

TASL News April 2001



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SUMMARY TOTALS FOR BOSTON HARBOR TASL COUNT, 11 MARCH 2001

Species	Nahant	Winthrop	Boston	Squantum	Hough's Neck	Weymouth	Hull	Totals
R-t Loon		5		3	1	1		10
Com Loon	3	14	2	4	1	2	7	33
Hor Grebe	36	36	30	48	11	7	15	183
R-n Grebe	14	11		2			6	33
Gr Corm	1	4	4				1	10
D-c Corm			9	2			1	12
corm				2				2
G B Heron				1				1
M Swan	3		1		2	8		14
Brant	2186	111	248	523	34	830	305	4237
Ca Goose	91	115	184	214	76	106	94	880
G-w Teal		3	1					4
Am Bl Duck	142	168	164	321	88	183	60	1126
Mallard	43	91	6	5	7	86	55	293
Gadwall					2			2
Gr Scaup	64	227	6	600		12	40	949
Com Eider	905	3845	189	1490	1268	597	767	9061
Oldsquaw		1		57			3	61
Bl Scoter				2				2
Su Scoter	30	80	6	23	2	4	21	166
W-w Scoter	76	664	26	40	31		7	844
Co Goldeneye	104	139	106	449	261	81	102	1242
Ba Goldeneye		1					1	2
Bufflehead	308	237	128	362	116	221	167	1539
Ho Merganser			2	1	2	6		11
Co Merganser			1					1
R-b Merganser	132	317	331	238	55	117	148	1338
Ru Duck		1						1
T Vulture					1			1
No Harrier		1				1		2
Coop Hawk				1				1
unid accip					1			1
R-t Hawk				3				3
Am Kestrel		1						1
Killdeer	1		2	1			1	5
B-h Gull		1						1
Ice Gull		1						1
B Guillemot	4						4	8
Sn Owl			1					1
S-e Owl		2						2
Ho Lark		4						4
Snow Bunt			15					15
Harbor Seal	12	3	2					17

Weather data (3/11/2001)

Weather: Clear AM, mostly cloudy PM

Wind: WSW 8 - 30 kph
(5 - 20 mph)

Temperature: -2° to 7°C
(26° to 45°F)

High tide: 11:00 AM

Visibility: Good

Seas: Calm AM, moderate PM

Participants (3/11/2001)

Nahant: Dorothy Saffarewich, Bob Stymeist

Winthrop: Fred Bouchard, Job Dekker, Maury Hall, Pat Randall, Peter and Fay Vale

Boston: Mike Fager, Kathy Foley, Craig Jackson, David and Nancy Ludlow, Soheil Zendehe

Squantum: Dave Lange, Dave Larson

Hough's Neck: Paula Chasan, Karen Freitas, Ted Mara, Michele Parham

Weymouth: Maury Hall

Hull: Brian and Paul Fitzgerald, Patty O'Neill

Thanks to all the participants. Apologies to anyone whose name I misspelt or inadvertently left off.

What is TASL?

Take a Second Look (TASL) was started in the winter of 1980 by a local group of environmentally concerned bird-watchers; our primary focus has been to survey and census the bird population of Boston Harbor throughout the year, although the winter water bird censuses have been our major activity.

TASL is organized and staffed entirely by volunteers. TASL winter data is compiled by Maury Hall. *TASL News*, TASL email and TASL OnLine are produced by Soheil Zendehe.

SEASON TOTAL SUMMARIES: WINTER OF 2000 - 2001 BOSTON HARBOR TASL COUNTS

Species	11/12/00	1/7/01	2/4/01	3/11/01
Red-throated Loon	123	5	20	10
Common Loon	43	14	13	33
Horned Grebe	324	73	231	183
Red-necked Grebe	31	21	27	33
Northern Gannet	6			
Great Cormorant	34	5	111	10
Double-crested Cormorant	1606	1		12
cormorant (sp)	63	30	59	2
Great Blue Heron	16	1	1	1
Snowy Egret	1			
Mute Swan	8	7	17	14
Brant	1219	1404	1437	4237
Canada Goose	432	1096	1004	880
Green-winged Teal	4		2	4
American Black Duck	462	966	1630	1126
Mallard	147	271	383	293
Gadwall				2
American Wigeon	1			
Ring-necked Duck			1	
Greater Scaup	307	961	1304	949
Common Eider	13280	7760	8903	9061
King Eider		1		
Harlequin Duck	1		1	
Oldsquaw	87	25	43	61
Black Scoter	2		1	2
Surf Scoter	390	275	161	166
White-winged Scoter	1616	617	879	844
scoter (sp)			4	
Common Goldeneye	53	864	1095	1242
Barrow's Goldeneye		3	2	2
Bufflehead	2177	1372	1619	1539
Hooded Merganser	24	2	3	11
Common Merganser		5	2	1
Red-breasted Merganser	2285	677	782	1338
Ruddy Duck	186	46	56	1
Turkey Vulture				1
Northern Harrier	1			2
Sharp-shinned Hawk	1	2		
Cooper's Hawk		1		1
unid accipeter		1		1
Red-tailed Hawk	2	3	4	3
American Kestrel	2		3	1
Merlin	1	1	1	
Peregrine	1		1	
Black-bellied Plover	52			
Killdeer				5
Greater Yellowlegs	73			
Ruddy Turnstone	42		7	
Sanderling	366	142	380	
Western Sandpiper	1			
Purple Sandpiper		8		
Dunlin	13	8	92	
Black-headed Gull	1		1	1
Bonaparte's Gull	208	69	1	
Iceland Gull				1
Lesser Black-backed Gull		1		
Dovekie	2			
Thick-billed Murre			2	
Razorbill	9	1	1	
Black Guillemot	1	3	6	8
Snowy Owl			1	1
Short-eared Owl				2
Belted Kingfisher	2	1		
Tropical Kingbird	1			
Horned Lark	20	19		4
Carolina Wren	2			
Orange-crowned Warbler		1		
Snow Bunting	27		94	15
Raccoon			4	
Fisher			1	
Harbor Seal	14	29	77	17
Weather	Mostly-partly cloudy	Mostly sunny	Partly cloudy	Clear AM, mostly cloudy PM
Wind	NNW 16 - 25 kph (10 - 15 mph)	NW 8 - 16 kph (5 - 10 mph)	Calm	WSW 8 - 30 kph (5 - 20 mph)
Temp	7° to 13°C (45° to 55°F)	-2° to 3°C (28° to 38°F)	-4° to 2°C (25 to 35°F)	-2° to 7°C (26° - 45°F)
Hi Tide	11:00 AM	8:30 AM	7:00 AM	11:00 AM
Visibility	Good	Good	Good	Good
Seas	Calm to moderate	Calm	Calm	Calm AM, moderate