

Birds Around the State

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The following is a summary of bird sightings in Mississippi and immediately adjacent areas by MOS members and friends. Most records are from the time period of 1 July through 30 November 1976. These records include arrival and departure dates as well as records of the occurrences of unusual species in the state. Keys to places and observers follow the list.

- COMMON LOON -- 1, 2 July - 7 July (2 on 2 July, 6 July) Horn I., WCW; 2, 6 Nov., Hattiesburg, LG; 1, 17 Nov., Oktibbeha Co. L., WCW; 25 Nov., L. Washington, E & GA.
- HORNED GREBE -- 1, 31 Aug., Hattiesburg (very early, still partially in breeding plumage), LG.
- EARED GREBE -- 2, 10 Sept., Hattiesburg, LG; 6, 23 Oct. through November, Hattiesburg, LG.
- PIED-BILLED GREBE -- 2 juvenile, 18 July, Noxubee NWR, WCW; 1, 17 Aug., Nr. Clermont Hbr., WCW, JT, LG; 30 Aug., Attala Co., JAS; 3, 1 Sept., Archer I., Ark., NH.
- WHITE PELICAN -- 45, 23 Oct., Gulfport, LG.
- BROWN PELICAN -- 1, 6 July, Horn I., WCW.
- DOUBLE-CRESTED CORMORANT -- 3, 16 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG; 1, 13 Nov., L. Mary Crawford, Monticello, CB.
- ANHINGA -- 1, 10 Sept., 13 Sept., Ansley, J & JT, AB, JI; 4, 27 Nov., L. Washington, E & GA.
- MAGNIFICENT FRIGATEBIRD -- 1 July - 2 Aug., Horn I., (Maximum 15 on 7 July) WCW; 2, 16 Aug., Bellefontaine Pt., WCW.
- CATTLE EGRET -- 60, 17 Aug., Nr. Ansley, WCW, JT, LG.
- REDDISH EGRET -- 4 July through 4 August, Horn I., (maximum 2 on 1 and 2 Aug.) WCW; 1, 1 Sept., Waveland, JT, FM, JI; 1, 4 Sept., 23 Oct., Waveland, LG; 1, 20 Nov., Buccaneer St. Pk., MOS members; 1, 24 Nov., E. Ship I., WCW.
- GREAT EGRET -- 100, 20 Aug., Yazoo NWR, E & GA; 32, 1 Sept., Huntington Pt., NH; 23, 17 Nov., Oktibbeha Co. L., WCW.
- LOUISIANA HERON -- 1, 17 Oct., Hattiesburg (late), LG.
- BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT HERON -- 3 (2 adult, 1 immature), 17 Aug., Nr. Clermont Hbr., WCW, JT, LG; 1 (adult), 23 Nov., E. Ship I., WCW
- LEAST BITTERN -- 2 (males calling), 7 July, Horn I., WCW; 1, 23 Oct., Ansley, LG.
- AMERICAN BITTERN -- 2, 23 Oct., Lyman, LG; 1, 20 Nov., Nr. Lakeshore, MOS members.
- WOOD STORK -- 72, 18 July, Noxubee NWR, WCW; 100, 20 Aug., Yazoo NWR, E & GA; 100, 31 Aug., Noxubee NWR, JAS, EWP; 5 or 10, 11 Oct., Noxubee NWR, JAJ.
- GLOSSY IBIS -- 1, 30 Aug., Waveland, J & JT.
- WHITE IBIS -- 3 (immature), 16 July, 8 mi. N. Monticello, CB; 5 (immature), 18 July, Noxubee NWR, WCW; 1 (immature), 23 July, 8 mi. N. Monticello, CB; 16, 17 Aug., Heron Bay Rd., WCW, JT, LG; 10 (immature), 20 Aug., Yazoo NWR, E & GA; 14 (1 adult, 13 immature), 31 Aug., Noxubee NWR, JAS, EWP; 20 Sept., Canton (last seen), LG; 11, (2 adult, 9 immature)

## THE MISSISSIPPI KITE

- 3 Oct, Noxubee NWR, WCW; 23 Oct., Ansley (last seen), LG.
- SNOW GOOSE -- 3, 16 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG; 4 (2 white, 2 blue), 20 Nov., Buccaneer St. Pk., WCW, WJW, JT; 52 (nearly all blue), 24 Nov., E. Ship I., WCW.
- MALLARD -- 42, 1 Sept., Huntington Pt., NH; 3, 5 Sept., Noxubee NWR, WCW; 6, 10 Sept., Hattiesburg, LG; 400, 31 Oct., Noxubee NWR, WCW.
