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Harlequin Duck flock in the nearshore at Port George, NS on Dec. 20, 2012 (zoom of flock below)



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The 2013 edition of *Canadian Listers' Corner* (CLC) is now complete. Again this year it is delivered as a PDF format file. As with last year's issue you will be able to print your own copy, as some may; or just view it on screen, as most will. Though not as late as last year's, it is still later than one could hope. My apologies again to all.

After driving down the east coast to south Florida, and through northern Texas to Arizona, we spent three months this winter in Arizona, enjoying the warm weather and sunshine and beginning to get our house there in order. This year, part of the lateness of this report can be attributed to our prolonged drive from Arizona back to Nova Scotia. From Apr. 19 to May 26, we visited Yuma, the Salton Sea, San Diego, Ventura, Santa Cruz Island, Yosemite National Park, San Francisco, Big Sur, the redwood forest, Mount Rainier, the Olympic Peninsula, Victoria, Vancouver, Okanagan Valley, the Rockies, the southern Prairies and Ottawa.

As in past years, I spent a great deal of time trying to get everyone's totals included. It is never possible, of course, and at some point the Law of Diminishing Returns sets in. Usually well after that point I begin the time-consuming process of compiling. This year that did not happen until well after our return to Nova Scotia. Many things inevitably have had a higher priority.

Again I thank all of you who took the time to articulate your appreciation of my efforts in producing this publication. Though it is done out of love, I am grateful for your support, however it is expressed.

There were five new listers (Brian Elder, Calgary AB; Steve Knight, St. Albert AB; David Seeler, Charlottetown PE; Joshua Vandermeulen, Guelph ON; and Ray Woods, Calgary AB). Welcome to all our new folk. It is especially gratifying to finally have a resident PEI birder on the rolls again.

And welcome back to returned members! Returnees include: Jim Burk, Keith Burk, Carlo Giovanella, Burke Korol, Harv Lane, Benoit Lanteigne, Rosita Lanteigne, Jude Larocque, Fulton Lavender, Mike Newey, Sylvie Newey, Juliette Pellerin, Bernie Spitman, Prue Spitman, Guy Zenaitis and John Zoch. Some were absent only a year, while Harv Lane was lost to us since 2006.

We have 90 (+12) current listers submitting and we are also carrying forward totals from 49 past listers. These are those who've not updated their totals: for last year (8), the last two years (7), the last three years (8), the last 4 years (5), the last five years (3), and older (14). A few significant lists from deceased CLCers are also kept. While a few of our lost members are still readers who haven't caught up with their data entry or had little to report; many are past members who we still hope will rejoin (especially the more recent departees). All told, there are lists from 139 (+1) birders in this issue. For more details see the Yearly Summary on page 73.

There were eight 2011 listers who did not make submissions in 2012. They were Mabel McIntosh, Ron Rideout, Brent Schmor, Carolyn Schmor, Robert Tymstra, Rick Tyson, Wayne Weber and Allen Woodliffe. Though I do get brief notes from some of you, which I always

appreciate, I do not often hear when people move, have health issues or some other life changing event which prevents them from submitting lists or influences them not to do so; or if they have simply moved on to other things. So if you know of CLCers who have lost touch, but still may be interested, let me know or encourage them to contact me.

I value any suggestions for improvement to either the publication or the website. It is important to note here that any shortcomings related to this issue or in the website are totally my responsibility. So please, if you see errors or omissions, let me know. Thanks to everyone who helped to spread the word about CLC! Please continue to tell any of your listing friends about it and show them the publication and website. Word-of-mouth is still probably the best way to interest new listers to take part. Share the joy!

About the Compiler

A brief bit about the compiler may be “interesting” to new members. If you really want details, visit my website www.neilyworld.com, and click on the tiny “CV” under my photo and read the Acknowledgements page for the *Birding Ottawa Guide*.

Briefly, I recently retired from Statistics Canada as a Remote Sensing and Geomatics Specialist. I was chairman from 2000-09, and on the board from 1994-2010, of Tabitha Foundation (Canada), a charity doing work among the devastated people of Cambodia. Another hat is that of webmaster at *NeilyWorld*. The main part of this website is an online *Birding Ottawa Guide*. There is a birding links section with 4,000 websites listed, and, of course, the pages for the *Canadian Listers' Corner*. And yes, I still find time to go birding occasionally.

From NS originally, I lived in BC (1977-79) and in Ottawa (1984-2012). We have a winter home in Arizona and since my retirement we will be able to enjoy it much more. I have had 45+ years of birding experience, pursuing the hobby extensively in North America. I was married in April 2009 to Antoinette Richmond of West Springfield, Virginia. Your compiler has recently moved from Ottawa, to a century home in Lawrencetown, NS. The new address is: Box 293, 483 Main Street, Lawrencetown, Annapolis County, NS B0S 1M0.

Cover Photo

I have chosen as this year’s cover photo the Thick-billed Kingbird seen in Presqu’ile Provincial Park August 28-31, 2012. This photo was taken by your compiler on Aug. 29. This was one of very few rarities I had a chance to chase last summer. Moving and house-hunting do take their toll. The uncredited bird photos in this issue were taken by the compiler. The others as credited. Thank you for the submissions and permissions.

I would love to have more contributions from others who wish to share their good shots of rare or hard to get birds. Needless to say I can provide no remuneration, but will give the photographer credit under the shot, or in the text – as in the case of the cover. Accurate details appreciated (species, place, date, photographer and anything else you feel might be interesting).

Significant lifelist milestones reached or passed in 2012

Name	Milestone	Reporting Area
Murray Brown	450	Canada
Mike Mulligan	450	Canada
Bill Crins	450	Canada
Phillip Cram	400	Canada
Thor Manson	400	British Columbia
Mike Mulligan	300	British Columbia
Mike Mulligan	350	Alberta
Bill Wilson	350	Alberta
Ryan Dudragne	300	Saskatchewan
Alfred Adamo	400	Ontario
John Luce	300	Quebec
Juliette Pellerin	350	New Brunswick
Peter Mitchell	200	Newfoundland & Labrador
Peter Mitchell	2700	ATPAT
John Luce	2600	ATPAT
Jo Ann MacKenzie	2200	ATPAT
Olivier Barden	1800	ATPAT
Rudolf Koes	1700	ATPAT
Rolph Davis	8800	Total Ticks
Paul Mackenzie	6800	Total Ticks
Bill Crins	4900	Total Ticks
Hugh Currie	700	ABA
Gillian Horgan	650	ABA
Phillip Cram	550	ABA
Olivier Barden	1200	North America
Jo Ann MacKenzie	1200	North America
Phillip Cram	1000	North America
Paul Mackenzie	5500	World
Roger Foxall	4800	World
Mike Toochin	4600	World
David Stirling	4000	World
Eric Tull	3800	World
Brooke Clibbon	3700	World
Sharon Toochin	3700	World
Rolph Davis	3600	World
Mike Mulligan	3500	World
Olivier Barden	2900	World
Bill Crins	2900	World

Significant lifelist milestones reached or passed in 2012 (cont'd)

Name	Milestone	Reporting Area
Martin Bowman	2600	World
Gillian Horgan	2500	World
Alfred Adamo	1700	World
Guy Zenaitis	1700	World
Daniel Sawatzky	100	Saskatchewan Winter
Rosita Lanteigne	150	New Brunswick Winter
Larry Neily	150	Nova Scotia Winter
Alex Gray	950	ATPAT Winter
Clarence Stevens, Sr.	200	Canada Winter Season
Clarence Stevens, Sr.	200	Nova Scotia Winter Season
Mike Toochin	300	Vancouver Island BC
Daniel Sawatzky	250	Regina SK
Gavin Platt	300	Chatham-Kent/Essex/Lambton ON
Hugh Currie	300	Hamilton Checklist Circle ON
Jolande St-Pierre	300	Acadian Peninsula NB
Wayne Neily	200	Kings County NS
Clarence Stevens, Sr.	200	Kings County NS
Clarence Stevens, Sr.	3300	All NS Counties Added Together
Clarence Stevens II	400	Central Nova Scotia
Clarence Stevens, Sr.	200	Eastern Shore NS
Danny Tyson	3200	AMAT Canada
Bill Wilson	2800	AMAT Canada
Danny Tyson	3200	AMAT British Columbia
Larry Neily	1500	AMAT Nova Scotia
Rolph Davis	1500	ABSAT
Eric Tull	2500	Commonwealth
Brooke Clibbon	2300	Commonwealth
Phillip Cram	2100	Commonwealth
Eric Tull	500	Palaearctic
Brooke Clibbon	250	Middle East
Brooke Clibbon	900	Africa
Eric Tull	900	Africa
Rolph Davis	700	Africa
Roger Foxall	1100	Eurasia
Phillip Cram	250	Europe
Mike Toochin	1700	South America
David Stirling	1100	South America
Larry Neily	100	Annapolis County NS Winter
Clarence Stevens, Sr.	1200	All NS Counties Added Together Winter

LIFELISTS

This category includes only the major Canadian Lifelist areas and some major areas that include Canada; i.e. Canada, the provinces and territories, ABA area, North America, the world and related lists. Year Lists, Day Lists, Winter Lifelists and Single Winter Lists are reviewed under those category titles later in the issue. Other lists are treated as Local Lists and follow the previously mentioned categories. Some birders keep and submit only their lifelists. The interest and competition is usually stronger in these categories. While it is self-evident to serious birders just what a lifelist is, a novice reading this may not know. A lifelist is, logically enough, the number of species seen in a given area during one's entire life (to date). There are, of course, complications. The bird must be a full species, and recognized by the listing jurisdiction(s) as a countable species. We hope by this to have comparable lists, though individual interpretation of rules can skew the numbers a bit. *Canadian Listers' Corner* does not vet lists; we simply hope and assume they are submitted according to the rules by competent observers.

Unfortunately, as stated last year, this policy has led our most prolific lister, Blake Maybank, to withhold any updates, because he is of the opinion that vetting **is** necessary. A year has passed since I suggested sending evidence of cheating and so far no one has. I hope that Blake will reconsider and update his numbers. If there are people's numbers you don't trust to be accurate, you can always ignore them.

Since the ABA has gone to online listing with no thresholds, and doesn't supply totals for areas, I am at a loss as to how to get accurate checklist totals for setting our thresholds. For this year we will use most of last year's numbers. If anyone has updated numbers for any lists or knows where I can get them, please let me know. Clements latest edition and its supplements are the authority used for world species and families. The revised number of families is currently 227, same as last year. Coerebidae (Bananaquit) lost and Bucorvidae (Ground-Hornbills) gained.

To be published, a birder needs a lifelist of 50% of the provincial/territorial total in most jurisdictions; but only 40% in PEI, NL, YT, and NT; and only 30% for Nunavut. These reduced thresholds are because of the dearth of lists from, and difficulties involved in birding in, some of our less populous and far-flung areas. If and when we get sufficient lists from these areas, the thresholds may rise. Other thresholds are as marked. Thresholds are shown after an area's total list in the table headers. Lifelists are as reported up to the end of 2012. Asterisks (*) indicates that the list may not be current as no report was received from that person for the number of years equal to the number of asterisks (up to five), and their last report has been recycled. Numbers older than five years (subject to deletion – see policy on page 58) are shown by a single asterisk with a superscript number showing the years since reporting. Figures in brackets following a birder's name are increases reported since last year, or their last report. You may notice some lists that are one or two birds short of the threshold, yet rounded off are at the cutoff percentage. Given that the thresholds are a fairly quickly moving target, these are included. The symbol (†) indicates a lister who was deceased at the end of 2012.

The sharper eyed among you may notice that some lists are less than previous year(s). Unless it is an obvious error, I have to assume the lister has discovered, either through checklist changes or outright error, that the old total he had submitted was incorrect. I have adopted the policy of not showing amounts of decreases to avoid the inevitable "Why is that?" questions, to spare any potential embarrassment, and to allow for the possibility, quite likely in retroactive error cases, that there actually was no change from the previous year.

LIFELISTS

Canada 668 spp. (threshold = 350 spp.)

Top year over year gainer was Phil Cram, who added 84, to reach 435. Jeremy Kimm's 23 additions were next best. New lists come from Carlo Giovanella, Surrey BC (461), Brian Elder, Calgary AB (459), Ray Woods, Calgary AB (442) and Steve Knight, St. Albert AB (354). Roger Foxall added two species to his healthy lead in Canada at 541. Jo Ann MacKenzie also added two, but found 4 others through better bookkeeping, to bring her 2nd place total to 524. There are 9 listers with more than 500, 42 with more than 450 and 76 over 400.

541 81% Roger Foxall, Surrey BC (+2)	441 66% Ian Roseby, Wilmot NS ****
524 78% Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC (+2 & +4 older)	440 66% Bruce Brydon, Holland Landing ON (+2)
519 78% Hue MacKenzie, Surrey BC †	440 66% Robert Tymstra, Sarnia ON *
518 78% Alex Gray, Mississauga ON (+1)	439 66% Olivier Barden, Québec City QC (+2)
504 75% John Luce, Surrey BC (+3)	439 66% Lloyd Esralson, Surrey BC
504 75% Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **	436 65% Bill Wilson, Calgary AB (+2)
502 75% Christopher Escott, Toronto ON (+2)	435 65% Russell Cannings, Burnaby BC (+13)
502 75% Mike Toochn, Richmond BC (+2)	435 65% Phillip Cram, Calgary AB (+84)
501 75% George Bryant, Toronto ON **	435 65% Craig McLauchlan, Whitby ON
490 73% Danny Tyson, Langley BC (+3)	435 65% Ilya Povalyaev, Calgary AB (+2)
489 73% Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON (+2)	435 65% Andrew Slater, Calgary AB
489 73% David Stirling, Victoria BC	435 65% Guy Zenaitis, Montreal QC (+10 from 2008)
486 73% Hugh Currie, Toronto ON (+6)	434 65% Suzanne Benoit, Ft. Saskatchewan AB **
486 73% Eric Tull, Calgary AB	430 64% Jim Burk, Blenheim ON (+4)
482 72% Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC (+8)	429 64% Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB
477 71% Sharon Toochn, Richmond BC (+3)	429 64% Harv Lane, Kleefeld MB
474 71% William Lindley, London ON (+4)	428 64% Don MacNeill, Halifax NS (+2)
472 71% Don Perks, Mississauga ON ***	421 63% Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****
471 71% Alan Wormington, Leamington ON (+2)	419 63% Colleen Lindley, London ON (+2)
470 70% Rolph Davis, King City ON (+2)	415 62% Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB
470 70% Ian Platt, London ON (+5)	415 62% John Zoch, Leamington ON (+4)
469 70% Wayne Weber, Delta BC *	413 62% Martin Edwards, Kingston ON †
467 70% Richard Cannings, Naramata BC **	413 62% Allen Woodliffe, Chatham ON *
464 69% Paul Mackenzie, Kingston ON (+1)	412 62% Ken Thorpe, Cote Saint-Luc QC (+1)
461 69% Carlo Giovanella, Surrey BC (new)	412 62% Rick Tyson, Surrey BC *
461 69% Mabel McIntosh, Pointe Claire QC *	411 62% Fulton Lavender, Spryfield NS (+4)
461 69% Jerry Pilny, Calgary AB	411 62% Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+4)
459 69% Brian Elder, Calgary AB (new)	410 61% Joel Ellis, Kingston ON ***
459 69% Gavin Platt, Toronto ON (+3)	410 61% Terry Osborne, Dundas ON (+1)
458 69% Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB	407 61% Juliette Pellerin, Boudreau West NB (+4)
457 68% Murray Brown, Agassiz BC (+8)	404 60% Brent Schmor, Harrison Mills BC *
457 68% Joan McDonald, Calgary AB (+4)	396 59% Richard Stern, Kentville NS ****
457 68% Wayne Neily, Tremont NS (+2)	390 58% Rosita Lanteigne, Caraquet NB
456 68% Keith Burk, Blenheim ON (+3)	386 58% Benoit Lanteigne, Caraquet NB
456 68% Thor Manson, Oliver BC (+3)	385 58% Floyd Deiter, Paris ON ***
456 68% Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB (+4)	385 58% Alan Fishkin, Nanoose Bay BC (+1)
455 68% Mike Mulligan, Calgary AB (+14)	385 58% Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON (+8)
454 68% Margaret Bain, Cobourg ON **	381 57%Carolynn Schmor, Agassiz BC *
454 68% Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (+3)	376 56% Barry Attridge, London ON (+1)
453 68% Burke Korol, Barrie ON (+1)	375 56% Lorelie Mitchell, Glenboro MB ***
453 68% Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB **	373 56% Jeremy Kimm, Victoria BC (+23)
451 68% Bill Crins, Peterborough ON (+2)	364 54% Esther Allin, Iroquois ON ****
447 67% Gordon Payne, London ON (+13)	355 53% Martin Bowman, Williamstown ON
443 66% Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB	354 53% Steve Knight, St. Albert AB (new)
442 66% Ray Woods, Calgary AB (new)	

LIFELISTS

Some Lifelist Numbers

This year we have 746 (+38 from last year) threshold-meeting lifelists from 119 (+2) birders. Nearly half, or 367 (+16) of these are the 14 basic Canadian, provincial or territorial lists. The number of birders reaching the Canadian and ABA thresholds is now 89 (+5) and 75 (+3) respectively. The North American category now has 31 (+1), world listers 52 (+2) and world families 34 (+3). ATPAT lists increased 5 to 48, while Total Ticks (one of the ultimate depravities) now has 15 (+1) listers. The provinces (and their number of listers), in high to low order, are ON (59), BC (44), AB (32), MB & QC (24 each), SK (21), NB (18), NS (16), YT (11), PE (10), NT (8), NL (7), and NU (4).

British Columbia 506 spp. (threshold = 253 spp.)

Mike Toochin added 3 more to his leading BC list to reach 464. Fifteen (+2) CLC listers have reach the lofty 400 species level. Mike Mulligan of AB had the best gain (+28); Jeremy Kimm was 2nd with 19. This year we have 44 (+4) reporters from BC, less than half of which are residents. The top 16 spots are, however, all locals. New lists come from Carlo Giovanella, Surrey BC (418), Ray Woods, Calgary AB (299), Brian Elder, Calgary AB (297), and Phillip Cram, Calgary AB (270).

464	92%	Mike Toochin, Richmond BC (+3)	335	66%	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB (+4)
440	86%	Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC (+1)	334	66%	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON (+1)
433	87%	Hue MacKenzie, Surrey BC †	332	66%	Jeremy Kimm, Victoria BC (+19)
431	85%	Sharon Toochin, Richmond BC (+3)	321	63%	Suzanne Benoit, Ft. Saskatchewan AB **
428	85%	Danny Tyson, Langley BC (+3)	319	63%	Laurie Rockwell, Summerland BC (+1)
426	84%	Wayne Weber, Delta BC *	317	63%	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB (+3)
424	84%	Roger Foxall, Surrey BC (+3)	315	62%	Burke Korol, Barrie ON
422	83%	David Stirling, Victoria BC	307	61%	Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB
418	83%	Carlo Giovanella, Surrey BC (new)	301	59%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
417	82%	John Luce, Surrey BC (+2)	300	59%	Mike Mulligan, Calgary AB (+28)
416	82%	Lloyd Esralson, Surrey BC	299	59%	Ray Woods, Calgary AB (new)
415	82%	Murray Brown, Agassiz BC (+5)	297	59%	Brian Elder, Calgary AB (new)
405	80%	Richard Cannings, Naramata BC **	289	57%	Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON (+3)
403	80%	Rick Tyson, Surrey BC *	288	57%	Bill Crins, Peterborough ON
402	79%	Thor Manson, Oliver BC (+3)	283	56%	Christopher Escott, Toronto ON
395	78%	Russell Cannings, Burnaby BC (+3)	277	55%	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS
387	76%	Ilya Povalyaev, Calgary AB (+2)	270	53%	Phillip Cram, Calgary AB (new)
364	72%	Brent Schmor, Harrison Mills BC *	270	53%	Alan Fishkin, Nanoose Bay BC (+3)
346	68%	Jerry Pilny, Calgary AB	264	52%	Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC
344	68%	Eric Tull, Calgary AB	264	52%	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS
336	66%	Carolynn Schmor, Harrison Mills BC *	263	52%	Paul Mackenzie, Kingston ON
335	66%	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB (+4)	259	51%	Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB

LIFELISTS

Alberta 417 spp. (threshold = 209 spp.)

It was a banner year for CLC in Alberta. No less than five listers joined us: Brian Elder, Calgary AB (325), Ray Woods, Calgary AB (312), Steve Knight, St. Albert AB (309), Russell Cannings, Burnaby BC (252) and Paul Mackenzie, Kingston ON (208). The largest gain reported was of 27 species by Ilya Povalyaev (297). As in BC, locals hold down 14 of the top 15 spots with 14 of 32 respondents.

368	88%	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB (+2)	266	64%	Burke Korol, Barrie ON
367	88%	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB (+2)	252	60%	Russell Cannings, Burnaby BC (new)
360	86%	Eric Tull, Calgary AB	246	59%	John Luce, Surrey BC
351	84%	Jerry Pilny, Calgary AB	246	59%	Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC
350	69%	Mike Mulligan, Calgary AB (+1)	241	58%	Roger Foxall, Surrey BC
350	84%	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB (+2)	240	58%	Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC
348	83%	Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB	238	57%	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON
343	82%	Andrew Slater, Calgary AB (+1)	235	56%	Wayne Weber, Delta BC *
342	82%	Alan Fishkin, Nanoose Bay BC	234	56%	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS
330	79%	Phillip Cram, Calgary AB (+1)	232	56%	Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK
325	78%	Brian Elder, Calgary AB (new)	225	54%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
324	78%	Suzanne Benoit, Ft. Saskatchewan AB **	215	52%	Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB **
312	75%	Ray Woods, Calgary AB (new)	214	51%	Richard Cannings, Naramata BC **
309	74%	Steve Knight, St. Albert AB (new)	212	51%	Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB
297	71%	Ilya Povalyaev, Calgary AB (+27)	209	50%	Harv Lane, Kleefeld MB
286	69%	David Stirling, Victoria BC	208	50%	Paul Mackenzie, Kingston ON (new)



Clay-colored Sparrow at Tom Kavanaugh's feeders in Canso, NS on Dec. 12, 2012

LIFELISTS

Saskatchewan 388 spp. (threshold = 194 spp.)

Harv Lane continues to lead with 333. Ryan Dudragne has become the 5th member of the provincial 300 club. Rudolf Koes had the largest gain (+18).

333 86%	Harv Lane, Kleefeld MB	237 61%	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB
315 81%	Daniel Sawatzky, Regina SK (+1)	237 61%	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB
312 80%	Christopher Escott, Toronto ON	235 61%	Roger Foxall, Surrey BC
309 80%	Burke Korol, Barrie ON	234 60%	Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB (+3)
304 78%	Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK (+6)	233 60%	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON
259 67%	Suzanne Benoit, Ft. Saskatchewan AB **	232 60%	Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB (+18)
252 65%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **	218 56%	Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC
251 65%	Jerry Pilny, Calgary AB	217 56%	Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB
251 65%	Eric Tull, Calgary AB	211 54%	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS
240 62%	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB	205 53%	David Stirling, Victoria, BC
239 62%	John Luce, Surrey BC		

Manitoba 393 spp. (threshold = 197 spp.)

Rudolf Koes continues to lead in Manitoba with 362. Gordon Grief (359) and Rob Parsons (355) are the nearest competitors. No gains were reported again this year; however there was one new member who joined the Manitoba list, Rolph Davis at 204. Two special notes regarding the MB list, only 6 of 24 listers live in MB (though others have in the past); and no fewer than three birders shown below have over 90% of the MB total.

362 92%	Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB	241 61%	David Stirling, Victoria BC
359 91%	Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB	239 61%	Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC
355 90%	Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB	234 60%	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON
339 86%	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS	224 57%	Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB
325 83%	Harv Lane, Kleefeld MB	218 55%	Roger Foxall, Surrey BC
283 72%	John Luce, Surrey BC	217 55%	Paul Mackenzie, Kingston ON
282 72%	Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****	210 53%	Burke Korol, Barrie ON
280 71%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **	209 53%	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB
267 68%	Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB **	205 52%	Richard Stern, Kentville NS ****
266 68%	John Zoch, Leamington ON	204 52%	Rolph Davis, King City ON (new)
257 65%	Eric Tull, Calgary AB	204 52%	Ilya Povalyaev, Calgary AB
254 65%	Lorelie Mitchell, Glenboro MB ***	201 51%	Barry Attridge, London ON



Magnolia Warbler at Britannia Conservation Area in Ottawa, ON on May 6, 2012

LIFELISTS

Ontario 487 spp. (threshold = 244 spp.)

This was a good year for Ontario listers, with 26 birders making gains in their lists. Alan Wormington added 3 species to his leading total to reach an amazing 438. Don Perks (433) remains in 2nd spot, despite not reporting recently. Hugh Currie added 5 to close to within one of 2nd spot at 432. Alfred Adamo joined the 400 Club in ON, which currently has 11 members. Twenty-eight listers are above the 350 mark in Ontario and 46 are over 300. Josh Vandermeulen joins the Ontario CLC crew at 360. The largest increase overall was that of Peter Mitchell, with a +13 to reach 315. Rob Pinilla was close behind with a +12 to reach 290. All other gains were of 5 or less.

441	91%	Alan Wormington, Leamington ON (+3)	339	70%	Roger Foxall, Surrey BC
433	89%	Don Perks, Mississauga ON ***	338	69%	Joel Ellis, Kingston ON ***
432	89%	Hugh Currie, Toronto ON (+5)	336	69%	John Zoch, Leamington ON (+4)
427	88%	Keith Burk, Blenheim ON (+3)	335	69%	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (+2)
424	87%	William Lindley, London ON (+3)	333	68%	Burke Korol, Barrie ON (+1)
412	85%	Ian Platt, London ON (+2)	328	67%	Martin Edwards, Kingston ON †
410	84%	George Bryant, Toronto ON **	329	68%	Jacques Bouvier, St-Isidore ON (+2)
410	84%	Terry Osborne, Dundas ON (+1)	321	66%	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
405	83%	Jim Burk, Blenheim ON (+4)	315	65%	Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC (+13)
404	83%	Christopher Escott, Toronto ON (+2)	314	64%	Esther Allin, Iroquois ON ****
400	82%	Alfred Adamo, York ON (+2)	314	64%	Martin Bowman, Williamstown ON
394	81%	Margaret Bain, Cobourg ON **	306	63%	Mabel McIntosh, Pointe Claire QC *
394	81%	Sheldon McGregor, Ancaster ON (+2)	302	62%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
391	80%	Craig McLauchlan, Whitby ON	302	62%	Jerry Pilny, Calgary AB
391	80%	Gordon Payne, London ON (+3)	301	62%	John Luce, Surrey BC
390	80%	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON	301	62%	Gordon Pringle, Ottawa ON
385	79%	Gavin Platt, Toronto ON (+3)	292	60%	Gillian Horgan, Williamstown ON
383	79%	Allen Woodliffe, Chatham ON *	290	60%	Robert Pinilla, Cumberland ON (+12)
380	78%	Rolph Davis, King City ON	278	57%	Lorelie Mitchell, Glenboro MB ***
379	78%	Bill Crins, Peterborough ON (+2)	276	57%	Barry Attridge, London ON
378	78%	Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON (+1)	276	57%	Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB
376	77%	Bruce Brydon, Holland Landing ON (+2)	266	55%	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS
375	77%	Paul Mackenzie, Kingston ON (+4)	259	53%	Ian Roseby, Wilmot NS ****
371	76%	Colleen Lindley, London ON (+1)	255	52%	Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****
369	76%	Robert Tymstra, Sarnia ON *	251	52%	Olivier Barden, Québec City QC (+3)
363	75%	Floyd Deiter, Paris ON ***	247	51%	Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB
360	74%	Joshua Vandermeulen, Guelph ON (new)	244	50%	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB
358	74%	Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON (+2)	244	50%	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB
344	71%	Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC	243	50%	Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB
341	70%	Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB **			



Wood Ducks at Britannia Conservation Area in Ottawa, ON on May 5, 2012

LIFELISTS

Quebec 441 spp. (threshold = 221 spp.)

