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## The Autumn 1997 Season

by Victor W. Fazio III

It is during this season that we may assess something of the relative productivity of the year's breeding season, while at the same time getting a taste of what winter has in store for the region. In between, Ohio birders hunt for shorebirds, and that one particular attraction, the 'way-outta-range' rarity. The season did not disappoint.

This year we were treated to one of the most impressive fall migrations of Sandhill Crane through Ohio. While some flocks no doubt overlap, 15 sightings in excess of 900 birds represents a significant number for Ohio. These numbers were led by fall staging events at Cowan Lake and Deer Creek W.A. which were carefully monitored by local observers. Do we credit a growing population or a shift in migratory pathway? Likely something of both, and perhaps germane to a similar pattern seen in Hooded Merganser and Bufflehead. Although, in the latter case, we cannot rule out that such concentrations as we now see, may simply have been overlooked in the past. The other migration spectacle of the season involved the Common Loon. Whether along the shoreline of Lake Erie or at inland reservoirs, birders were treated to the largest gatherings on record.

With the dredge impoundment at Lorain in peak condition for mudflats, the diversity of shorebird sightings there this fall matched anything seen historically from a single site. The impoundment, however, is quickly giving way to vegetation, and few seasons are left in it. Fortunately, efforts to monitor closely the intermittent habitat of reservoir margins, highlight the potential for these locations. This fall, Berlin Reservoir very nearly matched the quality and quantity of species found at Lorain.

A warm, dry latter half of the autumn depressed songbird numbers as observers were exposed to fewer fallout opportunities. It is especially difficult in these situations to gauge the seriousness of a lack of observations. We are approaching the nadir of the spruce-budworm cycle which so acutely affects the breeding success of several warbler species. Even so, the multi-year decline in Cape May Warbler, with but 24 birds noted this season, is worrisome. The overall migration was protracted with many migrants pushed later into October and November. While a few are always expected, surprising numbers of Yellow-billed Cuckoos, Ruby-throated Hummingbirds, Wood Thrushes, and Scarlet Tanagers could still be found in early October. Lakeshore birders found Ruby-crowned Kinglets outnumbering Golden-crowned Kinglets to the end of October. One seasonal record late date was set by a well documented Eastern Wood-Pewee. Also, witness the three November White-eyed Vireos, foreshadowing the mild winter of 1997-98 whereupon one of these vireos remained. It is then with some surprise to find the season coincident with such an irruption of northern invaders. Both Red-breasted Nuthatch and White-winged Crossbill staged notable incursions. They were accompanied by Evening Grosbeak, Pine Siskin,

Common Redpoll, Snow Bunting, and Lapland Longspur, all of which appeared early and widespread, although not in any great numbers.

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 | BRA = Black River Audubon | BSBO = Black Swamp Bird Observatory | C.B. = Central Basin of Lake Erie | c.f. = compares favorably | CVNRA = Cuyahoga Valley National Recreation Area | D.O.W. = Division of Wildlife | f. = female | HBSP = Headlands Beach State Park | ID = identification | Imm. = immature(s) | I. = Island | L. = Lake | s.m. = singing male | 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 | O.R.V. = Off Road Vehicle | pl. = plumage | ph. = photographic record | P.P. = Power Plant | R. = River | Resv. = Reservation | Res. = Reservoir | 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) = white morph | W.T.P. = Water Treatment Plant

**Interpretation :**

[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 record is understood to pertain specifically to the Ottawa Co. portion of Magee Marsh W.A.

Magee Marsh W.A., Ottawa/Lucas Co. = record may pertain to either portion of the wildlife area.

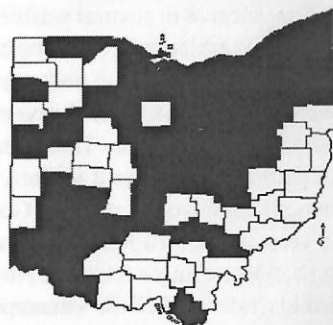
Magee Marsh W.A., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. = record understood to involve both counties.

Underline = Ohio Bird Records Committee review species. Requires acceptable documentation for permanent record.

[census] = data source is a standardized census.

† = substantiating details provided

Coverage map: Counties (shaded) mentioned within the seasonal summary.



**Red-throated Loon** Six Reports totalling 8 birds : 11, 27 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 5, 11 Nov., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 10 Nov., 1 @ Hoover Res., Franklin Co. [M.E.]; 22 Nov., 3 @ Kelleys I., Erie Co. [H.T.B.]

**Common Loon** : The strongest flight on record.

From summer : thru 1 Oct., 1 @ Hidden Lake, Columbus, Franklin Co. [R.Ro.]

Arrival: 8 Oct., 3 @ Killdeer Plains W.A., Wyandot Co. [V.F.]; 10 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 19 Oct., 20 @ Rocky River fishing pier, Cuyahoga Co. [J.Hm.]

Maxima : 1 Nov., 1200 @ Lake Erie, Erie/Lorain/Cuyahoga Co. [R.Ro. et al.]; 5 Nov., 763 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 8 Nov., 430 @ Clear Fork Res., Richland/Morrow Co. [J.H.]; 8 Nov., 200 @ East Fork S.P., Clermont Co. [T.Fz.]; 11 Nov., 40 @ Rocky Fork L., Highland Co. [S.Wa.]

**Pied-billed Grebe** Breeding : 10 Aug., 3 ad., 2 juv. @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [N.K., N.C.]

Maxima : 14 -29 Oct., 84-34 @ Medusa Marsh, Erie Co. [V.F.]; 11 Nov., 60 @ Rocky Fork L., Highland Co. [S.Wa.]; 19 Oct., 38 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]

**Red-necked Grebe** Seven reports totalling 7 birds : 5 Nov., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 7 Nov., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 9 Nov., 1 @ Rocky River City Park, Cuyahoga Co. [C.H.]; 10 Nov., 1 @ Huron pier, Erie Co. [P.M.]; 12-21 Nov., 1 @ C.J. Brown Res., Clark Co. [C.J. / D.S.]; 24 Nov., 1 @ HBSP, Lake Co. [K.Me.]; 26 Nov., 1 @ East Harbor S.P., Ottawa Co. [V.F.]

**Horned Grebe** Early : 30 Sep., 3 @ Findlay Res., Hancock Co. [S.R., K.N.]

Arrival : 17 Oct., 9 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 18 Oct., 1 @ Beaver Creek Res., Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]

Lake Erie Maxima : 5 Nov., 604 @ Fairport Harbor, Lake Co. [K.Me.]; 5- 22 Nov., 285-422 @ Cleveland Lakefront, Cuyahoga Co. [T.L.P. / R.H.]; 5 Nov., 296 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 1 Nov., 200 @ Rocky River City Park, Cuyahoga Co. [R.Ro.]; 19 Oct., 142 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

Inland Maxima : 9 Nov., 250 @ Hoover Res., Franklin/Delaware Co. [fide T.Th.]; 5 Nov., 100 @ Caesar Creek Res., Warren/Clinton Co. [J.R.]; 9 Nov., 80 @ Rocky Fork L., Highland Co. [S.Wa.]; 1 Nov., 80 @ Metzger Res., Allen Co. [D.D.]; 9 Nov., 60 @ East Fork S.P., Clermont Co. [J.Be. et al.]; 1 Nov., 60 @ Beaver Creek Res., Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]

**Eared Grebe** All reports : 11 Nov., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 15-22 Nov., 1 @ Lorain, Lorain Co. [L.E.Y. / R.H.]; 23-26 Nov., 1 @ Huron pier, Erie Co. [J.L. / D.Bu.]



**American White Pelican**

Two Reports : 28 Oct. - 8 Nov., 1 @ Medusa Marsh to Sandusky Bay (outer harbor), Ottawa/Erie Co. [V.F. (ph.), S.C. / J.Fo. et al.]; 11 Nov., 1 @ nr Mt. Vernon, Knox Co. [N.L. (ph.), fide The Bobolink 1(3)]

**American White Pelican :**  
**Ottawa Co.**

2 Nov., 1997 [ph. V.F.]

**Double-crested Cormorant** Lakeshore Maxima : 27 Oct., 7600 @ Sandusky Bay (outer harbor),

Erie Co. [V.F.]; 14 Oct., 4700 @ East Harbor S.P., Ottawa Co. [V.F.]

*Inland Maxima* : 15 Oct., 8600 (90 min. flight) @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [V.F.]; 22 Oct., 4700 (30 min. dawn flight) @ Bellevue, Huron Co. [V.F.]; 29 Aug., 3000 (90 min. flight) @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co [V.F.]; 12 Nov., 250 @ L. Logan, Hocking Co. [D.M.]

**American Bittern** *Only reports* : 24 Aug., 1 @ Springville Marsh S.N.P., Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]; 9 Oct., 1 @ Lorain, Lorain Co. [J.P.]

**Least Bittern** *All Reports* : 1-10 Aug., 1 @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co., [Jy.S. / N.K., K.Mc.]; 2 Aug., 2 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [G.Mc.]; 6 Aug., 1 @ Arcola Creek MP, Lake Co., [J.P.]; 10 Aug., 1 @ Springville Marsh S.N.P., Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]; 11 Sep., 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [fide DJHo.]

**Great Blue Heron** *Maxima Inland* : 9 Aug., 60 @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [D.D.]; 23 Nov., 50+ @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [B.Fb.]

**Great Egret** *Maxima Inland* : 2-24 Aug., 12-24 @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [M.Bu. / G.Sa.]; 19 Aug., 18 @ Englewood MP, Montgomery Co. [fide C.M.]; 24 Aug., 12 @ St. Mary's Fish Hatchery, Auglaize Co. [A.M.]; 4 Oct., 16 @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [M.Bu.]; 21 Sep., 10 @ Shawnee Lookout County Park, Hamilton Co. [F.R.]; 18 Oct., 8 @ Charles Mill Res., Richland/Ashland Co. [L.E.Y]

*Lake Erie Maxima* : 7 Sep., 125 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 28 Oct., 78 @ Erie Co. marshes [V.F.]; 2 Nov., 56 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 2 Nov., 46 @ Medusa Marsh, Erie Co. [V.F.]

*Departure* : 30 Nov., 1 @ Woodlawn Cemetery, Toledo, Lucas Co. [N.K., K.Mc.]; 26 Nov., 1 @ Medusa Marsh, Erie Co. [V.F.]; 15-16 Nov., 2 @ Bayshore P.P., Lucas Co. [E.T. / C.J.]; 11 Nov., 1 @ Rocky Fork L., Highland Co. [S.Wa.]

**Snowy Egret** *All Reports* : 13-18 Aug., 1 imm. @ Berlin Res., Portage/Stark/Mahoning Co. [C.H.]; 16 Aug., 1 @ O.N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [J.Bu. / R.Ro.]; 16-22 Aug., 8-7 @ Pickerel Creek W.A., Sandusky Co. [J.Bu. / R.Ro. / D.L., B.Co.]; 16 Aug., 1 @ Metzger Marsh W.A., Lucas Co. [J.Bu.]; 17 Aug., 1 @ St. Mary's Fish Hatchery, Auglaize Co. [fide C.M.]; 25 Aug., 1 imm. @ Old Woman Creek S.N.P., Erie Co. [P.J.]; 31 Aug. - 19 Sep., 1 @ Greenlawn Dam, Columbus, Franklin Co. [A.G.]18-26 Sep., 2-1 @ Pickerel Creek W.A., Sandusky Co. [DJHo]; 4-5 Oct., 1 @ O.N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [D.O.]

**Little Blue Heron** *All Reports* : 1-18 Aug., 2-1 @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [M.Bu., Jy. S. / N.C. et al.]; 3-16 Aug., 1-3 @ O.N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [E.P. / J.Bu. / G.L. / D.L.]; 27 Aug., 1 imm. @ Englewood MP, Montgomery Co. [fide C.M.]; 29 Aug. - 2 Sep., 1 imm. @ Walborn Res., Stark Co. [K.Mr. / EJS]

*Late* : 1 Nov., 1 ad. @ Rt. 2, Jerusalem Twp., Lucas Co. [J.P.]

**Cattle Egret** *All Reports* : 16 Aug., 18 @ Sandusky, Erie Co. [J.Bu.]; 21-26 Sep., 1 @ MMWA, Ottawa/Lucas Co. [R.H. / DJHo]; 10 Oct., 1 @ Camp Perry, Ottawa Co. [H.T.B.]; 23 Oct., 1 @ North Kingsville, Ashtabula Co. [J.P.]

*1st County Record* : 2 Nov., 1 @ NE of Paulding Co. [DMD]

**Green Heron** *Maximum* : 9-10 Aug., 25 @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [N.C. / N.K., K.Mc.]

*Departure* : 18 Oct., 1 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [N.C.]

**Black-crowned Night-Heron** *Maximum* : 10 Aug., 17 @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [M.Bu., H.A., J.Hv.]

*Departure* : 29 Nov., 6 @ Cuyahoga R. (Merwin St.), Cuyahoga Co. [B.F.]; 16 Nov., 1 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]

**Yellow-crowned Night-Heron** *Only Report* : 12 Aug., 2 ad. @ Greenlawn Dam, Franklin Co. [E.S.]

**Glossy Ibis** *OBRC Accepted* : 5-8 Oct., 1 @ Indian Creek W.A., Brown Co. [Jy.S., † N.K. (ph.) / L.G. / L.P.]

**Black Vulture** : A total of 29 birds reported.

*Local Interest* : 20 Nov., 6 @ nr Walnut Creek, Holmes Co. [T.Ho., fide *The Bobolink 1(3)*]; 23 Nov., 3 @ nr Holmes/Coshocton Co. line. [R.Ca.]; 23 Nov., 17 @ Zimmer P.P., Clermont Co. [N.K., K.Mc.]

**Turkey Vulture** *Maxima* : 5 Oct., 300 @ Rocky Fork L., Highland Co. [fide N.K.]; 25 Oct., 250 @ Pleasant Hill L., Richland Co. [J.H.]

*Late* : late Nov., 40 @ Holmes Co. [E.S.]; 18 Nov., 1 @ Camp Berry, Hancock Co. [W.Mc.]; 12 Nov., 1 @ Seneca Co. [D.W.]; 11 Nov., 1 @ Paulding Co. [DMD]

**Greater White-fronted Goose** : A total of 22 birds is above average for fall.

*All Reports* : 2 Nov., 4 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Lucas/Ottawa Co. [B.B.]; 11-12 Nov., 18-14 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 22 Nov., 1 @ Veler Rd., Ottawa N.W.R., Lucas/Ottawa Co. [fide V.F.]

**Brant** : A small but widespread fallout totalling 9 birds.

*All Reports* : 26 Oct., 1 @ Avon Lake P.P., Lorain Co. [J.Hm. et al.]; 8-22 Nov., 2 @ Maumee Bay S.P., Lucas Co. [T.K. / S.Ri., mobs.]; 9-15 Nov., 1 @ Gordon Park, Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co. [J.Hf. / L.E.Y.]; 9 Nov., 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [fide T.K.]; 11 Nov., 1 @ Geneva S.P., Lake Co. [J.P.]; 15 Nov., 3 @ Conneaut, Ashtabula Co. [E.S.]



**Brant : Maumee Bay  
S.P., Lucas Co.  
13 Nov., 1997 [ph. V.F.]**

**Canada Goose** *Post-breeding Maximum* : 3 Aug., 1030 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]

*Migrant Maxima* : 2 Nov., 1500 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 20 Nov., 750 @ Killdeer Plains W.A., Wyandot Co. [V.F.]; 19 Oct., 709 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]; 15 Nov., 600+ @ Schoonover Park, Lima, Allen Co. [D.D.]; 21 Oct., 527 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]

**Snow Goose** *Arrival* : 20 Sep., 1 @ North Chagrin Resv., Cuyahoga Co. [K.Me.]; 24 Sep., 1 @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [fide DJHc.]; 7 Oct., 1 @ Hancock Co. [B.H.]

