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SUMMER SEASON 1979

The average 1979 June temperature was 3° F. below normal. Precipitation for June was 1.3 inches above normal.

July's temperature was 5° F. below normal. The precipitation in July was one inch below normal.

A total of 210 species of birds were reported for summer 1979. Shorebirds were reported in twenty-eight species. There were thirty-two species of warblers reported for summer 1979.

Birds that were documented are denoted with an asterisk * .

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SUMMER SEASON - 1 June to 31 July, 1979

Common Loon

6/6 Harrison Co. (1) (BP), 6/9-20 Oberlin Reservoir (Lorain Co.) (1)(JP), 6/16-7/26 Clearfork Reservoir (1) (JH), 6/20,7/13 Wellington Reservoir (1)(JP), 7/30-31 Lake Rockwell (2)(LR).

Horned Grebe

6/3 Little Cedar Point (Lucas Co.) (1) (JP,BP,Cairo), 6/20 Wellington Reservoir (JP).

Pied-billed Grebe

Nested in Erie and Ottawa counties (JP). 6/17 Franklin Co. (1) (BP), 7/6 Magee Marsh (5 adults, 12 young) (JP), 7/28 Clark Lake (Clark Co.) (DO).

Double-crested Cormorant

6/10-12 Pickerington Marsh (one immature) (Fry, HK), 7/21 Niagara Reef (Ottawa Co.) (one adult)(JP).

Great Blue Heron

Nested in Erie, Holmes (75 nests), and Ottawa counties; reported from 15 other counties.

Louisiana Heron

7/22 Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge (O.N.R.) (1) (* JP).

Snowy Egret

7/9 Port Clinton (1) (* JP), 7/13 East Harbor (1) (* JP).

Cattle Egret

7/6 O.N.R. (1) (JP), 7/22 O.N.R. (6) (JP).

Black-crowned Night Heron

Reported from Erie, Lorain, Lucas, Ottawa, and Sandusky counties. Also: 6/17 Franklin Co. (one immature) (BP), 7/7 Shaker Lakes (one immature)(Fazio), 7/8 Cleveland (2) (Hoffman), 7/17-31 Shaker Lakes (1-4 adults) (Fazio).

Yellow-crowned Night Heron

Nested in Franklin Co. with at least 5 young raised (Fry); also reported 7/14-31 Rocky River Valley (1 bird) (Klamm), 7/26 Avon Lake Power Plant (one bird) (JP).

Least Bittern

6/1-9 Pickerington Marsh (1) (Hoffman, Cairo), 6/12 Magee Marsh (JP), 6/19-7/26 (2 birds) Richland Co. (JH).

American Bittern

6/3 Ottawa Co. (Cairo), 6/12 Ottawa Co. (JP), 7/1 Port Clinton (JP).

Mute Swan

6/1 Magee Marsh (1)(JP).

Black Duck

Nested in Cuyahoga, Erie, and Ottawa counties.

Gadwall

6/19 Killdeer Plains (one female)(BP); summered at Erie and Ottawa counties.

Pintail

Nested in Erie and Ottawa counties. 3 to 5 birds present throughout the period at Magee Marsh.

Green-winged Teal

Reported from Erie and Ottawa counties. 3 to 6 birds present throughout the period at Magee Marsh. 7/12 Neilson's Marsh (Erie Co.) (17)(JP).

Blue-winged Teal

Nested in Erie and Ottawa counties; 6/2 Clark Lake (3)(DO), 6/28 Wayne Co. (hen with 9 young)(Staab), 7/4 Franklin Co. (5 molting drakes)(BP), 7/21 Clark Lake (3)(DO), 7/25 Cleveland Heights (Hoffman), 7/28 Crawford Co. (3)(BP), 7/31 Lake Rockwell (2)(LR).

American Wigeon

Summered in Erie and Ottawa counties.

Northern Shoveler

Nested in Erie Co. (JP). 6/5 O.N.R. (2 males)(Fry).

Wood Duck

Nested in Ashland, Clark, Cuyahoga, Erie, Fairfield, Hocking, Lake, Licking, Lorain, Lucas, Ottawa, Portage, Richland, Sandusky, Washington, and Wayne counties. 2,326 eggs laid in 169 nest boxes at Killbuck Marsh (Staab).

Redhead

6/3 Little Cedar Point (Lucas Co.) (1)(Cairo,JP),
6/3 Lucas Co. (5)(BP).

Lesser Scaup

6/20 Oberlin Reservoir (1)(JP).

Common Goldeneye

6/12 Shaker Lakes (one female)(Fazio).

Ruddy Duck

6/9-20,7/13 Oberlin Reservoir (2)(JP), 7/22 O.N.R. (JP).

Hooded Merganser

6/3-7/22 O.N.R. (1) (BP,JP), 7/27 Shaker Lakes (one immature) (Fazio).

Red-breasted Merganser

6/8 Lorain (one male) (JP).

