Name: Maine Audubon Rare Bird Alert Reporting Period: July 17 – 23, 2013

Area: State of Maine Compilers: Doug Hitchcox

Noteworthy Species Mentioned:

Red-billed Tropicbird+

Brown Booby+

Tricolored Heron

White-faced Ibis+

Black-necked Stilt

Little Gull

South Polar Skua+

York County

Three LITTLE GULLS continued to be seen along the beach at Laudholm Farm in Wells this week.

Presumably one of the Laudholm birds, a LITTLE GULL was seen on the north end of Drakes Island on the 20th.

Greater Portland

Two TRICOLORED HERONS were observed along with the presumed TRICOLORED HERON x SNOWY EGRET hybrid in the pannes off the Eastern Road on the 19th. At least one WHITE-FACED IBIS was also seen at this time.

The last report of the BLACK-NECKED STILT that had been frequenting the Scarborough Marsh came from July 17th, a full month after it was first located.

Midcoast

A late report was received of Maine's second BROWN BOOBY photographed on Eastern Egg Rock on the 16th.

Penobscot Bay

The RED-BILLED TROPICBIRD that has taken up residence on Seal Island this summer was reported again this week, on the 22nd.

Downeast

An apparent SOUTH POLAR SKUA was photographed from a whale watch out of Bar Harbor on the 22nd.

Northern Maine

Highlights from Lake Josephine and a few nearby ponds included: an AMERICAN COOT, a hen REDHEAD with six young, and three COMMON GALLINULES on the 21st.

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