

**FIFTH REPORT OF THE
WASHINGTON BIRD RECORDS COMMITTEE**

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The Washington Bird Records Committee (WBRC) met three times (8 April 2000, 1 April 2001, and 10 November 2001) since the publication of its previous report (Aanerud and Mattocks 2000). During these meetings the Committee examined 147 reports of 64 review species. Of these, 135 records of 60 species were accepted, and 12 reports of 12 species were not accepted. The 92% acceptance rate is similar to the results of previous meetings (Aanerud and Mattocks 2000). Several changes to the state check-list were the consequence of these meetings and included the addition of Arctic Loon, Wedge-tailed Shearwater, Red-faced Cormorant, White Ibis, Eurasian Kestrel, Little Curlew, Lesser Black-backed Gull, Whiskered Auklet, Eurasian Collared-Dove, Broad-tailed Hummingbird and Mourning Warbler to the state list.

Our most recent report (Aanerud and Mattocks 2000) included a description of the Committee's changes in review criteria. In brief, we stated that "the review list will consist of all species for which there are no more than 20 reliable, documented records for the ten-year period 1990-1999" (Aanerud and Mattocks 2000:8). This review list will not be altered for the next ten years (until 2009) at which time the "20 records" rule will apply to the years 2000-2009. The exception would be any first state records during the ten-year period that are automatically added to the review list.

PROCEDURES AND CONVENTIONS

Procedures for evaluating reports have remained largely unchanged since the formation of the WBRC (Tweit and Paulson 1994). The Committee reviews written descriptions, photographs, videotapes, tape recordings, or specimens to make determinations about the likely validity of reported observations. For the purposes of the Committee's work, and for use in this document, information submitted to the WBRC to support an observation is considered a "report." A "record" is a report that has been accepted by the WBRC. The phylogenetic sequence and nomenclature used below are based on the American Ornithologists' Union check-list of North American birds (AOU 1998). Committee members who voted on the reports described below were: Kevin Aanerud, Bob Boekelheide, Phil Mattocks, Steve Mlodinow, Dennis Paulson, Andy Stepniewski, Bob Sundstrom, and Bill Tweit. The WBRC welcomes reports of review species; the list of review species is indicated (in italics) on the fifth check-list of Washington birds (WBRC 2000). All reports of review

species should be submitted to Washington Bird Records Committee, c/o Phil Mattocks, 5421 Hanson Rd., Ellensburg, Washington, 98926.

Records supported by photographs or videotape are indicated in the text with a "plus sign" (+) next to the initials of the relevant contributor. Contributor's initials are associated with all accepted records, but have been removed from unaccepted reports. A list of contributors is found near the end of this document. To save space, the names of counties associated with reports and records have been abbreviated as follows: AD (Adams), AS (Asotin), BE (Benton), CH (Chelan), CL (Clallam), CK (Clark), CO (Cowlitz), FE (Ferry), FR (Franklin), GT (Grant), GH (Grays Harbor), IS (Island), JE (Jefferson), KG (King), KP (Kitsap), KT (Kittitas), KL (Klickitat), LE (Lewis), OK (Okanogan), PA (Pacific), PO (Pend Oreille), PI (Pierce), SJ (San Juan), SG (Skagit), SM (Skamania), SN (Snohomish), SP (Spokane), ST (Stevens), TH (Thurston), WW (Walla Walla), WC (Whatcom), and YA (Yakima).

ACCEPTED RECORDS

Arctic Loon (*Gavia arctica*) - The first record for the state was a bird in basic plumage seen and described by many observers at Priest Rapids Lake, YA and GT, on 17 Jan - 15 Apr 2000 (KBr, MDe, DGr, RLa, H & JMa, + SMI, ASt, BWo; ARLO-00-1). This is the only interior North American record south of Alaska. Another was at Edmonds, SN, on 29 Jan - 4 Feb 2001 (DBe, AKn; ARLO-01-1). The written descriptions for both records noted all of the useful field marks, separating this species from Pacific Loon (*Gavia pacifica*).

Shy Albatross (*Thalassarche cauta*) - One off Westport, GH, at 46°54' N, 124° 54' W on 22 Jan 2000 (+JPo, BTw; SHAL-00-1), was well photographed and represents the second state record. The status and subspecific identity of North American Shy Albatross records was reviewed by Cole (2000), who suggested that the January 2000 bird in Washington was *T. c. cauta*, as opposed to Washington's first record, which was a specimen of *T. c. steadi*. This distinction is particularly important as several recent authors (e.g. Robertson and Nunn 1998) have suggested that the current Shy Albatross species actually represents several species.