Black Vulture

6/17 Fayette Co. (MI), 7/14 Highland Co. (1)(BP),
6/1-7/31 Clearcreek (6)(Cairo).

Sharp-shinned Hawk

6/1 Crane Creek (1)(JP), 7/17 Shaker Lakes (one adult)
(Fazio), 7/20 Blendon Woods (Franklin Co.) (1)(Fry).

Cooper's Hawk

Nested in Lorain Co. (JP); 6/29 Wayne Co. (4 young
fledged)(Staab). Also reported from Delaware, Fairfield,
Franklin, Highland, Hocking, Holmes, Licking, Lucas, Perry,
Seneca, and Trumbull counties.

Broad-winged Hawk

6/5 Tuscarawas Co. (2)(BP), 6/5 Oak Openings (Lucas
Co.) (Fry), 6/6 Oak Harbor (13)(JP), 6/27 Mohican State
Park (JW), 6/27-7/4 Summit County Summer Bird Count (2)
(CT), 7/7 Blackhand Gorge (Licking Co.)(HK), 7/18 Blendon
Woods (Fry), 7/24 Shaker Lakes (one adult)(Fazio), 7/29
Rocky River Valley (Cuyahoga Co.)(1)(Klamm); 6/1-7/31
Clearcreek (one pair)(Cairo).

Bald Eagle

3 eaglets fledged (one on 6/30, the other two birds
fledged on 7/15-16) from the western Lake Erie (Ohio)
shoreline (fide Ohio Department of Natural Resources).
The first time that eaglets have been produced from 3
nests in the wild in Ohio since 1968. 7/28 Buck Creek
State Park (Clark Co.)(one immature)(DO).

Marsh Hawk

7/6 Darby Marsh (Ottawa Co.) (JP), 7/7 Blackhand Gorge
(Licking Co.)(HK).

Osprey

6/3 Magee Marsh (LR,JP,BP), 6/12 Sandusky Bay (2)(JP).

Bobwhite

6/9 Perry Co. (Cairo), 6/12 Trumbull Co. (6)(LR),
6/14 Perry Co. (BP), 6/24 Westerville (MI), 7/10 Warren
Co. (BP), 7/17 Monroe Co. (4)(BP), 7/21 Franklin Co. (BP);
5 pair at Killbuck Marsh Wildlife Area (Staab), 3 pair at
Holmes Co. (Kline), 5 reported on the Summit Co. Summer
Bird Count (CT); also reported from Erie, Lorain, and Ottawa
counties.

Turkey

Logan (Hocking Co.)(Fide Cairo), Ashtabula Co. (fide JP).

Virginia Rail

6/12 Richland Co. (JW), 6/15 Ottawa Co. (JP), 6/23
Killbuck Marsh (JW), one bird reported on the Summit Co.
Summer Bird Count (6/27-7/4)(CT).

Sora

6/7 Tuscarawas Co. (BP), 6/24 East Harbor (JP), 7/22 Madison Co. (LR); one bird reported on the Summit Co. Summer Bird Count (CT).

Common Gallinule

Nested in Erie and Ottawa counties; 6/23 Killbuck Marsh (JW), 7/9 Pickerington Marsh (adult with 5 young) (Cairo), 7/15 Licking Co. (one brood)(BP), 7/31 Lake Rockwell (2 adults, 3 young) (LR).

American Coot

Nested in Erie and Ottawa Counties (JP); summered at Pickerington Marsh (Cairo), 6/2 Clark Lake (DO), 6/19 Clearfork Reservoir (one bird)(JH), 7/11 Hebron Fish Hatchery (HK).

Semipalmated Plover

6/6 Magee Marsh (3)(JP), 6/29-7/30 Neilson's Marsh (maximum of 35 birds)(JP), 7/15 Cleveland (2)(Klamm), 7/21 Clark Co. (DO), 7/26 Cleveland (11)(Klamm), 7/28 Ottawa Co. (8)(BP).

Black-bellied Plover

6/5 O.N.R. (1)(Fry), 7/19-23 Neilson's Marsh (1)(JP).

Ruddy Turnstone

6/1-3 Magee Marsh (17)(Cairo,JP), 7/20 Neilson's Marsh (1)(JP).

American Woodcock

Nested in Lorain and Ottawa Counties (JP). 6/12 Portage Co. (2)(LR), 6/13 Perry Co. (Cairo), 6/30 Buck Creek State Park (DO), 7/9 Pickaway Co. (Fry), 7/21 Clark Lake (DO).

Common Snipe

6/20-23 Killbuck Marsh (2)(Staab), 7/22 O.N.R. (JP).

Whimbrel

7/20 Muni. Light Plant (Cleveland) (1)(Fazio), 7/22-23 Erie Co. (1) (JP).

Upland Sandpiper

Nested in Ottawa County(JP). 6/2-16 Clark Co. (1)(DO), 6/4 Franklin Co. (1)(Fry), 6/19 Killdeer Plains (1)(BP), 6/25 Champion Heights (Trumbull Co.)(DC).

