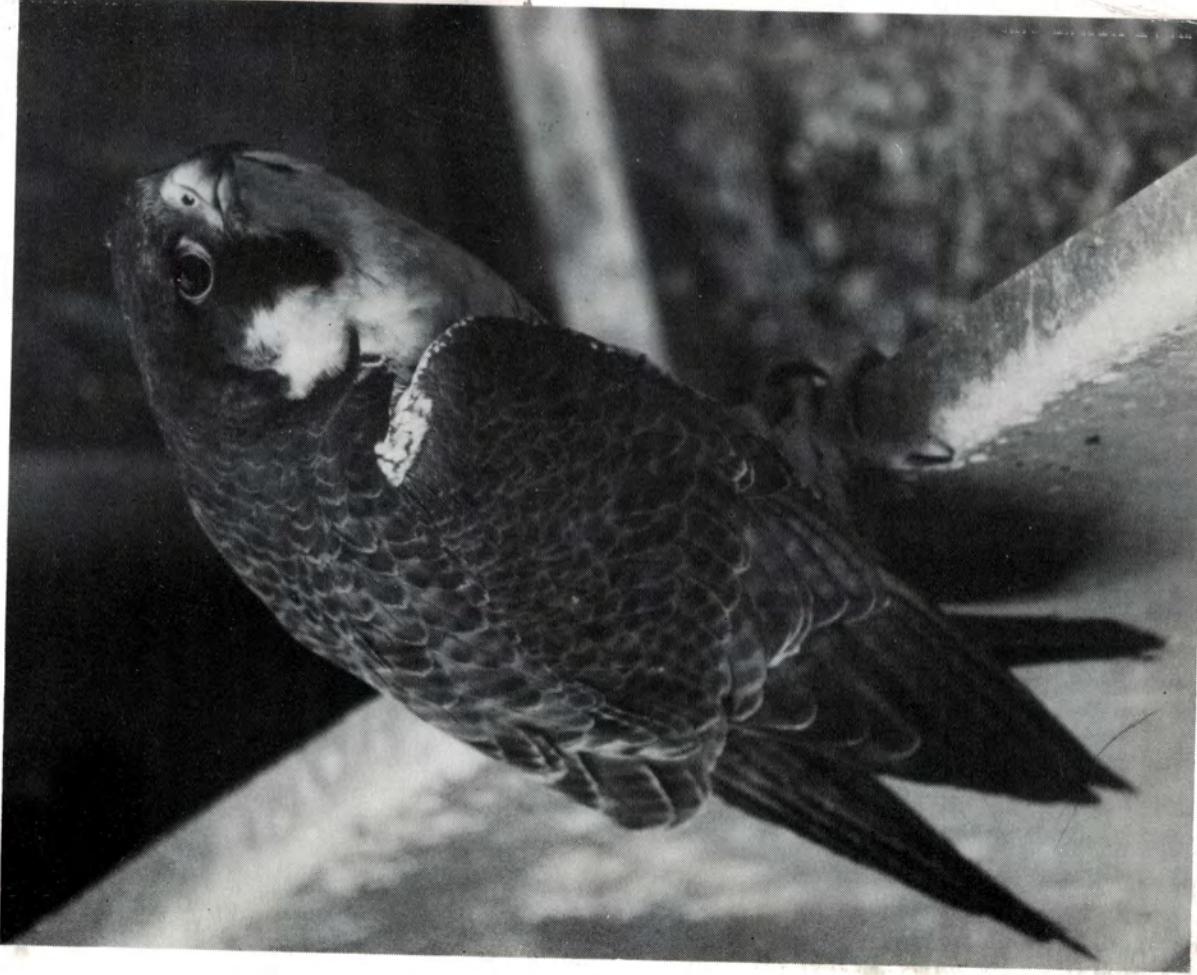




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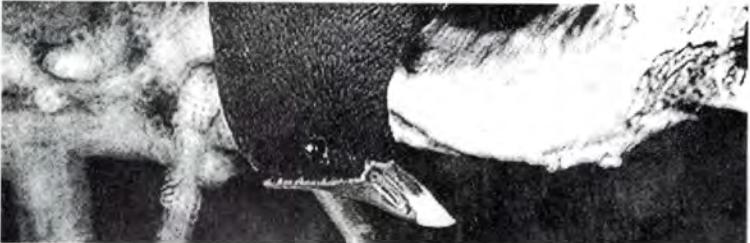
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The Summer 1997 Season

by Victor W. Fazio III

In its short two months, the summer season encompasses the end of the spring migration, the height of the breeding season, and the beginning of fall migration. This year was particularly busy for all three. The generally cool wet spring continued into June and had a discernible impact on both migrant and nesting birds. No less than 19 species of native waterfowl were found lingering into the period. Exceptional for summer were reports of Canvasback, Bufflehead, Surf Scoter, and Common Merganser. Horned Grebe also falls into this crowd of lingering waterbirds. While Common Loon always linger into the season with a few spending the summer, this year was exceptional with 19 birds found between 10 June and 20 July across the state. The spring passerine migration peaked for many species during the last couple of days in May so the plethora of observations well into June was not unexpected. So late were the observations that likely spring migrants were meeting fall migrants along the shores of Lake Erie. Shorebirds are the principal fall migrants of interest and this season offered good variety and quantity, if a little late in starting southward. The disturbing news is the degree to which shorebird habitat has disappeared in Ohio. Were it not for a single site, the dredge impoundment at Lorain Harbor, the migration picture painted herein would be very different.

The Great Horned Owl nest at Crane Creek S.P., Lucas Co.
In its 4th year
Photo : Vic Fazio III

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Autumn - 25 December

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Ever since the Ohio Breeding Bird Atlas Project, Ohio birders have discovered the excitement of revealing the local nesting scene. These efforts were particularly rewarding in the Canadian zone habitats of the state as the cool summer gave impetus for northern breeding species to nest in substantial numbers in known localities and others to find themselves in new territories. The Lake County and Franklin County Metropark surveys are detailed in this issue. Among the species likely responding to the cooler season were high numbers of Winter Wren in Lake County, while the nesting of White-throated Sparrow and Black-throated Blue Warbler were the first successful nestings since 1931 and 1932 respectively. During the Atlas some evidence suggested Chestnut-sided Warblers were expanding their range slowly to the southwest within Ohio. This year first successful nestings in the Dayton and Columbus Metroparks area continue that trend. Pied-billed Grebes have responded to newly created wetlands. The species now regularly nests in the Columbus area and has recently taken up summer residence near Cincinnati. Shifting populations, both in the short term and long term, continue to provide for future discoveries. Species to watch

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Cover Photo, An Ohio nesting Peregrine Falcon by Gary Meszaros summer 1998

include the hemlock specialists which now appear more widespread and in greater number than previously suggested by the Ohio Breeding Bird Atlas. Short-eared Owls are making a comeback and may well be breeding in several counties. This breeding season lacked for spectacular migrant waifs but contained no less excitement for birders afield.

Reading this report : The taxonomic sequence follows the 7th ed. A.O.U. Checklist of North American Birds (1998). In many instances a short synopsis gives some context to the observations. Specific notable sightings follow the synopsis. These are necessarily abbreviated. This layout is intended to both serve the birdwatcher in understanding the big picture with respect to a given species occurrence within the season, and at the same time highlight the individual efforts of Ohio field observers in a way convenient for querying the specifics of a record.

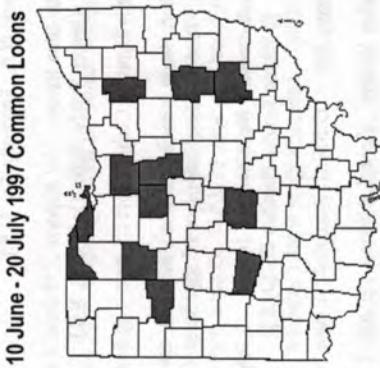
Abbreviations : @ = to be read as either "at" or "at a location" | Ad. = adult(s) | Alt. = alternate | (b) = blue morph | BCSP = Buck Creek State Park | bldg. = building | C.B. = Central Basin of Lake Erie | c.f. = compares favorably | CVNRA = Cuyahoga Valley National Recreation Area | f. = female | HBSP = Headlands Beach State Park | ID = identification | Imm. = immature(s) | I. = Island | L. = Lake | m.obs. = many observers | MMBT = Magee Marsh Bird Trail | MMOT = Magee Marsh observation tower | MMWA = Magee Marsh W.A. | MP. = Metropark | MWW = Miami Whitewater wetlands | nr = near | NW, SW, C, SE, NE = Northwest, Southwest, Central, etc. in reference to the state | O.B.R.C. = Ohio Bird Records Committee | obs. = observations O.D.N.R. = Ohio Dept. of Natural Resources | O.N.W.R. = Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge | pl. = plumage | ph. = photographic record | P.P. = Power Plant | RBA = Rare Bird Alert | R. = River | Resv. = Reservation | Res. = Reservoir | S.B. = Sandusky Bay | S.B.I. = South Bass Island | S.N.P. = State Nature Preserve | S.P. = State Park | W.B. = Western Basin of Lake Erie | W.A. = Wildlife Area | (w) = whitemorph | W.T.P. = Water Treatment Plant

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[P.L. / T.L.P.] = independent observations by parties P.L. and T.L.P.
[P.L., T.L.P.] = observation by joint party.
Magee Marsh W.A., Ottawa Co. = the observation is understood to pertain specifically to the Ottawa Co. portion of Magee Marsh W.A.
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Underline = Ohio Bird Records Committee review species. Requires acceptable documentation for permanent record.
† = substantiating details provided.



Common Loon :

Tuscarawas Co., 6 June, 1997 [ph. V.F.]



10 June - 20 July 1997 Common Loons

Common Loon : An extraordinary number of birds were found mid-season this year.

All Reports : 3-20 June, 1 (2nd basic?) @ Sugar Creek, Tuscarawas Co. [E.S., m.obs.]; mid-June, 1 imm. @ Springfield L., Summit Co [census, C.T.]; 20 June, 1 imm. @ Bresler Res., Allen Co. [V.F.]; summer, 1 @ Salisbury Quarry, Lucas Co. [T.K., m.obs.] summered, 1 @ Hidden Lake, Columbus, Franklin Co. [R.Ro. et al.]; 10 June, 1 ad. basic @ Seneca L. dam, on the Guernsey/Noble Co. line. [V.F., S.C.]; 15 June, 2 ad. basic @ Willard Res., Huron Co. [V.F.]; 22 June, 3 (2 ad. basic, 1 1st basic) @ Findlay Reservoir, Hancock Co. [V.F., S.C.]; 22 June, 2 ad. basic @ L. LeComte, Fostoria, Hancock Co. [V.F., S.C.]; 1 July, 1 ad. alt. @ BCSP marina, Clark Co. [V.F., S.C.]; 3 July, 1 @ Marblehead Lighthouse, Ottawa Co. [fide V.F.]; 6 July, 1 @ Ottawa NWR., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]; 11 July, 1 @ Clearfork Res., Richland Co. [J.H.]; 20 July, 2 2nd basic (heavy wear, probably flightless) @ Amick Res., Crawford Co. [V.F., S.C.]

Pied-billed Grebe Breeding : 1 June, pair w/8 young @ Pipe Creek W.A., Erie Co. [C.H.]
Maximum : 20 July, 91 @ MMWA, Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, HSH]
Local Interest : 8 June - 6 July, 4-10 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [P.W.]; mid-June, 1 @ Summit Co. [census, C.T.]

Horned Grebe Exceptional : 10-19 June, 1 ad. alt. @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [DJHC]
Double-crested Cormorant : Increasing as a summer visitor in the interior.
Inland : 1 June, 48 @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [DJHC]; 8 June, 5 @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [J.Hm.]; 20 June, 4 @ Killdeer Plains W.A., Wyandot Co. [V.F.]; mid-June, 41 @ Summit Co.



Coverage map : Counties mentioned within the seasonal summary.

