'd.

Osprey\*: Reports from Omaha, Columbus, Dublin, Macon, Oakman, Whitfield Co, Commerce, L Chatuge, Cumberland Is, Sweetwater Cr SP, Atlanta, Conyers, Folkston.

Falcon, Peregrine\*: Darien, April, D&DCo.

Kestrel, American: 2, I-20, April2, B≶ Young Harris, April 2, AG.

Grouse, Ruffed: Hiawassee-Route 75, spring, AG.

Turkey, Wild: 2, reported to be wild ones, were reported inside city limits to HD and AH,

Mar. 23. AH saw one in her neighborhood Mar. 25.

Crane, Sandhill\*: numerous flights, L Tobesofkee, first week Mar.; 12, Dublin, Mar. 26, TP; 15, North Atlanta, Feb. 26, BT; 250, Okefenokee NWR-Folkston side, P&TM; 600, Convers, Mar. 4, FM; 15, Atlanta, over Capitol, Mar. 5, SD; 13, Atlanta-Rogers Bridge, Mar. 19, HG; 2, Atlanta-Roswell Rd, April 5, NI; 1100, Atlanta, Mar. 4&5, reported to TM.

Rail Clapper: Jekyll, May 12, SW.

Sora\*: Atlanta-Morningside, April 30, SD.

Gallinule, Purple\*: Banks Co-International Dragway, April, DPa.

Coot, American: 8, L Chatuge, April 7, BL.

## Shorebirds

Oystercatcher\*: Cumberland Is, May 13, SP.

Stilt, Black-necked\*: 6, Brunswick-Andrews Is, April 5, D± 25, same place, April 23, PB. Avocet, American\*: 93, Jekyll Is, Causeway, Mar. 6, JD; 29, Jekyll Is Marina, April 3, D&PM.

Plover, Semipalmated\*: Augusta-Merry Ponds, Mar. 15, CB; Clayton Co Water Treatment Plant, April 25, PB.

Plover, Lesser Golden\*: Dublin, Mar. 26, TP; South Fulton Co, Mar. 27, D&PM-4th Atlanta record.

Plover, Black-billed: 5, Jekyll Is, May 12, SW.

Godwit, Marbled\*: 2, St. Simons Is, April 5, D&PM.

Whimbrel\*: Brunswick, Jan. 1, H&LG.

Sandpiper, Upland\*: Columbus-airport, April 22-24, SP; 13, Atlanta-Rogers Bridge, April 27, PB; 8, Gainesville-airport, April 9, JC.

Yellowlegs, Greater: Augusta, Mar. 5, Augusta AS; 2, L Chatuge, April 6&8, BL, Clayton Co

Water Treatment Plant, Mar. 12, PB.

Yellowlegs, Lesser\*: Clayton Co Water Treatment Plant, Feb. 21, JG; 4, same place, Feb. 25, PB; and 3, Mar. 27, PB; 2, L Chatuge, April 5, BL.

Sandpiper, Solitary: 6, Columbus-Brookstone School, April 4, BH; 2, L Chatuge, April 8, BL. Sandpiper, Spotted: 3, Dalton-Thread Mill L, April 29, HD; Fairburn-Twin Lakes, Feb. 21, CA. Phalarope Red\*: 25 mi offshore Jekyll Is, Mar. 5, Atlanta AS (Ed. Note: accidental).

Woodcock, American: South Fulton Co, Jan. 19, D&PB.

Dowitcher, Short-billed\*: Clayton Co Water Treatment Plant, April 25, PB.

Dowitcher, Long-billed: Brunswick-Andrews Is, April 23, TM.

Knot, Red: Cumberland Is, May 13, SP.

Sandpiper, Baird's\*: Cumberland Is, May 14, CH (Ed. Note: not on official or hypothetical lists).

Sandpiper, Pectoral: 10, Banks Co, Mar. 21, SC; 18, Douglas Co, Mar. 27, D&PM.

Sandpiper, Stilt\*: Brunswick-Andrews Is, April 23, PB.

Jaeger, Pomarine\*: 5 mi offshore Jekyll Is, Mar. 5, Atlanta AS. Jaeger, Parasitic\*: 25 mi offshore, Jekyll Is, Mar. 5, Atlanta AS.

## Gulls & Terns

Kittiwake, Black-legged\*: im, 18 mi offshore Jekyll Is, Mar. 5, Atlanta AS (Ed. Note: on hypothetical list).

Gull, Greater Black-backed\*: 7, Cumberland Is, Jan. 2, H&LG.

Gull, Herring\*: Sweetwater Cr SP, Jan. 23, D&PB; 2, L Chatuge, April 8, BL.

