



# Cape Cod Bird Club

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

*Richard D. Hall*

I hope I'm wrong about this, but it looks like there is something going on in this country which is about to alter the environmental landscape as we know it. After a quarter of a century of national bipartisan consensus on the need for stronger laws protecting air and water quality, wetlands and endangered species, the proponents of Speaker Gingrich's Contract with America are calling for a reexamination of our entire environmental structure.

Let me be candid about my bias. In the 1950's I grew up immersed in liberal politics. Civil Rights and the evils of McCarthyism, not to mention the enduring splendor of Ted Williams, were typical nightly dinner talk. I went everywhere with my father when he campaigned for Adlai Stevenson in 1952. Only six years old, I couldn't comprehend why we lost. Many elections later, I've never lost my fascination with the process.

So I will grant Mr. Gingrich his due. The federal government has become too bloated, out of touch, and intrusive. The Speaker calls himself a revolutionary, and clearly isn't afraid to think big thoughts. He has already raised the intellectual level of public dialogue, which is all to the good. But in his federalist zeal to return power to state and local authority, there is real danger that critical environmental safeguards will be destroyed. Ecosystems are not self-contained entities belonging only to local regulators. Can New Hampshire expect to protect its endangered northern boreal forests from the ravages of acid rain if it must rely upon regulators in Ohio who are beholden only to that state's rubber and steel industries? Or if New Hampshire decides to spur economic development by relaxing a manufacturer's discharge of chemicals into the Merrimac River, those very same discharges will wash up on Plum Island a few weeks later. Not long after, Gulf of Maine currents will push some of those pollutants into Cape Cod Bay.

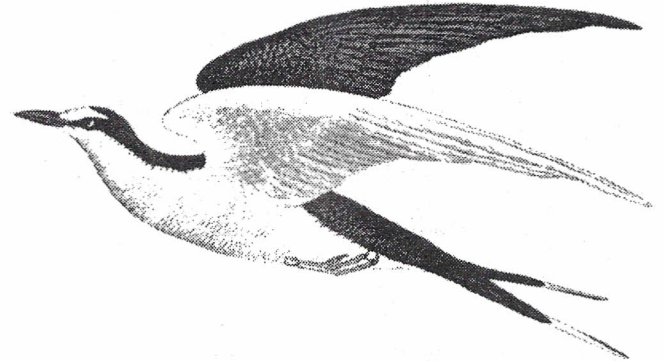
Do we really want to give our neighbors to the north that degree of control over the health of our beaches and estuaries? What sense does local control make in a case like this? If migrating shorebirds on their way to South America are poisoned, the effect isn't even regional; it is international. Can this be justified in the name of local control dressed up as a political theory? The trouble with great ideas is their tendency to bump up against nettlesome reality.

Our founding fathers, whom the Speaker is fond of quoting, well understood the notion of a national interest which took precedent over local ones. Otherwise, we would have started out as thirteen nations, not one. If ever there were a case to be made for strong and aggressive national policy, environmental protection would seem to be it. Mr. Gingrich needs to understand that this is not a partisan, or even an ideological issue. The nation's environmental legacy depends on this understanding. Isn't that an idea any true conservative should embrace?

## DISCOVERING A BRIDLED TERN

*Ned Handy*

Winter golf in Hyannisport earlier this year produced a Cape birder's hole-in-one. On January 16th, I found a dark-colored, dying Tern near the eighteenth green and parking lot. Unseasonably mild weather in the mid fifties continued for several days. January 15th was foggy with a nearly full moon, and January 14th produced



a fifty-five degree record high in Chatham. Low temperatures for the period were as high as the mid forties.

The tern, spotted first early in the morning, died shortly after it was found while arrangements were being made for its care at a Brewster wildlife rehabilitation center. Instead, it was stored in a freezer and later turned over to the Cape Cod Bird Club at the Museum of Natural History. At the conclusion of the Club's February meeting, Blair Nikula identified the specimen as an immature Bridled Tern. The bird now resides at Harvard University's Museum of Comparative Zoology in study skin form with another vagrant Bridled Tern which landed and died on a fishing boat on the Grand Banks in January 1891, more than 100 years ago.

