

Seventeenth Annual

Saskatchewan Christmas Bird Count, 1958

Edited by **Mary Houston**, Yorkton.

This year's count was an all-time record; both in the number of localities reporting (32) and in the number of species seen (55 on the actual counts, and 5 extras seen during the period of Dec. 20 to Jan. 1).

Four new species were recorded this year bringing the total for the 17 years of Saskatchewan Christmas Counts to 92 species. These were Sparrow Hawk (at Lumsden), Sage Grouse (at Masefield) and Ring-billed Gull and Oregon Junco (both at Saskatoon).

In past years, we have not included Mute Swans or Pigeons (Rock Doves) as both were considered semi-domesticated, and neither was on the Saskatchewan Field Checklist. The inconsistency of this stand became more apparent this year. Both species are on the A.O.U. List; we count Chukar Partridges; Karasiuk pointed out that the Prince Albert pigeons were wild ones living under the bridge. Following consultation with Museum officials, we can announce that in future the Mute Swan and Rock Dove will be on the official provincial list. This change then raises the all-time total to 94 species.

Congratulations to the Moose Jaw Natural History Society for getting such good participation for their first count, and to the Saskatoon Society for the most thorough coverage and highest total of species (23). The Cruickshanks at Lumsden saw 22 species, a most remarkable total. We welcome David Chandler at Masefield, a new area. Five other new localities are represented by young observers—Gary Anweiler at Melville, Glen Fox at Kindersley, Billy Horseman at Saltcoats, Jacob Jmaeff at Kamsack and Spencer Sealy at Battleford. These lads turned in good counts for their areas; they will be the Streets and Callins of the future. Horseman and Anweiler also took part in the 20-observer Yorkton count, and it was Horseman who turned up the 17th species in late afternoon at Yorkton, to beat his own single-handed re-

cord of 16 species at Saltcoats a few days previously.

Black-billed Magpies are very common this winter and were reported from all 32 localities. House-Sparrows and Black-capped Chickadees were reported during Christmas week from 27 localities, Sharp-tailed Grouse from 25, Snow Buntings from 23, Common Redpolls and Downy Woodpeckers from 19, Gray Partridge from 18, Ruffed Grouse from 18, Pine Grosbeaks from 17, Hairy Woodpeckers from 17 and Bohemian Waxwings and Horned Owls from only 13. Snowy Owls were seen at only five localities and seem at the low point of their cycle.

Pigeon Hawks were reported from Nipawin, Saskatoon and Yorkton during the actual count, and from Spirit Lake and Prince Albert the same week. Rusty Blackbirds were noted at Craven, Dilke, Lumsden and Regina.

It is unfortunate that Steve Mann and party's count (taken on Jan. 10, 1959), was too late to be included in the official summary, for it contained such interesting species as Saw-whet Owl and Brown-headed Cowbird.

BANGOR, Sask. Dec. 31; 16 miles by car and 1 hour on foot about yard; sunny. 6 species, 99 individuals. Ruffed Grouse, 1; Sharp-tailed Grouse, 5; Black-billed Magpie, 8; Black-capped Chickadee, 7; House Sparrow, 75; Snow Bunting, 3.—**Mrs. A. Thompson.**

BATTLEFORD, Sask., Dec. 26, nine miles by car, in 5 hours; temp. 16°; no wind; cloudy; 10 inches of snow. 13 species, 251 individuals. Ruffed Grouse, 1; Sharp-tailed Grouse, 1; Ring-necked Pheasant, 1; Gray Partridge, 9; Downy Woodpecker, 4; Black-billed Magpie, 21; Black-capped Chickadee, 25; Bohemian Waxwing, 55; House Sparrow, 43; Pine Grosbeak, 52; Common Redpoll, 13; Pine Siskins, 24; Snow Bunting 2.—**Spencer G. Sealy.**