Peter Mitchell had an exceptional year, padding his lead in Quebec to ten species at 387. Guy Zenaitis added three to draw to within one of Mabel McIntosh's second place 377. The largest increase last year was +9 by John Luce (303), but the +6 by Peter Mitchell (387) was all the more impressive given he has the top list. John Luce has become the 9th CLC lister to reach the 300 mark in Quebec, and the only non-resident of the nine.

387 88% Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC (+6)	274 62% Eric Tull, Calgary AB
377 85% Mabel McIntosh, Pointe Claire QC *	266 60% Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
376 85% Guy Zenaitis, Montreal QC (+3)	266 60% Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS
361 82% Olivier Barden, Québec City QC (+2)	260 59% Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC
318 72% Daniel St-Hilaire, Hull QC * ⁶	244 55% Gillian Horgan, Williamstown ON
316 72% Mark Dennis, St-Lazare QC	244 55% Rosita Lanteigne, Caraquet NB
308 70% Ken Thorpe, Cote Saint-Luc QC (+1)	239 54% Alex Gray, Mississauga ON
303 69% John Luce, Surrey BC (+9)	239 54% Gordon Pringle, Ottawa ON
302 68% Peter Tarasoff, Beaconsfield QC *****	238 54% Michel Chiasson, Caraquet NB (+2)
296 67% Ian Roseby, Wilmot NS ****	236 54% Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB
286 65% Martin Bowman, Williamstown ON (+2)	236 54% Jolande St-Pierre, Alderwood NB
277 63% Roger Foxall, Surrey BC	231 52% Wayne Neily, Tremont NS
Self-found:	281 64% Mark Dennis, St-Lazare QC (+1)

New Brunswick 413 spp. (threshold = 207 spp.)

Juliette Pellerin broke through the 350 level in New Brunswick, adding 4 species over 2 years, to hold down top spot at 352. Rosita Lanteigne is second at 347. Jolande St-Pierre had the largest overall increase in NB (+7) to reach 323. There were no new listers for NB again this year.

352 85% Juliette Pellerin, Boudreau West NB (+4 - 2 yrs)	296 72% Frank Branch, Trudel NB ***
347 84% Rosita Lanteigne, Caraquet NB (+2)	292 71% Jude Larocque, Coteau Road NB
346 84% Hilaire Chiasson, Lamèque NB *****	265 64% Eric Tull, Calgary AB
341 83% Benoit Lanteigne, Caraquet NB (+2)	239 58% Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
323 78% Jolande St-Pierre, Alderwood NB (+7)	232 56% Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC
313 76% Richard Leger, Shediac NB ***	221 54% Alex Gray, Mississauga ON
313 76% Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****	215 52% Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS
307 74% Michel Chiasson, Caraquet NB (+1)	209 51% Roger Foxall, Surrey BC
297 72% Denise Godin, Bertrand NB (+4)	209 51% Wayne Neily, Tremont NS



Yellow-rumped Warbler at Britannia Conservation Area in Ottawa, ON on April 22, 2012

LIFELISTS

Nova Scotia 473 spp. (threshold = 237 spp.)

Clarence Stevens II added 2 species to bring his leading total to 418. Fulton Lavender and Clarence Stevens, Sr. each added 4 to have the largest increases in NS. No new listers for our NS group in 2012.

418	88%	Clarence Stevens II, Beaver Bank NS (+2)	363	77%	Roger Foxall, Surrey BC
411	87%	Fulton Lavender, Spryfield NS (+4)	359	76%	Richard Stern, Kentville NS ****
401	85%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **	335	71%	Mike King, Eastern Passage NS ***
397	84%	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+4)	311	66%	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS (+3)
370	78%	Don MacNeill, Halifax NS (+2)	306	65%	Suzanne Borkowski, Halifax NS **
368	78%	John Nickerson, Clark's Harbour NS *****	298	63%	Ian Roseby, Wilmot NS ****
364	77%	Joan Czapalay, Halifax NS (+2)	284	60%	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (+3)
364	77%	Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****	251	53%	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON

Self-found: 335 72% Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS *

Prince Edward Island 358 spp. (threshold = 143 spp.)

A PEI resident has finally answered our plea for submissions. David Seeler, from Charlottetown, has entered the lists at a leading total of 305 or a stellar 85% of the province's total. We extend a hearty Maritime welcome to Mr. Seeler to the ranks of the CLC listers. Peter Mitchell of Montreal also joins the PEI list, with 154 species. John Luce recorded the only gain by past listers, a +16 to reach 159.

305	85%	David Seeler, Charlottetown PE (new)	165	46%	Roger Foxall, Surrey BC
211	59%	Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****	163	46%	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS
191	53%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **	159	44%	John Luce, Surrey BC (+16)
187	52%	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON	156	44%	Hilaire Chiasson, Lamèque NB *****
173	48%	Eric Tull, Calgary AB	154	43%	Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC (new)

Newfoundland and Labrador 406 spp. (threshold = 162 spp.)

Peter Mitchell had a whooping gain of 55 species for Newfoundland & Labrador in 2012. This moves him up to 3rd spot on the list. The only resident, Doug Phelan, also owner of the highest reported NL list at 304, has not sent an update for nine years now (note the *⁹ next to his entry). Now that PEI has a resident reporter, NL is the only province left with no current resident lister. Please remember, or remind people, that it is no longer necessary to subscribe to update your/their numbers.

304	75%	Doug Phelan, St. John's NL * ⁹	208	51%	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON
268	66%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **	165	41%	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
231	57%	Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC (+55)	163	40%	Ian Roseby, Wilmot NS ****
229	56%	Roger Foxall, Surrey BC			

LIFELISTS

Yukon Territory 312 spp. (threshold = 125 spp.)

Richard Cannings still holds the lead at 172. No activity in 2012.

172	55%	Richard Cannings, Naramata BC **	146	47%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
161	52%	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON	145	46%	Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON
155	50%	Eric Tull, Calgary AB	142	46%	Roger Foxall, Surrey BC
152	49%	Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC	136	44%	John Luce, Surrey BC
150	48%	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS	130	42%	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB
150	48%	David Stirling, Victoria BC			

Northwest Territories 323 spp. (threshold = 129 spp.)

This year Alex Gray gained 5 species to tie Eric Tull's leading total of 180.

180	56%	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON (+5)	156	48%	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS
180	56%	Eric Tull, Calgary AB	148	46%	David Stirling, Victoria BC
160	50%	Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB **	138	43%	Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB
157	49%	Alan Wormington, Leamington ON	133	41%	Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC

Nunavut 270 spp. (threshold = 81 spp.)

Robert Tymstra leads at 148 in Nunavut. No activity in 2012.

148	55%	Robert Tymstra, Sarnia ON *	105	39%	Burke Korol, Barrie ON
141	52%	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON	80	30%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

Total Ticks (All Canadian Provinces and Territories, US States (except Hawaii), DC and St. Pierre & Miquelon Added Together) 28105 spp. (threshold = 4000 spp.)

Rolph Davis appears to be taking whole-heartedly to this disease of the devoted, adding an impressive 365 to his leading total, reaching 8854. This was, of course, also the largest gain (by far). Second largest was a "mere" 78 by Bill Crins. Gordon Grief joins the list at 4437. The "Total Ticks" list incorporates the same basic principle as the ATPAT list.

8854	32%	Rolph Davis, King City ON (+365)	6121	22%	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS (+3)
7916	28%	Eric Tull, Calgary AB	5304	19%	Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB **
7077	25%	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (+14)	4953	18%	Bill Crins, Peterborough ON (+78)
6850	24%	Paul Mackenzie, Kingston ON (+61)	4773	17%	David Stirling, Victoria BC
6736	24%	Roger Foxall, Surrey BC (+5)	4477	16%	Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB (+8)
6640	24%	Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB	4437	16%	Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB (new)
6538	23%	Wayne Weber, Delta BC *	4091	15%	Martin Bowman, Williamstown ON (+69)
6474	23%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **			

LIFELISTS

All Territories and Provinces Added Together (ATPAT) 5187 spp. (threshold = 1000 spp.)

Blake Maybank remains the top ATPAT lister even with a two year out-of-date total. His 3073 total is nearly 60% of the potential. Alex Gray added 6 but is still 56 behind in second place. Eric Tull remains in third with 2995, but he and Brooke will be returning from Qatar soon. Alex and Eric both have 58% of the possible.

John Luce (+165), Peter Mitchell (+149) and Olivier Barden (+105) were the top ATPAT gainers this year. New to the ATPAT list this year are Ray Woods, Calgary AB (1861), Phil Cram, Calgary AB (1669) & Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK (1010). There are now 48 CLC ATPATers.

3073	59%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **	1832	35%	Ian Roseby, Wilmot NS ****
3017	58%	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON (+6)	1830	35%	Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB (+3)
2995	58%	Eric Tull, Calgary AB	1821	35%	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB (+6)
2948	57%	Roger Foxall, Surrey BC (+4)	1819	35%	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB (+6)
2751	53%	Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC (+149)	1708	33%	Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB (+16)
2700	53%	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS	1697	33%	Bill Crins, Peterborough ON (+2)
2617	50%	John Luce, Surrey BC (+165)	1691	33%	Wayne Weber, Delta BC *
2390	46%	Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB	1669	32%	Phillip Cram, Calgary AB (new)
2360	45%	Jerry Pilny, Calgary AB	1580	30%	Suzanne Benoit, Ft. Saskatchewan AB **
2208	43%	Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC (+16)	1509	29%	Harv Lane, Kleefeld MB
2173	42%	Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB **	1484	29%	Ken Thorpe, Cote Saint-Luc QC (+1)
2166	42%	Paul Mackenzie, Kingston ON (+61)	1480	29%	Lorelie Mitchell, Glenboro MB ***
2154	42%	David Stirling, Victoria BC	1457	28%	Christopher Escott, Toronto ON (+2)
2109	41%	Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****	1423	27%	John Zoch, Leamington ON (+4)
2046	39%	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (+5)	1410	27%	Don Perks, Mississauga ON ***
2033	39%	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB (+5)	1408	27%	Danny Tyson, Langley BC (+6)
2011	39%	Burke Korol, Barrie ON (+1)	1399	27%	Andrew Slater, Calgary AB (+12)
1979	38%	Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON (+48)	1319	25%	Don MacNeill, Halifax NS (+2)
1948	38%	Brian Elder, Calgary AB (new)	1281	25%	Margaret Bain, Cobourg ON **
1946	38%	Rolph Davis, King City ON (+4)	1232	24%	Rosita Lanteigne, Caraquet NB (+3)
1861	36%	Ray Woods, Calgary AB (new)	1232	24%	Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB
1858	36%	Juliette Pellerin, Boudreau West NB (+4)	1162	22%	Ilya Povalyaev, Calgary AB (+45)
1854	36%	Olivier Barden, Québec City QC (+105)	1023	20%	Martin Bowman, Williamstown ON (+2)
1854	36%	Richard Cannings, Naramata BC **	1010	19%	Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK (new)

	Total	BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	NB	NS	PE	NL	YT	NT	NU	X
B. Maybank	3073	301	225	252	280	302	266	239	401	191	268	146	122	80	n/a
A. Gray	3017	334	238	233	234	390	239	221	251	187	208	161	180	141	n/a
E. Tull	2995	344	360	251	257	321	274	265	228	173	165	155	180	22	n/a
R. Foxall	2948	424	241	235	218	339	277	209	363	165	229	142	x	x	106
P. Mitchell	2751	264	246	218	239	315	387	232	x	154	231	152	133	x	180
W. Neily	2700	277	234	211	339	266	231	209	311	163	153	150	156	0	n/a
J. Luce	2617	417	246	239	283	301	303	193	192	159	96	136	52	0	n/a

This table compares the leaders in the ATPAT category, showing in which provinces and territories their various strengths and weaknesses lie. Lists reaching thresholds are bolded. While some totals not reaching thresholds have not been reported, others have; and still others can be deduced from the other data. Those unreported totals that cannot be deduced are shown by an "x". The "X" column gives the combined total for those unknown areas. This is just good clean fun for the truly diseased among us, and, just maybe, instructive to the serious ATPATers out there.

LIFELISTS

ABA Area 976 spp. (threshold = 500 spp.)

Mike Austin still tops out our ABA list at 820, despite not having reported for six years. William Lindley passed Roger Foxall to move into 2nd place, while Mike Toochn is 4th and Mike Mulligan 5th. We now have 11 listers who have made it to 700, 33 to 650 and 55 to 600. Ken Thorpe had the largest one year gain (+20) to reach 622. Peter Mitchell was next with +16 to get to 533. Third, but none-the-less most impressive, was a +15 for William Lindley, who jumped into 2nd spot with 787. It gets a lot harder to add species when you've already got that many. Brian Elder of Calgary AB joins this list with an impressive 692. Also joining this year are Carlo Giovanella, Surrey BC (609) and Ray Woods, Calgary AB (590). We now have 75 ABA listers.

820	84%	Mike Austin, Friendswood TX * ⁶	635	65%	Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB
787	81%	William Lindley, London ON (+15)	633	65%	Andrew Slater, Calgary AB
776	80%	Roger Foxall, Surrey BC (+3)	629	64%	Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB **
772	79%	Mike Toochn, Richmond BC (+1)	626	64%	Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON
766	78%	Mike Mulligan, Calgary AB (+2)	624	64%	Margaret Bain, Cobourg ON **
737	76%	Thor Manson, Oliver BC (+7)	622	64%	Martin Edwards, Kingston ON †
731	75%	Gordon Payne, London ON (+6)	622	64%	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON
713	73%	Rolph Davis, King City ON (+2)	622	64%	Burke Korol, Barrie ON (+1)
709	73%	Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC (+3)	622	64%	Ken Thorpe, Cote Saint-Luc QC (+20)
706	72%	Paul Mackenzie, Kingston ON (+3)	618	63%	Juliette Pellerin, Boudreau West NB (+4)
700	72%	Hugh Currie, Toronto ON (+2)	611	63%	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS (+1)
695	71%	Christopher Escott, Toronto ON	611	63%	Terry Osborne, Dundas ON
694	71%	Jerry Pilny, Calgary AB	609	62%	Bill Crins, Peterborough ON (+8)
693	71%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **	609	62%	Carlo Giovanella, Surrey BC (new)
692	71%	Brian Elder, Calgary AB (new)	606	62%	Richard Stern, Kentville NS ****
691	71%	Ian Platt, London ON (+2)	602	62%	Olivier Barden, Québec City QC (+2)
686	70%	Don Perks, Mississauga ON ***	602	62%	Robert Tymstra, Sarnia ON *
680	70%	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB (+8)	598	61%	Lloyd Esralson, Surrey BC
679	70%	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB (+8)	592	61%	Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB (+2)
679	70%	David Stirling, Victoria BC	590	60%	Ray Woods, Calgary AB (new)
676	69%	Wayne Weber, Delta BC *	584	60%	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB
673	69%	Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB	582	60%	Guy Zenaitis, Montreal QC (+9)
673	69%	Danny Tyson, Langley BC (+2)	580	59%	Phillip Cram, Calgary AB (+43)
671	69%	John Luce, Surrey BC (+2)	576	59%	Russell Cannings, Burnaby BC (+9)
671	69%	Sharon Toochn, Richmond BC (+2)	572	59%	Lorelie Mitchell, Glenboro MB ***
667	68%	Eric Tull, Calgary AB	563	58%	Allen Woodliffe, Chatham ON *
661	68%	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (+2)	560	57%	Ian Roseby, Wilmot NS ****
660	68%	Barry Attridge, London ON	558	57%	Mark Dennis, St-Lazare QC (+8)
659	68%	Harv Lane, Kleefeld MB	557	57%	Brent Schmor, Harrison Mills BC *
658	67%	Martin Bowman, Williamstown ON (+6)	553	57%	Bruce Brydon, Holland Landing ON (+3)
658	67%	Gavin Platt, Toronto ON (+1)	533	55%	Jacques Bouvier, St-Isidore ON (+6)
652	67%	Gillian Horgan, Williamstown ON (+5)	533	55%	Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC (+16)
650	67%	Joan Czapalay, Halifax NS	531	54%	Carolynn Schmor, Harrison Mills BC *
648	66%	Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB	529	54%	Murray Brown, Agassiz BC (+2)
644	66%	Joel Ellis, Kingston ON ***	524	54%	Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON
643	66%	Suzanne Benoit, Ft. Saskatchewan AB **	522	53%	Rick Tyson, Surrey BC *
640	66%	Mabel McIntosh, Pointe Claire QC *	519	53%	Don MacNeill, Halifax NS (+1)
637	65%	Richard Cannings, Naramata BC **			

ABA Area Wheelchair List 976 spp. (threshold = 400 spp.)

413 42% Gordon Pringle, Ottawa ON

LIFELISTS

Photographed in the ABA area 976 spp. (threshold = 250 spp.)

Since so few made the threshold on this list, we reduced it from 400 to 250. But it did not get any takers between 250 and 400. We did get two new photographer/birders to take part though. Brian Elder of Calgary AB joins in top spot with 561 species and Mark Dennis at 436. Barry Attridge drops to 2nd and Larry Neily, who had largest increase (+7), to 3rd place.

561	57%	Brian Elder, Calgary AB (new)	439	45%	Richard Stern, Kentville NS ****
521	53%	Barry Attridge, London ON (+1)	436	45%	Mark Dennis, St-Lazare QC (new)
517	53%	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (+7)			

North America 1995 spp. (threshold = 800 spp.)

The late Martin Edwards list still tops this category, but Mike Mulligan gained 8 to pull within 3 species in 2nd spot. Top one year gainer was Jo Ann MacKenzie with 82 new species. Brian Elder of Calgary joins the North American list at 821.

1583	79%	Martin Edwards, Kingston ON †	1013	51%	Harv Lane, Kleefeld MB
1580	79%	Mike Mulligan, Calgary AB (+8)	1001	50%	Phillip Cram, Calgary AB (+40)
1375	69%	Paul Mackenzie, Kingston ON	1000	50%	Juliette Pellerin, Boudreau West NB
1353	68%	Hugh Currie, Toronto ON (+48)	977	49%	Mark Dennis, St-Lazare QC
1304	65%	Mike Toochn, Richmond BC (+3)	968	49%	Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON (+35)
1274	64%	Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC (+82)	943	47%	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
1237	62%	Margaret Bain, Cobourg ON **	933	47%	Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB (+3)
1236	62%	Roger Foxall, Surrey BC (+20)	916	46%	Jerry Pilny, Calgary AB
1229	62%	Lorelie Mitchell, Glenboro MB ***	915	46%	Mabel McIntosh, Pointe Claire QC *
1219	61%	Ian Platt, London ON (+2)	902	45%	Burke Korol, Barrie ON (+2)
1209	61%	Olivier Barden, Québec City QC (+55)	899	45%	Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB
1209	61%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **	859	43%	Don MacNeill, Halifax NS
1188	60%	David Stirling, Victoria BC (+37)	842	42%	Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB **
1187	59%	Barry Attridge, London ON (+3)	821	41%	Brian Elder, Calgary AB (new)
1168	59%	Richard Cannings, Naramata BC **	814	41%	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS
1146	57%	Robert Tymstra, Sarnia ON *			



White-winged Crossbill at Lawrencetown, Annapolis County, NS on Dec. 14, 2012

LIFELISTS

World 10157 spp. (threshold = 1000 spp.)

Martin Edwards, died on Feb. 16, 2012 at age 85 on a birding trip with his son in the Amazon of Brazil, but not before he added a final seven species to his World Lifestlist to reach an amazing total of 8456. It will likely be number one in this category for some time to come.

In second is Paul Mackenzie, who gained 187 species last year to reach 5530, while Hugh Currie at 5261 (+18) remained in 3rd spot and Robert Tymstra at 5166 stays at 4th. Ten now have over 4000, 20 have more than 3000, and 30 have over 2500.

The largest reported increases in 2012 came from Alfred Adamo (+270), Mike Mulligan (+244), Roger Foxall (+236) and Rolph Davis (+225), all with gains over 200. There were 12 triple digit gainers, those adding more than 100 species to their World Lifestlists, up from last year's 10.

Brian Elder of Calgary AB joined the ranks of World listers last year with 3752 species, while Ray Woods of Calgary AB joined at 1987. There are now 52 names on our World list.

8456	83%	Martin Edwards, Kingston ON †	2671	26%	Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON (+26)
5530	54%	Paul Mackenzie, Kingston ON (+183)	2631	26%	Mark Dennis, St-Lazare QC (+17)
5261	52%	Hugh Currie, Toronto ON (+18)	2578	25%	Gillian Horgan, Williamstown ON (+188)
5166	51%	Robert Tymstra, Sarnia ON *	2507	25%	Christopher Escott, Toronto ON
4870	48%	Roger Foxall, Surrey BC (+236)	2286	23%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
4629	46%	Mike Toochin, Richmond BC (+144)	2266	22%	Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB **
4578	45%	Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC (+28)	2102	21%	Mabel McIntosh, Pointe Claire QC *
4281	42%	Margaret Bain, Cobourg ON **	1987	20%	Ray Woods, Calgary AB (new)
4141	41%	Barry Attridge, London ON (+7)	1878	18%	Andrew Slater, Calgary AB (+16)
4026	40%	David Stirling, Victoria BC (+39)	1795	18%	Alfred Adamo, York ON (+270)
3885	38%	Eric Tull, Calgary AB (+115)	1702	17%	Guy Zenaitis, Montreal QC (+409 from 2008)
3788	37%	Phillip Cram, Calgary AB (+36)	1650	16%	Gavin Platt, Toronto ON (+8)
3782	37%	Sharon Toochin, Richmond BC (+136)	1613	16%	Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB (+5)
3752	37%	Brian Elder, Calgary AB (new)	1595	16%	John Fowles, West Bolton QC (+1)
3750	37%	Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB (+115)	1537	15%	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB (+6)
3698	36%	Rolph Davis, King City ON (+225)	1523	15%	Harv Lane, Kleefeld MB
3581	35%	Lorelie Mitchell, Glenboro MB ***	1456	14%	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB (+6)
3544	35%	Mike Mulligan, Calgary AB (+244)	1453	14%	Suzanne Benoit, Ft. Saskatchewan AB **
3188	31%	Juliette Pellerin, Boudreau West NB (+57)	1435	14%	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON
3046	30%	Richard Cannings, Naramata BC **	1370	13%	Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC (+39)
2913	29%	Bill Crins, Peterborough ON (+125)	1363	13%	Kathleen LePoer, West Bolton QC (+1)
2912	29%	Olivier Barden, Québec City QC (+49)	1264	12%	Don MacNeill, Halifax NS (+1)
2792	27%	Ian Platt, London ON (+77)	1228	12%	Don Perks, Mississauga ON ***
2768	27%	Burke Korol, Barrie ON (+18)	1175	12%	Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON
2750	27%	Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB (+27)	1113	11%	Richard Stern, Kentville NS ****
2677	26%	Martin Bowman, Williamstown ON (+187)	1043	10%	Brent Schmor, Harrison Mills BC *

LIFELISTS

World Families 227 families (Clements) (threshold = 100 families)

The Clements Checklist of Birds of the World, 6th Edition (published by Cornell University Press, June 2007) and its updates online at <http://www.birds.cornell.edu/clementschecklist> are used by the CLC to find the latest information in this quickly changing field. You can download V6.7 (September 28, 2012) for free from <http://www.birds.cornell.edu/clementschecklist/downloadable-clements-checklist> at the Cornell website. This will allow all our members to submit current totals if they can find the time.

This year, the number of families remains at 228, but since one of these is now on the extinct list (Mohoidae), we have used the 227 figure. One family was lost and one gained; Coerebidae (Bananaquit) lost and Bucorvidae (Ground-Hornbills) gained.

While it is virtually certain that Martin Edwards had seen Ground-Hornbills and would remain at 227, there is no way for me to confirm that short of have a list of his 8456 species to check for what appear to be yearly changes in family number and structure. Because of the fluid nature of this particular list numbers that are not updated cease to be accurate very quickly. So for this category only, any listers with no updates for more than one year will be removed.

Paul MacKenzie, we **are** sure has the maximum 227 families, so he is listed first. Martin, with 226 or 227 is second, while Hugh Currie is in 3rd and Roger Foxall moves into 4th. Eric Tull moves into a tie for 5th with Mike Toochn.

The most improved totals were those of Martin Bowman and Gillian Horgan (both +8). Guy Zenaitis added 30 since his last report in 2008. We now have 10 listers above 200 and 22 over 150. New to the list this time around are Brian Elder (198) and Ray Woods (155) both of Calgary AB. We now have 30 members posting here.

227	100%	Paul Mackenzie, Kingston ON	178	78%	Martin Bowman, Williamstown ON (+8)
227	100%	Martin Edwards, Kingston ON †	178	78%	Gillian Horgan, Williamstown ON (+8)
218	96%	Hugh Currie, Toronto ON	171	75%	Burke Korol, Barrie ON
207	91%	Roger Foxall, Surrey BC (+3)	161	71%	Andrew Slater, Calgary AB
206	91%	Mike Toochn, Richmond BC	160	70%	Bill Crins, Peterborough ON (+3)
206	91%	Eric Tull, Calgary AB (+1)	158	70%	Olivier Barden, Québec City QC
204	90%	Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB (+2)	155	68%	Ray Woods, Calgary AB (new)
203	89%	Barry Attridge, London ON	139	61%	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB
203	89%	David Stirling, Victoria BC (+1)	137	60%	Guy Zenaitis, Montreal QC (+30 from 2008)
202	89%	Phillip Cram, Calgary AB	136	60%	Mark Dennis, St-Lazare QC
198	87%	Brian Elder, Calgary AB (new)	128	56%	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB
198	87%	Sharon Toochn, Richmond BC	120	53%	Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC (+2)
193	85%	Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC	111	49%	Gavin Platt, Toronto ON
189	83%	Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON (+1)	109	48%	Don MacNeill, Halifax NS
184	81%	Robert Tymstra, Sarnia ON *	108	48%	Harv Lane, Kleefeld MB

LIFELISTS

***** INTERPROVINCIAL LIFELISTS *****

Interprovincial lists cover all or parts of two or more provinces or territories. The areas included here are meant to be treated as a single unit, rather than lists formed by adding provincial lists together as in the ATPAT-type lists.

I am still hoping someone will provide CLC with more accurate figures for the checklists for any of the areas that follow. Please let me know if you have any. These are approximate figures for some provincial or territorial combinations, using Denis LePage's Avibase a few years ago.

***** INTERPROVINCIAL LIFELISTS *****

Prairie Provinces (AB, MB, SK) 445 spp. - source Avibase (threshold = 250 spp.)

Rudolf Koes continues to lead this category with 379 species. The McDonald's, Joan (376) & Malcolm (375), have both overtaken Eric Tull, who drops to 4th spot. Phillip Cram, with +5, had the largest increase. New to this category are Brian Elder (338) and Theo Hofmann (250).

