
 INCIDENTAL BIRD RECORDS AT SW 9TH STREET IN NEWPORT, LINCOLN COUNTY

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A. INTRODUCTION

These observations were sporadically made at my home in 1975-1977 and 1982. In spite of their casual nature, this article gives some information about the seasonal status of species at this site.

B. STUDY AREA AND METHODS

Location: Township 11S, Range 11W, Section 8
 (Residence at 423 SW 9th Street)
 Area Studied: <0.1 acre (<0.04 ha)
 Habitat(s) Studied: Residential
 Elevation: about 135 ft (41 m)
 Distance to Coastline: 0.5 mi (0.8 km).

The study area was the backyard around a large, old two-story house. The backyard had two large camellia bushes up to about 10 ft (3 m) tall, some salal up to about 3 ft (1 m) tall along the south and east edge of the backyard, and Himalaya and evergreen blackberry bushes along the south edge of the backyard. There were no trees

D. TABLES

Table 1. Number of Observations and number of Taxa/Observation at 423 SW 9th Street in Newport. There was one Observation per day.

N=number of Observations/Month, SD=Standard Deviation, -=not applicable, MAX=maximum. Goose spp. was counted as one taxon.

Yr	Taxa/Observation.....											
	January.....			February.....			March.....			April.....		
	N	Mean	SD Range	N	Mean	SD Range	N	Mean	SD Range	N	Mean	SD Range
75	0	-	-	0	-	-	0	-	-	0	-	-
76	1	4	- 4	2	5.5	0.7 5-6	1	9	- 9	4	6.8	1.0 6-8
77	1	5	- 5	2	5.5	0.7 5-6	2	4.5	0.7 4-5	5	3.2	1.6 1-5
82	0	-	-	0	-	-	0	-	-	1	4	- 4

Yr	Taxa/Observation.....											
	June.....			July.....			August.....			September.....		
	N	Mean	SD Range	N	Mean	SD Range	N	Mean	SD Range	N	Mean	SD Range
75	0	-	-	0	-	-	1	2	- 2	2	3.0	1.4 2-4
76	0	-	-	0	-	-	1	2	- 2	3	3.7	0.6 3-4
77	0	-	-	0	-	-	0	-	-	0	-	-
82	2	2.0	0 2	1	3	- 3	1	2	- 2	0	-	-

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Yr	Taxa/Observation.....								Total Observations/ Year
	November.....				December.....				
	N	Mean	SD	Range	N	Mean	SD	Range	
75	2	4.5	0.7	4-5	3	4.7	0.6	4-5	11
76	1	3	-	3	1	6	-	6	17
77	0	-	-	-	0	-	-	-	10
82	0	-	-	-	0	-	-	-	7

Table 2. Total bird taxa recorded each month and year at 423 SW 9th Street in Newport. Goose spp. was counted as one taxon.

Codes:

Record=one bird taxon seen or heard during one Observation

Monthly Records (calculated from Table 1)=
(number of Observations) X (Mean Taxa/Obs.),
rounded to the nearest whole number

Total Records=sum of Monthly Records for each year

Total Taxa=total number of taxa recorded each year
Records/Taxon=Total Records for year divided by
the total number of taxa noted that year
Records/Obs.=Total Records for year divided by the
number of Observations that year from Table 1
.=zero (".") is used to enhance readability)
MAX=maximum
#Taxa=total number of taxa seen during all of
1975-1977 and 1982.

	Taxa/Month.....												Total Records@	Total Taxa	Records per... Taxon	Obs.
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec				
1975	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2	4	5	6	7	43	9	4.8	3.9
1976	4	6	9	9	5	.	.	2	6	2	3	6	84	14	6.0	4.9
1977	5	7	5	8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	41	11	3.7	4.1
1982	.	.	.	4	3	2	3	2	.	.	.	.	19	5	3.8	2.7
MAX	5	7	9	8	5	2	3	2	6	5	6	7	84	14	6.0	4.9
60% of MAX	3	4	5	5	3	1	2	1	4	3	4	4	50	8	-	-
yrs of 60%	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	3	2	1	1	2	1	3	-	-
#Taxa	6	10	9	11	7	2	3	3	7	5	7	9	-	17	-	-
MAX/#Taxa	0.8	0.7	1.0	0.7	0.7	1.0	1.0	0.7	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.8	-	0.8	-	-

@ The sum of Records=189.

