

2003 CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT - NEW BRUNSWICK

Saint John

Sky & precipitation: heavy cloud, no precipitation

Ground & water conditions: running water including major rivers mostly open, ponds mostly frozen

Date: December 27, 2003; 8:00 a.m. to 4:40 p.m.

Temp.: avg -3 ° to 0°C; wind direction: NNW, 20 - 40 km/h.

Total participants: (43 field observers in 19 field parties, plus 20 persons at 17 feeders).

Total party-hours 99, (37 on foot, 62 by car); Total party-km, (84 on foot, 607 by car).

One hour owling pre-dawn

691

Compiler: Ken MacIntosh

1..... Red-throated Loon  
3..... Common Loon  
1.... Great Cormorant  
Cp Great Blue Heron  
10... Canada Goose  
616.. American Black Duck  
225.. Mallard  
120 . Greater Scaup  
2..... Surf Scoter  
1..... Oldsquaw  
167.. Bufflehead  
149.. Common Goldeneye  
4..... Barrow's Goldeneye  
5..... Hooded Merganser  
25... Common Merganser  
46.... Red-breasted Merganser  
41.... Bald Eagle  
Northern Harrier  
shinned Hawk  
Hawk  
red Hawk

cp..... Snowy Owl  
1..... Barred Owl  
13.... Downy Woodpecker  
11.... Hairy Woodpecker  
1..... Northern Flicker  
Cp Pileated Woodpecker  
3..... Northern Shrike  
8..... Gray Jay  
46.... Blue Jay  
575... American Crow  
41.... Common Raven  
6..... Horned Lark  
518.. Black-capped Chickadee  
2..... Boreal Chickadee  
23.... Red-breasted Nuthatch  
8..... White-breasted Nuthatch  
Cp Brown Creeper  
9..... Golden-crowned Kinglet  
Cp Hermit Thrush (visiting feeder mid-December)  
3..... American Robin  
1..... Northern Mockingbird  
1215. European Starling  
1..... Eastern (Rufous-sided) Towhee (faithful at feeder) 1  
103... Am. Tree Sparrow  
3..... Fox Sparrow  
10.... Song Sparrow  
42.... White-throated Sparrow  
59.... Dark-eyed (Sl-col.) Junco  
1..... Snow Bunting



7..... Northern Cardinal  
2..... Red-winged Blackbird  
2..... Common Grackle  
27.... Pine Grosbeak  
12.... Purple Finch  
102.. House Finch  
14.... White-winged Crossbill  
778... Common Redpoll  
25..... Pine Siskin  
295.. American Goldfinch  
6..... Evening Grosbeak  
41..... House Sparrow

1 Double-crested Cormorant  
4 ABDUxMALL hybrid  
3 Gadwall  
2 American Wigeon  
40 Green-winged Teal  
2 Lesser Scaup

1 Peregrine Falcon  
19 Bobwhite – released locally from captivity (Hank Deichmann)  
9 fresh Ruffed Grouse tracks in addition to 7 reported above  
1 Wilson's Snipe (Eileen and Rose-Alma)  
1 Red-bellied Woodpecker – faithful at feeder several previous weeks  
3 Chipping Sparrow – reported to over-winter regularly at D. Johnston feeder – distinguishing features (reddish cap, lack of spot on breast) reported by observer  
1 Savannah Sparrow (Jim Wilson)  
1 Bullock's Oriole – imm female reported by Denise Johnston, rare bird report to be submitted by observer  
1 Baltimore Oriole – in Golden Grove area (Mike Bamford)

Seen in area in count period but not on count day: (noted "cp" above)

Totals: 8768 individuals of 76 species on count day plus 8 additional species during count period. ~~8764~~ 8721 9

COMPILER'S ADDRESS: 220 King St. E., Saint John, NB, E2L 1H3 Telephone: 693-6799

PARTICIPANTS – see attached

#### PERCENTAGE OF PARTY-HOURS SPENT IN MAJOR HABITAT TYPES

forest 10%

thickets/cutovers 5%

fields/grassland 5%

(not drained) 10%

5%

5%

l al shore 20%

al area 5%



2003 Saint John count participants  
feeder counters in italics

Mike Bamford, Anne Bardou, Richard Blacquiere, *Ethel Bosence*, *Helen Brown*, *Ian Cameron*, David Christie, David Clark, Stephen, Barbara, Miles and Meredith Clayden, Sandra Cooper, Hank, Joanne, Thor and Kirsten Deichmann, Ella Donovan, Nick Doucette, *Jeannie Finn-Allen*, Ngaire Nelson, Jim Evans, Cheryl Gass, Allen and Janet Gorham, *Kit and Marg Graham*, Rory Grant, Holly Haines, Juliet Hickman, Kelly Honeyman, *Denise Johnston*, *Frank Kelly*, Ken MacIntosh, Dave MacPherson, Don McAlpine, Eunice McElwaine, *Doreen McIntosh*, Rose-Alma Mallet, *Anne Marsden*, *Ross and Willa Mavis*, John Moffatt, Rick Peacock, Joan Pearce, Eileen Pike, *Susan Pitrie*, Daniel Potter, Paul Potter, *Elizabeth Prescott*, *Mary Richard*, *Marion Sherwood*, *Dave Smith*, Don Smith, *Evan Smith*, Ian Stead, David Tatton, Karen Thompson, *Belle Watkins*, Frank Withers, Mitzi Withers, Jim Wilson