379	85%	Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB	334	75%	Suzanne Benoit, Ft. Saskatchewan AB **
376	84%	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB (+3)	334	75%	Phillip Cram, Calgary AB (+5)
375	84%	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB (+3)	326	73%	Burke Korol, Barrie ON
374	84%	Eric Tull, Calgary AB	320	72%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
371	83%	Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB	319	72%	Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK (+4)
368	83%	Harv Lane, Kleefeld MB	318	71%	Daniel Sawatzky, Regina SK (+1)
367	82%	Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB	305	69%	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON
363	82%	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB (+3)	300	67%	Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB **
362	81%	Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB	294	66%	Roger Foxall, Surrey BC
357	80%	Jerry Pilny, Calgary AB	294	66%	Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****
355	80%	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS	279	63%	John Zoch, Leamington ON
353	79%	Andrew Slater, Calgary AB	259	58%	Wayne Weber, Delta BC *
338	76%	Brian Elder, Calgary AB (new)	250	56%	Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON (new)
337	76%	David Stirling, Victoria BC			

All National Parks in Canada (threshold = 150 spp.)

Theo Hofmann had top gain with +10. Eric Tull continues in top spot with 372.

372	Eric Tull, Calgary AB	278	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB
357	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **	225	Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON (+10)
338	Jerry Pilny, Calgary AB	219	Alan Fishkin, Nanoose Bay BC
307	Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****	212	Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK
301	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB	209	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS
297	Burke Korol, Barrie ON	163	Michel Chiasson, Caraquet NB
297	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS	160	Jolande St-Pierre, Alderwood NB
278	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB		

LIFELISTS

***** INTERPROVINCIAL LIFELISTS *****

Atlantic Canada (NB, NL, NS, PE) 475 spp. - source Avibase (threshold = 250 spp.)

Clarence Stevens II has the highest total here, with an impressive 426. New to the list is Fulton Lavender from Spryfield NS, joining in 2nd spot with 411. The biggest gain was by Jolande St-Pierre with +8.

426	90%	Clarence Stevens II, Beaver Bank NS (+2)	335	71%	Mike King, Eastern Passage NS ***
411	87%	Fulton Lavender, Spryfield NS (new)	324	68%	Jolande St-Pierre, Alderwood NB (+8)
404	85%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **	317	67%	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS (+3)
397	84%	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+4)	316	67%	Richard Leger, Shediac NB ***
372	78%	Roger Foxall, Surrey BC	315	66%	Michel Chiasson, Caraquet NB (+1)
372	78%	Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****	311	65%	Ian Roseby, Wilmot NS ****
370	78%	Don MacNeill, Halifax NS (+2)	310	65%	Richard Stern, Kentville NS ****
366	77%	Joan Czapalay, Halifax NS (+2)	299	63%	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON
355	75%	Hilaire Chiasson, Lamèque NB *****	295	62%	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (+4)
355	75%	Rosita Lanteigne, Caraquet NB (+3)	288	61%	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
350	74%	Juliette Pellerin, Boudreau West NB			

The Maritimes (NB, NS, PE) 462 spp. - source Avibase (threshold = 250 spp.)

As is usually the case, what is said about the previous list applies equally well to this one. The totals are somewhat lower and the order has minor differences.

423	92%	Clarence Stevens II, Beaver Bank NS (+4)	349	73%	Juliette Pellerin, Boudreau West NB
411	89%	Fulton Lavender, Spryfield NS (new)	335	73%	Mike King, Eastern Passage NS ***
401	87%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **	324	70%	Jolande St-Pierre, Alderwood NB (+8)
397	86%	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+4)	314	66%	Richard Leger, Shediac NB ***
372	81%	Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****	314	68%	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS (+3)
370	80%	Don MacNeill, Halifax NS (+2)	309	67%	Michel Chiasson, Caraquet NB (+1)
364	79%	Joan Czapalay, Halifax NS (+2)	300	65%	Ian Roseby, Wilmot NS ****
363	79%	Roger Foxall, Surrey BC	292	63%	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (+4)
352	76%	Hilaire Chiasson, Lamèque NB *****	279	60%	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON
349	76%	Rosita Lanteigne, Caraquet NB (+1)	279	60%	Eric Tull, Calgary AB

Northern Canada (YT, NT, NU) 363 spp. - source Avibase (threshold = 130 spp.)

Alex Gray continues to lead here with 227. No activity in this category.

227	63%	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON	173	48%	Richard Cannings, Naramata BC **
209	58%	Eric Tull, Calgary AB	173	48%	Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB
201	55%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **	171	47%	Rolph Davis, King City ON
197	54%	David Stirling, Victoria BC	171	47%	Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON
194	53%	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS	140	39%	Jerry Pilny, Calgary AB
193	53%	Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB **	135	37%	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB

LIFELISTS

***** INTERPROVINCIAL LIFELISTS *****

Canada North of the Arctic Circle (threshold = 80 spp.)

Alex Gray had a gain of three in 2012 to increase his lead in top spot over Theo Hofmann.

142	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON (+3)	112	Richard Cannings, Naramata BC **
138	Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON	107	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
117	Olivier Barden, Québec City QC	95	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
117	David Stirling, Victoria BC	86	Jerry Pilny, Calgary AB

A quick word here about the “Seen in All” categories below: These are neither single regions combining provinces or territories, nor ATPAT-type lists adding together the totals from different provinces or territories within a larger region; but lists of species seen in each of the provinces or territories within a given region. For example, to add a bird to your “Seen in All 3 Territories” list, you must see it in each of the Yukon, the Northwest Territories and Nunavut. While this may seem self-evident to many, each year a few listers exhibit a bit of quite justifiable confusion over this.

Seen in All 3 Territories (threshold = 15 spp.)

Alex Gray added one species to his top list in this category.

95	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON (+1)	22	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
49	Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON	18	Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB **
30	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **		

Seen in All 10 Provinces (threshold = 50 spp.)

No change from last time, with Blake Maybank having a slim lead over Alex Gray.

103	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **	95	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
100	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON	76	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS

Seen in All 13 Provinces and Territories (threshold = 5 spp.)

Alex Gray's astounding 54 in this category continues to be number one by a **wide** margin.

54	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON	9	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
17	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **	5	Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB **

YEAR LISTS

To qualify for inclusion below, a birder must have a year list of 40% of the provincial/territorial total in most provinces; though only 30% in Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland and Labrador, the Yukon, and Northwest Territories; and only 20% for Nunavut Territory. Year List thresholds for Canada, ATPAT, ABA area and the World are 80% of the Lifelist cutoff. Bigby's are 10% less (see note under Alberta). Thresholds are shown in the table headers. Each table includes a birder's best ever Year List, as well as their qualifying 2012 Year List, if any. All 2012 Year Lists in each category are bolded. This will serve not only to aid in finding last year's lists more easily, but also to give, at a glance, an idea of an area's current level of activity.

It was a stellar year for Canadian Year Listers, with ten (up 6 from 2011) listers qualifying on the Canada list with their 2012 numbers, and fully three of them beating the old CLC record by Jerry Pilny of 407. A group from Calgary decided to do a Big Year, calling it **Fur and Feathers 500** (see more at their blog <http://canadafurandfeathers.blogspot.com>), with the goal of seeing 500 species of birds plus mammals in Canada during 2012. Two of the group were already CLC members, Phil Cram and Mike Mulligan. Phil persuaded the other two, Brian Elder and Ray Woods, to join. All but Mike (not a year lister!) submitted the Year Lists and each of them beat the old CLC record; Brian Elder and Ray Woods each had 431 and Phil Cram had 426. Congratulations to these four intrepid listers. The next highest effort came from last year's leader, Russell Cannings, who beat his own previous high with a total of 376. Next highest was Josh Verdermeulen's 344 (see more about that later under Ontario).

In the province/territory categories there were 31 (+10) qualifying 2012 lists. British Columbia had the most birders who exceeded the threshold for 2012, six. Alberta and Ontario each had five, while New Brunswick had four, Manitoba three, Saskatchewan and the Yukon two each; and, Quebec, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, and the Northwest Territories each had one. Special mention must be made of new member David Seeler's submission of a retroactive new high Year List for PEI: 238 in 2005.

Measures for best provincial list are not really comparable from province to province; some provinces have more species, some a higher percentage of rarities, some more difficult travel conditions, etc. So each needs to be examined. Three measures we usually mention here are **top percentage of the provincial list**; **top number of species**; and **beating the previous top list in a province/territory**.

Two of the three categories were topped by the same lister, and he was a close second in the third. New member Josh Vandermeulen of Guelph ON had the **top number of species** with 344 in Ontario. Russell Cannings was a distant 2nd with 310 in BC. Two other listers beat the 300 mark, Gavin Platt with 303 in ON and Mike Toochnin with 301 in BC. **Beating the previous top list in a province/territory** is the next measure. In 2012 new marks were set in two provinces, Ontario and Quebec; while in a third, SK, the record was tied. In Ontario, Josh Vandermeulen shattered by 24 the CLC mark of 320 by Alan Wormington that has stood since 1981. In Quebec, Olivier Barden beat his own 2004 top Year List of 279 by one. In Saskatchewan, Daniel Sawatzky tied Burke Korol's 1991 CLC record of 268. The **top percentage** from any list across Canada came, as it often does, from Manitoba. Rudolf Koes had 72.3% of the MB list, while Josh Vandermeulen came close to winning the triple crown with 70.6% of the Ontario list. Close also were Daniel Sawatzky having 69.1% in SK, Ilya Povalyaev having 67.9% in AB and Ryan Dudragne having 66.8% in SK.



Pine Warbler in Kentville, NS on Dec. 20, 2012

YEAR LISTS

Canada 668 spp. (threshold = 280 spp.)

431	65%	2012	Brian Elder, Calgary AB	333	50%	1991	Gavin Platt, Toronto ON
431	65%	2012	Ray Woods, Calgary AB	333	50%	1991	Ian Platt, London ON
426	64%	2012	Phillip Cram, Calgary AB	330	49%	1999	Burke Korol, Barrie ON
409	61%	2007	Jerry Pilny, Calgary AB	327	49%	1989	Danny Tyson, Langley BC
403	60%	1998	Roger Foxall, Surrey BC	319	48%	1995	Craig McLauchlan, Whitby ON
401	60%	1992	Suzanne Benoit, Ft. Saskatchewan AB	316	47%	2012	Ilya Povalyaev, Calgary AB
391	59%	1981	Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC	311	47%	1993	Margaret Bain, Cobourg ON
381	57%	1998	Don Perks, Mississauga ON	311	47%	2006	Olivier Barden, Québec City QC
376	56%	2012	Russell Cannings, Burnaby BC	309	46%	2009	Mike King, Eastern Passage NS
372	56%	1992	John Luce, Surrey BC	309	46%	2009	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS
368	55%	1990	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS	307	46%	2004	Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON
363	54%	2001	Mike Toochin, Richmond BC	306	46%	2012	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB
361	54%	1982	Richard Cannings, Naramata BC	306	46%	2012	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB
357	53%	2010	Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB	306	46%	2001	Juliette Pellerin, Boudreau West NB
356	53%	1987	David Stirling, Victoria BC	301	45%	2002	Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB
355	53%	1992	Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC	301	45%	2009	Fulton Lavender, Spryfield NS
354	53%	2001	Sharon Toochin, Richmond BC	301	45%	2012	Mike Toochin, Richmond BC
353	53%	2007	Ilya Povalyaev, Calgary AB	300	45%	2012	Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK
347	52%	1978	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS	299	45%	2011	Jeremy Kimm, Victoria BC
346	52%	2001	Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB	299	45%	2000	Paul Mackenzie, Kingston ON
345	52%	1982	Hugh Currie, Toronto ON	294	44%	1989	Don MacNeill, Halifax NS
344	51%	2012	Joshua Vandermeulen, Guelph ON	294	44%	1986	Ian Roseby, Wilmot NS
341	51%	1978	Eric Tull, Calgary AB	291	58%	1989	Rick Tyson, Surrey BC
340	51%	2004	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB	289	43%	2003	Brent Schmor, Harrison Mills BC
340	51%	2004	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB	288	43%	1987	Andrew Slater, Calgary AB
340	51%	1989	Robert Parsons, Winnipeg	286	43%	1982	Harv Lane, Kleefeld MB
335	50%	2003	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB	284	43%	1990	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS

British Columbia 506 spp. (threshold = 202 spp.)

373	74%	2010	Russell Cannings, Burnaby BC	276	55%	2004	Brent Schmor, Harrison Mills BC
363	72%	2001	Mike Toochin, Richmond BC	273	54%	2012	Jeremy Kimm, Victoria BC
354	53%	2001	Sharon Toochin, Richmond BC	268	53%	2012	Ray Woods, Calgary AB
351	69%	2006	Roger Foxall, Surrey BC	267	53%	1996	Burke Korol, Barrie ON
331	65%	1994	John Luce, Surrey BC	266	53%	1992	Suzanne Benoit, Ft. Saskatchewan AB
327	65%	1989	Danny Tyson, Langley BC	266	53%	2012	Brian Elder, Calgary AB
324	64%	1987	Richard Cannings, Naramata BC	261	52%	2012	Phillip Cram, Calgary AB
320	63%	1979	David Stirling, Victoria BC	238	47%	1995	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS
320	63%	1987	Wayne Weber, Delta BC	223	44%	1992	Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC
318	63%	2009	Ilya Povalyaev, Calgary AB	218	43%	1993	Laurie Rockwell, Summerland BC
315	62%	2001	Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC	214	42%	1979	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS
310	61%	2012	Russell Cannings, Burnaby BC	207	41%	1976	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
301	59%	2012	Mike Toochin, Richmond BC	200	40%	2000	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB
291	58%	1989	Rick Tyson, Surrey BC				



Eurasian Wigeon drake (lower right) with several American Wigeon at the sewage lagoons in Windsor, NS on Dec. 6, 2012

YEAR LISTS

Alberta 417 spp. (threshold = 167 spp.)

302	72%	2005	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB	258	62%	1993	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
301	72%	2005	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB	255	61%	1993	Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB
298	71%	1989	Suzanne Benoit, Ft. Saskatchewan AB	253	61%	1994	Andrew Slater, Calgary AB
283	68%	2012	Ilya Povalyaev, Calgary AB	247	59%	2012	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB
281	67%	2003	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB	187	45%	2010	Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK
270	65%	2012	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB	183	44%	2010	Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB
270	65%	2012	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB	183	44%	1996	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS
266	64%	2007	Ray Woods, Calgary AB	183	44%	1992	Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC
262	63%	2006	Phillip Cram, Calgary AB	180	43%	2006	John Luce, Surrey BC
261	63%	2012	Brian Elder, Calgary AB	169	41%	1993	Burke Korol, Barrie ON
258	62%	2002	Alan Fishkin, Nanoose Bay BC				

BIGBY * (threshold = 125)

222 53% 2012 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB

* BIGBY - Big Green Birding Year: A year list counting birds seen/heard only by means of carbon-free locomotion from home or work. See Richard Gregson's website: <http://www.sparroworks.ca/bigby.html>

Saskatchewan 388 spp. (threshold = 155 spp.)

268	69%	1991	Burke Korol, Barrie ON	209	54%	1993	Suzanne Benoit, Ft. Saskatchewan AB
268	69%	2012	Daniel Sawatzky, Regina SK	191	49%	1979	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS
259	67%	2012	Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK	178	46%	2005	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB
239	62%	1985	Harv Lane, Kleefeld MB	173	45%	2003	John Luce, Surrey BC
218	56%	2004	Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC	169	44%	1989	Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB

Manitoba 393 spp. (threshold = 157 spp.)

298	76%	1988	Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB	239	61%	2004	Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC
292	74%	2009	Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB	225	57%	1998	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS
288	73%	1984	Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB	224	57%	1980	John Zoch, Leamington ON
284	72%	2012	Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB	220	56%	1980	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
282	72%	1982	Harv Lane, Kleefeld MB	193	49%	2002	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB
265	67%	1980	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS	186	47%	1999	Burke Korol, Barrie ON
256	65%	2012	Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB	185	47%	1998	Martin Bowman, Williamstown ON
252	64%	1975	Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS	185	47%	1998	Gillian Horgan, Williamstown ON
248	63%	2012	Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB	173	44%	1986	Ian Roseby, Wilmot NS
247	63%	2009	John Luce, Surrey BC	156	40%	1992	Suzanne Benoit, Ft. Saskatchewan AB

Ontario 487 spp. (threshold = 195 spp.)

344	71%	2012	Joshua Vandermeulen, Guelph ON	276	57%	2000	Joel Ellis, Kingston ON
320	66%	1981	Alan Wormington, Leamington ON	274	56%	2001	Burke Korol, Barrie ON
319	66%	1988	William Lindley, London ON	272	56%	1991	Ian Platt, London ON
318	65%	1988	Colleen Lindley, London ON	259	53%	1983	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS
318	65%	1995	Craig McLauchlan, Whitby ON	244	50%	2009	Jacques Bouvier, St-Isidore ON
312	64%	1995	Don Perks, Mississauga ON	241	49%	1991	Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON
311	64%	1996	Hugh Currie, Toronto ON	239	49%	1968	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
311	64%	1996	Terry Osborne, Dundas ON	238	49%	1995	Esther Allin, Iroquois ON
306	63%	1992	Keith Burk, Blenheim ON	236	48%	2009	Joel Ellis, Kingston ON
306	63%	2004	Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON	234	48%	2012	Paul Mackenzie, Kingston ON
303	62%	1992	Jim Burk, Blenheim ON	233	48%	2001	Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB
303	62%	2012	Gavin Platt, Toronto ON	227	47%	2005	Martin Bowman, Williamstown ON
301	62%	2007	Margaret Bain, Cobourg ON	226	46%	2003	John Luce, Surrey BC
299	61%	2000	Paul Mackenzie, Kingston ON	226	46%	1990	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS
292	60%	2012	Hugh Currie, Toronto ON	225	46%	2012	Robert Pinilla, Cumberland ON
284	58%	1995	Alfred Adamo, York ON	219	45%	2006	Olivier Barden, Québec City QC
278	57%	1974	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON				

YEAR LISTS

2012 - SOME VERY BIG ONTARIO YEARS

By Hugh Currie

There has never been a year remotely like this for Ontario year listers. At least 11 birders went over the magic 300 bird species in 2012. Factors contributing to the number of big years include global warming, the modern-day ease of instant communication, and an October hurricane, plus it was a lucky year for rarities. Yet another factor was the emergence of eBird, which allowed everyone to see exactly where they stood in the race as the year wore on.

On eBird we see Brett Fried at 300, Gavin Platt 303, David Bell 303, Jeremy Hatt 305, Mark Field 309, Tyler Hoar 312, Barb Charlton 313, Stu Mackenzie 329, Andrew Keaveney 333 and Josh Vandermeulen at 344. We know also that Kevin Shackleton reached 301 and there may be others we have missed. These totals may change slightly depending on OBRC decisions.

Consider this – most years 300 would have won the crown (shouldn't there be some sort of recognition for such a major achievement?). In 2007 when Richard Pope had 304 as documented in his hilarious book "The Reluctant Twitcher", Margaret Bain was the only other at exactly 300. Perhaps his book provided another smoldering spark for this arcane activity.

Josh, who had 304 in 2011, set out to break Glenn Coady's long standing record of 338 set in 1996. He was out of province the first few days of January thereby missing a Black-throated Gray Warbler in Hamilton, but then spent almost all the rest of the year chasing reports or finding rarities. He reached 300 by May 18 with Piping Plover at Wasaga Beach. See his excellent blog at <http://joshvandermeulen.blogspot.ca>.

His record-setting 339th bird was Northern Fulmar at Netitishi. Although he and Alan Wormington did very well up there in late October, he would have done just as well in southern Ontario because hurricane Sandy went through at that time with its load of storm-petrels, etc. He spent April and May in the Point Pelee area, visited Rainy River, west-coast James Bay, and Netitishi Point in southern James Bay in late October. He did not get to Hudson Bay which cost him perhaps two species. In between he drove countless miles to destinations like Wawa, Ottawa, and various provincial parks especially Algonquin Park, Rondeau and Presqu'île.

Although only 22 he is a skilled naturalist and a careful observer. He is also an excellent photographer and he succeeded in photographing exactly 300 species during the year. More recently Josh set another new record when he found 170 species in the 2012-13 Ontario winter.

Second place went to Andrew Keaveney whose year included solo visits to Rainy River for Smith's Longspur and Netitishi where he got Dovekie and Gyrfalcon. He had a scary and cold time waiting for the helicopter to return in late November. The pilot had simply forgotten for a couple of days that Andrew was still there.

Finishing third was Stu Mackenzie who is employed at Bird Studies Canada. He benefited greatly from his ability to get to the tip of Long Point. He and Jody Allair set an astounding new Ontario one-day record of 205 in late May.

Where will all this end? Right now, it is hard to imagine anyone doing better, but with speedier communications, global warming, better identification skills and faster travel as contributing factors, who can say?

YEAR LISTS

Quebec 441 spp. (threshold = 176 spp.)

280	63%	2012	Olivier Barden, Québec City QC	209	47%	1986	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
272	62%	1992	Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC	190	46%	2004	Michel Chiasson, Caraquet NB
266	60%	2007	Mark Dennis, St-Lazare QC	188	46%	2007	Martin Bowman, Williamstown ON
262	59%	2000	Guy Zenaitis, Montreal QC	188	46%	2004	Rosita Lanteigne, Caraquet NB
260	59%	1976	Mabel McIntosh, Pointe Claire QC	188	46%	2004	Jolande St-Pierre, Alderwood NB
236	54%	1988	John Luce, Surrey BC	184	42%	1983	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS
228	52%	1985	Ian Roseby, Wilmot NS				
			BIGBY (threshold = 138)	171	38%	2008	Olivier Barden, Québec City QC

New Brunswick 413 spp. (threshold = 165 spp.)

253	61%	2005	Jocelyne Godin, Bertrand NB	207	50%	2009	Frank Branch, Trudel NB
240	58%	2007	Juliette Pellerin, Boudreau West NB	204	49%	2002	Michel Chiasson, Caraquet NB
228	55%	2009	Jolande St-Pierre, Alderwood NB	204	49%	2012	Juliette Pellerin, Boudreau West NB
223	54%	2012	Jolande St-Pierre, Alderwood NB	203	49%	2012	Denise Godin, Bertrand NB
217	53%	1997	Hilaire Chiasson, Lamèque NB	199	48%	1985	Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS
217	53%	2007	Richard Leger, Shediac NB	178	43%	2012	Rosita Lanteigne, Caraquet NB
215	52%	1995	Rosita Lanteigne, Caraquet NB	176	43%	2001	Jude Larocque, Coteau Road NB
212	51%	1973	Eric Tull, Calgary AB	173	42%	2009	Richard Leger, Shediac NB
211	51%	2008	Denise Godin, Bertrand NB				

Nova Scotia 473 spp. (threshold = 189 spp.)

309	65%	2009	Mike King, Eastern Passage NS	249	53%	1988	Don MacNeill, Halifax NS
309	65%	2009	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS	241	51%	1995	Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS
308	65%	2009	Clarence Stevens II, Beaver Bank NS	241	51%	2012	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS
301	64%	2009	Fulton Lavender, Spryfield NS	229	48%	2004	Ian Roseby, Wilmot NS
275	58%	1998	Murray Newell, Clark's Harbour NS	227	48%	2005	Suzanne Borkowski, Halifax NS
273	58%	1993	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS	209	44%	1982	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS
268	57%	2005	Joan Czapalay, Halifax NS	205	43%	2006	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS
268	57%	1998	John Nickerson, Clark's Harbour NS				

Prince Edward Island 358 spp. (threshold = 107 spp.)

238	66%	2005	David Seeler, Charlottetown PE	121	34%	1978	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
203	57%	2012	David Seeler, Charlottetown PE	107	30%	1993	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON
185	52%	1973	Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS	107	30%	2009	John Luce, Surrey BC
152	42%	1999	Hilaire Chiasson, Lamèque NB	105	29%	1978	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS
128	36%	1994	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS				

Newfoundland and Labrador 406 spp. (threshold = 122 spp.)

225	55%	1984	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS	139	34%	1978	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS
218	54%	1998	Doug Phelan, St. John's NL	120	30%	1992	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON
176	43%	2006	Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC				

Yukon Territory 312 spp. (threshold = 94 spp.)

152	49%	2011	Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC	117	38%	1995	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB
137	44%	1995	Richard Cannings, Naramata BC	117	38%	1995	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB
131	42%	1996	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON	112	36%	1991	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS
130	42%	1975	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS	106	34%	2012	Phillip Cram, Calgary AB
130	42%	2009	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB	103	33%	2012	Ray Woods, Calgary AB
119	38%	2003	Eric Tull, Calgary AB				

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Northwest Territories 323 spp. (threshold = 97 spp.)

155	48%	1973	Alan Wormington, Leamington ON	127	39%	1999	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
141	44%	2001	Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB	123	38%	2012	Brian Elder, Calgary AB
133	41%	2011	Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC	110	34%	2006	Olivier Barden, Québec City QC
130	40%	1976	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS				

Nunavut Territory 270 spp. (threshold = 54 spp.)

62	23%	2009	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON
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ATPAT Sum of Highest Provincial & Territorial Year Lists 5187 spp. (threshold = 800 spp.)

This list is the total of all your best provincial and territorial Year Lists added together regardless of the year (13 if you have them all). Not surprisingly, the names Maybank and Tull figure prominently on this list. We have a new lister here this year, Ray Woods from Calgary joins at a very good 1623.

2222	43%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **	1321	25%	Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB
2163	42%	Eric Tull, Calgary AB	1311	25%	Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC
1800	35%	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS	1205	23%	Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB
1736	33%	Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB **	1123	22%	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB
1731	33%	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON	1122	22%	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB
1627	31%	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB	992	19%	Don MacNeill, Halifax NS
1623	31%	Ray Woods, Calgary AB (new)	983	19%	Harv Lane, Kleefeld MB
1560	30%	Burke Korol, Barrie ON	910	18%	Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK
1418	27%	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS	879	17%	Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB
1345	26%	Suzanne Benoit, Ft. Saskatchewan AB **			

ATPAT Sum of Provincial & Territorial Year Lists in a Single Year 5187 spp. (threshold = 700 spp.)

This is the best combination of provincial and territorial Year Lists from a single year. Three of our Canadian Big Year listers, not surprisingly, have joined this year in spots one, two and three. Brian Elder was first with 1645, Ray Woods next at 1590 and Phil Cram third with 1557. Bravo! Obviously Brian and Phil missed the last list; and all three the following one. Next year, eh.

1645	32%	2012	Brian Elder, Calgary AB	1074	21%	1992	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON
1590	31%	2012	Ray Woods, Calgary AB	960	19%	2004	Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB
1557	30%	2012	Phillip Cram, Calgary AB	840	16%	1989	Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB
1423	27%	2010	Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB	812	16%	1995	Burke Korol, Barrie ON
1367	26%	1990	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS	768	15%	2006	John Luce, Surrey BC
1179	23%	1981	Eric Tull, Calgary AB	725	14%	2002	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB
1172	23%	1978	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS				

Total Ticks (All Canadian Provinces and Territories, US States (except Hawaii), DC and St. Pierre & Miquelon Added Together) in a Single Year 28105 spp. (threshold = 1000 spp.)

No changes.

1580	6%	2008	Eric Tull, Calgary AB	1371	5%	1980	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS
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ABA Area 976 spp. (threshold = 400 spp.)

Russell Cannings had the only qualifier with a 483 ABA Year List. That makes three years running for Russ. Awesome!