*Maxima* : 11 Nov., 50 @ Englewood MP, Montgomery Co. [fide C.M.]; 28 Oct., 45 @ Huron, Erie Co. [T.L.P. / K.Me.]; 28 Oct., 40 @ Paulding Co. [DMD]; 2 Nov., 30 @ W of Paulding, Paulding Co. [DMD]; 26 Oct., 14 (b) @ Killdeer Plains W.A., Wyandot Co. [K.K.]

**Mute Swan** : About 40 birds reported statewide.

*Maximum* : 20 Oct., 13 @ East Harbor S.P., Ottawa Co. [V.F.]

*Local Interest* : 23 Aug., 2 @ Grand L., Mercer/Auglaize Co. [A.M.]; 30 Nov., 5 @ Mogadore Res.,

Portage Co. [C.H.]; 30 Nov., 5 @ Akron Lakes, Summit Co. [C.H.]; 30 Nov., 2 @ Walborn Res., Stark Co. [C.H.]

**Tundra Swan** *Arrival* : 21 Oct., 14 @ La Due Res., Geauga Co. [C.H.]; 25 Oct., 3 @ Huron, Erie Co. [J.Hm. et al.]

*Maxima* : 12 Nov., 200 @ Swine Creek Resv., Geauga Co. [R.Sh.]; 5 Nov., 175 @ nr Fryburg, Holmes Co. [A.R., *fide The Bobolink 1(3)*]; 12 Nov. 150 @ L. Erie shoreline, Cleveland to Mentor, Cuyahoga/Lake Co. [DJHo]; 11 Nov., 150 @ nr Mt. Hope, Holmes Co. [H.T., *fide The Bobolink 1(3)*]; 10 Nov., 150 @ Lorain, Lorain Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]; 15 Nov., 146 @ La Due Res., Geauga Co. [D.F.]; 10 Nov., 100+ @ Metzger Marsh W.A., Lucas Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]

*Inland Maxima* : 10 Nov., 75 @ E Paulding Co. [DMD]; 5 Nov., 49 @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [V.F.]; 16 Nov., 45 @ Holmes Co. [E.S.]; 8 Nov., 30 @ Pleasant Hill L., Richland/Ashland Co. [J.H.]

*Local Interest* : 26 Oct. - 9 Nov., 2-4 @ Springville Marsh S.N.P., Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]; 6 Nov., 56 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]; 23 Nov., 3 @ Marion Co. [B.Sh.]

**Gadwall** *Maxima* : 2-8 Nov., 315 @ Medusa Marsh, Erie Co. [V.F.]; 2 Nov., 269 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 16 Nov., 215 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]; 5 Nov., 115 @ Killdeer Plains W.A., Wyandot Co. [V.F.]

*Local Interest* : 3 Aug., 2 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 21 Sep., 1 @ E.55th Marina, Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co. [DJHo]

**American Wigeon** *Maximum* : 2 Nov., 510 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 28 Oct., 305 @ Castalia Pond, Erie Co. [V.F.]; 19 Oct., 205 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]

**American Black Duck** *Maximum* : 2 Nov., 262 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]

*Local Interest* : 9 Aug., 4 @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [N.C., N.W.]

**Mallard** *Maxima* : 2 Nov., 2150 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 25 Nov., 1640 @ Hancock Co. [S.R., K.N.]; 16 Nov., 1181 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]; 20 Nov., 1000 @ Killdeer Plains W.A., Wyandot Co. [V.F.]

**Northern Pintail** *Maxima* : 25 Oct., 100 @ Killdeer Plains W.A., Wyandot Co. [M.Sk.]; 19 Oct., 84 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]; 5 Oct., 62 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]

*Local Interest* : 16 Aug., 2 @ Pickerel Creek W.A., Sandusky Co. [J.Bu.]

**Blue-winged Teal** *Maxima* : 7 Sep., 241 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 21 Sep., 148 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]; 20 Sep., 100 @ BCSP, Clark Co. [D.O.]; 27 Sep., 40 @ Beach City Dam, Tuscarawas Co. [E.S.]; 21 Sep., 40 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [F.R.]

*Departure* : 16 Nov., 16 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]; 15 Nov., 1 @ Metzger Res., Allen Co. [D.D.]; 9 Nov., 1 @ Rocky Fork L., Highland Co. [S.Wa.]

**Northern Shoveler** *Maxima* : 19 Oct., 68 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]; 9 Nov., 40 @ Hoover Res., Franklin/Delaware Co. [*fide T.Th.*]

*Local Interest* : 17 Aug., 3 @ Lorain, Lorain Co. [C.H.]; 28 Aug., 1 @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [D.G.]

**Green-winged Teal** *Maxima* : 2 Nov., 715 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 22 Oct., 400 @ Sherod Park, Erie Co. [V.F.]; 19 Oct., 392 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]; 22 Oct., 132 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

*Inland Maxima* : 25 Oct., 50 @ Winton Woods, Hamilton Co. [Jy.S.]

*Departure* : 23 Nov., 1 f. @ Woodlawn Cemetery, Lucas Co. [J.Bu.]; 16 Nov., 10 @ Killdeer Plains W.A., Wyandot Co. [D.O.]

**Canvasback** *Arrival* : 17 Oct., 4 @ Paulding Co. [DMD]

*Maxima* : 21 Oct., 30 @ Hancock Co. [B.H.]; 8 Nov., 25 @ Wellington Res., Lorain Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]; 28 Oct., 16 @ Beaver Creek Res., Seneca Co. [V.F.]

**Redhead** *Early* : 22 Sep., 7 @ Paulding Co. [DMD]

*Arrival* : 5 Oct., 2 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 11 Oct., 1 @ BCSP, Clark Co. [D.O.]

*Maxima* : 28 Oct., 220 @ Beaver Creek Res., Seneca Co. [V.F.]; 9 Nov., 140 @ Hoover Res., Franklin/Delaware Co. [*fide T.Th.*]; 24 Nov., 125 @ Clear Fork Res., Richland/Morrow Co. [J.H.]

**Ring-necked Duck** *Arrival* : 5 Oct., 4 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 11 Oct., 33 @ Best L., Geauga Co. [D.B.]; 14 Oct., 2 @ Fostoria Res., Hancock Co. [B.H.]; 17 Oct., 1 @ Paulding Res., Paulding Co. [DMD]

*Maxima* : 2 Nov., 550 @ Best L., Geauga Co. [K.Me.]; 27 Oct., 350 @ L. Kelso, Geauga Co. [J.O.]; 7-18 Nov., 100 @ Camp Denison, Hamilton Co. [S.K., E.K.]

**Greater Scaup** *Arrival* : 1 Nov., 1 @ Huntington Beach, Cuyahoga Co. [R.Ro.]; 2 Nov., 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]

*Maximum* : 18 Nov., 21 @ Kelleys I., Erie Co. [H.T.B.]

**Lesser Scaup** *Arrival* : 30 Sep., 1 @ Paulding Res., Paulding Co. [DMD.]

*Maxima* : 23 Oct., 153 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 2 Nov., 100 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 8 Nov., 70 @ BCSP, Clark Co. [D.O.]; 18 Nov., 50 @ Camp Denison, Hamilton Co. [E.K.]; 28 Oct., 45 @ Beaver Creek Res., Seneca Co. [V.F.]

**King Eider** : Ohio's first fall record in nearly a decade is that of an unprecedented adult male. The bird was discovered off Headlands Beach S.P., in late November remaining to the end of the period entertaining several observers [R.Hn., m.obs.].

**Harlequin Duck** *All Reports* : 27 Nov., 1 *fi.* @ Hoover Res., Delaware Co. [B.Ma.]; 5, 12 Nov., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

**Surf Scoter** : A total of in excess of 55 birds for the season.

*Lake Erie* : 19 Oct. - 24 Nov., 55+ observed @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 25 Oct. - 2 Nov., 5 @ Huron, Erie Co. [J.Hm. / R.H., S.Wg.]; 22 Nov., 1 @ Maumee Bay S.P., Lucas Co. [B.B.]  
*Inland* : 9 Nov., 1 @ Caesar Creek S.P., Warren/Clinton Co. [*fide C.M.*]

**White-winged Scoter** : As many as 13 birds for the season.

*All Reports* : 5-18 Nov., up to 3 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 9 Nov., 1 @ Munny Light, Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co. [J.Hf., et al.]; 12 Nov., 1 @ East Fork L., Clermont Co. [D.Br.]; 15 Nov., 1 @ Conneaut Harbor, Ashtabula Co. [E.S.]; 22 Nov., 1 @ Kelleys I., Erie Co. [H.T.B.]; 22 Nov., 1 @ Clifton Beach, Cuyahoga Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]

**Black Scoter** : 18 reports totalling 40-65 birds.

*Arrival* : 22 Oct., 2 f. @ Huron pier, Erie Co. [V.F.]; 23 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 28 Oct., 1 m. @ Sherod Park, Erie Co. [V.F.]; 29 Oct., 1 @ Sims Park, Euclid, Cuyahoga Co. [R.Ri.]; 29 Oct., 2 @ Rocky River City Park, Cuyahoga Co. [T.L.P.]

*Maxima* : 7 Nov., 16 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 17 Nov., 9 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 15-17 Nov., 3-5 @ Rocky River City Park, Cuyahoga Co. [L.E.Y. / T.L.P. / m.obs.]; 15 Nov., 4 @ Walnut Beach, Ashtabula Co. [E.S.]

*Inland* : 8 Nov., 1 @ Dublin Rd. Quarry, Franklin Co. [*fide T.Th.*]; 9 Nov., 1 @ East Fork L., Clermont

Co. [J.Be. et al.]

**Oldsquaw** : 5-6 birds this season.

*All Reports* : 28 Oct., 2 @ Sherod Park, Erie Co. [V.F.]; 5, 12 Nov., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 19 Nov., 1 @ E. 55th Marina, Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co. [D.Bu., D.S. / m.obs.]; 25 Nov., 1 @ Fostoria, Hancock Co. [S.R.]

**Bufflehead** : Increased attention to the Lake Erie islands is revealing the area to be a major staging area for this species. With respect to the Rocky Fork L. tally, no other fall report for Ohio approaches this number for an inland body of water.

*Arrival* : 17 Oct., 4 @ HBSP, Lake Co. [K.Me.]; 26 Oct., 1 @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [DJHc]  
*Maxima* : 22 Nov., 500+ @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]; 22 Nov., 458 @ Kelleys I., Erie Co. [H.T.B.]; 11 Nov., 350 @ Rocky Fork L., Highland Co. [S.Wa.]; 11 Nov., 80 @ Clear Fork Res., Richland/Morrow Co. [J.H.]

**Common Goldeneye** *Arrival* : 28 Oct., 1 @ Sherod Park, Erie Co. [V.F.]; 10 Nov., 1 @ Paulding Res., Paulding Co. [DMD]

*Maxima* : 27 Nov., 500+ @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]; 30 Nov., 20 @ Springfield L., Summit Co. [C.H.]

**Hooded Merganser** : The Rocky Fork L. flock matches the single site record for southern Ohio; 400 birds at the same location 29 Nov., 1991 [S.Wa.]. Only two other gatherings have exceeded this number; at L. Rockwell in November 1993 and 1995. Has the species undergone a population shift this decade?

*Arrival* : 27 Oct., 1 @ Paulding Res., Paulding Co. [DMD]; 2 Nov., 64 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]

*Maxima* : 11 Nov., 400 @ Rocky Fork L., Highland Co. [S.Wa.]; 29 Nov., 75 @ L. Kelso, Geauga Co. [J.O.]; 24 Nov., 70 @ Scioto R., Columbus, Franklin Co. [R.Ro.]; 26 Nov., 65 @ East Branch Res., Geauga Co. [T.Le.]

**Common Merganser** : Scarcely noted.

*Arrival* : 23 Oct., 12 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [JP]; 26 Oct., 4 @ Paulding Co. [DMD]

**Red-breasted Merganser** : Well below normal.

*From Summer* : 13-24 Aug., 1 f. @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [C.H., H.T.B.]; 29 Aug., 2 @ Headlands Beach S.P., Lake Co. [K.Me.]

*Arrival* : 10 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [JP]

*Maxima* : 5 Nov., 18659 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 27 Oct., 17600 (2 hr flight) @ Sherod Park, Erie Co. [V.F.]; 17 Nov., 6000+ @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]

**Ruddy Duck** *From Summer* : 5 Aug., 1 f. @ Firestone MP, Summit Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]; 31 Aug., 1 f. @ La Due Res., Geauga Co. [C.H.]

*Arrival* : 4 Oct., 4 @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [C.B.]; 5 Oct., 100 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]

*Maxima* : 22 Oct., 2641 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 19 Oct., 650 @ Metzger & Ferguson Res., Allen Co. [D.D.]; 26 Oct., 600 @ Oberlin Res., Lorain Co. [C.H.]; 9 Nov., 230 @ La Due Res., Geauga Co. [D.F.]; 11 Nov., 200 @ Clear Fork Res., Richland/Morrow Co. [J.H.]

**Osprey** : A weak fall migration; only 31 migrants reported; 60% noted 12 Sep. - 20 Oct.

*Breeding* : 1 Aug. - 19 Sep., 2 ad., 2 yg @ Berlin Res., Portage/Stark/Mahoning Co. [B.Mo.]

*From Summer* : 1 Aug., 1 f @ Lorain, Lorain Co. [T.LP.]; 6 Aug., 1 @ Knox L., Knox Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]; 18 Aug., 2 @ East Fork S.P., Clermont Co. [T.Fz.]

*Arrival* : 17 Aug., 1 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]; 19 Aug., 1 @ Findlay Res.,

Hancock Co. [S.R., K.N.]; 22 Aug., 1 @ Caesar Creek S.P., Warren Co. [L.G.]; 24 Aug., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

*Departure* : 23 Nov., 1 @ Dillon Res., Muskingum Co. [P.Ha.]; 13 Nov., 1 @ Logan borrow pits along Rt. 33, Hocking Co. [D.M.]; 8 Nov., 1 @ C.J. Brown Res., Clark Co. [fide C.M.]; 2 Nov., 1 @ NE of Paulding, Paulding Co. [DMD]; 29 Oct., 1 @ East Branch Res., Geauga Co. [D.F.]

**Swallow-tailed Kite** : Easily the premier find of the season. Only the state's 2nd record this century, and the first to be photographed and viewed by a multitude of people. The following is taken from an article by Dennis Kline which appeared in the Fall 1997 issue of *The Bobolink* 1(3) p.1. The bird was first noticed 6 September by Bill Troyer and Marvin Mullet as something quite different. Through Henry Yoder word reached Bruce Glick who, along with Dennis Kline were able to confirm the identity of the bird on the 11th. The bird remained just NW of Millersburg, Holmes Co., through the 18th. Photo documentation by Bruce Glick, and many others. *O.B.R.C. Accepted*

**Bald Eagle** : Twenty-six birds noted away from Lake Erie staging areas.

*Local interest* : 10 Nov., 1 @ NE of Antwerp, Paulding Co. [DMD]

**Northern Harrier** *Breeding* : 11 Aug., 2 @ Woodbury W.A., Cochocton Co. [R.Ro.]; 13 Aug., 1 ad., 2 yg @ Fireside, Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]

*Arrival* : 1 Sep., 1 @ Ashtabula Co. [K.Me.]; 10 Sep., 1 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [N.K., N.C.]

*Maxima* : 25 Oct., 8 @ Killdeer Plains W.A., Wyandot Co. [M.Sk.]

*Local Interest* : 16 Nov., 1 "low over water" @ Clifton Beach, Cuyahoga Co. [B.F.]; 18 Nov., 1 @ Cleveland Harbor entrance, Cuyahoga Co. [P.L.]

**Sharp-shinned Hawk** : Virtually no reports.

*Local Interest* : 12 Aug., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

**Cooper's Hawk** : 10 reports totalling 18 birds.

*Maximum* : 21 Sep., 7 @ Springville Marsh S.N.P., Seneca Co. [V.F.]

**Northern Goshawk** *All Reports* : 22 Nov., 1 ad. @ Kelleys I., Erie Co. [H.T.B.]

**Red-shouldered Hawk** *Local Interest* : 11 Nov., 1 @ Black Swamp Nature Center, Paulding Co. [DMD]

**Broad-winged Hawk** *Maxima* : 22 Sep., 100+ @ So. of Findlay, Hancock Co. [M.Bx.]; 21 Sep., 30 @ Englewood MP, Montgomery Co. [fide C.M.]

