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President's Message

By: Patty Pendergast

From a birding perspective, this is a wonderful time of year. Shorebirds are crowding the coast, hawks are starting their flight, swallows are massing, terns flit across bays. The end of summer finds gardens overflowing, butterflies all over the buddleia and great days out of doors, on a trail or in my kayak. All of this makes it so hard to come inside, much less go to WORK!!

So it is with this backdrop that I consider the board of COA. There is no paid staff. Each and everyone on the board has an absolute passion for birds and birding. Enough so that they add a few hours extra on to already busy schedules in order to contribute to the quality of birdwatching in Connecticut and bird conservation.

As a statewide organization, some people invariably travel quite a way to make each meeting. I'm grateful and awed by the dedication of our executive committee in stepping up the meeting schedule to objectively examine the kinks that invariably develop in organizational structures.

Our hardworking Conservation Committee is developing a list of state research priorities for state and federal agencies to use for funding efforts. We also hope to use it to cultivate volunteers to participate in different studies. There is a new Refuge Relations Committee working with governmental agencies to facilitate birding opportunities with the least amount of impact to the environment, surrounding communities and most importantly the birds. In June with funding from Long Island Sound License Plate grant, COA published a timely brochure - "Sharing the Waterways, A Code of Ethics for Wildlife Watching Along the Connecticut Coast" which is being distributed at coastal access points across the state. Each COA member will receive a copy of it this fall. The popular Shorebird Workshop has just been held and we will be holding our Fall Field Day at Cove continued on page 8

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Birding Milford Point -Partnerships & Politics

By: Milan Bull

One bright, sunny day this spring, a couple of birders, scanning the marsh from the parking lot platform, spotted a godwit. Not just your ordinary, run of the mill (?) Hudsonian, but what turned out to be a black-tailed godwit, rare and gorgeous. It stood there, a few yards away, being analyzed by a grand total of three or four of us. We "oo'd" and "ahh"d" for a few minutes, then, instinctively, the cell phones were whipped out and the airways lit up. I knew we were about to have company, and lots of it.

We needed to get as many people here as fast as possible to cash in on a great bird. In a matter of minutes, the first arrivals came on the scene with more on the way. If this were Hammo or Sherwood Is., no problem, plenty of parking for the masses and spotters could keep an eye on the bird nearly around the clock. But no, this is Milford Point, a complicated patchwork of State and Federal agencies, non-profits and private landowners, all staking out and defending their respective territories at the end of a congested, dead-end road.

I knew I had to move fast. My first run was more or less house-to-house, informing the neighbors of the soon-to-be-arriving throng of birders. No problems here, in fact some of the neighbors opened their backyard views of the marsh to all birders, but did they really understand what the real numbers could be like, especially if this bird stayed around for awhile? I doubted it. Next, I checked the fencing and signs on the beach and hoped that all comers would keep clear of the piping plover areas (they did). Finally, I called Milford's finest to inform them of the situation and got the message out to as many as possible to please drive slowly down Milford Point Rd. and that the McKinney National Wildlife Refuge is off-limits (they did and they knew).

All in all the worst thing that happened is that the godwit took off within hours and hasn't been seen here since. This really was a shame. After all, birds like that are part of the reason why we establish all those partnerships and why we petition Congress to buy diminishing critical habitat and

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Fall Hummingbirds

By: Mark Santyr

One of the more interesting recent phenomena in birding is the increasing numbers of non-Ruby-throated Humming-birds observed at feeders in the East. Rufous Hummingbird, Selasphorus rufus, Allen's Hummingbird, Selasphorus sasin, Calliope Hummingbird, Stellula calliope, and Black-chinned Hummingbird, Archilochus alexandri, have all been reported either from New England or the Mid-Atlantic states in the past two years and other even more exotic species, Broad-billed Hummingbird, Cynanthus latirostris, Anna's Hummingbird, Calypte anna, and the tropical Green Violet-ear. Colibri thalassinus, and Green-breasted Mango, Anthracothorax prevostii, have been recorded in the east as well.

Far and away the most regular of these is Rufous Hummingbird, with four documented and maybe up to seven individuals reported from Connecticut last year alone. Connecticut s first record was of an adult male present and photographed at a feeding station in New Hartford, 24-27 July 1991 (ARCC# 91-19) (Published in error as 21-27 July, CW 12:31 and AB 45:1095.) This bird was reported but dismissed by several knowledgeable naturalists and was only recognized after the Avian Records Committee of Connecticut received explicit photos in the mail.