BIG RIVER, Sask. Dec. 26, 4 miles by truck and 1 mile on foot in 3 hours; temp. 15°; wind N.W. 15 mph.; cloudy; 16-18 inches of snow. 10 species, 75 individuals. Hairy Woodpecker, 8; Downy Woodpecker, 4; Gray Jay, 1; Blue Jay, 5; Black-billed Magpie, 6; Common Raven, 4; Black-capped Chickadee, 25; White-breasted Nuthatch, 2; Evening Grosbeak, 9; Common Redpoll, 11; Hawk Owl, 1; Pileated Woodpecker, 2; Snow Bunting, 50.—**Mrs. Anne Olson.**

HIGH HILL, Sask. Dec. 28, 16 party hours and 25 party miles; temp. 7°; wind westerly and light; clear, becoming cloudy in afternoon; 18 inches of snow. 15 species, 44 individuals. Goshawk, 2; Rough-legged Hawk, 1; Ruffed Grouse, 14; Sharp-tailed Grouse, 1; Great Horned Owl, 1; Hairy Woodpecker, 1; Downy Woodpecker, 1; Black-backed Three-toed Woodpecker, 1; Northern Three-toed Woodpecker, 1; Gray Jay, 4; Blue Jay, 1; Black-billed Magpie, 1; Common Raven, 6; Black-capped Chickadee, 8; Boreal Chickadee, 1; Golden Eagle, 1; Pileated Woodpecker, 1; House Sparrow, 4; Pine Grosbeak, 17; Snow Bunting, 12.—**Anton and Steve Waycheshen.**

BLADWORTH, Sask. Dec. 31, 1/2 hour by truck and 2 1/4 hours on foot; temp. 20-34°; wind SSE. 6-8 mph.; overcast; 10-12 inches of snow. 9 species, 397 individuals. Golden Eagle, 1; Sharp-tailed Grouse, 11; Gray Partridge, 28; Great Horned Owl, 1; Black-billed Magpie, 5; Black-capped Chickadee, 3; House Sparrow, 16; Common Redpoll, 331; Snow Bunting, 1; Bohemian Waxwing, 1, Dec. 30; Brewer's Blackbird, 1, Dec. 27.—**P. Lawrence Beckie.**

BROADVIEW, Sask. Dec. 28, 4 hours and 40 miles by car; temp. —20°; strong wind; overcast. 3 species, 21 individuals. Golden Eagle, 1; Black-billed Magpie, 10; Common Redpoll, 10; Sharp-tailed Grouse, 6, Dec. 27; Gray Partridge, 6, Dec. 29; Downy Woodpecker, 1, Dec. 26; Black-capped Chickadee, 1, Dec. 27.—**Audrey and Charles Thacker.**

CRAVEN, Sask. Dec. 30, 54 miles on foot and 60 miles by car; temp. 3-22°; wind light; 7 observers in 4 parties. 19 species, 972 individuals. Golden Eagle, 1; Ruffed Grouse, 1; Gray Partridge, 9; Great Horned

Owl, 1; Hairy Woodpecker, 6; Downy Woodpecker, 6; Black-billed Magpie, 87; Common Crow, 1; Black-capped Chickadee, 37; White-breasted Nuthatch, 1; Bohemian Waxwing, 4; Starling, 40; House Sparrow, 755; Rusty Blackbird, 1; Pine Grosbeak, 2; Hoary Redpoll, 2; Common Redpoll, 14; Tree Sparrow, 3; Snow Bunting, 1; plus one unidentified dark-phase hawk, making a 20th species.—**Dr. R. W. Nero, Richard Fyfe, Albert Swanston, Fred Lahrman, Elmer Fox, Reginald Fox, Frank Brazier.**

DILKE, Sask. Dec. 26, 6 miles in 8 hours on foot and with team about yard and field; temp. 17-19°; wind NW. 20-35 mph.; cloudy; 10 inches of snow; open prairie, farmland and shelterbelt. 7 species, 51 individuals. Golden Eagle, 1; Sharp-tailed Grouse, 7; Gray Partridge, 6; Hairy Woodpecker, 1; Black-billed Magpie, 5; House Sparrow, 30; Rusty Blackbird, 1. (Add: Great Horned Owl, 1, Dec. 20, 23; Downy Woodpecker, 1, Dec. 24; Starling, Dec. 23; Snow Bunting, Dec. 21, 22, 23, 25, 27, Jan. 1.)—**S. R. Belcher, J. B. Belcher and Margaret Belcher.**