- BLACK DUCK -- 12, 31 Oct., Noxubee NWR, WCW.
- MOTTLED DUCK -- 2, 17 Aug., Buccaneer St. Pk., WCW, JT, LG; 1, 17 Aug., Nr. Clermont Hbr., WCW, JT, LG.
- GADWALL -- 1, summered at Hattiesburg, LG.; 50, 31 Oct., Noxubee NWR, WCW.
- PINTAIL -- 12, 1 Sept., Huntington Pt., NH; 1, 5 Sept., Noxubee NWR, WCW; 10 Sept., Hattiesburg, LG; 250, 31 Oct., Noxubee NWR, WCW.
- GREEN-WINGED TEAL -- 2, 17 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG.
- BLUE-WINGED TEAL -- 7, 20 Aug., Hattiesburg, LG; 10, 20 Aug., Yazoo NWR, E & GA; 7, 31 Aug., Noxubee NWR, JAS, EWP; 7 Sept., (arrival) Attala Co., JAS.
- AMERICAN WIGEON -- 500, 31 Oct., Noxubee NWR, WCW.
- NORTHERN SHOVELER -- 1, 5 Sept., Noxubee NWR, WCW; 10, 10 Sept., Hattiesburg, LG.
- WOOD DUCK -- 25, 25 Aug., Archer I., Ark., NH.
- REDHEAD -- 5, 28 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG; 7 (4 males, 3 females), 23 Nov., Monticello sewage lagoons, CB; 1 male, 23-24 Nov., E. Ship I., WCW.
- RING-NECKED DUCK -- 9, 16 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG; 600, 31 Oct., Noxubee NWR, WCW.
- CANVASBACK -- 2, 31 Oct., Noxubee NWR, WCW; 1 female, 23 Nov., E. Ship I., WCW.
- LESSER SCAUP -- 6, 16 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG; 30, 31 Oct., Noxubee NWR, WCW.
- COMMON GOLDENEYE -- 2, 8 Nov., Hattiesburg (early), LG; 1 female, 20 Nov., Nr. Lakeshore, MOS members; 1 female, 23 & 24 Nov., E. Ship I., WCW.
- BUFFLEHEAD -- 9, 8 Nov., Hattiesburg, LG; 6, 17 Nov., Oktibbeha Co. L., WCW.
- RUDDY DUCK -- 8 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG; 25, 31 Oct., Noxubee NWR, WCW; 6 Nov., Hattiesburg, LG; 4 (2 males, 2 females), 16 Nov., Monticello sewage lagoons, CB.
- RED-BREASTED MERGANSER -- 7, 6 Nov., Hattiesburg, LG; 4 (1 male, 3 females or juveniles), 17 Nov., Oktibbeha Co. L.
- TURKEY VULTURE -- 70, 23 Oct., Noxubee NWR, JAJ.
- BLACK VULTURE -- 90, 22 Aug., Noxubee NWR, WCW; 96, 23 Oct., Noxubee NWR, JAJ.
- MISSISSIPPI KITE -- 24 July, Columbus, JAJ; 25, 4 Aug., Yazoo NWR, E & GA; 1, 25 Aug., Durant, JAS; 2 ad., 1 Sept., Archer I., Ark., NH; 2, Sept. (departure), Washington Co., E. & GA; 4 Sept., Wiggins, LG.
- SHARP-SHINNED HAWK -- 2, 17 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG; 1, 25 Nov. and 27 Nov., Yazoo NWR; E & GA.
- COOPER'S HAWK -- 1, 1 Sept., Archer I., Ark., NH
- RED-TAILED HAWK -- 1 ad., 12 July, near Latimer, WCW; 20 Sept. (arrival), Washington Co., E. & GA.
- BROAD-WINGED HAWK -- 1, 16 July, D'Iberville, WCW; 10, 3 Aug., Leroy Percy St. Pk., E & GA.
- MARSH HAWK -- 1, 7 Aug., Huntington Pt., NH; 21 Sept., Hattiesburg, LG; 1 female, 23 Sept., Attala Co., JAS.
- OSPREY -- 1, 16 Aug., Bellefontaine Pt., WCW; 2, 25 Sept., Oktibbeha Co. L., CBF, 1, 23 Oct., Noxubee NWR, JAJ; 2, 23 Nov., E. Ship I., WCW.

- AMERICAN KESTREL -- 3 Aug. (arrival), Washington Co., E & GA.  
