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Only a few subscribers' all-time, all-world life lists have increased significantly since they were last published. But some have changed and there are some new participants. The figures now look like this:

Norm Chesterfield	5340	Fred Bodsworth	1330
Lou Marsh	2915	Luke Fazio	1309
David Stirling	2110	John Keenleyside	1304
Barry Attridge	1709	June Smith	1188
Hue MacKenzie	1480	Frank Bell	1065
Jo Ann Murray	1385	Hugh Currie	1019
Ron Scovell	1379	Roger Taylor	1000
Gerry Bennett	1334		

A new category has been added -- North America lists -- a logical addition since Canada makes up more than half the area. From 450 up, the numbers are:

Luke Fazio	671	Gerry Bennett	564
John Keenleyside	670	Hugh Currie	562
Paul Pratt	644	Bruce Di Labio	556
Terry Pratt	640	David Stirling	550
David Mark	612	Eric Tull	536
Ron Scovell	610	Peter Gilchrist	535
Don Perks	608	William Grins	531
Bill Zufelt	603	Larry Neily	512
Roger Foxall	600	Barry Cherriere	504
Robert Scheibe	600	Fred Bodsworth	499
Alex Gray	585	Ted McDonald	466

Now for Canada lists - a challenging and interesting facet of life-listing. Figures below contain several birders whose lists have not been updated since last published. Rather than omit them, we've marked them with asterisks. Also included are a few birders with at least one provincial list higher than the 320 cut-off but who did not file Canada numbers.

Norm Chesterfield	467	Alan Wormington	401	*Marylee Stephenson	363
Alex Gray	451	*Lou Marsh	392	Ted McDonald	361
Eric Tull	443	Don Perks	385	*D. McCorquodale	359
Gerry Bennett	441	Larry Neily	384	*Tony Mason	358
Paul Pratt	439	John Keenleyside	381	June Smith	356
David Mark	438	Brian Kautesk	378	Dave Fidler	351
Roger Foxall	436	Richard Poulin	378	*Edge Pegg	348
Red Mason	431	Fred Bodsworth	377	Jim Mountjoy	346
Terry Pratt	428	*Doug Kragh	373	John Kelley	344
Luke Fazio	427	Fred Helleiner	370	*Robert Anderson	343
Mark Gawn	424	*Don Gunn	369	Peter Gilchrist	340
Bruce Mactavish	424	Roger Taylor	369	William Zufelt	333
David Stirling	422	Hugh Currie	368	*Ron Harcourt	331
Dan Brunton	419	Richard Cannings	366	*Anne Macdonald	329
Ron Pittaway	419	*Bob Curry	366	Al McTavish	329
Bruce Di Labio	415	*Bill Smith	366	Hedley Hopkins	327
*Hue MacKenzie	414	Mike Austin	364	Geoff Carpentier	326
Ron Scovell	408	William Grins	364	Doug McRae	325
Allen Poynter	407	*Jo Ann Murray	363	Stephen Whitman	323

Six others had lists over 300.

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Looking at Provincial lists, let's start at the Atlantic coast and work west.

<u>Newfoundland</u>		<u>Prince Edward Island</u>	
Bruce Mactavish, Waverley, N.S.	204	Eric Tull, Edmonton, Alta.	154
Rob Walker, Rocky Harbour.	153	Bruce Di Labio, Ottawa, Ont.	141
Eric Tull, Edmonton, Alta.	150	Bruce Mactavish, Waverley N.S.	135
Richard Cannings, Vancouver B.C.	135	Larry Neily, Kingston, N.S.	117
<u>Nova Scotia</u>		<u>Quebec</u>	
Bruce Mactavish, Waverley.	313	Bruce Di Labio, Ottawa, Ont.	273
Hedley Hopkins, Sydney.	308	Richard Poulin, Ottawa, Ont.	272
* Robert Anderson, Dartmouth.	293	Roger Foxall, Ottawa, Ont.	267
Larry Neily, Kingston.	240	Mark Gawn, Ottawa, Ont.	257
Eric Tull, Edmonton, Alta.	200	* Hue MacKenzie, Ottawa, Ont.	254
<u>New Brunswick</u>		* Jo Ann Murray, Ottawa, Ont.	248
David Christie, Albert.	307	Bruce Mactavish, Waverley N.S.	239
Eric Tull, Edmonton, Alta.	248	Roger Taylor, Ottawa, Ont.	233
Bruce Mactavish, Waverley, N.S.	238	Dan Brunton, Ottawa, Ont.	226
* Brian Dalzell, Moncton.	233	Luke Fazio, Mississauga, Ont.	207
Richard Poulin, Ottawa, Ont.	192	Mike Bostock, Old Chelsea.	205
Larry Neily, Kingston, N.S.	161	Eric Tull, Edmonton, Alta.	199

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ROUND-UP - cont'd from Page 8.

appropriate edition of BIRDFINDING IN CANADA which, in this instance would be the November issue.

There'll be further details and reporting blanks with the September issue.