Bridled Terns are a paratropical species breeding north to the Bahamas. According to Petersen and Veit's *Birds of Massachusetts* (1993), there are eleven recorded sightings of Bridled Terns for the state, five of them hurricane related, all of them in August or September, and all but one of them immature birds. But this is a first winter record for the Cape and Massachusetts: a true birder's hole-in-one.

## New Cape Wide Nature Hotline Established

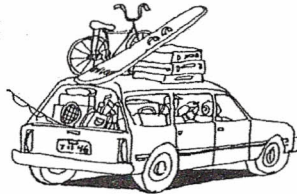
Mike O'Connor of the Birdwatcher's General Store in Orleans has generously underwritten a birding and nature hotline. This interactive phone line will advise callers of recent news and sightings, while enabling the caller to leave new information at the conclusion of the recorded message. The line will be managed by Jackie Sones at the Wellfleet Bay Wildlife Sanctuary. The number is 508-349- WING (9464), and it is up and running!

Jim Talin

## What We Do Outdoors

Golf is definitely a respectable game. It enjoys a privileged position in our society. There are golf courses in every town on Cape Cod, and some towns will have several courses. Even the President tries to play golf. But, if you've ever wondered how many people really play golf, a recent poll by the Roper Organization ranked the things that Americans really do outdoors. Here are the top fresh air pursuits and the percentage of people who have "participated in each activity last year":

1. Driving for pleasure-40%
2. Swimming-35%
3. Picknicking-33%
4. Fishing-26%
5. Bicycling on road-21%
6. Running/jogging-19%
7. (a tie) Hiking-18% and Wildlife viewing-18%
9. Tenting-16%
10. Photography-15%
11. Bird watching-14%
12. Backpacking/wilderness camping-13%
13. Golf-11%.



At the bottom of the list at #24 is Off-road vehicle driving-5%.

So, now you've heard it. Twice as many people go biking, nearly twice as many go hiking, and more go birding and wilderness camping than play golf. If our political priorities reflected the things people really do, there would clearly be fewer golf courses, and more hiking trails and camp sites being built. There would be less land tied up in golf courses and more land preserved as open space. Maybe politicians should pay heed, and next year on his vacation, the President should be seen hiking and bird watching, rather than playing golf.



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## Grassland Breeding Site Slated for Development

A group of conservation minded citizens in Westford Massachusetts has organized a statewide fund raising drive to save one of the largest Bobolink and Meadowlark nesting fields in the state. The property owner has town approval to build a one hundred and ten house subdivision on the site. The Westford Meadow Alliance is trying to collect enough pledges to convince town officials and voters to purchase the site through eminent domain taking. Support from outside the town will strengthen the Alliance's argument that preservation of the meadow is a matter of regional importance. Pledges will only be collected if the purchase actually goes through.

The Cape Cod Bird Club agrees that the plight of grassland species is very dire. Most people understand the ecological importance of wetlands, but this understanding seldom extends to hayfields and meadows which are disappearing from New England at an alarming rate due to economic pressures from land developers. On March 15th, I sent the following letter affirming the Club's support.

*The Cape Cod Bird Club wholeheartedly supports your effort to place this meadow in a public conservation trust and prevent it from becoming another suburban subdivision. This week the Club's Board of Directors voted unanimously to pledge \$250 to this campaign. In addition, individual members pledged another \$150, bringing the total to \$400. This is the largest pledge of this sort the Club has ever made, and is notable for the fact that it concerns an off Cape location 150 miles away. But we are doing so precisely because we believe every breeding site for declining species such as Bobolinks and Meadowlarks is of critical concern. We cannot afford to lose even one.*

*More than 75 years ago, in order to save several species imminently threatened with extinction at the turn of the century, the shooting of migratory birds was outlawed by international treaty. What a terrible irony it would be if we unwittingly allowed bulldozers to accomplish what market gunners and sportsmen have been forbidden to do all these years.*

The newsletter will follow this story as it unfolds.