 WILD TURKEY -- 8, 9 Aug, near Latimer, WCW; 2 females, 15 young, 21 Aug., Archer I., Ark., NH.  
 SANDHILL CRANE -- 1, 15 Aug., near Larue, WCW.  
 CLAPPER RAIL -- 1 large chick with ads., 3 Aug., Horn I., WCW.  
 VIRGINIA RAIL -- 1, 5 Sept., Noxubee NWR, WCW, WJW, BS; 21 Sept., Hattiesburg, LG.  
 PURPLE GALLINULE -- 23 Oct., Lyman, LG.  
 COMMON GALLINULE -- 2 July - 4 Aug., (1 Juv. on 4 Aug.) Horn I., WCW; 2 juv., 17 Aug., Nr. Clermont Hbr., WCW, JT, LG.  
 AMERICAN COOT -- 6, summered at Hattiesburg, LG; 23 Sept.(arrival), Attala Co., JAS; 1500-2000, 23 Oct., Noxubee NWR, JAJ.  
 SEMIPALMATED PLOVER -- 1-3 Aug., Horn I., (max 2 on 2 and 3 Aug.), WCW; 1, 22 Aug., Noxubee NWR, WCW.  
 PIPING PLOVER -- 1-3 Aug., Horn I., (max. 13 on 3 Aug.), WCW; 3, Aug. 17, Gulfport, WCW, JT, LG; 1, 22 Aug., Noxubee NWR, WCW; 5, 23 Nov., E. Ship I., WCW.  
 SNOWY PLOVER -- 1 July - 4 Aug., (max. 4 on 2 July), Horn I., WCW; 2, 23 and 24 Nov., E. Ship I., WCW.  
 WILSON'S PLOVER -- 1 July - 3 Aug., Horn I., (max. 4 on 1 July, 3 Aug.) WCW.  
 KILLDEER -- 200, 22 Aug., Noxubee NWR, WCW; flocks of 10 to 15, 1 Sept., Huntington Pt., NH; many flocks, 14 Nov., Bolivar Co., NH.  
 AMERICAN GOLDEN PLOVER -- 23 Oct., Gulfport (broken leg), LG.  
 BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER -- 1 July - 4 Aug., Horn I., (max. 6 on 1 and 3 Aug), WCW; 1 in breeding plumage, 11 Aug., Waveland, J & JT.  
 RUDDY TURNSTONE -- 5, 17 Aug., Gulfport, WCW, JT, LG.  
 WOODCOCK -- 17 Oct. (arrival), Washington Co., E & GA.  
 COMMON SNIBE -- 14, 3 Oct., Noxubee NWR, WCW; 8 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG; 17 Oct. (arrival), Washington Co., E & GA; 60, 17 Nov., Oktibbeha Co. L., WCW.  
 UPLAND SANDPIPER -- 2, 17 Aug., Gulfport, WCW, JT, LG.  
 SPOTTED SANDPIPER -- 1, 30 July, Horn I., WCW; 1, 29 Sept., Noxubee NWR, WCW.  
 SOLITARY SANDPIPER -- 4 to 12, August, Yazoo NWR, E & GA; 2, 17 Aug., Buccaneer St. Pk., WCW, JT, LG; 1, 5 Sept., Noxubee NWR, WCW, WJW, BS.  
 GREATER YELLOWLEGS -- 1, 2-7 July, Horn I., WCW; 1, 18 July, Noxubee NWR, WCW; 4, 30 Aug., Waveland, J & JT; 9, 31 Oct., Noxubee NWR, WCW.  
 LESSER YELLOWLEGS -- 1, 18 July, Noxubee NWR, WCW; 1, 1 Aug., Waveland, JT; 1, 1, 4 Aug., Horn I., WCW; 12, 22 Aug., Noxubee NWR, WCW.  
 PECTORAL SANDPIPER -- 2, 18 July, Noxubee NWR, WCW; 1, 4 Aug., Horn I., WCW; 4 Aug., Yazoo NWR, E & GA; 3, 17 Aug., Buccaneer St. Pk., WCW, JT, LG; 300, 22 Aug., Noxubee NWR, WCW; 35, 3 Oct., Noxubee NWR, WCW; 2, 20 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG; 1, 17 Nov., Oktibbeha Co. L., WCW.  
 LEAST SANDPIPER -- 1, 6 July, Horn I., WCW; 15, 18 July, Noxubee NWR, WCW; many, 1 Sept., Huntington Pt., Archer I., NH; 30, 5 Sept., Noxubee NWR, WCW, WJW, BS; 17 Oct. to 25 Nov., (400 on 7 Nov.), Greenville treatment plant, E & GA; 45, 17 Nov., Oktibbeha Co. L., WCW.  