628	64%	2006	Jerry Pilny, Calgary AB	456	47%	2004	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB
544	56%	1991	Suzanne Benoit, Ft. Saskatchewan AB	456	47%	2004	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB
532	55%	1998	Mike Austin, Friendswood TX	449	46%	1998	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS
516	53%	2010	Russell Cannings, Burnaby BC	446	46%	2002	John Luce, Surrey BC
502	51%	1996	Mike Toochin, Richmond BC	439	45%	1997	David Stirling, Victoria BC
483	49%	2012	Russell Cannings, Burnaby BC	437	45%	2001	Juliette Pellerin, Boudreau West NB
480	49%	2000	Hilaire Chiasson, Lamèque NB	426	44%	1991	Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB
480	49%	1970	Wayne Weber, Delta BC	420	43%	1997	Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB
475	49%	1993	Gavin Platt, Toronto ON	418	43%	1977	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
475	49%	1993	Ian Platt, London ON	416	43%	2005	Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON
463	47%	1978	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS	413	42%	1995	William Lindley, London ON
462	47%	1983	Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC	408	42%	1995	Burke Korol, Barrie ON
459	47%	2004	Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB	408	42%	1980	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS
459	47%	2005	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB	401	41%	1982	Hugh Currie, Toronto ON

North America 1995 spp. (threshold = 600 spp.)

Mike Toochin still leads at 877. No action here again this year.

877	44%	1999	Mike Toochin, Richmond BC	710	36%	2002	Phillip Cram, Calgary AB
759	38%	2003	Olivier Barden, Québec City QC	660	33%	2001	Eric Tull, Calgary AB

World 10157 spp. (threshold = 800 spp.)

The late Martin Edwards' 2170 species is still the standard here for which to aim. The top and only qualifying world year list for 2012 comes from Mike Toochin with 1008.

2170	21%	2007	Martin Edwards, Kingston ON †	1029	10%	2011	Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB
1675	16%	2003	Mike Toochin, Richmond BC	1008	10%	2012	Mike Toochin, Richmond BC
1364	13%	2008	Phillip Cram, Calgary AB	1004	10%	2010	Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB
1308	13%	2002	Hugh Currie, Toronto ON	976	10%	2000	Martin Bowman, Williamstown ON
1279	13%	2003	Juliette Pellerin, Boudreau West NB	939	9%	1987	David Stirling, Victoria BC
1152	11%	1988	Roger Foxall, Surrey BC	936	9%	2000	Gillian Horgan, Williamstown ON
1079	11%	2006	Olivier Barden, Québec City QC	932	9%	1999	Burke Korol, Barrie ON
1048	10%	2006	Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC	926	9%	1994	Suzanne Benoit, Ft. Saskatchewan AB
1046	10%	2011	Eric Tull, Calgary AB	915	9%	2007	Mark Dennis, St-Lazare QC
1032	10%	2004	Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB				

World Families 227 families (Clements) (threshold = 90 families)

Eric Tull beat his 2011 total of 116 by one and has the only qualifying list for 2012. Mike Toochin's 151 is still tops for a single year.

151	67%	2003	Mike Toochin, Richmond BC	118	52%	2006	Sharon Toochin, Richmond BC
132	58%	2008	Phillip Cram, Calgary AB	117	52%	2012	Eric Tull, Calgary AB

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***** INTERPROVINCIAL YEAR LISTS *****

Prairie Provinces (AB, MB, SK) 445 spp. - source Avibase (threshold = 200 spp.)

In 2012, new member Brian Elder had the best Prairie Year List with 277. An amazing eight others also qualified with their 2012 lists, four of them at 270 or more.

309	69%		Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB	271	61%	2012	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB
302	68%	2005	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB	270	61%	2012	Phillip Cram, Calgary AB
301	68%	2005	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB	270	61%	2012	Daniel Sawatzky, Regina SK
299	67%	1987	Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB	269	60%	2010	Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK
297	67%	2002	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB	259	58%	2012	Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK
288	65%	1984	Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB	259	58%	1980	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
282	63%	1982	Harv Lane, Kleefeld MB	256	58%	2012	Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB
278	62%		Burke Korol, Barrie ON	251	56%	2012	Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB
277	62%	2012	Brian Elder, Calgary AB	247	56%	2012	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB
271	61%	2012	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB	245	55%	1990	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS

Atlantic Canada (NB, NL, NS, PE) 475 spp. - source Avibase (threshold = 200 spp.)

Mike King and Clarence Stevens, Sr. still have the top lists in this category. Clarence Stevens, Sr. submitted the only qualifying Year List here with a 241.

309	65%	2009	Mike King, Eastern Passage NS	250	53%	1988	Don MacNeill, Halifax NS
309	65%	2009	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS	241	51%	2012	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS
308	65%	2009	Clarence Stevens II, Beaver Bank NS	240	51%	2007	Juliette Pellerin, Boudreau West NB
301	63%	2009	Fulton Lavender, Spryfield NS	223	47%	1972	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
278	59%	1993	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS	212	46%	1982	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS
268	56%	2005	Joan Czupalay, Halifax NS				

The Maritimes (NB, NS, PE) 462 spp. - source Avibase (threshold = 200 spp.)

Ditto the previous list.

309	67%	2009	Mike King, Eastern Passage NS	250	54%	1988	Don MacNeill, Halifax NS
309	67%	2009	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS	241	52%	2012	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS
308	65%	2009	Clarence Stevens II, Beaver Bank NS	240	52%	2007	Juliette Pellerin, Boudreau West NB
301	63%	2009	Fulton Lavender, Spryfield NS	223	48%	1972	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
278	60%	1993	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS	212	46%	1982	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS
268	58%	2005	Joan Czupalay, Halifax NS				

Northern Canada (YT, NT, NU) 363 spp. - source Avibase (threshold = 100 spp.)

No reports for 2012. Alex Gray still has top list (I wonder what year it was).

144	40%		Alex Gray, Mississauga ON	121	33%	1995	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB
141	39%	2001	Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB	121	33%	1995	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB
138	38%	1999	Eric Tull, Calgary AB	115	32%	2007	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS
135	37%	2009	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB				

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***** INTERPROVINCIAL YEAR LISTS *****

Canada North of the Arctic Circle (threshold = 65 spp.)

In 2012 new member Brian Elder submitted the only list (75) for the far north. Olivier Barden's 105 in 2006 is still tops.

105	2006	Olivier Barden, Québec City QC	75	2012	Brian Elder, Calgary AB
93		Alex Gray, Mississauga ON	69	2007	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS
76	1981	Eric Tull, Calgary AB			

All National Parks (threshold = 120 spp.)

Blake Maybank still sits at the top of this list, despite repeated hints of how easy it would be for several Pelee birders to submit higher lists. No 2012 Year Lists.

197	1990	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS	141	2006	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB
182	1973	Eric Tull, Calgary AB	121	2009	Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK
154		Burke Korol, Barrie ON			



Phil Cram, Brian Elder, Ray Woods & Mike Mulligan on the Fur and Feathers 2012 Big Year
(Photo taken Jan. 4, 2012 at Fish Creek Provincial Park, AB courtesy the team)

DAY LISTS

Finding as many species as possible during one calendar day, a mere 24 hours, is a challenge to stamina as well as bird finding skills. As with Year Lists, a birder's best ever Day List and their best Day List for 2012, if any, are both reported in the same table. To be published, Day Lists have to make thresholds of 15% for Nunavut; 20% for PEI, Newfoundland and Labrador, and the Northwest and Yukon Territories; and 30% for the other provinces. Thresholds are shown in the table headers.

No Day Lists were submitted for 2012. The paucity of Day Lists over the past few years only serves to point out the degree of difficulty involved.

British Columbia 506 spp. (threshold = 152 spp.)

202	40%	18-May-11	Russell Cannings, Burnaby BC	162	32%	21-May-00	Roger Foxall, Surrey BC
196	39%	23-May-95	Richard Cannings, Naramata BC	155	31%	18-May-86	Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC
196	39%	23-May-93	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS	155	31%	18-May-86	Wayne Weber, Delta BC
167	33%	22-May-88	Laurie Rockwell, Summerland BC	151	30%	12-May-91	Danny Tyson, Langley BC

Alberta 417 spp. (threshold = 125 spp.)

165	40%	24-May-96	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS	137	33%	19-May-10	Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB
151	36%	05-Jun-06	Phillip Cram, Calgary AB	137	33%	27-May-78	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
138	33%	26-May-90	Suzanne Benoit, Ft. Saskatchewan AB				

Saskatchewan 388 spp. (threshold = 116 spp.)

160	39%	01-Jun-86	Harv Lane, Kleefeld MB	140	34%	26-May-95	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS
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Manitoba 393 spp. (threshold = 118 spp.)

213	54%	31-May-08	Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB	162	41%	27-May-80	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
204	52%	23-May-87	Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB	156	40%	14-May-90	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS
176	45%	26-May-10	Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB	146	37%	28-May-83	John Zoch, Leamington ON
170	43%	07-Jun-87	Roger Foxall, Surrey BC	117	30%	29-May-99	Burke Korol, Barrie ON
170	43%	27-May-80	Wayne Neily, Tremont NS				

Ontario 487 spp. (threshold = 146 spp.)

186	38%	11-May-79	Alan Wormington, Leamington ON	161	33%	25-May-02	Burke Korol, Barrie ON
182	37%	18-May-96	Margaret Bain, Cobourg ON	158	32%	26-May-01	Paul Mackenzie, Kingston ON
176	36%	26-May-08	Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON	156	32%	11-May-96	Hugh Currie, Toronto ON
175	36%	27-May-00	Bruce Brydon, Holland Landing ON	154	32%	11-May-96	Alfred Adamo, York ON
175	36%	18-May-96	Jim Burk, Blenheim ON	152	31%	20-May-73	Martin Edwards, Kingston ON †
175	36%	18-May-96	Keith Burk, Blenheim ON	152	31%	19-May-78	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON
174	36%	18-May-07	Gavin Platt, Toronto ON	149	31%	18-May-09	Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB
174	36%	18-May-07	Ian Platt, London ON				

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Quebec 441 spp. (threshold = 132 spp.)

174 38% 26-May-07 Olivier Barden, Québec City QC 143 31% 29-May-99 Daniel St-Hilaire, Hull QC
160 35% 28-May-05 Mark Dennis, St-Lazare QC

New Brunswick 413 spp. (threshold = 124 spp.)

124 30% 07-Jun-06 Juliette Pellerin, Boudreau West NB

Nova Scotia 473 spp. (threshold = 142 spp.)

146 31% 23-Jun-99 Clarence Stevens II, Beaver Bank NS 140 30% 04-Jun-94 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS
144 31% 04-Jun-98 Fulton Lavender, Halifax NS

Prince Edward Island 358 spp. (threshold = 72 spp.)

128 36% 28-May-94 Blake Maybank, White's Lake 86 24% 20-May-81 Eric Tull, Calgary AB
86 24% 02-Jun-83 Alex Gray, Mississauga ON

Newfoundland and Labrador 406 spp. (threshold = 81 spp.)

106 26% 02-Sep-84 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS

Yukon Territory 312 spp. (threshold = 62 spp.)

67 22% 22-Aug-92 Richard Cannings, Naramata BC 61 20% 03-Jul-76 Eric Tull, Calgary AB
66 21% 09-Jun-96 Alex Gray, Mississauga ON

Northwest Territories 323 spp. (threshold = 65 spp.)

75 23% 16-Jun-89 Alex Gray, Mississauga ON 69 21% 02-Jun-99 Eric Tull, Calgary AB

Nunavut 270 spp. (threshold = 41 spp.)

63 23% 10-Jun-02 Robert Tymstra, Sarnia ON 48 18% 14-Jun-09 Alex Gray, Mississauga ON

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1458 28% Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS ** 896 17% Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB
1198 23% Eric Tull, Calgary AB 831 16% Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB
1137 22% Alex Gray, Mississauga ON

***** INTERPROVINCIAL DAY LISTS *****

Canada North of the Arctic Circle (threshold = 45 spp.)

52 24-Jun-08 Olivier Barden, Québec City QC

WINTER LISTS

For the purposes of this section, except as otherwise noted, Winter is defined as the three months of December, January & February. All Winter Lifelists are reported as of the end of 2012. Single Winter Lists are of species seen during one winter. Listed are a birder's best ever Single Winter List and their qualifying Single Winter List for 2011-12, if any. The thresholds for Winter Lifelists are 25% for Canada, British Columbia and Ontario; 10% for Nunavut; 15% for PEI, Newfoundland and Labrador, and the other territories; and 20% for the rest of the provinces. Thresholds for Single Winter Lists are 5% less. All Single Winter Lists for 2011-12 in each category are bolded. Thresholds are shown in the table headers for each jurisdiction. Christmas Bird Count lists, being mostly, or wholly, within the winter season, will be found toward the end of the regular Winter List section. Winter season lists (based on the sun) follow those.

***** WINTER LIFELISTS *****

Canada 668 spp. (threshold = 167 spp.)

The top gainer in 2012 in Canada the winter lifelist category was Mike Toochn who added nine. Jeremy Kimm added 8 and Larry Neily 7. Alex Gray gained 4 to gain 2 more on second place holder, John Luce, who added only 2. Jo Ann MacKenzie remained at 299 and in third place. Ray Woods of Calgary joins this list with 201, giving us 33 birders on this list.

314	47%	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON (+4)	227	34%	Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****
305	46%	John Luce, Surrey BC (+2)	225	34%	Russell Cannings, Burnaby BC
299	45%	Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC	224	34%	Craig McLauchlan, Whitby ON
293	44%	Hue MacKenzie, Surrey BC †	221	33%	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+5)
292	44%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **	216	32%	Don MacNeill, Halifax NS
291	44%	Don Perks, Mississauga ON ***	216	32%	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (+7)
285	43%	Danny Tyson, Langley BC (+5)	214	32%	Jerry Pilny, Calgary AB
283	42%	Mike Toochn, Richmond BC (+9)	213	32%	Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB
261	39%	David Stirling, Victoria BC	213	32%	Allen Woodliffe, Chatham ON *
254	38%	Rick Tyson, Surrey BC *	205	31%	Brent Schmor, Harrison Mills BC *
254	38%	Wayne Weber, Delta BC *	201	30%	Ray Woods, Calgary AB (new)
251	38%	Hugh Currie, Toronto ON	195	29%	Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB
243	36%	Burke Korol, Barrie ON	193	29%	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB (+1)
243	36%	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB	188	28%	Mike King, Eastern Passage NS ***
243	36%	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB	184	36%	Jeremy Kimm, Victoria BC (+8)
237	35%	Eric Tull, Calgary AB	168	25%	Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON
233	35%	Richard Cannings, Naramata BC **			



Marbled Godwit at Wolfville, NS on Sep. 11, 2012

WINTER LISTS

***** WINTER LIFELISTS *****

British Columbia 506 spp. (threshold = 127 spp.)

Danny Tyson stays on top with 285, having added 5 in 2012, however Mike Toochin added 9 (the largest gain in 2012) and pulls to within 3 species in 2nd spot. Eight listers have over 250 species here. No one new on the list this year.

285	56%	Danny Tyson, Langley BC (+5)	199	39%	Burke Korol, Barrie ON
282	56%	Mike Toochin, Richmond BC (+9)	187	37%	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB
274	54%	John Luce, Surrey BC (+3)	187	37%	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB
255	50%	Hue MacKenzie, Surrey BC †	184	36%	Jeremy Kimm, Victoria BC (+8)
254	50%	Rick Tyson, Surrey BC *	183	36%	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON
252	50%	David Stirling, Victoria BC	165	33%	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
252	50%	Wayne Weber, Delta BC *	160	32%	Laurie Rockwell, Summerland BC
251	50%	Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC	137	27%	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB (+1)
225	44%	Russell Cannings, Burnaby BC	136	27%	Jerry Pilny, Calgary AB
216	43%	Richard Cannings, Naramata BC **	135	27%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
205	41%	Brent Schmor, Harrison Mills BC *	132	26%	Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB

Alberta 417 spp. (threshold = 83 spp.)

The McDonalds remain solidly in the lead in Alberta with 161 each. A gain of 2 by Bill Wilson was the only gain.

161	39%	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB	127	30%	Phillip Cram, Calgary AB
161	39%	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB	109	26%	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
141	34%	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB (+2)	98	24%	Suzanne Benoit, Ft. Saskatchewan AB **

Saskatchewan 388 spp. (threshold = 78 spp.)

Ryan Dudragne remains in the lead in this category and Burke Korol is second. However, the largest gain in 2012 (+17) was from Dan Sawatzky, who is now only one behind Burke and ten off the lead.

118	30%	Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK (+2)	108	28%	Daniel Sawatzky, Regina SK (+17)
109	28%	Burke Korol, Barrie ON			

Manitoba 393 spp. (threshold = 79 spp.)

In 2012 the only gain was of 3 by Gordon Grief. Rudolf Koes continues to lead.

143	36%	Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB	122	31%	Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB (+3)
132	34%	Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB			

WINTER LISTS

***** WINTER LIFELISTS *****

Ontario 487 spp. (threshold = 122 spp.)

Alan Wormington stayed in top spot. Gordon Payne had the largest one year gain, at +17.

286	59%	Alan Wormington, Leamington ON (+2)	190	39%	Joshua Vandermeulen, Guelph ON (new)
278	57%	Don Perks, Mississauga ON ***	187	38%	Gavin Platt, Toronto ON
248	51%	Alfred Adamo, York ON (+6)	181	37%	Gordon Payne, London ON (+17)
247	51%	Hugh Currie, Toronto ON	177	36%	Paul Mackenzie, Kingston ON
241	49%	Keith Burk, Blenheim ON	168	34%	Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON
226	46%	Margaret Bain, Cobourg ON **	159	33%	Joel Ellis, Kingston ON ***
225	46%	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON (+5)	149	31%	Burke Korol, Barrie ON (+10 - 2 yrs)
224	46%	Jim Burk, Blenheim ON (+1)	135	28%	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
216	44%	Craig McLauchlan, Whitby ON	127	26%	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (+1)
213	44%	Allen Woodliffe, Chatham ON *	120	25%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
193	40%	Ian Platt, London ON			

Quebec 441 spp. (threshold = 88 spp.)

Olivier Barden added 8 (the sole gain) last winter and has increased his hold on top spot. Mark Dennis joins the group this year at a fine 133.

188	43%	Olivier Barden, Québec City, QC (+8)	103	23%	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
179	41%	Mabel McIntosh, Pointe Claire QC *	94	21%	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS
133	30%	Mark Dennis, St-Lazare QC (new)			

New Brunswick 413 spp. (threshold = 83 spp.)

Jolande St-Pierre had the top gain (+13). Hilaire Chiasson and his late wife Rose-Aline still share top spot in NB at 162. Rosita Lanteigne is 3rd only 11 back.

162	39%	Hilaire Chiasson, Lamèque NB *****	131	32%	Michel Chiasson, Caraquet NB (+4)
162	39%	Rose-Aline Chiasson, Lamèque NB †	96	23%	Denise Godin, Bertrand NB
151	37%	Rosita Lanteigne, Caraquet NB (+11 - 2 yrs)	93	23%	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
147	36%	Jolande St-Pierre, Alderwood NB (+13)	92	22%	Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****
142	34%	Juliette Pellerin, Boudreau West NB (+5)	90	22%	Jude Larocque, Coteau Road NB

Nova Scotia 473 spp. (threshold = 95 spp.)

Blake Maybank stays in top spot. Larry Neily reported the largest gain, a +16.

248	52%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **	194	41%	Joan Czapalay, Halifax NS (+2)
236	50%	John Nickerson, Clark's Harbour NS *****	188	40%	Mike King, Eastern Passage NS ***
221	47%	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+5)	176	37%	Suzanne Borkowski, Halifax NS **
216	46%	Don MacNeill, Halifax NS	155	33%	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (+16)
210	44%	Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****	121	26%	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON

WINTER LISTS

***** WINTER LIFELISTS *****

Prince Edward Island 358 spp. (threshold = 54 spp.)

Angus MacLean continues to lead here with 80 species. No activity reported in 2012.

80	22%	Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****	56	16%	Hilaire Chiasson, Lamèque NB *****
69	19%	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON			

Newfoundland and Labrador 406 spp. (threshold = 61 spp.)

Doug Phelan continues to lead here with 152 species, but his total is 9 years old. No activity reported in 2012.

152	37%	Doug Phelan, St. John's NL * ⁹	67	17%	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB
110	27%	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON	67	17%	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB
86	21%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **			

Yukon Territory 312 spp. (threshold = 47 spp.)

Northwest Territories 323 spp. (threshold = 48 spp.)

Nunavut 270 spp. (threshold = 27 spp.)

No Winter Lists for the territories. If you have one, please submit it, even if it is under the current threshold. We have to start somewhere.

ATPAT Sum of Provincial & Territorial Winter Lists 5187 spp. (threshold = 500 spp.)

Alex Gray added 8 to reach the lofty total of 950 for his leading ATPAT Winter List. Larry Neily added 17 for the largest 2012 gain.

950	18%	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON (+8)	568	11%	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (+17)
745	14%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **	546	11%	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB
720	14%	Eric Tull, Calgary AB	546	11%	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB

***** INTERPROVINCIAL WINTER LIFELISTS *****

Prairie Provinces (AB, MB, SK) 445 spp. - source Avibase (threshold = 120 spp.)

The McDonalds stay in top spot at 162, and the list is joined by Gordon Grief coming in at 122.

162	36%	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB	133	30%	Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB
162	36%	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB	127	29%	Phillip Cram, Calgary AB
141	32%	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB (+2)	122	27%	Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB (new)

Atlantic Canada (NB, NL, NS, PE) 475 spp. - source Avibase (threshold = 140 spp.)

Blake Maybank continues have a comfortable lead at 249. Larry Neily had the largest gain of +16.

249	52%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **	188	28%	Mike King, Eastern Passage NS ***
221	47%	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+5)	158	33%	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (+16)
216	45%	Don MacNeill, Halifax NS			

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***** INTERPROVINCIAL WINTER LIFELISTS *****

The Maritimes (NB, NS, PE) 462 spp. - source Avibase (threshold = 140 spp.)

Ditto to the Atlantic comments, except Blake's total is one less.

248	54%	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **	188	28%	Mike King, Eastern Passage NS ***
221	47%	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+5)	158	34%	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (+16)
216	47%	Don MacNeill, Halifax NS			

***** CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT LIFELISTS *****

All Canadian Christmas Bird Counts (CBC's) (threshold = 100 spp.)

Blake Maybank leads here at 161, but Allen Woodliffe and Russell Cannings close. Clarence Stevens, Sr. joins at 121

161	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **	152	Jerry Pilny, Calgary AB
160	Russell Cannings, Burnaby BC	121	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (new)
160	Allen Woodliffe, Chatham ON *	117	Burke Korol, Barrie ON

All British Columbia Christmas Bird Counts (CBC's) (threshold = 100 spp.)

Russell Cannings leads in this category.

160 Russell Cannings, Burnaby BC

All Saskatchewan Christmas Bird Counts (CBC's) (threshold = 80 spp.)

Ryan Dudragne gives us the initial list in this category.

98 Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK

All Ontario Christmas Bird Counts (CBC's) (threshold = 100 spp.)

Allen Woodliffe continues to lead here.

160	Allen Woodliffe, Chatham ON *	142	Jim Burk, Blenheim ON
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All Nova Scotia Christmas Bird Counts (CBC's) (threshold = 100 spp.)

Mike King is displaced from top spot by Clarence Stevens, Sr. joining at 121.

121	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (new)	101	Mike King, Eastern Passage NS ***
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Lesser Black-backed Gull (center) in a flock of mostly Herring Gulls at Canard, NS on Dec. 20, 2012

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***** WINTER SEASON LIFELISTS *****

Winter Season Lifelists, as opposed to the usual Winter Lifelists (December, January & February), are lifelists of species seen between the Winter Solstice and the Vernal Equinox: the actual season of winter. Thresholds in these categories are the same as the regular winter lifelists.

Clarence Stevens, Sr. hit 200 for Canada and Nova Scotia. Bill Wilson leads in British Columbia and Alberta, and adds a new category Prairies Winter Season Lifelist, entering at 138.

Canada 668 spp. (threshold = 167 spp.)

201 30% Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+3) 185 28% Bill Wilson, Calgary AB (+1)

British Columbia 506 spp. (threshold = 127 spp.)

125 25% Bill Wilson, Calgary AB (+1)

Alberta 417 spp. (threshold = 83 spp.)

138 33% Bill Wilson, Calgary AB (+1)

Nova Scotia 473 spp. (threshold = 95 spp.)

201 30% Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+3) 163 34% Mike King, Eastern Passage NS ***

***** INTERPROVINCIAL WINTER SEASON LIFELISTS *****

Prairie Provinces (AB, MB, SK) 445 spp. - source Avibase (threshold = 120 spp.)

138 33% Bill Wilson, Calgary AB (new)



An Indigo Bunting, 2 Dickcissels and a European Starling at Tom Kavanaugh's amazing feeders in Canso, NS on Nov. 15, 2012
(Photo by Antoinette Neily)

WINTER LISTS

***** SINGLE WINTER LISTS *****

Last winter (2011-12) the eleven year old Canada and British Columbia Single Winter List records of John Luce's (207) were broken by Mike Toochin with 210. Congratulations Mike! We had a great selection of winter lists in 2011-12, with 13 contributions as opposed to 10 the previous winter. All 2011-12 single winter lists are boldfaced. We had 3 from ON; 2 each from AB, SK & NB; and singletons from BC, MB, QC & NS. The highest provincial list numerically was as is usual from BC. Mike Toochin had a winter "triple crown" with a stunning 210 species, a personal best by 7 and a new BC record by 3 and the highest provincial list percentage-wise at 42%. He must share the new provincial record third of the crown with Ryan Dudragne who topped his own previous record from last winter by 16 in SK. Second spot numerically went to Josh Vandermeulen in ON with 155; who also had second in percentage with 32%. Honourable mentions go to Daniel Sawatzky for his 89 in SK, 14 over the old record high and only two short of Ryan's total; and to Gavin Platt, whose 153 in ON was 3rd in species and percentage, and just 2 behind Josh's effort. Congratulations on a great winter folks!

Canada 668 spp. (threshold = 134 spp.)

210	31%	11/12	Mike Toochin, Richmond BC	167	25%	93/94	Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC
207	31%	00/01	John Luce, Surrey BC	164	25%	08/09	Mike King, Eastern Passage, NS
206	31%	00/01	Danny Tyson, Langley BC	161	32%	10/11	Jeremy Kimm, Victoria BC
195	29%	10/11	Russell Cannings, Burnaby BC	150	22%	88/89	Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB
185	28%	90/91	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS	146	22%	06/07	Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB
183	27%	98/99	Burke Korol, Barrie ON	146	22%	01/02	Craig McLauchlan, Whitby ON
177	26%	01/02	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON	143	21%	67/68	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
174	26%	95/96	Rick Tyson, Surrey BC	137	21%	08/09	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS
170	25%	91/92	Wayne Weber, Delta BC	135	20%	11/12	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB
169	25%	11/12	Ray Woods, Calgary AB	135	20%	11/12	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB
168	25%	02/03	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB	132	20%	02/03	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB
168	25%	02/03	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB				

British Columbia 506 spp. (threshold = 101 spp.)

