

**BIRDS AROUND THE STATE:
JANUARY-DECEMBER 2013**

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The following is a summary of noteworthy bird sightings in Mississippi for the period 1 January through 31 December 2013. The sequence of information in each account is: species, number, date, place, observer(s), and significance. Numbers of birds sighted are underlined. The significance of sightings is indicated by letters in parentheses following a record. These letters are as follows: (A) = arrival date, (Ac) = accidental, (Ca) = casual, (D) = departure date, (E) = early date, (L) = late date, (N) = unusually large number, (R) = species rare in area, (RS) = species rare in that season, (U) = species uncommon in area, (US) = species uncommon in that season. Other abbreviations used include the following: ad = adult, alt = alternate, Co. = County, Cos. = Counties, f = female/s, Hwy. = Highway, imm = immature/s, m = male/s, mi = mile/s, m.ob. = many observers, MSU = Mississippi State University, NWR = National Wildlife Refuge, pl = plumage, Rd. = Road, S.L. = Sewage Lagoon, S.P. = State Park, and WMA = Wildlife Management Area. The list of sightings is followed by a key to observers' initials and a gazetteer of localities.

Contributions of records are welcome from anyone who makes observations of Mississippi birds. Only with the assistance of many individuals from throughout the state over a period of years can we come to understand the dynamics of the bird populations of Mississippi. Contributors should submit records on 3" x 5" cards or similar-sized slips of

paper with one record per card including the following information: species, number seen, date (including year), location (state, county, and specific location), observer(s), and details and significance of the observation. Very unusual records should be accompanied by full details including description of bird, details of observation, and explanation of how similar species were eliminated. While records are welcome at any time, those received by 15 March, 15 June, 15 August, and 15 December will be submitted with the seasonal report to *North American Birds* (formerly known as *Audubon Field Notes and American Birds*), and will also be considered for use in *The Mississippi Kite*. Please send all records to:

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BLACK-BELLIED WHISTLING-DUCK -- 5 (2 copulating), 8 Jun., off Hwy. 61, DeSoto Co., JHo (U nesting species); 5, 27 Jul., off Old Hwy. 61 west of Walls, DeSoto Co., JHo, TB (U nesting species); 2, 5 Aug., Coldwater River NWR, Tallahatchie Co., JHo, BR (U); 1 f, 6 imms, 31 Oct., St. Catherine Creek NWR, Adams Co., NWi (U, late nesting)

ROSS'S GOOSE -- 8 ad, 5 Jan., Black Belt Experiment Station, Brooksville, TS, MS (U); 1 ad, 1 imm, 5-9 Jan., Goose Overlook, Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS, MS, JH (U); 5 ad, 8 Feb., near Brooksville, TS (U); 5 ad, 11 Feb., Catalpa Creek Bottoms, TS (U); 4 ad, 6 Dec., MSU North Farm, TS (U); 1 ad, 26 Dec., Lynn Creek Rd. 7 mi west of Brooksville, TS (U)

CAKCLING GOOSE -- 1, 11 Jan., Hambrick Rd., Tunica Co., JHo (U)

BLUE-WINGED TEAL -- 1 m, 10-15 Dec., Goose Overlook, Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., JH, TS (US)

LESSER SCAUP -- 1 m, 29 May-3 Oct., West Point S.L., TS (RS)

SURF SCOTER -- 1-4 f/imm, 31 Oct.-3 Nov., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS, JH (R); 1 f/imm, 9 Dec., Engineer's Point, Sardis Lake, Panola Co., GK, SK (R); 3 f/imm, 9-13 Dec., Lower Sardis Lake, JR, JHo, GK, SK (R)

WHITE-WINGED SCOTER -- 3, 5 Jan., Columbus Lake, Lowndes Co., DP, JP, FD (R); 3 f/imm, 9-15 Dec., Lower Sardis Lake, JR, JHo, GK, SK, m.ob. (R); 1 ad m, 9-15 Dec., Upper Sardis Lake, Panola Co., JR, JHo, GK, SK (R)