So, Let's all stay sharp! If any unusual hummingbird is noted at your feeder, please take notes, take photos, and please take the time to alert the birding community about it. If any hummingbird is noted at your feeder after October, please do the same. Many of these hummingbirds are not identifiable to species in the field without excellent views and much experience evaluating certain characteristics of structure and plumage and some are just not identifiable at all unless they are captured and measured.

In Connecticut, the secretary of the Avian Records Committee is a licensed bird bander with special permits to capture and band hummingbirds. Last year, we were able to capture, measure, band, and release three such unidentifiable hummingbirds and learned that they were all female Rufous Hummingbirds. Should these individuals be re-captured, either in the southeast where numerous Rufous Hummingbirds winter, or in the west, where this species nests, the ornithological community will gain priceless information into the biology of these incredible species.

We have a lot to learn about these hummingbirds, especially as it relates to their amazing occurrences far north and east of their normal range in the fall and winter. This new aspect in Connecticut s ornithological study has forced us to come up with a policy on the safe handling of hummingbirds that are found late in the season at feeders. We believe that this policy will allow us to gain information and ensure the safe and natural existence of the bird. It seems that, other than Rufous Hummingbirds, these vagrant / migrant hummingbirds tend to arrive in Connecticut late, well into the fall, and usually after Ruby-throated Hummingbirds have left. From our study and by working in close cooperation with trained avian rehabilitator, we have learned that these are very hardy birds and, while we humans believe it is too cold for their survival, the birds disagree. We have learned through much research that the best policy for late-occurring hummingbirds is to capture, identify, and band them and then to immediately release them back into the wild so they can do what they are going to do.

Do these hummingbirds continue south and east to overwinter in the Gulf States? Is this part of an exploratory move to establish new wintering grounds farther north and east of the Gulf? Are these just accidents? Do these birds survive? We do not have the answers to these questions. You can be a part of this groundbreaking work by reporting any suspect late hummingbirds so that we can band them and with some luck, track their wing beats to an answer.

To report any late or suspect hummingbirds, or if you have any questions, please contact:

Mark Szantyr <u>Birddog a Snet Net</u> Secretary, Avian Records Committee of Connecticut 145 Farmington Ave., Waterbury, CT 06710 (203-754-3898)

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Please submit materials for the next issue by October 1, 2001 to Manny and Teri Merisotis at tmerisotis@earthlink.net
Or at 93 Ripley Hill Rd., Coventry, CT 06238

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Example: I, Dori Sosensky, want to receive the RBA, FYI (For Your Information) and Birds this Week messages but not the RARE sightings.

My return email would look like this —

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RARE Sightings: No

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SUBSCRIPTION REVISIONS:

Multiple individuals maintain these lists on multiple computers. Therefore, all requests for revisions need to include: 1) which list(s) need to be revised and 2) if an address change both your old and your new email addresses. Revision requests will be forwarded to the appropriate individuals.

LIST DESCRIPTIONS:

RARE Sightings: Updates of RARE to GOOD sightings - sent daily or as we are called or e-mailed about true rarities. This list is primarily meant to meet the informational needs of the active CT birder. Rare sightings from surrounding state email hotlines are also passed on. Reports should be submitted to both Dori Sosensky Dori Sosensky @Yale.edu and Nick Bonomo birderet@notredame.org.

Required information for reports and other formatting guidelines are at:

http://www.ctbirding.org/e-committee_page.htm CT RARE postings may also be viewed on the web at http://www.virtualbirder.com/cgi-bin/symredir/bmail/ctbird/ latest.html

RBA:

The weekly CT Rare Bird Alert - usually sent Thursday or Friday each week. Dori Sosensky and Jamie Meyers share transcription and posting duties. Recent RBAs may be viewed on the web at

http://www.virtualbirder.com:80/vbirder/realbirds/rbas/CT.html

FYI (For Your Information):

The FYI List functions as a forum to post actions, events and issues important to the Connecticut birding community at large. Examples of items that will be posted are: the encephalitis break out, volunteer and job opportunities, political action alerts pertinent to birds and habitat protection, COA field trips, COA workshops, etc. General postings will be issued once a week. Alerts such as the encephalitis/crow survey or timely political action alerts will be issued as needed. Patty Pendergast maintains this list. I will forward your request to be added to this list. However, when you have something you would like to post please send it directly to Patty at Winterwren@carthlink.net CT FYI postings can be viewed on the web at http://www.virtualbirder.com/cgi-bin/symredir/bmail/ctbird/latest.html

Birds this Week: The weekly RBA transcript includes a list of the birds mentioned in the tape. We have most of the RBA Transcripts going back to the summer of 92. In the past we have prepared a file with the lists of birds from the top of the following week's old RBA's. However, we currently do not have time to do this but hope to re-institute it in the near future.

