

## ANIMAL AND PLANT SIGHTINGS

Child carrying pussy willows in Sherwood, Apr. 23 (JDM, SS)

Eastern Chipmunk at Donagh feeder, Mar. 28 (JDM). A seal was seen rolling over and over rapidly in the water at the east end of the Hillsborough Bridge near Pier # 10 on April 25th. (JDM)

Partly red and black fox sitting on lawn on Mar. 30 & 31 (A&MW)

American smelt were in the creek to Doyle's Pond at Mount Stewart on April 30th (PS) and the spring peepers started calling in Donagh on May 3 (JDM).

Pied-billed Grebe - 1 feeding on fish at Dalvay Pond, April 25 (BB, SS)

Northern Gannet - 5 adults in open water off Dalvay, 3 sitting and 2 flying (JDM, BB, SS)

Great Cormorant - 1 at Oyster Bed Bridge on Mar. 25 (RP);

Cormorant - 1 sitting on ice at Wheatley River Bridge on Mar. 11 (BS)

Great Blue Heron - 1 at Tracadie Bay and 3 at Head of Hillsborough Apr. 5 (JtR); 2 at Winsloe North, Apr. 8 (G&FP)

Brant - 200+ at Brackley Beach along with 20 Canada Geese (RP)

Mallard - pair at Bellevue Cove, Mar. 14 (RC)

Northern Pintail - 1 at Ellen's Creek, Mar. 25 (RC)

Green-winged Teal - male and female at Covehead on Apr. 20 (RP)

Blue-winged Teal - 1 at Hatchery Pond in Southport on April 27 (WM)

Common Goldeneye - 50 at Oyster Bed Bridge, Mar. 25 (RP); 40 to 50 on West River at Beach Grove on Apr. 22 (A&MW);

Barrow's Goldeneye - 15 at Oyster Bed Bridge on Mar. 25 (RP)

Oldsquaw - 40 to 50 flying offshore at Brackley, Mar. 25 (SS, BB, JDM)

Common Eider - 1 at North River causeway, Apr. 17 (MK)

Red-breasted Merganser - 30 at Oyster Bed Bridge on Apr. 3 (RP); very common in mid to late April in tidal raceways at causeways and in estuaries as the ice thawed (JDM)

Northern Goshawk - 1 on April 17 (EC)

Sharp-shinned Hawk - 1 at Bellevue Cove feeder on Apr. 15 (SS)

Bald Eagle - 2 sitting on ice at Wheatley River Bridge, Mar. 11 (BS); 1 immature seen at Klondyke Road on Mar. 19 (WM); mature and immature feeding Mar. 20th on Hillsborough River ice (WM);

Northern Harrier - 4 were seen at Mount Herbert swooping and diving at each other on April 10 (JDM)

Hawk sp. - client reported 5 hawks flying in kettle formation on Apr. 6 to Brian Brown;

Osprey - 1 at North River, April 19 (EC)

Gyrfalcon - 1 making a dive pass at the Hillsborough Bridge in March (WM)

Peregrine Falcon - 1 at York, Apr. 12 (JtR);

Kestrel - 1 at Ebenezer on April 27 (EC)

Gray Partridge - 2 at Bellevue Cove, Apr. 20 (SS)

Killdeer - 1 heard calling overhead at Brackley (RP)

Common Snipe - 1 heard at Brackley very early in morning on Apr. 5 (RP); 1 at Cherry Valley on April 21 and 1 at Sleepy Hollow on April 25 (EC)

Glaucous Gull - 3 in Summerside, Mar. 23 (RC)

Iceland Gull - 25 or more at Ellen's Creek, Mar. 25 (RC); 10 plus at Charlottetown Harbour until late May (JDM)

Great Black-backed Gull - 1 on Pier # 10 at Hillsborough Bridge on Mar. 21; 1 on # 2, 2 on # 4, and 1 on # 5 at Hillsborough Bridge Apr. 2; 2 adults



Green-winged Teal Ducks

