

Dear Christmas Count Participant,

Although all individuals were rathered dis-satisfied with the number of species that they saw this time, the totals for the area compared well with other years. This year's total was 34 species and 5811 birds. Previous counts were:

1957: 34 species, 13,052 birds 1958: 25 species, 3,079 birds 1959: 33 species, 2,653 birds

Mainly through increased feeding station coverage 21 species were recorded in larger numbers than on the other three counts. The very large number of birds for 1957 was caused by the great concentration of gulls (11,617) that year, compared to 3,345 this year.

Number of species seen on some other provincial counts this year were: Fredericton, 28; St. Andrews, 33;

Lepreau, 29; and Sackville, 19.

Common Loon and Ruffed Grouse were species seen on all three previous counts but missed this year, while Bufflehead, Sparrow Hawk, Black-headed Gull, Gray Jay, Chipping Sparrow, and Fox Sparrow were seen for the first time on this count.

Noteworthy reports were:

Sparrow Hawk, Rockwood Park, Florence & Lillian Christie

Black-headed Gull, Courtenay Bay, D. Christie Ruby-crowned Kinglet, Rothesay, Mrs. Anglin & Mrs. Simon

4 Chipping Sparrows, Ingleside, Mrs. McKinney Fox Sparrow, Lancaster, Mane Hazen. s The last three of these species were seen at feeder

The following listing of the count is not official. The official report will be listed in the Feb. issue of Nature News. If anyone has seen any species (during the count period, Dec.21 to Jan. 2) which is not listed here please notify Mr. Squires at the N.B. Museum.

Thanks for your co-operation.

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Record highs for Saint John count are underlined.

SINT JOHN, N.B. (Rothesay almost to Spruce Lake, Wood-man's Pt. to Red Head) -- Dec.26; 6:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m Overcast, dark; temp. 22° to 42°; wind S, 0-20 m.p.h.; 3" of snow on ground; much snow on trees, melting made woods very wet. 8 observers in 7 parties plus 18 feeding station reports. Total party-hours, $38\frac{1}{2}(33\frac{1}{2})$ on foot 5 by car); total party-miles, 102(30 on foot, 72 by car

Black Duck, 251; Common Goldeneye, 14; Bufflehead, 1; Common Merganser, 1; Sparrow Hawk, 1; Gray Partridge 3; Glaucous Gull, 1; Iceland Gull, 4; Grt. Blk-backed Gull, 527; Herring Gull, 2812; Blk-headed Gull, 1; Rock Dove(Pigeon), 75; Hairy Wdpkr., 9; Downy Wdpke., 23; Gray Jay, 2; Blue Jay, 28; Com. Raven, 71; Com. Crow, 157; Blk-capped Chickadee, 188; Boreal Chickadee, 8; White-br. Nuthatch, 4; Brown Creeper, 2; Robin, 2(ties '57 & '59 highs); Golden-cr. Kinglet, 28; Ruby-crowned Kinglet, 1(ties '59 high); Starling, 1041; House Sp., 452; Slate-col. Junco, 6; Tree Sparrow, 25; Chipping Sparrow, 4; White-thr. Sp., 2; Fox Sparrow, 1; Song Sp., 4; Snow Bunting, 60. Total, 34 species, about 5811 individuals.

Mobile Observers: D. Christie, Miss F.Christie, Miss L. Christie, R.E. Forrester, Miss J. Hazen, Miss M. MacCoubrey, S. MacFarlane, M. Watters.

Feeding sta. reporters: Mrs.G.G.Anglin, Mrs.C.H. Brock, F.Brock, Mrs.C.H.Cameron, Mrs.E.F.Coffin, Mrs. J.A.Gillies, Mrs.A.R.Goucher, Mrs.H.M.Hamm, Miss Hayes, Mrs.W.G.Henderson, Mrs.A.Lee-White, Mrs.W.R. Mathers, Mrs. A.R. Marr, Mrs. J.E. McKinney, Miss B. Miles, Mrs. I.L. Sear, Mrs. W.J. Simon, Mrs. W.L.Smith.

Saint John Christmas Count, 1960

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1	Mrs. C.H. Brock	Rothesay	VI	7-7115
	Fred Brock	Rothesay	VI	7-8305
	Mrs. C.H. Cameron	Ingleside	RE	8-8328
#	David Christie	Kingshurst	VI	7-7356
#	Miss Florence Christie	Ottawa, Ont.	(OX	3-4630)
#	Miss Lillian Christie	Spruce St., Saint John	OX	3-4630
	Mrs. E.F. Coffin	Rothesay	VI	7-8220
#	Roy E. Forrester	Park Ave., East SJ	OX	2-0441
	Mrs. J.A. Gillies	East Riverside	VI	7-8373
	Mrs. A.R. Goucher	East Riverside	VI	7-7177
	Mrs H.M. Hamm	Renforth	VI	7-7380
	Miss Lois Hayes	South Bay		
#	Miss Jane Hazen	Seawood Lane, Lanc.	OX	4-3176
-	Mrs. W.G. Henderson	Rothesay	VI	7-7290
	Mrs. A. Lee-White	Rothesay	VI	7-7367
#	Miss Mabelle MacCoubrey	East Saint John	OX	3-6554
#	Stuart MacFarlane	Belmont	RE	8-8469
	Mrs. W.R. Mathers	Rothesay	VI	7-7654
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	Mrs. J.E. McKinney	Ingleside	RE	8-8368
	Miss Barbara Miles	Rothesay Decribing	VI	7-7414
	Mrs. I.L. Sear	East Riverside	VI	7-7351
	Mrs. W.J. Simon	Rothesay	VI	7-7297
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