## The Cape Cod Bird Club

is an organization whose members are interested in the protection and conservation of the bird life and natural resources of Cape Cod.

If you are interested in joining, please send a check for \$10 single membership, \$15 family membership to  
CCBC, Cape Cod Museum of Natural History,  
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# BIRD SIGHTINGS

Jackie Sones

## February / March 1995

**Eared Grebe.** First sighted in January 1995, this bird continued at Nauset Beach in Orleans through at least 11 February.

**Ducks.** One Blue-winged Teal was observed at Mill Pond on Maple Street in West Barnstable on 18 February by Mark Tuttle. Redheads were spotted in a few locations, the maximum count being three at Swan Pond in Yarmouth by Ellie Winslow, Jinks Keil, and Alice Northrop. Two Northern Shovelers were reported from the West Harwich Conservation Area on 21 March by Ken Hamilton.

**American Oystercatcher.** Two individuals were seen at Stage Harbor in Chatham on 26 March by Bob Prescott and various observers. Nine individuals were in the same location on 31 March.

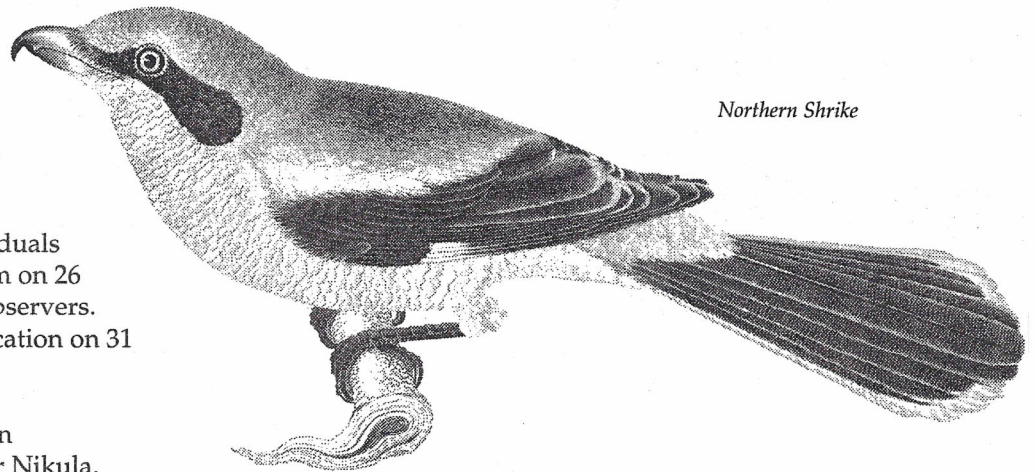
**Gulls.** Five Iceland Gulls were seen in Provincetown on 19 February by Blair Nikula. Blair and the Trimbles counted 30+ Black-legged Kittiwakes from Nauset Beach in Orleans on 11 February.

**Turkey Vulture.** Reports of Turkey Vultures started in mid-March and continued throughout the rest of the month. Many sightings were of one to three birds cruising over Route 6.

**Owls.** Two Snowy Owls were reported as follows: one on North Beach in Orleans on 12 March by Sue and Charlie Thompson; and one on Sandy Neck in Barnstable on 28 March by Ken Hamilton. The Thompsons were lucky enough to spot one Short-eared Owl as well on North Beach on 12 March. Northern Saw-whet Owls were heard at two locations during early March: North Pamet Road in Truro and the Wellfleet Bay Wildlife Sanctuary.

**Mountain Bluebird.** These three birds extended their stay near the Cape Cod National Seashore Headquarters Building in South Wellfleet until at least 16 March.

**Northern Shrike.** Shrikes continued to be well-reported during February and March. They were seen in at least four locations, including Hatches Harbor in Provincetown, Fort Hill in Eastham, and the Wellfleet Bay Wildlife Sanctuary. The last sighting was near the Marconi Site in South Wellfleet on 25 March by Art King.