[census, C.T.]; 22-28 June, 11-20 @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [D.D. / GDS]; 11 July, 20 @ Knox L., Knox Co. [J.H.]; 26 July, 15 @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [N.C.]

Lake Erie : 13 July, 600 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [C.H.]

American Bittern Local Interest : 8 June - 15 July, 1 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [P.W.]

Least Bittern All Reports : 1 June, 1 @ Pipe Creek W.A., Erie Co. [C.H.]; 8 June, 1 @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [DJHC]; 14 June, 1 @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [J.H.]; 1 July, 1 @ Arcola Creek MP., Lake Co. [J.P.]; 6 July, 8 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [P.W.]

Great Blue Heron Local Interest : 15 June, 300 nests in 70 trees @ Lordstown, Trumbull Co. [C.B.]; mid-June, 292 @ Summit Co. [census, C.T.]

Great Egret Post-breeding dispersal : 22-24 July, 1-2 @ L.Logan, Hocking Co. [B.S.P.]; 26-31 July, 7-13 @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [N.C. / D.Br.]

Maximum : 6-13 July, 100 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al. / C.H.]

Local Interest : 1 June, 1 @ Burke Laketfront Airport, Cuyahoga Co. [C.H.]; 8 June, 1 @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [DJHo]; 13 June, 1 @ Killdeer Plains W.A., Wyandot Co. [J.H.]; 14 June, 1 @ CVNRA, Summit/Cuyahoga Co. [DAG]; 16 June, 1 @ Fairfield Co. [C.D.]; 3 July, 1 @ Mill Creek Park, Mahoning Co. [N.Br.]

Snowy Egret : All Reports : 13 July, 10 @ O.N.W.R., Ottawa Co. [C.H.]; 31 July, 6 @ Pickeral Creek W.A., Sandusky Co. [J.P.]

Little Blue Heron: All Reports : 13 June, 1 ad. @ Painesville, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 26 July, 1 imm. @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [GDS, N.C.]

Cattle Egret : Only Report : 1 June, 1 @ Burke Laketfront Airport, Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co. [C.H.]

Green Heron Local Interest : mid-June, 50 @ Summit Co. [census, C.T.] Post-breeding staging : 31 July, 30 @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [D.Br.]

Black-crowned Night-Heron Inland : 5 July, 15 @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [J.Be.]; 16 July, 12 @ Winton Woods, Hamilton Co. [Jy.S.]

Glossy Ibis O.B.R.C. Accepted : 1 June, 1 ad. @ Pipe Creek W.A., Erie Co. [† C.H.]

Turkey Vulture Partial Albino : 10 July, 1 @ along I70 (mile marker 210), Belmont Co. [D.Z.]

Canada Goose Maximum : 15 June, 229 @ MWW, Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, HSH]

Mute Swan Local Interest: 1 June, 1 @ Pipe Creek W.A., Erie Co. [C.H.]; 10 June, 1 ad. basic @ Seneca L., Guernsey Co. [V.F., S.C.]; mid-June, 5 @ Summit Co. [census, C.T.]; 20 June, 1 ad. @ Lost Creek Res., Allen Co. [V.F.]; 1 June, 6 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]; 27 July, 1 @ BCSP, Clark Co. [P.O.]

Gadwall All Reports : 1 June, 1 m. @ Pipe Creek W.A., Erie Co. [C.H.]; 29 June, 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [C.H.]; 6 July, 2 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]; 6-13 July, 24 @ Metzger Marsh W.A., Lucas Co. [R.H. & S.Wg. / C.H.]

American Wigeon Two Reports : 6 July, 24 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]; 6 July, 1 @ Metzger Marsh W.A., Lucas Co. [R.H. & S.Wg.]

American Black Duck : Breeding : 22 June, 4 young in nest tub @ Veterans Park, Lake Co. [J.P.] Mallard Maxima : summered, "several hundred" @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]; 20 July, 228 @

MWWA, Ottawa/Lucas Co. [HS]

Northern Pintail All Reports : 13 July, 1 @ Metzger Marsh W.A., Lucas Co. [C.H.]; 27 July, 3 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [R.H. & S.Wg.]

Blue-winged Teal All Reports : 8 June, 8 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [P.W.]; 14 June, 5 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [TL.P.]; 14 June, 7 @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [J.H.]; 24 June, 4 pairs @ Pickerel Creek W.A., Sandusky Co. [V.F.]; 5 July, 3 imm. 2 ad. @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [J.B.]; 26 July, 6 @ Winton Woods, Hamilton Co. [N.C.]

Northern Shoveler All Reports : 20 June, 1 m @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [R.Ri.]; 13 July, 2-4 @ Metzger Marsh W.A., Lucas Co. [R.H. & S.Wg. / C.H.]; 20 July, 4 @ MWWA, Ottawa/Lucas Co. [HS]

Green-winged Teal All Reports : 14 June, 2 m @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [J.H.]; 18-20 June, 1-2 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [TL.P. / R.Ri.]; 24 June, 8 (7 males, 1 female) @ Pickerel Creek W.A., Sandusky Co. [V.F.] Post-breeding staging : 6 July, 15 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]; 13 July, 35 @ Metzger Marsh W.A., Lucas Co. [C.H.]

Canvasback One Report (exceptional in summer) : 29 June, 1 ad. m. @ Medusa Marsh, Erie Co. [V.F., s.c.]

Redhead : No Reports !

Ring-necked Duck Only Report : 16 July - 3 Aug., 1 m. eclipse @ Grand L., Mercer/Auglaize Co. [D.D.]

Lesser Scaup All Reports : 1 June, 1 @ Pipe Creek W.A., Erie Co. [C.H.]; 5 June, 1 ad. m. @ Pond 33, Killdeer Plains W.A., Wyandot Co. [N.M.]; 15 June, 1 @ Grand L. St. Mary's fish hatchery, Auglaize Co. [P.D.]; 16 June - 2 July, 1 @ Veterans Park, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 29 June - 20 July, 1 m. @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [R.Ri. et al.]

Surf Scoter One Report (exceptional in summer) : 4-9 June, 1 1st yr m. @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [S.Cr. / DJHC / DJHo / m.obs.]

Bufflehead One Report (exceptional in summer) : 1 June, 1 f. @ Pipe Creek W.A., Erie Co. [C.H.]

Hooded Merganser Breeding : 2 broods @ Lake Co. [J.P.]; 8 June, 1 f. w/ 5 young @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [C.H.]; 14 June, 3 broods totalling 15 young @ C.V.N.R.A., Summit/Cuyahoga Co. [PAC] Non-Breeding : 22 June - 18 July, 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [C.H., R.Ri.]

Common Merganser One Report (exceptional in summer) : 11 June, 1 m. @ Grand R., Lake Co. [J.P.]

Red-breasted Merganser L. Erie : 1 June, 26 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [C.H.]; 10 June, 1 f. @ Tappan L., Harrison Co. [V.F.]; 22 June, 1 ad. m. @ Findlay Res. #1, Hancock Co. [C.H.]

Ruddy Duck All Reports : 1-8 June, 1 alt. m. @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [J.H.]; 15 June, 1 non-breeding m. @ Willard Res., Huron Co. [V.F.]; mid-June, 1 @ Summit Co. [census, C.T.]; 6 July, 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]

Osprey All Reports : summered, 1 @ Richland Co. [J.H.]; 8 June, 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 18 June, 1 @ East Fork L., Clermont Co. [fide T.F.Z.]; 31 July, 1 @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [T.E.]

Osprey Nest explosion!

Source: O.D.N.R., D.O.W.
Portage County: Berlin Lake pair produced 2 young; chicks banded.

Guernsey County: Salt Fork Lake pair built nest but did not lay eggs.

Jefferson County: Successful 1996 pair returned but no apparent activity.

Butler County: south of Trenton on Great Miami R. As of 2nd week of July, at least one chick in the nest.

Red-shouldered Hawk nests

	Active Nests	Successful Nests	Total Nests	Young
Hamilton Co.	22	16	48	
Clermont Co.	8	7	19	
Warren Co.	2	1	3	
Hocking Co.	10	8	23	
Perry Co.	2	2	6	
Athens Co.	5	4	11	
Vinton Co.	1	0	0	

Red-shouldered Hawk Breeding:
1 June, nest w/young @ Chapin S.F.,
Lake Co. [J.P.]; 3 nests @ Trumbull Co. [C.B.]

Broad-winged Hawk Local Interest: 21 June, 2 @ Hocking Co. [D.Q.]; 1 July, successful nest @ Brecksville Resv., Cuyahoga Co. [D.A.C.]

American Kestrel Maximum : 19 July, 19 @ Hancock Co. [census, B.H. et al.]

Peregrine Falcon Away from known nests: 15 June, 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [J.P.]; 16 July, 2 @ Shawnee Lookout County Park, Hamilton Co. [J.Ha.]

King Rail Possible Breeding: 6 June, 1 @ Killdeer Plains W.A., Wyandot Co. [J.H.]

Virginia Rail Local Interest : 4 June, 4 @ Grand R. W.A., Trumbull Co. [C.B.]

Sora Local Interest : 8 June, 1 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [P.W.]

Common Moorhen Breeding : 15 July, nest @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [P.W.]

Local Interest : 8 June, 2 @ Spring Valley W.A., Warren/Greene Co. [P.D.]; 6-20 July, 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [C.H.]

American Coot Local Interest: 1 June, 20 @ Pipe Creek W.A., Erie Co. [C.H.]

Breeding : 15 July, 4 (nest) @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [P.W.]

Sandhill Crane Residents : 3 July, 2 @ upper Cuyahoga R., Geauga Co. [P.B.]

Black-bellied Plover Early : 28 June, 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.L.P.]

Maximum : 28 July, 2 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.L.P.]

Semipalmented Plover Late : 1 June, 4 @ Pipe Creek W.A., Erie Co. [C.H.]

Mid-summer non-breeding : 18-20 June, 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [R.H., S.Wg. / R.Ri.]

Arrival : 15 July, 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.L.P.]

Maximum : 28 July, 19 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.L.P.]

Killdeer Maxima : 6 July, 309 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]; 15 July, 161 @ Hancock Co. [census, B.H. et al.]; 13 July, 125 @ Metzger Marsh W.A., Lucas Co. [C.H.]; 21 July, 75+ @ Cowan L., Clinton Co. [J.R.]; 27 July, 220 @ Wayne Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]; 26 July, 75 @ Hamilton Riverside Park, Hamilton Co. [N.C.]

American Avocet Fall Arrival : 6-13 July, 1 @ Metzger Marsh W.A., Lucas Co. [R.H., S.Wg. / C.H.]; 13-14-15 July, 6-5-2 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [MK / TLP / BF.]

Maximum : 27 July, 14 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]

Active nest sites in 1997,
fide O.D.N.R., D.O.W.



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Northern Harrier All Reports : 4 June - mid July, 1 @ Woodbury W.A., Cochecton Co. [R.Ro.]; 6 June - 10 July, 3 @ Killdeer Plains W.A., Wyandot Co. [J.H.]; 8 June, 1 m. @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [C.H.]; 30 July, 1 @ Units DF, Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [census, N.M.]

Sharp-shinned Hawk Breeding : 3 possible nest sites @ Lake Co. [J.P.]; 10 July, 1 @ L. Rockwell, Portage Co. [C.H.]; 10 June, 1 @ McElhaney Rd., Clendening L., Harrison Co. [M.F.]; 16 July, 1 @ Oak Openings MP, Lucas/Fulton Co. [E.T.]

Cooper's Hawk Breeding : 14 June, 4 nests (3 successful) @ CVNRA, Summit/Cuyahoga Co. [D.A.C.]; 24 June, nest/4 young @ Litzburg, Hancock Co. [B.H.]; 24 July, 1 successful nest @ Warren, Mahoning Co. [C.B.]

American Avocet Fall Arrival : 6-13 July, 1 @ Metzger Marsh W.A., Lucas Co. [R.H., S.Wg. / C.H.]; 13-14-15 July, 6-5-2 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [MK / TLP / BF.]

