

Naturalist and occasionally found a club reporting a bird under two names. Finally the job became so complex that I had to turn it over to a professional zoologist with adequate library facilities.

Perhaps the most unfortunate aspect of this name fad is that it encourages the already common tendency among bird watchers to put a trinomial on everything that they see, a practice that has been heartily condemned by leading field ornithologists. Thus every robin seen in this area is called an Eastern robin

(*Turdus m. migratorius*), although it is increasingly evident that appreciable numbers of the black-backed robin (*T. m. migrideus*), breeding in Ungava, pass through here in spring and fall.

In any event, as more subspecies are recognized, many subspecific common names become almost meaningless. Witness the splitting in recent years of the "common" Canada goose.

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