FORT SAN., Sask. Dec. 28. 2 3/4 hours and 30 miles by car; temp. 10°; wind light; mostly clear; about 8 inches of snow. 7 species, 105 individuals. Hairy Woodpecker, 1; Downy Woodpecker, 2; Black-billed Magpie, 22; Black-capped Chickadee, 12; Bohemian Waxwing, 37; House Sparrow, 30; Common Redpoll, 1. (Add: Mallard, 7, Dec. 21; Golden Eagle, 2, Dec. 23; Ruffed Grouse, 3, Dec. 26; Sharp-tailed Grouse, 1, Dec. 25; Robin, 1, Dec. 23; Pine Grosbeak, 5, Dec. 24; Snow Bunting, 35, Dec. 26.)—**James MacPherson, Jack Lowe, Errol Cochrane, Harry Spanier, E. M. Callin (Compiler).**

HAWARDEN, Sask. Dec. 24, 2 hours and 19 miles by car, and 2 1/2 hours on foot about town, and on the farm and fields; temp. 36°; wind W at 15; 12 inches of snow. 5 species, 213 individuals. Gray Partridge, 7; Horned Lark, 4; Black-billed Magpie, 1; Starling, 1; House Sparrow, 200. (Add: Sharp-tailed Grouse, 11, Dec. 29; Snowy Owl, 1, Dec. 22, 25; Bohemian Waxwing, 1, Dec. 23; Common Redpoll, 1, Dec. 25).—**Harold Kvinge.**

KAMSACK, Sask. Dec. 31, 3½ hours on foot; temp. 22°; wind S at 16; cloudy; 15 inches of snow. 7 species, 225 individuals. Ruffed Grouse, 1; Sharp-tailed Grouse, 21; Black-billed Magpie, 5; Black-capped Chickadee, 5; House Sparrow, 48; Pine Grosbeak, 25; Snow Bunting, 120. (Add: Gray Partridge, 12, Dec. 27; Hairy Woodpecker, 1, Dec. 23, Jan. 1; Downy Woodpecker, 1, Dec. 22.)—**Jacob H. Jmaeff.**

KINDERSLEY, Sask. Dec. 26, 3¾ miles on foot in 2½ hours, and 6 miles by car in 1¼ hours; temp. 12°; wind NE at 3, gusting to 10; clear in a.m., clouding in p.m.; 1 foot of snow. 5 species, 385 individuals. Sharp-tailed Grouse, 8; Gray Partridge, 81; Black-billed Magpie, 3; Bohemian Waxwing, 16; House Sparrow, 277. (Add: Black-capped Chickadee, Dec. 21.)—**Glen A. Fox (compiler), R. A. Lamont.**

LEADER, Sask. Dec. 31, 4 hours; temp. 40°; no wind; clear; 1 inch of snow. 2 species, 18 individuals. Ring-necked Pheasant, 11; Black-billed Magpie, 7. (Add: Gray Partridge,).—**Daisy D. Meyers.**

LITTLE BEAR LAKE, Sask. Dec. 26, 5¼ hours; temp. 25°; occasional very light snow; cloudy; 14 inches of snow. 5 species, 21 individuals. Goshawk, 5; Spruce Grouse, 2; Great Horned Owl, 1; Gray Jay, 12; Black-billed Magpie, 1.—**Lloyd Ulvick, R. G. Lanz, M. G. Street (compiler).**