Maximum : 27 July, 14 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]

Greater Yellowlegs Late spring migrants : 5 June, 1 @ Columbus, Franklin Co. [R.Ro.]; 10 June, 1 @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [DJHc]
 Mid-summer non-breeding : 18 June, 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [R.H., S.Wg. / T.L.P.]
 Arrival : 6 July, 3 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]

Lesser Yellowlegs Arrival : 6 July, 24 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]
 Maxima : 13 July, 75 @ Metzger Marsh W.A., Lucas Co. [C.H.]; 13 July, 30 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Lucas/Ottawa Co. [C.H.]; 16 July, 25 @ Winton Woods, Hamilton Co. [y.S.]

Solitary Sandpiper Fall Arrival : 11 July, 3 @ L. Rockwell, Portage Co. [C.H.]
 Maxima : 31 July, 30 @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [D.Br.]

w ~~1st~~ All Reports : 1-13 July, 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP. / JMK]; 23 July, 2 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP.]; 26 July, 11 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [B.F.]; 31 July, 1 @ Pickerel Creek W.A., Sandusky Co. [P.]

Spotted Sandpiper Breeding : 6 July, 2 downy young @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [DJHc]
 Post-breeding : 17 July, 12 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [C.H.]

Upland Sandpiper Breeding : June, 1 pair on terr. @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [census, N.M. / V.F. et al.]

Fall Staging : 29 July, 13 @ Units HG, Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [census, N.M.]

Whimbrel All Reports : 28 July, 3 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP.]; 30 July, 1 @ Burke Lakefront Airport, Cuyahoga Co. [J.P.]

Marbled Godwit Mid-summer : 25 June, 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [B.F. / T.LP. / C.H.]; 31 July, 2 @ Metzger Marsh W.A., Lucas Co. [J.P.]

Ruddy Turnstone Only Report : 5 July, 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [J.P.]

Red Knot Only Report : 15 June, 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [J.P.]

Sanderling Late spring : 1 June, 3 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [C.H.]
 Fall Arrival : 24-26 July, 2-8 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP.]

Semipalmated Sandpiper Late Spring : 1 June, 40 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP.]; 1 June, 10 @ Pipe Creek W.A., Erie Co. [C.H.]; 4 June, 1 @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [DJHc]; 5 June, 1 @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [R.Ro.]

Mid-summer : 18 June, 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]
 Fall Arrival : 13 July, 25 @ Metzger Marsh W.A., Lucas Co. [C.H.]

Lake Erie Maximum : 26-27 July, 60-80 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP. / R.H., S.Wg.]
 Interior Maximum : 31 July, 12 @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [D.Br.]

Western Sandpiper Two Reports : 13 July, 1 @ Pickerington Ponds MP, Franklin/Fairfield Co. [G.St.]; 31 July, 3 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [P.]

White-rumped Sandpiper Late Spring : 1 June, 2 @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [DJHc]; 6 June, 1 @ Veterans Park, Lake Co. [P.]

Mid-summer : 18-22 June, 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [R.H., S.Wg. / T.L.P.]
 Fall migration : 31 July, 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [J.P.]

Baird's Sandpiper All reports: 31 July, 1 @ Pickerel Creek W.A., Sandusky Co. [J.P.]

Pectoral Sandpiper Mid-summer : 16 June, 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [P.]
 Fall Arrival : 14 July, 1 @ L. Rockwell, Portage Co. [C.H.]; 27 July, 1 @ Wayne Co. [R.H. & S.Wg.]
 Maximum : 31 July, 30 @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [D.Br.]

Dunlin Late Spring : 1 June, 108 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]; 1 June, 4 @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [DJHc]; 1-2 June, 7-2 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP. / C.H.]

Fall Arrival (early) : 6 July, 4 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]; 6 July, 4 @ Metzger Marsh W.A., Lucas Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]

Stilt Sandpiper Fall Arrival : 6 July, 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]
 Lake Erie Maxima : 13 July, 10 @ Metzger Marsh W.A., Lucas Co. [C.H.]; 26 July, 7 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP.]

Inland Maximum : 31 July, 3 @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [D.Br.]

Short-billed Dowitcher Arrival : 6 July, 76 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]
 Lake Erie Maximum : 13 July, 500-550 @ Metzger Marsh W.A., Lucas Co. [C.H. / R.H., S.Wg.]
 Inland Maximum : 27 July, 2 @ Wayne Co. [R.H. & S.Wg.]

Wilson's Phalarope All Reports : 4 June, 1 f. @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [S.C. / DJHc]; 18-22 June, 1 m. @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP. et al.]; 31 July, 1 @ Metzger Marsh W.A., Lucas Co. [J.P.]

Laughing Gull 3+ birds : 7 June, 1 @ BCSP, Clark Co. [D.O.]; 28 June, 2 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP.]; 1-6 July, 1 ad. @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP. / B.F., P.L.]; 19-20 July, 1 ad. @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP. / R.H., B.F.]

Franklin's Gull Two birds : 14 June, 1 ad. @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP.]; 11 July, 1 @ Oregon, Lucas Co. [J.P.]

Bonaparte's Gull Summered : 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP.]

Fall Arrival : 1 July, 3 @ Findlay Res., Hancock Co. [B.H.]; 6 July, 3 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]

Ring-billed Gull Local Interest : 3 June, 487 @ Hancock Co. [census, B.H. et al.]; 25 July, 200 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]; 20 June, 130 @ Ferguson Res., Allen Co. [V.F.]

Lesser Black-backed Gull Still very rare in summer.
 One Report : 29 June, 1 2nd yr @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [C.H.]

Least Sandpiper Fall Arrival : 1 July, 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP.]
 Lake Erie Maxima : 6-13 July, 100-125 @ Metzger Marsh W.A., Lucas Co. [R.H., S.Wg. / C.H.]; 6 July, 95 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]; 14 July, 45 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP.]

Great Black-backed Gull Late Spring : 1-22 June, 20-7 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [C.H. / TMR]
 Fall staging : 31 July, 11 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]

Caspian Tern *Late Spring* : 1 June, 5 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.L.P.]; 10 June, 1 @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [PJHc]; mid-June, 1 @ Summit Co. [census, C.T.]
Mid-summer : 18 June, 10 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.L.P.]; 22 June, 1 @ Medusa Marsh, Erie Co. [M.F.]
Fall staging : 6 July, 35 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawall/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]; 20-27-31 July, 64-95-108 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [C.H. / R.H., S.Wg. / T.L.P.]

Common Tern *Breeding* : 1 June, 21 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawall/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]; 1 June, 25 @ Pipe Creek W.A., Erie Co. [C.H.]
Lake Erie non-breeding : 2 June - 12 July, 14 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [C.H. / T.L.P. / J.P.]

Interior non-breeding : 18 June, 12 @ East Fork L., Clermont Co. [T.Fz.]
Fall staging : 6 July, 117 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawall/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]

Foster's Tern *Lake Erie non-breeding* : 18 June @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [C.H.]; 8 July, 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

Fall staging : 13 July, 125 @ Metzger Marsh W.A., Lucas Co. [C.H.]; 6 July, 125 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawall/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]

Interior non-breeding : 22 June, 1 ad. @ Beaver Creek Res., Seneca Co. [V.F.]; 6 July, 1 @ Atwood L., Carroll Co. [B.Mo.]; 6 July, 3 @ BCSP, Clark Co. [D.O.]; 26 July, 5 @ St. Mary's Fish hatchery, Auglaize Co. [D.D.]

Least Tern *OBRC Accepted* : 18 June, 1 ad. @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [† R.H., S.Wg., B.F., † T.L.P., et al.]

Black Tern *Late Spring* : 3 June, 3 @ Paulding Co. [DMD]

Mid-summer : 19 June, 1 @ Eastwood L., Montgomery Co. [fide C.M.]; mid-June, 2 @ Springfield L., Summit Co [census, C.T.]

Fall migration : 6 July, 1 @ BCSP, Clark Co. [D.O.]; 13 July, 2 @ Metzger Marsh W.A., Lucas Co. [C.H.]; 29 July, 2 @ Beach City Dam, Tuscarawas Co. [B.G., L.Y.]

Barn Owl *All Reports* : 1 June, 1 @ Lake Co. [J.P.]; 7 July, 1 @ Holmes Co. [C.D.]

Short-eared Owl *Breeding* : 4 June - 1 July, pair @ Woodbury W.A., Coshocton Co. [R.Ro.]; summer, 2 successful nests (see photo) @ "The Wilds", Muskingum Co. [J.L., D.I. et al.]; 7 June - 12 July, pair @ Killdeer Plains W.A., Wyandot Co. [J.H.]; 14 June, 1 (1st summer record for county) @ Seneca County. [H.T.B.]



One of two successful Short-eared Owl nests in Muskingum Co.
 Photo courtesy : Danny Ingold

Chuck-will's Widow *Only Report* : 30 May - 12 July, 1 terr. @ Rockbridge, Hocking Co. [J.F.]

Whip-poor-will *Local Interest* : 15 June, 9 @ Mohican S.P. [J.H.]

Chimney Swift *Maxima* : 3 June, 209 @ Hancock Co. [census, B.H. et al.]; mid-June, 516 @ Summit Co. [census, C.T.]

Ruby-throated Hummingbird *Local Interest* : mid-June, 63 @ Summit Co. [census, C.T.]
Rufous Hummingbird *2nd Spring Record* (O.B.R.C. Accepted) : 8-10 June, 1 ad. m. @ N. Perry feeder, Lake Co. [† J.P.]

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker *Breeding* : 1-2 June, 1 imm. @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 8 June, (feeding young) @ n. of Ashtabula Co. Airport, Ashtabula Co. [DJHd]; 23 June, 4 @ Ashtabula Co. [P.L.]

Red-headed Woodpecker *Local Interest* : 22 July, 19 @ Hancock Co. [census, B.H. et al.]

Red-bellied Woodpecker *Local Interest* : mid-June, 158 @ Summit Co. [census, C.T.]

Hairy Woodpecker *Local Interest* : mid-June, 54 @ Summit Co. [census, C.T.]; 6 July, 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]

Northern Flicker *Local Interest* : 20 July, 17 @ MMWA, Ottawa/Lucas Co. [HSH].

Olive-sided Flycatcher *Late Spring* : 14 June, 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 4 June, 1 @ Hocking Tech. College campus, Athens Co. [B.S.P.]; 3 June, 1 @ Paulding Co. [DMD]

Yellow-bellied Flycatcher *Late Spring* : 20 June, 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 5 June, 1 @ Paulding Co. [DMD]; 4 June, 2 @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [DJHc]; 3 June, 2 @ Lizenberg, Hancock Co. [B.H.]; 3 June, 1 @ Sugar Creek, Tuscarawas Co. [E.S.]

Acadian Flycatcher *Late Spring* : 4 June, 1 @ Paulding Co. [DMD]
Breeding : 14 June, 39 singing males @ Lyons Falls trail, Mohican Gorge, Ashland Co. [V.F., H.T.B.]

Alder Flycatcher *Late Spring* : 4 June, 1 @ Oak Openings MP, Lucas/Fulton Co. [E.T.]; 4-10 June, 1 @ Woodbury W.A., Cochocton Co. [R.Ro.]
Breeding : 1 June, 1 nest (5 more possible) @ Lake Co. [J.P.]; 4 June, 25 July, 1 @ Streetsboro Bog, Portage Co. [R.Ri.]; 15 June, 1 @ CVNRA, Summit/Cuyahoga Co. [DAG]; 24 June, pair @ Waste Management Pond, Seneca Co. [V.F.]

Least Flycatcher *Local Interest* : 1 June, 1 nest @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]
Eastern Kingbird *Local Interest* : mid-June, 65 @ Summit Co [census, C.T.]
Fall Staging: 20 July, 27 @ MMWA, Ottawa/Lucas Co. [HSH] [J.P. + 1]

White-eyed Vireo *Local Interest* : 1 June, 2 possible nests @ Lake Co. [J.P.]