Spotted Sandpiper

Nested in Cuyahoga, Erie, Lorain, and Ottawa counties; also reported from Clark, Sandusky, Summit, Trumbull, and Washington counties.

Solitary Sandpiper

7/7 Shaker Lakes (2)(Fazio), 7/8 Knox Co.(1)(BP), 7/17-31 Shaker Lakes (5-13 birds)(Fazio), 7/21 Clark Co. (3)(DO), 7/22 O.N.R. (JP), 7/25 Cleveland Heights (Hoffman), 7/27-28 Rocky River Valley (2-3)(Klamm), 7/28 Crawford Co. (5)(BP).

Willet

7/8 Cleveland (12) (Hoffman), 7/13 Cleveland (5)(Klamm),
7/15 Cleveland (1)(Klamm), 7/22 O.N.R. (1)(JP), 7/24-25
Cleveland (1)(Klamm, Hoffman), 7/28 Crawford Co. (1)(BP).

Greater Yellowlegs

7/2 Neilson's Marsh (JP), 7/15 Licking Co. (BP), 7/21
Shaker Lakes (1)(Fazio), 7/30 Shaker Lakes (4)(Fazio).

Lesser Yellowlegs

6/3-7 O.N.R. (1)(JP, BP), 6/29 Neilson's Marsh (JP),
7/15 Licking Co. (3)(BP), 7/17 Shaker Lakes (2)(Fazio),
7/21 Clark Co. (2)(DO), 7/25 Cleveland Heights (6)(Hoffman),
7/28 Ottawa Co. (90)(BP).

Red Knot

7/12 Neilson's Marsh (1)(JP).

Pectoral Sandpiper

7/11 Neilson's Marsh (JP), 7/14-16 Clark Co. (4-6)(DO),
7/21 Licking Co. (2)(BP).

White-rumped Sandpiper

6/2 Funk (Wayne Co.) (3)(Kline), 7/20 Neilson's Marsh
(1)(JP).

Least Sandpiper

6/6 O.N.R. (JP), 6/28 Neilson's Marsh (JP), 6/27-7/4
one bird reported on the Summit County Summer Bird Count
(CT); 7/4 Licking Co. (6)(BP), 7/7 Buck Creek State Park
(1)(DO), 7/12 Cleveland (4)(Klamm), 7/17 Shaker Lakes (2)
(Fazio), 7/28 Ottawa Co. (125)(BP), 7/29 Cleveland (15)(Klamm).

Dunlin

6/2 Funk (2)(Kline), 6/5 O.N.R. (10)(Fry), 6/7 Magee
Marsh (37)(JP); 7/24 Neilson's Marsh (JP).

Dowitcher (Sp)

6/29 Neilson's Marsh (JP), 7/3 Neilson's Marsh (150)
(JP), 7/7 Pickerington Marsh (Cairo), 7/13 Cleveland
(16)(Klamm), 7/26 Cleveland (68)(Klamm).

Short-billed Dowitcher

7/21 Franklin Co. (1)(call heard)(BP), 7/22 O.N.R.
(70) (* JP), 7/28 Ottawa Co. (175)(heard)(BP).

Long-billed Dowitcher

7/22 O.N.R. (2)(* JP).

Stilt Sandpiper

6/2 Funk (60) (Kline), 6/29 Neilson's Marsh (JP),
7/28-30 O.N.R. (25)(JP, BP).

Semipalmated Sandpiper

6/2 Buck Creek State Park (5)(DO), 6/3-6 O.N.R. (JP, BP);
6/29 Neilson's Marsh (JP), 7/21-28 Buck Creek State Park
(3-4)(DO), 7/22 O.N.R. (85)(JP), 7/26 Cleveland (75)(Klamm),

Semipalmated Sandpiper (con't.)

7/28 Ottawa Co. (20)(BP), 7/29 Mentor (5)(Hoffman),
7/29 Cleveland (155)(Klamm).

Western Sandpiper

7/20 Neilson's Marsh (Erie Co.) (1) (* JP).

Marbled Godwit

6/5 O.N.R. (2)(Fry), 7/30 O.N.R. (2)(JP).

Sanderling

7/21-28 Buck Creek State Park (2-4)(DO), 7/23 Vermillion
(7)(JP), 7/29 Mentor (12)(Hoffman).

American Avocet

7/24 Cleveland (1) (Klamm).

Wilson's Phalarope

7/22 O.N.R. (3)(JP), 7/27 Franklin Co. (1)(BP), 7/28-30
O.N.R. (6-1)(BP,JP).

Northern Phalarope

7/17 O.N.R. (1)(JP), 7/22 O.N.R. (1)(JP).

Glaucous Gull

7/18 Conneaut (Ashtabula Co.)(one sub-adult) (JP).