Short-tailed Albatross (*Phoebastria albatrus*) - An all-dark plumaged immature was seen off Westport, GH, at 46° 54' N, 124° 52' W on 27 Jan 2001 (BLa, BTw; STAL-01-1). A subadult was recorded from the Edmonds-to-Kingston Ferry run, SN, on 27 Apr 1997 (DDu; STAL-97-1). The occurrence of any species of albatross in Puget Sound waters should be considered a most unusual event, but despite the rare status of the species, it is perhaps the most likely of the albatrosses to wander near shore. Reports from the nineteenth and early twentieth century indicate that this species may have previously occurred on Washington's interior marine waters before the early to mid-twentieth century population crash (Jewett et al. 1953). There are eight Washington records.

Mottled Petrel (*Pterodroma inexpectata*) - At least ten were reported



Shy Albatross - off Westport (GH), 22 January 2000 (photo by Ryan Shaw)



Shy Albatross - off Westport (GH), 22 January 2000 (photo by Ryan Shaw)

from the Point Brown jetty at Ocean Shores, GH, on 26 Nov 2000 (AKn; MOPE-00-1). There are five records for the state.

Wedge-tailed Shearwater (*Puffinus pacificus*) - A dead bird (a male, specimen UWBM 63735 at the Burke Museum, University of Washington) was collected from Ocean City, GH, on 10 Sep 1999 (WTSH-99-1). This was the first record for Washington. There are only six other North American records north of Mexico (ABA 2002).

Manx Shearwater (*Puffinus puffinus*) - A bird was seen on the Keystone-to-Port Townsend Ferry run, IS, on 3 Jun 99 (GLa, BSu; MASH-99-1). Three birds were reported off Westport, GH, on 10 Jul 1999 (+ MDo, BLA; MASH-99-2). A live bird found in a parking lot in Hoquiam, GH, on 9 Apr 2000 (MASH-00-1) was being rehabilitated by Progressive Animal Welfare Society (PAWS) in Lynwood where it was correctly identified and videotaped (SMI). One was seen from the Point Brown jetty at Ocean Shores, GH, on 13 May 2000 (KAa, PCo; MASH-00-2). Another was three miles west of Kalaloch, JE, on 22 Jun 2000 (GMi; MASH-00-3). One was off Westport, GH, (46° 48.9' N, 124° 55.4' W) on 23 Jun 2000 (MFO; MASH-00-4). Another record, that may have represented a single bird seen on two dates, was from the Point Brown jetty, GH, on 9 Jul 2000, and at Damon Point on 22 Jul 2000 (+SMI; MASH-00-5). A bird was seen from a ferry five miles off Port Angeles, CL, on 22 Jul 2000 (PLe; MASH-00-6). The seventeenth state record was a bird reported two to three miles off Westport, GH, on 24 Mar 2001 (SMI, BTw; MASH-01-1).

Wilson's Storm-Petrel (*Oceanites oceanicus*) - The second state record was observed 30 miles off Westport, GH, on 6 Sep 2001 (RSh, CWr; WISP-01-1).

Red-faced Cormorant (*Phalacrocorax urile*) - An adult in alternate plumage was seen off the mouth of the Elwha River, CL, on 8 May 1999 (SMI, SPi; RFCO-99-1). A full account of this record is found in Mlodinow and Pink (2000). This is the first record for Washington and the contiguous United States.

Snowy Egret (*Egretta thula*) - Seven reports were accepted: one at Rock Island, FR, on 5 Jun 1999 (SA; SNEG-99-1); one at Sequim, CL, on 25 Jun 1999 (BSu; SNEG-99-2); one near Osoyoos State Park, OK, on 9 Jun 2000 (RFo; SNEG-00-1); one at Potholes (Columbia National Wildlife Refuge), GT, on 17 Jun 2000 (RFo; SNEG-00-2); one along Highway 28, GT, on 13 Jul 2000 (CEa; SNEG-00-3); one at the Walla Walla River mouth, WW, on 9 May 2001 (BTw; SNEG-01-1); and a bird photographed near Everett, SN, on 7 Jul 2001 (+BLf, +Nlf; SNEG-01-2). The Committee has accepted twenty-five reports of this species.