Bell's Vireo *Two Reports* : summered, 1 singing male @ BCSP, Clark Co. [B.Co., B.Wh. / V.F.]; 16 June, 1 @ Chagrin R. Park, Willoughby, Lake Co. [J.P.]

Yellow-throated Vireo *Local Interest* : 6 July, 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]
Great Horned Owl *Local Interest* : 25 July, 3 calling @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]
Eastern Screech-Owl *Local Interest* : 20 July, 4 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]

Blue-headed Vireo All Reports : 8 June, 1 @ SUAWA Association Land, Ashtabula Co. [B.F., P.L.]; 25 June, 1 @ Holden Arboretum, Lake Co. [R.R.I.]; 28 June, 1 @ Geauga Co. [D.B.]; 28 June, 4 @ Hinckley MP, Medina Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]; 14 June - 7 July, 4 @ Mohican S.P., Ashland Co. [V.F.]; H.T.B., / L.Y. et al.]; mid-June, 7 @ Summit Co. [census, C.T.]

Philadelphia Vireo Late Spring : 15 June, 1 @ MMWA, Ottawa/Lucas Co. [HSH]; 4 June, 2 @ MMWA, Ottawa/Lucas Co. [E.T.]; 3 June, 3 @ Hancock Co. [census, B.H. et al.]; 1 June, 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]

Red-eyed Vireo Late Spring : 4 June, 25 @ MMWA, Ottawa/Lucas Co. [E.T.]

Horned Lark Post-breeding Maxima: 29 July, 94 @ 1 square mile along Ground Hog Rd, Marion Co. [census, N.M.]; 30 July, 214 @ Units DF, Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [census, N.M.]

Purple Martin Breeding : "best [production] in five years" @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]; 1 June, nested @ 7 sites in Lake Co. [J.P.]

Fall Staging : 28 July, 128 @ Pine L., Mahoning Co. [DJHC]

Tee Swallow Post-breeding : 15 June, 309 @ MMWA, Ottawa/Lucas Co. [HSH]; mid-June, 244 @ Summit Co. [census, C.T.]; 6 July, 175 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]

Bank Swallow Breeding : 15 June, 75 @ Loudonville, Ashland Co. [J.H.]

Cliff Swallow Local Interest : 10 June, 3 nests @ Senecaville Fish Hatchery, Guernsey Co. [V.F.]

Barn Swallow Late Spring Migration?: 1 June, "several hundred" @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]

Red-breasted Nuthatch Local Interest : 28 June, 1 @ Geauga Co. [P.B.]

Brown Creeper All Reports : 1 June, 3 obs. @ Lake Co. [J.P.]; 14 June, 1 singing @ Gorge lookout, Mohican S.F., Ashland Co. [V.F.]; mid-June, 1 @ Summit Co. [census, C.T.]; 28 June, 3 @ Geauga Co. [D.B.]; 28 June, 3 @ Hinckley MP, Medina Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]

Carolina Wren Local Interest : mid-June, 69 @ Summit Co. [census, C.T.]

House Wren Local Interest : mid-June, 404 @ Summit Co. [census, C.T.]

Winter Wren: The Mohican site is the 2nd year in a row for this territory, however, breeding has yet to be confirmed.

Breeding : 12 obs. (4 nests) @ 6 locations, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 10 June, 1 singing male @ Judges Lake, Medina Co. [N.Ko.]; 14 June, 1 singing m. @ Lyons Falls trail (1.6 miles), Mohican Gorge, Ashland Co. [V.F., H.T.B.]; 25 June, 1 @ Holden Arboretum, Lake Co. [R.Ri.]; 29 June, 1 @ Happy Days Ledges, CVNRA [DAC]

Sedge Wren All Reports : 5 June, 1 @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [R.Ro.]; 20 July, 1 @ MMWA, Ottawa/Lucas Co. [HSH]; 25 July, 1 @ Lahm Airport, Mansfield, Richland Co. [J.H.]

Marsh Wren Local Interest : singing m. summered @ Lorain Impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.L.P.]; 1 June, 4 @ Pipe Creek W.A., Erie Co. [C.H.]; 5 June, 1 @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [R.Ro.]

Ruby-crowned Kinglet Late Spring : 3 June, 2 @ C.R. 26, Hancock Co. [B.V.S.]; 1 June, 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

Golden-crowned Kinglet Breeding: 1 June, 1 nest @ Chapin S.F., Lake Co. [J.P.]; 19 June,

nest w/young @ Hinckley MP, Medina Co. [N.Ko.]; to 2 July, family party of 7 birds.

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher Local Interest : mid-June, 50 @ Summit Co. [census, C.T.]

Veery Local Interest : mid-June, 65 @ Summit Co. [census, C.T.]

Gray-cheeked Thrush Late Spring : 8 June, 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 3 June, 2 @ C.R. 54, Hancock Co. [W.Se.]

Swainson's Thrush Late Spring : 14 June, 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 10 June, 1 @ Camp Berry, Hancock Co. [B.H.]; 4 June, 1 @ MMWA, Lucas/Ottawa Co. [E.T.]; 2 June, 1 @ Mt. Hope, Holmes Co. [L.Y.]; 1 June, 5 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]

Hermit Thrush Breeding : nest @ Hidden Valley, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 2 singing @ Hell Hollow MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

Northern Mockingbird : Thought to be spreading in the northeast (Trumbull Co.) and consolidating in the central northwest (Wyandot, Marion, Seneca, Sandusky counties). Local Interest : 6 June, 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 18-28 June, 3 obs. @ Trumbull Co. [C.B.]; 29 July, 1 @ Paulding Co. [PMD]

Brown Thrasher Local Interest : mid-June, 30 @ Summit Co. [census, C.T.]

Summer Tanager Local Interest : 9 June, 1 @ BBS route, Licking Co. [C.D.]; 25 June, 2 singing m., nest @ Oak Openings, Lucas/Fulton Co. [E.T.]; 30 June - 7 July, CVNRA, Summit/Cuyahoga Co. [M.Z. et al.]

Post-breeding wanderer : 13 July, 1 @ Oak Openings, Lucas/Fulton Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]

Scarlet Tanager Spring flight?: 4 June, 25+ @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.] Local Interest : mid-June, 96 @ Summit Co. [census, C.T.]

Blue-winged Warbler Non-breeding wanderer : 20 June, 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.], Trumbull Co. [DJHC]; 3 June, 3 @ Antwerp, Paulding Co. [PMD]; 3 June, 1 @ Hancock Co. [W.M.C.]; 1 June, 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]

Tennessee Warbler Late Spring : 4 June, 1 @ Mt. Hope, Holmes Co. [L.Y.]; 4 June, 1 @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [DJHC]; 3 June, 3 @ Antwerp, Paulding Co. [PMD]; 3 June, 1 @ Hancock Co. [W.M.C.]; 1 June, 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]

Nashville Warbler Possible Breeding: 1 June, 1 @ Hell Hollow MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 28 June, 1 @ Hinckley MP, Medina Co. [R.H., S.Wg.] Late Spring : 4 June, 1 @ Montgomery Co. [P.D.]

Northern Parula Late Spring : 4 June, 1 @ Mt. Hope, Holmes Co. [L.Y.] Breeding : 2 possible nests @ Lake Co. [J.P.]; 27 June, 1 nest (fledged 3 July) @ Brecksville Res. [DAC]

Yellow Warbler Local Interest : 15 June, 13 @ Streetsboro Bog, Portage Co. [C.H.]; mid-June, 504 @ Summit Co. [census, C.T.]

Chestnut-sided Warbler : nesting discovered mid-June at Englewood MP, Dayton, Montgomery Co. [fide C.M.] is exceptional for the southwest and adds to the evidence for a southward expansion for this species. The species was also confirmed nesting in Franklin County for the first time [fide Columbus Metroparks; see article this issue]. Non-breeding? : 19-27 June, 1 @ Columbus, Franklin Co. [K.A.]

Local Interest : 27 June, 2 @ Mohican S. P., Ashland Co. [L.Y.]

Cerulean Warbler : See article this issue.
Breeding : 8 June - 13 July, 5 @ Geauga Co. [P.B.]; 11 June, 5 @ Spencer L. W.A., Medina Co. [T.L.P.]; 14 June, 5 @ Bacon Woods, Lorain Co. [T.L.P.]; 23 June, 3 singing m. @ Sector MP, Lucas Co. [E.T.]

Magnolia Warbler *Breeding* : 11 obs., 3 nests @ Lake Co. [U.P.]; 14 June, 3 singing m. @ Lyons Falls trail (1.6 miles), Mohican Gorge, Ashland Co. [M.F., H.T.B.]; summer, 4 singing males @ Hinckley MP., Medina Co. [N.Ko.]
Late Migrant : 14 June, 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [U.P.]; 13 June, 1 @ Mt. Hope, Holmes Co. [L.Y.]; 4 June, 1 m. @ Sims Park, Cuyahoga Co. [B.F.]; 4 June, 2 @ MNWVA, Lucas/Ottawa Co. [E.T.]; 3 June, 4 @ CR 54, Hancock Co. [W.Se.]; 2 June, 1 @ Columbus, Franklin Co. [R.Ro.]; 1 June, 1 @ Mill Creek Park, Mahoning Co. [N.Br.]; 1 June, 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]

Black and White Warbler *Late Spring* : 4 June, 1 m. @ Sims Park, Cuyahoga Co. [B.F.];
Breeding : 1 June, 9 obs. @ 7 sites in Lake Co. [U.P.]; 5 July, 1 juv. @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [P.W.]
Non-breeding wanderer : 28 June, 2 @ Mohican S.P., Ashland Co. [L.Y.]

American Redstart *Late Spring* : 4 June, 1 @ Mt. Hope, Holmes Co. [L.Y.]; 2 June, 3 @ Columbus, Franklin Co. [R.Ro.]

Prothonotary Warbler *Breeding* : 14 June - 8 July, 3 obs. (nest) @ herony, CVNRA, Cuyahoga Co. [D.AC]; 8 June, 3 @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [C.H.]

Worm-eating Warbler *Breeding* : 14 June, 1 feeding nestlings @ "The Lookout", Mohican Gorge, Ashland Co. [N.F. et al.]
Late Spring : 6 June, 1 @ Mt. Hope, Holmes Co. [N.Y.]

Ovenbird *Breeding* : 27 June, 28 @ Mohican S.P., Ashland Co. [L.Y.]

Northern Waterthrush *Breeding* : 14 June, 1 singing male @ Lyons Falls trail (1.6 miles), Mohican Gorge, Ashland Co. [M.F., H.T.B.] - {4th year in a row}; 1 June, 4 obs. @ Lake Co. [J.P.]

Kentucky Warbler *Breeding* : 27 June, 4 @ Mohican S.P., Ashland Co. [L.Y.]

Mourning Warbler *Breeding* : mid-June, 1 @ Coventry, Summit Co. [census, C.T.]; 14-20 June, 2 singing m. @ Mohican S.F., Ashland Co. [N.F., H.T.B. / J.H.]; 1 June, 1 nest @ Lake Co. [J.P.]
Late Spring : 1 June, 1 @ Columbus, Franklin Co. [R.Ro.]; 1 June, 1 @ Mt. Hope, Holmes Co. [L.Y.]; 1 June, 2 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]

Common Yellowthroat *Breeding* : 20 July, 21 @ MNWVA, Lucas/Ottawa Co. [census, HSH]; 8 June, 22 @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [C.H.]; 15 June, 15 @ Streetsboro Bog, Portage Co. [C.H.]; 9 June, 10 @ CVNRA, Cuyahoga/Summit Co. [PAC]

Hooded Warbler *Breeding*: 27 June, 28 @ Mohican S.P., Ashland Co. [L.Y.]
Wilson's Warbler *Late Spring* : 8,14 June, 2 birds (banded) @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 9 June, 1 @ Springville Marsh S.N.P., Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]; 3 June, 1 @ Black Swamp Nature Center, Paulding Co. [PMD]; 1 June, 2 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]
Canada Warbler *Local Interest* : 14 June, 7 singing males @ Lyons Falls trail (1.6 miles), Mohican Gorge, Ashland Co. [N.F., H.T.B.]; 1 June, 1 nest @ Lake Co. [J.P.]
Late Spring : 10 June, 1 @ Litenburg, Hancock Co. [B.H.]; 4 June, 1 @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [D.HC]; 4 June, 1 m. @ Sims Park, Cuyahoga Co. [B.F.]; 1 June, 2 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]

Yellow-breasted Chat *Local Interest* : 11 June, 1 @ Spencer L. W.A., Medina Co. [T.L.P.]; 6 June, 1 @ Bacon Woods, Lorain Co. [P.L.]