BLACK SCOTER -- 1 imm, 3 Nov., 2 ad m, 6 f/imm, 30 Nov., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS, MS, JH (R); 1 f, 9-15 Dec., Lower Sardis Lake, JR, JHo, GK, SK, m.ob. (R); 1 f/imm, 14-15 Dec., Lynn Creek Rd. 7 mi west of Brooksville, JH, TS (R)

COMMON GOLDENEYE -- 17 f/imm, 2 m, 7 Dec., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (U, N)

COMMON MERGANSER -- 2 f, 11 Dec., Wallace Creek boat landing, Enid Lake, Yalobusha Co., GK (R); 1 f, 31 Dec., Arkabutla Lake dam, Tate Co., JHo, GK, JR (R)

RED-BREASTED MERGANSER -- 7, 8 Dec., Tupelo S.L., WP (U)

RED-THROATED LOON -- 1, 5 Jan., Bay Springs Lake, Tishomingo Co., WP (R)

COMMON LOON -- 1 alt pl, 5 Jun., Tishomingo S.P., Tishomingo Co., MS, RP (L)

WESTERN GREBE -- 1, 15 Apr., Bluff Lake, Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS, MS, DP, JP, MC, ZL, JH (Ca); 1, 17 Apr.-7 May, Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS, MS, RB, WP, m.ob. (Ca) [Review List Species]

WOOD STORK -- 3, 28 Jun., Lynn Creek Rd. 7 mi west of Brooksville, JH (U, A); 1-75, 3 Jul.-19 Sep., Bluff Lake, Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS, JH (U); 1, 14 Aug., Catalpa Creek Bottoms, TS (U); 100, 17 Aug., Lynn Creek Rd. 7 mi west of Brooksville, JH (U)

BROWN BOOBY -- 1, 30 Aug., West Ship Island, TSt (Ac, 1st state record) [Review List Species]

ANHINGA -- 16 (1 m), 1 Jan.-30 Nov., Noxubee NWR, Noxubee and Oktibbeha Cos., TS, MS, ZL, JH (RS, R nesting species); 5 flying, 29 Apr., Columbus, TS, MS (U); 1, 6 Jul., Ross Branch Reservoir, Noxubee NWR, Winston Co., TS (U, R nesting species); 8, 17 Aug., Lynn Creek Rd. 7 mi west of Brooksville, JH (U, R nesting species); 1, 26 Sep., near Officer's Lake, Lowndes Co., DP, JP (U, R nesting species)

AMERICAN WHITE PELICAN -- 6, 1 Jun., Birmingham Ridge Rd., Lee Co., WP (U); 1, 11-23 Jul., Columbus Lake, Lowndes Co., TS, DS (U)

BROWN PELICAN -- 1 imm, 27-30 Mar., Bluff Lake, Noxubee NWR, Noxubee and Oktibbeha Cos., TS, MS, DP, MC (R); 1 ad, 1-3 May, Columbus Lake, Lowndes Co., TS MS, DP, JP (R); 1 imm, 9 Oct.-5 Nov., Sardis Lake dam, Panola Co., GK, SK, JHo, m.ob. (R)

AMERICAN BITTERN -- 2, 14 Apr., Pipeline Rd., Ross Barnett Reservoir, Madison Co., JHo (U); 1, 21 Apr., Bluff Lake, Noxubee NWR, Noxubee and Oktibbeha Cos., JH (U); 1, 14 Dec., Bluff Lake, Noxubee NWR, Oktibbeha Co., GC, JC (RS); 1, 17-18 Dec., 4 mi north of Columbus, Lowndes Co., DP, JP, TS, JH (RS)

GREAT EGRET -- 1, 8 Dec., Tupelo S.L., WP (RS)

TRICOLORED HERON -- 1 imm, 1 Aug., Columbus Lake, Lowndes Co., FD (R)

BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT-HERON -- 1 ad, 9 May, Bluff Lake, Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS (U, D); 1, 4 Jul., Bluff Lake, Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., JH (RS); 1 ad, 1 imm, 11 Aug., Bluff Lake, Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., JH (U)

