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The largest of the North American Owls, the Snowy is a Great Avian Nomad or bird traveller. It can be seen day or night and is very quiet in flight. Some individuals are marked with black barring and some are pure white. 2013-2014 was a year when there was an abundance of arctic rodents. In what is called an "eruption" by biologists many Snowys appeared south of their usual range. One was seen in the town next to us in Massachusetts Norm Smith, Audubon Society Owl expert relocated Snowys from Logan airport in Boston to safer environments. Google Norm Smith Snowy Owl to see great photos and video. His work is risky, snowy have sharp talons and beaks. They are large but also extremely fragile when handled.

## THE LEMMING

Lemmings are related to voles and are mouse-like creatures that live in Northern North America in burrows. They make tunnels under the snow. Although they do not live as far north as the North Pole they make excellent elves for Santa. They do not jump off cliffs into the ocean in large groups. That is a myth.



Southern Bog Lemming