Chipping Sparrow *Local Interest* : 3 June, 145 @ Hancock Co. [B.H. et al.]; mid-June, 400 @ Summit Co. [census, C.T.]

Field Sparrow : An interesting bird at Metzger/Ferguson Res. (Allen Co.) mid-June was heard singing the "buzzzz-buzzzz-buzz'" of a Clay-colored Sparrow [D.D.]
Local Interest : 3 June, 22 @ Hancock Co. [B.H. et al.]

Black-throated Blue Warbler *Breeding* (1st in state since 1932; see article this issue): 15 July, nest @ Lake Co. [U.P.]; 14 July, 17 @ Hinckley Hills Rd., Hinckley MP, Medina Co. [M.Ko.]; 27 July, 1 singing m. @ Mohican S. P., Ashland Co. [L.Y.]

Yellow-rumped Warbler *Late Spring*: 17 June, 3 @ Hancock Co. [fide B.H.]; 15 June, 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

Possible Breeding : 27 June - 8 July, 1 @ Mohican S.P., Ashland Co. [L.Y.]

Black-throated Green Warbler *Late Spring*: 5 June, 1 singing m. @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [DJHC]; 3 June, 3 @ Montgomery Co. [P.D.]

Non-breeding wanderer : 20 June, 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [U.P.]
Breeding: 29 June, 5 singing m. @ Happy Days Ledges, CVNRA, Summit Co. [PAC]

Blackburnian Warbler *Late Spring* : 17 June, 1 @ Mt. Hope, Holmes Co. [L.Y.]; 5 June, 1 singing @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [DJHC]; 4 June, 1 f. @ Sims Park, Cuyahoga Co. [B.F.]
Breeding : 14 June, 3 singing m. @ Lyons Falls trail (1.6 miles), upper Mohican Gorge, Ashland Co. [N.F., H.T.B.]; 28 June, 7 m., 2 f. @ lower gorge, Mohican S. P., Ashland Co. [L.Y.]; June, fledged young @ Hogback Ridge MP, Lake Co. [U.P.]; 28 June - summer, 1 @ Hinckley MP, Medina Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]

Yellow-throated Warbler *Local Interest* : 1 June, 1 nest @ Lake Co. [J.P.]; 17-25 June, 1 singing @ Holden Arboretum, Lake Co. [E.T. / R.Ri.]; 27 June, 4 @ Mohican S. P., Ashland Co. [L.Y.]; 27 June, 5 singing m. @ Geauga Co. [P.B.]; 28 June, 1 @ Hinckley MP, Medina Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]

Pine Warbler *Non-breeding wanderer* : 28 June, 1 @ Hinckley MP, Medina Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]

Local Interest : 1 June, 8 @ Woodbury W.A., Cochecton Co. [R.Ro.]

Palm Warbler *Late Spring* : 4 June, 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [U.P.]

Bay-breasted Warbler *Late Spring* : 8 June, 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 4 June, 1 m. @ Sims Park, Cuyahoga Co. [B.F.]; 2 June, 1 @ Antwerp, Paulding Co. [PMD]; 1 June, 1 @ Mt. Hope, Holmes Co. [L.Y.]; 1 June, 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]

Blackpoll Warbler *Late Spring* : 8 June, 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 4 June, 1 @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [DJHC]; 5 June, 1 m. + 1 f. @ Sims Park, Cuyahoga Co. [B.F.]; 2 June, 2 @ Mt. Hope, Holmes Co. [L.Y.]; 2 June, 1 @ CVNRA, Summit/Cuyahoga Co. [MZ. et al.]; 1 June, 1 @ Columbus, Franklin Co. [R.Ro.]; 1 June, 2 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]

Vesper Sparrow Local Interest : 27 June, 30 @ Henry & Putnam Cos. [T.K.]; 28 June, 17 @ Fulton Co. [T.K.]; 17 June, 8 @ Hancock Co. [B.H. et al.]; 7 July, 13 @ 1 square mile along Ground Hog Rd., Marion Co. [census, N.M.]; 29-30 July, 34 @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [census, N.M.]
Extra-limit : 29 June, 1 @ Hamilton Riverside, Hamilton Co. [N.C.]

Lark Sparrow Local Interest : 19 June, 6 @ Oak Openings MP, Lucas Co. [M.Gg.]

Savannah Sparrow Local Interest : 27 June, 44 @ Henry Co. [T.K.]; 28 June, 35 @ Fulton Co. [T.K.]; 10 June, 26 @ Hancock Co. [B.H. et al.]; mid-June, 66 @ Summit Co. [census, C.T.]; 29 June, 5 @ Winton Woods, Hamilton Co. [N.C.]; 12 July, 1 @ CVNRA, Cuyahoga/Summit Co. [pAC]

Grasshopper Sparrow Local Interest : 8 June, 49 singing m. @ The Wilds, Muskingum Co. [census, J.L.]; 17 June, 41 @ Woodbury W.A., Coshocton Co. [R.Ro.]; 18 June, 10 @ Hamilton Riverside, Hamilton Co. [M.Bu.]; 10 July, 6 @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [census, N.M.]

Henslow's Sparrow Local Interest : 1 June, 38 @ The Wilds, Muskingum Co. [J.L.]; 17 June, 98 singing @ Woodbury W.A. (heard from road), Coshocton Co. [R.Ro.]; 25 July, 2 @ Lahm Airport, Mansfield, Richland Co. [J.H.]; 29 July, 29 @ reclaimed strip mine, Stark Co. [B.G., L.Y.]

Song Sparrow Local Interest : 27 June, 66 @ Henry & Putnam Cos. [T.K.]; 28 June, 64 @ Fulton Co. [T.K.]; 17 June, 75 @ Hancock Co. [B.H. et al.]; 20 July, 46 @ MMWVA, Lucas/Ottawa Co. [HSH]

White-throated Sparrow First nesting record since 1931 : 22 June, flightless juv. fed by parents @ North Kingville Sand Barrens (family party seen again 4 July), Ashland Co. [J.P.]

Dark-eyed Junco Breeding : 5 July @ Orange Village, Cuyahoga Co. [R.Ri.]

Bobolink Local Interest: 7 June, 3 @ BCSP, Clark Co. [P.O.]; 17 June, 4 @ Clark Co. [L.G.]; 27 June, 31 @ Henry & Putnam Cos. [census, T.K.]; 25 July, 20 @ Lahm Airport, Richland Co. [J.H.]
Post-breeding : 24 July, 30 @ Grand River W.A., Trumbull Co. [DJHC]

Red-winged Blackbird Post-breeding : 20 July, 1844 @ MMWVA, Ottawa/Lucas Co. [census, HSH]

Eastern Meadowlark Local Interest : mid-June, 54 @ Summit Co. [census, C.T.]

Western Meadowlark All Reports : 1 June, 1 singing @ Lake Farmpark, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 26 June, 1 @ Paulding Co. [pMD]; 27 June, 1 @ Putnam Co. [T.K.]

Common Grackle Post-breeding : 15 June, 488 @ MMWVA, Lucas/Ottawa Co. [census, HSH]; 18 July, 865 @ along Ground Hog Rd., Marion Co. [census, V.F.]

Orchard Oriole Local Interest : mid-June, 17 @ Summit Co. [census, C.T.]

Baltimore Oriole Local Interest : 20 July, 17 @ MMWVA, Lucas/Ottawa Co. [census, HSH]

Blue Grosbeak Breeding: 25 June - August, 3 (pair+) @ Oak Openings MP, Lucas Co. [T.K.]; 5 July, 1 @ MWWV, Hamilton Co. [K.Mc.]; 5-29 July, 3 (pair w/eggs + 1 m) @ Dundee, Tuscarawas Co. [J.M. / L.Y. et al. / ph], fide *The Bobolink* Vol.1 (2)

Dickcissel Local Interest : 25 June, 1 @ Oak Openings MP, Lucas/Fulton Co. [T.K.]; 27 June, 46 @ Putnam Co. [T.K.]; 29 June, 3 @ Hamilton Riverside, Hamilton Co. [M.C.]; 8 July, 6 @ TR 118, Hancock Co. [W.Mc.]; Also reported from Greene, Paulding, Clark, Wyandot, and Clinton Cos.

Purple Finch Local Interest : 23 June, 1 @ CVNRA, Summit/Cuyahoga Co. [M.Z. et al.]

Pine Siskin Reports : 8 June, 1 @ feeder, Findlay, Hancock Co. [J.A.]

This summary of the season would not be possible without the contributions of the **72 cited individuals** listed below:

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H.Thomas Bartlett	H.T.B.	Jeff and Marian Kraus	JMK
Dan Best	D.B.	Jason Larson	J.L.
Joe Bens	J.Be.	Tom LePage	T.L.P.
David Brinkman	D.Bt.	Paula Lozano	P.L.
Nancy Brundage	N.Bt.	Charlotte Mathena	C.M.
Mike Busam	M.Bu.	Kathy McDonald	K.Mc.
Neill Cade	N.C.	Winnie McClanahan	W.Mc.
Susan Cartt	S.C.	Joel Miller	J.M.
Dwight & Ann Chasar	DAC	Nelson Moore	N.M.
Bob Conlon	B.Co.	Ben Morrison	B.Mo.
Scott Crawford	S.Cr.	Doug Overacker	D.O.
David Distler	D.D.	Bob Scott Placier	B.S.P.
Doug & Micki Dunakin	DMD	John Pogacnik	J.P.
Curtis Duthimer	C.D.	John Rakestraw	J.R.
Ted Ellis	T.E.	Richard Rickard	R.Ri.
Victor Fazio III	V.F.	Tom & Mary Anne Romito	TMR
Bob Finkelstein	B.F.	Robert Royse	R.Ro.
Tim Fitzpatrick	T.Fz.	George & Darlene Sadler	GDS
Jim Fry	J.F.	Ed Schlabach	E.S.
Larry Gara	L.G.	Wilma Seiler	W.Se.
Bruce Glick	B.G.	Gene Stauffer	G.St.
Michell Grigore	M.Gg.	Jay Stenger	J.Y.S.
Joe Hammond	J.Hm.	Barb Von Stein	B.V.S.
Betty Hardesty	B.H.	Elliot Trainer	E.T.
Rob Harlan	R.H.	Carol Tveekrem	C.T.
Jeff Hays	J.Ha.	Sandy Wagner	S.Wg.
John Herman	J.H.	Bill Whan	B.Wh.
Hank & Sally Hiris	HSH	Paul Wharton	P.W.
David & Judy Hochadel	DJHc	Stan Wulkowicz	S.Wu.
Dick & Jean Hoffman	DJHo	Leroy Yoder	L.Y.
Norman Yoder		Norman Yoder	N.Y.
Doug Zabel	D.Z.	Marian Zehdner	M.Z.

Addenda Winter & Spring 1997

Snowy Egret : 2 May, 1 @ Prairie Rd. wetland, Waverly, Pike Co. [Joe McMahon]

Northern Shrike : 17 Dec. - 23 Mar., 1 @ Holden Arboretum, Lake Co. [Haans Petruscke]

Pine Warbler : 28 Feb., 1 @ suet feeder, Rockbridge, Hocking Co. [Jim Fry]

**1997 Peregrine Falcon Report
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Productive Sites

- *Commodore Perry Motor Inn*, Toledo, Lucas County. Peregrines have nested on this vacant building for 10 years; female [**red 3C7**] for the first 8 years and 3 year old Carmen [**D/N**] for the last 2 years. Carmen was paired again with her full brother, 4 year old male [**C/U**], his third year in Toledo, both wild-produced from the Firststar Center, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Access to the site has been restored at least temporarily after being prohibited for years. Four eggs were laid in late March or early April and hatched by 12 May. Two males and 2 females were banded by the end of June.