Northern Shrike

**Bohemian Waxwing.** One individual was seen among a flock of Cedar Waxwings in Eastham on 14 March by Ken Hamilton.

**Warblers.** One Orange-crowned Warbler was spotted in Harwich Port on 3 February by Blair Nikula. Art King observed two Pine Warblers at his feeders in Brewster throughout the month of March.

**Sparrows.** Two Fox Sparrows were seen during March: one in East Orleans by Tish Noyes and one (heard singing) near the Marstons Mills Airport on 25 March by Stouffer Miller. A maximum count of 13 Chipping Sparrows was reported from Brewster on 27 March by Art King.

*Many thanks to everyone who submitted reports! Please call Jackie Sones or Blair Nikula at 508-432-6348 with any future sightings.*

## OFFICIAL CLUB HEADGEAR

Baseball caps bearing the CCBC name and logo are available for purchase through the club. The cotton twill caps come in blue, green, white, and brown. These caps will be on sale at the regular monthly meetings, or you may order one from Richard Hall (945-4822). The price is \$14 for one or \$25 for two with all profits accruing to the Club treasury.

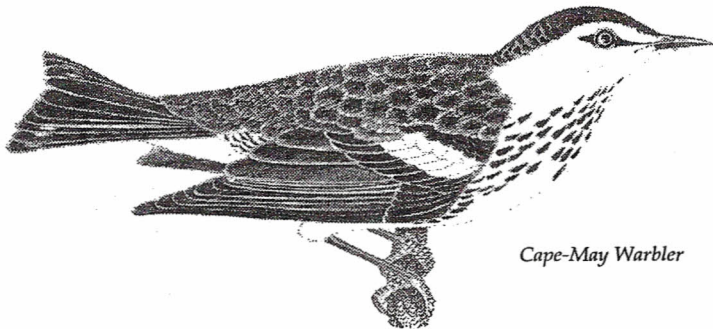
## HELP WANTED

Peter Trimble needs the help of birders who are good at identifying local breeding birds by sound. His 8th grade students from Forestdale do a Breeding Bird Survey in the Maple Swamp in East Sandwich, If you can help, get in touch with Peter at 477-3847.

Jackie Sones

## AN INTRODUCTION TO WARBLERS

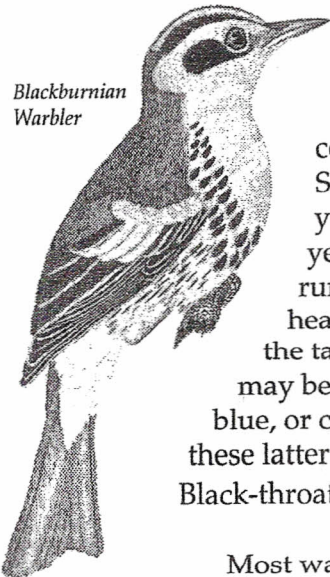
*Tsip... flash...tsip, tsip... flash of yellow...tsip.* And so goes the month of May looking for warblers in the Beech Forest! Birders often have a love/hate relationship with warblers. Considered to be among the most beautiful of birds, warblers are known for the high frustration levels they produce. What is a warbler? Why are they so challenging? How do you approach learning more about them?



Cape-May Warbler

Warblers are small chickadee-sized songbirds. Their small, thin, pointed bills are great for gleaning insects from the underside of a leaf or extracting insects from a bark crevice. Warblers are very active, flitting from leaf to leaf, branch to branch, hardly ever pausing.

Blackburnian Warbler



The color yellow is common among warblers. Sometimes the entire body is yellow, and, at other times, yellow is confined to the rump, a patch on top of the head, or feathers underneath the tail. With the yellow there may be black, white, gray, green, blue, or chestnut. In a few species, these latter colors stand alone (e.g., Black-throated Blue Warbler).