 DUNLIN -- 17 Aug., Waveland, LG; 1, 17 Nov., Oktibbeha Co. L., WCW; 350, 20 Nov., Buccaneer St. Pk. & vicinity, MOS members.  
 SHORT-BILLED DOWITCHER -- 1, 1 July, Horn I., WCW; 3, 3 Aug., Horn I., WCW.

- DOWITCHER SP. -- 7, 1 Aug., Waveland, JT; 3, 31 Aug., Noxubee NWR, JAS, EWP.
- SEMIPALMATED SANDPIPER -- 5, 4 Aug., Horn I., WCW; 5, 31 Aug., Noxubee NWR, JAS, EWP.
- WESTERN SANDPIPER -- 2, 4 Aug., Horn I., WCW; 4, 17 Aug., Buccaneer St. Pk., WCW, JT, LG.
- MARbled GODWIT -- 1, 24 Aug., Waveland, J & JT.
- SANDERLING -- 10, 2 July, Horn I., WCW; 1-4 Aug., Horn I., (max. 15 on 1 Aug.), WCW; 200, 17 Aug., Buccaneer St. Pk., WCW, JT, LG; 50, 23-24 Nov., E. Ship I., WCW.
- AMERICAN AVOCET -- 1, 24 Aug., Bay St. Louis, J & JT; 2, 1 Sept., Waveland (1), Buccaneer St. Pk. (1), JT, FM, JL; 4 Sept., Buccaneer St. Pk. LG
- NORTHERN PHALAROPE -- 1, 11-13 Sept., Kosciusko, JAS, RW; 1, 21 Sept., Hattiesburg, LG (first state records -- see details, this issue).
- HERRING GULL -- 16 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG.
- RING-BILLED GULL -- 16 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG.
- LAUGHING GULL -- 300, 17 Aug., Buccaneer St. Pk., WCW, JT, LG.
- GULL-BILLED TERN -- 2, 1-2 July, Horn I., WCW; 1, 31 July, (birds nesting in June), Spoil I., Horn I. Pass, WCW, JS; chick begging from ad., 17 Aug., Nr. Clermont Hbr., WCW, JT, LG; 1, 4 Aug., Horn I., WCW.
- FORSTER'S TERN -- 8 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG; 50, 20 Nov., Clermont Harbor, MOS members.
- LEAST TERN -- 1, 16 July, Hattiesburg, LG
- ROYAL TERN -- 75 nests, 1 July, Spoil I., Horn I. Pass, JWP; 150, 17 Aug., Buccaneer St. Pk., WCW, JT, LG.
- SANDWICH TERN -- 1 July - 4 Aug., Horn I., (max. 60 on 1 July), WCW; 411 nests, 1 July, Spoil I., Horn I. Pass, JWP; 500 ad., 50+ young, 31 July, Spoil I., Horn I. Pass, WCW, JS.
- CASPIAN TERN -- 1, 6 July, 31 July, Horn I., WCW; 1, 31 July, (birds nesting in June), Spoil I., Horn I. Pass, WCW, JS; 10 Sept., Hattiesburg, LG; 10, 20 Nov., Clermont Harbor, MOS members.
- BLACK TERN -- 9, 16 July, Hattiesburg, LG; 1 ad., 18 July, Loakfoma L., WCW; 1 July - 4 Aug., Horn I., (max. 400 on 31 July), WCW; 4 Aug., Yazoo NWR, E & GA; 1, 31 Aug., Noxubee NWR, JAS, EWP.
- BLACK SKIMMER -- colony of 40 nests, all with eggs, 2 July, Horn I., WCW; 250 ad., 50+ chicks, 31 July, Spoil I., Horn I. Pass, WCW, JS.
- WHITE-WINGED DOVE -- 2, 23 Oct., Buccaneer St. Pk. (both rather tame), LG.
- YELLOW-BILLED CUCKOO -- 26 Sept. (departure), Washington Co., E & GA; 1, 10 Nov., Archer I., Ark., NH.
- BARN OWL -- ad. feeding young, 21 July, MSU campus, WCW.
- SCREECH OWL -- 2, 15 Aug., near Larue, WCW; 2, 27 Aug., JP Coleman St. Pk., WCW.
- BARRED OWL -- 2, 20 Nov., Buccaneer St. Pk., MOS members; 3, 2 Sept., Archer I., NH.