GLOSSY IBIS -- 1, 19 Aug., Dutch Brake, Sunflower Co., JHo, SN, JR (R)

ROSEATE SPOONBILL -- 8, 1 Oct., Gum Pond Rd., Tunica Co., JHo, JR (U)

OSPREY -- 2 ad, 2 imm at nest, 7 Mar.-10 Jun., Columbus Lake, Lowndes Co., TS, MS (R nesting species); 1, 25 Dec., Papermill Rd., Grenada, GK, SK (RS)

BALD EAGLE -- 2 ad, 1 imm at nest, 1 Jan.-24 Mar., Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., MC (R nesting species); 1 large imm at nest, 1 May, Officer's Lake, Lowndes Co., TS, MS (R nesting species)

RED-TAILED HAWK -- 1 "Krider's", 13 Jan., Tupelo, WP (R)

ROUGH-LEGGED HAWK -- 1, 5 Jan., Tunica Co. Landfill, DPr, KK, m.ob. (Ac) [Review List Species]

GOLDEN EAGLE -- 1 ad, 19-20 Jan., Douglas Bluff Rd., Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., SR, SL (R); 1-2 photographed at camera trap, 11-31 Dec., Noxubee NWR, Winston Co., SR (R)

YELLOW RAIL -- 1-25, 4 Jan.-12 Mar., Mississippi Sandhill Crane NWR, Jackson Co., KM, MB, JF, EH, JHo (R); 1-3, 23 Jan.-22 Feb., Grand Bay Mitigation Bank, Jackson Co., KM, MB, JF, EH (R)

KING RAIL -- 2 heard only, 3 Sep., Lake Harbor Rd., Ross Barnett Reservoir, Rankin Co., JHo (U)

VIRGINIA RAIL -- 1, 1-5 Jan., Lynn Creek Rd. 7 mi west of Brooksville, TS (RS); 1, 6 Jan., Coldwater River NWR, Quitman Co., JH (RS); 1, 6 Jan. and 1, 8 Apr., Coldwater River NWR, Tallahatchie Co., JHo, AS (RS); 1, 20 Apr., Josephine Rd., Tunica Co., JHo, NL (R); 1 dead, 16 Sep., MSU campus, DC, TS (R); 1 heard only, 20 Oct., Coldwater River NWR, Tallahatchie Co., JHo, (R); 1, 14 Dec., Loakfoma Lake, Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., JH (RS)

SORA -- 1, 7 Apr., Bluff Lake, Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., JH (U); 1, 14-15 Apr., Bluff Lake, Noxubee NWR, Oktibbeha Co., JH, DP, JP, ZL, TS (U); 4, 20 Apr., Josephine Rd., Tunica Co., JHo, NL (U); 4, 15 Sep. and 12, 20 Oct., Coldwater River NWR, Quitman Co., JHo (U)

PURPLE GALLINULE -- 6, 20 Apr., Pipeline Rd., Ross Barnett Reservoir, Madison Co., JHo, NL (U); 1 ad, 1-3 May, Columbus Lake, Lowndes Co., TS, MS, DP, JP (R); 3, 1-28 May, Loakfoma Lake, Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS (R); 1-3, 11 May-16 Aug., Bluff Lake, Noxubee NWR, Oktibbeha Co., TS, JH (R)

COMMON GALLINULE -- 1-10, 16 Apr.-31 May, Bluff Lake and Loakfoma Lake, Noxubee NWR, Oktibbeha and Noxubee Cos., TS, MS, JH (R); 4, 20 Apr., Pipeline Rd., Ross Barnett Reservoir, Madison Co., JHo, m.ob. (U)

SANDHILL CRANE -- 21, 11 Jan., Tunica Co., JH (U); 53, 19-20 Jan., Cooksville Rd., Noxubee Co., TS, MS, LB (R); 65, 3 Feb., Buck Island Rd., JH (U); 10, 24 Nov., Buck Island Rd., JHo, TB (U); 1-41, 16-31 Dec., Cooksville Rd. east of McLeod, Noxubee Co., DP, JP, JH, TS, MS (R); 625, 30 Dec., Holly Grove Rd. near Ballentine, Panola Co., JHo (U, N)