Most warblers occur on Cape Cod as migrants, primarily during May and September. A total of 39 species have been recorded, about 25 are observed annually, and 12 are considered breeding species. To find warblers in the spring, visit the Beech Forest in Provincetown, the Wellfleet Bay Wildlife Sanctuary, or Dennis Pond in Yarmouth. In the fall, try Morris Island in Chatham.

## Warbler Watching Tips

1. Practice patience.
2. Spend as much time as possible in the field, especially during May and September between 6:30 & 10:30 AM.
3. Listen carefully.
4. Try to distinguish non-leaf-like movement.
5. Keep your eyes on the bird; follow it among the branches and from tree to tree.
6. Study the field guide before and after your walk.
7. Practice finding and following small objects with your binoculars (try chickadees!).
8. Join Cape Cod Bird Club walks during May.
9. Bring a muffin.
10. Don't give up!

## RESEARCH

Carol Scott

Things you find when browsing through the index of an old bird guide.  
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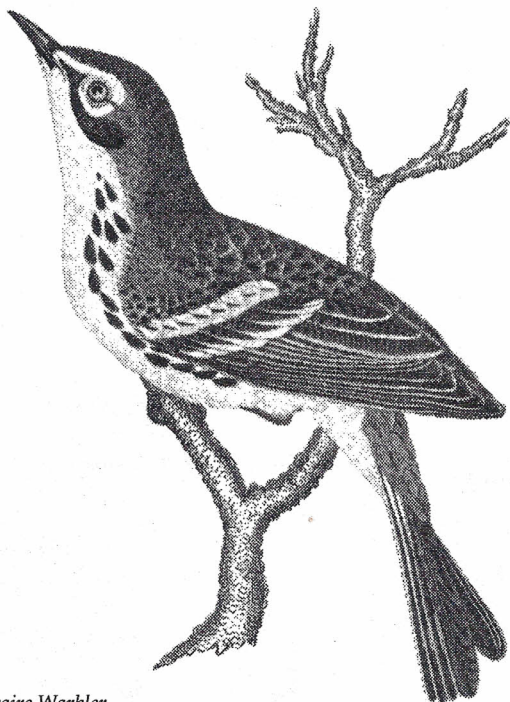
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Good-god. See Pileated Woodpecker, 40.

## SEA CALL FARM

*Tish Noyes*

If you haven't yet visited Sea Call Farm, you are missing a real treat. Located on Tonset Road in Orleans and overlooking Town Cove, it is a bird watcher's delight. There are trails along the periphery of the property as well as a wonderful picnic area on top of a hill with spectacular views of the cove. It's a great place to pack a dinner and bring the family for a summer evening picnic. As yet undiscovered by seasonal visitors, it remains a quiet place, even in summer. The Community



*Prairie Warbler*

Garden at the farm has plots available to Orleans residents on a first come - first served basis. The farm house at the top of the hill is being renovated for use for public functions and for living space for a caretaker. Work is in progress, but is moving slowly due to a lack of funds. If you would like to become a supporter of Sea Call Farm, please call Jim Snow at 255-7718 after 6 pm. You can help this project with as little as \$10 per year.

By the time that you read this article, four bird feeders should be in place and in use at the Farm. The feeders, along with 100 pounds of bird food each month, were donated by Mike O'Connor of The Birdwatcher's General Store in Orleans. We thank him for his generosity. Help is needed however to keep the feeders filled.

Anyone interested in "Feeder Duty" can give me a call at 255-9810.

## A PROSPEROUS PARTNERSHIP

*Carol Scott*

I'm married to a Birder who accuses me of staying home and making compost. So, I guess I'm really a gardener who likes to Bird. It's a nice combination-I'm a pretty good spotter, and my Birder is a great identifier.

I've nestled the veggie garden close along the sliders in the sun-room, mostly because it faces dead south and gets the most wind protection that close to the house. I never figured on the advantages that placement would bring. In early spring I can sip my morning coffee in my nightie and delight in the new seedlings peeking at me in the morning light. Out of the corner of my eye I can see if one of the cats is rolling on the warm earth of the garden and chase him before any damage is done. On a rainy afternoon I can just stand there and almost quench my own thirst watching the tomatoes perk and seem to drink and grow as I watch. A lot of gardening satisfaction is just looking, isn't it?