White Ibis (*Eudocimus albus*) - A sub-adult, first observed near Bay Center, PA, on 30 Dec 2000 (CHa, TRi; WHIB-00-1), was the first state record of this species. Subsequently, the bird was found near Menlo, PA, and seen by many observers 8-21 Jan 2001 (+RSu). This bird may have been the same sub-adult White Ibis that provided Oregon's first record 15-16 Nov 2000 at Newport Reservoir, Lincoln County (Mlodinow and Tweit 2001). A photograph of the ibis seen in Washington was published in



White Ibis - Bay Center (PA), 30 December 2000 (photo by Ruth Sullivan)

WOSNews 72:1 (2001).

White-faced Ibis (*Plegadis chihi*) - The Committee made a pragmatic decision to deviate from its own rules regarding reports submitted for the White-faced Ibis. This species barely qualified for "review" status in the fifth edition of the check-list (WBRC 2000), based partly on the premise that a single record would include a flock of forty individuals (Aanerud and Mattocks 2000). With large numbers occurring again in Washington in 2000 and 2001, it became clear that the species would not be on the review list after 2009. The time and effort required to collect documentation and review each report was determined to be unnecessary and beyond the scope of the Committee's responsibility. Details provided by Tweit and Flores (in press), articles in *WOSNews* (67:1, 6 [2000] and 76:1, 6 [2002]), and reports published in *North American Birds* provide a more than adequate record and perspective of this species' occurrence in Washington. Conversely, insufficient documentation might mean that the WBRC's records of White-faced Ibis could under-represent the species' numbers in Washington, leading to a false conclusion that the species is rarely reported.

Emperor Goose (*Chen canagica*) - A first-winter bird was seen at Willapa Bay, PA, on 2 Apr 1999 (MPa; EMGO-99-1). A bird seen and videotaped at Port Angeles, CL, on 15 Dec 2000 (+SMI; EMGO-00-1) was still at the same location in July 2002. These are the first two reports accepted by the Committee since the species was added to the review list in 1999.

Tufted Duck (*Aythya fuligula*) - Four reports of this species were accepted by the Committee: a male was at Bingen, KL, on 19 Nov 2000 (CHa; TUDU-00-1); a female was videotaped at Everett, SN, on 6 Dec 2000 (+SMI; TUDU-00-2); a female was also seen at Bingen, KL, on 20 Feb 2001 (TLo; TUDU-01-1); and a male was reported from Tradition Lake, Issaquah, KG, on 24 Feb 2001 (CHa; TUDU-01-2). The Tufted Duck was added to the review list in 1999.

Red-shouldered Hawk (*Buteo lineatus*) - One was described from Steigerwald Lake, CK, on 4 Sep 1999 (WCa; RSHA-99-1). A record comes from the usual locality at Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge, CK, on 2 Dec 1999 (TAv; RSHA-99-2). Two birds in immature plumage were at Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge, CK, on 28 Nov 2000 - 18 Jan 2001 (TAv, HGi; RSHA-00-2). Single birds in immature plumage were at Spencer Island, SN, from 1 Nov 2000 - 21 Mar 2001 (+SMI; RSHA-00-1), at Nisqually National Wildlife Refuge, TH, on 17-26 Dec 2000 (BSh, +RSu; RSHA-00-3), and on Brady Loop Road, GH, on 8 Feb 2001 (+RSu; RSHA-01-1). Fifteen reports have now been accepted.

Broad-winged Hawk (*Buteo platypterus*) - The first record to be photographed was at Chelan Ridge, CH, on 14 Sep 1999 (+DHu; BWHA-99-1). The photograph was published in *WOSNews* 66:1 (2000). An immature was seen in Spokane, SP, on 18 Sep 1999 (JAc; BWHA-99-2). A spring migrant was observed soaring over Stanwood, SN, on 11 Apr 2000 (DBe; BWHA-00-1). Another was seen near Joyce, CL, on 4 Jun 2001 (DBe; BWHA-01-1). This species has, in recent years, been noted annually in small numbers as a fall migrant (*WOSNews* 66:1, 4[2000]). There are nine records.

Eurasian Kestrel (*Falco tinnunculus*) - The first state record was a bird in immature plumage captured, banded, photographed, and released on the



Red-shouldered Hawk - Brady Loop Road (GH), 22 July 2001 (photo by Ruth Sullivan)

Samish Flats, SG, and seen by many observers between 31 Oct - 7 Nov 2000 (+BAn, DEu, +SHa, BNe, SMI; EUKE-00-1). It was the second record from western North America south of Alaska and the fifteenth North American record (ABA 2002). A photograph was published in *WOSNews* 64:1 (2000).