The COA CT Email Lists are open to everyone. Please feel free to disseminate subscription information in any way.

Birding Milford Point - continued from page 1

public access. We want people to see how great the Housatonic estuary is, enjoy the birds and invest in environmental futures, but there are pitfalls along the way.

Theodore Roosevelt once expressed his worry that crowds of Americans visiting the new National Parks could "love them to death". This is the very same concern of everyone connected with Milford Point. From the neighbors, to the biologists, administrators and the birders, we all wonder how much traffic a fragile few acres can accept before all the spectacular diversity evaporates before our very Swarovskis.

The answer is we're not sure, but at least we are aware and proactive. We welcome all visitors to the Point; after all, this is a Long Island Sound Public Access location, somewhat of a black-tailed godwit of itself in western "Private Property No Trespassing" Connecticut. However, in no other locale in this State can I think of greater need for public awareness and cooperation in order to protect and preserve the resource and respect the rights of a residential, crowded community. The godwit episode clearly demonstrates how well it can all work with a little cooperative communication.

In an effort to keep it working so well, it may be beneficial to outline the area from a birder's perspective: As you approach the Connecticut Audubon Society Coastal Center at Milford Point from the intersection of Seaview Ave., the street narrows dramatically and the houses become densely packed. It is here that a hurried and harried birder, in order to catch up with a departing godwit may have the tendency to inadvertently apply a teeny bit too much pressure on the gas pedal, resulting in justified howls of protest from neighbors and anti-birder letters in the newspaper. Drive at a crawl and people will wave at you with all five fingers.

Upon entering the site, park in the lot and always check the adjacent marsh platform for birds (as well as terrapins, muskrats, and even an otter!). Repair yourself to the kiosk and check out what has been seen recently through rose-colored glasses. The Sanctuary is owned by DEP and managed by CAS and open dawn to dusk every day except the day of local fireworks displays (crowd control on bird colonies). If the Center is open (Tues. through Sat. 10:00

a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Sun. noon to 4:00 p.m.) please come in. There is no longer an admission fee. Walk around the porch to the back and climb the 40-foot tower for a dramatic, sweeping view of the entire estuary.

Follow the trail to the beach (crossing the private drive) and walk the boardwalk to the beach platform, a great spot to scope the flats and bars. During the nesting season, fencing and signs will ask you to walk the beach to the west, thus avoiding unfortunate piping plover/human contact on the dunes to the east. You can follow the beach westward, making careful observation of the break walls for birds, all along the beach in front of 13 houses (formerly cottages). Keeping below the high water line will make for friendly neighbors. Please don't walk on their drive.

After the final cottage you will reach the McKinney National Wildlife Refuge, the barrier beach that marks the terminus of Milford Point, access is limited. A handy observation platform is at the high point of the beach and is a great spot from which to look out over the Refuge. Remember, even birders need a permit to be on the Refuge.

At this point you have made the tour. If the shorebirds are in migration and the tide is low, you may want to walk out on the sandbars for a closer look at that stint on your way back along the beach. Please record your sightings in the book at the kiosk. If you bring alcohol-free lunch, enjoy it on the lawn areas and avoid the beach.

Stay as long as you like and come back often! Remember, C r a w l your car back through the neighborhood. See you on the platform!

Milford Point Partners:

Connecticut Audubon Society owns the Coastal Center building and leases the 8-acre Smith-Hubbel Wildlife Sanctuary from DEP.

DEP own the Smith-Hubbel Wildlife Sanctuary as well as the 840-acre adjacent salt marsh called the Charles E. Wheeler Wildlife Management Area.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service owns the Stewart B. McKinney National Wildlife Refuge at the end of the Milford Point barrier beach.

Private Citizens reside in the neighborhood approaching the Coastal Center, the Sanctuary and the Refuge.

COA Membership Questionnaire

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Connecticut Ornithological Association C/o Stephen Oresman 49 Sunswyck Road Darien, CT 06820

COA Membership Questionnaire

Please take the time to fill out this brochure and return.