One day when I found a fat, green ugly, tomato worm, I popped him into an empty tuna can and ran to find my two year old grandson and show him this particularly yukky specimen. I left the can in the garden, and when we both ran back just minutes later, the can was empty, the worm was gone. We couldn't find it anyplace. I figured if he was really making tracks, he'd only be about two inches out of that can. No such luck. He mysteriously disappeared.

Several days later while reading in the sun-room, my peripheral vision picked up movement in the garden. I looked up to see a Blue Jay in the tomatoes tugging on a fat green tomato Hornworm with all his might. It was a bit of a struggle-the worm was hanging on with all of his might. The Jay prevailed, however, and I applauded--mystery solved! What a great partnership-this Jay and I against the Hornworms! The tomatoes were great that year, and the Jays were incredibly efficient.

That was six years ago. I waited 'til Hornworm season the following year, confident that the partnership would resume. Sure enough, one day there was action in the tomatoes, but this time, to my surprise, the entire scene was being recreated by a male Cardinal. The tugging and yanking. The victory, the feast! I took delight in watching the Cardinals, almost daily, hopping high and low through the tomato plants. There is something so right in the fact they are red! Another year, another successful partnership, another successful crop. And every year it is so; but always the Cardinals, the Jays have not returned.

More interesting, even, is that with all the sharing we do with gardening friends and birding friends, I have yet to hear of or read about this wonderful partnership of bird and woman and tomatoes!

## BIRDING CYBERIA

*Fahy Bygate*

Weather got all the birds hunkered down? Try birding in the most exotic place of all: Cyberia. For a birder with a computer all things are possible. Well, maybe not ALL THINGS, but a wonderful choice of bird study tools, birder chatter, rare bird alerts, and more is available at the click of a cyberrodent.

Start by subscribing, as I do, to an interactive service like Prodigy, and join the Birder's Bulletin Board. I pay a reasonable fee each month, and with the aid of a modem in my computer, I can sit at the terminal and type incredibly fascinating notes to birders all over the country. Within a day or two I can read the reply from the woman in California who watched her bird feeders slip into oblivion on the day after the Los Angeles earthquake. I talk to people in Virginia during the spring migration and tell them to shoo a few Black-throated Blue Warblers my way. We post monthly reports on the bird life in our part of the world, compare Christmas Bird Counts, and share squirrel horror stories. In addition, my subscription to Prodigy allows me to have electronic mail. I sit at the computer, type in a quick note to my friends in Britain, arrange a birding trip to Arizona with them in March, push two buttons, and for 4 cents I send it to London. I receive their reply by the end of the next day. Compared to "snail mail", E-Mail is quick, cheap and convenient.

Once you have accomplished all of the above, you should be feeling really brave: time to surf the Internet. If your goal is to get on the Net, receive daily updates to birding hot lines around the country, maybe send a note or two yourself and get off-line, it's easy. Traveling around the Net, doing research, and visiting outer cyberspace is another story. Talk to an expert. I belong to something called Bird East. Nearly every day I receive reports of all the birding hot lines from Nova Scotia to Georgia. For those who are already connected to the Internet and wish to receive these hot lines, send an E-Mail message exactly like this:

Send the message to:

LISTSERV@ARIZVMI.BITNET. The message should read: SUBSCRIBE BIRDEAST FAHY BYGATE. (Insert your name where my name is. There is no period or dot after the name.) Within a few days you will receive information on how the service works. There are probably a million other ways to bird in Cyberia. This is just the beginning; so plug in the old computer, fire up the modem and get your feet wet....surf's up!!