AMERICAN AVOCET -- 1, 18 Dec., Graysport Landing, Grenada Lake, Grenada Co., MSw, DB, JB (RS)

BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER -- 4, 11 Nov., Yalobusha Co. Rd. 431, Enid Lake, GK, JR (RS)

AMERICAN GOLDEN-PLOVER -- 2, 30 Aug., A&D Turf Farm, GK, SK, (RS); 2, 2 Sep., Walls, DeSoto Co., GK, SK,

JHo, JR, SN (RS); 6, 2 Sep., Battle Sod Field, Tunica Co., GK, SK, JHo, JR, SN (RS); 3, 21 Sep., Phillips Brothers Catfish Ponds, GK, SK, JHo, JR, SN (RS)

SNOWY PLOVER -- 1, 14 Mar., Horn Island, JHo, TB (R nesting species)

SPOTTED SANDPIPER -- 1, 1 Jan.-18 Feb., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (RS); 1, 11-31 Dec., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (RS)

WILLET -- 1, 2 Sep., Gum Pond Rd., Tunica Co., GK, SK, JHo, JR (U)

UPLAND SANDPIPER -- 1, 8 Aug., A&D Turf Farm, GK, SK, JHo, SN (U)

HUDSONIAN GODWIT -- 1, 21 Sep., Phillips Brothers Catfish Ponds, JHo, JR, GK, SN, NW (Ac) [Review List Species]

SANDERLING -- 3, 21 Sep., Phillips Brothers Catfish Ponds, JHo, GK, NW, JR, SN (R)

DUNLIN -- 3, 19 Jan., Cooksville Rd. 2 mi east of McLeod, Noxubee Co., TS, MS (RS); 1 alt pl, 19 Apr., Catalpa Creek Bottoms, TS (RS)

BUFF-BREASTED SANDPIPER -- 1, 29 Aug., A&D Turf Farm, GK, JHo, JR (U); 1-7, 5-15 Sep., Battle Sod Field, Tunica Co., JHo, JR, GK (U); 1, 5 and 15 Sep., Gum Pond Rd., Tunica Co., JHo, JR (U); 1, 20 Sep., MSU North Farm, MG (U)

LONG-BILLED DOWITCHER -- 1 basic pl, 31 Mar., Starkville S.L., TS (RS); 3 alt pl, 28 Apr., MSU North Farm, TS, MS, JH (RS)

WILSON'S PHALAROPE -- 1, alt pl m, 15 May, Coldwater River NWR, Quitman Co., JHo, TB (U); 1, 2 and 15 Sep., Gum Pond Rd., Tunica Co., JHo, GK, JR (U); 5-6, 20-22 Sep., Sky Lake, Humphreys Co., JHo, JR, SN (U)

RAZORBILL -- 1 dead, 27 Apr., West Ship Island, LG (Ac, 1st state record) [Review List Species]

LAUGHING GULL -- 1 basic pl ad, 18 Jan., Columbus Lake, Lowndes Co., TS (R); 4 1st summer pl, 30 May, Columbus Lake, Lowndes Co., TS (R); 1, 1 Oct., Arkabutla Lake dam, Tate Co., JHo, JR (R)

FRANKLIN'S GULL -- 3-22, 9-25 Oct., Arkabutla Lake dam, DeSoto and Tate Cos., JHo (U); 35-68, 27 Oct.-10 Nov., Enid Lake, Yalobusha Co., JHo (U); 2, 8 and 11 Nov., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, JH, TS, MS (R); 45, 11 Nov., Kelly's Crossing, Arkabutla Lake, DeSoto Co., JHo (U); 1 1st winter pl, 11 Dec., Grenada Lake dam, Grenada Co., GK (RS)

THAYER'S GULL -- 1 1st winter pl, 1 Jan.-2 Feb., Tunica Co. Landfill, JW, GK, SK (Ca) [Review List Species]

LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL -- 1 1st winter pl, 11 Jan., Tunica Co. Landfill, JHo (R); 1 ad, 24 Sep., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (R); 1 ad, 9-31 Dec., Lower Sardis Lake, JR, JHo, GK, m.ob. (R); 1 1st winter pl, 31 Dec., Tunica Co. Landfill, GK, JR (R)

GLAUCOUS GULL -- 1 1st winter pl, 15 Jan.-18 Feb., Pascagoula, DM, PW, NB, m.ob. (Ca) [Review List Species]

GREAT BLACK-BACKED GULL -- 1 ad, 16 Mar., West Ship Island, LG, NB, DBr, JBr (Ca); 1 1st winter pl, 18 Dec., Tunica Co. Landfill, QG (Ca) [Review List Species]

LEAST TERN -- 5, 15 May, Coldwater River NWR, Quitman Co., JHo, TB (R); 1 ad, 8 Aug., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (R); 1 ad, 9 Aug., Oxford S.L., GK (R); 1 imm, 14 Aug., Columbus Lake, Lowndes Co., TS (R); 95, 2 Sep., various catfish ponds, Tunica Co., GK, SK, JHo, JR, SN (R, N)

BLACK TERN -- 14, 11 Aug., Tupelo S.L., WP (N)

COMMON TERN -- 3, 21 Sep., Phillips Brothers Catfish Ponds, JHo, JR, GK, NW, SN (R); 2-7, 1 Oct., Arkabutla Lake dam, DeSoto and Tate Cos., JHo, JR (R); 1, 1 and 9 Oct., Lower Sardis Lake, JHo, JR (R)

INCA DOVE -- 1, 5 Mar., Epps residence, Diamondhead, JHo, SE (R)

BLACK-BILLED CUCKOO -- 1, 21 Apr., Plymouth Bluff, PM, GS (R); 1, 15 May, Rowan Oak, Oxford, JHo (R); 1 photographed, 14 Oct., Meridian, FC (R)

SHORT-EARED OWL -- 3, 29 Nov., Buck Island Rd., WP (U); 2, 7 Dec., Buck Island Rd., JHo (U)

RUBY-THROATED HUMMINGBIRD -- 1 imm f, 1 Jan.-11 Apr., Burgess residence, Columbus, RB, TS, BS, MSa (RS, banded 14 Nov. 2012 by BS and MSa)

BLACK-CHINNED HUMMINGBIRD -- 1 imm f, 8 Dec., Bell residence, Carriere, JBe (R, banded by JBe)

RUFIOUS HUMMINGBIRD -- 2 f/imm, 1-21 Jan., residence behind King Bakery, Meridian, JHo (R); 1 imm f, 17-20 Aug., Box residence, Oktoc Rd., Starkville, LB, FB (R); 1 ad m, 23 Oct.-26 Dec., Patterson residence, Columbus, DP, JP, TS, MS, JH (R); 1 ad f, 18-27 Nov., Smith residence, Oxford, SS, GK, JR (R); 2 imm f, 7 Dec., Epps residence, Diamondhead, JBe (R, banded by JBe); 2 imm f, 1 ad m, 7-8 Dec., Bell residence, Carriere, JBe (R, banded by JBe)

CALLIOPE HUMMINGBIRD -- 1 imm m, 8 Dec., Bell residence, Carriere, JBe (R, banded by JBe)

BUFF-BELLIED HUMMINGBIRD -- 1, 16 Oct.-31 Dec., Johnston residence, Pascagoula, BJ, JHo (R)

AMERICAN KESTREL -- 2, 4 May, John W. Starr Memorial Forest, Loakfoma Rd., Winston Co., TS, MS (R nesting species); 1, 2 Jul., John W. Starr Memorial Forest, Moorhead Bottom Rd., Winston Co., TS (R nesting species)