Gull, Ring-billed: Sweetwater Cr SP, Jan. 23, D&PB; 4, L Chatuge, April 7, BL.

Gull, Laughing\*: 2, Gainesville-airport, April 9, JP.
Gull, Bonaparte\*: Commerce Water Works, Mar. 29, SC; L Chatuge, April 7, BL; Sweetwater Cr SP, April 12, D± Clayton Co Water Treatment Plant, April 11, PB.

Tern, Forster's\*: 9, Sweetwater Cr SP, April 23, D&PM - second Atlanta area recorded:

Pendergrass, April 23 & L Lanier, April 25 & 29, JP.

Tern, Common\*: 5, L Lanier, May 8, FMc.

Tern, Arctic\*: Well offshore Jekyll Is, April 21, CH - 2nd offshore sighting in 2 years (Ed Note: accidental).

Tern, Little\*: 4, Crooked R SP, May 14, Okefenokee Bird Club.

Tern, Caspian\*: 5, Sweetwater Cr SP, April 23, D&PM - 1st Atlanta area record.

## Cuckoos through Owls

Cuckoo, Yellow-billed: Harris Co, April 12, FL; Macon, April 2, KC.

Cuckoo, Black-billed\*: Atlanta-Emory University's President's Estate, April 30, DT.

Owl, Barn\*: Between Blakely and Columbus, Mar. 9, SP.
Owl, Great Horned\*: Murray Co-Highway 411, DC; Hiawassee, Mar. 18, AG.

Owl. Short-eared: Jekyll Is-Causeway, Mar. 5, JD.

Chuck-will's Widow: Atlanta-Emory University's President's Estate, April 30, BP.

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## GA BIRDS Cont'd.

Nighthawk, Common: Dalton, April 28, AH; Columbus, April 28, BLi.

Swift, Chimney: Columbus, Mar. 29, SP; Dalton, April 6, AH; Jekyll Is, April 10, SW; Northeast Atlanta, Mar. 27, VJ; Conyers, Mar. 27, FM.

Hummingbird, Ruby-throated: August-West L, April 3, KM: Dalton, April 17, AH.

Kingfisher, Belted: feeding young, Cuthbert, April 1, SP.

Woodpecker, Red-headed: pair, Columbus, April, B&DP; Okefenokee NWR, April 24, SW. Woodpecker, Red-cockaded\*: 3, Waycross, Feb. 19, Okefenokee Bird Club.

## Flycatchers, Swallows

Kingbird, Eastern: Columbus, April1, B&DP; Martinez, April7, RC; Okefenokee NWR, April1 1, SW. Flycatcher, Great Crested: Harris Co, April 12, FL: Martinez, April 4, RD; Dalton, April 17, AH; Atlanta-Candler Park, Mar. 15, VJ (Mar. 20, 1948).

Flycatcher, Willow\*: 3, Rabun Gap-Betty's Cr, May 18, FMc.

Pewee, Eastern: Atlanta-Chattahoochee R NRA, April 3, PR.

Swallow, Tree\*: 25-30, Murray Co-US Highway 76, HD; 1, Hiawassee, Mar. 6, pair, 2 mi from nest box, April 1; 1 returned to nest box used last summer, April 16, AG; Savannah R NWR, Jan. 6, SW; Sweetwater Cr SP, Mar. 31, PR.

Swallow, Bank\*: Columbus, Mar. 24, JShR; Sweetwater Cr SP, April 19, PB. Swallow, Rough-winged: Banks Co, Mar. 17, SC; Broxton, Mar. 19, SW, found two holes being dug in bank - one with nesting material, Sweetwater Cr SP, Mar. 10, D&PB.

Swallow, Barn: Columbus, Mar. 20, JSh; Banks Co, Mar. 17, SC; Conyers, Mar. 17, FM.

Swallow, Cliff\*: Atlanta-Chattahoochee R NWRA, April 17, Atlanta AS.

Martin, Purple: Columbus, Mar. 4, JSh; Murray Co-GA 225, Mar. 17, HD; Banks Co, Mar. 4, SC; Douglas Co, Mar. 6, D&PM.

Nuthatch, Brown-headed: 2, L Chatuge, April 6-nest with five eggs, BL.

Wren, House\*: L Seminole, April 16, SP; Waycross, Jan. 19 & 30, SW.

Wren, Bewick's\*: Whitefield Co, May 28-young fledged from nest in potted plant on porch of

Thrush, Wood: Harris Co, April 13, FL; Whitefield Co, April 10, K&JS.

Thrush, Swainson's: Dalton - yard, April 23, HD.