**Red-tailed Hawk** *Normal*

**Rough-legged Hawk** : 8 reports totalling 8 birds.

*Arrival* : 17 Oct., 1 @ Holmes Co. [E.S.]; 25 Oct., 1 @ Killdeer Plains W.A., Wyandot Co. [M.Sk.]; 31 Oct., 1 @ Ottawa NWR, Ottawa/Lucas Co. [J.P.]

**Golden Eagle** *All Reports* : 19 Oct., 1 ad. @ Oak River Lane, Lucas Co. [M.A.]; 2-16 Nov., 1 @ Mehl Dahl Dam, Clermont Co. [H.A., D.G., N.C., m.obs.]

**American Kestrel** *Normal*

**Merlin** : 14 reports totalling 14 birds. Peak passage 26 Sep. - 31 Oct.

*Arrival* : 12 Sep., 1 @ Mentor Marsh S.N.P., Lake Co. [K.Me.]; 21 Sep., 1 @ Lorain, Lorain Co. [J.P.]

*Inland Reports* : 26 Sep., 1 @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [V.F.]; 4 Oct., 1 @ Mosquito L., Trumbull

Co. [C.B.]; 4 Oct., 1 @ Springville Marsh S.N.P., Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]; 26 Oct., 1 @ Englewood MP, Montgomery Co. [fide C.M.]

Departure : 27 Nov., 1 @ Lorain, Lorain Co. [J.P.]; 8 Nov., 1 @ Kendall L., Summit Co. [TMR]

**Peregrine Falcon** : Only 17 migrants reported. Good showing inland. Peak passage 19 Sep., - 7 Oct. The Carew Tower bird had been banded as a 1996 fledgling in Alaska.

Arrival : 1 Sep., 1 @ Lorain, Lorain Co. [T.LP.]

Inland : 19 Sep., 1 @ Carew Tower, 47th floor bathroom, Hamilton Co. [fide N.K.]; 21 Sep., 1 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [M.Bu., L.P., J.Hv.]; 26 Sep., 1 @ Berlin Res., Portage/Stark/Mahoning Co. [C.H.]; 28 Sep., 1 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [J.Hv.]; 1 Oct., 1 @ nr Farmerstown, Holmes Co. [J.Kl., fide The

**Bobolink 1(3)**; 4 Oct., 1 @ Rocky Fork L., Highland Co. [S.Wa.]

Maximum : 5 Oct., 2 @ Lorain, Lorain Co. [DJHo]

Departure : 28 Nov., 1 @ Killdeer Plains W.A., Wyandot Co. [A.O.]; 16 Nov., 1 @ CVNRA, Summit/Cuyahoga [DAC]

**King Rail** No Reports !

**Virginia Rail** : Only 7 reports of 7 birds. The S.B.I. bird was found dead 29 Nov.

Local Interest : 24-29 Nov., 1 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu. (ph)]

**Sora** : Only 6 reports of 7 birds.

Local Interest : 1 Aug. - 12 Oct., up to 3 @ Lorain, Lorain Co. [T.LP. / C.H. / J.P. / m.obs.]; 9-30 Oct., 1 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [L.P. / N.C.]

**Common Moorhen** : Only 7 reports of 8 birds.

Local Interest : 19 Oct. - 16 Nov., 1 @ MMWA, Ottawa/Lucas Co. [HSH]; 10 Oct., 1 @ Lorain, Lorain Co. [C.H.]; 18 Oct., 1 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [N.K., N.C.]

**American Coot** Local Interest : 17 Aug., 12 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [M.Bu., S.Ra.]

Maxima : 14-28 Oct., 3700-3000 @ Medusa Marsh, Erie Co. [V.F.]; 2 Nov., 1700 @ MMWA, Ottawa&Lucas Co. [V.F.]; 2 Nov., 1340 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 8 Nov., 1000 @ Wellington Res., Lorain Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]; 1 Nov., 600 @ Delaware Res., Delaware Co. [V.F.]; 5 Nov., 550 @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [V.F.]; 30 Nov., 525 @ Akron Lakes, Summit Co. [C.H.]

**Sandhill Crane** : Peak migration traditionally falls within the last week of November. This year was no exception with more than 600 birds accounted for that week. It was also an excellent year for resident cranes as 16 young were produced in the Funk Bottoms/Killbuck Marsh W.A. area of Wayne County. These birds were present into December [fide D.So. (O.D.N.R., D.O.W.)]. No evidence of nesting was found in Geauga Co., however the appearance of 12 birds in Troy Twp. [R.Rd.] on 1 Sep. (well before normal



**Virginia Rail :**  
**South Bass I., Ottawa Co.**  
**24 Nov., 1997 [ph. S.Wu.]**

migration) suggests breeding did take place in the area.

Arrival : 14 Oct., 1 @ East Harbor S.P., Ottawa Co. [V.F.]; 19 Oct., 40 @ Warren Co., [Y.M.]

Maxima (Overhead) : 24 Nov., 100 @ NE of Antwerp, Paulding Co. [DMD]; 16 Nov., 73 @ Spring Valley W.A., Warren/Greene Co. [fide C.M.]; 10 Nov., 50+ @ Camp Berry, Hancock Co. [K.St.]; 19 Nov., 50 @ Stillwater R., Dayton, Miami Co. [fide C.M.]; 29 Nov., 42 @ Spring Valley W.A., Greene/Warren Co. [R.Ro.]

Maxima (Staging) : 24-30 Nov., 240 @ Cowan I., Clinton Co. [L.G.]; 18-29 Nov., up to 150 on 23rd @ Deer Creek W.A. Fayette Co. [L.P., A.G., R.Ro., m.obs.]; 27-30 Nov., up to 100 on 28th @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [S.P. / M.Sa. / et al.]

Residents : from e. May - Nov., pair @ Troy & Auburn Twp., Geauga Co. [D.F., C.H., K.Me. et al.]

**Black-bellied Plover** : 15 reports totalling about 30 birds. Main passage 13 Aug. - 18 Oct.

Arrival : 2 Aug., 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP.]; 16 Aug., 1 juv. @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP.]

Maxima (Lake Erie) : 13 Aug., 8 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]; 28 Sep., 6 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [C.H.]; 18 Oct., 3 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [J.Hm.]

Maxima (Inland) : 23-30 Sep., 5 @ Findlay Res., Hancock Co. [B.H.]; 4 Sep., 3 @ Berlin Res., Portage/Stark/Mahoning Co. [B.Mo.]

Departure : 28 Oct. - 15 Nov., 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [J.Bu. / B.F. / R.Ri. / m.obs.]; 18 Oct., 1 @ Hebron Fish Hatchery, Licking Co. [R.Ro.]

**American Golden-Plover** Arrival : 13 Aug., 1 @ West Branch S.P., Geauga Co. [C.H.]; 1 Sep., 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP.]

Maxima : 18 Sep., 44 @ Pickerel Creek W.A., Sandusky Co. [DJHo]; 14-21 Sep., 23-28 @ St. Mary's Fish Hatchery, Auglaize Co. [N.K. / D.D.]; 18-19 Sep., 16-17 @ Berlin Res., Portage/Stark/Mahoning Co. [C.H. / B.Mo.]

Departure : 8 Oct., 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP. / DJHo]

**Semipalmated Plover** Maxima : 19 Sep., 30 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP.]; 4 Sep., 27 @ Berlin Res., Portage/Stark/Mahoning Co. [B.Mo.]

Departure : 12 Nov., 2 @ C.J. Brown Res., Clark Co. [C.J.]; 24 Oct - 2 Nov., 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP. / m.obs.]

**Piping Plover** One undocumented Report.

**Killdeer** Post-breeding staging : 1 Aug., 200 @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [Jy.S.]

Migrant staging : 19 Sep., 1000 @ Berlin Res., Portage/Stark/Mahoning Co. [B.Mo.]

Departure : 23 Nov., 40 @ BCSP, Clark Co. [D.O.]; 16 Nov., 33 @ Caesar Creek S.P., Warren/Clinton Co. [J.R.]; 11 Nov., 65+ @ Cowan L., Clinton Co. [L.G.]; 4 Nov., 42 @ Tri-C West campus, Cuyahoga Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]

**American Avocet** : A total of 8 birds in 3 reports.

All Reports : from summer - 28 Aug., up to 5 on 13th @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP. / H.T.B. / R.H., S.Wg.]; 8 Aug., 2 @ Englewood MP, Montgomery Co. [fide C.M.]; 12 Sep., 1 @ Rocky Fork L., Highland Co. [S.Wa.]

**Greater Yellowlegs** : Main passage 28 Aug. - 26 Sep. An increasing number of birds are lingering into November in recent years with 4 birds detected this season after the first week of November.

Maxima : 5 Oct., 33 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa&Lucas Co. [census, E.P. et al.]; 26 Sep., 32 @ Berlin Res., Portage/Stark/Mahoning Co. [B.Mo.]; 21 Sep., 17 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos.

[census, HSH]; 28 Aug., 12 @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [D.G.]

*Departure* : 23 Nov., 2 @ Deer Creek W.A., Fayette Co. [m.obs.]; 13 Nov., 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP.]; 11 Nov., 1 @ Rocky Fork L., Highland Co. [S.Wa.]; 5 Nov., 8 @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [V.F.]; 3 Nov., 8 @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [fide DJHc]; 2 Nov., 14 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 2 Nov., 10 @ Hamilton Riverside, Hamilton Co. [M.Bu.]

**Lesser Yellowlegs** : Main passage 23 Aug. - 21 Sep. The number at Berlin Reservoir is among the largest fall flocks in recent years. Not normally lingering as late as Greater Yellowlegs, the species now rivals the latter in November sightings.

*Maxima* : 19 Sep., 500+ @ Berlin Res., Portage/Stark/Mahoning Co. [B.Mo.]; 3 Aug., 135 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 21 Sep., 129 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]; 23 Aug., 70 @ Englewood MP, Montgomery Co. [N.C.]

*Departure* : 16 Nov., 2 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]; 9 Nov., 1 @ Springville Marsh S.N.P., Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]; 5 Nov., 2 @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [V.F.]; 2 Nov., 5 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 2 Nov., 2 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]

**Solitary Sandpiper** *Maxima* : 12 Aug., 40 @ Salt Fork L., Guernsey Co. [E.S.]; 13 Aug., 30 @ Berlin Res., Portage Co. [C.H.]; 19 Sep., 14 @ Berlin Res., Portage Co. [B.Mo.]

*Departure* : 9 Oct., 2 @ Shaker L., Cuyahoga Co. [DJHo]; 6 Oct., 1 @ Penitentiary Glen, Lake Co. [J.P.]

**Willet** : 23 birds noted in four reports.

*All Reports* : from summer through 31 August, up to 16 on the 10th @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [DJHo / J.Bu. / T.LP. / m.obs.]; 1st week of August, 2 @ Englewood MP, Montgomery Co. [fide C.M.]; 10 Aug., 2 @ BCSP, Clark Co. [D.O.]; 16 Aug., 1 @ Pickerel Creek W.A., Sandusky Co. [J.Bu. / R.Ro.]; 19 Aug., 6 @ Beach City Dam, Tuscarawas Co. [J.L.]

**Spotted Sandpiper** *Departure* : 26 Oct., 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [V.F. / C.H.]; 26 Oct., 1 @ HBSP, Lake Co. [N.B.]

**Upland Sandpiper** *Migrant* : 19 Aug., 1 @ N of Paulding, Paulding Co. [DMD]

*Breeding(State Threatened)* : from summer - 7 Aug., 8 @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [V.F.]

**Whimbrel** *All Reports* : 7 Aug., 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP.]; 23 Aug., 1 @ Huron, Erie Co. [J.P.]; 31 Aug., 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [C.H.]; 5 Sep., 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP.]

**Hudsonian Godwit** *All Reports* : 10 Aug., 17 ad. @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [D.Le. / C.H.] - with 1 remaining to 18 Aug. [T.LP. / m.obs.]; 23 Oct., 1 @ Conneaut Harbor, Ashtabula Co. [J.P.]; 26 Oct., 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [C.H.]; 2 Nov., 3 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [J.P.]; 16 Nov., 1 @ Bay Shore P.P., Lucas Co. [C.J.]

**Marbled Godwit** *All Reports* : 18-21 Sep., 1 @ Berlin Res., Portage/Stark/Mahoning Co. [B.Mo. / m.obs.]; 13 Oct., 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP.]

**Ruddy Turnstone** *Scarce; all reports* : 16 Aug., 1 @ Caesar Creek S.P., Warren/Clinton Co. [fide C.M.]; 22 Aug., 5 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [D.L., B.Co.]; 20 Sep., 2 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP.]; 19-28 Oct., 2-1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [C.H. / T.LP.]; 3 Nov., 5 @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [fide DJHc]

**Red Knot** *All reports* : 16-17 Aug., 2 juv. @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [D.L. / C.H. / R.H., S.Wg.]; 22 Aug., 3 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [D.L., B.Co.]; 7 Sep., 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 14 Sep., 1 ad, 1 juv. @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co.

[C.H.]; 18 Sep., 1 @ Pickerel Creek W.A., Sandusky Co. [DJHo]; 28 Sep., 1 juv. @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [C.H.]

**Sanderling** *Arrival* : 3-10 Aug., 1 @ BCSP, Clark Co. [D.O.]; 16 Aug., 6 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [J.Bu. / R.Ro.]; 16 Aug., 1 @ Pickerel Creek W.A., Sandusky Co. [J.Bu.]; 16 Aug., 2 @ Caesar Creek S.P., Warren/Clinton Co. [L.G.]

*Maxima* : 26 Sep., 37 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP.]; 24 Sep., 9 @ Berlin Res., Portage/Stark/Mahoning Co. [K.Mr.]

*Departure* : 8 Nov., 1 @ Conneaut Harbor, Ashtabula Co. [J.P.]; 3 Nov., 1 @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [fide DJHc]; 2 Nov., 3 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [C.H.]; 25 Oct., 1 @ Findlay Res., Hancock Co. [H.T.B.]; 22-23 Oct., 1 @ Caesar Creek S.P., Warren/Clinton Co. [B.Pu.]



**Sanderling :  
South Bass I.,  
Ottawa Co., 18 Nov. 1996  
[ph. S.Wu.];**

**a belated report but one of  
very few from the Lake  
Erie Islands**

**Semipalmated Sandpiper** *Maxima* : 24-25 Aug., 90-80 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [R.H., S.Wg. / T.LP.]; 13 Aug., 25+ @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [C.H.]; 7 Sep., 24 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 18 Sep., 20+ @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [DJHo]; 21 Sep., 20 @ Berlin Res., Portage/Stark/Mahoning Co. [C.H.]

*Late Departure* : 28 Oct., 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP.]

**Western Sandpiper** : A total of 14 birds reported.

*All Reports* : 3 Aug., 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 10-17 Aug., 4 (3 ad., 1 juv.) @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [C.H.]; 13 Aug., 3 @ Fireside, Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]; 16 Aug., 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [G.L.]; 10-17 Aug., 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [D.L., B.Co.]; 14 Sep., 1 @ St. Mary's Fish Hatchery, Auglaize Co. [N.K. et al.]; 21 Sep., 1 @ Berlin Res., Portage/Stark/Mahoning Co. [C.H.]; 19 Sep., 1 juv. @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [C.H.]; 2 Nov., 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [J.P.]

**Least Sandpiper** *Maxima* : 18 Aug., 75 @ Berlin Res., Portage/Stark/Mahoning Co. [C.H.]; 12 Aug., 43 @ Salt Fork L., Guernsey Co. [E.S.]; 23 Aug., 40 @ Englewood MP, Montgomery Co. [N.C.]; 9 Aug., 20 @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [N.C.]; 6-17 Aug., 20 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP. / C.H.]

*Departure* : 23 Nov., 1 @ BCSP, Clark Co. [D.O.]; 2 Nov., 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [J.P.]; 30 Oct., 3 @ Hebron Fish Hatchery, Licking Co. [R.Ro.]; 26 Oct., 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [C.H.]