MERLIN -- 1 f/imm, 21 Feb., MSU North Farm, TS (R); 1, 28 Feb., Hickory, JM (R); 1 f/imm, 18 Apr., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (R, D); 1, 22 Sep., Starkville, JH (R); 1 m, 18 Oct., near Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., MS (R); 1, 14 Dec., near Browning Creek, Oktibbeha Co., DP, JP (R)

PEREGRINE FALCON -- 1, 21 Sep., Phillips Brothers Catfish Ponds, GK, JHo, JR, SN, NW (R); 1, 23 Sep., Co. Rd. 136, Leflore Co., GK, JHo, JR, SN (R); 1 ad, 18 Oct., near Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., MS (R)

YELLOW-BELLIED FLYCATCHER -- 1 heard only, 18 Sep., Hurricane Landing, Sardis Lake, Lafayette Co., JHo (U)

LEAST FLYCATCHER -- 1, 7 Sep., Starkville, JH (U); 1, 13 Sep., Hurricane Landing, Sardis Lake, Lafayette Co., JHo (U); 1, 21 Sep., Halpino Lodge, Tara Wildlife, Warren Co., JHo, GK, m.ob. (U)

VERMILION FLYCATCHER -- 1 ad m, 1 Jan.-4 Mar., Gulfport, JHo (R); 1 ad m, 9-31 Dec., Goose Overlook, Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS, MC, JC, MS, m.ob. (R)

ASH-THROATED FLYCATCHER -- 1, 25 Oct., Heron Bay, Hancock Co., NB (Ac) [Review List Species]

EASTERN KINGBIRD -- 150+, 2 Sep., Bass Landing on the Mississippi River, DeSoto Co., GK, SK, JHo, JR, SN (N)

SCISSOR-TAILED FLYCATCHER -- 2 (nesting noted), 4-31 May, Hwy. 45 Alt near Artesia, Lowndes Co., DP, JP, m.ob. (R nesting species)

WHITE-EYED VIREO -- 1, 1 Jan.-28 Feb., P.D. Fulgham Rd. near Adaton, TS (RS); 1, 14 Dec., near Noxubee NWR, Winston Co., TS, MS (RS); 1 ad, 26 Dec., Lynn Creek Rd. 7 mi west of Brooksville, TS (RS)

WARBLING VIREO -- 1, 10 May, Starkville, JH (U, D)

PHILADELPHIA VIREO -- 1, 28 Apr., Wall Doxey S.P., TS, MS, MC (U); 1, 7 May, Columbus, MS (U); 1, 11 May, Polly Bell Rd., Oktibbeha Co., TS, MS (U, D)

BLACK-WHISKERED VIREO -- 1, 27 Apr., West Ship Island, LG (Ca, 1st photographic evidence) [Review List Species]

PURPLE MARTIN -- 1, 7 Feb., Patterson residence, Shannon, WP (E)

CAVE SWALLOW -- 2, 15 Sep., Gum Pond Rd., Tunica Co., JHo, GK, JR (R)

GRAY CATBIRD -- 1, 1 Jan.-8 Feb., P.D. Fulgham Rd. near Adaton, TS, MS (RS)

SPRAGUE'S PIPIT -- 1-2, 29-31 Dec., Holly Grove Rd. near Ballentine, Panola Co., GK, m.ob. (Ca) [Review List Species]

GOLDEN-WINGED WARBLER -- 1 m, 4 May, Plymouth Bluff, PM (U); 1 f, 14 Sep., near Tombigbee S.P., Lee Co., WP (U); 3, 22 Sep., Nettleton Hunting and Fishing Club, Monroe Co., WP (U); 1, 24 Sep., Nash Rd., Lowndes Co., DP, JP (U); 1 f, 27 Sep., Noxubee NWR, Oktibbeha Co., TS (U); 1, 28 Sep., Aberdeen Lock and Dam, Monroe Co., WP (U); 1 m, 28 Sep., P.D. Fulgham Rd. near Adaton, TS, MS (U); 1 m, 1 f, 28 Sep., Plymouth Bluff, TS, MS (U); 1, 30 Sep., Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS (U); 1, 1 Oct., Old West Point Rd. near Plymouth Bluff, TS, MS (U)