210	42%	11/12	Mike Toochin, Richmond BC	130	26%	10/11	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB
207	41%	00/01	John Luce, Surrey BC	129	25%	10/11	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB
206	41%	00/01	Danny Tyson, Langley BC	127	25%	88/89	Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB
195	39%	10/11	Russell Cannings, Burnaby BC	117	23%	01/02	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON
174	34%	95/96	Rick Tyson, Surrey BC	111	22%	94/95	Suzanne Benoit, Ft. Saskatchewan AB
170	34%	91/92	Wayne Weber, Delta BC	103	20%	07/08	Eric Tull, Calgary AB
168	33%	98/99	Burke Korol, Barrie ON	102	20%	06/07	Laurie Rockwell, Summerland BC
167	33%	93/94	Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC	101	20%	89/90	Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB
161	32%	10/11	Jeremy Kimm, Victoria BC	99	20%	99/00	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB
135	27%	90/91	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS				

Alberta 417 spp. (threshold = 63 spp.)

112	27%	01/02	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB	88	21%	03/04	Phillip Cram, Calgary AB
112	27%	01/02	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB	88	21%	11/12	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB
91	22%	06/07	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB	88	21%	11/12	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB
89	21%	01/02	Alan Fishkin, Nanoose Bay BC	70	17%	91/92	Suzanne Benoit, Ft. Saskatchewan AB

Saskatchewan 388 spp. (threshold = 58 spp.)

91	23%	11/12	Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK	72	19%	94/95	Burke Korol, Barrie ON
89	23%	11/12	Daniel Sawatzky, Regina SK				

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***** SINGLE WINTER LISTS *****

Manitoba 393 spp. (threshold = 59 spp.)

81	21%	98/99	Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB	61	16%	11/12	Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB
65	17%	91/92	Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB				

Ontario 487 spp. (threshold = 97 spp.)

163	33%	01/02	David Milsom, Bolton ON	128	26%	93/94	Hugh Currie, Toronto ON
155	32%	11/12	Joshua Vandermeulen, Guelph ON	123	25%	01/02	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON
153	31%	11/12	Gavin Platt, Toronto ON	121	25%	91/92	Jim Burk, Blenheim ON
152	31%	98/99	Don Perks, Mississauga ON	116	24%	00/01	Burke Korol, Barrie ON
148	30%	01/02	Alfred Adamo, York ON	110	23%	11/12	Hugh Currie, Toronto ON
146	30%	01/02	Craig McLauchlan, Whitby ON	109	22%	92/93	Ian Platt, London ON
130	27%	01/02	Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON	106	22%	05/06	Paul Mackenzie, Kingston ON
129	26%	99/00	Margaret Bain, Cobourg ON				

Quebec 441 spp. (threshold = 66 spp.)

128	29%	01/02	Olivier Barden, Québec City, QC	110	25%	95/96	Mabel McIntosh, Pointe Claire QC
119	27%	11/12	Olivier Barden, Québec City, QC	99	22%	86/87	Eric Tull, Calgary AB

New Brunswick 413 spp. (threshold = 62 spp.)

108	26%	06/07	Juliette Pellerin, Boudreau West NB	75	18%	11/12	Denise Godin, Bertrand NB
102	25%	05/06	Hilaire Chiasson, Lamèque NB *****	74	18%	08/09	Rosita Lanteigne, Caraquet NB
86	21%	03/04	Jude Larocque, Coteau Rd NB	65	16%	01/02	Michel Chiasson, Caraquet NB
84	20%	11/12	Jolande St-Pierre, Alderwood NB	62	15%	07/08	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON
80	19%	08/09	Richard Leger, Shediac NB				

Nova Scotia 473 spp. (threshold = 71 spp.)

172	36%	01/02	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS	133	28%	01/02	Richard Stern, Kentville NS
165	35%	01/02	Murray Newell, Clark's Harbour NS	130	27%	08/09	Don MacNeill, Halifax NS
165	35%	01/02	John Nickerson, Clark's Harbour NS	129	19%	11/12	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS
164	35%	08/09	Mike King, Eastern Passage NS	110	23%	08/09	Suzanne Borkowski, Halifax NS
143	30%	01/02	Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS	83	18%	06/07	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON
142	30%	01/02	Joan Czapalay, Halifax NS	83	18%	10/11	Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS
137	21%	08/09	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS				

Prince Edward Island 358 spp. (threshold = 36 spp.)

54	15%	07/08	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON				
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Newfoundland and Labrador 406 spp. (threshold = 41 spp.)

92	23%	01/02	Doug Phelan, St. John's NL	67	17%	04/05	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB
72	18%	96/97	Alex Gray, Mississauga ON	58	14%	81/82	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS
67	17%	04/05	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB	40	10%	81/82	Eric Tull, Calgary AB

Yukon Territory 312 spp. (threshold = 31 spp.)

Northwest Territories 323 spp. (threshold = 32 spp.)

Nunavut 270 spp. (threshold = 14 spp.)

No Single Winter Lists for the territories either. If you have one, please submit it, even if it is under the current threshold.

WINTER LISTS

***** SINGLE WINTER LISTS *****

ATPAT Sum of Provincial & Territorial Lists for a Single Winter 5187 spp. (threshold = 350 spp.)

559 11% Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

***** INTERPROVINCIAL SINGLE WINTER LIFELISTS *****

Prairie Provinces (AB, MB, SK) 445 spp. - source Avibase (threshold = 65 spp.)

112	25%	01/02	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB	88	20%	03/04	Phillip Cram, Calgary AB
112	25%	01/02	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB	88	20%	11/12	Joan McDonald, Calgary AB
92	21%	11/12	Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK	88	20%	11/12	Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB
92	21%	06/07	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB	65	15%	91/92	Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB

Atlantic Canada (NB, NL, NS, PE) 475 spp. - source Avibase (threshold = 120 spp.)

172	36%	01/02	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS	130	27%	08/09	Don MacNeill, Halifax NS
164	35%	08/09	Mike King, Eastern Passage NS	129	19%	11/12	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS
137	21%	08/09	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS				

The Maritimes (NB, NS, PE) 462 spp. - source Avibase (threshold = 110 spp.)

172	37%	01/02	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS	130	28%	08/09	Don MacNeill, Halifax NS
164	35%	08/09	Mike King, Eastern Passage NS	129	19%	11/12	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS
137	21%	08/09	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS				

***** SINGLE WINTER SEASON LISTS *****

As with Winter Season Lifelists, Single Winter Season Lists are timed to the actual season of winter, between the Winter Solstice and the Vernal Equinox. Remember they are mobile. Thresholds for these categories will be the same as for the regular single winter lists.

British Columbia 506 spp. (threshold = 101 spp.)

99 20% 99/00 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB

Alberta 417 spp. (threshold = 63 spp.)

93	22%	06/07	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB	64	15%	11/12	Bill Wilson, Calgary AB
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Nova Scotia 473 spp. (threshold = 71 spp.)

147	31%	08/09	Mike King, Eastern Passage NS	122	18%	11/12	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS
133	20%	08/09	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS				

LOCAL LIFELISTS

For all but a few northern areas and some special criteria lists, the thresholds for Local Lists are 150 for Lifelists and 120 for Year Lists. County combinations are higher at 180 and 150. Local Lists are as reported up to the end of 2012. They are shown on a province by province basis. Local Lists are presented in five sections: Local Lifelists, Local Year Lists, Local Day Lists, Local Winter Lists and Local Single Winter Lists, similar to the way in which the major category lists are treated.

The variety of places people keep lists for continues to grow, the Local Lifelists areas numbering 246 (+6) this year. Provincially there are 202 lists; ON leading with 48, then NS with 39, BC 33 and MB 24. There were 879 (+43) individual lists; ON leading here too with 206, then NS with 146, BC 132 and MB 49. Included with the Local Lists are special Canada-wide criteria lists (4), AMAT lists (5), other Canada-related lists (8) and a different list. Also included here are the foreign national (11), international (5), oceans (3) and continental (7) lists that so many of you traveling listers are keen on. Comment and comparison are indulged in below under provincial headings. To compare Local Areas becomes less and less possible as sizes vary more. Please send me the number of species from any local checklists you may have, that will surely help. Thanks.

Clarification of the Local Area Definitions is an ongoing process. The file is now on the internet site but is incomplete and needs your input. Especially helpful would be an email containing the text describing an area to be inserted. Thank you to those who have provided this.

To make reporting easier, I have asked listers to simply send only their numbers that have changed. In most cases this amounts to less than ten updates. This will make my job easier too, something for which I fervently wish, supposing, of course, that I can read any hand-written submissions. If you wish to continue using old form, please feel free to do so. However you submit your numbers, please be careful and double check what you've written or typed. Again this year there was less need to request clarification of numbers on your forms. Thank you.

British Columbia: The most active local list in BC in 2012 was the Semiahmoo Peninsula list, with 9 updates. Next most active, with five gainers and one new lister was Vancouver Island. Mike Toochnin still has the highest total in BC, 366 in Vancouver. Richard and Russell Cannings share the honours for the top interior list, 291 for the Okanagan Valley. Top gainer on any list, with +10, was Roger Foxall for the Semiahmoo Peninsula. For small sized areas, Mike Toochnin's 273 for Iona & Sea Island is amazing.

Alberta: Slow this year in AB, with the Provincial Parks in AB having the most listers showing gains, three. Bill Wilson had the top gain (+9) in both Inglewood Bird Sanctuary and Calgary City Limits. He also has the highest local list in the province, 329 in the Calgary Region.

Saskatchewan: Burke Korol, despite the fact he is long gone from SK, continues to have the highest Local Lifelist there with 251 in Saskatoon; but Daniel Sawatzky is hot on his tail with 250 in the Regina Region. Daniel Sawatzky had high gain for SK with +12 for the Regina Region. Ryan Dudragne also initiated a new list: Regional Parks in Saskatchewan, setting the bar at 155.

Manitoba: The Southeastern MB area, as usual, provided the highest local list for the province, Robert Parsons' 340. Winnipeg had the next highest, where Robert has 304. The top local gains were +2's, by the Rob Parsons and Gordon Grief in Winnipeg.

LOCAL LIFELISTS

Ontario: Bill Crins' +11 for Peterborough (County) was the only double digit gain for ON in 2012. At 380, Alan Wormington's Chatham-Kent/Essex/Lambton County combination still is the top Local List for ON. Top small area list is still Alan's Point Pelee CBC Area (or as he prefers Point Pelee Birding Area) list at 362. Don Perks' 360 in the Toronto 50 km category is next best. Other lists above 350 were Keith Burk's 364 and Allen Woodliffe's 357, both in the Chatham-Kent/Essex/Lambton County combination. Most active list was the Point Pelee CBC Area, with 5 updates and one new member. New member Joshua Vandermeulen adds 2 new lists: City of Hamilton (former RM of Hamilton-Wentworth) (231) and Wellington (County) (217).

Quebec: Quebec's highest Local Lifelist is now held by Peter Mitchell, with 342 in Montreal. Three additional listers are over 300 in Quebec: Mabel McIntosh at 338 in Montreal, Olivier Barden in both Quebec City Region (COQ) (316) and Quebec City (306), and Germain Savard for Saguenay/Lac St-Jean (306). The biggest gain was from Peter Mitchell, a remarkable +11 for Montreal. Olivier Barden adds a new QC list: Côte-Nord (254).

New Brunswick: The top local lists are still all from the Acadian Peninsula, led by Rosita Lanteigne at 316. She is closely followed by Hilaire Chiasson with 315 and Benoit Lanteigne at 310. Jolande St-Pierre, with a +9 on Miscou Island, had the biggest increase in 2012. The Acadian Peninsula list was the most active with 6 updaters.

Nova Scotia: Top county lists were Clarence Stevens II and Fulton Lavender at 380, both in Halifax County; John Nickerson in Shelburne and Clarence Stevens Sr. in Halifax County, both at 346. For all NS, the highest Local Lifelist was Clarence Stevens II's 415, followed by Clarence Stevens Sr.'s 395 and Blake Maybank's 393, all for Mainland Nova Scotia (also the largest area). Top small area list was John Nickerson's 334 on Cape Sable Island. The top gainer was Clarence Stevens Sr. in Digby Neck & Islands at +24.

Prince Edward Island: David Seeler, our new member from PEI, has become the new leader for high local list there, with a 210 total for Prince Edward Island National Park, topping Angus MacLean's longstanding number. Perhaps he can be persuaded to set PEI county standards?

Elsewhere in Canada: No changes in the remaining provinces and territories. Blake Maybank had the top Local Lifelist for NF, with a 248 for Western Newfoundland. In the Yukon, Wayne Neily had not only the top Local Lifelist, but the only one, 114 for Kluane National Park.

Canada Related: Eric Tull extended his lead on the Commonwealth of Nations list with 107 more species to reach 2540; Rolph Davis add 155 on the ADSAT list to close to only 35 behind leader Larry Neily; and Danny Tyson added 17 to his AMAT BC list, reaching 3200.

Foreign: A new nation list: Switzerland from Theo Hofmann at 143. Mike Mulligan joins the Lower 48 list with 712 and is the new leader. Roger Foxall joins both the USA (776) and Lower 48 (683) lists and is 2nd in each. This leaves Rolph Davis, who sent in a 671 total for the Lower 48, which heretofore would have been the leading total, in 3rd spot. Eric Tull and Brooke Clibbon start an Eastern Hemisphere list with Eric's 2395 leading. Theo Hofmann joins the Atlantic Ocean list with a leading total of 103. Mark Dennis joins the Europe list with a leading total of 526. All told, 14 new totals were added in the nations section and 17 in the international section.

LOCAL LIFELISTS

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Blackie Spit (& Crescent Beach)

- 189 Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC
- 186 Hue MacKenzie, Surrey BC †
- 183 Wayne Weber, Delta BC *
- 163 Danny Tyson, Langley BC

Clover Point/Beaconhill Park, Victoria

- 199 David Stirling, Victoria BC

Creston Valley

- 180 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Haines Triangle

- 88 David Stirling, Victoria BC
- 76 Mike Toochin, Richmond BC

Iona Island, Richmond

- 260 Mike Toochin, Richmond BC (+1)
- 215 Danny Tyson, Langley BC
- 204 Lloyd Esralson, Surrey BC

Jericho Park, Vancouver

- 160 Danny Tyson, Langley BC
- 157 Richard Cannings, Naramata BC **

Kamloops

- 255 Wayne Weber, Delta BC *
- 198 David Stirling, Victoria BC

Nicola Valley

- 252 Wayne Weber, Delta BC *

North Vancouver

- 165 Rick Tyson, Surrey BC *

Coastal British Columbia

- 379 Wayne Weber, Delta BC *

Interior British Columbia

- 316 Wayne Weber, Delta BC *

Seen in every month British Columbia

- 157 Danny Tyson, Langley BC
- 102 Rick Tyson, Surrey BC *

Seen in every month Vancouver

- 126 Danny Tyson, Langley BC

Okanagan Valley

- 291 Richard Cannings, Naramata BC **
- 291 Russell Cannings, Burnaby BC (+2)
- 284 Laurie Rockwell, Summerland BC (+2)
- 269 Mike Toochin, Richmond BC
- 258 Wayne Weber, Delta BC *
- 252 Danny Tyson, Langley BC
- 242 David Stirling, Victoria BC
- 240 Burke Korol, Barrie ON
- 233 Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC
- 231 John Luce, Surrey BC
- 215 Lloyd Esralson, Surrey BC
- 196 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
- 190 Rick Tyson, Surrey BC *
- 183 Bill Crins, Peterborough ON
- 172 Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON
- 170 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB (+7)

100 Mile House

- 175 Laurie Rockwell, Summerland BC

Pacific Rim National Park

- 175 David Stirling, Victoria BC

Peace River District

- 209 Russell Cannings, Burnaby BC (+3)
- 203 Mike Toochin, Richmond BC
- 191 Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC
- 165 Danny Tyson, Langley BC
- 164 Wayne Weber, Delta BC *
- 163 David Stirling, Victoria BC

Pitt Meadows

- 200 Wayne Weber, Delta BC *

Prince George

- 186 Russell Cannings, Burnaby BC
- 168 Danny Tyson, Langley BC

Reifel Migratory Bird Sanctuary

- 197 Danny Tyson, Langley BC
- 194 Lloyd Esralson, Surrey BC (+1)
- 176 Rick Tyson, Surrey BC *

Revelstoke Area

- 150 Wayne Weber, Delta BC *

LOCAL LIFELISTS

BRITISH COLUMBIA (cont'd)

Sea/Iona Islands, Richmond

- 273 Mike Toochin, Richmond BC (+2)
- 233 Wayne Weber, Delta BC *
- 219 Danny Tyson, Langley BC
- 204 Lloyd Esralson, Surrey BC
- 174 Rick Tyson, Surrey BC *
- 163 Richard Cannings, Naramata BC **

Semiahmoo Peninsula

- 239 Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC (+2)
- 218 Prue Spitman, Surrey BC (+2)
- 217 Carlo Giovanella, Surrey BC (+6)
- 216 Bernie Spitman, Surrey BC (+2)
- 203 Ilya Povalyaev, Calgary AB (+3)
- 194 Danny Tyson, Langley BC (+9)
- 192 Roger Foxall, Surrey BC (+10)
- 192 Mike Newey, South Surrey BC (+2)
- 179 Sylvie Newey, South Surrey BC (+2)
- 175 Al McTavish, Surrey BC ***

Stanley Park, Vancouver

- 189 Wayne Weber, Delta BC *

Sunshine Coast

- 176 Danny Tyson, Langley BC

Vancouver

- 366 Mike Toochin, Richmond BC (+4)
- 352 Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC
- 345 Danny Tyson, Langley BC
- 342 Hue MacKenzie, Surrey BC †
- 342 Wayne Weber, Delta BC *
- 340 Carlo Giovanella, Surrey BC (new)
- 333 Lloyd Esralson, Surrey BC
- 332 John Luce, Surrey BC
- 327 Rick Tyson, Surrey BC *
- 326 Roger Foxall, Surrey BC (+7)
- 295 Ilya Povalyaev, Calgary AB
- 285 Richard Cannings, Naramata BC **
- 246 Russell Cannings, Burnaby BC (+1)
- 242 David Stirling, Victoria BC
- 215 Bill Crins, Peterborough ON
- 201 Eric Tull, Calgary AB
- 197 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS
- 179 Burke Korol, Barrie ON
- 177 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
- 167 Craig McLauchlan, Whitby ON

Vancouver Island

- 348 David Stirling, Victoria BC
- 329 Bryan Gates, Victoria BC *⁶
- 300 Mike Toochin, Richmond BC (+2)
- 293 Jeremy Kimm, Victoria BC (new)
- 260 Roger Foxall, Surrey BC (+6)
- 255 Wayne Weber, Delta BC *
- 250 Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC
- 245 Danny Tyson, Langley BC
- 222 Alan Fishkin, Nanoose Bay BC (+5)
- 210 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB
- 196 Eric Tull, Calgary AB
- 193 Joan McDonald, Calgary AB (+6)
- 193 Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB (+7)
- 185 Rick Tyson, Surrey BC *
- 184 Lloyd Esralson, Surrey BC
- 151 Suzanne Benoit, Ft. Saskatchewan AB **

Victoria

- 331 David Stirling, Victoria BC
- 315 Bryan Gates, Victoria BC *⁶
- 283 Jeremy Kimm, Victoria BC (+8)
- 259 Mike Toochin, Richmond BC (+2)
- 235 Wayne Weber, Delta BC *
- 192 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB
- 184 Danny Tyson, Langley BC (+4)
- 163 John Luce, Surrey BC

Westham Island

- 222 Wayne Weber, Delta BC *
- 203 Danny Tyson, Langley BC
- 194 Lloyd Esralson, Surrey BC

West Kootenays

- 220 Burke Korol, Barrie ON
- 182 Wayne Weber, Delta BC *
- 180 Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC
- 168 Hue MacKenzie, Surrey BC †

White Rock

- 268 Hue MacKenzie, Surrey BC †
- 262 Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC
- 236 Danny Tyson, Langley BC

Northwest Pacific Pelagic

- 107 Mike Toochin, Richmond BC (+1)
- 67 David Stirling, Victoria BC
- 63 Lloyd Esralson, Surrey BC

LOCAL LIFELISTS

BRITISH COLUMBIA (cont'd)

BC & Alaska (threshold 350)

- 522 Mike Toochin, Richmond BC (+3)
- 372 Eric Tull, Calgary AB
- 364 Joan McDonald, Calgary AB (+3)
- 364 Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB (+3)

ALBERTA

Athabasca

- 198 David Stirling, Victoria BC

Banff National Park

- 185 Jerry Pilny, Calgary AB
- 160 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB

Beaverhill Lake

- 167 Eric Tull, Calgary AB
- 155 Suzanne Benoit, Ft. Saskatchewan AB **

Calgary Region (80 km circle)

- 332 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB (+3)
- 326 Joan McDonald, Calgary AB
- 326 Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB
- 316 Andrew Slater, Calgary AB
- 309 Alan Fishkin, Nanoose Bay BC
- 309 Jerry Pilny, Calgary AB
- 301 Eric Tull, Calgary AB
- 298 Phillip Cram, Calgary AB (+2)
- 214 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

Seen in every month Alberta

- 76 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB (+1)

YUKON TERRITORY

Kluane National Park

- 114 Wayne Neily, Tremont NS

Calgary City Limits

- 284 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB (+9)
- 274 Andrew Slater, Calgary AB
- 262 Mike Mulligan, Calgary AB
- 261 Jerry Pilny, Calgary AB
- 246 Phillip Cram, Calgary AB (+3)
- 243 Alan Fishkin, Nanoose Bay BC

Cold Lake

- 214 Suzanne Benoit, Ft. Saskatchewan AB **
- 154 Eric Tull, Calgary AB

Edmonton

- 231 Eric Tull, Calgary AB

Inglewood Bird Sanctuary

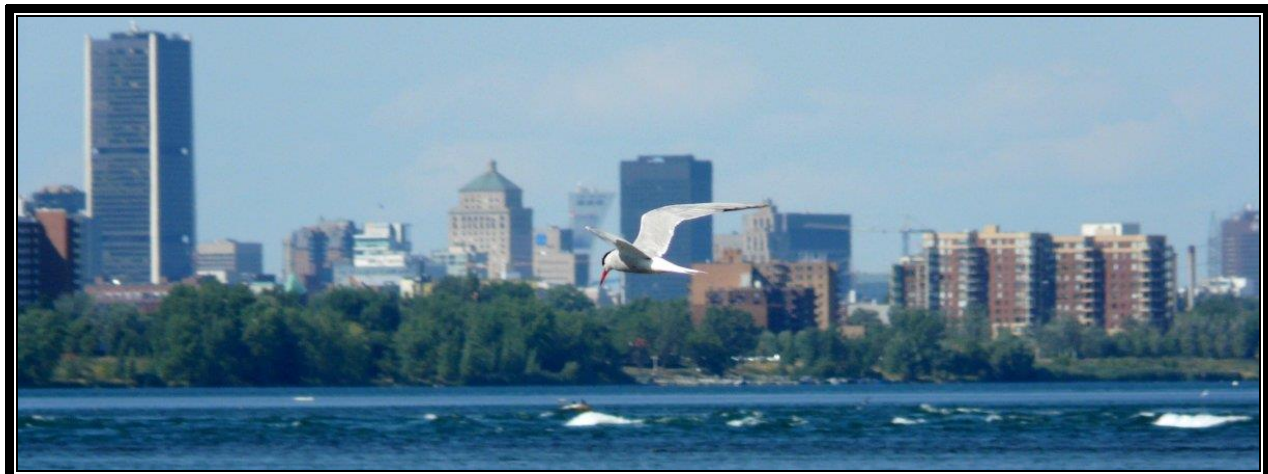
- 191 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB (+9)

Kananaskis Country

- 196 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB (+2)

Provincial Parks in Alberta

- 253 Joan McDonald, Calgary AB (+1)
- 253 Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB (+1)
- 239 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB (+2)



Common Tern at Ste-Catherine, QC taken by Antoinette Neily on Aug. 20, 2012

LOCAL LIFELISTS

SASKATCHEWAN

Candle Lake

176 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Cypress Hills

185 Daniel Sawatzky, Regina SK (+4)

175 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

168 Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK (+1)

The Elbow

213 Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK (+3)

164 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Last Mountain Lake

216 Daniel Sawatzky, Regina SK (+6)

169 Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK (+16)

Prince Albert National Park

186 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

Provincial Parks in Saskatchewan

216 Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK

193 Daniel Sawatzky, Regina SK (new)

Regina Area

250 Daniel Sawatzky, Regina SK (+12)

Regina City Limits

223 Daniel Sawatzky, Regina SK (+3)

Saskatchewan Landing Prov. Park

168 Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK (+1)

Saskatoon

251 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

221 Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK (+3)

189 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB

Swift Current Area

209 Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK

Swift Current City Limits

186 Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK

Regional Parks in Saskatchewan

155 Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK (new)



Spotted Sandpiper at Ste-Catherine, QC on Jul. 24, 2012

LOCAL LIFELISTS

MANITOBA

Birds Hill Provincial Park

186 Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB

Brandon Latilong

151 Wayne Neily, Tremont NS

Churchill

204 Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB (+1)
149 Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB
146 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB
136 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
108 Harv Lane, Kleefeld MB
105 Barry Attridge, London ON
105 Richard Stern, Kentville NS ****
101 Wayne Neily, Tremont NS
101 David Stirling, Victoria BC
96 Eric Tull, Calgary AB
92 Alex Gray, Mississauga ON
91 Ian Roseby, Wilmot NS ****

Delta Marsh

245 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB
244 Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB
223 Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB

East Lake Winnipeg

215 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB

Fort Whyte Nature Centre

212 Wayne Neily, Tremont NS
191 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB

Gladstone Latilong

196 Wayne Neily, Tremont NS

Grand Marais/Grand Beach

155 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB

Northwest Angle Region

194 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB (+1)

Oak Hammock Marsh

245 Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB (+1)
243 Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB
233 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB
190 Wayne Neily, Tremont NS
186 John Zoch, Leamington ON

Patricia Beach

170 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB

Pinawa

172 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB

Riding Mountain National Park

219 Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****

Selkirk Latilong

201 Wayne Neily, Tremont NS

Seven Sisters Falls

195 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB

Sewage Lagoons in Manitoba

182 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB (+1)

Southeastern Manitoba

340 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB
237 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

Southwestern Manitoba

281 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB
187 Burke Korol, Barrie ON
177 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB
160 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

Stonewall Latilong

208 Wayne Neily, Tremont NS

Whitewater Lake

161 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB

Winnipeg

304 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB (+2)
282 Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB
257 Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB (+2)
232 Wayne Neily, Tremont NS

Winnipeg Latilong

241 Wayne Neily, Tremont NS

Winnipeg River

246 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB

Seen in every month Manitoba

55 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB

LOCAL LIFELISTS

ONTARIO

Counties, Districts, Municipalities, etc.

Chatham-Kent (Municipality)

- 334 Keith Burk, Blenheim ON
- 332 Allen Woodliffe, Chatham ON *
- 321 Jim Burk, Blenheim ON (+4)
- 260 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON (+1)
- 236 Joshua Vandermeulen, Guelph ON (new)
- 196 Alfred Adamo, York ON
- 192 Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON
- 190 Burke Korol, Barrie ON
- 157 Craig McLauchlan, Whitby ON

City of Hamilton (former RM of Hamilton-Wentworth)

- 231 Joshua Vandermeulen, Guelph ON (new)

City of Ottawa (Reg. Mun.) former Carleton Co.