LUMSDEN, Sask. Dec. 29, 20 miles by car and 5 miles on foot and around farm, for 5 hours; temp. 20°. 22 species, 333 individuals. Golden Eagle, 1; Sparrow Hawk, 1; Ruffed Grouse, 4; Sharp-tailed Grouse, 6; Ring-necked Pheasant, 8; Chukar, 30; Gray Partridge, 23; Great Horned Owl, 1; Snowy Owl, 1; Hairy Woodpecker, 1; Downy Woodpecker, 2; Black-billed Magpie, 18; Common Crow, 1; Black-capped Chickadee, 35; Red-breasted Nuthatch, 2; Robin, 1; Bohemian Waxwing, 24; Starling, 15; House Sparrow, 100; Rusty Blackbird, 1; Common Redpoll, 8; Snow Bunting, 50. (Add: Bald Eagle, 1; Saw-whet Owl, 1. — **Judy Bert and Pat Cruickshank.**

MASEFIELD, Sask. Dec. 26, 1 mile on foot along Frenchman River, and

28 miles by car across open prairie; 3½ hours; temp. 28°; sunny; 14 inches of snow. 10 species, 251 individuals. Golden Eagle, 1; Sharp-tailed Grouse, 7; Sage Grouse, 4; Ring-necked Pheasant, 8; Gray Partridge, 7; Snowy Owl, 1; Black-billed Magpie, 16; Black-capped Chickadee, 5; House Sparrow, 87; Snow Bunting, 115.—**J. David Chandler.**

MELVILLE, Sask. Dec. 28, 5 miles and 8 hours on foot; temp. 15°; wind light; sunny. 10 species, 128 individuals. Ruffed Grouse, 1; Sharp-tailed Grouse, 5; Blue Jay, 4; Black-billed Magpie, 9; Black-capped Chickadee, 12; House Sparrow, 75; Evening Grosbeak, 3; Pine Grosbeak, 11; Common Redpoll, 7; Snow Bunting, 1.—**Gary Anweiler.**

MOOSE JAY, Sask. Dec. 26, 82 miles and 12 hours by car, jeep and on foot; temp. 22°; wind NW 18, gusting to 27; cloudy; 6 inches of snow. 19 observers in 4 parties. 13 species, 1354 individuals. Goshawk, 1; Sharp-tailed Grouse, 36; Ring-necked Pheasant, 26; Gray Partridge, 23; Great Horned Owl, 1; Downy Woodpecker, 1; Black-billed Magpie, 38; Black-capped Chickadee, 4; Bohemian Waxwing, 87; Starling, 25; House Sparrow, 1100; Pine Grosbeak, 6; Common Redpoll, 6. (Add: Snowy Owl, 2, Dec. 30; Hairy Woodpecker, 1, Dec. 28; Robin, 1, Dec. 28; Slate-colored Junco, 20, Dec. 28; Snow Bunting, 40, Dec. 27).—**Carl Ellis, Frank Hill, Rosalind Taylor (compiler), Molly Ritchie, Kay Rankin, John Walker, Dr. and Mrs. D. M. Ewart, Douglas Ewart, Patty Ewart, Mr. McLaren Ewart, Mrs. M. H. Kennedy, Patrick Kennedy, Mrs. Cy Knight, Mrs. V. Humphreys, Mrs. Remington Walker, Robert Tabaka, Andy Rankin, Ned Jacob (members and friends of the Moose Jaw Natural History Society).**

MULLINGAR, Sask. Dec. 31, 1 hour with sleigh, 2 hours and 15 miles by car; temp. 25 to 30°; calm; cloudy; 6 inches of snow. 6 species, 76 individuals. Sharp-tailed Grouse, 12; Black-billed Magpie, 5; Black-capped Chickadee, 5; House Sparrow, 35; Pine Grosbeak, 5; Snow Bunting, 18. (Add: Ruffed Grouse, 1; Downy Woodpecker, 1; Gray Jay, 1; Common Raven, 1).—**Ralph T. Cowell.**