- CHIMNEY SWIFT -- nest with young, 2 Aug., Horn I., WCW; 50 (migrating), 9 Oct., L. Lowndes, WCW.
- COMMON NIGHTHAWK -- flock of 26, 27 Sept., Greenville, E & GA; many, 12 Oct., Archer I., Ark., NH, E & GA.
- RUBY-THROATED HUMMINGBIRD -- 1, 7 July, Horn I., WCW; 1, 11 July, Ocean Springs, WCW; 22 Sept. (departure), Washington Co., E & GA.

- RUFIOUS HUMMINGBIRD -- 1 female (possibly 2), 23 Nov., E. Ship I., WCW.  
(Identification not 100% certain - slim chance that bird could have been Broad-tailed. Rufous feathers at base of tail clearly seen when bird perched, color of sides not noted). If correct, 2nd for state.
- PILEATED WOODPECKER -- Small groups, 2 Sept., Archer I., Ark., NH.
- RED-HEADED WOODPECKER -- 10 to 12, 2 Sept., Archer I., Ark., NH.
- YELLOW-BELLIED SAPSUCKER -- 3 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG; 1, 3 Oct., Noxubee NWR, WCW; 10 Oct. (arrival), Washington Co., E & GA; 2, 23 Nov., E. Ship I., WCW.
- RED-COCKADED WOODPECKER -- 1, 23 July, near Latimer, WCW; 1, 23 Oct., near Ansley, LG.
- EASTERN KINGBIRD -- flock of 15, 23 Aug., Yazoo NWR, E & GA.
- GRAY KINGBIRD -- 1, 30 July, 31 July, Horn I., WCW.
- GREAT CRESTED FLYCATCHER -- 20 Sept. (departure), Washington Co., E & GA.
- EASTERN PHOEBE -- 1, 14 Sept., Gulfport, JT; 16 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG; 19 Oct. (arrival), Washington Co., E & GA.
- EASTERN WOOD PEWEE -- 1, 8 Oct., Choctaw L., WCW; 17 Oct. (departure), Washington Co., E & GA.
- VERMILION FLYCATCHER -- 1 male, 19 Oct., L. Jackson, E & GA; 2 males, 27 Nov., L. Jackson, E & GA.
- HORNED LARK -- flock, 14 Nov., Nr. Winterville, Washington Co., NH.
- TREE SWALLOW -- 1, 17 Aug., Gulfport, LG; 4 Sept. (arrival), Attala Co., JAS; 20, 29 Sept., Noxubee NWR, WCW; 1000, 19 Oct., L. Jackson, E & GA; few, 23 Oct., Noxubee NWR, JAJ; many, flying S, 7 Nov., Archer I., Ark., NH.
- ROUGH-WINGED SWALLOW -- 75 to 100, 10 Oct., Mississippi R. near Greenville, E & GA.
- BARN SWALLOW -- 40, 17 Aug., Yazoo NWR, E & GA; 30, 23 Oct., Noxubee NWR, JAJ; 7, 28 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG; 2, 20 Nov., Nr. Lakeshore, MOS members.
- PURPLE MARTIN -- 150, 2 July, Horn I., WCW; 250, 29 July, near Latimer, WCW; 11 Aug. (migrant flock), Choctaw, NH; 17 Aug. (departure), Washington Co., E & GA.
- FISH CROW -- nest with young, 1-4 Aug., Horn I., WCW.
- WHITE-BREASTED NUTHATCH -- 1, 8 Sept., 23 Sept., Buccaneer St. Pk., J & JT; 6 Oct., Hattiesburg (uncommon here), LG.
- BROWN CREEPER -- 1, 2 Oct., Noxubee NWR (caught and banded), JAJ; 3 Nov., Hattiesburg, LG.
- HOUSE WREN -- 8 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG; 10 Oct. (arrival), Washington Co., E & GA; 8, 23 Nov., E. Ship I., WCW.
- WINTER WREN -- 2, 31 Oct., Noxubee NWR, WCW.
- BEWICK'S WREN -- 30 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG.
- LONG-BILLED MARSH WREN -- 1, 29 Sept., Attala Co., JAS (first county record?).
- SHORT-BILLED MARSH WREN -- 1, 31 Oct., Noxubee NWR, WCW.
- CATBIRD -- 3 Oct., Warfield Park, E & GA; several, 10 Oct., Archer I., Ark., NH; 1, 12 Oct., Starkville, JAJ; 17 Oct., Warfield Park, E & GA.