- *Terminal Tower*, Cleveland, Cuyahoga County. A 9-year old male [**Szell 67Z**] paired for the fifth time with 5-year old female Zenith [**23W**]. Between 13 March and 5 April, 4 eggs were laid, possibly by a different female. A partial band reading suggested that Zenith was present at this time. On April 16th, 7 eggs were seen and Zenith was identified on the nest. The eggs were candled and found not to be viable. The eggs were removed and by 19 May, a new clutch of four eggs were being incubated. Hatching began on June 19th and all 4 young were banded and fledged by 1 August. On August 4th, 1 of the young was found dead on a ledge near the nest site. The decomposing body was presumed dead for a day or two with death attributed to an unknown injury sustained after fledging. Despite the confusion surrounding the early nesting season, this pair had an outstanding performance this year.

- *LTV Steel*, Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co. New Site. An unidentified pair of adults nested here in 1997 with unsubstantiated reports from workers that at least two young were produced in 1996 as well. The female has a black band. Three eggs were laid on an exposed beam on the side of an abandoned building near the Cuyahoga R. within this industrial complex. Hatching occurred around May 4th and a nest box was installed at banding. Two females and a male fledged 20 June.

- *Rhodes State Office Tower*, Columbus, Franklin County. A 6-year old female [**Aurora red 4R0**] returned for the fifth year, paired for the fourth year with an unbanded male [**Bandit**]. They produced 4 eggs by 7 April, hatched them beginning 9 May, and fledged 4 young (2 m., 2 f.) around 23 June. One was killed in a building collision shortly after fledging. The nest site camera was hooked up through the Internet and the banding was shown "live" over the Internet as well.

- *Lazarus Building*, Dayton, Montgomery County. A 4-year old female [**Baltimore**-more **7D**] paired again with 7-year old male Mercury [**21X**]. They produced 4 eggs in early April, hatched them beginning 13 May, and fledged 4 young (2 m., 2 f.) around 27 June.

Other Sites with Pairs

- *Case Western Reserve University*, Cleveland, Cuyahoga County. An unidentified pair of Peregrines, each banded was seen but no nesting was attempted. A nest box was placed in the area. A pair had been reported in 1996 but no young were observed.

- *Gold Coast*, Lakewood, Cuyahoga County. The 1996 pair, 3-year old female Athena [**5V**] and 4-year old male Buckeye [**3/1**], were territorial, aggressive, and displayed courtship behavior early in the nesting season but were unable to find a suitable nest site due to removal of the nest box and other steps taken to minimize conflicts between the pair and building tenants, maintenance personnel, and management staff. An unbanded male was seen in mid-May around the site and the pair have not been seen since late spring.

- *Akron*, Summit County. A pair was seen near the nest box. The female is J.P. [***G/31**], fledged wild in 1996 from the New Center, Detroit, Michigan. The male is Bandit [**3/*P1**], fledged wild in 1995 from the Book Building, also in Detroit. This pair did not nest but was seen regularly throughout the nesting season.

- *Elyria*, Lorain County. An unbanded adult female was paired with a juvenile male [***A/5**], fledged in 1996 in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. A nest box was installed in the area in early April, however, nesting did not occur this year.

- *PNC Building* (formerly Central Trust Tower), Cincinnati, Hamilton Co. Peregrines were seen around the 1996 nest site in March and April, however, neither bird was ever identified and few sightings were reported after the end of April. Courtship displays and scraping were noted early on but no eggs were laid.

- *Miami Fort Station*, Cincinnati Gas & Electric, Cleves, Hamilton County. An unidentified pair was seen in a nest box on a smokestack on 30 May. A second check of this site on 15 July revealed an aggressive pair around the nest box but no sign of any young or eggs. Presence of a third bird in the area was not confirmed.

**Notes on State Listed and Rare Nesting Birds
Found Within the Lake County Metroparks in 1997**
by John Pogacnik

location is considered possible). At Chapin Forest a young bird flushed from a deep hole on the cliff of the quarry to another hole on the cliff in late June. Another was heard in late July. This site is considered probable. None were found in 1996.

Northern Saw-whet Owl: None were observed in 1997. Young were found in 1996.

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker: A single sapsucker was found at the northern end of Hell Hollow in early June. A female was not seen at that time and the site was never revisited. Sapsuckers were found at two locations in 1996.

Least Flycatcher: The only Least Flycatcher location was a confirmed nest at Lakeshore. They were found at three locations in 1996.

Alder Flycatcher: Confirmed nesting at Arcola Creek. Probable nest at Conley Road, Penitentiary Glen, River Road, and Riverview. Possible nesting at Chapin Forest. They were found at seven sites in 1996 (5 in 1997).

White-eyed Vireo: Probable nesting pairs were found at Chagrin River Park and River Road. There were four locations in 1996.

Bell's Vireo: A singing male was heard at Chagrin River Park near the powerline corridor in mid-June and across the river in early July. Nesting was considered possible since no female or young was found. A migrant Bell's Vireo was found in May near the same location [in 1995]. None were found in 1996.

Cliff Swallow: Cliff Swallows were probable nesters at Blair Road and Hidden Valley. At Blair one was observed going under the Grand River Bridge and at Hidden Valley one was observed flying under a shale overhang.

Purple Martin: Martins nested at Arcola Creek, Erie Shores Golf Course, Girdled Road, Hidden Valley, Willowick Lakefront Lodge, Penitentiary Glen, and Veterans Park. They were found at five locations in 1996. Boxes at Girdled Road and Penitentiary Glen were later abandoned before producing young.

Red-breasted Nuthatch: None were found in 1997. They were found at one location in 1996.

Brown Creeper: Creepers were found at Conley Road (probable), Hell Hollow (probable), and Penitentiary Glen (possible). Creepers were found at one location in 1996.

Winter Wren: The cool wet spring provided the incentive for Winter Wrens to nest in unprecedented numbers in the parks. They were found in Chapin Forest (1 confirmed), Hell Hollow (7 locations, 3 confirmed, 2 probable, and 2 possible), Hogback Ridge (1 probable), Indian Point (1 probable), Paine Falls (1 probable), and Penitentiary Glen (1 probable). In 1996, 12 birds were found at 7 locations (12 at 6 locations in 1997).

Pied-billed Grebe: None were observed in 1997. A pair were found in 1996.

Least Bittern: A Least Bittern was heard calling from a cattail area at Arcola Creek in July; breeding was not confirmed. None were found in 1996.

Green Heron: Green Herons were found at AC, Chagrin River Park, Girdled Road, Hell Hollow (2), Riverview, Veteran's Park as probable breeders, and Blair Road, Chapin Forest, Helen Hazel Wyman, Penitentiary Glen, and Redmill Valley as possible breeders. They were found in seven locations in 1996 vs 11 in 1997.

American Black Duck: A female with four young was found at Veterans Park in Mentor. The bird nested in one of the Mallard nest tubes put out by the park during the 1996-97 winter.

Hooded Merganser: Females with young were found at Chagrin River Park and River Road. None were found in 1996.

Common Merganser: A female was seen on the Grand River at Blair Road in June, however no young or nesting evidence were found. A Common Merganser with young was found here in 1996. A male was seen on the river at Hidden Valley in June. A female was never seen. A Common Merganser nest box erected at Hidden Valley had the beginnings of a nest. Two pieces of pale gray down larger than a Wood Duck's, and consistent with Common Merganser were found.

[Ed. Note: Regarding the 1996 observation no physical evidence was submitted to the Ohio Bird Records Committee to support what would be a first breeding record for Ohio. However, the species nests in adjacent West Virginia and suitable habitat in northeast Ohio may occasionally host a nesting attempt.]

Sharp-shinned Hawk: Sharp-shinned Hawks were found at 3 locations: Chapin Forest, Hell Hollow, and Penitentiary Glen. No actual nests or young were found, but nesting was suspected at all three locations. Four locations were found in 1996.

Red-shouldered Hawk: Red-shouldered Hawks were found at Blair Road, Chapin Forest, Girdled Road, Hell Hollow, Hogback Ridge, Hidden Valley, and River Road; all traditional locations. A nest was found at Blair Road while young were seen at Chapin Forest. They were found in five locations in 1996.

American Coot: None were observed in 1997. A pair were found in 1996.

Barn Owl: A Barn Owl was seen and heard by Ranger Jennifer White at Hell Hollow along Leroy-Center Road in May. The observation was confirmed a week later by Ranger Sergeant Jim Smallwood. The bird could not be relocated in early June (this

Marsh Wren: A single bird was heard at Arcola Creek in July. One was heard at the same location in 1996.

Hermit Thrush: A confirmed nesting took place at Hidden Valley and two singing birds were found at Hell Hollow, one (probable) at the same location as the last two years and another (possible) near the wooded farm pond.

Golden-crowned Kinglet: Kinglets again nested at Chapin Forest. This year one pair was found in a forty year-old Colorado Blue Spruce planting. A single, recently fledged bird was found in early July at the same location.

Black and White Warbler: Birds were found at Chapin Forest (1 singing male), Lake Farmpark (1 singing male), Girdled Road (1 pair), Hell Hollow (2; 1 singing male, 1 pair), Hidden Valley (1 pair), and River Road (1 pair). In 1996, Black and White Warblers were found at 8 locations in 8 parks (1997, 7 locations in 6 parks).

Prothonotary Warbler: A probable nesting was found at Conley Road. None were found 1996.

Golden-winged Warbler: None were found in 1997. A singing male was found in 1996.

Nashville Warbler: Birds were found at two locations at Hell Hollow. A pair was found near the site where they nested in 1996 (probable), and a singing male was heard and seen at the north end of the park (possible).

Northern Parula: Singing males were found at Hell Hollow and River Road (both probable). One was found at River Road in 1996.

Magnolia Warbler: The cool wet spring again seemed to attract good numbers of Magnolias. Birds were found at Chapin Forest (1 probable), Girdled Road (1 probable), Hell Hollow (6; 2 confirmed, 2 probable, and 2 possible), and River Road (3; 1 confirmed and 2 probable). In 1996, there were 10 locations at 6 parks (11 locations at 4 parks in 1997).

Black-throated Blue Warbler: A confirmed nesting took place at Hidden Valley. A pair were seen in the brush along the creek at the far end of the park in mid-June. In early July, three newly fledged young were found. In 1996, a singing bird was found at Hell Hollow.

Yellow-rumped Warbler: Single singing males in non-breeding plumage were found at Lakeshore in late June in a small area of conifers, and above the quarry at Chapin Forest in June and July. Both of these birds were probably summering. A summering bird was found at Penitentiary Glen in 1996.

Blackburnian Warbler: Two singing birds were along Mill Creek at Hogback Ridge, both in the area of Hemlocks. One site was later abandoned and the other site fledged young. They were found at two locations in 1996.

Yellow-throated Warbler: Singing birds were found at Blair Road and Hidden Valley, both on the Grand River and one at Hell Hollow along Paine Creek (all probable). There were three locations in 1996.

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The Ohio Christmas Bird Counts

1997-98

by Ned Keller

This year's Christmas Count results include data from 58 circles located entirely or partially in Ohio, which equals last year's number. We present the data in the species order of the 7th A.O.U. Checklist. Although it was not published until the summer of 1998, after the counts, most birders are beginning to become familiar with the new order.

The number of individual birds was down considerably from last year, from 1,098,735 to 874,563. In large measure, this difference can be explained by the results from a single count: Firelands reported 13,070 Ring-billed Gulls and 20 Bonaparte's Gulls this year, but 168,710 and 56,136 last year. The total number of species reported this year was 153, of which 24 were represented by a single individual. Last year we recorded only 137 species, and the previous high total reported in the Ohio Cardinal was 149, on the 1994-1995 count. This may represent a new record total for Ohio.