- 288 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS
- 287 Gordon Pringle, Ottawa ON
- 246 Robert Pinilla, Cumberland ON (+4)

Durham (Regional Municipality)

- 326 Margaret Bain, Cobourg ON **
- 289 Craig McLauchlan, Whitby ON
- 263 Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON

Essex (County)

- 302 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON
- 293 Allen Woodliffe, Chatham ON *
- 285 Joshua Vandermeulen, Guelph ON (new)
- 246 Craig McLauchlan, Whitby ON
- 225 Burke Korol, Barrie ON
- 225 Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON
- 206 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
- 156 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS

Grey (County)

- 226 Floyd Deiter, Paris ON ***

Haldimand - Norfolk (Municipality)

- 337 Ron Rideout, St. Williams ON *
- 207 Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON
- 183 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Lambton (County)

- 296 Robert Tymstra, Sarnia ON *
- 257 Allen Woodliffe, Chatham ON *
- 255 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON

Muskoka (District Municipality)

- 218 Bill Crins, Peterborough ON
- 209 Burke Korol, Barrie ON
- 183 Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB **

Middlesex County (London)

- 295 William Lindley, London ON (+1)
- 271 Ian Platt, London ON (+1)
- 264 Gavin Platt, Toronto ON
- 239 Gordon Payne, London ON (+4)
- 237 Eric Tull, Calgary AB

Northumberland (County)

- 198 Craig McLauchlan, Whitby ON
- 197 Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON
- 178 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Prescott-Russell (United Counties)

- 263 Jacques Bouvier, St-Isidore ON
- 168 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (+1)

Parry Sound (District Municipality)

- 178 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Peterborough (County)

- 239 Bill Crins, Peterborough ON (+11)

Rainy River (District)

- 252 Alan Wormington, Leamington ON
- 178 Don Perks, Mississauga ON ***
- 176 Bill Crins, Peterborough ON
- 162 Joshua Vandermeulen, Guelph ON (new)
- 151 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB

Simcoe (County)

- 248 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON
- 178 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Stormont-Dundas-Glengarry (United Counties)

- 226 Jacques Bouvier, St-Isidore ON (+5)

Thunder Bay (District)

- 266 Alan Wormington, Leamington ON (+1)

Wellington (County)

- 217 Joshua Vandermeulen, Guelph ON (new)

York (Regional Municipality)

- 322 Don Perks, Mississauga ON ***
- 307 Craig McLauchlan, Whitby ON
- 271 Bruce Brydon, Holland Landing ON (+1)
- 263 Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON
- 196 Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON

Glengarry (Old County)

- 207 Martin Bowman, Williamstown, ON (+1)
- 192 Jacques Bouvier, St-Isidore ON (+4)

LOCAL LIFELISTS

ONTARIO (cont'd)

County Combinations

Chatham-Kent/Essex/Lambton

- 380 Alan Wormington, Leamington ON (+2)
 364 Keith Burk, Blenheim ON (+3)
 357 Allen Woodliffe, Chatham ON *
 344 Jim Burk, Blenheim ON (+4)

- 328 Robert Tymstra, Sarnia ON *
 315 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON (+4)
 304 Gavin Platt, Toronto ON (+8)
 241 Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON
 229 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Other Locations

Algonquin Provincial Park

- 224 Bill Crins, Peterborough ON

Britannia Conservation Area

- 158 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS

Claremont Conservation Area

- 220 Edgerton Pegg, Claremont ON *¹⁰

Fanshawe Park, London

- 245 William Lindley, London ON
 188 Gordon Payne, London ON (+2)

Hamilton Checklist Circle

- 323 Alan Wormington, Leamington ON
 309 Alfred Adamo, York ON (+4)
 306 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON (+8)
 293 Bill Crins, Peterborough ON (+1)
 276 Joshua Vandermeulen, Guelph ON (new)
 210 Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON
 194 Burke Korol, Barrie ON
 184 Craig McLauchlan, Whitby ON

Kingston

- 328 Joel Ellis, Kingston ON ***
 326 Paul Mackenzie, Kingston ON (+5)
 310 Martin Edwards, Kingston ON †
 240 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
 167 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Long Point

- 331 Ron Rideout, St. Williams ON *
 270 Alan Wormington, Leamington ON
 266 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON (+2)
 256 Gavin Platt, Toronto ON (+3)
 255 Don Perks, Mississauga ON ***
 236 William Lindley, London ON
 223 Craig McLauchlan, Whitby ON
 210 Olivier Barden, Québec City, QC
 188 Eric Tull, Calgary AB
 186 Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON
 183 Richard Cannings, Naramata BC **
 172 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Moosonee Area

- 248 Alan Wormington, Leamington ON (+7)
 179 Joshua Vandermeulen, Guelph ON (new)

North Bay

- 277 Richard Tafel, North Bay ON *⁶

Northern Ontario (N of 47°)

- 322 Alan Wormington, Leamington ON (+2)
 237 Bill Crins, Peterborough ON
 232 Allen Woodliffe, Chatham ON *
 221 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON

Pelee Island

- 262 Robert Tymstra, Sarnia ON *
 243 Allen Woodliffe, Chatham ON *
 183 Lorelie Mitchell, Glenboro MB ***

Point Pelee Christmas Bird Count Circle

- 362 Alan Wormington, Leamington ON (+1)
 317 Keith Burk, Blenheim ON
 296 John Zoch, Leamington ON (+1)
 289 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON (+1)
 287 Don Perks, Mississauga ON ***
 280 William Lindley, London ON
 280 Ian Platt, London ON (+2)
 278 Joshua Vandermeulen, Guelph ON (new)
 275 Gavin Platt, Toronto ON (+2)
 270 Jim Burk, Blenheim ON
 270 Colleen Lindley, London ON
 268 Allen Woodliffe, Chatham ON *
 261 Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC
 249 Bill Crins, Peterborough ON
 249 Gordon Payne, London ON
 246 Craig McLauchlan, Whitby ON
 241 Alfred Adamo, York ON
 234 Eric Tull, Calgary AB
 223 Burke Korol, Barrie ON
 222 Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON
 209 Barry Attridge, London ON
 202 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
 181 Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****

LOCAL LIFELISTS

ONTARIO (cont'd)

Point Pelee National Park (park only)

- 344 Alan Wormington, Leamington ON
- 278 Terry Osborne, Dundas ON
- 272 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON
- 230 Colleen Lindley, London ON
- 230 William Lindley, London ON
- 230 Craig McLaughlan, Whitby ON
- 202 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
- 196 Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC
- 195 Burke Korol, Barrie ON
- 182 Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON

Presqu'ile Provincial Park

- 229 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON (+2)
- 220 Harry Kerr, Toronto ON *⁶
- 210 Herb Elliott, Toronto ON *⁶
- 203 Hue MacKenzie, Surrey BC †
- 200 Don Perks, Mississauga ON ***
- 184 Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC
- 177 Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON
- 176 Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON
- 163 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Provincial Parks in Ontario

- 344 Allen Woodliffe, Chatham ON *
- 261 Burke Korol, Barrie ON
- 219 Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON

Ratray Marsh, Mississauga

- 258 Don Perks, Mississauga ON ***
- 251 Alex Gray, Mississauga ON

Rondeau Christmas Bird Count Circle

- 334 Keith Burk, Blenheim ON (+3)
- 330 Allen Woodliffe, Chatham ON *
- 314 Jim Burk, Blenheim ON (+4)
- 231 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON (+1)
- 179 Burke Korol, Barrie ON
- 174 Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON
- 172 Alfred Adamo, York ON

Sewage Lagoons in Ontario

- 211 Jacques Bouvier, St-Isidore ON (+2)

Other Locations

Rondeau Provincial Park

- 305 Allen Woodliffe, Chatham ON *
- 293 Keith Burk, Blenheim ON (+3)
- 274 Jim Burk, Blenheim ON (+4)
- 231 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON (+1)
- 165 Burke Korol, Barrie ON
- 161 Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC
- 155 Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON

Thickson's Woods

- 214 Edgerton Pegg, Claremont ON *¹⁰
- 173 Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON

Tommy Thompson Conservation Area

- 278 Craig McLaughlan, Whitby ON
- 256 Herb Elliott, Toronto ON *⁶
- 246 Alfred Adamo, York ON
- 239 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON
- 182 Don Perks, Mississauga ON ***
- 174 Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON

Toronto (50 km radius from the R.O.M.)

- 360 Don Perks, Mississauga ON ***
- 341 Craig McLaughlan, Whitby ON
- 339 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON (+1)
- 337 Harry Kerr, Toronto ON *⁶
- 334 Margaret Bain, Cobourg ON **
- 324 Alfred Adamo, York ON
- 304 Alan Wormington, Leamington ON
- 281 Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON
- 271 Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC
- 185 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Toronto (Greater Toronto Area)

- 347 Craig McLaughlan, Whitby ON
- 345 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON (+1)
- 331 Alfred Adamo, York ON
- 315 Alex Gray, Mississauga ON
- 302 Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON
- 293 Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON
- 202 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Toronto Islands

- 244 Alfred Adamo, York ON (+6)
- 206 Gavin Platt, Toronto ON (new)

Walpole Island First Nation

- 214 Allen Woodliffe, Chatham ON *

LOCAL LIFELISTS

ONTARIO/QUEBEC

Ottawa/Gatineau (OFNC Checklist Circle)

- 305 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS
- 303 Roger Foxall, Surrey BC
- 293 Hue MacKenzie, Surrey BC †
- 291 Gordon Pringle, Ottawa ON
- 282 Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC
- 261 Robert Pinilla, Cumberland ON (+8)
- 221 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

St. Isidore (50 km circle)

- 270 Jacques Bouvier, St-Isidore ON

QUEBEC

Bark Lake

- 186 Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC

Brome Lake Christmas Bird Count Circle

- 190 Ilay Ferrier, Knowlton QC †

Cap Tourmente

- 255 Olivier Barden, Québec City, QC (+1)

Côte-Nord

- 254 Olivier Barden, Québec City, QC (new)

Ile Perrot

- 239 Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC

La Baie

- 234 Germain Savard, Saint-Fulgence QC *⁷

Montreal

- 342 Peter Mitchell, Westmount QC (+11)
- 338 Mabel McIntosh, Pointe Claire QC *
- 273 Ian Roseby, Wilmot NS ****
- 238 Eric Tull, Calgary AB

Monteregie

- 274 Mark Dennis, St-Lazare QC

Nuns' Island

- 184 Ian Roseby, Wilmot NS ****

Outaouais (COO Checklist Area)

- 270 Daniel St-Hilaire, Hull QC *⁶
- 240 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (+1)

Plaisance

- 197 Daniel St-Hilaire, Hull QC *⁶

Quebec City

- 306 Olivier Barden, Québec City, QC (+5)
- 204 Daniel St-Hilaire, Hull QC *⁶

Quebec City Region (COQ)

- 316 Olivier Barden, Québec City, QC (+3)

Saguenay/Lac St-Jean

- 306 Germain Savard, Saint-Fulgence QC *⁷

Saint-Fulgence

- 243 Germain Savard, Saint-Fulgence QC *⁷

St-Lazare Sand Pits

- 212 Mark Dennis, St-Lazare QC (+4)



Common Eider at Brier Island, NS on Jun. 28, 2012 taken by Antoinette Neily

LOCAL LIFELISTS

NEW BRUNSWICK

Counties

Albert County

199 Eric Tull, Calgary AB

Kent County

197 Eric Tull, Calgary AB

Westmorland County

178 Eric Tull, Calgary AB

153 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

County Combinations

South East (Westmorland, Kent & Albert Co.) (threshold 200)

280 Juliette Pellerin, Boudreau West NB

232 Eric Tull, Calgary AB

Other Locations

Acadian Peninsula

316 Rosita Lanteigne, Caraquet NB (+2 - 2 yrs)

315 Hilaire Chiasson, Lamèque NB *****

310 Benoit Lanteigne, Caraquet NB (+3 - 2 yrs)

300 Jolande St-Pierre, Alderwood NB (+6)

297 Jude Larocque, Coteau Road NB (+6 - 3 yrs)

289 Frank Branch, Trudel NB ***

287 Michel Chiasson, Caraquet NB (+1)

281 Denise Godin, Bertrand NB (+3)

Kouchibouguac National Park

194 Eric Tull, Calgary AB

156 Michel Chiasson, Caraquet NB

156 Jolande St-Pierre, Alderwood NB

Lamèque Island

249 Rose-Aline Chiasson, Lamèque NB †

247 Hilaire Chiasson, Lamèque NB *****

222 Jude Larocque, Coteau Road NB (+14 - 3 yrs)

197 Jolande St-Pierre, Alderwood NB (+6)

178 Michel Chiasson, Caraquet NB (+5)

Fundy National Park

182 Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****

169 Juliette Pellerin, Boudreau West NB

Miscou Island

243 Hilaire Chiasson, Lamèque NB *****

240 Rosita Lanteigne, Caraquet NB (+5 - 2 yrs)

237 Jolande St-Pierre, Alderwood NB (+9)

231 Frank Branch, Trudel NB ***

224 Jude Larocque, Coteau Road NB (+12 - 3 yrs)

215 Michel Chiasson, Caraquet NB (+1)

Grand Manan Island

229 Juliette Pellerin, Boudreau West NB

195 Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****

153 Hilaire Chiasson, Lamèque NB *****

NOVA SCOTIA

Counties

Annapolis County

190 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+2)

187 Wayne Neily, Tremont NS (+1)

186 Ian Roseby, Wilmot NS ****

179 Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****

179 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (+5)

171 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

Cape Breton County (Regional Municipality)

161 Wayne Neily, Tremont NS

160 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

Colchester County

180 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+1)

177 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS (+2)

174 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

Antigonish County

172 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

160 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

LOCAL LIFELISTS

NOVA SCOTIA (cont'd)

Counties (cont'd)

Cumberland County

208 Joan Czapalay, Halifax NS (+1)
 201 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
 185 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS
 181 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS

Digby County

232 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
 228 Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****
 227 Wayne Neily, Tremont NS (+1)
 223 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS (+6)
 223 Murray Newell, Clark's Harbour NS *⁶
 214 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (+1)
 206 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+6)

Guysborough County

273 Tom Kavanaugh, Canso NS ****
 202 Mike King, Eastern Passage NS ***
 167 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
 166 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+8)

Halifax County (Regional Municipality)

380 Fulton Lavender, Spryfield NS (+29 - 3 yrs)
 380 Clarence Stevens II, Beaver Bank NS (+4)
 346 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+3)
 336 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
 328 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS
 307 Mike King, Eastern Passage NS ***
 260 Suzanne Borkowski, Halifax NS **
 216 Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****
 205 Wayne Neily, Tremont NS (+1)

Hants County

181 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS
 156 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

Inverness County

172 Wayne Neily, Tremont NS

Kings County

266 Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****
 261 Gordon Tufts, Wolfville NS *⁶
 257 Richard Stern, Kentville NS ****
 204 Wayne Neily, Tremont NS (+6)
 201 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+8)
 184 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS (+2)
 183 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
 181 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (+5)
 168 Ian Roseby, Wilmot NS ****

Lunenburg County

271 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+2)
 207 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
 199 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS

Pictou County

171 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
 167 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

Queens County

204 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+2)

Shelburne County

346 John Nickerson, Clark's Harbour NS *****
 324 Murray Newell, Clark's Harbour NS *⁶
 308 Joan Czapalay, Halifax NS (+1)
 271 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
 265 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+10)
 213 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS (+3)
 195 Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****
 185 Mike King, Eastern Passage NS ***
 162 Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK (new)
 153 Wayne Neily, Tremont NS

Victoria County

194 Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****
 192 Wayne Neily, Tremont NS

Yarmouth County

272 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
 267 Murray Newell, Clark's Harbour NS *⁶
 224 Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****
 211 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS (+1)
 198 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+5)
 174 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (+1)
 158 Wayne Neily, Tremont NS

County Combinations

All Nova Scotian Counties Added Together (threshold 1500)

3389 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
 3374 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+165)
 2779 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS (+35)
 2614 Wayne Neily, Tremont NS (+9)
 1751 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (+49)

LOCAL LIFELISTS

NOVA SCOTIA (cont'd)

County Combinations (cont'd)

Annapolis Valley (threshold 200) **(Kings & Annapolis)**

- 274 Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****
- 228 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+9)
- 214 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
- 207 Ian Roseby, Wilmot NS ****
- 205 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (new)

Cape Breton Island (threshold 200) **(Cape Breton, Inverness, Richmond & Victoria)**

- 227 Clarence Stevens II, Beaver Bank NS (new)
- 221 Wayne Neily, Tremont NS
- 205 Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****

Central Nova Scotia (threshold 200) **(Halifax, Hants, Kings, Lunenburg, Queens & Annapolis)**

- 400 Clarence Stevens II, Beaver Bank NS (+8)
- 375 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+1)
- 358 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
- 347 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS
- 259 Ian Roseby, Wilmot NS ****
- 229 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (+4)

Other Locations

Bon Portage Island

- 221 Joan Czapalay, Halifax NS (+1)
- 160 Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK (new)

Brier Island

- 252 Richard Stern, Kentville NS ****
- 223 Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****
- 221 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
- 210 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS (+5)
- 206 Wayne Neily, Tremont NS (+1)
- 197 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS
- 178 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+17)

Cape Breton Highlands National Park

- 175 Wayne Neily, Tremont NS

Digby Neck & Islands

- 229 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
- 212 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS
- 193 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+24)

Eastern Shore

- 258 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
- 255 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS (+1)
- 200 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+15)
- 193 Suzanne Borkowski, Halifax NS **

Northern Nova Scotia (threshold 200) **(Cumberland, Colchester, Pictou, Guysborough & Antigonish)**

- 262 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+5)
- 250 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
- 229 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS

Southern Nova Scotia (threshold 200) **(Shelburne, Digby & Yarmouth)**

- 325 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
- 306 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+5)
- 276 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS
- 240 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (+1)

Mainland Nova Scotia (threshold 250) **(exc. Cape Breton Island)**

- 415 Clarence Stevens II, Beaver Bank NS (+2)
- 395 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+4)
- 393 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
- 366 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS
- 335 Mike King, Eastern Passage NS ***
- 283 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (+3)

Cape Sable Island

- 334 John Nickerson, Clark's Harbour NS *****
- 316 Murray Newell, Clark's Harbour NS *⁶
- 246 Joan Czapalay, Halifax NS
- 236 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
- 224 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+7)
- 155 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS (+2)

Chebucto Peninsula

- 263 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
- 177 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

Dartmouth City Limits

- 185 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+5)

Far Eastern Shore

- 161 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

Hartlen Point

- 250 Mike King, Eastern Passage NS ***
- 222 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+11)
- 206 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
- 187 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS

Peggy's Cove Loop

- 218 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

LOCAL LIFELISTS

NOVA SCOTIA (cont'd)

Petite Riviere

161 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

Port Latour Peninsula

158 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

Prospect Peninsula

182 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR

Codroy Valley

189 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

Gros Morne National Park

196 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

Northern Peninsula

207 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

SPECIAL LISTS CANADA-WIDE

MOUNTAIN (all Canada)

Above 1500 metres

148 Jerry Pilny, Calgary AB
139 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB
125 Richard Cannings, Naramata BC **
106 Wayne Weber, Delta BC *
94 Joan McDonald, Calgary AB
94 Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB
79 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

AMAT LISTS (ALL MONTHS ADDED TOGETHER)

(Monthly Lifelists Combined, i.e. Jan. Lifelist + Feb. Lifelist + ... + Dec. Lifelist for Area)

AMAT CANADA

3505 Eric Tull, Calgary AB
3335 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
3200 Danny Tyson, Langley BC (+17)
2813 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB (+18)
2566 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB

AMAT BRITISH COLUMBIA

3200 Danny Tyson, Langley BC (+17)

Other Locations (cont'd)

Seal Island

244 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
200 Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****
178 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS
164 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS

Prince Edward Island National Park

207 David Seeler, Charlottetown PE (new)
195 Angus MacLean, Coldbrook NS ****

St. John's

179 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

Western Newfoundland

248 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

MOUNTAIN (all Canada)

Above 2000 metres

82 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB
79 Jerry Pilny, Calgary AB

SEWAGE LAGOONS (all Canada)

211 Jacques Bouvier, St-Isidore ON (+2)
183 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB (+1)

SEEN IN EVERY MONTH (all Canada)

85 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB (+1)

AMAT ALBERTA

2283 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB (+27)
1954 Eric Tull, Calgary AB

AMAT MANITOBA

2369 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB

AMAT NOVA SCOTIA

2444 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
1505 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (new)

LOCAL LIFELISTS

OTHER CANADA RELATED LISTS

ABSAT (All Border States Added Together) - the 13 states sharing a border with Canada

AK, WA, ID, MT, ND, MN, MI, OH, PA, NY, VT, NH & ME Total = 5705 (threshold 1000)

1616 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS	1261 Wayne Weber, Delta BC *
1581 Rolph Davis, King City ON (+155)	1112 Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB
1397 Wayne Neily, Tremont NS	1048 Andrew Davis, Winnipeg MB **
1397 Eric Tull, Calgary AB	1055 Martin Bowman, Williamstown ON

AOU Checklist Area 2048 spp. (threshold 1000)

1361 Mike Toochn, Richmond BC (+1)
1345 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON
1230 Barry Attridge, London ON (+7)
1198 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
1188 David Stirling, Victoria BC
1168 Richard Cannings, Naramata BC **

Holarctic 1990 spp. (threshold 800)

1230 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
1078 Eric Tull, Calgary AB (+20)
1034 Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB (+17)
1009 Joan McDonald, Calgary AB
1005 Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB

Commonwealth of Nations (threshold 1000)

2540 Eric Tull, Calgary AB (+107)
2393 Barry Attridge, London ON (+11)
2370 Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB (+112)
2123 Phillip Cram, Calgary AB (+67)
1687 Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON (+14)

Countries Birded (threshold 40)

98 Barry Attridge, London, ON
75 David Stirling, Victoria BC
58 Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON (+1)
40 Ilay Ferrier, Knowlton QC †

Northern North America (threshold 400)

(Canada, Alaska, St. Pierre & Miquelon & Greenland)

588 Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON
555 Mike Toochn, Richmond BC (+2)
504 Eric Tull, Calgary AB
475 Joan McDonald, Calgary AB (+4)
474 Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB (+4)
473 Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB
412 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB

World - North of Arctic Circle (threshold 90)

137 Joan McDonald, Calgary AB
137 Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB
95 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

Hybrids in Canada

20 Danny Tyson, Langley BC

"AND NOW FOR SOMETHING COMPLETELY DIFFERENT" LISTS

Species seen on TV !

2329 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON



Yellow Warbler at Britannia Conservation Area, Ottawa, ON on May 5, 2012

LOCAL LIFELISTS

NATIONAL LIFELISTS (Foreign)

Australia (threshold 200)

- 598 Martin Edwards, Kingston ON †
- 559 Mike Toochin, Richmond BC
- 521 Roger Foxall, Surrey BC
- 515 Russell Cannings, Burnaby BC (new)
- 488 Eric Tull, Calgary AB
- 482 Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB
- 454 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON
- 443 Barry Attridge, London ON
- 437 David Stirling, Victoria BC
- 410 Burke Korol, Barrie ON
- 328 Rolph Davis, King City ON
- 313 Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB (new)
- 311 Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON

Brazil (threshold 400)

- 1158 Rolph Davis, King City ON (+9)
- 595 Roger Foxall, Surrey BC (new)
- 594 Mike Toochin, Richmond BC (+51)

Costa Rica (threshold 400)

- 790 Mike Mulligan, Calgary AB (+13)
- 438 Ian Platt, London ON
- 428 Roger Foxall, Surrey BC (new)

India (threshold 400)

- 662 Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB (+27)

Mexico (threshold 400)

- 880 Mike Mulligan, Calgary AB (+2)
- 569 David Stirling, Victoria BC
- 563 Olivier Barden, Québec City, QC (new)
- 488 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON

New Zealand (threshold 150)

- 172 Russell Cannings, Burnaby BC

Panama (threshold 400)

- 714 Mike Mulligan, Calgary AB (+2)
- 512 Mike Toochin, Richmond BC

Switzerland (threshold 140)

- 143 Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON (new)

Taiwan (threshold 300)

- 300+ Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC

USA (threshold 500)

- 805 Mike Toochin, Richmond BC
- 776 Roger Foxall, Surrey BC (new)
- 679 Barry Attridge, London ON (+1)
- 679 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON
- 650 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB
- 622 Martin Bowman, Williamstown ON
- 615 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (+1)
- 610 Gordon Payne, London ON (+9)
- 604 Ian Platt, London ON
- 576 Bill Crins, Peterborough ON (new)
- 552 Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB (new)
- 547 Wayne Neily, Tremont NS (new)
- 543 Richard Cannings, Naramata BC **
- 535 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

USA - Lower 48 (threshold 500)

- 712 Mike Mulligan, Calgary AB (new)
- 683 Roger Foxall, Surrey BC (new)
- 671 Rolph Davis, King City ON (new)
- 646 Mike Toochin, Richmond BC
- 614 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (+1)
- 581 Martin Bowman, Williamstown ON
- 551 Bill Crins, Peterborough ON (+9)
- 543 Richard Cannings, Naramata BC **
- 529 Olivier Barden, Québec City, QC (+4)
- 516 Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB (new)

POLICY ON LISTS THAT HAVE NOT BEEN UPDATED

Lists of people who have not reported for over five years and lists of deceased birders after two years are to be deleted, with the exception of those that are in the top 3 of any category. Positions 4 and 5 in any category may be kept or deleted at the discretion of the compiler (small list compared to leaders, older, etc.). Lists that have not been updated for six to ten years will be dropped by the tenth year (perhaps before) unless they are leading in a category. Those lists may be kept or deleted at the discretion of the compiler. For the World Families Lifestlist, lists of people who have not reported for over one year are to be deleted. These guidelines are an attempt at consistency.

LOCAL LIFELISTS

INTERNATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC AREA LIFELISTS (Foreign)

Central America (threshold 500)

1047 Mike Mulligan, Calgary AB (+6)
872 Olivier Barden, Québec City, QC (new)
548 Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON (new)
546 Barry Attridge, London ON (+3)
527 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON
512 Mike Toochin, Richmond BC

Eastern Hemisphere (threshold 1000)

2395 Eric Tull, Calgary AB (new)
2214 Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB (new)

Middle East (threshold 200)

279 Eric Tull, Calgary AB (+25)
250 Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB (+16)

Paelearctic

632 David Stirling, Victoria BC
506 Eric Tull, Calgary AB (+20)
464 Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB (+15)

Western Palearctic 923 spp. (threshold 300)

596 Mark Dennis, St-Lazare QC
445 Joan McDonald, Calgary AB
443 Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB
437 Martin Edwards, Kingston ON †
397 Mike Newey, South Surrey BC (new)
384 David Stirling, Victoria BC
372 Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON (+2)
337 Barry Attridge, London ON
331 Roger Foxall, Surrey BC (new)
324 Martin Bowman, Williamstown ON
309 Gillian Horgan, Williamstown ON

OCEAN REGIONS (ABA defined)

Indian Ocean (threshold 80)

242 Martin Edwards, Kingston ON †
189 Eric Tull, Calgary AB (+30)
184 Phillip Cram, Calgary AB
180 Roger Foxall, Surrey BC
177 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON
176 Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB (+26)
175 Martin Bowman, Williamstown ON
175 Gillian Horgan, Williamstown ON
124 David Stirling, Victoria BC
120 Barry Attridge, London ON
109 Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON (new)

Atlantic Ocean (threshold 50)

103 Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON (new)
86 Barry Attridge, London ON
70 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON
64 David Stirling, Victoria BC
58 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Pacific Ocean (threshold 150)

553 Martin Edwards, Kingston ON †
256 Mike Toochin, Richmond BC
238 Barry Attridge, London ON
236 David Stirling, Victoria BC
190 Eric Tull, Calgary AB
164 Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON (new)



Western Scrub-Jay in New Westminster, BC on October 17, 2012 Photo courtesy Brian Elder.