## LOST IN CYBERSPACE

*Jim Talin*

### ANOTHER VIEW OF BIRDING ON-LINE

Webheads, netheads, surfing the net, cyberspace, plug in, turn on, and then what? Drop out. I subscribe to Birdeast, and today when I went on-line, I had bird listings from 32 groups. Do I need to know that "Yesterday at the E.L. Huie Land Application Facility (sewage treatment plant) in Clayton County south of Atlanta Georgia the Greater White-fronted Goose seen on April 1 was not relocated?" On the Internet, I subscribe to a birding forum on the Usenet where this day's topics for discussion include: Quaker Parrots/Monk Parrots Birding by Species Birding by State, Canada Goose population Pheasants Bluebird Attraction Northern Lapwing Common Loons First Trip to Texas Birding in Illinois/ Cook Count Domesticated Ducks Raptors Telescopes Robins in February in Virginia Hummingbirds in February Wisconsin Birding horses jumpers and hack California Birders Unite, Purple Martins Falconry psittacines ... Wait a minute. Hold on. Enough. Do I need to pay \$10 a month for this?



It's time to add some new terms to the debate, like information overload, like road kill on the Information Super Highway, like mouse potatoes who spend hours chasing electronic birds on computers. It is also time to crack the front door, open and listen to the White-throated Sparrows singing their spring song.

## PROGRAMS/ MEETINGS

Ruth Connaughton

On Monday evening **May 8** at 7:45 pm at the Museum of Natural History on Route 6A in Brewster, Alfred and Joy Viola will present a program entitled **Antarctica: The World's Last Great Wilderness**. Alfred and Joy Viola are naturalists, photographers, and leaders of natural history tours, as well as members of the staff of Northeastern University. They have spent their summers traveling across America and a host of foreign lands in photographic pursuit of nature's treasures. They will share the story of their 1995 trip to see the raw, pristine beauty of the Antarctic Seas and continent, the Falkland Islands, the South Georgia and South Orkney Islands.

### Florida Bald Eagle Fund

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Bessie Tirrell would like all Club members to send her their canceled U. S. commemorative and foreign postage stamps. These will then be turned over to the fund to raise money to continue its pioneering work in Bald Eagle conservation. The stamps should be trimmed in their attached state and mailed to Bessie at the Club's regular mailing address.

### Tern and Plover Wardens Seek Summer Housing

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Club member Laura Gill, Volunteer Coordinator for Mass Audubon's Coastal Waterbird Program, is searching for bird enthusiasts who are willing to donate a room and kitchen privileges to out-of-state volunteer tern and plover wardens (a minimum of one month is preferred). If you would like to help, please call Laura at 508-362-7660.

### Membership Lists Now Available

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A Club Directory is available to members. It is for their personal use only and may be purchased for one dollar at the monthly meeting. For mail orders send \$1.50 to the Club, attention Sue Thompson, Secretary.

### New Members

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Since our last newsletter, the following people have joined the Cape Cod Bird Club: **Karen Wilson & Paul Cavanaugh** of Falmouth; **Dr. Charles Erickson** of South Dennis; **Jules Paradis** of South Dennis; **Dr. Stanley & Susan Mueller** of Dennis; **Julie O'Neil** of Cambridge; **Rod Hindman** of Harwich; **Mark Tyszka** of Hartford, CT; **Elizabeth Ivins** of Centerville; **Ann & Alan Hastings** of Mashpee; **William & Alice Stanton** of Orleans; **Donald & Vivian Baker** of Centerville; **Lee Baldwin** of Harwichport; **Robert & Shirley Bourque** of Rochester; **Barbara & James Chase** of North Chatham; **Sally Foran** of Brockton.

## FIELD TRIPS

Jinks Keil

### May

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Wednesday, **May 3rd**. Falmouth. 8:00 am. Meet behind Town Hall, Falmouth Center. Mary Ropes, 548-6068.

Friday, **May 5th**. Sandwich. 8:00 am. Ryder Conservation Area. Take Route 28 North (west, really!) to the stop light at the intersection of Route 130 in Cotuit. Turn right on 130. Continue to where 130 bears left, and Cotuit Rd bears right. Turn onto Cotuit Rd, and watch for Ryder on the left. The distance from Route 28 is 2.7 miles. Frank Caruso, 477-9807.