However, this year we seemed to receive an unusually high number of extremely rare sightings without documentation. Christmas Counts are a unique blend of enjoyable birding and scientific data collection. If either is missing, much of the point of doing Christmas Counts is lacking. Compilers already put in a great deal of volunteer work to make Christmas Counts run smoothly. It's extra work to make sure that documentation forms are filled out; and it can get a bit touchy when you tell a respected birder - maybe someone better than you are - that their sighting isn't going to be reported without a documentation form. But without it, the credibility of the entire report, not just that one sighting, becomes suspect.

Be that as it may, we continue to report all sightings submitted to us in this report. In the charts, a single asterisk (*) means that we received documentation. Two asterisks (**) means that the documentation has been submitted to the Ohio Rare Birds Committee. Records accepted by the OBRCC will appear within the body of the Winter 1997-98 seasonal summary (Vol. 21 No. 2). A plus sign (+) means that the bird was recorded outside Ohio. Finally, the number in parentheses following the name of the count refers to the numbered circle on the map which accompanies this report.

Northwest Region

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1	2	6	-	-	2	31	5	-	-	28	-	-	-	28	-	-	-	-	-	Ashland	12/28/1997 (30)
1	2	3	-	-	1	21	2	-	-	5	-	-	-	2	-	6	14	-	-	Ashleyula	12/27/1997 (25)
1	1	2	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	6	14	-	-	Bear Creek	12/27/1997 (36)
4	1	2	5	7	-	-	12	21	-	-	5	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	-	Benton	1/1/1998 (27)
3	-	-	2	6	-	-	3	19	-	-	3	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	Cleaveland	12/20/1997 (23)
4	-	-	2	6	-	-	3	19	-	-	3	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	Cleaveland	12/20/1997 (23)
6	-	-	4	87	-	-	4	87	-	-	16	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	Cuverhead Falls	12/21/1997 (29)
1	-	-	1	2	-	-	1	22	-	-	24	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	Everbolarain	12/20/1997 (20)
3	-	-	3	2	-	-	1	20	-	-	12	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	Lakewood	12/28/1997 (21)
4	-	-	1	3	-	-	11	36	16	-	12	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	Mohican State Forest	1/1/1998 (35)
2	-	-	2	8	-	-	1	26	-	-	16	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	Otala Hollow-Hartville	1/1/1998 (37)
3	-	-	2	5	-	-	1	37	-	-	44	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	Salem	1/3/1998 (33)
8	-	-	1	3	-	-	12	42	-	-	24	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	Tumwater Co.	12/21/1997 (28)
10	-	-	3	4	-	-	57	2	-	-	55	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	Wellington	1/26/1997 (26)
5	-	-	6	16	-	-	1	128	1	-	20	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	Wimberly	12/20/1997 (32)
4	-	-	1	4	-	-	5	19	4	-	28	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	Youngstown	1/22/1997 (31)
6	-	-	1	6	-	-	1	40	4	-	50	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	Zanesville	1/22/1997 (34)

Northeast Region

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Blue Jay	26	76	26	9	456	107	207	100	145	44	27	94	31	11
American Crow	10000	13	33	2200	193	386	300	423	286	58	166	4030	311	116
Horned Lark	1	2	126	26	—	258	—	—	—	71	4	22	39	189
Barn Swallow	—	—	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Carolina Chickadee	69	70	83	20	625	1	327	—	270	116	—	108	323	—
Black-capped Chickadee	—	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
chickadee, sp.	—	—	—	113	33	177	52	140	44	30	46	479	183	197
Tufted Titmouse	25	40	19	3	171	33	20	10	4	2	12	17	3	—
Red-breasted Nuthatch	—	—	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
White-breasted Nuthatch	32	30	31	8	157	42	78	61	103	41	23	22	124	80
Brown Creeper	13	20	13	—	40	16	12	13	27	12	7	2	39	24
Carolina Wren	13	10	2	—	74	15	42	—	98	29	1	13	295	53
Winter Wren	1	5	1	—	3	—	3	—	—	—	2	—	—	—
Golden-crowned Kinglet	—	2	—	4	—	17	10	24	—	90	17	8	8	18
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	—	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—
Eastern Bluebird	8	—	3	—	31	60	68	5	158	65	8	13	188	15
Hermit Thrush	—	1	—	—	—	600	6	16	4	34	28	1	1	1739
American Robin	—	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	—	—	—
Gray Catbird	—	—	—	—	—	48	2	2	16	6	34	5	—	—
Northern Mockingbird	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Brown Thrasher	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
European Starling	300	536	2141	—	—	4675	6574	913	—	19835	382	441	2290	4439
Cedar Waxwing	32	5	—	—	201	97	48	250	7	—	109	23	42	58
Yellow-rumped Warbler	32	—	—	—	—	30	38	6	9	3	12	1	—	—
Northern Waterthrush	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Eastern Towhee	8	1	—	1	—	273	35	500	87	7	—	—	36	10
American Tree Sparrow	48	125	13	43	19	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chipping Sparrow	—	21	—	29	—	—	—	—	19	—	—	—	—	—
Field Sparrow	—	—	—	20	2	—	—	—	—	16	—	—	—	—
Lark Sparrow	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Savannah Sparrow	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	2	—	—
Fox Sparrow	47	22	36	11	210	69	30	84	348	40	34	25	731	1
Song Sparrow	3	—	—	—	16	3	—	12	7	2	—	—	566	34
Swamp Sparrow	65	—	—	—	665	25	40	11	59	38	—	8	624	5
White-throated Sparrow	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	33	3
White-crowned Sparrow, sp.	3	4	4	—	—	8	2	15	76	—	9	6	79	4
Dark-eyed Junco	75	145	58	75	134	547	361	100	544	123	74	157	391	—
Northern Cardinal	109	111	98	51	1145	206	341	120	377	116	53	154	1431	—

Steuenberg's	22	28	332	84	363	832	1050	189	—	—	—	—	—	—
Raggs'ville	12/30/1997 (70)	—	533	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Potsmouth	12/27/1997 (81)	—	403	31	—	—	—	—	137	144	—	—	—	—
Parkersburg	12/20/1997 (79)	—	231	16	305	28	37	78	—	—	—	—	—	—
New Lexington	12/28/1997 (83)	—	136	31	485	38	83	79	—	—	—	—	—	—
Milehouse	12/20/1997 (85)	—	205	28	32	23	10	9	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chandeleur	1/1/1998 (72)	—	3	2	1	3	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Caldiz	13/1998 (74)	—	3	2	1	3	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Beever Valley	12/20/1997 (84)	—	19	21	15	4	12	37	—	—	—	—	—	—
Athens	1/6/1998 (78)	—	14	12	16	12	16	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Adams County	12/21/1997 (82)	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Western Hamilton Co.	12/21/1997 (63)	—	42	42	32	32	32	32	—	—	—	—	—	—
Paint Creek Area	12/21/1997 (66)	—	141	155	109	72	8	34	752	5	257	5	139	28
Oxord	12/20/1997 (61)	—	56	64	21	15	4	12	43	24	2	3	28	75
Ohio River (IN-OH-KY)	12/20/1997 (64)	—	84	84	20	107	107	107	—	—	—	—	—	6
Hamilton-Fairfield	12/20/1997 (67)	—	55	55	126	66	66	66	—	—	—	—	—	—
East Fork Lake S.P.	12/27/1997 (66)	—	33	33	17	4	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Davison	12/28/1997 (60)	—	25	25	16	26	26	26	—	—	—	—	—	—
O'Shaughnessy Reservoir	12/28/1997 (54)	—	141	141	101	80	4	996	37	10	15	444	20	468
Mt. Glebe	12/20/1997 (51)	—	56	56	167	31	9	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lancaster	1/3/1998 (57)	—	8	8	167	167	167	167	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kingsland	1/4/1998 (58)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Killdeer Plains	50)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hoover Reservoir	53)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Delaware Reservoir	12/21/1997 (55)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Columbus	12/21/1997 (42)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Georgetown	12/27/1997 (43)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Grand Lake St. Marys	12/20/1997 (44)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Clear Co.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Black-capped Chickadee	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Red-bellied Woodpecker	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Downy Woodpecker	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
House Wrens	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Carolina Wrens	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Winter Wrens	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Golden-crowned Kinglets	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ruby-crowned Kinglets	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Eastern Bluebirds	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hermit Thrushes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
American Robins	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Gray Catbirds	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Northern Mockingbirds	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Brown Thrashers	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
European Starlings	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cedar Waxwings	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Yellow-rumped Warbler	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Northern Waterthrush	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Eastern Towhees	8	1	—	1	—	4	2	7	—	—	—	—	—	—
American Tree Sparrows	48	125	13	43	19	273	35	500	87	7	58	74	42	58
Chipping Sparrows	—	21	—	29	—	2	—	19	—	—	—	—	31	—
Field Sparrows	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lark Sparrows	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Savannah Sparrows	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	2	—	—
Fox Sparrows	47	22	36	11	210	69	30	84	348	40	34	25	731	71
Song Sparrows	3	—	—	—	16	3	—	12	7	2	—	—	566	34
Swamp Sparrows	65	—	—	5	—	665	25	40	11	59	38	—	88	37
White-throated Sparrows	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	113	37
White-crowned Sparrow, sp.	3	4	4	—	—	8	2	15	76	—	1	—	447	37
Dark-eyed Junco	75	145	58	75	134	547	361	100	544	123	74	157	391	13
Northern Cardinal	109	111	98	51	1145	206	341	120	377	116	53	154	1431	—

W. Central		Central Region		Southwest Region		Unglaciated Region	
Clark Co.	12/20/1997 (44)	Indian Lake	12/27/1997 (42)	Columbus	12/21/1997 (55)	Deblawere Reservoir	12/21/1997 (52)
Marys	12/7/1997 (41)	Grand Lake	12/28/1997 (43)	Grenville	12/27/1997 (41)	Red-winged Blackbird	12/28/1997 (65)
		-	-	-	-	Eastern Meadowlark	12/28/1997 (54)
		3	4	1	16	Rusty Blackbird	12/20/1997 (51)
		104	184	888	293	blackbird sp.	1/3/1998 (57)
		341	599	3616	993	Common Grackle	1/4/1998 (58)
		165	-	419	-	Brown-headed Cowbird	1/4/1998 (59)
		57	52	69	57	Purple Finch	1/4/1998 (60)
		5215	5479	27205	12413	House Finch	1/2/1998 (61)
		16126	124	35474	35474	White-winged Crossbill	1/2/1998 (62)
				3027	3027	Pine Siskin	1/2/1998 (63)
				1326	1326	American Goldfinch	1/2/1998 (64)
				6511	23999	Evening Grosbeak	1/2/1998 (65)
				7338	8658	House Sparrow	1/2/1998 (66)
						total species	1/2/1998 (67)
						total individuals	1/2/1998 (68)
observers	77	9	14	11	36	7	30
part/hours	77	22.50	42.00	26.00	150.00	35.00	80.50



Lark Sparrow with American Tree Sparrow : Ragersville CBC
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Northern Waterthrush : Ragersville CBC
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Columbus and Franklin County Metropolitan Park District

1997 Bird Survey Results

During the month of June, eight bird surveys were conducted in four of the Metro parks. The surveys took place in the early morning using a 10 minute point count method. For surveying the nature trails, transects were established using the trail as the transect and surveying using the 10 minute point method every 250 meters. At Clear Creek Metropark, Clear Creek Road was used as the transect with survey points every .5 miles. The total number of hours devoted to the surveys conducted was 17 hours.

Bleeker Woods; Nature Trail transect (Franklin Co., Blendon Twp.)

The survey along the nature trail is newly established. The survey was conducted 6 June in 1 hr and 40 minutes and on 30 June in reverse order taking 2 hrs. Thirty-two species were recorded with 141 individuals counted. Notable species included Eastern Phoebe and Hooded Warbler. A pair of Red-shouldered Hawks were present all summer.