Mountain Plover (*Charadrius montanus*) - The third record was at Fort Canby State Park, PA, on 22 Dec 1999 - 26 Jan 2000 (GFr, CHa, EHu, +SMI, +RSu; MOPE-99-1).

Eurasian Dotterel (*Charadrius morinellus*) - One was at Ocean Shores, GH, on 20 Oct - 5 Nov 1999 (+TAv, DEu, CHa, MHu, BNe, +RRg, +RSu; EUDO-99-1). Photographs and a companion article of this third state record were published in *WOSNews* 64:1, 4 (2000).

Upland Sandpiper (*Bartramia longicauda*) - At a surprising locality was a record from Montlake Fill, Seattle, KG, on 18 Aug 1998 (TAv; UPSA-98-1). Another was seen near Ephrata, GT, on 28 May 2000 (LMo, MMo; UPSA-00-1) in bunchgrass habitat. Five reports have been accepted by the Committee since Upland Sandpiper was added to the review list (Tweit and Skriletz 1996).



Broad-winged Hawk - Chelan Ridge (CH), 14 September 1999 (photo by Dan Harrington)



Mountain Plover - Fort Canby State Park (PA), 26 December 2000 (photo by Ruth Sullivan)



Eurasian Dotterel - Ocean Shores (GH), 22 October 1999 (photo by Ruth Sullivan)

Little Curlew (*Numenius minutus*) - The first state record was at Leadbetter Point, PA, on 6 May 2001 (SML, RSh; LICU-01-1); see Mlodinow (2002a) for details of this sighting. This was the sixth North American record (ABA 2002).

Bristle-thighed Curlew (*Numenius tahitiensis*) - Two birds were seen on Tatoosh Island, CL, 13-15 May 1998 (TWO, BPa; BTCU-98-5). The wing of one of the birds was subsequently salvaged from a Peregrine Falcon (*Falco peregrinus*) kill and is now in the Burke Museum, University of Washington (UWBM 59322). This sixth record is one of multiple sightings that occurred that spring (Aanerud and Mattocks 2000).

Hudsonian Godwit (*Limosa haemastica*) - Two reports were accepted: one at the Walla Walla River delta, WW, on 1 Sep 1997 (ASt; HUGO-97-1), and one at Tokeland, PA, on 24-28 Sep 1999 (RRm, RSh; HUGO-99-1). There are now fourteen records.

Bar-tailed Godwit (*Limosa lapponica*) - Two adults were at Tokeland, PA, on 1 Aug 1999 (SML; BTGO-99-1). Another was also at Tokeland, PA, on 14 Jul 2000 (PLe; BTGO-00-1) and accompanied by a second bird on 22 Jul 2000 (+SML; BTGO-00-2). Three birds were seen and videotaped at Tokeland, PA, on 1-12 Sep 2000 (+SML; BTGO-00-3). Twenty-three reports have been accepted. Half of the records are from Tokeland where this species is being seen almost annually every late summer or fall in recent years. It is difficult to ascertain exactly how many individual Bar-tailed Godwits stop to join the large flock of Long-billed Curlews (*Numenius americanus*), Whimbrels (*N. phaeopus*), and Marbled Godwits (*Limosa fedoa*) that gather

at Tokeland.

Buff-breasted Sandpiper (*Tryngites subruficollis*) - Two juveniles were at Ocean Shores, GH, on 4 Sep 2001 (RLa; BBSA-01-1). This report is the first to be reviewed and accepted since the Committee added this species to the review list in 1999 (Aanerud and Mattocks 2000). The Committee decided to not review reports of Buff-breasted Sandpipers from the period prior to 1999.

Iceland Gull (*Larus glaucooides*) - The eighth record was an injured adult at Tacoma, PI, on 8-25 Jan 2000 (BLa, +RSu; ICGU-00-1). Photographs were published in *WOSNews* 67:7 (2000).

Lesser Black-backed Gull (*Larus fuscus*) - The first state record was found at the Walla Walla River delta, WW, on 6 Feb - 3 Mar 2000 (+MDe; LBBG-00-1). A second record was seen at two localities - as in the year before, at the Walla Walla River delta, WW, on 29 Dec 2000 - 12 Feb 2001 and at Groves Park, BE, on 8 Jan 2001 (BW0; LBBG-01-1). Most likely this is the same bird returning to winter again in the region. The expansion of this species' range in North America was reviewed by Post and Lewis (1995).