Great Black-backed Gull

7/15 Cleveland (1)(Klamm); also reported from Erie,
Lorain, and Ottawa counties (JP), 6 birds on Lake Erie
off Cedar Point on 6/28 (JP).

Herring Gull

6/2 Buck Creek State Park (3)(DO), 6/13 Shaker Lakes
(4)(Fazio), 6/16-30 Buck Creek State Park (8-4)(DO);
also reported from Ashtabula, Cuyahoga, Erie, Lorain and
Ottawa counties: 300 on 7/18 Ashtabula (JP).

Ring-billed Gull

6/1-7/31 Buck Creek State Park (maximum of 40 on 6/16)
(DO); also reported from Ashtabula, Cuyahoga, Erie, Lorain,
and Ottawa counties: 2,500 on 7/27 Lorain (JP).

Franklin's Gull

6/3 Little Cedar Point (Lucas Co.) one second year bird
(JP,BP), 6/16-7/6 Neilson's Marsh (one adult)(JP), 7/30
Neilson's Marsh (one adult)(JP).

Bonaparte's Gull

Summered in Erie, Lorain, and Ottawa counties; 7/13
Cleveland (2)(Klamm): 300 on 7/30 Wildwood Park (Cleveland)
(Hoffman).

Forster's Tern

6/3 Little Cedar Point (2 immatures)(Cairo,BP,JP),
7/7 Buck Creek State Park (one winter plumage bird)(DO),

Forster's Tern (con't.)

7/7 Port Clinton (11)(JP), 7/15 Cleveland (13)
(Klamm), 7/22-30 O.N.R. (7)(JP), 7/27 Cleveland (18)
(Klamm).

Common Tern

6/3 Little Cedar Point (Cairo,JP), 6/5 Metzger Marsh
(2)(Fry), 6/27 Washington Co. (2 adults)(BP), 6/29 Delaware
Co. (4 adults)(BP), 7/7 Port Clinton (11)(JP), 7/13
Cleveland (1)(Klamm), 7/30 Cleveland (70)(Klamm).

Caspian Tern

6/3 Buck Creek State Park (DO); summered in Lucas,
and Ottawa counties. 7/13 Cleveland (6)(Klamm), 7/18
Cleveland (14)(Klamm).

Black Tern

6/3 Lucas Co. (4)(BP), 6/29 Holmesville (Holmes Co.)
(1)(Kline), 7/15 Cleveland (6)(Klamm), 7/27 Delaware Co.
(4)(BP), 7/28 Buck Creek State Park (24)(DO), 7/28 Ottawa
Co. (40)(BP).

Yellow-billed Cuckoo

Reported as common but not as abundant as last summer.

Black-billed Cuckoo

Reported as uncommon, with much fewer reports than
last summer.

Barn Owl

12 young fledged from 5 nest boxes in Holmes and
Wayne Counties (Staab); 7/28 Lorain Co. (one bird)(JP).

Chimney Swift

Reported to be down in numbers this summer; half as
many birds this summer in Washington County as last year's
numbers (JSW).

Red-headed Woodpecker

Reported as more common than normal in eastern Ohio,
with numbers reduced in western Ohio this summer (BP).

Eastern Kingbird

Slight decrease in observation this summer from last
summer's.

Yellow-bellied Flycatcher

6/1-3 Magee Marsh (3-1)(JP,BP), 6/2 Warren (DC), 6/3
Shaker Lakes (Fazio), 6/7 Cleveland Heights (Hoffman).

Acadian Flycatcher

Less common than last summer, with a 50% reduction in
birds at Clearcreek (Fairfield and Hocking counties); 35
pair at Clearcreek this summer (Cairo).

Alder Flycatcher

6/1 Magee Marsh Bird Trail (1)(* JP).

Least Flycatcher

6/1 Magee Marsh (JP), 6/2 Wayne Co. (Kline), 6/4 Rocky River Valley (2)(Klamm), 6/16-19 Rocky River Valley (1-2)(Klamm), 6/23 Killbuck Marsh (JW), 6/27 Mohican State Park (JW), two birds reported on the Summit County Summer Bird Count (6/27-7/4)(CT); 7/6 southern Holmes Co. (Kline), 7/17 Magee Marsh (JP).

Olive-sided Flycatcher

6/1-3 Lucas Co. (1)(JP,BP,Cairo).

Cliff Swallow

Holmes county: largest colony of 175 nests, another colony of 145 nests, with numerous smaller colonies (Kline); one nest at Magee Marsh Visitors Center (ottawa Co.)(JP).

Purple Martin

500 on 7/30 Wildwood Park (Cleveland)(Hoffman).

Red-breasted Nuthatch

6/2 Holmes Co. (one bird)(CT); nested at Shaker Lakes (Cuyahoga Co.) with 3 young raised, last seen 7/17 (Fazio).

Brown Creeper

7/17 Shaker Lakes (one bird seen and heard)(Fazio).

Carolina Wren

one report: one pair summered at Clearcreek (Cairo).