Battelle-Darby Creek Metropark; Darby Wildlife Area (Franklin Co., Pleasant Twp.)

In its 6th year, this 2 hour and 15 minute survey was done 20 June. The survey consists of 13 different fields that are surveyed as blocks for total of 15 species. No significant species were found.

Slate Run Metropark; Marcy Road Grassland and Nature Trail transect (Pickaway Co., Madison Twp.)

A grassland survey along Marcy Rd. on 9 June took 1 hour and 40 minutes, recording 25 species and 136 individuals. Highlights include 6 Bobolinks, 28 Grasshopper Sparrows, 5 Savannah Sparrows, and 1 Henslow's Sparrow. A second nature trail survey was conducted 10 June in 4 hours and 20 minutes. This survey recorded 44 species and 217 individuals. Significant species include 2 Eastern Phoebes, 3 Northern Parula, 1 Cerulean Warbler, and a Red-shouldered hawk.

Clear Creek; Starner Rd. hemlocks, Benua Lake hemlocks, and Clear Creek Rd. transect. (Hocking Co., good Hope Twp.)

Three surveys were made; Clear Creek Road, 17 June for 3 hours; Benua Lake, 10 June for 1 hour; Starner Rd., 8 June for ? hours. Notable along Clear Creek Road were several Northern Parula, several Cerulean Warbler, 3 Veerys, a Red-shouldered and Broad-winged Hawk. Of interest at Benua Lake was a Chestnut-sided Warbler, while at Starner Rd. species of note included Veery, Cerulean Warbler, Magnolia Warbler, and several Northern Parula. Combined, the three surveys had a total of 66 species and 435 individuals. Elsewhere in the park, the Canada Warbler, Black Vulture, and Hermit Thrush nested.

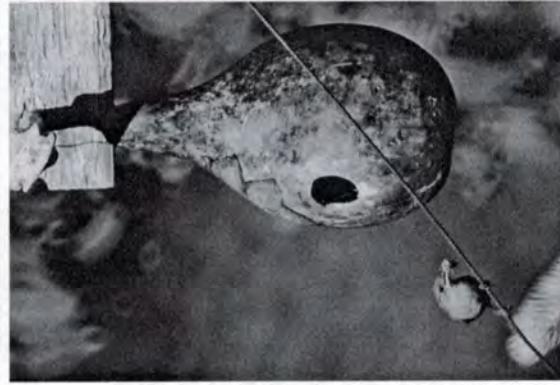
Other Notable Records

Battelle-Darby Creek -in Galbreath Field: 30-25 pairs of Bobolinks and Savannah Sparrows. This represents the largest known remaining population of Bobolinks in Franklin Co. A small colony of Sedge Wrens was discovered in late July with up to 9 territorial males. Birds carrying food were observed. Chestnut-sided Warbler successfully fledged young in early August for the first documented nesting record in Franklin Co.

Chestnut Ridge Metropark: A female Hooded Merganser with 14 young was observed on the small wetland next to the lake. They have been present two of the last three years and presumably used one of the Wood Duck boxes.

Highbanks Metropark: Pied-billed Grebes nested for the 5th consecutive year at the wetlands.

Pickerington Ponds Wetland Wildlife Refuge: Approximately 40 nests were active at the Great Blue Heron Rookery.



House Wren :
Tiffin, Seneca Co., June 1997
Photo : Vic Fazio

Notes on Cerulean Warbler Nesting by Dwight Chasar

The nesting chronology of the Cerulean Warbler *Dendroica cerulea* in Ohio is not well documented (Peterjohn and Rice 1991). Their feeding and nesting in the upper canopy of tall trees (20-100 ft) in unbroken expanses of forest does nothing to ease nest discovery or observation of nesting behavior. This note documents a nesting in the Pinery Narrows of the Cuyahoga Valley National Recreational Area on the Summit Co. side of the Cuyahoga River.

While Ann Chasar, Wilbur McQueen, and I were observing newly fledged Cerulean Warblers being fed by adults on the evening of 9 July 1997, we observed a small bird flying by us carrying nesting material. We followed a female Cerulean Warbler to a nearly completed nest on a Sycamore limb about 35 ft. high and 15 ft. out from the trunk. The limb extended directly over the towpath allowing for extended observation. Ann thought this nest looked like that of a Blue-gray Gnatcatcher, while I thought it was similar to that of an Eastern Wood-Pewee. Harrison (1975) suggests that it may look like either. The female flew several times to grapevines just above our heads, gathered more material and returned to the nest. Females are reported to be the nest builders although there is an element of doubt [Ehrlich et al. 1988, Harrison 1984, Mengel 1965]. As some nests had fledged, the timing of this nest likely indicates a second nesting attempt (pers. comm. Sara Barker, Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology). First nestings have been reported throughout June and early July (Peterjohn and Rice 1991, Williams 1950).

The nest appeared completed by the 10th as we did not observe further gathering of material by the female. By the 13th, the female was remaining on the nest for longer periods of time suggesting that incubation had begun. Allowing a rate of one egg per day, three eggs had been laid. A number of visits to the nest through the 23rd was uneventful. On the 24th the female was sitting higher in the nest, it appeared the eggs had hatched. Short subsequent visits after this time did not reveal the adults feeding young until the 27th. On the 29th, we could see some fuzzy heads in the nest and on 1 August confirmed three nestlings were present. On 3 August, between 7 and 10 am, three fledglings left the nest (pers. comm. McQueen). At 5 pm that day one was located about 10 ft higher than the nest, while the next morning one was located in an adjacent tree with a parent in attendance.

Incubation was estimated at 12 days agreeing with several sources (Harrison 1975, Ehrlich et al. 1988) which give 12-13 days. Fledgling data is especially sparse (Baicich and Harrison 1997). Our estimate of 10 days is corroborated by Cornell Laboratory for Ornithology. Retrieval of the nest, allowed for closer examination. Outside diameter = 2 3/4 inches, inside diameter = 2 1/8 inches, inside depth = 3/4 inches, and outside depth = 1 1/4 inches. Compared with dimensions in Harrison (1975), this nest was of the same outside diameter but

flatter. The nest was woven with bark strips and grasses, bound on the outside with spider silk, and lined on the inside with fine stiff brown grasses. Cotton from the cottonwood tree was also present. The nest is in the possession of the Brecksville Nature Center, Cleveland Metroparks.

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Cerulean Warbler:
Original 1999 Artwork by
Jenny Brumfield

Pine Warbler: Birds were found at Chapin Forest (probable) and Lakeshore (confirmed). They were found at three sites in 1996.

Northern Waterthrush: Birds were found at Chapin Forest (possible), Girdled Road (probable), and Hell Hollow (probable), and Hogback Ridge (possible). They were found at four locations in 1996.

Kentucky Warbler: None were found in 1997. They were found at two sites in 1996.
Mourning Warbler: Nesting again took place at Lakeshore (probable). They were found at two sites in 1996.

Yellow-breasted Chat: Birds were found at Lakeshore (probable). They were found at three sites in 1996.

Canada Warbler: Birds were only found at two locations this year Hell Hollow (1 confirmed and 1 probable) and River Road (1 probable). In 1996, there were 10 locations at 6 parks.

Vesper Sparrow: A singing bird was at Penitentiary Glen. One was found at the same location in 1996.

Dark-eyed Junco: Juncos again were found about everywhere that suitable habitat was present. Locations include Blair Road (1 probable), Chapin Forest (2; 1 confirmed and 1 possible), Conley Road (3; 2 probable and 1 possible), Girdled Road (2; 1 confirmed and 1 probable), Hell Hollow (33 singing birds), Hogback Ridge (1 probable), Hidden Valley (2 probable), Indian Point (1 probable), Lakeshore (1 probable), Paine Falls (1 probable), Penitentiary Glen (2 probable), Red Mill Valley (1 confirmed), and River Road (4; 2 confirmed and 2 probable). In 1996, they nested at 55 sites in 14 parks (1997; 54 sites in 13 parks).

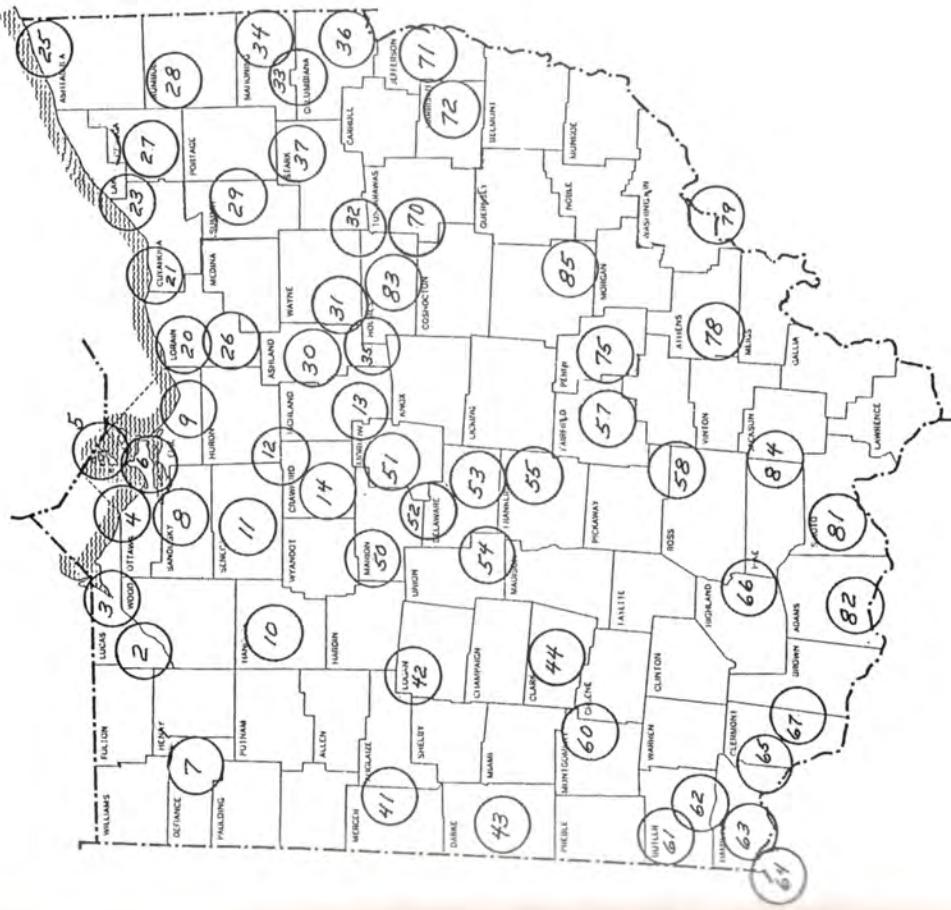
White-throated Sparrow: A summering bird was found at River Road in early June. A single summering bird was found in 1996.

Bobolink: Bobolinks were found at Lake Farmpark (confirmed) and Girdled Road (possible). They were found at three locations in 1996.

Western Meadowlark: A singing bird was found at Lake Farmpark (possible). None were found in 1996. There is one Lake County nesting record.

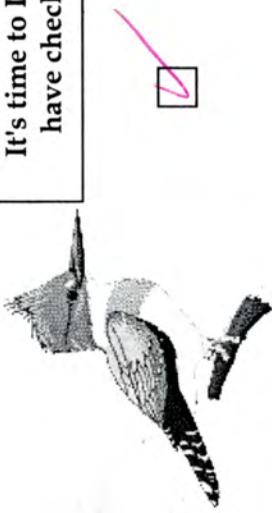
Purple Finch: Birds were found at Hell Hollow (probable), Hidden Valley (probable), Lakeshore (2 confirmed), River Road (1 possible), Riverview (1 confirmed). In 1996, they were found at 5 sites in 4 parks (1997; 6 locations in 5 parks)

Pine Siskin: None were found in 1997. This was expected as this past winter was not a flight year. They were found at two locations in 1996.



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