NAICAM, Sask. Dec. 30, 5 miles on foot and 5 miles by car in 6½ hours; temp. 25°; wind light; overcast; 8 inches of snow. 6 species, 47 individuals. Ruffed Grouse, 1; Sharp-tailed Grouse, 2; Black-billed Magpie, 2; Black-capped Chickadee, 2; House Sparrow, 35; Pine Grosbeak, 5. (Add: Great Horned Owl, 1, Dec. 22; Common Redpoll, 2, Dec. 22; Snow Bunting, 12, Dec. 22).—**W. Yanchinski.**

NIPAWIN, Sask. Dec. 25, 7½ hours; in and near town and at feeding station; temp. 20°; overcast with occasional light snow; 12 inches of snow. 16 species, 126 individuals. Pigeon Hawk, 1; Ruffed Grouse, 1; Sharp-tailed Grouse, 7; Pileated Woodpecker, 1; Hairy Woodpecker, 2; Downy Woodpecker, 2; Gray Jay, 2; Black-billed Magpie, 1; Common Raven, 2; Black-capped Chickadee, 4; Red-breasted Nuthatch, 1; House Sparrow, 55; Evening Grosbeak, 23; Pine Grosbeak, 13; Common Redpoll, 10; Slate-colored Junco, 1. (Add: Gray Partridge, 5; Blue Jay, 2; Starling, 1; Snow Bunting, 175).—**M. G. Street.**

PRINCE ALBERT, Sask. Dec. 26, 15 miles by car and 4 miles on foot in 4½ hours; temp. 25°; wind W at 7 mph.; clear in a.m., clouding in p.m.; 44 inches of snow. 13 species, 126 individuals. Mallard, 6; Common Merganser, 2; Rock Dove, 7; Hairy Woodpecker, 2; Northern Three-toed Woodpecker, 1; Gray Jay, 1; Black-billed Magpie, 4; Common Raven, 14; Black-capped Chickadee, 15; House Sparrow, 23; Evening Grosbeak, 17; Pine Grosbeak, 4; Common Redpoll, 30. (Add: Common Goldeneye, 1, Dec. 23; Pigeon Hawk, 1, Dec. 23; Blue Jay, 1, Dec. 30; Boreal Chickadee, 7, Dec. 23; Red-breasted Nuthatch, 1, Dec. 30; Hoary Redpoll, 1, Dec. 31; White-winged Crossbill, 18, Dec. 29).—**Tony Capusten, Don Karasiuk.**

REGINA, Sask. Dec. 26, 70 miles on foot and 165 by car; temp. 18-22°; wind WNW 35 mph.; 9 observers in 3 parties. 20 species, 1788 individuals. Mute Swan, 12; Whistling Swan, 2; Canada Goose, 110; Mallard, 250; Lesser Scaup, 4; Ruddy Duck, 1; Golden Eagle, 1; Sharp-tailed Grouse, 3; Gray Partridge, 37; Snowy Owl, 2;

Downy Woodpecker, 4; Black-billed Magpie, 39; Black-capped Chickadee, 14; Bohemian Waxwing, 39; Starling, 4; House Sparrow, 1100; Rusty Blackbird, 1; Common Redpoll, 1; Song Sparrow, 1; Snow Bunting, 163.—**Dr. and Mrs. G. F. Ledingham, Mrs. E. Cruickshank, Christine MacDonald, Dr. R. W. Nero, Mrs. H. Robertson, Miss C. Pratt, Frank Brazier, Elmer Fox, Reginald Fox.**

SALTCOATS, Sask. Dec. 23, 10 miles on foot in 4½ hours; temp. 20°; no wind; sunny. 16 species, 463 individuals. Ruffed Grouse, 2; Sharp-tailed Grouse, 7; Ring-necked Pheasant, 1; Gray Partridge, 5; Great Horned Owl, 1; Hairy Woodpecker, 2; Downy Woodpecker, 3; Black-billed Magpie, 3; Black-capped Chickadee, 19; White-breasted Nuthatch, 1; Bohemian Waxwing, 11; Starling, 7; House Sparrow, 283; Pine Grosbeak, 31; Common Redpoll, 21; Snow Bunting, 66.—**Bill Horseman.**