**White-rumped Sandpiper** : A dozen reports totalling about 14 birds.

*Selected Reports* : 1st week of Aug., 4 @ Englewood MP, Montgomery Co. [fide C.M.]; 12-14 Aug.,



1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.L.P. / R.H., S.Wg. / R.Ri.]; 23 Aug., 2 @ Englewood MP, Montgomery Co. [N.C.]; 25 Aug., 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.L.P.]; 14 Sep., 1 @ St. Mary's Fish Hatchery, Auglaize Co. [N.K. et al.]; 18-25 Sep., 2-1 @ Berlin Res., Portage/Stark/Mahoning Co. [B.Mo. / DJHo]; 27 Sep., 1 @ Beach City Dam, Tuscarawas Co. [E.S.]; 26 Oct. - 11 Nov., 1-2 juv. @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [C.H. / DJHo / B.F.]

**Baird's Sandpiper** : Only 5 birds reported.

*All Reports* : from summer - 12 Sep., 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.L.P., m.obs.]; 21-27 Sep., 3-1 @ Berlin Res., Portage/Stark/Mahoning Co. [B.Mo. / E.S.]; 3 Oct., 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [J.P.]

**Pectoral Sandpiper** *Maxima* : 10 Aug., 150 @ Hebron Fish Hatchery, Licking Co. [N.K.]; 19 Sep., 75+ @ Berlin Res., Portage/Stark/Mahoning Co. [B.Mo.]; 11 Nov., 40 @ Rocky Fork L., Highland Co. [fide N.K.]; 23 Nov., 3 @ BCSP, Clark Co. [D.O.]

**Dunlin** : Main passage during the last week of October. Even for such a late migrant, 59 birds during the latter half of November at a half-dozen locations is still noteworthy.

*Arrival* : 3 Aug., 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 24 Sep., 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [DJHo]

*Maxima* : 23-31 Oct., 744-670 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.L.P. / V.F.]; 2 Nov., 475 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [C.H.]; 8-15-29 Nov., 136-21-11 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [R.Ro. / TMR / DJHo]; 2 Nov., 215 @ Ottawa Co. [V.F. et al.]; 8-12-23 Nov., 65-30-10 @ C.J. Brown Res., Clark Co. [C.J. / D.O. / et al.]; 22-30 Nov., up to 15 @ Maumee Bay S.P., Lucas Co. [S.Ri.]

*Departure inland* : 29 Nov., 2 @ Fostoria Res. #1, Hancock Co. [K.N. & S.R.]; 19 Nov., 4 @ Cowan L., Clinton Co. [L.G.]



**Purple Sandpiper** : Huron pier, Erie Co., 28 Oct., 1997 [ph. V.F.]; one of very few October records

**Purple Sandpiper** *All Reports* : 28 Oct., 1 1st basic @ Huron pier, Erie Co. [V.F. (ph)]; 11 Nov., 1 @ Conneaut Harbor, Ashtabula Co. [J.P.]; 22 Nov., 1 @ Maumee Bay S.P., Lucas Co. [S.Ri.]

**Stilt Sandpiper** : Especially widespread as the species was noted from 14 counties.

*Maxima* : 19 Sep., 40 @ Berlin Res., Portage/Stark/Mahoning Co. [B.Mo.]; 15-16 Sep., 11 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.L.P.]; 22 Aug., 8 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [D.L., B.Co.]

*Departure* : 3 Oct., 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [J.P.]

*Injured* : 8-23 Nov., 1 @ C.J. Brown Res., Clark Co. [D.O. / mo.bs.]

**Short-billed Dowitcher** : Few reports.

*Maxima* : 3 Aug., 130 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 17-28 Sep., 16-17 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [C.H. / T.L.P.]; 6 Sep., 6 @ Berlin Res., Portage/Stark/Mahoning Co. [B.Mo.]; 31 Aug., 4 @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [C.H.]

*Departure* : 3 Oct., 2 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [J.P.]

**Long-billed Dowitcher** *Local Interest (1st record)* : 25 Oct., 1 @ L. Rockwell, Portage Co. [L.R.]

*Arrival* : 26 Aug., 1 @ Findlay Res., Hancock Co. [B.H.]; 7 Sep., 15 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]

*Maxima* : 5 Oct., 42 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 3 Nov., 18 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [J.P.]; 21 Sep., 9 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]

*Departure* : 12 Nov., "several" @ Pickerington Ponds, Franklin Co. [D.M. et al.]; 12 Nov., 1 @ C.J. Brown Res., Clark Co. [C.J.]; 2 Nov., 4 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]

**Buff-breasted Sandpiper** : Only 4 reports totalling 5 birds.

*All Reports* : 6 Sep., 1 @ Maumee Bay S.P., Lucas Co. [C.D. / R.Ro.]; 14 Sep., 2 @ St. Mary's Fish Hatchery, Auglaize Co. [N.K. et al.]; 18-25 Sep., 1 @ Berlin Res., Portage/Stark/Mahoning Co. [B.Mo. / DJHo]; 19 Sep., 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [J.P.]



**Buff-breasted Sandpiper** : Lima, Allen Co., 25 Aug., 1996 [ph. D.D.]; from last year's invasion

**Common Snipe** : Few reports.

*Maxima* : 22-25 Oct., 25 @ BCSP, Clark Co. [D.O.] - 22 still there 9 Nov.; 7 Nov., 6 @ L. Rockwell, Portage Co. [C.H.]; 11 Nov., 5 @ Rocky Fork L., Highland Co. [fide N.K.]

*Departure* : 25 Nov., 1 @ Cowan L., Clinton Co. [L.G.]

**American Woodcock** : Main migration 12 Oct. - 8 Nov.

**Wilson's Phalarope** : Only 5 birds were reported.

*All Reports* : 3 Aug., 2 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 13 Aug., 1 @ Fireside, Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]; 16 Aug., 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [L.E.Y.]; 18 Aug., 1 @ Berlin Res., Portage/Stark/Mahoning Co. [C.H.]

**Red-necked Phalarope** : A total of 12 birds were reported.

*All Reports* : 9 Aug., 1 @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [D.G.]; 12 Aug., 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [R.Ro.]; 16 Aug., 1 @ Englewood MP, Montgomery Co. [fide C.M.]; 23-24 Aug., 1 juv. @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [J.P. / C.H.]; 3-4 Sep., 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [R.H., S.Wg. / R.Ri.]; 6 Sep., 1 @ Berlin Res., Portage/Stark/Mahoning Co. [B.Mo.]; 8 Sep., 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [J.R.]; 9-10 Sep., MWW, Hamilton Co. [L.P. / N.K., N.C.]; 3 Oct., 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.L.P.]; 25 Oct., 3 @ Findlay Res., Hancock Co. [H.T.B.]

**Parasitic Jaeger** *Accepted O.B.R.C.* : 1 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [† J.P.]

**Pomarine Jaeger** Accepted O.B.R.C. : 22 Nov., 1 @ HBSP, Lake Co. [ † N.B.]

**Laughing Gull** Two Reports : 9-10 Aug., 1 juv. @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [DJHo et al.]; 11-13 Nov., 1 juv. @ Clear Fork Res., Richland/Morrow Co. [J.H.] - 4th county record.

**Franklin's Gull** Approximately 24 birds were reported.

All Reports : 22 Sep., 1 imm. @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP. / R.H.]; 27 Sep., 1 ad. @ C.J. Brown Res., Clark Co. [D.O.]; 30 Sep. - 14 Oct., up to 5 on the 9th @ Caesar Creek S.P., Warren/Clinton Co. [L.G. / m.obs.]; 11-18 Oct., 1 @ Clear Fork Res., Richland/Morrow Co. [J.H.]; 12-19 Oct., 10-2 @ C.J. Brown Res., Clark Co. [D.D.]; 12 Oct., 1 @ East Fork S.P., Clermont Co. [N.C., H.A., et al.]; 18 Oct., 1 @ Beaver Creek Res., Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]; 26 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 9 Nov., 1 @ Springville Marsh S.N.P., Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]

**Little Gull** All Reports : 3,17 Aug., 1 ad. @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP. / C.H.]; 26 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 1 Nov., 1 ad. @ Eastlake P.P., Lake Co. [L.R.]; 15 Nov., 1 ad. @ Conneaut Harbor, Ashtabula Co. [E.S.]; 22 Nov., 2 ad. @ HBSP, Lake Co. [N.B.]; 24, 27 Nov., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

**Bonaparte's Gull** Maxima : 28 Oct., 10500 @ Sherod Park, Erie Co. [V.F.]; 25 Oct., 1500 @ Huron Harbor, Erie Co. [B.St.]; 14 Oct., 980 @ East Harbor S.P., Ottawa Co. [V.F.]; 24 Aug., 325 @ Lorain, Lorain Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]

Inland : 8 Nov., 150 @ BCSP, Clark Co. [D.O.]; 4 Nov., 53 @ Findlay Res., Hancock Co. [B.H.]; 16 Aug., 15 @ Caesar Creek S.P., Warren/Clinton Co. [L.G.]

Local Interest : 2 Aug., 4 @ BCSP, Clark Co. [D.O.]; 5 Aug., 8 @ Findlay Res., Hancock Co. [K.N., S.R.]; 15 Oct., 12 @ Paulding Res., Paulding Co. [DMD]

**Ring-billed Gull** Maxima inland : 23 Aug., 250 @ C.J. Brown Res., Clark Co. [N.C.]; 5 Oct., 250 @ Rocky Fork L., Highland Co. [Jy.S., Jk.S.]

**Herring Gull** Normal

**Thayer's Gull** All Reports : 22 Nov., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

**Lesser Black-backed Gull** : Another strong fall showing; 13-14 birds present this season.

Selected Reports : 5-26 Sep., 1 ad. @ East Fork S.P., Clermont Co. [H.A. (ph.) / L.G. / m.obs.]; 20 Oct., 1 ad. @ Old Woman Creek S.N.P., Erie Co. [V.F.]; 25 Oct., 2 @ Huron Harbor, Erie Co. [J.Hm. et al.]; 1 Nov., 1 @ Avon Lake P.P., Lorain Co. [R.Ro.]; 15 Nov., 2 ad. @ Eastlake P.P., Lake Co. [E.S.]; 15 Nov., 1 @ Vermilion, Erie Co. [J.Bu.]; 16 Nov., 1 ad. @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [B.B.]; 19 Nov., 1 2nd yr. @ Edgewater Park, Cuyahoga Co. [DJHo]; 21 Nov., 4 (3 ad., 1 1st yr.) @ Eastlake P.P., Lake Co. [K.Me.]; 23 Nov., 1 @ Oberlin Res., Lorain Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]



Lesser Black-backed Gull : Sep. 1997  
East Fork S.P., Clermont Co. [ph. H.A.]

**Black-legged Kittiwake** All Reports : 28 Oct., 1 imm. @ Sherod Park, Erie Co. [V.F.]; 8-12 Nov., 1 imm. @ Huron pier, Erie Co. [J.Le., P.R., D.Ch.]; 9 Nov., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 19 Nov., 1 imm. @ E. 55th Marina, Cuyahoga Co. [D.Bu., D.S.]

**Sabine's Gull** Two Reports : 7 Sep., 1 imm. @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP. / C.H.]; 25 Oct., 1 imm. @ Huron Harbor, Erie Co. [B.St. / J.Hm. et al.]

**Great Black-backed Gull** Maxima : 21-22 Sep., 150 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [C.H. / R.H., S.Wg.]; 28 Oct., 110 @ Cedar Point Causeway, Erie Co. [V.F.]; 22 Oct., 55 ad. @ Vermilion, Erie Co. [V.F.]; 24 Aug., 45 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [C.H.]

**Caspian Tern** Maxima : 6 Aug., 86 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP.]; 7 Sep., 23 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]

Inland : 16 Aug., 16 @ St. Mary's Fish Hatchery, Auglaize Co. [fide C.M.]; 23 Aug., 7 @ C.J. Brown Res., Clark Co. [N.C.]; 19 Aug., 7 @ Findlay Res., Hancock Co. [K.N., S.R.]

Departure : 2 Nov., 1 @ Huron, Erie Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]; 28 Oct., 1 @ Sherod Park, Erie Co. [V.F.]; 25 Oct., 1 @ East Harbor S.P., Ottawa Co. [J.P.]

**Common Tern** Maxima : 14 Oct., 410 @ East Harbor S.P., Ottawa Co. [V.F.]; 19 Aug., 250 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]; 28 Aug. - 3 Sep., 146-100 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP. / R.H., S.Wg.]; 31 Oct., 110 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [V.F.]

Departure : 16 Nov., 2 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]; 4-9 Nov., 2 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [R.Ri / C.H.]; 6 Nov., 10 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]

**Forster's Tern** Maxima : 21 Oct., 103 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [T.LP.]; 3 Aug., 44 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 28 Oct., 28 @ Sandusky Bay., Ottawa/ Erie Co. [V.F.]; 30 Sep., 13 @ Findlay Res., Hancock Co. [B.H.]

Departure : 8 Nov., 3 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [J.P.]; 2-4 Nov., 25-15 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [R.Ri / C.H.]; 2 Nov., 8 @ Huron, Erie Co. [TMR]

**Black Tern** : Approximately 28 birds accounted for.

Maxima : 15-18 Aug., 15 @ East Fork L., Clermont Co. [T.Fz.]; 12 Aug., 6 @ Findlay Res., Hancock Co. [K.N., S.R.]

Departure : 6-7 Sep., 2 @ East Fork L., Clermont Co. [L.G. / F.R.]

**Mourning Dove** Maxima : 5 Sep., 121 @ Units DF, Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [census, V.F.]

**Black-billed Cuckoo** : A conservative egg date for the following Holmes Co. nesting is 15 Aug. This matches the latest published date for Ohio.

Breeding : 20 Sep., 1 ad. feeding fledgling incapable of flight @ Holmes Co. [L.E.Y.]

**Yellow-billed Cuckoo** Breeding : 20 Sep., 1 ad. feeding young @ CVNRA, Summit/Cuyahoga Co. [DAC]

Departure : 9 Oct., 1 found dead @ Athens Co. [B.S.P.]; 8 Oct., 1 @ Massillon, Stark Co. [W.S., fide The Bobolink 1(3)]; 5 Oct., 1 @ Indian Creek W.A., Brown Co. [Jy.S., Jk.S.]

**Barn Owl** No Reports.

**Snowy Owl** One Report : 25 Nov. - 2 Dec., 1 @ Findlay Res., Hancock Co. [S.R., K.N. / et al.]

**Long-eared Owl** Two Reports : 11 Nov., 1 @ Conneaut, Ashtabula Co. [J.P.]; 20 Nov., 2 @ Killdeer Plains W.A., Wyandot Co. [fide C.M.]

**Short-eared Owl** Only Report : 23 Nov., 7 @ Killdeer Plains W.A., Wyandot Co. [J.R.]

**Northern Saw-whet Owl** *No Reports.*

**Common Nighthawk** *Maxima* : 31 Aug., 237 @ nr Mt. Hope, Holmes Co. [N.Y.]; 31 Aug., 200+ @ Newbury Twp., Geauga Co. [B.Fb.]; 26 Aug., 150 @ Mason, Warren Co. [B.St.]; 25 Aug., 100 @ College Hill, Hamilton Co. [A.W.]; 22 Aug., 90 @ over I-75 S. of Dayton, Montgomery Co. [E.T.]; 3 Oct., 22 @ Springfield Twp., Hamilton Co. [Jy.S., Jk.S.]

*Departure* : 9 Oct., 1 @ Athens Co. [B.S.P.]; 6 Oct., 1 @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [V.F.]; 6 Oct., 1 @ Springfield Twp., Hamilton Co. [J.Ha.]

**Whip-poor-will** *Departure* : 10 Oct., 1 @ Scioto R., Columbus, Franklin Co. [R.Ro.]

**Chimney Swift** *Maxima* : 23 Sep., 300+ @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [B.Sh.]; 4 Sep., 200 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]; 9 Oct., 200 @ Hamilton Riverside, Hamilton Co. [M.Bu.]