Table 3. Number and regularity of terrestrial bird taxa at 423 SW 9th in four years with many records (1975-1977 and 1982). Geese spp. is not included because it is a waterbird. These data

are calculated from section E. No. Years Found=number of calendar years in which a taxon was recorded.

No. of Years Found	Terrestrial Birds	
	No. of Taxa	% of Total
1	4	25.0
2	5	31.2
3	3	18.8
4	4	25.0
Sum	16	100.0

E. SPECIES ACCOUNTS

E-1. FIRST AND LAST DATES

These are the first and last dates, respectively, that a species was recorded. Note that a species may have been present before a First or after a Last date. A First or Last date is only listed if there appears to be enough observations to somewhat accurately determine the date.

--not possible to assign a First or Last date because the bird species was present continually or erratically throughout the year, because observation effort may have been inadequate to determine the First or Last date reasonably accurately, or because the date was not recorded.

E-2. MONTHLY FREQUENCY

A=species recorded in the first part (1-15th) of a month.

Z=species recorded from the 16th to the end of a month.

?=species not recorded during a month, but the species' apparent absence may reflect inadequate observations, not the species' absence.

E-3. SPECIES ACCOUNTS

Taxon	Year	First	Last	Ja	Fb	Mr	Ap	My	Jn	Jl	Ag	Sp	Oc	Nv	De
goose spp.	1980	-	-	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	A.	?
goose spp.	1982	-	-	?	?	?	?	A.	?	?	?	?	?	?	?

On 11/1/1980 at 2130 PST, a flock was heard flying overhead to the south. On 5/5/1982, at 1150 PST, a flock of about 100 flew north, and, at 1155 PST, a second flock of about 100 flew north. Other flocks were sometimes heard flying overhead, but were not recorded. They were first identified as Canada Geese, but I was unfamiliar with the calls of White-fronted's and did not use a spotting scope to see if any were species other than Canada Geese.

Taxon	Year	First	Last	Ja	Fb	Mr	Ap	My	Jn	Jl	Ag	Sp	Oc	Nv	De
Downy Woodpecker	1982	07/05	07/05	?	?	?	?	?	?	A.	?	?	?	?	?

One was once in a camellia bush within 5 ft of the house.

Northern Flicker	1975	10/13	-	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	A.	?	.Z
Northern Flicker	1976	-	04/20	?	AZ	.Z	AZ	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	A.

Flickers were only regularly found in winter; none had yellow-shafts.

Steller's Jay	1976	-	-	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	A.
Steller's Jay	1977	-	-	A.	A.	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?

These jays were regularly present only in winter.

Taxon	Year	First	Last	Ja	Fb	Mr	Ap	My	Jn	Jl	Ag	Sp	Oc	Nv	De
Wrentit	1976	-	-	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	.Z	?	?	?

Wilson's Warbler	1976	-	-	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	A.	?	?	?
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Rufous-sided Towhee	1975	-	-	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	A.
Rufous-sided Towhee	1976	-	04/28	?	?	.Z	AZ	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Rufous-sided Towhee	1977	-	-	?	AZ	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?

Towhees were regularly present only in winter.

Taxon	Year	First	Last	Ja	Fb	Mr	Ap	My	Jn	Jl	Ag	Sp	Oc	Nv	De
Fox Sparrow	1976	-	-	?	?	.Z	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	A.
Fox Sparrow	1977	-	04/20	A.	AZ	AZ	AZ	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?