SASKATOON, Sask. Dec. 26, 23 miles on foot, 200 miles by car; 14 party hours on foot and 23 party hours by car; temp. 21-24°; wind light; overcast; 5 inches of snow; 29 observers in 7 parties. 23 species, 3,921 individuals. Mallard, 9; Common Goldeneye, 2; Pigeon Hawk, 1; Ruffed Grouse, 2; Sharp-tailed Grouse, 46; Ring-necked Pheasant, 17; Gray Partridge, 29; Ring-billed Gull, 1; Great Horned Owl, 2; Hairy Woodpecker, 2; Downy Woodpecker, 4; Blue Jay, 8; Black-billed Magpie, 123; Black-capped Chickadee, 57; Bohemian Waxwing, 296; Starling, 30; House Sparrow, 2,765; Evening Grosbeak, 14; Pine Grosbeak, 55; Common Redpoll, 440; Slate-colored Junco, 1; Oregon Junco, 2; Snow Bunting, 15. (Add: Robin, Dec. 27, 28; Brewer's Blackbird, Dec. 29).—**Bob Folker, Bernard Gollop, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hogg, John Shadick, Fern Cordrey, Vic Harper, Ted Wedge, Wendy Wedge, Lindy Lou Wedge, Dr. and Mrs. R. M. Bremner, Dr. and Mrs. C. J. L'Ami, Mrs. Laura Rowles (Montreal), Peggy O'Neil, Dr. and Mrs. John Gerrard, Jonathan Gerrard, Gwynneth Rowe (London, England), Dr. F. E. Waite, Ralph Palmer, Bob Pravda, Ralph Morris, David Morris, George Gerrity, Ross Gerrity, Bob Mills, Frank Roy (compiler)—members and friends of the Saskatoon Natural History Society.**

SKULL CREEK, Sask. Jan. 10, 1959, 3½ hours; temp. 48 to 40°. 11 species, 424 individuals. Ring-necked Pheasant, 6; Great Horned Owl, 2; Saw-whet Owl, 1; Hairy Woodpecker, 1; Downy Woodpecker, 2; Black-billed Magpie, 87; Black-capped Chickadee, 21; Robin, 2; Bohemian Waxwing, 280; Pine Grosbeak, 3; Common Redpoll, 19. (Add: Golden Eagle, 1, Jan. 8; Sharp-tailed Grouse, 14, Jan. 8; Gray Partridge, 22, Jan. 8; Short-eared Owl, 1, Jan. 3; Blue Jay, 1, Jan. 9; Common Crow, 1, Jan. 4; Rusty Blackbird, 1, Dec. 20; Brewer's Blackbird, 1, Dec. 31; Brown-headed Cowbird, 2, Jan. 9; Evening Grosbeak, 1, Jan. 9; Tree Sparrow, 2, Dec. 20; Snow Bunting, 62, Jan. 2).—**Ken Wright, Mrs. H. Borman, George Swain, Peter Swain, Harry Williams, Robert Mann, Betty Mann, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Mann.**

SPIRIT LAKE, Sask. Dec. 26, 8 miles on foot; 8 party hours; temp. 20-25°; wind light; overcast with occasional light snow; 10 inches of snow. 15 species, 148 individuals. Ruffed Grouse, 4; Sharp-tailed Grouse, 1; Great Horned Owl, 2; Hairy Woodpecker, 6; Downy Woodpecker, 8; Gray Jay, 1; Blue Jay, 1; Black-billed Magpie, 6; Black-capped Chickadee, 50; White-breasted Nuthatch, 2; House Sparrow, 20; Evening Grosbeak, 11; Pine Grosbeak, 8; Common Redpoll, 23; Snow Bunting, 5. (Add: Goshawk, 1, Dec. 29; Pigeon Hawk, 1, Dec. 29; Bohemian Waxwing, 10, Dec. 25).—**Joyce Gunn, Bill Anaka.**