LOCAL LIFELISTS

CONTINENTAL (the ABA defined areas and others)

(see North America and the AOU area on a previous page)

Africa (threshold 500)

1769 Martin Edwards, Kingston ON †
 1267 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON
 1145 Phillip Cram, Calgary AB (+1)
 969 David Stirling, Victoria BC
 905 Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB (+82)
 905 Eric Tull, Calgary AB (+66)
 893 Barry Attridge, London ON
 868 Martin Bowman, Williamstown ON
 791 Mike Toochin, Richmond BC (+1)
 786 Rolph Davis, King City ON (+229)
 786 Roger Foxall, Surrey BC (+3)
 781 Gillian Horgan, Williamstown ON
 770 Sharon Toochin, Richmond BC
 768 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Antarctica (South Polar) (threshold 25)

37 Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON
 35 Burke Korol, Barrie ON
 33 Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB
 33 Eric Tull, Calgary AB
 32 Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB
 32 Richard Tafel, North Bay ON *⁶
 29 David Stirling, Victoria BC
 28 Barry Attridge, London ON

Asia (threshold 500)

857 Eric Tull, Calgary AB (+15)
 826 Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB (+7)
 756 Mike Toochin, Richmond BC (new)
 733 Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB (new)

Australasia (threshold 400)

998 Martin Edwards, Kingston ON †
 757 Roger Foxall, Surrey BC (+1)
 559 Mike Toochin, Richmond BC (new)
 504 Eric Tull, Calgary AB (new)
 503 Barry Attridge, London ON
 499 Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB (new)
 410 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Eurasia (threshold 500)

2237 Martin Edwards, Kingston ON †
 1180 Roger Foxall, Surrey BC (+200)
 997 David Stirling, Victoria BC
 987 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON
 971 Eric Tull, Calgary AB (+14)
 938 Barry Attridge, London ON
 929 Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB (+10)
 898 Mark Dennis, St-Lazare QC (new)
 865 Mike Toochin, Richmond BC (+2)
 772 Martin Bowman, Williamstown ON
 758 Gillian Horgan, Williamstown ON
 722 Phillip Cram, Calgary AB (+5)

Europe (threshold 200)

526 Mark Dennis, St-Lazare QC (new)
 357 Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON (+13)
 343 Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB
 342 Joan McDonald, Calgary AB
 337 Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB (new)
 323 Martin Bowman, Williamstown ON
 308 Gillian Horgan, Williamstown ON
 295 Eric Tull, Calgary AB (+7)
 292 Ian Platt, London ON
 265 Brooke Clibbon, Calgary AB (+8)
 253 Phillip Cram, Calgary AB (+5)
 234 Barry Attridge, London ON

South America (threshold 500)

2605 Martin Edwards, Kingston ON †
 1751 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON
 1715 Mike Toochin, Richmond BC (+142)
 1710 Rolph Davis, King City ON (+10)
 1195 Roger Foxall, Surrey BC
 1131 Olivier Barden, Québec City, QC
 1120 David Stirling, Victoria BC (+46)
 1004 Barry Attridge, London ON (+1)
 886 Mark Dennis, St-Lazare QC (new)
 863 Eric Tull, Calgary AB
 859 Phillip Cram, Calgary AB
 759 Theo Hofmann, Thornhill ON
 756 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

LOCAL YEAR LISTS

The Acadian Peninsula led yet again, with 3 qualifying 2012 entries. Nova Scotia led the way again in enthusiasm in 2012 with 10 qualifying lists (7 from the same source, Clarence Stevens, Sr.). ON followed with 7, 5 from Josh Vandermeulen. Ryan Dudragne also had 5 qualifying lists, 2 from SK and 3 from NS. The highest 2012 local year list was the 282 species from Josh Vandermeulen in Essex County, a new CLC record there. Josh also set records in Northern Ontario (249), Moosonee Area (179), Wellington County (165) and Rainy River District (162). Wow, way to go! Daniel Sawatzky beat his year old Regina Area list (193) and set the standard for the Regina City Limits list (159). Mark Dennis set a record at the St-Lazare sand pits (175). All Local Year Lists from the year 2012 are in boldface.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

BC & Alaska (threshold 300)

390 2000 Mike Toochin, Richmond BC

Clover Point/Beaconhill Park, Victoria

135 David Stirling, Victoria BC

Creston Valley

174 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Okanagan Valley

248 2010 Russell Cannings, Burnaby BC

225 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

199 Laurie Rockwell, Summerland BC

177 1995 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS

Vancouver Island

222 Bryan Gates, Victoria BC

152 2000 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB

Vancouver

245 2007 Ilya Povalyaev, Calgary AB

244 John Luce, Surrey BC

239 Danny Tyson, Langley BC

236 1992 Wayne Weber, Delta BC

233 Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC

195 Rick Tyson, Surrey BC

139 1995 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS

124 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Victoria

246 2011 Jeremy Kimm, Victoria BC

215 Bryan Gates, Victoria BC

138 2000 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB

West Kootenays

203 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

White Rock

182 Jo Ann MacKenzie, Surrey BC

ALBERTA

Calgary Region (80 km circle)

250 2005 Phillip Cram, Calgary AB

242 2004 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB

239 2012 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB

229 2005 Joan McDonald, Calgary AB

229 2005 Malcolm McDonald, Calgary AB

222 2012 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB (BIGBY)

203 2005 Alan Fishkin, Nanoose Bay BC

185 2006 Eric Tull, Calgary AB

183 1986 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS

Calgary City Limits

209 2010 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB (BIGBY)

205 2012 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB (BIGBY)

194 2010 Phillip Cram, Calgary AB

128 2004 Alan Fishkin, Nanoose Bay BC

Edmonton

187 1977 Eric Tull, Calgary AB

Kananaskis Country

137 2004 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB

LOCAL YEAR LISTS

SASKATCHEWAN

Candle Lake

155 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Cypress Hills

136 2008 Daniel Sawatzky, Regina SK

134 2009 Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK

128 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Elbow

135 2010 Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK

Last Mountain Lake

160 1992 Daniel Sawatzky, Regina SK

Provincial Parks in Saskatchewan

137 2010 Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK

Prince Albert National Park

123 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Saskatoon

184 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

167 2010 Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK

151 2005 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB

Swift Current Area

122 2010 Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK

Regina Area

193 2012 Daniel Sawatzky, Regina SK

120 2012 Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK

Regina City Limits

159 2012 Daniel Sawatzky, Regina SK

MANITOBA

Churchill

137 1999 Rudolf Koes, Winnipeg MB

127 1999 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB

121 1981 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS

118 1999 Gordon Grief, Winnipeg MB

90 Alex Gray, Mississauga ON

Delta Marsh

153 1991 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB

Oak Hammock Marsh

168 1986 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB

Southeastern Manitoba

271 1987 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB

167 1998 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS

Southwestern Manitoba

204 2003 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB

174 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

149 2002 Bill Wilson, Calgary AB

133 2000 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS

Winnipeg

203 1984 Robert Parsons, Winnipeg MB



Ruby-throated Hummingbird at Wayne Neily's feeder Tremont, NS on July 1, 2012

LOCAL YEAR LISTS

ONTARIO

Counties, Districts, Municipalities

Chatham-Kent (Municipality)

146 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

City of Ottawa (Reg. Mun.) former Carleton Co.

217 1990 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS

184 2012 Robert Pinilla, Cumberland ON

Durham (Regional Municipality)

222 Craig McLauchlan, Whitby ON

187 2000 Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON

Essex (County)

282 2012 Joshua Vandermeulen, Guelph ON

189 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

147 1983 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS

Prescott-Russell (United Counties)

212 2009 Jacques Bouvier, St-Isidore ON

Wellington (County)

165 2012 Joshua Vandermeulen, Guelph ON

123 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Haldimand - Norfolk (Municipality)

140 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Muskoka (District Municipality)

157 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Middlesex County (London)

225 1990 William Lindley, London ON

182 1961 Eric Tull, Calgary AB

Parry Sound (District Municipality)

129 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Rainy River (District)

162 2012 Joshua Vandermeulen, Guelph ON

York (Regional Municipality)

257 Craig McLauchlan, Whitby ON

211 2010 Bruce Brydon, Holland Landing ON

County Combinations

Chatham-Kent/Essex/Lambton

189

Burke Korol, Barrie ON



White-winged Dove at North Bay, ON on February 18, 2012

LOCAL YEAR LISTS

ONTARIO (cont'd)

Other Locations

Fanshawe Park, London

157 2006 William Lindley, London ON

Kingston

261 1998 Joel Ellis, Kingston ON

254 1998 Paul Mackenzie, Kingston ON

226 2012 Paul Mackenzie, Kingston ON

168 1987 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS

Long Point

210 2006 Olivier Barden, Québec City, QC

183 1990 William Lindley, London ON

134 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Moosonee Area

179 2012 Joshua Vandermeulen, Guelph ON

North Bay

225 2002 Richard Tafel, North Bay ON

Northern Ontario

249 2012 Joshua Vandermeulen, Guelph ON

129 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Point Pelee National Park

154 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

141 Don Perks, Mississauga ON

131 Craig McLauchlan, Whitby ON

131 Daniel St-Hilaire, Hull QC

Point Pelee Christmas Bird Count Circle

292 2005 Alan Wormington, Leamington ON

259 2012 Joshua Vandermeulen, Guelph ON

201 1988 Colleen Lindley, London ON

201 1988 William Lindley, London ON

187 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

158 1983 John Zoch, Leamington ON

154 Alfred Adamo, York ON

144 1983 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS

Ratray Marsh, Mississauga

193 1982 Alex Gray, Mississauga ON

Rondeau Christmas Bird Count Circle

249 Jim Burk, Blenheim ON

126 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Rondeau Provincial Park

198 Hugh Currie, Toronto ON

Tommy Thompson Conservation Area

221 Craig McLauchlan, Whitby ON

Toronto (Greater Toronto Area)

188 2004 Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON

165 Burke Korol, Barrie ON

Toronto (50 km radius from the R.O.M.)

276 Craig McLauchlan, Whitby ON

251 Don Perks, Mississauga ON

219 Hamish McLean, Toronto ON

212 2000 Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON

ONTARIO/QUEBEC

Ottawa/Gatineau (OFNC Checklist Circle)

239 1990 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS

220 Daniel St-Hilaire, Hull QC

215 1983 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS

191 2012 Robert Pinilla, Cumberland ON

St. Isidore (50 km circle)

233 2011 Jacques Bouvier, St-Isidore ON

QUEBEC

Outaouais (COO Checklist Area)

209 Daniel St-Hilaire, Hull QC

Saguenay/Lac St-Jean

236 Germain Savard, Saint-Fulgence QC

Plaisance

163 Daniel St-Hilaire, Hull QC

St-Lazare Sand Pit

175 2012 Mark Dennis, St-Lazare QC

LOCAL YEAR LISTS

NEW BRUNSWICK

County Combinations

South East (Westmorland, Kent & Albert Co.) (thres. 150)

177 2009 Juliette Pellerin, Boudreau West NB

152 2012 Juliette Pellerin, Boudreau West NB

Counties

Kent County

179 1973 Eric Tull, Calgary AB

Other Locations

Acadian Peninsula

231 2005 Jocelyne Godin, Bertrand NB

217 2009 Jolande St-Pierre, Alderwood NB

215 2007 Denise Godin, Bertrand NB

213 2007 Rosita Lanteigne, Caraquet NB

213 2012 Jolande St-Pierre, Alderwood NB

202 Michel Chiasson, Caraquet NB

200 2009 Frank Branch, Trudel NB

199 Hilaire Chiasson, Lamèque NB

192 2012 Denise Godin, Bertrand NB

176 Jude Larocque, Coteau Road NB

150 2012 Michel Chiasson, Caraquet NB

Grand Manan

141 2007 Juliette Pellerin, Boudreau West NB

Kouchibouguac National Park

177 1973 Eric Tull, Calgary AB

NOVA SCOTIA

Counties

Annapolis County

153 2007 Ian Roseby, Wilmot NS

126 2009 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

Antigonish County

124 2010 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

Colchester County

133 2011 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

123 1987 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS

Cumberland County

150 Joan Czapalay, Halifax NS

143 1988 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS

127 2009 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

Digby County

142 2009 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

129 1997 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS

127 1981 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS

Lunenburg County

164 2009 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

125 2012 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

Yarmouth County

184 1998 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS

162 2011 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

Halifax County (Regional Municipality)

274 2009 Mike King, Eastern Passage NS

235 2009 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

218 1993 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS

192 1987 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS

146 2012 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

173 2007 Suzanne Borkowski, Halifax NS

Hants County

120 2010 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

Kings County

133 2012 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

Pictou County

126 2010 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

Queens County

147 2009 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

Shelburne County

251 Joan Czapalay, Halifax NS

194 John Nickerson, Clark's Harbour NS

172 2009 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

162 2012 Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK

156 1998 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS

129 2012 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

LOCAL YEAR LISTS

NOVA SCOTIA (cont'd)

County Combinations

Annapolis Valley (threshold 150)
(Kings & Annapolis)

204 2009 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

Central Nova Scotia (threshold 150)
**(Halifax, Hants, Kings, Lunenburg,
Queens & Annapolis)**

267 2009 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS
238 1991 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS
212 1987 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS
204 2012 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

Northern Nova Scotia (threshold 150)
**(Cumberland, Colchester, Pictou,
Guysborough & Antigonish)**

185 2009 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS
156 2001 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS
151 1987 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS

Southern Nova Scotia (threshold 150)
(Shelburne, Digby & Yarmouth)

218 2009 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS
206 1994 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS
162 2012 Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK
154 1986 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS
154 2012 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

Mainland Nova Scotia (threshold 180)
(exc. Cape Breton Island)

309 2009 Mike King, Eastern Passage NS
309 2009 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS
308 2009 Clarence Stevens II, Beaver Bank NS
269 1993 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS
249 1988 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS
241 2012 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

All Nova Scotian Counties Added Together
(Combination of Best Years) (threshold 1000)

2359 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+70)
1994 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **
1561 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS

Other Locations

Bon Portage Island

180 Joan Czapalay, Halifax NS
160 2012 Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK

Brier Island

131 Suzanne Benoit, Ft. Saskatchewan AB **
128 1997 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS
127 2009 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

Cape Sable Island

225 Murray Newell, Clark's Harbour NS
148 2009 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS
146 1998 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS

Chebucto Peninsula

144 2007 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS

Digby Neck & Islands

141 2009 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS
129 1997 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS

Eastern Shore

155 1991 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS
149 1987 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS

Seal Island

155 1995 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR

Gros Morne National Park

140 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS

LOCAL YEAR LISTS

SPECIAL LOCATIONS CANADA-WIDE

SEWAGE LAGOONS (all Canada)

126 2009 Jacques Bouvier, St-Isidore ON

OTHER CANADA RELATED LISTS

ABSAT (All Border States Added Together) - the 13 states sharing a border with Canada

AK, WA, ID, MT, ND, MN, MI, OH, PA, NY, VT, NH & ME Total = 5647 (threshold 800)

Combination of best years

879

Eric Tull, Calgary AB

Commonwealth of Nations (threshold 700)

1053 2005 Phillip Cram, Calgary AB

783 2002 Eric Tull, Calgary AB

NATIONAL LIFELISTS (Foreign)

Australia (threshold 200)

467 2012 Russell Cannings, Burnaby BC



Zephyr, our cat who loves bird-watching, boning up on where to find the birds at Lawrencetown, NS on November 22, 2012

LOCAL DAY LISTS

While I am certain that some Big Days took place in Canada last year, none were reported to us for 2012. Thresholds will have to be based on the difficulty in a given area, but those set for the provinces and territories should do for now.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Okanagan Valley

- 174 21-May-95 Richard Cannings, Naramata BC
- 174 21-May-95 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS
- 155 18-May-86 Wayne Weber, Delta BC

Vancouver

- 120 10-May-70 Wayne Weber, Delta BC

Victoria

- 127 5-May-84 David Stirling, Victoria BC

ALBERTA

Calgary Region (80 km circle)

- 165 24-May-96 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS
- 151 5-Jun-06 Phillip Cram, Calgary AB

ONTARIO

Counties, Districts, Municipalities

York (Regional Municipality)

- 150 18-May-09 Bruce Brydon, Holland Landing ON

ONTARIO/QUEBEC

Ottawa/Gatineau (OFNC Checklist Circle)

- 155 27-Aug-83 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS

St. Isidore (50 km circle)

- 147 28-29-May-11 Jacques Bouvier, St-Isidore ON (24 hrs)
- 136 22-May-05 Jacques Bouvier, St-Isidore ON

QUEBEC

Cap Tourmente

- 135 27-May-02 Olivier Barden, Québec City QC

NEW BRUNSWICK

Acadian Peninsula

- 116 31-May-06 Rosita Lanteigne, Caraquet NB
- 114 31-May-06 Michel Chiasson, Caraquet NB
- 112 31-May-06 Jolande St-Pierre, Alderwood NB

CUMULATIVE DAY LISTS

Seen on Taverner Cup Days

- 150 25-May-02 Frank Pinilla, Richmond Hill ON



The Northern Lapwing that arrived too late for Stanfest, at the Stanfest grounds in Canso, NS on Nov. 15, 2012

LOCAL WINTER LISTS

***** LOCAL WINTER LIFELISTS *****

Local Winter Lifelists are followed by Local Single Winter Lists. Thresholds for these lists will be based on the difficulty in a given area, but those set for the provinces and territories should do for now.

In the winter of 2011-12, the top gains were by Clarence Stevens, Sr. in Shelburne County and Cape Sable Island, NS, both +13. Jolande St-Pierre had a +11 in the Acadian Peninsula. Three new lists were created. Juliette Pellerin added South East NB (Westmorland, Kent & Albert Counties) starting at 142. Larry Neily added an Annapolis County list starting at 100 and joined the Annapolis Valley (Kings & Annapolis Counties) at a leading 116.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Vancouver

- 244 Danny Tyson, Langley BC (+4)
- 105 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

Vancouver Island

- 222 David Stirling, Victoria BC

Victoria

- 212 David Stirling, Victoria BC
- 168 Jeremy Kimm, Victoria BC (new)

SASKATCHEWAN

Regina Area

- 71 Daniel Sawatzky, Regina SK (+3)

Regina City Limits

- 65 Daniel Sawatzky, Regina SK (+2)

The Elbow

- 71 Ryan Dudragne, Regina SK (+3)

QUEBEC

Québec City

- 145 Olivier Barden, Québec City, QC

ALBERTA

Calgary Region (80 km circle)

- 127 Phillip Cram, Calgary AB (+3)

Calgary City Limits

- 111 Phillip Cram, Calgary AB (+2)

ONTARIO

Kingston

- 155 Paul Mackenzie, Kingston ON

St. Isidore (50 km circle)

- 113 Jacques Bouvier, St-Isidore ON

ONTARIO/QUEBEC

Ottawa/Gatineau (OFNC Checklist Circle)

- 127 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS

NEW BRUNSWICK

Acadian Peninsula

- 137 Jolande St-Pierre, Alderwood NB (+11)
- 120 Michel Chiasson, Caraquet NB (+4)
- 96 Denise Godin, Bertrand NB (+5)
- 94 Jude Larocque, Coteau Road NB (+4 - 3 yrs)

South East (Westmorland, Kent & Albert Co.)

- 142 Juliette Pellerin, Boudreau West NB (new)

LOCAL WINTER LISTS

***** LOCAL WINTER LIFELISTS *****

NOVA SCOTIA

Counties (threshold 80)

Annapolis County

100 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (new)

Digby County

99 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

Halifax County (Regional Municipality)

198 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

188 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+4)

186 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS

162 Mike King, Eastern Passage NS ***

91 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (new)

Shelburne County

133 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

124 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+13)

Kings County

101 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

99 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS

94 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+9)

86 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (new)

Lunenburg County

126 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+5)

104 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

100 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS

Queens County

87 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

Yarmouth County

89 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+1)

88 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

County Combinations

Annapolis Valley (threshold 85)

(Kings & Annapolis)

116 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (new)

114 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

110 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS

110 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+10)

Central Nova Scotia (threshold 100)

(Halifax, Hants, Kings, Lunenburg,

Queens & Annapolis)

219 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

208 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+4)

204 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS

144 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (new)

Mainland Nova Scotia (threshold 120)

(exc. Cape Breton Island)

247 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

221 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+5)

212 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS

188 Mike King, Eastern Passage NS ***

154 Larry Neily, Lawrencetown NS (new)

Northern Nova Scotia (threshold 85)

(Cumberland, Colchester, Pictou,

Guysborough & Antigonish)

121 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

90 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS

Southern Nova Scotia (threshold 85)

(Shelburne, Digby & Yarmouth)

156 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

145 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+8)

85 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS

All Nova Scotian Counties Added Together

(Combination of Winter Lists) (threshold 600)

1264 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

1200 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+133)

780 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS

LOCAL WINTER LISTS

***** LOCAL WINTER LIFELISTS *****

NOVA SCOTIA (cont'd)

Other Locations (threshold 80)

Brier Island

89 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

Cape Sable Island

117 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

118 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+13)

Chebucto Peninsula

152 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

88 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

Dartmouth City Limits

121 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS (+1)

Digby Neck & Islands

96 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

Eastern Shore

127 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS

120 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

Hartlen Point

87 Don MacNeill, Halifax NS

87 Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

Peggy's Cove Loop

102 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **

Prospect Peninsula

85 Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS **



Red-bellied Woodpecker at your compiler's feeders in Lawrencetown, NS on Nov. 27, 2012 (photo by Antoinette Neily)

LOCAL WINTER LISTS

***** LOCAL SINGLE WINTER LISTS *****

Local Single Winter Lists had seven qualifying 2011-12 lists, 4 from Clarence Stevens, Sr. of NS, 2 from NB and one from ON. Clarence Stevens, Sr.'s 129 in Mainland NS was the highest, but his 122 for Central Nova Scotia was better, albeit both are multi-county lists. Jacques Bouvier's 113 for the St-Isidore, ON circle was the best smaller local area list, and also a new best there by 19 species. A new best was also set for the Acadian Peninsula. Denise Godin tied the old record of 75, but Jolande St-Pierre beat it by 7 to set a new standard at 82.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Vancouver

158	95/96	Danny Tyson, Langley BC
105	90/91	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS

ALBERTA

Calgary Region (80 km circle)

79	04/05	Phillip Cram, Calgary AB
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Calgary City Limits

65	00/01	Phillip Cram, Calgary AB
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NOVA SCOTIA

Counties

Halifax County (Regional Municipality)

148	08/09	Mike King, Eastern Passage NS
121	08/09	Don MacNeill, Halifax NS
109	01/02	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS
101	10/11	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS
98	11/12	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

Lunenburg County

78	10/11	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS
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County Combinations

Mainland Nova Scotia (threshold 85) (exc. Cape Breton Island)

172	01/02	Blake Maybank, White's Lake NS
164	08/09	Mike King, Eastern Passage NS
137	08/09	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS
130	08/09	Don MacNeill, Halifax NS
129	11/12	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

ONTARIO

Kingston

106	05/06	Paul Mackenzie, Kingston ON
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St-Isidore (50 km circle)

113	11/12	Jacques Bouvier, St-Isidore ON
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Toronto (Greater Toronto Area)

115	93/94	Hugh Currie, Toronto ON
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NEW BRUNSWICK

Acadian Peninsula

82	11/12	Jolande St-Pierre, Alderwood NB
75	11/12	Denise Godin, Bertrand NB

Pictou County

63	10/11	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS
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Queens County

63	10/11	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS
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Shelburne County

65	11/12	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS
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Central Nova Scotia (threshold 80) (Halifax, Hants, Kings, Lunenburg, Queens & Annapolis)

130	08/09	Don MacNeill, Halifax NS
128	08/09	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS
122	11/12	Clarence Stevens, Sr., Dartmouth NS

***** YEARLY SUMMARY *****

There were 116 (up 3 from 2011, hereafter shown simply as +3) listers reporting qualifying provincial or territorial lifelists. Six birders again made the lists for 10 or more provinces or territories in 2012. Alex Gray is alone in being on all 13 lists. Blake Maybank is on 12 having scraped his way onto the NU list through the virtues of rounding. He is still missing NT. The other 4 are all on 11 lists, each missing NU and one other; Roger Foxall (NT), Peter Mitchell (NS), Wayne Neily (NF), and Eric Tull (NS). It should surprise no one that same names hold the top six spots on the ATPAT list. In seventh spot is John Luce, also 7th with 8 qualifying provincial or territorial lifelists.

A total of 119 (+2) birders made at least one of the 33 (E) categories in the lifelist tables, with 742 (+34) total listings. Eight listers were on 15 or more of the 33 categories. Blake Maybank is on 28, Eric Tull on 27, Alex Gray on 25, Roger Foxall & Wayne Neily on 21; and David Stirling, Brooke Clibbon and Peter Mitchell on 16.

In the 2012 Year List section's 29 (E) categories, 93 (+3) birders were on at least one list, and the total number of listings was 394 (+28). Nine (+2) birders were listed 10 or more times. Eric Tull was on 23 lists, followed by Blake Maybank with 20 and Bill Wilson with 15. In the Day List section there were 15 (E) categories, with 39 (E) listers and 65 (+1) listings. Unchanged since 2009, 3 enthusiasts had listings in 5 or more categories. Blake Maybank had 8, Eric Tull and Alex Gray 6 each.

In the Winter Lifelist section there were 25 (+1) categories, with 65 (+1) birders and 163 (+4) listings. Leading all comers were Bill Wilson and Blake Maybank with 9, followed by Clarence Stevens, Sr. with 8; then Alex Gray, Larry Neily and Eric Tull with 7 listings each. There were 18 (E) Single Winter categories, with 57 (+2) listers and 129 (+2) listings. Clarence Stevens, Sr. was tops with 9; Joan McDonald and Malcolm McDonald were next at 8 each; while Alex Gray and Blake Maybank were next at 7 each.

We had 246 (+6) areas (including special and other categories) where Local Lifelists were kept, 97 (+2) for Local Year Lists, 10 (E) for Local Day Lists, 38 (+3) for Local Winter Lifelists, and 14 (+1) for Local Single Winter Lists. There were 117 (+2) listers, with 879 (+43) individual listings in the Local Lifelists section, 68 (+1) listers and 219 (+14) lists in the Local Year List category, 12 (E) listers and 16 (E) lists for Local Day Lists, 19 (+2) and 72 (+8) for Local Winter Lifelists, and 11 (E) and 26 (+1) for Local Single Winter Lists. Combining all Local Listing categories there were 119 (+2) listers with 1212 (+66) entries. Blake Maybank had his name on 107 (E). Clarence Stevens, Sr. has second spot with 81 (+2), while Burke Korol remained in 3rd at 58 (E).