In case there are readers who intend to reconstruct the total round-up list (and we'll bet there are!) let us point out that 212 species have already been mentioned in the above text. The other 109 are: common loon, green heron, great egret, black-crowned night heron, least and American bitterns, mute swan, Canada goose, brant, turkey vulture, sharp-shinned, Cooper's, red-tailed, broad-winged, red-shouldered and Swainson's hawks, bald eagle, marsh hawk, osprey, kestrel, ruffed grouse, California quail, pheasant, gray partridge, Virginia rail, sora, common gallinule, coot, glaucous-winged, great black-backed, herring, California, mew, Franklin's and Bonaparte's gulls, black-legged kittiwake, Forster's, common, Caspian and black terns, rock and mourning doves, whip-poor-will, nighthawk, chimney swift, ruby-throated and rufous hummingbirds, belted kingfisher, common flicker, pileated woodpecker, hairy, downy, red-headed and black-backed three-toed woodpeckers, yellow-bellied sapsucker, horned lark, violet-green, tree, bank, rough-winged and cliff swallows, purple martin, blue and Steller's jays, common raven, northwestern and common crows, black-capped chickadee, brown creeper, house, winter, Bewick's, Carolina, long-billed and short-billed marsh wrens, gray catbird, brown thrasher, varied thrush, eastern and mountain bluebirds, blue-gray gnat-catcher, golden and ruby-crowned kinglets, water pipit, cedar waxwing, red-eyed, solitary, Philadelphia, and warbling vireos, bobolink, eastern and western meadow-larks, orchard and northern orioles, rusty and Brewer's blackbirds, common grackle, western and scarlet tanagers, cardinal, rose-breasted and black-headed grosbeaks, indigo bunting, evening grosbeak, purple and house finches, American goldfinch, dark-eyed junco and rufous-sided towhee.



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Ontario figures below are those of birders with 250 or more species in the province. As above, those not filing updated numbers since last publication are marked with asterisks.

Ontario			
* Bob Curry, Ancaster.	366	Richard Poulin, Ottawa.	323
Alan Wormington, Leamington.	366	Gordon Bellerby, Toronto.	321
Norm Chesterfield, Wheatley.	364	Fred Bodsworth, Toronto.	321
Don Perks, Mississauga.	360	Ted McDonald, Port Hope.	321
* Bill Smith, Toronto.	356	Jim Mountjoy, Oshawa.	321
Ron Scovell, Rexdale.	353	Roger Foxall, Ottawa.	318
Gerry Bennett, Woodbridge.	353	Kevin McLaughlin, Hamilton.	316
Keith Burk, Blenheim.	349	* Anne Macdonald, Toronto.	314
John Keenleyside, Mississauga.	348	Allen Woodliffe, Morpeth.	312
Paul Pratt, Leamington.	347	Fred Helleiner, Peterborough.	309
Alex Gray, Mississauga.	343	Peter Gilchrist, Toronto.	308
Red Mason, Etobicoke.	342	William Zufelt, Orillia.	305
Luke Fazio, Mississauga.	341	* Margaret Bain, Whitby.	303
Dave Fidler, King City.	341	* Edge Pegg, Claremont.	303
* Lou Marsh, Weston.	340	* Ron Harcourt, Ottawa.	302
John Kelley, Toronto.	339	* Martin Parker, Port Elgin.	302
Bruce Di Labio, Ottawa.	335	Roger Taylor, Ottawa.	301
* Tony Mason, Brantford.	334	David Mark, London.	300
* Jo Ann Murray, Ottawa.	334	* D. McCorquodale, Edmonton, Alta.	300
Ron Ridout, Mississauga.	333	Eric Tull, Edmonton, Alta.	298
* Don Gunn, Oakville.	332	Barry Cheriére, Hamilton.	287
Mark Gawn, Ottawa.	330	Bruce Mactavish, Waverley, N.S.	287
Ron Pittaway, Dorset.	330	* Robert Tymstra, Sarnia.	283
Den Brunton, Ottawa.	329	Robert Scheibe, Oakville.	277
William Crins, Burlington.	329	Dave Ruch, Whitby.	274
* Hue MacKenzie, Ottawa.	329	Mike Austin, Friendswood, Tex.	272
Al McTavish, London.	329	* Robert Anderson, Dartmouth, NS.	270
Hugh Currie, Toronto.	328	* Reid Wilson, Pickering.	266
* Herb Elliott, Toronto.	328	* Margaret Wilson, Pickering.	266
Geoff Carpentier, Peterborough.	326	* Kathy Rettie, Scarborough.	258
Terry Pratt, Leamington.	326	* John Thomson, Aurora.	257
Doug McRae, Peterborough.	325	Allan Sinclair, Bracebridge.	252

There were 11 other birders who filed lists of 225 or more.

We'll review the other provinces and the territories in September's issue. If you have any changes for Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, British Columbia, Yukon or the Northwest Territories, please let us know by ~~September~~ <sup>JULY</sup> 20th. If you need reporting blanks, please let us know.

Also in the September issue, we'll be discussing some new frontiers in the world of record-keeping. Stay tuned.

And, in November, it will be time to do a new analysis of most-wanted species.

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