*Departure* : 7 Nov., "a few" @ Heidelberg campus, Tiffin, Seneca Co. [D.W.]; 29 Oct., 3 @ Tiffin, Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]

**Ruby-throated Hummingbird** *Departure* : 16 Oct., 1 @ Paulding Co. [DMD]; 7 Oct., 4 @ Hancock Co. [census, fide B.H.]; 5 Oct., 1 @ Dayton, Montgomery Co. [fide C.M.]

**Selasphorus spp.** : An immature hummingbird identifiable only to genus visited the feeders of the Jones residence, Pataskala (Licking Co.) from appx. 10 Oct. - 11 Nov. [J.Hm., m.obs.]

**Red-headed Woodpecker** *Local Interest* : 5-9 Sep., 1 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]

**Red-bellied Woodpecker** *Local Interest* : 1-30 Nov., 1 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]

**Yellow-bellied Sapsucker** *Arrival* : 27 Sep., 2 @ Spring Grove Cemetery, Hamilton Co. [N.C.]  
*Maximum* : 1 Oct., 8 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

**Northern Flicker** *Maximum* : 5 Oct., 44 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]

**Olive-sided Flycatcher** : 11-12 individuals reported.

*Arrival* : 3 Aug., 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [E.P., B.Sz.]; 19 Aug., 1 @ "Clay Pits", Hancock Co. [S.R., K.N.]; 22 Aug., 1 @ nr Maysville, Wayne Co. [L.R.Y., fide *The Bobolink 1(3)*]; 30 Aug., 1 @ Mitchell Memorial Forest, Hamilton Co. [N.C.]

*Departure* : 13 Sep., 1 @ nr Maysville, Wayne Co. [L.Mr., fide *The Bobolink 1(3)*]

**Eastern Wood-Pewee** *Departure* : 10 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 6 Oct., 1 @ Shaker L., Cuyahoga Co. [R.Ri.]; 5 Oct., 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]  
*Record Late* : 24 Oct., 1 @ Holmes Co. [† E.S.]

**Yellow-bellied Flycatcher** *Arrival* : 10 Aug., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 22 Aug., 1 @ Dayton, Montgomery Co. [fide C.M.]; 24 Aug., 1 @ Holmes Co. [L.E.Y.]

*Departure* : 26 Sep., 1 @ nr Walnut Creek, Holmes Co. [T.Ho., fide *The Bobolink 1(3)*]; 21 Sep., 1 banded @ Springville Marsh S.N.P., Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]; 17-19 Sep., 1 @ Nathan Hale Park, Cuyahoga Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]

**Acadian Flycatcher** *Departure* : 3 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP., Lake Co. [J.P.]

*Local Interest* : 9 Sep., 1 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]

**Alder Flycatcher** *No Reports !*

**Willow Flycatcher** *Departure* : 21 Sep., 1 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]

**Least Flycatcher** *Maximum* : 14 Sep., 5 @ Sims Park, Cuyahoga Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]

*Departure* : 7 Oct., 1 @ Hebron Fish Hatchery, Licking Co. [R.Ro.]; 5 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

**Eastern Phoebe** *Departure* : 22 Nov., 1 @ Lakewood Cemetery, Cuyahoga Co. [R.H.]; 9 Nov., 2 @ Springville Marsh S.N.P., Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]

**Great Crested Flycatcher** *Departure* : 9 Oct., 1 @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [DJHc.]; 27 Sep., 1 @ Mt. Hope, Holmes Co. [L.E.Y.]

**Eastern Kingbird** : A late migration.

*Maxima* : 3 Aug., 16 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 21 Sep., 9 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]

*Departure* : 18 Oct., 1 @ Springville Marsh S.N.P., Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]; 3 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

**Shrike spp** *One Report* : 29 Oct., 1 @ Killdeer Plains W.A., Wyandot Co. [M.E.]

**Northern Shrike** *Two Reports* : 11 Nov., 1 @ Ashtabula, Ashtabula Co. [J.P.]; 18 Nov., 1 @ Jerusalem Twp., Lucas Co. [fide T.K.]

**Loggerhead Shrike** *One Report* : 8-12 Aug., 4 (2ad., 2 juv.) @ NW Licking Co. [C.D. / R.H. / E.S. / m.obs.]

**White-eyed Vireo** *Local Interest* : 13 Sep., 1 @ North Chagrin Resv., Cuyahoga Co. [K.Me.]; 5-10 Oct., 1 @ HBSP, Lake Co. [K.Me. / DJHo]

*Departure (late)* : 15-16 Nov., 1 imm. @ Bayshore P.P., Lucas Co. [E.T. / J.Bu. (ph)]; 8 Nov., 1 @ CVNRA, Cuyahoga/Summit Co. [DAC]; 2 Nov., 1 s.m. @ East Harbor S.P., Ottawa Co. [V.F.]

**Yellow-throated Vireo** *Departure* : 14 Oct., 1 @ nr Mt Hope, Holmes Co. [B.Mr., J.J.M., fide *The Bobolink 1(3)*]; 12 Oct., 1 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [L.P.]; 28 Sep., 1 @ Spring Valley W.A., Greene/ Warren Co. [D.O.]; 27 Sep., 1 @ BCSP, Clark Co. [D.O.]; 20 Sep., 2 @ Mill Creek Park, Mahoning Co. [N.Br.]

*Local Interest* : 3 Aug. - 7 Sep., 2-1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]

**Blue-headed Vireo** *Arrival* : 21 Sep., 1 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]

*Departure* : 19 Oct., 1 @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [G.Sa., D.Sa.]

**Warbling Vireo** *Departure* : 12 Oct., 1 @ Holmes Co. [L.E.Y.]; 12 Oct., 2 @ Springville Marsh S.N.P., Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]; 12 Oct., 1 s.m. @ Gordon Park, Cuyahoga Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]

**Philadelphia Vireo** *Arrival* : 21 Aug., 1 @ Nathan Hale Park, Cuyahoga Co. [R.H.]; 25 Aug., 1 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]; 3 Sep., 1 @ Pipe Creek W.A., Erie Co. [DJHo]; 6 Sep., 1 @ Caesar Creek S.P., Warren/Clinton Co. [D.G.]

*Maxima* : 7 Sep., 22 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P.]; 14 Sep., 7+ @ HBSP, Lake Co. [K.Me.]

*Departure* : 28 Sep., 1 @ Mt. Hope, Holmes Co. [L.E.Y.]; 27 Sep., 1 @ BCSP, Clark Co. [D.O.]; 27 Sep., 1 @ Shawnee Lookout, Hamilton Co. [D.Sa.]

**Red-eyed Vireo** *Maximum* : 7 Sep., 52 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P.]

*Departure* : 12 Oct., 2 @ East Fork S.P., Clermont Co. [H.A.]; 12 Oct., 1 @ Holmes Co. [L.E.Y.]; 12 Oct., 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [B.F.]

**Horned Lark** *Maxima* : 18 Nov., 813 @ Hancock Co. [census, B.H.]; 20 Nov., 315 @ Sager Rd., Marion Co. [V.F.]; 6-7 Oct., 230 @ Units DFGH, Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [census, V.F.]

**Purple Martin** *Fall Staging* : 17-29 Aug., 1500 @ Lorain, Lorain Co. [R.H., S.Wg. / T.L.P.]; 21 Aug., 400 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]

*Departure* : 11 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

**Tree Swallow** *Post-breeding* : 7 Aug., 59 @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [census, V.F.]

*Passage Migration* : 27 Aug., 400 @ Pickerel Creek W.A., Sandusky Co. [V.F.]; 22 Sep., 415 @ Units, DF, Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [census, V.F.]; 4 Oct., 350 @ Paulding Co. [DMD]; 4-16 Oct., 1600-1000 @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [C.B., et al.]; 7 Oct., 520 @ Units DF, Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [census, V.F.]

*Departure* : 2 Nov., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 29 Oct., 8 @ Beaver Creek Res., Seneca Co. [L.G.]; 28 Oct., 2 @ Huron, Erie Co. [K.Me.]

**Northern Rough-winged Swallow** *Maximum* : 17 Aug., 28 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]

*Departure* : 23 Oct., 4 @ Hoover Res., Delaware/Franklin Co. [M.E.]; 22 Oct., 1 @ Huron pier, Erie Co. [V.F.]; 3 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

**Bank Swallow** *Maxima* : 3 Aug., 100 @ BCSP, Clark Co. [D.O.]; 22 Aug., 70 @ Killbuck Marsh W.A., Wayne/Holmes Co. [B.G.]; 31 Aug., 50 @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [C.H.]; 7 Aug., 40 @ Units DF, Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [census, V.F.]

*Departure* : 19 Sep., 1 @ Lorain, Lorain Co. [J.P.]; 13 Sep., 1 @ Paulding Co. [DMD]

**Cliff Swallow** *Poorly Reported* : 10 Sep., 1 @ Conneaut, Ashtabula Co. [J.P.]

**Barn Swallow** : *Fall Staging* : 9 Aug., 500 @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [N.C., N.W.]

*Late Breeding* : 23 Aug., 2 nests fledged @ Wayne Co. [E.S.]

*Departure* : 26 Oct., 1 @ C.J.Brown Res., Clark Co. [fide C.M.]; 20 Oct., 1 @ Hamilton Riverside, Hamilton Co. [M.Bu.]; 16 Oct., 1 @ Mosquito L., Trumbull Co. [fide DJHo]

**Blue Jay** *Maximum* : 4 Oct., 307 (in 1 hr) @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]

**American Crow** *Maximum* : 28 Nov., 20,000+ @ Eden Park roost, Cincinnati, Hamilton Co. [F.R.]

**Red-breasted Nuthatch** : Back to back autumnal irruptions are rare. This fall saw one of the earliest and intense invasions in recent memory.

*Arrival* : mid-Aug., 1 @ Athens Co. [B.S.P.]; 16 Aug., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 30 Aug., 3 @ Mitchell Memorial Forest, Hamilton [N.C.]

*Maxima* : 10 Sep., 20 @ Hanging Rock O.R.V. Park, Lawrence Co. [V.F.]; 27 Sep., 43 @ Oak Openings, Fulton/Lucas Co. [E.T.]

**White-breasted Nuthatch** : Some suggestion of an irruption this fall [J.P.]

**Brown Creeper** : Main migration 5-25 Oct. Only reported as singles.

**House Wren** *Departure* : 19 Oct., 1 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]; 18 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 14 Oct., 1 @ Riverbend MP, Hancock Co. [B.H.]; 11 Oct., 2 @ Mt. Hope, Holmes Co. [L.E.Y.]; 10 Oct., 1 @ Whiskey Island Marina, Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co. [P.L.]

**Winter Wren** *Arrival* : 27 Sep., 1 @ BCSP, Clark Co. [D.O.]; 29 Sep., 1 @ Howland Twp., Trumbull Co. [C.B.]; 2 Oct., 1 @ Paulding Co. [DMD]; 3 Oct., 1 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [L.P.]

*Maximum* : 19 Oct., 4 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]

**Sedge Wren** *Post-breeding and/or late breeding dispersal* : 8 Aug., 1 m. @ Firestone MP, Summit Co. [R.H., E.P.]; 13 Aug., 1 @ Fireside, Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]; 16 Aug., 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [C.D.]; 24 Aug., 1 @ Winton Woods, Hamilton Co. [N.C.]

*Migrant* : 22 Sep. - 8 Oct., 1 @ Lorain, Lorain Co. [T.L.P. / R.H. / DJHo]

**Marsh Wren** *Local Interest* : 3 Aug., (from summer), 1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]; 2-18 Aug., 1 @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [M.Bu. / G.Sa., D.Sa. et al.]

*Migrants* : 7 Oct., 1 @ North Chagrin Resv., Cuyahoga Co. [K.Me.]; 12 Oct., 1 @ Gordon Park, Cuyahoga Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]; 13 Oct., 1 @ Ira Rd., CVNRA, Summit/Cuyahoga Co. [TMR]; 17 Oct., 3 @ HBSP, Lake Co. [K.Me.]

*Departure* : 1 Nov., 1 @ CVNRA, Summit/Cuyahoga Co. [DAC]; 1 Nov., 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [J.P.]

**Golden-crowned Kinglet** *Arrival* : 27 Sep., 1 @ Quail Hollow S.P., Stark Co. [E.S.]; 30 Sep., 1 @ Paulding Co. [DMD]; 2 Oct., 1 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]

*Maxima* : 2 Nov., 30 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 28 Nov., 20 @ Spring Grove Cemetery, Hamilton Co. [N.C.]; 14 Oct., 8 @ East Harbor S.P., Ottawa Co. [V.F.]

**Ruby-crowned Kinglet** *Arrival* : 14 Sep., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 21 Sep., 1 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]; 22 Sep., 1 @ Paulding Co. [DMD]; 27 Sep., 1 @ Shawnee Lookout County Park, Hamilton Co. [D.G.]; 27 Sep., 1 @ Spring Grove Cemetery, Hamilton Co. [N.C.]

*Maxima* : 5 Oct., 39 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 19 Oct., 29 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]; 14 Oct., 19 @ East Harbor S.P., Ottawa Co. [V.F.]

*Departure* : 16 Nov., 2 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]; 2 Nov., 1 @ BCSP, Clark Co. [D.O.]

**Blue-gray Gnatcatcher** *Departure* : 19 Oct., 1 @ Stonebreaker Farm, Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]; 17 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 5 Oct., 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 1 Oct., 1 @ Lorain, Lorain Co. [DJHo]

**Eastern Bluebird** *Maximum* : 16 Oct., 16 @ North Chagrin Resv., Cuyahoga Co. [K.Me.]

**Veery** *Departure* : 12 Oct., 1 @ Mt. Hope, Holmes Co. [M.K., fide *The Bobolink 1(3)*]; 27 Sep., 1 @ Spring Grove Cemetery, Hamilton Co. [N.C.]; 21 Sep., 1 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]

**Gray-cheeked Thrush** *Arrival* : 6 Sep., 1 @ BCSP, Clark Co. [D.O.]; 7 Sep., 3 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 8 Sep., 1 @ Scioto R., Columbus, Franklin Co. [R.Ro.]

*Maxima* : 16 Sep., 8 @ Tuscarawas Co. [E.S.]; 19 Sep., 7 @ Nathan Hale Park, Cuyahoga Co. [R.H.]

*Departure* : 7 Oct., 1 @ nr Mt Hope, Holmes Co. [B.Mr., fide *The Bobolink 1(3)*]; 5 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

**Swainson's Thrush** *Arrival* : 24 Aug., 1 @ Winton Woods, Hamilton Co. [N.C.]; 6 Sep., 1 @ East Fork S.P., Clermont Co. [F.R.]

*Maxima* : 7 Sep., 27 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 16 & 25 Sep., 25 @ Nathan Hale Park, Cuyahoga Co. [R.H.]

*Departure* : 13 Nov., 1 @ downtown Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co. [N.B.]; 26 Oct., 1 @ Lorain, Lorain Co. [C.H.]; 14 Oct., 1 @ Mill Creek Park, Mahoning Co. [N.Br.]; 13 Oct., 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa Co. [P.Hr. / V.F.]

**Hermit Thrush** *Arrival* : 14 Sep., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 27 Sep., 1 @ Shawnee Lookout County Park, Hamilton Co. [D.G.]

*Maxima* : 5 Oct., 14 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 14 Oct., 10 @ East Harbor S.P., Ottawa Co. [V.F.]; 11 Oct., 9 @ Holmes Co. [L.E.Y.]

**Wood Thrush** *Departure* : 11 Oct., 2 @ Holmes Co. [L.E.Y.]; 3 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 2 Oct., 2 @ Mt. Airy Forest, Hamilton Co. [Jy.S. et al.]

**American Robin** *Maximum* : 15 Oct., 500+ @ Licking Co. [C.D.]; 5 Oct., 460 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]

**Gray Catbird** *Maxima* : 21 Sep., 24 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]  
*Departure* : 13 Nov., 1 @ downtown Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co. [N.B.]; 4 Nov., 2 @ Camp Berry, Hancock Co. [B.H. et al.]; 2 Nov., 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 26 Oct., 1 @ Mentor Lagoons City Park, Lake Co. [B.F., J.Hf., J.W.]  
*Straggler* : 24 Nov. - into winter, 1 @ Ira Rd., CVNRA, Summit Co. [M.Z.]