Short-billed Marsh Wren

6/11-7/30 two pair at Killbuck Marsh Wildlife Area (Staab, Kline), 7/28 Buck Creek State Park (2)(DO).

Swainson's Thrush

6/1-3 Lucas Co. (2)(JP,BP).

Veery

one pair summered at Clearcreek (Cairo), 6/3 Lucas Co. (BP), 6/13 Franklin Co. (2)(BP), 6/23 Killbuck Marsh (JW), 6/27 Mohican State Park (2)(JH,JW), 6/30 Seneca Co. Pleasant Twp. (one bird seen carrying food)(JK), 3 birds reported on the Summit County Summer Bird Count (CT); also reported from Erie and Lorain counties (JP).

Cedar Waxwing

Reported as common to abundant statewide this summer.

White-eyed Vireo

Nested in Erie, Fairfield, Hocking, and Lorain counties. 18 pair reported from Clearcreek (Cairo). 6/16 Resthaven Wildlife Area (Erie Co.) 7 singing males (JP), 6/30 Seneca Co. (JK); also reported from 8 other counties, including one bird reported during the Summit County Summer Bird Count (CT).

Yellow-throated Vireo

Reported nesting at Cuyahoga, Fairfield, and Hocking counties. 6 pair at Clearcreek (Cairo); also reported from Ashland, Erie, Lorain, and Wayne counties.

Solitary Vireo

7/28 Hinkley Ledges (Medina Co.) 2 adults observed feeding 3 young (photographed)(LR); 6/27 Mohican State Park (one bird)(SM, JW).

Red-eyed Vireo

49 pair at Clearcreek (Cairo).

Philadelphia Vireo

6/1 Magee Marsh (JP).

Black-and-white Warbler

13 pair at Clearcreek (Cairo), 6/9 Franklin Co. (one bird) (BP), 7/6 Lancaster (HK), 7/28 Lorain Co. (JP).

Prothonotary Warbler

Nested in Ottawa county; also reported from Delaware, Erie, Highland, Muskingum, Sandusky, Washington, and Wayne counties. 6/1 Rocky River Valley (one bird)(Klamm).

Worm-eating Warbler

6 pair at Clearcreek (Cairo); 6/27 Mohican State Park (one bird)(JH).

Golden-winged Warbler

6/5 Oak Openings Metro. Park (Lucas Co.) (one seen and heard)(Fry).

Blue-winged Warbler

15 pair at Clearcreek (Cairo); 15 territorial males at Alum Creek Reservoir (BP), 6 birds observed during the Summit County Summer Bird Count (CT).

"Lawrence's Warbler"

6/16-7/2 one female nested with a blue-winged warbler producing 2 blue-winged warbler young at Clearcreek (* Cairo). female Lawrence's Warbler sang the golden-winged warbler song.

"Brewster's Warbler"

6/1-21 Blendon Woods Metro. Park (Franklin Co.) one bird (Fry).

Tennessee Warbler

6/1-4 Rocky River Valley (2)(Klamm), 6/1-3 Magee Marsh (JP), 6/2 Port Clinton (JP), 6/10 Seneca County (one singing male)(H. Thomas Bartlett).

Nashville Warbler

6/9-7/15 Lorain Co. (JP).

Northern Parula

21 pair at Clearcreek (Cairo); 6/3 Neotoma (Hocking Co.)(HK).

Yellow Warbler

Less common this summer than last summer, with a 40% reduction in the number of birds at Clearcreek. 19 individuals reported on the Summit County Summer Bird Count (CT).

Magnolia Warbler

6/1-3 Magee Marsh (JP,BP,Cairo), 6/6 Shaker Lakes (Fazio); one singing male summered at Clearcreek (fide Cairo), 7/27 Chance Creek (Lorain Co.)(JP).

Cape May Warbler

6/3 Lucas Co. (BP,Cairo).

Yellow-rumped Warbler

6/1 Magee Marsh (JP), 6/3 Shaker Lakes (Fazio).

Black-throated Green Warbler

8 pair at Clearcreek (Cairo); summered at Resthaven Wildlife Area (JP) and Mohican State Park (JH). 6/1 Magee Marsh (5 birds)(JP), 7/20-24 Shaker Lakes (1-2 birds)(Fazio).

Cerulean Warbler

Normal numbers observed at most areas, but a 55% reduction in the number of nesting pairs at Clearcreek this summer (8 pairs this summer at Clearcreek (Cairo).

Blackburnian Warbler

Summered at Milan (Erie Co.)(JP). 6/3 Lucas Co. (Cairo), 7/6 Blendon Woods Metro. Park (one bird)(Fry).

Yellow-throated (Sycamore) Warbler

15 pair at Clearcreek (Cairo); 4 pair reported from Huron and Erie counties (JP); 6/2 Guernsey Co. (one pair) (Fazio), 6/27 Mohican State Park (JW), also reported from Delaware County (BP).

