

## HBC Rare Bird Alert: Where Are the Birds Today?

All of us are interested in knowing what birds are in our area each day. We do this by:

- talking with other birders
- calling the Voice of Audubon or "reading The Voice" in the newspaper
- checking the Web
- joining the Rare Bird Alert (for those interested in the unusual species)

### To check The Voice of Audubon:

Call toll free **1-888-224-6444**

Follow the directions (press 2 to listen to Seth Kellogg, the Western Mass voice). Seth updates The Voice once a week - more often when necessary - so check regularly. (Thanks to Trudy Tynan, the transcript also appears weekly in most of our local papers.)

### To check various sources on the web:

Go to the HBC website: <http://www.hampshirebirdclub.org>

From the Links section, you can go to the Voice and/or to Massbird

### To join the Rare Bird Alert (RBA).

If you want to be notified by email, fill in the form below and return with your membership form **by October 18** (date of Monday night program).

If you want to be on the phone tree AND HAVE AN ANSWERING MACHINE, fill in the phone tree information below and return with your membership form **by October 18**.

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Rare Bird Alert (RBA) Form: 2004-2005**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**EMAIL ONLY:** Some people give both home and work email address. You cannot sign up for both email and the phone tree. Email participants automatically receive both "Valley Only" and Valley and Beyond" announcements.

email address: \_\_\_\_\_

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**PHONE TREE ONLY:** Please understand that signing up for the telephone tree means that you must participate in passing along the information. *It is absolutely essential that you call the next person on the list immediately.* If unable to reach that person, leave a message on the answering machine and keep going down the list. *Please do not sign up if you cannot commit to doing this every time.*

home phone \_\_\_\_\_ work phone: \_\_\_\_\_

(phone tree) Rare Birds in the **Valley Only** \_\_\_\_\_ (phone tree) Rare Birds **Valley and Beyond** \_\_\_\_\_

Return with your membership form to HBC, P.O. Box 716, Amherst, MA 01004-0716.