**Northern Mockingbird** *Local Interest* : 15 Aug., 1 @ Whitehouse, Lucas Co. [E.T.]; 25 Aug., family party @ Hancock County Cemetery, Hancock Co. [C.Mc.]; 19 Sep., 1 @ HBSP, Lake Co. [K.Me.]; 11 Nov., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 11 Nov., 1 @ Rt. 103, Hancock Co. [E.M.]

**Brown Thrasher** *Departure* : 7 Nov., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 5 Nov., 1 @ Lucas Co. [E.T.]

**American Pipit** *Early Arrival* : 3-4 Sep., 3 @ East Fork S.P., Clermont Co. [T.Fz.]; 5 Sep., 4 @ Berlin Res., Portage/Stark/Mahoning Co. [K.M.]; 12 Sep., 2 @ Lorain, Lorain Co. [T.L.P.]; 14 Sep., 2 @ BCSP, Clark Co. [D.O.]

*Maxima* : 25 Oct., 250 @ Riverbend Park, Hancock Co. [H.T.B.]; 8 Nov., 150 @ BCSP, Clark Co. [D.O.]; 7-30 Oct., 40-125 @ Hebron Fish Hatchery, Licking Co. [R.Ro.]; 27 Oct., 120 @ Tuscarawas Co. [R.S., fide *The Bobolink 1(3)*]; 20 Sep., 100 @ Berlin Res., Portage/Stark/Mahoning Co. [B.Mo.]; 3 Nov., 42 @ La Due Res., Geauga Co. [K.Me.]

*Departure* : 21 Nov., 1 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]; 20 Nov., 1 @ Sager Rd., Marion Co. [census, V.F.]

**Cedar Waxwing** *Late Breeding* : 11 Aug., nest bldg., 8-13 Sep., nestlings @ Ira Rd., CVNRA, Summit Co. [M.Z.]

*Post-breeding staging* : 17 Aug., 102 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]

*Maxima* : 8 Nov., 300 @ nr Saltillo, Holmes Co. [J.B., fide *The Bobolink 1(3)*]; 12 Oct., 150 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [L.P.]; 5 Oct., 100 @ Indian Creek W.A., Brown Co. [Jy.S, Jk.S.]

**Summer Tanager** *Late departure* : 2 Oct., 1 @ NE Cochocton Co. [O.T., fide *The Bobolink 1(3)*]

**Scarlet Tanager** *Late Breeding* : 4 Aug., feeding young @ Ira Rd., CVNRA, Summit Co. [M.Z.]  
*Departure* : 11 Oct., 1 @ Winthrop Nature Preserve, Hamilton Co. [M.Bu., S.Ra.]; 5 Oct., 1 @ Paulding Co. [DMD]; 2 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 2 Oct., 1 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]

**Blue-winged Warbler** *Departure* : 5 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 13 Sep., 1 @ Columbus, Franklin Co. [R.Ro.]

**Golden-winged Warbler** *Departure* : 20 Sep., 1 @ NE Holmes Co. [M.A.W., fide *The Bobolink 1(3)*]; 15 Sep., 1 @ Columbus, Franklin Co. [R.Ro.]; 14 Sep., 1 @ HBSP, Lake Co. [L.R., K.Me. et al.]

**Tennessee Warbler** *Arrival* : 18 Aug., 1 @ Mt. Hope, Holmes Co. [N.Y.]; 30 Aug., 1 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [M.Bu., L.P.]; 31 Aug., 1 @ Paulding Co. [DMD]

*Maximum* : 22 Sep., 11 @ Holmes Co. [L.E.Y.]

*Departure* : 21 Oct., 1 @ Camp Berry, Hancock Co. [W.Mc.]; 16 Oct., 1 @ Scioto Trails S.P., Ross Co. [R.Ro.]; 12 Oct., 2 @ Mt. Hope, Holmes Co. [L.E.Y.]

**Orange-crowned Warbler** : Main passage 2-17 Oct. with 9 observations. Surprisingly few reports for fall.

*Arrival* : 8 Sep., 1 @ MMWA, Ottawa/Lucas Co. [J.R.]; 21 Sep., 1 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Co. [census, HSH]; 28 Sep., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

**Nashville Warbler** *Arrival* : 28 Aug., 1 @ Paulding Co. [DMD]; 30 Aug., 1 @ Mitchell Memorial Forest, Hamilton Co. [N.C.]

*Maxima* : 22 Sep., 12 @ Holmes Co. [L.E.Y.]; 21 Sep., 8 @ Howland Twp., Trumbull Co. [C.B.]

*Departure* : 2 Nov., 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 12 Oct., 1 @ Baldwin L., Cuyahoga Co. [TMR]; 12 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 12 Oct., 1 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [L.P.]

**Northern Parula** : Main passage 21-27 Sep. with 9 observations; all as singles.

*Arrival* : 30 Aug., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

*Departure* : 12 Oct., 1 @ Lakeside Landing, Lorain, Lorain Co. [B.F., C.H. et al.]; 10 Oct., 1 @ Columbus, Franklin Co. [R.Ro.]

**Yellow Warbler** *Late Breeding* : 11 Aug., feeding young @ Ira Rd., CVNRA, Summit Co. [M.Z.]

*Maximum* : 3 Aug., 87 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]

*Departure* : 19 Oct., 2 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]; 17 Oct., 1 @ HBSP, Lake Co. [K.Me.]; 4 Oct., 1 @ Mill Creek Park, Mahoning Co. [N.Br.]; 21 Sep., 1 @ nr Walnut Creek, Holmes Co. [J.KI., fide *The Bobolink 1(3)*]

**Chestnut-sided Warbler** *Arrival* : 25 Aug., 1 @ Columbus, Franklin Co. [R.Ro.]; 28 Aug., 1 @ Paulding Co. [DMD]

*Maximum* : 25 Sep., 16 @ Howland Twp., Trumbull Co. [C.B.]

*Departure (very late)* : 9 Oct., 1 @ Green Lawn Cemetery, Franklin Co. [fide T.Th.]; 4 Oct., 1 @ nr Mt Hope, Holmes Co. [B.Mr., fide *The Bobolink 1(3)*]; 3 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake [J.P.]

**Magnolia Warbler** *Arrival* : 16 Aug., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 22 Aug., 1 @ Sheldon Marsh S.N.P., Erie Co. [D.L., B.Co.]; 24 Aug., 1 @ Winton Woods, Hamilton Co. [N.C.]

*Maxima* : 14 Sep., 25+ @ HBSP, Lake Co. [K.Me.]; 22 Sep., 24 @ Holmes Co. [L.E.Y.]

*Departure* : 14 Oct., 1 @ East Harbor S.P., Ottawa Co. [V.F.]; 11 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 11 Oct., 1 @ Winthrop Preserve, Hamilton Co. [M.Bu., S.Ra.]

**Cape May Warbler** : 24 birds in 11 reports (less than half last year's total).

*Arrival* : 31 Aug., 1 @ Paulding Co. [DMD]

*Departure* : 8 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 5 Oct., 1 @ Ottawa & Lucas Cos. marshes [D.O.]; 4 Oct., 1 @ n Sugar Creek, Tuscarawas Co. [E.S.]; 3 Oct., 1 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [L.P.]

**Black-throated Blue Warbler** *Arrival* : 4 Sep., 1 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]

*Departure* : 19 Oct., 1 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]; 14 Oct., 1 @ Columbus, Franklin Co. [R.Ro.]; 8 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

**Yellow-rumped Warbler** *Early* : 1 Sep., 1 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]

*Arrival* : 20 Sep., 1 @ Mill Creek Park, Mahoning Co. [N.Br.]; 21 Sep., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 21 Sep., 4 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [HSH]

*Passage Migration* : 5 Oct., 61 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 8 Oct., 75+ @ HBSP, Lake Co. [K.Me.]; 14 Oct., 125 @ East Harbor S.P., Ottawa Co. [V.F.]; 18 Oct., 70 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [N.C.]; 25 Oct., 57 @ Sheldon Marsh S.N.P., Erie Co. [B.St.]; 2 Nov., 50 @ East Harbor S.P., Ottawa Co. [V.F.]; 3 Nov., 50 @ Ira Rd., CVNRA, Summit Co. [TMR]

**Black-throated Green Warbler** *Arrival* : 16 Aug., 1 @ Lakeshore MP., Lake Co. [J.P.]; 4 Sep., 1 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]

*Maximum* : 18 Sep. - 5 Oct., up to 6 @ Howland Twp., Trumbull Co. [C.B.]

*Departure* : 27 Oct., 1 @ nr Mt Hope, Holmes Co. [J.J.M., fide *The Bobolink 1(3)*]; 25 Oct., 1 @ Caesar Creek S.P., Warren/Clinton Co. [J.R.]; 24 Oct., 1 @ Cleveland Lakefront S.P., Cuyahoga Co. [B.F.]

**Blackburnian Warbler** *Arrival* : 20 Aug., 2 @ Holmes Co. [L.E.Y.]; 23 Aug., 1 @ Sheldon Marsh SNP, Erie Co. [J.P.]; 30 Aug., 2 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [L.P., M.Bu.]

*Maximum* : 10 Sep., 4 @ nr Sugar Creek, Tuscarawas Co. [E.S.]

*Departure* : 3 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

**Yellow-throated Warbler** *Departure* : 28 Sep., 1 @ CVNRA, Summit/Cuyahoga Co. [DAC]

**Pine Warbler** : 9 birds noted in 7 reports 9-16 Oct.

*Arrival* : 19 Aug., 1 @ Holden Arboretum, Lake Co. [R.Ri.]

*Maximum* : 14 Oct., 3 @ Camp Berry, Hancock Co. [fide B.H.]

**Prairie Warbler** *Two Reports* : 25 Aug., 1 @ nr Mt. Hope, Holmes Co. [N.Y.]; 27 Sep., 1 @ Spring Grove Cemetery, Hamilton Co. [N.C.]

**Palm Warbler (Western)** *Arrival* : 5 Sep., 1 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]; 7 Sep., 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 5 Sep., 1 @ NE Holmes Co. [M.E.W., fide *The Bobolink 1(3)*]

*Maxima* : 21 Sep., 8 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]; 22 Sep., 7 @ Units GH (soybean field), Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [census, V.F.]

*Departure* : 7 Nov., 1 @ Englewood MP, Montgomery Co. [fide C.M.]; 25 Oct., 1 @ HBSP, Lake Co. [N.B.]; 20 Oct., 1 @ East Harbor S.P., Ottawa Co. [V.F.]

**Bay-breasted Warbler** *Arrival* : 28 Aug., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 30 Aug., 1 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [M.Bu., L.P.]

*Maxima* : 14 Sep., 10 @ HBSP, Lake Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]; 18 Sep. - 5 Oct., up to 12 @ Howland Twp., Trumbull Co. [C.B.]

*Departure* : 21 Oct., 1 @ Camp Berry, Hancock Co. [W.Mc. et al.]

**Blackpoll Warbler** *Arrival* : 20 Aug., 1 @ Columbus, Franklin Co. [R.Ro.]

*Maxima* : 14 Sep., 30+ @ HBSP, Lake Co. [K.Me.]; 22 Sep., 21 @ Holmes Co. [L.E.Y.]

*Departure* : 1 Nov., 1 @ HBSP, Lake Co. [J.Bf.]; 7 Oct., 1 @ Lorain, Lorain Co. [C.H.]

**Cerulean Warbler** *Departure* : 21 Sep., 1 @ Howland Twp., Trumbull Co. [C.B.]

**Black and White Warbler** *Maxima* : 7 Sep., 12 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 5 Oct., 5 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [P.W.]

*Departure (very late)* : 25 Nov., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 9 Oct., 1 @ Columbus, Franklin Co. [R.Ro.]

**American Redstart** *Maxima* : 8 Sep., 32 @ Columbus, Franklin Co. [R.Ro.]; 7 Sep., 18 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 21 Sep., 12 @ Howland Twp., Trumbull Co. [C.B.]

*Departure* : 8 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 7 Oct., 1 @ nr Mt Hope, Holmes Co. [B.Mr., fide *The Bobolink 1(3)*]; 7 Oct., 1 @ Riverbend Park, Hancock Co. [B.H.]

**Prothonotary Warbler** *Departure* : 3 Sep., 1 @ CVNRA, Summit/Cuyahoga Co. [DAC]

**Worm-eating Warbler** *No reports!*

**Ovenbird** *Departure* : 4 Nov., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

**Northern Waterthrush** *Arrival* : 3 Aug., 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 7 Aug., 1 s.m. @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [V.F.]; 7 Aug., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

*Departure* : 16 Sep., 3 @ Nathan Hale Park, Cuyahoga Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]

**Louisiana Waterthrush** *Late departure* : 21 Sep., 1 @ Spring Grove Cemetery, Hamilton Co. [N.C.]; 14 Sep., 1 @ Springville Marsh S.N.P., Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]; 25 Aug., 1 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]; 21 Aug., 1 @ Nathan Hale Park, Cuyahoga Co. [R.H.]

**Kentucky Warbler** *Departure* : 7 Sep., 1 @ Adams Co. [R.F.]

**Connecticut Warbler** : 10 birds in 10 reports.

*Selected Reports* : 24 Aug., 1 @ Sheldon Marsh S.N.P., Erie Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]; 6 Sep., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 12 Sep., 1 imm. f. @ HBSP (in hand), Lake Co. [K.Me.]; 14 Sep., 1 ad. f. @ HBSP, Lake Co. [L.R., K.Me. et al.]; 16 Sep., 1 @ Tuscarawas Co. [E.S.]; 20 Sep., 1 @ Holmes Co. [L.E.Y.]

**Mourning Warbler** *Departure* : 10 Oct., 1 @ Lorain, Lorain Co. [S.Z. et al.]; 2 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 26 Sep., 1 @ MMWA, Ottawa/Lucas Co. [DJHo]; 24 Sep., 1 @ Columbus Co. [R.Ro.]

**Common Yellowthroat** *Maximum* : 3 Aug., 119 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]

*Departure* : 28 Nov., 1 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [Jy.S.]; 26 Nov., 2 @ East Harbor S.P., Ottawa Co. [V.F.]

**Hooded Warbler** *Departure* : 3 Oct., 1 imm. m. @ North Chagrin Resv., Cuyahoga Co. [K.Me.]; 2 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

**Wilson's Warbler** *Arrival* : 16 Aug., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 27 Aug., 1 @ Columbus, Franklin Co. [R.Ro.]

*Maximum* : 14 Sep., 14 @ HBSP, Lake Co. [K.Me.]

*Departure* : 10 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 7 Oct., 1 @ Hancock Co. [B.H.]; 6 Oct., 1 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]

**Canada Warbler** *Arrival* : 17 Aug., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 19 Aug., 1 @ Mt. Hope, Holmes Co. [N.Y.]

*Departure* : 9 Oct., 2 @ Green Lawn Cemetery, Franklin Co. [fide T.Th.]; 2 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

**Yellow-breasted Chat** *Departure* : 21 Sep., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 14 Sep., 1 @ Springville Marsh S.N.P., Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]; 13 Sep., 1 @ nr Walnut Creek, Holmes Co. [T.Ho., fide *The Bobolink 1(3)*]; 9 Sep., 1 @ Camp Berry, Hancock Co. [D.Ba.]

**American Tree Sparrow** : A significant evening flight took place 11-12 Nov. over Tiffin, Seneca Co. V.F.]

*Arrival* : 19 Oct., 6 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]; 22 Oct., 2 @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [census, J + R.]; 27 Oct., 1 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]

*Maxima* : 2 Nov., 160 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 20 Nov., 44 @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [census, V.F.]

**Chipping Sparrow** *Maximum* : 25 Sep., 150 @ Youngstown, Mahoning Co. [C.B.]

*Departure* : 8 Nov., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 8 Nov., 2 @ BCSP, Clark Co. [D.O.]; 2 Nov., 2 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 28 Oct., 1 @ Hancock Co. [D.Ko.]; 22 Oct., 1 ad. alt. pl. @ Tiffin feeder, Seneca Co. [V.F.]