Chestnut-sided Warbler

Nested in Lorain Co. (JP), one male summered at Clearcreek (Cairo); reported from Sandusky and Lorain (summering) counties (JP), 6/3 Cleveland (Klamm), 6/23 Delaware Co. (one territorial male)(BP).

Bay-breasted Warbler

6/1-3 Lucas Co. (BP,JP, Cairo), 7/28 Lorain Co. (JP).

Blackpoll Warbler

6/1 Mansfield (SM), 6/7 Magee Marsh (JP).

Pine Warbler

one pair summered at Clearcreek (Cairo); 6/28 Monroe Co. (one bird)(BP), 7/30 Shaker Lakes (one fall plumage bird)(Fazio).

Prairie Warbler

5 pair at Clearcreek (Cairo); 6/16 Richland Co. (JH), 6/20 Lorain Co. (JP), 6/30 Blackhand Gorge (HK), 7/3 northern Licking Co. (one territorial male)(BP), 7/28 Lorain (JP), also reported from Holmes County (Kline).

Northern Waterthrush

7/28 Rocky River Valley (Klamm), 7/30 Shaker Lakes (Fazio).

Louisiana Waterthrush

9 pair at Clearcreek (Cairo); also reported from Ashland, Cuyahoga, Holmes, and Lorain counties.

Kentucky Warbler

12 pair at Clearcreek (Cairo); 2 pair at Resthaven Wildlife Area (JP), also reported from Ashland, Holmes, Licking, and Stark counties.

Mourning Warbler

6/1 Clearcreek (Cairo), 6/1-3 Lucas Co. (JP,BP,Cairo), 6/2 Warren (Trumbull Co.)(DC).

Yellow-breasted Chat

15 pair at Clearcreek (Cairo), 15 pair at Resthaven Wildlife Area (JP), 16 territorial males around Alum Creek Reservoir (BP); 6/1-27 Seneca Co. (JK).

Hooded Warbler

10 pair at Clearcreek (Cairo), 5 pair at Lorain Co. (JP); nested at Cuyahoga County (Klamm); 10 birds reported during the Summit County Summer Bird Count (CT), 20 males seen at Mohican State Park (6/27) (SM), 2 males at Richland Co. (7/13-14)(SM); also reported from Holmes County.

Wilson's Warbler

6/1-6 Port Clinton (JP), 6/3-7 Lucas Co. (BP,JP).

Canada Warbler

two males summered at Clearcreek (Cairo); 6/1-3 Magee Marsh (JP,BP).

American Redstart

8 pair at Clearcreek (Cairo), 14 pair at Milan (JP); nested in Erie county, also reported from Ashland, Cuyahoga, Huron, Lorain, Muskingum, Ottawa, Richland, Summit, Tuscarawas, and Wayne counties.

Western Meadowlark

Reported from Erie County; one singing in a field near Benton (Holmes Co.)(fide Kline).

Yellow-headed Blackbird

6/3 Little Cedar Point (Lucas Co.)(2 males)(* JP, * Cairo).

Northern Oriole

29 pair at Resthaven Wildlife Area (JP).

Orchard Oriole

Nested at Resthaven Wildlife Area (JP); also reported from Hocking (one pair), Athens, Carroll, Clark, Cuyahoga, Delaware, Fayette, Highland, Holmes, Muskingum, Richland, Sandusky, Seneca, Stark, Summit, Tuscarawas, and Wayne counties.

Rusty Blackbird

6/1-7 Magee Marsh (JP).

Scarlet Tanager

24 pair at Clearcreek (Cairo); 13 pairs observed in Holmes Co. on 7/6 (Kline).

Summer Tanager

2 pair at Clearcreek (Cairo); summered at Blendon Woods Metro. Park (Fry), 6/2 Neotoma (HK), 6/7 Richland Co. (SM), 6/15 Ashland Co. (JW), 7/31 Pomeroy (Meigs Co.)(Fry).

Rose-breasted Grosbeak

Nested in Cuyahoga County; also reported from Ashland, Clark, Delaware, Erie, Fairfield, Fayette, Holmes, Licking, Lorain, Monroe, Muskingum (5 birds)(BP), Richland, Trumbull, and Wayne counties. 20 birds reported on the Summit County Summer Bird Count (CT).

Dickcissel

6/5 Ottawa Co. (Fry), 6/16 Fairfield Co. (Cairo); also reported from Sandusky county.

Purple Finch

Nested in Lorain (maximum of 8 birds in July)(JP), and Ontario (Richland Co.) (3 males, 2 females, 3 young) (JH). Nested at two other locations in Richland County with 8 birds present at one location (SM). 6/16 Wayne Co. (one territorial male)(BP), two birds seen during the Summit County Summer Bird Count (CT).