Sunday, **May 7th**. Eastham, Fort Hill. 7:00 am. Meet in the lower parking lot. Art King, 255-8919.

Wednesday, **May 10th**. Blair Nikula's Evening Walk. Harwich. 5:30 pm. Meet on Bell's Neck Rd, Harwich Conservation Area. Bring a picnic if you'd like. Blair Nikula. 432-6348.

Sunday, **May 14th**. Orleans, Sea Call Farm. 8:00 am. Farm is on Tonset Rd. Parking is at lot on Farm. Jim Talin, 896-7169.

Thursday, **May 18th**. Beech Forest, Provincetown. 8:00 am. Meet in the parking lot. Bessie Tirrell. 432-9248

Monday, **May 22nd**. Howland Lane, Sandwich. 7:00 am. Park at Michael's Restaurant on 6A in Sandwich across from Sandy Neck Rd. Bob Pease, 790-1351.

### June

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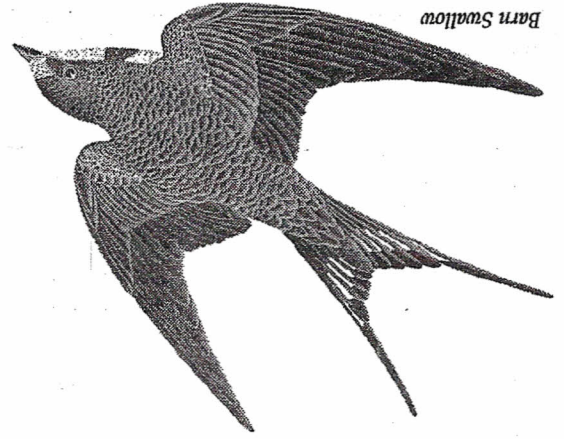
Wednesday, **June 7th**. Falmouth. 8:00 am. Meet behind Town Hall, Falmouth Center. Mary Ropes, 548-6068.

Thursday, **June 8th**. Dennis Pond and Conservation Area, Yarmouthport. 8:00 am. Take Summer St. off 6A (at the blinking light). Continue on past railroad tracks, and park at edge of pond. Mark Tuttle, 362-3015.

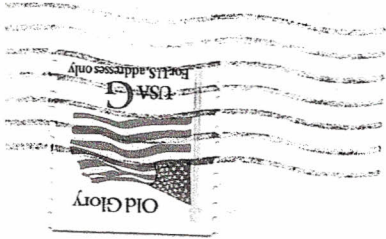
Saturday **June 10th**. Mid-Cape Breeding Bird Census. Details will be available at the May meeting. Peter Trimble, 477-3847.

Friday, **June 16th**. Eastham, Fort Hill. 8:00 am. Meet in the lower parking lot. Bessie Tirrell, 432-9248.

Barn Swallow



Frank Caruso  
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## Nominating Committee Report

This is the proposed slate of Directors to be voted on at the May 8th meeting.

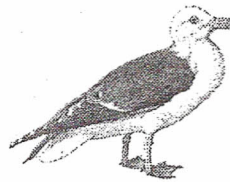
### Officers for 1995-96

Richard Hall - *President*  
Don Scott - *Vice President*  
Mark Tuttle - *Treasurer*  
Sue Thompson - *Secretary*

### New Board Members

*Director for 2 Year Terms*  
Dick Koeppan  
*Director for 3 Year Terms*  
Janet Silverio  
Margo Fitch

*Nominating Chairperson for 1996  
will be Mary Chesnut.*



## Summer Walks

Thursday, July 13th. Eastham, Fort Hill. 8:00 am. Meet in the lower parking lot. Bessie Tirrell, 432-9248.

Thursday, August 17th. Eastham, Fort Hill. 8:00 am. Meet in the lower parking lot. Bessie Tirrell, 432-9248.

## Beech Forest

There will be a leader from the Bird Club at the Beech Forest every Saturday and Sunday during May. Meet at the parking lot at 8:00 am.