Slaty-backed Gull (*Larus schistisagus*) - The fifth state record was at Tacoma, PI, on 7 Nov 1999 - 6 Feb 2000 (+MD0; SBGU-99-1), and based on plumage descriptions was likely a different bird than the two records from that locality in previous years.

Red-legged Kittiwake (*Rissa brevirostris*) - One report was accepted of an immature seen near shore off the west end of Neah Bay, CL, on 28 Jun - 5 Jul 1999 (TWO; RLKI-99-1). There are five records for the state.

Long-billed Murrelet (*Brachyramphus perdix*) - An alternate-plumaged bird was near the Elwha River mouth, CL, on 16 Aug 1995 (MNI; LBMU-95-2). Two birds were seen together at Ocean Shores, GH, on 6 Aug 1999 (BSH, TSh; LBMU-99-1). There are four state records, all since 1993 (see Skriletz 1996). The occurrence of this Siberian species in North America was reviewed in Mlodinow (1997).



Lesser Black-backed Gull - Walla Walla (WW), 7 February 2000 (photo by Mike Denny)



Slaty-backed Gull - Tacoma (PI), 7 November 1999 (photo by Michael Donahue)

Xantus's Murrelet (*Synthliboramphus hypoleucus*) - Two were photographed off Westport, GH, (124° 58' W) on 14 Aug 1999 (BTw; XAMU-99-1); both were the more northern subspecies, *S. h. scrippsi*. Another was off Westport, GH, (124° 52' W) on 26 Aug 2000 (BTw; XAMU-00-1). This species was added to the review list in 1997 (Aanerud and Mattocks 1997). This species may occur more frequently in Washington waters than our records indicate; both *S. h. scrippsi* and *S. h. hypoleucus* have been reported. These records are the third and fourth for the state, respectively.

Parakeet Auklet (*Aethia psittacula*) - A Parakeet Auklet was seen off Westport, GH, (46° 52' N, 124° 52' W) on 24 Apr 1999 (BTw; PAAU-99-2). This represents the eleventh state record, though several older, likely valid, records exist (Jewett et al. 1953).

Whiskered Auklet (*Aethia pygmaea*) - The first state record was observed at Penn Cove, IS, on 16-17 May 1999 (DDu, SMI, KKk, GTo, RTTo; WHAU-99-1). This record was the first in North America south of Alaska (see Mlodinow and Duffy 2000).

Horned Puffin (*Fratercula corniculata*) - One was off Dungeness Spit, CL, on 21 Aug 2000 (ESi; HOPU-00-1). It is the fifteenth record.

Eurasian Collared-Dove (*Streptopelia decaocto*) - The first state record was in Spokane, SP, on 2 Jan 2000 (MHo; EUCCO-00-1). The description, which included contrasting darker primaries and undertail coverts, separates this species from Ringed Turtle-Dove (*Streptopelia risoria*) and, with reasonable certainty, any hybrids between the two species. The species is rapidly expanding its range in North America (Romagosa and McEneaney

1999).

White-winged Dove (*Zenaida asiatica*) - Four reports were accepted: one from Cypress Island, IS, on 19 Jul 1997 (KSe; WWDO-97-1); a bird seen near Redmond, KG, on 19 May 1999 (JMe; WWDO-99-1); another on 8 Oct 1999 at Tokeland, PA (IMc, IPo, DWa; WWDO-99-2); and one photographed on Tatoosh Island, CL, on 12 Jun 2000 (+TWO; WWDO-00-1). The first state record was collected in 1907 (Tweit and Skriletz, 1996). This species is undergoing a substantial range expansion in the United States with a concurrent increase in vagrancy.

Northern Hawk Owl (*Surnia ulula*) - A record comes from the southwest corner of Stevens County on 16 Oct 1999 (RRn; NHOW-99-1). A bird was banded and photographed at Chelan Ridge, CH, on 13 Oct 2000 (+BAN; NHOW-00-1). Another was seen a day later on Snow Peak, FE (BFo; NHOW-00-2). One was near Colville, ST, on 16 Oct 1999 (MBr, KKk; NHOW-00-3). Only the second record from west of the Cascades was near Custer, WC, on 30 Dec 2000 - 24 Feb 2001 (+SMI; NHOW-00-4). Fourteen reports have been accepted.

Costa's Hummingbird (*Calypte costae*) - The second state record visited a feeder at Richmond Beach, KG, on 27 Apr - 10 May 2000 (SMI; COHU-00-1).