Thursh, Gray-cheeked\*: Dalton-yard, April 18, HD; Atlanta-Fernbank, April 17, GS. Veery\*: Dalton-yard, May 2, HD.

Gnatcatcher, Blue-gray\*: Columbus, April 1, B&DP; Chattahoochee NF-Atlanta RD-Work Center, April 6, HD; 2, L Chatuge, April 6, BL; 2, Savannah R NWR, Jan. 6, SW.

Pipit, Water: Augusta, Mar. 5, Augusta AS; good number, Clayton Co Water Treatment Plant, Feb. 21, PB.

Shrike, Loggerhead: 13, Waycross, Jan. 29, Okefenokee Bird Club.

Vireo, White-eyed: Columbus, April 9, B&DP; Dalton-yard, April 23, HD.

Vireo, Yellow-throated: Harris Co, April 2, FL; Whitfield Co, April 15, HW.

Vireo, Solitary: Sweetwater Cr SP, Feb 5, EM; L Chatuge, April 4, BL; Waycross, April 18, SW.

Vireo, Red-eyed: Dalton-yard, April 23, HD; Waycross, April 15, SW; Columbus, April 26, BLi.

Vireo, Philadelphia\*: Jekyll Is, May 12, SW.

Vireo, Warbling\*: Gainesville, April 30, JP.

### Warblers

Warbler, Black and White: Harris Co, Mar. 29, FL; Augusta-Merry Ponds, Mar. 15, CB; Rabun GaP-Betty's Cr. May 18, FMc.

Warbler, Prothonotary: Columbus, April 9, B&DP; Augusta, April 16, Augusta AS.

Warbler, Swainson's: Hollywood, May 23, FMc.

Warbler, Worm-eating: Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-Hickory Cr Trail-Cohutta Wilderness. April 27, HD; Harris Co, May 3, FL; Chattahoochee NF-Chatooga RD-Camp Yonah Rd, May

Warbler, Golden-winged\*: Dalton, April 26, AH.

Warbler, Blue-winged\*: Dalton-yard, April 18, AH.

Warbler, Tennessee: Dalton, April 26, AH.

Warbler, Northern Parula: Columbus, April 1, B&DP.

Warbler, Magnolia: Atlanta-Chattahoochee R NRA, April 27, PM.

Warbler, Cape May: Columbus, April 9, B&DP; Dalton, April 29, AH.

Warbler, Black-throated Blue: Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-Songbird MA, April 28, HD.

Warbler, Black-throated Green: Chattahoochee NF- Cohutta RD-Work Center, April 6, ND; m, Hiawassee, April 1, AG; Atlanta-Chattahoochee R NRA, April 2, TM.

Warbler, Blackburnian: Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-Work Center, April 19, HD.

Warbler, Yellow-throated: Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-Work Center, April 6, HD; L Chatuge, April 6, BL; Waycross, Jan. 12, SW.

Warbler, Chestnut-sided: Dalton-yard, April 18, AH.

Warbler, Blackpoll: Dalton, April 29, AH.

Warbler, Prairie: Columbus, April 9, B&DP; Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-Work Center, April 21, HD.

Ovenbird: Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-Peoples L, April 21, HD.

Waterthrush, Northern: Chattahoochee NF-Cohutta RD-Alaculsey Valley-April 24, HD.

Waterthrush, Louisiana: Harris Co, March 28, JSt; Augusta-Merry Ponds, Mar. 26, AW; Atlanta-Chattahoochee R NRA, Mar. 12, V&BM.

Warbler, Kentucky: Harris Co, April 12, FL; Dalton, April 26, AH. Warbler, Connecticut\*: 2, Atlanta-Chattahoochee R NRA, April 17, JG.

## **Member News**

Jean White and Ollie Munn were hospitalized a while back. We hope they are entirely recovered now.

Dr. Emil Urban returned in February from India where he participated in an international ornithology workshop: "Cranes and Man." He presented a paper, "Cranes of Africa - An Overview," in addition to acting as convener of one of the technical sessions. Keolades National Park is a birder's paradise, he stated. urban added 125 species of birds to his life list.

Bob and Lori Mutter saw several good species on a trip to Michigan and Wisconsin. Among the species seen were Oldsquaw and Northern Shrike.

Patrick Brisse saw several good species during a trip to the Virginia Tidewater area -Common and King Eiders and Purple Sandpipers included.

Mark Oberle traveled up Alaska way for several weeks.

Terry Johnson, Wildlife Biologist with the Department of Natural Resources, Game and Fish Division, was awarded the Georgia Wildlife Federations' Wildlife Conservationist of the Year award for his work in initiating the Acres for Wildlife Program. 466 tracts of private land, totaling 176,172 acres have been put into this program since its inception.

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