House Finch

Nested in Lorain (maximum of 25-30 birds in July)(JP); also, 6/3-7/15 Lancaster (one pair)(Cairo, HK), 6/24-7/8 Rocky River Valley (one bird)(Klamm), "several" summered at Shaker Lakes (Fazio), "scattered reports of adults feeding young in Marietta" (JSw), 3 birds seen during the Summit County Summer Bird Count (CT).

Pine Siskin

6/1-4 Kent (one bird)(LR).

Henslow's Sparrow

4 pair at Holmes Co. (Kline), one pair at Clearcreek (Cairo), 6/9 Lorain Co. (7 birds)(JP), 6/23 Killbuck Marsh Wildlife Area (one singing male)(Staab), 6/30 Licking Co. (HK), 7/1 Washington Co. (Cairo); also reported from Erie, Sandusky, and Ottawa counties.

Lark Sparrow

6/5-7 Oak Openings Metro. Park (Fry, JP).

Dark-eyed Junco
6/6 Shaker Lakes (1)(Fazio).

Clay-colored Sparrow
6/1 Magee Marsh Bird Trail (1)(* JP).

Swamp Sparrow
Reported from Delaware, Holmes, Knox (12 birds)(BP),
Lorain, Ottawa, Portage, Richland, Summit (10 birds)(CT),
Trumbull, Tuscarawas and Wayne counties.

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GUIDE TO THE CLEVELAND LAKEFRONT

Waterbirds, especially rarities or large numbers, and a variety of migrant landbirds attract many birders to the Cleveland lakefront. The area is easily reached from interstates 80,90,71 and 77. Other areas of interest are nearby both east and west. As there are few breeding birds, summer is the quietest season, but fall migrant shorebirds begin to arrive in early July and August through May there are many attractions. A spotting scope is helpful in scanning the lake and almost a necessity at some locations where the birds can only be viewed at a distance. Recent changes on the lakefront include the creation of the Cleveland Lakefront State Park (including sites 1, 2, 3 and 7) and the closing of White City Beach. For latest information call (216) 696-8186, the Northern Ohio Rare Bird Alert which is currently updated on Tuesday afternoon after taking reports on Monday.

Outstanding sightings listed for each location are rare species that have been seen in recent years. If you should discover any rarities while in Cleveland, please notify local birders or call the above number and leave details on the tape.

1. Wildwood Park (I 90 to E. 185th St., north to Neff Rd., left to Lake Erie and the park) two breakwalls into the lake and a wooded trail along Euclid Creek. Good vantage for watching movement along the lake.

Gulls, terns, waterfowl, passerine migrants: spring and fall.
Outstanding sightings: Red-throated Loon, Red-necked Grebe, Surf Scoter, Whimbrel, Little Gull, Sabine's Gull.

2. Gordon Park/CEI at E. 72nd St. (I 90 exits at Liberty Blvd. and 72nd St.) old marina, breakwalls, light plant warm water outflow which keeps an area of water open in winter sometimes resulting in major concentrations.

Gulls, terns, waterfowl: best in winter, also spring and fall.
Harlequin Duck, Scoters, Red Phalarope, Iceland, Lesser Black-backed, Thayer's, Black-headed and Ivory Gulls, Black-legged Kittiwake.

3. E. 55th St. Marina (I 90 exit at E. 55th St.) marina, protected water, some beach, weedy areas.

Gulls, waterfowl, shorebirds, fall migrants: fall and spring, check

in winter for Snowy Owl. Black Scoter, Purple Sandpiper, Red Phalarope, Ivory Gull, Black-legged Kittiwake, LeConte's Sparrow, Lapland Longspur.

North Marginal Rd. runs between E. 55th and E. 9th Sts. and is access to MUNY, Burke airport and two marinas. Check along the way for gull and waterfowl.

4. MUNY Light Plant (N. Marginal Rd. between Forest City and Lakeside Yacht Clubs) landfill impoundment offshore behind the plant. Take a scope and go along the east side of the plant to a platform in the rear to look into the landfill. The fill level has risen so that waterfowl are now unlikely.

Gulls, terns, shorebirds: spring and fall. Common Eider, Peregrine Falcon, Whimbrel, Marbled and Hudsonian Godwits, Am. Avocet, Laughing Gull, Snowy Owl.

5. Burke Lakefront Airport (N. Marginal Rd. west of Lakeside Yacht Club) airport abutting the lake with weedy and wooded areas at the east end. Pull into spaces along the fence and take a scope up the hill where there is a road crossover. Check runways as well as grassy areas.

Hawks, owls, shorebirds: nearly all year. Little Blue Heron, Peregrine Falcon, Piping Plover, Whimbrel, Buff-breasted Sandpiper, Hudsonian Godwit, Pomarine Jaeger, Snowy Owl.

6. Donald Gray Gardens (E. 9th St. north to the end, left to the Cleveland Memorial Stadium) small park on north side of the stadium with pine trees, weedy areas and ivy-covered slopes. Undergoing "improvement" which is detrimental. Park in stadium parking when possible--avoid when events scheduled at the stadium.