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Taxon	Year	First	Last	Ja	Fb	Mr	Ap	My	Jn	Jl	Ag	Sp	Oc	Nv	De
Song Sparrow	1975	08/16	-	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	.Z	.Z	AZ	AZ	A.
Song Sparrow	1976	-	05/19	?	AZ	.Z	AZ	AZ	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Song Sparrow	1977	-	-	?	?	AZ	A.	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Song Sparrow	1982	-	05/Z	?	?	?	.Z	AZ	?	?	?	?	?	?	?

Song Sparrows were looked for in the summer of 1982, but not found, so they apparently didn't nest at this site in at least 1982.

Taxon	Year	First	Last	Ja	Fb	Mr	Ap	My	Jn	Jl	Ag	Sp	Oc	Nv	De
Golden-crowned Sparrow	1975	11/08	11/08	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	A.	?
Golden-crowned Sparrow	1976	04/16	05/07	?	?	?	.Z	A.	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Golden-crowned Sparrow	1977	04/20	-	?	?	?	.Z	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Golden-crowned Sparrow	1982	04/Z	05/08	?	?	?	.Z	A.	?	?	?	?	?	?	?

Golden-crown's appeared to be mostly a spring migrant at this site.

White-crowned Sparrow	1975	09/19	-	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	.Z	AZ	A.	A.
White-crowned Sparrow	1976	09/16	04/20	A.	AZ	.Z	AZ	?	?	?	?	.Z	?	?	A.
White-crowned Sparrow	1977	-	04/25	A.	AZ	?	.Z	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?

They appeared to be only regularly present in winter.

Taxon	Year	First	Last	Ja	Fb	Mr	Ap	My	Jn	Jl	Ag	Sp	Oc	Nv	De
Dark-eyed Junco	1975	10/20	-	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	.Z	AZ	AZ
Dark-eyed Junco	1976	10/03	03/23	A.	AZ	.Z	?	?	?	?	?	?	A.	A.	A.
Dark-eyed Junco	1977	-	04/02	A.	AZ	AZ	A.	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?

On 2/29/1975, a male had some white feathers in the middle of its back.

Juncos were only regularly present in winter, but slate-colored's were never detected.

Red-winged Blackbird	1975	11/22	11/22	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	.Z	?
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An adult male and adult female was seen only once in the backyard.

Taxon	Year	First	Last	Ja	Fb	Mr	Ap	My	Jn	Jl	Ag	Sp	Oc	Nv	De
Brown-headed Cowbird	1976	04/28	-	?	?	?	.Z	AZ	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Brown-headed Cowbird	1977	04/25	-	?	?	?	.Z	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?

House Finch	1975	-	-	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	.Z	?	?	AZ
House Finch	1976	-	-	A.	A.	.Z	AZ	?	?	?	A.	AZ	?	A.	?
House Finch	1977	-	-	?	?	.Z	AZ	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
House Finch	1982	-	-	?	?	?	.Z	AZ	AZ	A.	.Z	?	?	?	?

On 6/3/1982, an adult with begging young was at the feeder. None that were yellow or orange were ever noted.

Taxon	Year	First	Last	Ja	Fb	Mr	Ap	My	Jn	Jl	Ag	Sp	Oc	Nv	De
Pine Siskin	1976	-	-	?	?	.Z	AZ	AZ	?	?	?	.Z	?	?	?
Pine Siskin	1977	-	-	?	.Z	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?

House Sparrow	1975	-	-	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	.Z	.Z	AZ	AZ	AZ
House Sparrow	1976	-	-	A.	AZ	.Z	AZ	AZ	?	?	A.	AZ	A.	A.	A.
House Sparrow	1977	-	-	A.	.Z	AZ	A.	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
House Sparrow	1982	-	-	?	?	?	.Z	?	AZ	A.	.Z	?	?	?	?

On 8/16/1975, an adult male and female was present at the feeder with young that begged from the adults. On 5/19/1976, an adult was with a fledgling at the feeder.

On 9/19 & 28/1975, about a dozen were at the feeder; this was more than usual.

There was enough incidental observations in summer to tell that House Sparrows were regularly present then as well as throughout the rest of the year.