Broad-tailed Hummingbird (*Selasphorus platycercus*) - The first state record was a female seen at a feeder near Asotin, AS, on 26-28 Aug 2000 (CVa; BTHU-00-1). This species regularly occurs in Idaho very nearby and its appearance in Washington has been expected.

Eastern Phoebe (*Sayornis phoebe*) - Three reports were accepted: one in Washtucna, AD, on 27 May 2000 (DBe; EAPH-00-1); a singing bird at Lake Ozette, CL, on 3 Jun 2000 (SGr; EAPH-00-2); and another seen by many at Leavenworth, CH, on 24 May - 26 Jun 2001 (MDe, +SMI, MRo; EAPH-01-1). Five reports have now been accepted.

Vermilion Flycatcher (*Pyrocephalus rubinus*) - The third state record was an adult female seen on Fir Island, SG, on 23 Oct - 10 Nov 1999 (SMI, RKu, +DMc; VEFL-99-1).

Tropical Kingbird (*Tyrannus melancholicus*) - One of the three Tropical/Couch's Kingbirds seen at Ocean Shores, GH, on 21-26 Oct 2000 (TAv, RSh, WSm; TRKI-00-1) was heard calling, assuring its identity as this species. There are five state records.

Tropical/Couch's Kingbird (*Tyrannus couchii*) - Two of the three Kingbirds at Ocean Shores, GH, on 26 Oct 2000 (TAv; TCKI-00-2) were accepted as a record in this category as vocalizations were not heard. Another was at Tokeland, PA, on 10 Nov 2000 (BSh; TCKI-00-2), representing the seventh accepted report.



Vermilion Flycatcher - Fir Island (SG), 3 November 1999 (photo by Dick McNeely)

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher (*Poliophtila caerulea*) - A record comes from Redmond, KG, between 21-25 Oct 1999 (KGI, MHO, SMI; BGGN-99-1). Another was at Point No Point, KP, on 10-11 Nov 1999 (TAV, MRO; BGGN-99-2). The sixth state record was seen in Hood Park, WW, on 23 Sep 2000 (MDE; BGGN-00-1).

Brown Thrasher (*Toxostoma rufum*) - The fourth record for the state was at the Wahluke Slope Wildlife Recreation Area, GT, on 10 Sep 1999 (KAA, SMI; BRTH-99-1).

Yellow Wagtail (*Motacilla flava*) - The second state record was at Ocean Shores, GH, on 14 Sep 2000 (RSI; YLWA-00-1). The occurrence of this species in North America was summarized in Heindel (1999).

Black-backed Wagtail (*Motacilla lugens*) - One was seen on a private dock on the west side of Lake Sammamish, KG, on 26 Nov 2000 (MBA; BBWA-00-1). There are four records of this species.

Tennessee Warbler (*Vermivora peregrina*) - The Committee accepted three reports: one at the Skagit Wildlife Management Area, SG, on 7 Sep 1997 (SAT; TEWA-97-1); one at Washtucna, AD, on 24 Apr 1999 (DRO; TEWA-99-1); and one at Graysmarsh, CL, on 1 Sep 2000 (SAT; TEWA-99-2). There are twelve state records.

Northern Parula (*Parula americana*) - An adult male was seen at Vantage, KT, on 1 Sep 2000 (KAA; NOPA-00-1). The ninth state record was another male seen and heard at Lake Ozette, CL, on 2 Jun - 3 Jul 2001 (BBO, GHU; NOPA-01-1).

Chestnut-sided Warbler (*Dendroica pensylvanica*) - Four reports were accepted. A male was photographed from Rattlesnake Mountain, BE, on 27 Jun 1998 (+CCO; CSWA-98-3). Another was photographed near Nile, YA, on 3 Jul 1999 (+MRU; CSWA-99-1). Single birds in immature plumage were seen at College Place, WW, on 19-22 Oct 2000 (+MDE; CSWA-00-1), and at Seattle, KG, on 19 Sep 2001 (KAA; CSWA-01-1). There are now fifteen records.

Black-and-white Warbler (*Mniotilta varia*) - A male was at Rattlesnake Mountain, BE, on 3 May 1998 (+BLF, +NLF; BAWA-98-3). A late fall migrant was at Two Rivers County Park, BE, on 26 Nov - 4 Dec 1999 (GHU, DRO; BAWA-99-1). A third report was accepted from Hooper, AD, on 14 May 2001 (BFI; BAWA-01-1). The state has twenty-three records.