Overall we now have 139 (+1) listers keeping lists for 525 (+13) categories. There were 2705 (+135) individual entries on our lists, for an average of 19.5 (+0.9) lists per birder. Thirty-four (-3) listers are on fewer than five lists, while 17 (+2) had more than twice the average number of lists that passed their respective thresholds: Phil Cram 39 (+6), Roger Foxall 41 (+5), Mike Toochn 44 (+3), Hugh Currie 45 (+1), Joan McDonald 46 (+1), Malcolm McDonald 46 (+1), Robert Parsons 50 (E), David Stirling 51 (-1), Wayne Neily 57 (+1), Alex Gray 59 (E), Don MacNeill 61 (-1), Larry Neily 64 (+11 for the largest gain), Bill Wilson 68 (+2), Burke Korol 95 (E), Clarence Stevens, Sr. 109 (+5), Eric Tull 110 (+1) and Blake Maybank 179 (-1).

For the ninety-nine percent of you that have internet access, please visit the Canadian Listers' Corner website at <http://www.neilyworld.com/neilyworld/listerscorner/listers-corner.htm>, where you will find the thresholds, area definitions, the old form, some Canadian listing history; and be able to keep posted on the latest developments. Please try hard to get your changes from the previous year to me by January 31st.

IMPORTANT: If any of your contact information changes, please let *Canadian Listers' Corner* know along with your other friends. *Canadian Listers' Corner* can be reached by email at larry.neily@hotmail.com. Please note the new email and the new mailing address for CLC as of 2012: Box 293, 483 Main Street, Lawrencetown, Annapolis County, NS B0S 1M0.

***** NEWS & VIEWS *****

The *News & Views* section started a couple of years ago has been well-received, so I will continue it. It does require a bit of input from you however; so keep those emails coming. The following are brief excerpts (rarely with slight editing) from your messages, related to trips, birds or life's adventures. To the many of you who just said "Thank you", "You're welcome".

Alfred Adamo: "Please add also my updated World List - 1795 sp. and if you are interested, 2350 unique subspecies, based on the Clements 6.7 checklist. My long anticipated 400th for Ontario was the sensational Thick-billed Kingbird at Presqu'île. I never thought I would have reached this milestone so quickly!"
"Thank you for doing this - it is a way to connect with like-minded folks that we may never meet! I envy your retirement even if money may be a bit tight! Please give my regards also to Antoinette." **Editor:** "Thanks." - [We met Alfred near Picton in 2010 watching the Black-bellied Whistling-Duck.](#)"

Barry Attridge: "I have just ten increases in the totals from last year. There would be more if you had a West Indies list because we spent six weeks driving a rental car the length of Cuba. Joan had a hip replacement this year so we did not have any BIG trips. We are off to Texas this week for about six weeks. I was surprised to learn that you have moved to Nova Scotia. We spent a month there in July SLOWLY following the coast from Digby to Halifax - Joan was really needing the new hip so we relaxed and enjoyed the scenery. I expected to learn that you were off to Arizona, having mentioned that previously. We love that area and visit it often, especially Cochise County. PS Joan was a Utahn." **Editor:** "We will have a West Indies list just as soon as someone (hint, hint) submits one. Cuba too."

Olivier Barden: "Quebec: 280 - Just barely nudged my best year from back in 2003. Started putting some effort into it in October, but required much travel and effort in late December!"

Martin Bowman & Gillian Horgan: "The World and Family increases were mostly the result of a trip to Argentina in December, our first trip to South America. The increases in the ABA and Total Ticks were mostly the product of a Feb-Mar trip through the US Southwest . . . got all 3 species of Rosy-Finches after failing quite a few times on previous trips. Bird of the Year was Common Potoo .. the lodge we stayed at in Misiones province had 2 females on eggs and we actually saw one of the young as it hatched . . . unforgettable . . . Thanks for doing this as always. ."

Brooke Clibbon & Eric Tull: "Greetings from Qatar. We will be here till July of this year and then return to Canada. We had another great birding year, although not as intensive as 2011. We visited Oman, France, Australia, Seychelles, Tanzania and Uganda."

Phil Cram: "Many thanks for the herculean effort, Larry. I am sure everyone appreciates what you do in a normal year, let alone a crazy one like you've had this year. I hope you soon get settled in to your new home - which Lawrencetown is it?" **Editor:** "We are in Lawrencetown, Annapolis County."

"2012 was a Big Year for three friends and myself from Calgary: Brian Elder, Mike Mulligan and Ray Woods, (one of whom, Mike, is a fellow lister on Listers' Corner). We called it Fur and Feathers 500 - with the goal of seeing 500 species of birds plus mammals in Canada during 2012. You can read about it on our blog <http://canadafurandfeathers.blogspot.com>. I will try to convince the other two guys to become "Listers" - we have each broken some of the old Year List records, both for Canada and for ATPAT."

Editor: "Thanks. It worked. Brian and Ray have joined."

"It's been great fun, visiting every province and territory, meeting some of the keen birders in each part of the country, and seeing all those birds and mammals. The big year accounts for some dramatic increases in some of my numbers, as well as some new entries."

"Brian wrote an excellent summary of the birds of the Big Year in one of the final blog postings: <http://canadafurandfeathers.blogspot.ca/2012/12/a-look-back-at-birds-of-our-big-year.html>, which you might like to link to as well as the blog itself." **Editor:** "Well worth reading! What a year!"

Bill Crins: "I was in Colombia from mid-January to mid-February."

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Hugh Currie: "My 700th ABA bird was Yellow-legged Gull at St. John's, Nfld."

Joan Czapalay: "I am happily birding in the South West staying with a cousin in California then going to Tucson for Feb. and March to stay with a friend. I really need to set up an ABA electronic list. I have never added in my totals from 3 weeks birding in Sask. to my ABA list! I write them in my field guides. My ABA list has not been updated for several years. I know it is well over 650 since two trips birding in California and a trip to Florida. Last year I added 7 birds in AZ and 3 in New Mexico. I will work on getting my lists organized this year!" **Editor:** "Good luck. And perhaps we'll finally meet in AZ this coming winter."

Rolph A. Davis: "My next trip is Bhutan in April with my two bird-watching sons. Looking forward to it."

Mark Dennis: "2012 was an interesting year for me as it included an unexpected opportunity to visit Reno, Nevada for something related to my old job. I tagged on a few extra days to the trip and, even though it was July, it got me a couple life birds. Short trips to Maine and New Hampshire added more ABA ticks but the bird of the year for me was the Presqu'ile Park, Ontario Thick-billed Kingbird, proof in feathers that anything can turn up, you just have to get out to find it."

"My wife Sandra and I visited Panama in January and Cuba in April adding a few lifers though, inevitably, we missed a fair few too. Quebec had some nice birds but not a lot in the way of rarities. A Western Grebe on the Ottawa River, a self-found Pacific Loon, a Province second Little Egret and, finally, a Red-headed Woodpecker were all welcome 'additions' except that they weren't as I'd previously made a mess of my Excel files and the sum total was four out in the wrong direction. I decided to redo the whole World list from scratch which resulted in a few adjustments up and down on various lists."

"In 2012 I again put a lot of effort into my local patch, St-Lazare sand pits in Quebec – not least because I had more time available since being released by my old employers to pursue a new career path. I saw 175 species for the year there, a new site record. There were also some site list additions, the 'best' being Buff-breasted Sandpiper. I had long expected the species but did not expect to read about it on-line while I was in New Hampshire to take part in a pelagic trip. Thankfully it stuck and I was able to get a few photos too, a new species for my photographed ABA species list also which is 436; 378 digital only and a further 58 species on slides. For those interested in a diversity of interests, I did a lot of dragonflying and added Comet Darner to the actual Quebec list and co-found a colony of River Bluets, also a new species for Quebec."

"Perhaps we could have a tongue-in-cheek list of finders of Province/State/County/Country firsts with the bar set at one? I have three accepted National firsts, having added new species to the lists of the UK, Greece and Egypt..."

Ryan Dudragne: "It is much slower in pace so far for me than last year, particularly since this winter is very long and graced with fewer lingering birds than the magical 2011-2012 season. You may enjoy an ultra-condensed version of my 2012 birding year below."

"Since 2012 was a special year for me, I decided to commemorate the time with another Sask big year attempt. I had two goals: to obtain 300 birds on my Saskatchewan life list before October, and also hope to observe as many as possible within this great province (but at least 275). I knew that my first goal would be fairly easy with a bit of luck since I was only two birds away; sure enough, on March 31st I reached the milestone by picking out my nemesis the Mew Gull at the local gull roost."

"As for my second goal, things did not go as I had planned (do they ever?). Incidentally, 2012 was also a Dickcissel invasion year in Sask, and after finishing my work contract in July I spent the better part of August in fruitless searches for this elusive species SE of Regina, missing the opportune window of success by about a week. Meanwhile, as the summer months wore on I made a decision to put my big SK year on hold and instead jumped on an opportunity to head east to Nova Scotia for the fall. By the time I flew out at the end of August I was well on pace for a good total with 251 SK birds already, despite missing a few of the rarities and several boreal species."

"Most of my time in NS was spent on beautiful Bon Portage Island where it soon became apparent that, instead of a SK big year, I had a good shot at reaching a different milestone - 300 Canadian birds in a year. I had good fortune with a few common and rare Nova Scotia birds that were likewise new to a land-locked

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prairie boy. Two weeks into my trip, I knocked off Dickcissel and Buff-breasted Sandpiper (two long-standing nemeses of mine) in the same day for 275 Canadian year birds."

"My second-last day on the island provided my final NS lifer, a female Summer Tanager. After taking the train from Halifax to Montréal I spent the remainder of October and the first week of November in La Belle Province before returning to Saskatchewan, just in time to enjoy the first provincial record of Hepatic Tanager. The very same day, some friends and I also observed my lifer Brant (SK life bird #304; Cdn year bird #298). Just when I had thoughts of perhaps salvaging the remnants of my Sask big year, we had a major blizzard two days later which froze up most of the open water and began what would turn into a very long and snowy winter. But, on December 27th I managed to find one of the wintering Varied Thrushes for #300 and so happily ended a very interesting and busy year."

Brian Elder: "A number of friends have been participating in Listers' Corner but I've never been organized enough to get my numbers together. Last year I did a Canada big year with Phil Cram, Mike Mulligan and Ray Woods – we had a great year and I was sufficiently motivated to get my records up-to-date. Thus, I'd like to submit some numbers, mainly in the life list and year list categories for inclusion in your excellent compilation."

"We had a blog (<http://canadafurandfeathers.blogspot.ca/>) and you are welcome to use any of the photos in your report. I read on your website that you are now retired ... I hope that you are enjoying it. I've been retired for a few years and am having a great time."

Chris Escott: "No other changes at this time. I still have several years of notes not yet sorted out, so one of these years my numbers will take a leap upwards!" **Editor:** "My brother Wayne will relate to that!"

Alan Fishkin: "Owing to more than a few difficulties I had very few opportunities to go birding in 2012. I did manage to get to see the Citrine Wagtail however."

John Fowles & Kathy LePoer: "We had a super trip to Newfoundland last June. Our favorite birding place was Cape St. Marys where there is a huge colony of gannets, plus guillemots, razorbill, etc. We were about 30 feet away from these birds. I imagine you have been to Newfoundland but if you haven't, it is a very interesting place to go for nature, geology and history - and the nicest people you could meet."

Carlo Giovannella: "Do others count Crested Mynah for Canada and BC? (NOT included in my numbers above)." **Editor:** "Many years ago, when Burke Korol had this job, the ABA removed Crested Myna from its checklist. Thus it became invalid to be counted. Burke asked listers to remove it and most complied. I know I did. It would not surprise me if some have kept it on their personal lists, but they are not supposed to for ABA or CLC comparative listing. And we can only hope they haven't."

Gordon Grief: "I've just finished re-reading your report and I can't imagine how many hours you put in to compile all those statistics. Here are my changes for 2012 in the order that they appeared in your report."

Editor: "How many hours? Just ask my wife!"

Theo Hofmann: "The newly compiled numbers refer not necessarily to new sightings this year but to compilation which I was able to do because I feel much better than I have felt for some time. I also included my modest count for Switzerland, which you may not want to include. I left Switzerland over 62 years ago and did not start serious birding until 1980."

"I am very lucky in being able to still do birding. In 2012 I was in Newfoundland-Labrador and birded along the Labrador Coast, I also birded a little in Switzerland, my country of origin, and in Quebec. This year my wife and I expect to go to Alaska and along the Aleutians to Siberian Islands. I really am very fortunate; I will be 89 in four weeks."

"Once again, let me thank you for a great job you are doing and how much time and effort you put into Listers' Corner. I greatly appreciate its continuing availability. I have been with it since the days of Gerry Bennett who was a member of our club and a friend of mine. In 1981 I did a canoe trip in the Yukon

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(Blackstone Creek and Peel River to Fort MacPherson) and came across a flock of 6 Siberian Tits. When Gerry asked me what I had been doing in the summer I casually told him. He was excited and told me that I had a record which Norm Chesterfield did not have. My reply was that Norm, however, had a few thousand records I did not have. Anyway Gerry wrote a whole page on my sighting in Birdfinding in Canada.” Theo signs off with an appropriate quote: “You don’t stop playing because you get old; you get old because you stop playing. Anonymous” **Editor:** “Thanks, I too was one of the first members in 1981.”

Steve Knight: “Through Mike Mulligan's Fur and Feathers 500, I just became aware of your excellent and fun looking Canadian Listers’ Corner. What a great service you are providing and very, very interesting reports!”

“Since these are life lists, the thresholds were not necessarily crossed in 2012. Bit of a long story, but I switched from Windows to Mac many years ago, after which point I no longer had bird listing software available to me. However, with the advent of eBird, in recent months I became motivated to consolidate my former lists from Windows (which were all pre-2004) and my paper lists since then, entered them all into eBird and lo and behold I had achieved >300 in Alberta and >350 in Canada once I completed the data entry. Now that I am a committed eBirder I expect to be able to continue to maintain and increase these totals, and I am excited about some of my western provincial lists and things like your ATPAT and many of the other VERY interesting categories you note.”

“I am amazed by the gentleman, sadly now deceased, over 8000 life and 227 families, I had no idea anyone in the world was even close to that high! I am also highly interested in the various totals that folks have achieved in the various provinces and combo lists. My own immediate goal is 400+ for Canada Life, so that is my next motivation for 2013/2014, but I see that folks pay attention to the 450 and even 500(!) for Canada. I am not retired yet, but I can look forward to working on all of this. My motivation has always been one of communing with nature as well as conservation and listing is a reflection of that for me. Anyhow, in closing I really appreciate your efforts in all of this!” **Editor:** “I love to see such enthusiasm. Welcome to the CLC.”

Rudolf Koes: “I am off to The Netherlands on Tuesday.”

Burke Korol: “Great job on this latest issue. We had our second son in March, so my free time is pretty limited these days. I’m headed to the Dominican Republic in December so I should add a few then.” **Editor:** “Congratulations on the new little birder. And thanks; it is good to have the approbation of a former compiler, who knows the amount of work involved.”

Harv Lane: “Glad to be back doing the Listers’ Corner thing. Don’t know how I got off the Listers’ Corner list ... although we moved back to Manitoba and that may have been the start of things. Chris Escott passed your email on to me and I was happy to get back on "your" list. (Currently in Mesa until the middle of April).” **Editor:** “Thanks Chris. Glad to have you back in the CLC Harv. And I much enjoyed our birding outing in Gilbert, AZ last winter. Nice to have finally met you.”

John Luce: "Work didn't get in the way of birding this year! I finally made it to the Atlantic Provinces in early fall and had a wonderful trip. Highlights included an outstanding pelagic in the Bay of Fundy with the fine folks from my homeland province (Thanks Jim Wilson). I also made it to both Newfoundland and Labrador (got the last ferry to Port-aux-Basques before Sandy shut everything down) for the first time ever. I had planned a marathon trip in spring but got coerced into a two week golfing vacation. They didn't have to twist my arm, as it was in PEI. So I'm happily trudging along with my ATPAT list and hope one day (it's the journey that counts) to enter the hallowed halls of those (for whom I have much admiration and respect) who have reached or are near 3000. Keep up the good work and best wishes for some down time after all that has transpired in your life, you deserve it."

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Jo Ann MacKenzie: "I am WAY behind with my record-keeping, so my totals for 2012 will look not much changed. I had a wonderful 3-week trip in Brazil in October, but data entry isn't finished. I hope to get caught up with all that soon, but it will take some time." **Editor:** "I know just how you feel!"

Paul Mackenzie: "My World list 5453 is seen birds. I have an additional 77 heard only species for a total of 5530. Not sure which total others use, but if doubt just use seen." **Editor:** "CLC uses ABA rules, which allow heard only birds to be counted. The caveat with heard only birds is to beware taped calls. Not to impugn tour leaders generally, but I heard a distressing story once in Costa Rica. I was looking up across a clearing to the edge of the forest at Monteverde and spotted a quetzal. After watching it through the scope for some time, decided it was a stuffed bird sitting on a limb near a cabin. Turned out to be the naturalists' cabin and they told us laughingly of unscrupulous tour leaders, who, if they hadn't seen quetzals in the park, stopped along the road where we had been and showed that one by scope to their clients, who dutifully ticked it off their lifelists. It seems to me doing that with tapes would be even easier. Then there is the situation of the two birders on opposite sides of the bird site playing tapes and both counting the bird. So, extra caution must be exercised for heard only birds. Which I'm sure you've done, and I mention only for the sake of completeness and new listers. And I've always wanted to tell that cautionary listing tale."

Joan & Malcolm McDonald: "2012 turned out to be a year in which we did several twitches for some great rarities. We started off soon after we got back from our trip to Arizona over the New Year with a trip to the west coast in early February to chase two Emperor Geese which were being seen in Washington. Actually there were at least three, but the closest ones were at the town of Sequim (pronounced Squim) just across the water from Victoria. So we flew to Victoria, rented a car and caught the afternoon sailing to Port Angeles, and drove to Sequim in the dark and heavy rain. Fortunately we had a dry morning, and good information, for we were able to locate the birds fairly quickly and reasonably good views if not from up close. Some good shorebird areas along the shores on that coast."

"We had a summer close to home and did not make any foreign trips this year. In September we took our new camper van to Vancouver Island and experienced some of the best weather we've ever seen on the island. Unfortunately, it meant that there were fewer birds around than usual so we just enjoyed the pleasant trip. In early November things got interesting when a Hepatic Tanager was discovered at a feeder in Wadena, Saskatchewan. Turning down the offer of joining a group on an overnight drive, we decided to take it more easily by flying to Regina and driving the last 200 kms next morning. When we got there, we found our friends from Calgary had arrived first, but the bird put on a great show for us by sitting in a tree in the full sun allowing great views."

"No sooner had we got back home than we heard of a Wagtail being seen in Courtenay, Vancouver Island. In a few days they were able to confirm this as a Citrine Wagtail, a first for Canada. So we quickly packed an overnight bag (and some rain gear) and WestJet flew us to Comox, about 10 minutes from where the bird was being seen. We got there in the morning; a TV crew was just finishing interviewing some of the birders, and better still, the bird was in view in several scopes that were set up. It was kind of a difficult bird to see as it was in among long grass and on private land so we were constrained on a rough track. Having seen it we then headed to Victoria where Brown Pelicans were being seen in number up to 20 at a time. This was a bird we had been trying to see for over ten years. It often showed up in ones or twos for a period in the fall, and when we had visited at Christmas time over several years they generally had gone. So we were extremely pleased the following morning to scan the shore and noticed some large brown lumps on the Ogden Point breakwater in Victoria. We quickly headed closer and were rewarded with 14 of the birds, even better; we were able to watch them over bacon & eggs at the harbour cafe. We then were able to head back to Courtenay in better weather and had much closer views of the Wagtail before catching our flight back home."

"2013 has started off in the same way with a Red-flanked Bluetail and Brambling in Vancouver. Our Listers' Corners updates were delayed a week due to a quick dash down to Oregon looking for a Little Bunting which had showed up in early February. This was one we did not see unfortunately."



This Hepatic Tanager was discovered at a feeder in Wadena, Saskatchewan.
This photo was provided by Malcolm and Joan McDonald, taken, presumably by one of them, on November 12, 2012.

Peter Mitchell: "I spent last summer in St. Anthony, Nfld., where I had the opportunity to add to my Nfld. list. The biggest thrill for me was seeing a Brown Booby, once on the Quebec side, when taking the ferry to Blanc Sablon, QC, and the other off Fisherman's Point in St. Anthony. What else was notable was the abundance of Blackpoll Warblers along with Common and Hoary Redpolls around St. Anthony. I am looking forward to another summer in St. Anthony and a planned trip in December to Tanzania."

Jerry Pilny: "I have been overseas (AU & NZ) and have likely not added much to my American numbers - maybe next year."

Frank Pinilla: "Jeff Skevington, James Holdsworth, Richard Skevington & I are doing a Big Day in Durham & Carden again this year, sometime in late May. Will be my first Big Day in 5 years, should be a blast!"

Laurie Rockwell: "Oct. 2012: I did not even realize that you had not sent out the lists...too busy birding, what with year 5 of the BC Breeding Bird Atlas, my own surveys and hiking and volunteering at the Vaseux Lake Monitoring Station. I hope that you enjoy your new home, but too bad that a job loss forced the move. I appreciate your personal 'letter' with the lists as it brings you closer to us readers. I cannot imagine how much work goes into the listings and I am sure it would be easier if folk kept their stats up to date."

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“The weather has been so warm and dry this summer/fall, even on the first day of October, that there has been no serious migration. In fact, the BIC at the banding station figures that many migrants did not stop and flew over the netting area since no serious weather forced them down. I have done all my hiking for the year and am now looking forward to just birding along Okanagan Lake, with a lot less effort, but will need lot colder weather to force the migrants down here.”

Dan Sawatzky: “The winter birding in 2011/2012 was amazing with a late freeze up and a very mild winter. Ryan D and I put on quite a few miles adding birds to our winter lists. In 2012 I did a low key and what turned out to be a half-assed Big Year. Things were going quite well until a field job took me to AB from May 15 to July 7. It is truly unfortunate to have tied with Burke's 1991 total of 268. I blame the Wild Turkeys of Cypress Hills who, after 3 visits, remained uncounted. Working in AB cost me at least 25 species and I think 300 is probably attainable with a little luck. Of course the big story in the province this year was the Hepatic Tanager at Wadena. Crazy bird.”

Andrew Slater: “Last year I completed the process of compiling my list onto eBird, and so get the benefit (or otherwise) of their species definitions. In addition my wife and I took a cruise through the Panama Canal, which was an exceedingly interesting and enjoyable trip, and had some impact on my World list. My wife says it was her best holiday ever! Finally two separate Clark's Grebes showed up inside the City of Calgary, continuing the tradition of species apparently expanding northward.”

David Stirling: “In the spring of 2012 I was on a cruise around South America from Chile around the Horn to Brazil. It was a good pelagic birding cruise -- lots of shearwaters, petrels and albatross. Then in the Atlantic rain forest of Brazil I hit my milestone 4,000, a White-necked Hawk. In the fall I visited several small islands in the eastern Caribbean and got a few nice endemics. Seeing all these wonderful and crazy bird lists in Listers' Corner has prompted me to submit two of my own from bygone days:

Both ends and the middle of the Earth - 1996 295 species
(Antarctic, above the Arctic Circle and Equator -- Ecuador)

and

Both sides of Wallaces Line, Indonesia - 1999 52 species
(12 hours, mostly at sea)”

Mike & Sharon Toochin: “Thanks so much for continuing to do this publication. It is definitely the best out there and the most interesting to read. We both really appreciate time and effort you devote to this.”

Dan Tyson: “Keep up the awesome work. It is a daunting task keeping track of my own lists; it is amazing what you do to keep track of everyone else's. Enjoy Arizona; it is a special natural history wonderland.”

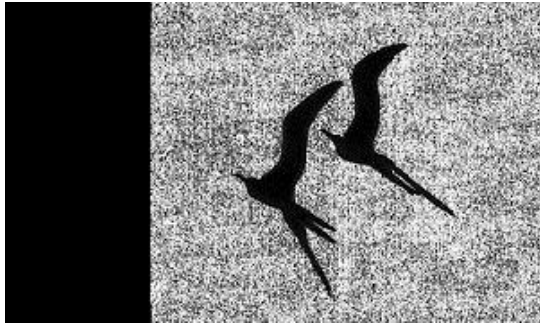
Editor: “Thanks for the positive feedback, Mike, Sharon & Dan.”

Ray Woods: “Finally, after many years, I've got around to entering some data to your Listers' Corner. Three friends and I did a Canada Big Year in 2012 which has been the catalyst for my finally joining! Actually, you and I once met, Larry. I was birding with my son (Rob Woods) in Nova Scotia and we bumped into you one day. You joined us for a coastline walk north of Halifax if memory serves me correctly.” **Editor:** “When and where? It rings a vague bell, but nothing comes to mind. Sorry that I cannot recall this. (I don't think this was the case this time, but I do have a brother Wayne who is a birder, and often confusion arises from this fact. More CLCers know Wayne than me.)”

John Zoch: “... you're still doing an incredible job with the listing. I'm sure Gerry Bennett, and other early subscribers, are still looking on with appreciation of all your efforts. I know I am. I've bought new software and am in the process of entering data all over again. This time will include backups to multiple locations at home and in the cloud.” **Editor:** “Thanks for the kind words.”

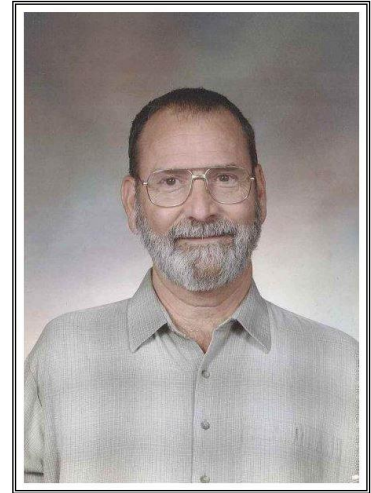
In Memoriam

PRINGLE, Gordon James
September 7, 1944 - February 3, 2013



While I have never met most of the CLC members, Gordon was an exception. I met Gordon in 1984, when I first came to Ottawa, and he quickly became my best friend. Gordon's muscular dystrophy had progressed by then to where he needed a driver and since I had no car, we embarked on a mutually beneficial birding relationship. Gordon introduced me to birding and birders in Ottawa. We had many memorable adventures, even trying a Big Day once or twice. Despite obvious limitations on where he was able to go, Gordon was able to get 291 species in the Ottawa Checklist Area and count 413 species on his ABA Wheelchair Lifelist. Remarkable when you think how many species require a hike off the beaten path.

Gordon was remarkable in many other ways. He worked for many years with the mineralogy section of the Geological Survey of Canada and even had a mineral named after him, Pringlite. His last project there involved the creation of software to identify minerals from thin sections.



He worked very hard to bring the Ottawa birding community together. For many years he chaired bird committees and provided solid leadership and positive guidance. And he always had projects. One of the largest was the collection, organization, preservation and dissemination on the Ottawa Field-Naturalists' Club's website of all the rare bird reports, photos, committee minutes and relevant information available, back to the first records. This project could be used as a model by other rare bird committees, but they will need someone like Gordon to drive it.

He and his equally exceptional wife, Judy, were always helping other people. They gave their time freely to church, charities, community and especially friends and family. They raised two wonderful daughters, both married with children of their own now. So Gordon and Judy's home, in more recent years, was often blessed with the presence of grandchildren.

Gordon was one of the most sound and well-rounded people I have ever met. He could talk at length on any subject, and we often did over a rum or two. The world has lost a great man.



Northern Parula (one of Gordon's favourite birds)
(courtesy Brian Elder and the Fur and Feather Team)

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<http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/ottawacitizen/obituary.aspx?pid=162913554#fbLoggedOut>.