SWAINSON'S WARBLER -- 1 heard only, 6 Apr., Nettleton Hunting and Fishing Club, Monroe Co., WP (U, E); 2, 13 Apr.-22 May, Columbus, TS, MS, JH (U); 1 heard only, 30 Apr., Plymouth Bluff, TS, MS (U); 1 heard only, 30 Apr., Columbus Lake, Lowndes Co., TS, MS (U); 1 heard only, 2-4 May, Noxubee NWR, entrance rd., Oktibbeha Co.,

TS, MS (U); 1 heard only, 11 May, Co. Lake Rd., Oktibbeha Co., TS, MS (U); 2 heard only, 11 May, Polly Bell Rd., Oktibbeha Co., TS, MS (U); 1 heard only, 11 May, Harrell Rd., Oktibbeha Co., TS, MS (U); 1 heard only, 12 May, P.D. Fulgham Rd. near Adaton, TS, MS (U); 1 heard only, 15 May, Sand Rd., Oktibbeha Co., TS, MS (U); 1, 18 May, Chickasaw Village, Natchez Trace Parkway, Tupelo, WP (U); 1 heard only, 2 Jun., Eupora S.L., TS (U); 1, 6 Jul., John W. Starr Memorial Forest, Moorhead Bottom Rd., Winston Co., TS (U); 1 heard only, 28 Sep., near Plymouth Bluff, TS, MS (U, D); 1, 1 Oct., near Plymouth Bluff, TS (U, D)

NASHVILLE WARBLER -- 1, 20 Apr., Jeff Busby Park, Choctaw Co., TS, MS (U); 1, 23 Apr., Oxford, JHo (U); 1, 27 Apr., Strawberry Plains Audubon Center, Marshall Co., TS, JHo, m.ob. (U); 1, 27-28 Apr., Wall Doxey S.P., JHo (U); 1, 4 May, Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS (U, D); 1, 27 Sep., Plymouth Bluff, DP, MC (U); 1, 28 Sep., Aberdeen Lock and Dam, Monroe Co., WP (U)

CAPE MAY WARBLER -- 1 m, 23 Apr., Knight residence, Oxford, GK (R); 1, 28 Apr., Wall Doxey S.P., TS, MS, DP, MC, GK, JHo, AS (R)

CERULEAN WARBLER -- 1 m, 20 Apr., Jeff Busby Park, Choctaw Co., TS, MS (U); 1 m, 23-24 Apr., Knight residence, Oxford, GK, SK, JHo (U); 1 m, 27 Apr., Wall Doxey S.P., TS, JHo, m.ob. (U); 1 m, 4 May, Strawberry Plains Audubon Center, Marshall Co., WP, GK, m.ob., (U); 1 m, 8 May, near Adaton, TS, MS (U, D)

PALM WARBLER -- 1, 20 Jan., Crosby Corner Rd. near West Point, TS, MS (RS); 1, 8 Feb., Black Belt Experiment Station, Brooksville, TS (RS); 1, 8 Feb., Dwelling Place Rd.

near Brooksville, TS (RS); 1, 26 Dec., Dwelling Place Rd.
near Brooksville, TS (RS)

WILSON'S WARBLER -- 1, 24 Sep., Section Line Rd.,
Columbus, DP, JP (U)

BACHMAN'S SPARROW -- up to 6, 28 Mar.-19 May,
Section Line Rd., Noxubee NWR, Winston Co., TS, MS,
m.ob. (U); 1, 9 Apr., Dummy Line Rd., Noxubee NWR,
Winston Co., TS (U)