Prothonotary Warbler (*Protonotaria citrea*) - The first state record was from Richland, BE, on 6 - 9 Sep 1970 (fide BWO;



Chestnut-sided Warbler - College Place (WW), 21 October 2000 (photo by Mike Denny)

PRWA-70-1). The documentation of this record is in a few frames of eight mm film. The species was included in the original "Checklist of Washington Birds" (Feltner et al. 1989) as an unexamined record. This record was first published in *American Birds* 25 (1): 83 (1971).

Ovenbird (*Seiurus auro-capillus*) - A bird was on territory near Packwood, LE, on 15 Jun - 1 Jul 2000 (KKn, +PSu, +FFi [vocal recording]; OVEN-00-1). Another was at Vancouver, CK, on 15 Jun 2001 (JJo; OVEN-01-1). A specimen (Slater Museum, University of Puget Sound #23085) was collected when it hit a window at Rainier Beach, KG, on 17 Jun 2001 (fide DPA; OVEN-01-2). There are fifteen records for the state.

Mourning Warbler (*Oporornis philadelphia*) - A female was at Lyons Ferry State Park, FR, on 26 May 2000 (RSh, SMI, BTw; MOWA-00-1). This report was accepted on the merits of carefully noted fieldmarks by observers (see Mlodinow 2002b). This was the first record for the state.

Chestnut-collared Longspur (*Calcarius ornatus*) - The fifth state record was at Hoquiam, GH, on 27 Nov - 2 Dec 1999 (DLn, WSm, +RSu; CCLO-99-1). Photographs were published in *WOSNews* 66:14 (2000).

Rustic Bunting (*Emberiza rustica*) - The second record of this species was in Leavenworth, CH, on 9-23 Jan 1999 (SMI, +RSu; RUBU-99-1). An article with photographs was published in *WOSNews* 59:1, 5 (1999).

Rose-breasted Grosbeak (*Pheucticus ludovicianus*) - Seven reports were accepted by the Committee: at College Place, WW, on 9-12 Dec 1998 (MDE; RBGR-98-3); at Yakima, YA, on 25 May 1999 (+RRp; RBGR-99-1); at Seattle, KG, on 22-23 Jul 1999 (CCr; RBGR-99-2); at Spokane, SP, on 5 Jun 2000 (JAc; RBGR-00-1); at Anacortes, SG, on 19-23 Jul 2000 (+HHe; RBGR-00-2); at Marrowstone Island, JE, on 24 May 2001 (+PFI; RBGR-



Black-and-white Warbler - Rattlesnake Mountain (BE), 3 May 1998 (photo by Bill and Nancy LaFramboise)



Chestnut-collared Longspur - Hoquiam (GH), 28 November 1999 (photo by Ruth Sullivan)

01-1); and at Leavenworth, CH, on 23 Jun 2001 (MDe; RBGR-01-2). There are now twenty records.

Indigo Bunting (*Passerina cyanea*) - This species was well represented with five more reports accepted, all males: one at Tacoma, PI, on 10-11 May 2000 (DAd; INBU-00-1); one at Nordland, JE, on 18 May 2000 (NWy; INBU-00-2); one at Concrete, SG, on 7 Jun 2000 (+BBr; INBU-00-3); one at Washougal, SM, on 17 May 2001 (WCa; INBU-01-1); and one at Roy, PI, on 10 Jun 2001 (IH0; INBU-01-2). Eleven reports have been accepted.

Tricolored Blackbird (*Agelaius tricolor*) - A male was seen at Othello, AD, on 30 May 1999 (SMI, BTw; TRBL-99-1). Twenty-five adults were at the breeding colony at Wilson Creek, GT, on 8 Jun 2000 (TAv), and at least one male was still present on 2 Jul 2000 (SMI; TRBL-00-1). Two males were near Vancouver Lake, CK, on 25 Nov 2000 (+SMI; TRBL-00-2). Two males and one female were seen at Othello, AD, on 4-6 Apr 2001 (BNo, BSe; TRBL-01-1). At least 12 males in a flock of an estimated 35 birds were photographed at the Wilson Creek colony, AD, on 11-12 Apr 2001 (+PSu; TRBL-01-2). A male was seen from Hale Rd, KL, on 12 May 2001 (SJo; TRBL-01-3). There are eight records for the state including large numbers of birds at Wilson Creek. The species will remain on the review list at least until its residency in Washington is established.

Common Grackle (*Quiscalus quiscula*) - Four records were accepted: one in Richland, BE, on 21 May 1996 (+PPo; COGR-96-1); one in Kennewick, BE, on 25 Oct 1999 (DRo; COGR-99-1); a male at Walla Walla, WW, on 12 May 2001 (MDe; COGR-01-1); and a male at Two Rivers County Park, BE, on 8 Aug 2001 (DRo; COGR-01-2). There are seven records in all.