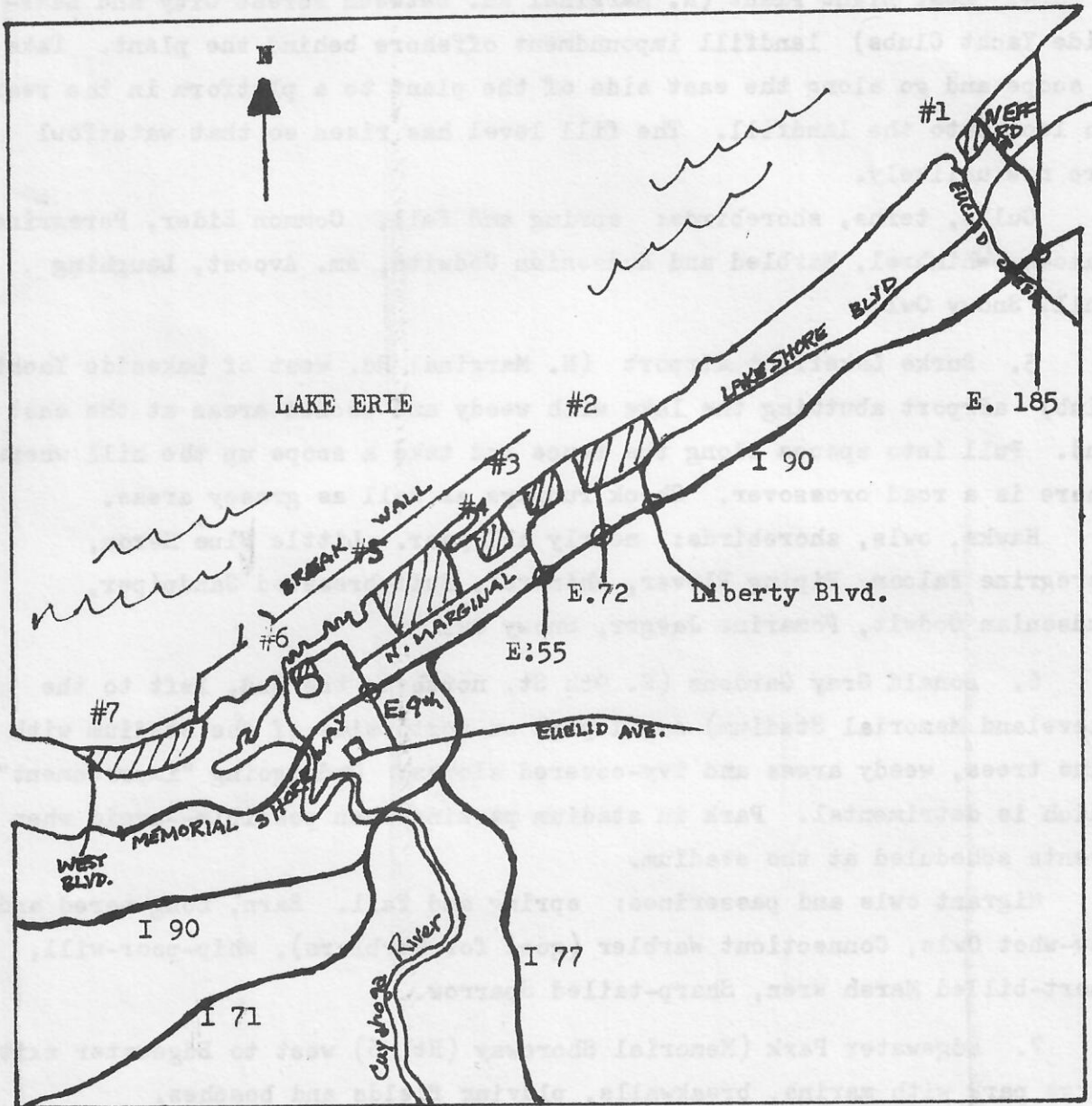
Migrant owls and passerines: spring and fall. Barn, Long-eared and Saw-whet Owls, Connecticut warbler (good for warblers), Whip-poor-will, Short-billed Marsh Wren, Sharp-tailed Sparrow.

7. Edgewater Park (Memorial Shoreway (Rt. 6) west to Edgewater exit) large park with marina, breakwalls, playing fields and beaches.

Perkins Beach (continue west to the end of the Shoreway, to West Blvd, north into parking area at lake) actually bluff above the beach at extreme west end of Edgewater Park. Overlooks slightly protected bend in the shoreline where waterfowl may congregate. Excellent lookout for spring hawk migration.

Hawks, gulls, waterfowl, migrant passerines: spring and fall, winter until iced up. Red-throated Loon, Red-necked Grebe, Gannet, Brant, Oldsquaw, Harlequin Duck, King Eider, Scoters, Glaucous and Little Gulls.

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CLEVELAND LAKEFRONT (expanded between shoreline and Shoreway)