**Clay-colored Sparrow** *One Report (1st county record)* : 17 Sep., 1 @ E. Holmes Co. [L.S., † E.S.]

**Field Sparrow** *Unremarkable.*

**Vesper Sparrow** *Maximum* : 10-13 Oct., 32 @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [census, V.F.]

*Departure* : 1 Nov., 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa/Lucas Co. [J.P.]

**Lark Sparrow** *No Reports.*

**Savannah Sparrow** : Peterjohn (*Birds of Ohio*, 1989) gives daily fall totals of up to 180 dating back to the 1930's. The numbers here for Big Island W.A. would appear to be exceptional.

*Maximum* : 10-13 Oct., 240-300 @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [census, V.F.]

*Departure* : 20 Nov., 1 @ Sager Rd., Marion Co. [census, V.F.]; 15 Nov., 1 @ Ferguson Res., Allen Co. [D.D.]

**Grasshopper Sparrow** *Departure* : 6 Oct., 1 @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [census, V.F.]; 3 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

**Henslow's Sparrow** *Only Report* : 11 Aug., 35 s.m. @ Woodbury W.A., Coshocton Co. [R.Ro.]

**Le Conte's Sparrow** *O.B.R.C. Accepted* : 8-15 Oct., 2-1 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [† T.LP. / R.Ri. / R.H., S.Wg. / B.Mo. / m.obs.]

**Nelson's Sharp-tailed Sparrow** *All Reports* : 20 Sep., 1 @ Lorain, Lorain Co. [J.P.]; 5-15 Oct., up to 4 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [B.Mo. / m.obs.]; 7 Oct., 1 @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [census, V.F.]; 12-18 Oct., 1 @ Gordon Park, Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]; 19 Oct., 1 @ Geneva S.P., Ashtabula Co. [J.P.]; 20 Oct., 1 @ Arcola Creek MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 30 Nov., 1 @ Spring Valley W.A., Warren Co. [J.R.]

**Fox Sparrow** *Arrival* : 5 Oct., 1 @ Paulding Co. [DMD]; 7 Oct., 1 @ Loveland, Hamilton Co. [R.F.]

*Maxima* : 2 Nov., 8 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 10 Nov., 3 @ Ira Rd., Summit Co. [TMR]

*Departure* : 23 Nov., 2 @ Geauga Co. [H.H.]; 22 Nov., 1 @ nr Saltillo, Holmes Co. [J.B., *fide The Bobolink 1(3)*]; 21 Nov., 2 @ North Chagrin Resv., Cuyahoga Co. [K.Me.]

**Song Sparrow** *Maxima* : 17 Oct., 75+ @ Gordon Park, Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co. [K.Me.]; 19 Oct., 67 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]; 10 Oct., 65 @ Lorain, Lorain Co. [S.Z.]

**Lincoln's Sparrow** *Arrival* : 13 Sep., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 21 Sep., 1 @ Paulding Co. [DMD]; 21 Sep., 1 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]; 22 Sep., 1 @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [census, V.F.]

*Maxima* : 5 Oct., 14 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 27 Sep., 5 @ Mt. Hope, Holmes Co. [L.E.Y.]; 3-5 Oct., 5 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [L.P. / P.W. et al.]; 8 Oct., 5 @ HBSP, Lake Co. [K.Me.]

*Departure* : 2 Nov., 1 @ nr Mt. Hope, Holmes Co. [M.E.W., *fide The Bobolink 1(3)*]; 18 Oct., 1 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [N.C.]; 17 Oct., 2 @ CVNRA, Summit/Cuyahoga Co. [DAC]

**Swamp Sparrow** *Maxima* : 5 Oct., 125 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]

al.]; 18 Oct., 50 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [N.C.]

**White-throated Sparrow** *Arrival* : 21 Sep., 1 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]; 21 Sep., 1 @ Youngstown, Mahoning Co. [C.B.]; 21 Sep., 1 @ NE Coshocton Co. [O.T., *fide The Bobolink 1(3)*]; 21 Sep., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 21 Sep., 1 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]

*Maxima* : 5 Oct., 336 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 18 Oct., 300 @ Stonebreaker Farm, Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]; 5 Oct., 70 @ BCSP, Clark Co. [D.O.]; 11 Oct., 64 @ Holmes Co. [L.E.Y.]

**White-crowned Sparrow** *Arrival* : 21 Sep., 1 @ nr Walnut Creek, Holmes Co. [J.P.M., *fide The Bobolink 1(3)*]; 29 Sep., 1 @ Findlay, Hancock Co. [S.R.]; 4 Oct., 1 @ Gilmore Ponds, Butler Co. [M.Bu.]

*Maxima* : 17 Oct., 300+ (90% imm.) @ Gordon Park, Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co. [K.Me.]; 12 Oct., 200 @ Gordon Park, Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]; 10 Oct., 60 @ Lorain impoundment, Lorain Co. [S.Z.]; 25 Oct., 59 @ Mt Hope, Holmes Co. [L.E.Y.]

**Dark-eyed Junco** : Widely noted 21 September.

*Arrival* : 2 Sep., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

*Maxima* : 2 Nov., 210 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 25 Oct., 43 @ Sheldon Marsh S.N.P., Erie Co. [B.St.]; 19 Oct., 39 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH.]

**Lapland Longspur** : Formerly thought a rare arrival before October. With greater knowledge of where to look, we are coming to know the species as a regular September migrant.

*Arrival* : 9 Sep., 1 @ Parma Hts. yard (overhead), 1 @ Cuyahoga Co. [R.H.]; 21 Sep., 1 @ Berlin Res., Portage/Stark/Mahoning Co. [B.Mo.]; 26 Sep., 3 @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [census, V.F.]; 2 Oct., 1 @ Holmes Co. [E.S.]

*Maximum* : 20 Nov., 125 @ Sager Rd., Marion Co. [census, V.F.]

**Snow Bunting** : A good fall showing with birds arriving early and in moderate numbers by mid-November.

*Arrival* : 17 Oct., 2 @ HBSP, Lake Co. [K.Me.]; 26 Oct., 8 @ Lorain, Lorain Co. [C.H.]; 28 Oct., 1 @ Hancock Co. [B.H.]

*Maxima* : 15 Nov., 75 @ Conneaut Harbor, Ashtabula Co. [E.S.]; 18 Nov., 53 @ Hancock Co. [census, B.H.]; 12 Nov., 40 @ Fairport Harbor, Lake Co. [DJHo]; 15-22 Nov., 20 @ N of Paulding, Paulding Co. [DMD]; 16 Nov., 18 @ MMWA, Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, HSH]; 15 Nov., 14 @ Metzger & Ferguson Res., Allen Co. [D.D.]

**Bobolink** : Peterjohn (*Birds of Ohio*, 1989) gives modern-day fall counts of up to 300. The numbers from Big Island W.A. this season suggest the species may be overlooked in fall migration.

*Migrant Arrival* : 20 Aug, 1 @ Lorain, Lorain Co. [V.F.]; 30 Apr., 1 @ Island Rd., Pickaway Co. [K.A.]

*Maxima* : 28 Aug., 380 (3 hr flight) @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [census, V.F.]; 10 Sep., 400+ (3 hr flight) @ Big Island W.A. [census, N.M.] 21 Aug., 150 @ nr Sugar Creek, Tuscarwas Co. [E.S.]

*Departure* : 25 Oct., 2 @ Killdeer Plains W.A., Wyandot Co. [M.Sk.]; 12 Oct., 2 @ Gordon Park, Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]

**Red-winged Blackbird** *Migrant Staging* : 18 Oct., 5000 @ Springville Marsh S.N.P., Seneca Co. [H.T.B. et al.]; 2 Nov., 5500 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 6 Oct., 3500 @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [census, V.F.]

*Post-breeding Staging* : 10 Sep., 5000 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [N.K., N.C.]

**Eastern Meadowlark** *Maximum* : 15 Sep, 40 @ E Holmes Co. [E.S.]

**Western Meadowlark** *One Report* : 11 Aug., 1 @ Scipio Twp., Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]

**Yellow-headed Blackbird** *One Report* : 12 Oct., 1 @ Springville Marsh S.N.P., Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]

**Rusty Blackbird** *Arrival* : 29 Sep., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

*Maxima* : 9 Nov., 300 @ Springville Marsh S.N.P., Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]; 4 Oct., 300 @ Springville Marsh S.N.P., Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]

**Brewer's Blackbird** *One Report* : 8 Nov., 1 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]

**Common Grackle** *Maxima* : 12-18 Oct., 30000 @ Springville Marsh S.N.P., Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]; 15 Oct., 5000 @ Licking Co. [C.D.]

**Brown-headed Cowbird** *Maxima* : 4 Oct., 1500 @ Springville Marsh S.N.P., Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]; 15 Oct., 1000 @ Licking Co. [C.D.]

**Orchard Oriole** *Two Reports* : 12 Aug., 1 @ Saltillo, Holmes Co. [J.B., *vide The Bobolink 1(3)*]; 9 Aug., 2 @ Tuscarawas Co. [E.S.]

**Baltimore Oriole** *Maximum* : 3 Aug., 52 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]

*Departure*: 20 Sep., 1 @ L. Buckhorn, Holmes Co. [K.Mr.]

**Rose-beasted Grosbeak** *Arrival* : 7 Sep., 1 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 8 Sep., 1 @ Scioto R., Columbus, Franklin Co. [R.Ro.]

*Maximum* : 21 Sep., 21 @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu.]

*Departure* : 7 Oct., 1 @ Hancock Co. [B.H., m.obs.]; 6 Oct., 1 @ Ira Rd., Summit Co. [TMR]; 5 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

**Blue Grosbeak** *From Summer* : 2 Aug., 1 m. @ nr Dundee, Tuscarawas Co. [B.Mr., *vide The Bobolink 1(3)*]; to early Sep., 1 m. & f. @ Toledo Express Airport, Lucas Co. [E.T.]

**Dickcissel** *Only fall migrant* : 17 Oct., 1 imm. @ Gordon Park, Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co. [K.Me.]

**Indigo Bunting** *Departure* : 25 Oct., 1 @ Paulding Co. [DMD]; 18 Oct., 2 @ Springville Marsh



**White-winged Crossbill :**  
**2 Nov., 1997**  
**South Bass I., Ottawa Co.**  
**ph.S.Wu.**

**- harbinger of the  
greatest winter irruption  
in more than a decade.**

S.N.P., Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]; 18 Oct., 1 @ MWW, Hamilton Co. [N.C.]; 17 Oct., 1 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

**Red Crossbill** *One Report* : 29 Nov., 1 @ Mitchell Forest, Hamilton Co. [Jy.S.]

**White-winged Crossbill** : A strong fall showing was a prelude to the strongest winter irruption in a decade.

*All Reports* : 2-5 Nov., 1 m. @ S.B.I., Ottawa Co. [S.Wu. (ph.)]; 16 Nov., 2 @ Lakewood Cemetery, Cuyahoga Co. [B.F., T.Le., J.R.]; 20-24 Nov., up to 20 @ Woodlawn Cemetery, Toledo, Lucas Co. [D.Sa. / R.Ro. / m.obs.]; 21 Nov., 3 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]

**Common Redpoll** : Rarely do repolls appear in Ohio before November.

*All Reports* : 28 Oct., 2 @ Huntington Resv., Cuyahoga Co. [K.Me.]; 7 Nov., 4 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 22 Nov., 37 @ Maumee Bay S.P., Lucas Co. [S.Ri.]

**Purple Finch** : The main passage took place 15-28 Oct. Birds seen through the period at Oak Openings MP (Lucas Co.) may have represented a family group. [E.T.]

*Breeding Season* : 18 Aug., 1 juv. @ at feeder, Tiffin, Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]

*Maximum* : 18 Nov., 3 @ Kelleys I., Erie Co. [census, H.T.B.]

**Pine Siskin** : Widespread from 21-23 October.

*Arrival* : 22 Sep., 1 @ Lorain, Lorain Co. [R.H.]; 12 Oct., 4 @ Gordon Park, Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co. [R.H., S.Wg.]; 17 Oct., 3 @ East Fork L., Clermont Co. [T.Fz.]

*Maxima* : late Nov., 50+ @ Woodlawn Cemetery, Toledo, Lucas Co. [E.T.]; 9 Nov., 12 @ Tiffin, Seneca Co. [H.T.B.]

**American Goldfinch** *Maxima* : 22 Oct., 281 @ Big Island W.A., Marion Co. [census, V.F.]; 2 Nov., 90 @ Ottawa N.W.R., Ottawa & Lucas Cos. [census, E.P. et al.]; 1 Nov., 52 @ at feeder, Holmes Co. [L.E.Y.]

**Evening Grosbeak** *Arrival* : 22, 28 Sep., 1 @ HBSP, Lake Co. [K.Me.]; 17 Oct., 6 @ at feeder, Findlay, Hancock Co. [M.D.]; 21 Oct., 1 @ Hocking Co. [*vide* J.F.]; 26 Oct., 1 @ Dayton, Montgomery Co. [*vide* C.M.]

*Maxima* : 24 Nov., 20 @ feeder, Holmes Co. [L.E.Y.]; 31 Oct., 14 @ Lakeshore MP, Lake Co. [J.P.]; 8 Nov., 14 @ Newbury Twp., Geauga Co. [J.BB.]

### Exotics

**Trumpeter Swan** *Unbanded birds* : 9 Sep. - 4 Nov., up to 4 @ Hancock Co. [B.H.]

**Monk Parakeet** : Presently, the status of this species is that of an exotic despite persistent isolated populations throughout the midwest and eastern seaboard. It is not inconceivable that a bird from these populations may take up company with other gregarious granivores, namely blackbirds. This October saw a huge blackbird roost site develop at Springville Marsh SNP in Seneca Co. Within this mass of birds a Monk Parakeet was seen two weekends (4-10 Oct.) by Tom Bartlett and his banding crew as it winged its way overhead leaving the roost.

### Addenda

**Turkey Vulture** : Since at least 1993, an albino Turkey Vulture has been a summer resident in the vicinity of Egypt Valley W.A. in Belmont Co. Several sightings have been made by non-birders while driving I-70. The most recent report comes from near mile marker 210 along the interstate 10 July 1997. [D.Z.]



This summary of the season would not be possible without the contributions of the 167 cited individuals listed below:

Kirk Alexander	K.A.	Betty Hardesty	B.H.
Matt Anderson	M.A.	Rob Harlan	R.H.
Henry Armstrong	H.A.	Phil Harner	P.Hr.
Carole E. Babyak	C.B.	Paul Haskins	P.Ha.
Nick Barber	N.B.	Jeff Hays	J.Ha.
Dorothea Barker	D.Ba.	Jim Heflich	J.Hf.
H. Thomas Bartlett	H.T.B.	Helen Hendrickson	H.H.
Mike Baxter	M.Bx.	John Herman	J.H.
Jacob Beechy	J.B.	Hank & Sally Hiris	HSH
Bob Bell	B.B.	David & Judy Hochadel	DJHc
Joe Bens	J.Be.	Tim Hochstetler	T.Ho.
Dan Best	D.B.	Dick & Jean Hoffman	DJHo
Judy Bradt-Barnhart	J.BB.	Craig Holt	C.H.
David Brinkman	D.Br.	Jason Hovekamp	J.Hv.
Jenny Brumfield	J.Bf.	Cece Johnston	C.J.
Nancy Brundage	N.Br.	Phyllis Jones	P.J.
Jeff Buecking	J.Bu.	Susan Karam	S.K.
Don Burton	D.Bu.	Milan Keim	M.K.
Mike Busam	M.Bu.	Ned Keller	N.K.
Neill Cade	N.C.	Tom Kemp	T.K.
Randy Carmel	R.Ca.	Everitt Kitchen	E.K.
Susan Carty	S.C.	Jonathan Kline	J.Kl.
Donald Chalfant	D.Ch.	Dorothy Kohl	D.Ko.
Dwight & Ann Chasar	DAC	K.Kraut	K.K.
Bob Conlon	B.Co.	Jason Larson	J.L.
Mable Dailey	M.D.	Dave LeGallee	D.Le.
Mark Dawson	M.Da.	Tom Leiden	T.Le.
David Dister	D.D.	Jim Lesser	J.Le.
Doug & Micki Dunakin	DMD	Tom LePage	T.LP.
Curtis Dusthimer	C.D.	Greg Links	G.L.
Marc England	M.E.	Doreene Linzell	D.L.
Bob Faber	B.Fb.	Nancy Lorey	N.L.
Victor Fazio III	V.F.	Paula Lozano	P.L.
Duane Ferris	D.F.	Kathy McDonald	K.Mc.
Bob Finkelstein	B.F.	Winnie McClanahan	W.Mc.
Tim Fitzpatrick	T.Fz.	Cal McCormick	C.Mc.
Robert Foppe	R.F.	Joe McMahon	J.Mc.
Jim Fowler	J.Fo.	Gail McNierney	G.Mc.
Jim Fry	J.F.	Ed Masel	E.M.
Larry Gara	L.G.	Bernard Master	B.Ma.
Bruce Glick	B.G.	Charlotte Mathena	C.M.
Adam Goloda	A.G.	Kevin Metcalf	K.Me.
Darlene Graham	D.G.	Don Miles	D.M.
Joe Hammond	J.Hm.	Bruce Miller	B.Mr.
Ray Hannikman	R.Hn.	Kent Miller	K.Mr.