Great-tailed Grackle (*Quiscalus mexicanus*) - A male at Stanwood, SN, between 7 Jan and 10 Mar 2001 (+RCa, AKn, +SMI; GTGR-01-1) represented the second state record.

Hooded Oriole (*Icterus cucullatus*) - The third and fourth state records were the result of recent Committee actions. An adult male was at Joyce, CL, on 17-21 Jul 1999 (BNo; HOOR-99-1). Another adult male visited a feeder at Bothell, SN, on 13-16 May 2001 (BBe, +SMI, MRu; HOOR-01-1).

Baltimore Oriole (*Icterus galbula*) - The third state record was a male seen near Chelan, CH, on 31 May 2000 (VNe; BAOR-99-1).

Hoary Redpoll (*Carduelis hornemanni*) - A female was near Tonasket, OK, on 22 Dec 1999 (GGe, VNe; HORE-99-1). A male was seen at Winthrop, OK, on 30 Jan 2000 (KBr; HORE-00-1). There are six records of this species, which always presents challenging identification problems.

SUPPLEMENTARY LIST

Blue-headed Vireo (*Vireo solitarius*) - A single-person sight record was accepted from Palouse Falls State Park, FR, on 28 Aug 2000 (SMI; BHVI-00-1). This is the second state record. The previous record is on the Supplementary List (Aanerud and Mattocks 2000).

UNACCEPTED RECORDS

Red-faced Cormorant - A bird was reported from Seattle, KG, on 25 May 1983 (RFCO-83-1). The Committee felt that the observer was not able to note enough detail of the bird to accurately and sufficiently describe this species, especially when its degree of rarity was considered.

Red-shouldered Hawk - A report from Naselle, PA, on 21 May 2001 (RSHA-01-2) was of a hawk seen in flight only. The details of the observation were not convincing to most of the Committee members.

Broad-winged Hawk - The description of a bird seen at Salmo Pass, PO, on 26 Sep 1996 (BWHA-96-1) did not positively separate this species from other possible raptors.

Upland Sandpiper - A report from Goldendale, KL, on 12 May 2001, was not accepted (UPSA-01-1). The described habitat, "flat rocky shoreline" in "well-canopied riparian" on the Little Klickitat River, and its performing of ritual display, seemed unlikely for this species. Some Committee members felt the report more aptly described a Spotted Sandpiper (*Actitis macularia*).

Kittlitz's Murrelet (*Brachyramphus brevirostris*) - A report from San Juan Island, SJ, on 3 Aug 1998 (KIMU-98-1), was not accepted. The details of a pair in alternate plumage were inconclusive.

Xantus's Murrelet - The description of a bird seen from Edmonds Pier, SN, on 19 Aug 1998 (XAMU-98-1), suggests at least the possibility that it could have been a juvenile Common Murre (*Uria aalge*), and therefore the record was not accepted by most Committee members.

Crested Auklet (*Arthia cristatella*) - Three alternate-plumaged Crested Auklets were reported from a ferry off the San Juan Islands, SJ, in early Sep 1989 (CRAU-89-1). The described details of the observation were insufficient.

Yellow-billed Cuckoo (*Coccyzus americanus*) - The description of a bird seen in Mountlake Terrace, SN, on 11 Jul 2000 (TBCU-00-1), does suggest this species. However, the sighting occurred while the observer was driving and therefore the bird was seen briefly and only in flight. The Committee felt the report was not sufficient enough in detail to warrant acceptance.

Tennessee Warbler - A report from Two Rivers County Park, BE, on 23 Aug 1998 (TEWA-98-2), was not accepted because the Committee felt that similar species, particularly the Warbling Vireo (*Vireo gilvus*), had not been eliminated as possibilities.

Black-and-white Warbler - A bird, heard only, was reported from Trout Lake, KL, on 31 May 2000 (BAWA-00-1). The Committee felt that the description of the song was not conclusive evidence.

Tricolored Blackbird - A photograph of an adult male from Marlin, GT, taken on 11 Apr 2001 (TRBL-01-4), was not accepted. Diagnostic features were not clear enough to separate with certainty from Red-winged Blackbird.

Lawrence's Goldfinch (*Carduelis lawrencei*) - A report from a back yard in Benton City, BE, on 22 May 2000 (LAGO-00-1), was not accepted.

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