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	Education for intermediate birders		
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Trips & Events

New Haven Bird Club

For more information, you can go to their web page at: http://members.aol.com/nhbirdclub

Daily Hawk Watch at Lighthouse Point

September 1 through the end of November at Lighthouse Point on New Haven Harbor has become one of the premier locations in southern New England for watching migrating eagles, hawks and falcons as well as loads of song birds and other bird types. The watch usually starts at 7:00 A.M. and goes to roughly 11:00 A.M. You can come any time and leave any time. Coordinator: Ron Bell, 203-387-3815

Farmington Canal Greenway

Sunday, September 23, 2001at 9:00 A.M.
Andy Brand has several areas of birding expertise. One of his specialties is birding the Farmington Canal Greenway which he lives right next to. Join him in the search for fall migrants as you meet at his home at 59 Brooksvale Ave off of Whitney Ave (Rt 10) in Hamden. Leader: Andy Brand 203-230-1718 or andrew.brand@snet.net

Bird Walk for Kids at Lighthouse Point

Saturday, September 29, 2001 at 9:00 A.M.

This is an easy field trip where you and your adults can see hawks and eagles, falcons and blue birds and what ever else happens to be flying South for the Winter. Please bring bird books and field glasses if you have them and if you don't someone else will. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Leader: Florence McBride 203-288-6777

Hammonasset State Park, Madison

Saturday, Oct 13, 2001 at 8:00 A.M.

See fall migrants, both land and sea with one of New England's best birders, Flo McBride. She will take you on easy walking trails and level ground. Meet at the park entrance. (I-95 exit 62). Leader: Florence McBride 203-288-6777

The Big Sit

Sunday, October 14, 2001

The NHBC created this event of national prominence. Here is how it works. You choose a spot, anywhere in the state. Draw a 17 foot circle in that spot and count how many

birds you and your teammates see and hear from that spot in 24 hours. You need not be there for the entire time. See the NHBC bulletin for details. Contact John Triana for forms and information at 203-758-7203.

FALL FIELD DAY AT COVE ISLAND PARK

COA will hold the annual Fall Field Day on Saturday, October 13, 2001 at Stamford's Cove Island Park. The park offers a variety of habitats for birding - shoreline, woods, a brush dump and Holly Pond. This is a great time of year to explore the park. There can be several species of sparrows to study as hawks soar overhead. It is also a great place for butterflies and dragonflies. Cove Island is home to the Sound Waters organization. Their Community Center for Environmental Education can be visited throughout the day.

Directions: From I95 southbound take Exit 9. Left turn onto Rt 1 at end of exit ramp. Proceed through 3 lights to Weed Ave. Right turn onto Weed Ave, the park entrance is at the end of the road (approx. 1mile). From I95 northbound take Exit 9. Left turn at end of exit ramp, right turn at next light onto Rt 1. Follow directions above. More details on the day's schedule will follow in a mailing in September.

Greetings!

We wanted to take a minute to introduce ourselves. We are Manny & Teri Merisotis and we are glad to be taking over the production of the COA Bulletin. We are a little intimidated because we don't consider ourselves advanced birders but we are eager to learn. We have been members of COA for several years and thought this would be a great way to get involved, meet other birders, and most of all develop our birding skills. It seems we never do as much birding as we would like, a feeling we're sure many of you share. We hope to spend more time in the field with our two month old daughter Katherine, who we have taken several times birding already. If you have any suggestions for future issues we would love to hear from you.

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Island in Stamford on October 13th. Our electronic listserves and website are reminders of day-to-day efforts by dedicated volunteers to keep you informed with up to the minute information.

COA couldn't afford to pay Steve Oresman, Jamie Meyers, Jim Zipp, Dori Sosensky, Betty Kleiner, Greg Hanisek, Patrick Comins, Jay Kaplan, Janet Mehmel, Milan Bull, Ron Bell. Dave Provencher, John Longstreth, Carol Lemmon. Ben Olewine, Fran D'Amico, Sylvia Hawkin, Tom Kilroy, Bob Barbieri, Carl Ekroth and Fred Baumgarten for the efforts they routinely put forth.

Then again there are the unsung heroes who don't sit on the board, but contribute immeasurably to the workings of the organization. While I don't mention them here for space sake, they are the fiber of this organization and most of the COA functions we take for granted wouldn't happen without them. Never underestimate the power of volunteering a few hours a month. Our community and the birds will be the better for it

COA Needs You

COA is working hard to improve our services to you the members! Do you have a couple of hours a month to contribute?