Lee Miller	L.Mr.	Morris Sandvig	M.Sa.
Jolan P. Miller	J.P.M.	Winnie Sarno	W.S.
Joseph J. Miller	J.J.M.	Ed Schlabach	E.S.
Annie Milliron	A.M.	Leroy Schlabach	L.S.
Yvonne Mohlmann	Y.M.	Robert Schlabach	R.S.
Nelson Moore	N.M.	Rod Sharpnack	R.Sh.
Ben Morrison	B.Mo.	Bill Shively	B.Sh.
Pete Munson	P.M.	Mark Skinner	M.Sk.
Kathy Noblet	K.N.	Elaine & John Snively	EJS
John O'Meara	J.O.	Dennis Solon	D.So.
Arthur Osborn	A.O.	Ken Stevenson	K.St.
Doug Overacker	D.O.	Bruce Stehling	B.St.
Steve Pelikan	S.P.	Jack Stenger	JK.S.
Lester Peyton	L.P.	Jay Stenger	Jy.S.
Bob Scott Placier	B.S.P.	Bert Szabo	B.Sz.
Ed Pierce	E.P.	Tom Thomson	T.Th.
John Pogacnik	J.P.	Elliot Tramer	E.T.
Bruce Purcell	B.Pu.	Henry Troyer	H.T.
Alan Raber	A.R.	Owen Troyer	O.T.
John Rakestraw	J.R.	Sandy Wagner	S.Wg.
Pam Raver	P.R.	Steve Wagner	S.Wa.
Steve Ray	S.Ra.	Alan Walls	A.W.
Brian Rayburn	B.Ry.	Norm Walker	N.W.
Reno Reda	R.Rd.	Mark A. Weaver	M.A.W.
Frank Renfrow	F.R.	Monroe E. Weaver	M.E.W.
Steve Richards	S.Ri.	Dan Webb	D.W.
Richard Rickard	R.Ri.	Paul Wharton	P.W.
Craig Rieker	C.R.	Joseph Williams	J.W.
Tom & Mary Anne Romito	TMR	Stan Wulkowicz	S.Wu.
Larry Rosche	L.R.	Leroy E. Yoder	L.E.Y.
Sue Ross	S.R.	Leroy R. Yoder	L.R.Y.
Robert Royse	R.Ro.	Norman Yoder	N.Y.
George Sadler	G.Sa.	Doug Zabel	D.Z.
Darlana Sadler	D.Sa.	Sean Zadar	S.Z.
Dan Sanders	D.S.	Marian Zehnder	M.Z.

The following birders also had observations affecting the analysis of the season : Sue Baxter, Jim Black, Charlie Bombaci, Pat Coley, Jim Cooper, Ted Ellis, Eric Faber, Ed Folts, Greg Kellog, Tami Locher, Dave Styer, Sue Tackett.

### Errata

*From Vol. 20 No. 2* The Winter 1996-97 Season : The record of 2 Snowy Owls in Franklin Co. is erroneous. Within the CBC the record should read 2 Barred Owls.

**First Inland Nesting Attempt by the Great Egret**  
by  
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In 1996, I was fortunate enough to get a request to monitor the Great Blue Heron rookery and the migratory and passerine bird population at Cook's Creek Golf Course in Ashville, Ohio. Bill Bosstic, Joe McMahon, and my husband, Dan, agreed to assist with this effort and together we were able to complete some initial observations. We recorded 16 visits to this site in 1996. The rookery is located on an island at the point where the Scioto River and the Little Walnut River join together.

On March 25, 1996, we were able to observe the rookery between showers. We saw approximately 20 Great Blues on the nests with many more flying near by and on the branches. By the 30th of March, we had a difficult time counting the birds because they were constantly coming and going. We did count 73 birds and 110 nests. We noticed new nests being built in addition to the old established nests. Nineteen birds appeared to be sitting on the nests, with one of the nests occupied by two birds.

The tree of choice appeared to be sycamore, but they were in some other trees as well. The Great Blue is an amazing bird. It can sit on the top-most branches. One would think they would topple off, but they maintain a healthy balance. On this visit the birds brought in branch after branch and very gingerly proceeded to construct their nests. They were very gentle and methodical in their approach. At times one heron appeared to "direct" the placement of a branch by the mate by leaning it's neck over the worker and nudging it - perhaps helping to move the branch into its proper place. The pairs definitely did "work together" rather than entirely by themselves. Some of the branches brought to the nest were at least  $\frac{3}{4}$  the length of the herons.

By 4/18/96, we counted 155 nests, 114 with the herons in them. We counted 180 herons in total. The leaves were coming on full force by this time and due to profuse rains and flooding in the area, we were unable to return to the site until 5/22/96. During this visit, we observed the Great Blue Herons standing "sentry" over the nests. Most of the nests we could see contained two hatchlings per nest. The hatchlings appeared to be various ages. Several hatchlings appeared to be old enough to be left alone. The hatchlings, with their yellow bills and yellow eyes, really stood out. Many hatchlings stood with their bills open awaiting food. Three nests appeared to have herons still sitting on the eggs.

By this time the nests and tree branches already had evidence of "white-wash".

There was a continual chorus of squawking and bill clacking. The "changing of the guards" was also observed, wherein one adult that had faithfully kept watch of the babies, was relieved by the second adult. The Great Blue Herons are reported to do this four times per day. By 5/31/96, the Sycamore leaves were severely obstructing our view of the majority of the nests. Only 35 nests were visible and 22 adults standing in the nests at one time or another. One nest had three hatchlings. Many of the hatchlings were now standing in the nest and practiced flapping their wings. We continued to note all age hatchlings, with one set of twins looking old enough to fledge and others still looking very small, downy and young. Several nests no longer had an adult standing sentry. We noted six Turkey Vultures frequenting the sky overhead and landing in the sycamores. No defending behavior were observed by the herons.

By 6/6/96, two of the 37 nests we counted were empty. Two of the remaining nests had three hatchlings per nest and the rest all had two hatchlings per nest. Bill observed substantial primaries on several of the hatchlings. They appeared close to fledging.

On 6/19/96 we observed an interesting development. We had difficulty counting nests, and counted 30 hatchlings and 6 empty nests. We also counted 6 Great Egrets, three of which appeared to be nesting in the Great Blue Heron nests. One Great Egret appeared to be sitting on the nest. Two others were observed with branches in their bills and lining or re-arranging the nests. The other three were just standing near by and preening themselves. We did not see their nests, but suspected that they might be nesting near the Great Blue Herons.

6/26/96 observations revealed the 6 Great Egrets still in the sycamores, three of which appeared to be nesting. It was too difficult to count the Great Blue Heron fledglings as they were becoming quite adventurous by hopping to the end of the limbs. They engaged in frequent "wing-flapping" and "spatting" with each other. One nest still contained a very downy hatchling. Both adults were observed to be away from the nest at the same time, presumably gathering food, as they came back frequently to feed young. The chorus of squawking and bill clacking was unbelievable and never appeared to decrease.

Unfortunately, by 7/3/96, only two of the Great Egrets were observed sitting on nests. We did not observe the other Great Egrets in the nesting area. Two of the hatchlings still appeared to be in the nest. Again it was difficult to count the immature Great Blue Herons as they were now not just hopping out of the nest and out on the limbs, but also onto different limbs of the tree. The adults continued to fly in to the nests and then leave again.

7/11/96 observations resulted in 30 Great Blue Herons, 22 hatchlings, 16 empty nests, 17 Turkey Vultures and only 1 Great Egret left on the nest. The immature were observed to have their flight feathers and were engaging in frequent short "test-flights" from one branch to the next, and in short circles around the trees.

By 7/17/96 the Great Egret was no longer lying on the nest, but was upright and preening. It was also observed with wings spread over the nest. There appeared to be two hatchlings. A second Great Egret was observed to come in and feed the hatchlings. The hatchlings could be approximately one week old as of this date. There were still Great Blue Heron hatchlings in the nest. One had downy feathering on the top, but the others all had their full flight feathers.

On 7/24/96 two hatchlings were observed in the Great Egret nest. The Great Egret adults were observed to take turns in feeding the hatchlings. They were observed to regurgitate the food for the young. It must have been liquid for no solid pieces of food were observed. Neck rubbing of the adults was observed during the change at the nest. Five Great Blue Herons were observed flying in and out, but it was not clear whether they were immature or adult. There were three immatures still in the nests.

8/1/96 was a disappointing visit, as no movement was observed in the Great Egret nest. They may have perished in the heavy rain of the previous week. We continued to hear considerable bill clacking and squawking noise from the back side. Five adults or immature flew into the trees, but due to dense foliage, we could not follow them.

By 8/14/96 all signs of the Great Blue Herons were gone from the front side, though we heard at least two separate squawking incidents from the back side. This year's observation was a most enjoyable experience. If you are aware of a rookery near you, it would be well worth your while to spend some time enjoying the observation of the Great Blue Heron or the chance observation of a Great Egret.

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## A Second Ohio Record of Townsend's Warbler

*Ed. Note: Recently, the Ohio Bird Records Committee reviewed and unanimously accepted a second record of Townsend's Warbler from the spring of 1983. Heretofore, the only other accepted record was from the Magee Marsh Bird Trail, Lucas County, on 7 April 1973. This second bird too was located in Lucas County, on the Andersons Farm, Maumee, on 30 April. The following is excerpted from the documentation submitted by the principal observer, Matt Anderson.*

The bird's size and shape was identical to the similar Black-throated Green Warbler, of which a half-dozen or more were also present in the area at the same time. Since the warbler was in full adult breeding plumage, it was actually unmistakable. The head pattern created by the bird's jet black cheek patch, crown, and throat presented a very striking appearance. A yellow-eye-ring contrasting with the black cheek patch further distinguished this bird. Additional scrutiny also revealed a yellow, not white, chest, bold black streaking on the flanks, and dark streaking on the greenish back. The bird's belly, wingbars, and tail all appeared similar to a Black-throated Green's.

This sighting occurred in bottomland woods along Swan Creek in an area noted for its excellent songbird migration. The bird sang regularly, especially during the early portions of my observation. I had heard its wheezy song for several minutes before seeing the warbler and had passed it off as that of an aberrant Black-throated Green Warbler. I recall it as higher pitched than Black-throated Green Warbler. Once I spotted the bird . . . recollections of the Townsend's song, heard repeatedly on a trip two years before to the state of Washington, came rushing back.

The Townsend's was active as warblers typically are, flitting from tree to tree and creating a challenge trying to keep it in view. I first spotted the bird as I was observing a group of Golden-crowned Kinglets about 15-20 feet up and probably 50-60 feet away. The warbler flew right into my field of view. I kept it in view no more than 1-2 minutes when I decided to run several hundred yards to the house to get my brother Alex. We relocated the bird within ten minutes and were able to keep track of it another 15 or so minutes during which time it sang regularly. Alex ran off to call John Applegate, and I was able to track the bird for another 5-10 minutes. By the time John arrived 15 minutes later, the bird had disappeared. About 45 minutes to an hour later, we were able to relocate it for the last time and observe it closely for another 20-25 minutes. In total, one or more of us observed the warbler for 45+ minutes.

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**Fall Golden Eagle Passage Over Western Lucas County**  
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In *Birds of The Toledo Area (1968)*, Lou Campbell lists eleven sightings of Golden Eagles between 1944 and 1965. Only two of these observations came from the fall season: 9 November, 1945, and 1 December, 1945. From 1988 through 1998, there have been at least 28 sightings of Golden Eagles over western Lucas Co. during the fall season [See data table p. 37]. In addition to these eagles, one juvenile was seen in the fall of 1981 (no date available) and there are anecdotal reports from park rangers in Oak Openings Metropark.

Sightings range from 19 October to 25 November. Most of the observations (22) fall between 27 October and 11 November. Although one may look for Golden Eagles along the Lake Erie shoreline in spring, the time to search for this spectacular raptor in the skies over Northwest Ohio is the last few days of October and the first ten days of November. An exceptional flight occurred on 31 October, 1998: At least seven Golden Eagles passed over western Lucas County that day.

Golden Eagles seem to prefer a westerly component to the wind: 22 of 28 birds were seen on days with at least some west wind. A vast majority of the birds seen (20 of 28) have been juveniles or subadults. The time to train your eyes on the sky is certainly in the afternoon: only three eagles have been detected in the morning hours.

To add this species to your state list, bundle up in your warmest clothes, and choose a spot with a good view of the northern sky; try the corner of Girdham and Reed Rds. in the Oak Openings or areas near Toledo Express Airport.



*Golden Eagle :*  
*Original 1999 Artwork by Jenny Brumfield*

**Table 1. Golden Eagle Sightings from Western Lucas County, Ohio**

Date	Wind Dir.	Time	Plumage	Location	Observer
13-Nov-88	?	1:00 PM	1 juv.	Oak River Lane	MA
25-Nov-89	?	2:30 PM	1 juv.	Manore Rd.	TK
2-Nov-91	SW	3:15 - 3:30 PM	2 juv.	Manore Rd.	MA, TK
10-Nov-91	SW	4:45 - 5:00 PM	1 ad., 1 juv.	Manore Rd.	TK
27-Oct-92	N	10:30 AM	1 juv.	Angola Rd.	RJ
15-Nov-92	W	3:25 PM	1 juv.	Oak River Lane	MA
20-Nov-93	W	10:50 AM	1 ad.	Oak River Lane	MA
29-Oct-94	SW	1:35 PM	1 subadult	Manore Rd.	TK
30-Oct-94	var., E,W	3:15 PM	1 unknown	Manore Rd.	TK
11-Nov-94	ESE	12:30 PM	1 ad.	Manore Rd.	TK
5-Nov-95	W	11:40 - 12:10 PM	1 juv., 1 sub.	Manore Rd.	MA, TK
11-Nov-95	WNW	2:55 PM	1 juv., 1 sub.	Whitehouse	TK
20-Oct-96	ENE	3:00 PM	1 juv.	Berridge Rd.	TK
31-Oct-96	WNW	4:40 PM	1 ad.	Angola Rd.	RJ
9-Nov-96	?	12:30 PM	1 juv.	Sylvania	MA
11-Nov-96	W	?	1 juv.	Rte. 295	LGr
19-Oct-97	W	3:45 PM	1 ad.	Oak River Lane	MA
31-Oct-98	W	1:30 - 3:20 PM	3 ad., 4 juv.	Whitehouse Angola Rd. Toledo Perrysburg	JC,RJ,ET, SS,MA, CSN

**Observers:**

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Linsay Graham	LGr	Steve Stockford	SS
Richard Johnson	RJ	Elliot Tramer	ET
Craig & Susan Nilsson	CSN	Tom Kemp	TK

**Sites**

The Manore Rd. site is appx. 1 mile south of Oak Openings Park  
Oak River Lane is on the eastern edge of Oak Openings Park  
The Angola Rd. site is near the jct. Of Angola and Holland-Sylvania Rds.  
in Holland, Ohio