LARK SPARROW -- 2-3, 19 Apr.-20 May, Okolona Rd.,
Monroe Co., WP, JHo, TB, AS (U nesting species); 2-4, 28
Apr.-30 Jul., MSU North Farm, TS, MS, JH, ZL (U nesting
species); 1, 3 May, Black Prairie WMA, Lowndes Co., DP,
JP (U nesting species); 1, 4 May-13 Jun., Schlater Rd.,
Artesia, TS, MS (U nesting species); 1, 5 May, Matthews
Gin Rd., West Point, PM (U nesting species); 1, 6 May,
intersection of Barton Ferry Rd. and Judge Thomas Rd., Clay
Co., DP, JP (U nesting species); 1, 20 May, Hwy. 25 near
Hwy. 45 Alt, Monroe Co., JHo, TB, AS (U nesting species);
11, 9 Jun., Macon Breeding Bird Survey route 3.5 mi east of
Macon, TS, MS (U nesting species); 1-2, 20 Jun.-24 Jul.,
Prairie Wildlife, RB, TS (U nesting species); 1, 16 Aug.,
Okatibbee Lake, Lauderdale Co., FC (U); 1 ad, 1 Sep., Bass
Landing Rd., DeSoto Co., GK, SK, JHo, JR, SN (U); 3, 3
Sep., Prairie Wildlife, TS (U) 3, 4 Nov., near Prairie
Wildlife, DP, JP (U, D)

GRASSHOPPER SPARROW -- 1-2, 1 May-28 Jul., Prairie
Wildlife, TS, MS, JHo, TB, m.ob. (R nesting species)

LE CONTE'S SPARROW -- 2, 28 Jan., Sardis Waterfowl
WMA, Lafayette Co., JHo, AS (U)

NELSON'S SPARROW -- 1, 3 Mar., Lake Mars Avenue boat ramp, Jackson Co., JHo (U); 3, 1 Nov., Graveline Beach, Jackson Co., JHo (U)

LINCOLN'S SPARROW -- 2, 27 Apr., Wall Doxey S.P., TS, MS, JHo, m.ob. (U); 1, 2-7 May, Patterson residence, Shannon, WP (U); 1, 24 Oct., Starkville, JH (U); 2, 4 Nov., Prairie Wildlife, DP, JP (U)

HARRIS'S SPARROW -- 1, 30 Apr., Henderson residence, Minter City, NH (Ca) [Review List Species]

DARK-EYED JUNCO -- 1 ad m "Cassiar", 27-31 Dec., P.D. Fulgham Rd. near Adaton, TS, MS (R)

SCARLET TANAGER -- 1, 8 Jun., Natchez Trace Parkway north of Tupelo, Lee Co., WP, CF (R nesting species); 1 m, 14 Jun., 1 pair, 28 Jun., Trace S.P., Pontotoc Co., WP (R nesting species)

ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK -- 1, 23-28 Nov., Patterson residence, Shannon, WP (L)

INDIGO BUNTING -- 1, 16 Nov., Plantersville S.L., WP (L)

PAINTED BUNTING -- 1 ad m, 11-13 Apr., Huntington Park subdivision, Oktibbeha Co., JS, BL (R nesting species); 1 ad m, 10 May-24 Jul., Prairie Wildlife, TS (R nesting species); 1 pair, 26 May, intersection of Old Magnolia Hwy. and Hwy. 25, WP, CF (R nesting species); 1, 26 May, Old Magnolia Hwy. north of Prairie, WP, CF (R nesting species); 1 ad m, 29 May, Redbud Rd., Artesia, TS (R nesting species); 1 ad m, 24-28 Jul., Crosby Corner Rd. near West Point, TS, MS (R nesting species); 1-4, 26 Aug.-25 Sep.,

Prairie Wildlife, TS (RS); 1 f/imm, 10 Oct., MSU North Farm, TS (RS); 1 ad m, 6-31 Dec., Johnston residence, Pascagoula, BJ (RS)

DICKCISSEL -- 2, 2 Jun., Sabougla Creek bottoms north of Embry, Winston Co., TS (R nesting species); 1, 29 Nov., Fish Lake Rd., Tunica Co., WP (L)

WESTERN MEADOWLARK -- 10, 11 Jan., Buck Island Rd., JHo (U)

YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD -- 3 imms, 15 Sep., Gum Pond Rd., Tunica Co., GK, JHo, JR (R)

RUSTY BLACKBIRD -- 550, 2 Feb., Patterson residence, Shannon, WP (N)

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