SOMME, Sask. Dec. 30, 44 miles by tractor in 8 hours; mostly cloudy; 15 inches snow. 11 species, 95 individuals. Ruffed Grouse, 1; Great Horned Owl, 1; Downy Woodpecker, 1; Northern Three-toed Woodpecker, 2; Gray Jay, 3; Blue Jay, 7; Black-billed Magpie, 4; Common Raven, 1; Black-capped Chickadee, 10; Boreal Chickadee, 5; House Sparrow, 60. (Add: Sharp-tailed Grouse, 9, Dec. 27; Gray Partridge, 13, Dec. 22; Hairy Woodpecker, 2, Dec. 23; Black-backed Three-toed Woodpecker, 1, Dec. 22; Pine Grosbeak, 6, Dec. 21; Snow Bunting, 12, Dec. 28).—**Donald and Ronald Hooper.**

TORCH RIVER, Sask. Dec. 24, 6 miles by team and on foot from farmyard to logging bush in 4½ hours;

temp. 22°; wind light; overcast; 12 inches of snow. 11 species, 62 individuals. Goshawk, 1; Ruffed Grouse, 2; Hairy Woodpecker, 1; Gray Jay, 5; Blue Jay, 1; Black-billed Magpie, 2; Common Raven, 9; Black-capped Chickadee, 4; White-breasted Nuthatch, 1; Northern Shrike, 1; House Sparrow, 35. (Add: Sharp-tailed Grouse, 2, Dec. 24; Pileated Woodpecker, 1, Dec. 27; Pine Grosbeak, 9, Dec. 24; Common Redpoll, 10, Dec. 28; White-winged Crossbill, 12, Dec. 24; Slate-colored Junco, 1 (no date); Snow Bunting, 8; Jan. 1).—**C. Stuart Francis.**

WAUCHOPE, Sask. Dec. 26, 13 miles by car, several hours about yard; ground drifting. 4 species, 135 individuals. Sharp-tailed Grouse, 31; Black-billed Magpie, 1; Black-capped Chickadee, 3; House Sparrow, 100.—**John and Marion Nixon.**

WYNYARD, Sask. Dec. 31, 4 miles on foot; wind SW 20 mph. 7 species, 67 individuals. Hairy Woodpecker, 2; Downy Woodpecker, 2; Gray Jay, 1; Black-billed Magpie, 1; Black-capped Chickadee, 9; Bohemian Waxwing, 12; House Sparrow, 40. (Add: Ruffed Grouse, 1, Dec. 22, 25, 29, 30; Ring-necked Pheasant, 1, Dec. 23, 27; Horned Owl, 1, Dec. 26; Blue Jay, 1, Dec. 27; Evening Grosbeak, 4, Dec. 20, 22).—**Dora Bardal.**

YORKTON, Sask. Dec. 26, 87 miles by car in 14 hours, and 21½ miles on foot in 13½ hours; temp. 19°; wind SE at 6; 12 inches of snow. 17 species, 2054 individuals. Goshawk, 1; Pigeon Hawk, 1; Ruffed Grouse, 6; Sharp-tailed Grouse, 82; Gray Partridge, 43; Great Horned Owl, 1; Hairy Woodpecker, 1; Downy Woodpecker, 2; Blue Jay, 1; Black-billed Magpie, 54; Black-capped Chickadee, 22; Bohemian Waxwing, 19; House Sparrow, 965; Evening Grosbeak, 4; Pine Grosbeak, 8; Common Redpoll, 268; Snow Bunting, 576.—**Gary Anweiler, Brother Eugene, Brother Joseph, Ronald Coleman, Terry Coleman, Henry Chilman, Jr., Tom Cursons, Archie Fraser, Art Gellert, Billy Horseman, Dr. Stuart Houston (compiler), Roxby Hughes, Bob Pearce, Irving Pearce, Elwood Sharpe, Cliff Shaw, Jeff Smith, Don Swaby, Frank Switzer, Guillain Switzer.**