We need two people interested in working on membership. We are looking for one person to send out membership packages to new members. All materials would be supplied – postage would be reimbursed. We would also like to find a person who would be willing to help put together occasional mailings – stuffing envelopes, labeling etc. a couple of times a year. This doesn't take a lot of time and will help mailings get out in a more timely manner.

In the coming year, COA will be looking to develop a core of volunteers interested in doing surveys and fieldwork for different research projects. Greg Hanisek's grassland bird surveys were a great success this past season. Opportunities are developing with CT DEP, USFWS, the continuance of grassland bird surveys and a deep forest bird survey at the McLean Game Refuge. We are looking to the 2002 field season, and will be releasing details as they come together. These will be good opportunities to bird 'with a purpose'.

Contact Patty Pendergast at winterwren@earthlink.net or 860-526-4686 for more details.

Falkner Tern Project

By: Beth Wenzel, Graduate Student CCSU, Department of Biological Sciences

In summer of 2000, with support from a Conservation Grant from the COA, I participated in the ongoing tern colony restoration project conducted by the Stewart B. McKinney NWR (William Kolodnicki, Manager) and Jeffrey Spendelow of the Patuxent Wildlife Research Center. The Falkner Island Unit of the Stewart B. McKinney NWR supports the largest population of endangered Roseate Terns (Sterna dougallii) in Connecticut. as well as a population of Common Terns (Sterna hirundo). My project involved spending my nights watching the nocturnal behavior of terns. So little was known about how they spent their night, such as whether terns roosting along the water's edge follow the movements of the tide, and how they defend their nests against nocturnal predators. I observed the behavior of predatory Black-crowned Night-Herons (Nycticorax nycticorax) visiting the colony.

My days began when other Falkner Island Tern Project researchers were just about ending their day in the field, about 4 p.m. I would finish my breakfast of chicken and rice or soup, bundle up in multiple layers of warm clothing despite it being June or July, and enter the field about a half-hour before sunset. I would visit blinds at three subcolony sites around the island to monitor and assess the activity of terns and herons throughout the whole colony.

I observed nine nights with Black-crowned Night-Heron visits, and found that the presence of Black-crowned Night-Herons did not cause terms to completely abandon the island, as researchers at other term colonies have found. One night I heard and saw through the night vision equipment a term chick calling while suspended in mid-air. It took a moment to realize that it was in the bill of a Black-crowned Night-heron. A small group of adult terms (less than 10) flew over the heron, but made no physical contact. I am currently analyzing data to determine what effect nocturnal predation has on the reproductive success and behavior of Falkner Island terms, as well as to see if there is any correlation between weather conditions and Black-crowned Night-Heron visits to this term colony.

I thank the COA for their support, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for funding through a Cost-Share

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Challenge Grant, and Central Connecticut State University for additional small grant funds. I am grateful to William Kolodnicki, Jeffrey Spendelow, and the other members for the Falkner Island Tern Project team, who provided advice, logistical assistance, and good company.

Thank You!

COA has many supporters and contributors who help us throughout the year. These businesses, a nature center, authors and artists donated goods to COA for the raffle at our 2001 annual meeting. We want to thank them for making our raffle a success and hope you support their work throughout the year.

Jerry Connolly - The Audubon Shop in Madison - binoculars, spotting scope, Jim Zipp - The Fat Robin in Hamden - binoculars, spotting scope, Buzz Devine & Dwight Smith, authors - "Connecticut Birding Guide", David Sibley, author and artist - " The Sibley Guide to Birds", Sam Fried - Flights of Fancy Tours - books, Jay Kaplan - Roaring Brook Nature Center - bird seed, Patrick Comins - photos, Jeff Feldman - photos, Paul Fusco - photos, Bill Gaunya - artwork, Michael Di Giorgio - artwork, Mark Szantyr - artwork

Joining COA

The Connecticut Ornithological Association welcomes new members. COA is the only statewide organization devoted exclusively to birds and birding. Its members range from beginning birders to professional ornithologists. Joining COA is a great way to improve your knowledge of Connecticut's birds and birding. It is also a great way to help COA research and conservation.

Membership costs as little as \$12 per year and includes a copy of *The Ten Best Birding Sites in Connecticut*, the highly respected quarterly journal *The Connecticut Warbler*, the quarterly *COA Bulletin*, and invitations to COA events such as field trips and field days. Membership dues also support COA's rare bird hotline, conservation initiatives, and research projects. New members receive a copy of the official *Connecticut Field Checklist* and a COA decal. Present COA members may use the form below to renew. Check the mailing label on this Bulletin to see if your membership is current. If not please renew today!

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