- AMERICAN ROBIN -- "thousands", 3 Nov., Archer I., Ark., NH.
- HERMIT THRUSH -- 2, 20 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG; 2, 17 Nov., Oktibbeha Co. L. WCW.

- BLUE-GRAY GNATCATCHER -- pair feeding young cowbird, 18 July, Noxubee NWR, WCW; 20 Sept. (departure), Washington Co., E & GA.
- GOLDEN-CROWNED KINGLET -- 10 Oct. (arrival), Washington Co., E & GA; 6, 31 Oct., Noxubee NWR, WCW; 12, 8 Nov., Hattiesburg, LG.
- RUBY-CROWNED KINGLET -- 2, 3 Oct., Noxubee NWR, WCW; 10 Oct. (arrival), Washington Co., E & GA; 40, 20 Nov., Buccaneer St. Pk., MOS members.
- WATER PIPIT -- 1, 9 Oct., L. Lowndes, WCW; 15, 31 Oct., Noxubee NWR, WCW; 10, 17 Nov., Oktibbeha Co. L., WCW.
- CEDAR WAXWING -- 2, 22 Aug., Noxubee NWR, WCW; 1, 23 Sept., MSU campus, WCW; 12, 14 Nov., Archer I., Ark., NH.
- WHITE-EYED VIREO -- 1, 3 Oct., Noxubee NWR, WCW; many, 10 Oct., Archer I., Ark., NH.
- YELLOW-THROATED VIREO -- 10 Oct., Warfield Park, E & GA.
- SOLITARY VIREO -- 26 Sept. (arrival), Washington Co., E & GA; 2, 8 Nov., Hattiesburg, LG; 1, 27 Nov., Ocean Springs, WCW.
- RED-EYED VIREO -- 1, 2-7 July, Horn I., WCW; 19 Sept., Warfield Park, E & GA.
- PHILADELPHIA VIREO -- 15 Sept., Attala Co., JAS.
- WARBLING VIREO -- 17 Oct., Hattiesburg (late, careful study), LG.
- BLACK-AND-WHITE WARBLER -- 2 - 4 Aug., Horn I., (max. 2 on 2 and 3 Aug.), WCW; 23 Sept., Attala Co., JAS, RW.
- PROTHONOTARY WARBLER -- 2, 3 Aug., Horn I., WCW; 4 Aug. (departure), Washington Co., E & GA; ad. feeding fledgling, Aug. (date?) Archer I., Ark., NH.
- SWAINSON'S WARBLER -- 2, 18 July, Noxubee NWR, WCW; 1, 14 Sept., Gulfport, JT.
- WORM-EATING WARBLER -- Pair nesting; nest photographed, 16-20 May, 10 mi. SE Vicksburg, Hal Moore & Lewis Cashman (sorry we overlooked this in last issue!).
- GOLDEN-WINGED WARBLER -- 5 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG.
- BLUE-WINGED WARBLER -- 1, 8 Aug., near Latimer, WCW; 1 male, 23 Sept., Attala Co., JAS, RW; 23 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG.
- BREWSTER'S WARBLER -- 7 Oct., Hattiesburg (all field marks well seen), LG.
- TENNESSEE WARBLER -- 19 Sept. to 17 Oct., Warfield Park, E & GA; 30 Oct., Hattiesburg (last seen), LG.
- ORANGE-CROWNED WARBLER -- 2, 16 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG; 1, 20 Nov., Buccaneer St. Pk., MOS members.
- NASHVILLE WARBLER -- 1, 14 Sept., Gulfport, JT; 19 Sept. to 17 Oct., Warfield Park, E & GA; 3, 30 Sept., Attala Co., JAS, RW.
- YELLOW WARBLER -- 2, 3 Aug., Horn I., WCW.
- NORTHERN PARULA -- ads. feeding fledglings, 20 July, Archer I., Ark., NH
- MAGNOLIA WARBLER -- 16 Sept., Attala Co., JAS; 20 Oct., Hattiesburg (last seen), LG.
- YELLOW-RUMPED WARBLER -- 15, 9 Oct., L. Lowndes, WCW; 2, 16 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG; 17 Oct. (arrival) Washington Co., E & GA; 100, 23 Nov., E. Ship I., WCW.
- BLACK-THROATED GREEN WARBLER -- 2, 3 Oct., Noxubee NWR, WCW; 28 Oct., Hattiesburg (last seen), LG.
- BLACKBURNIAN WARBLER -- 26 Sept., Canton (last seen), LG.
- YELLOW-THROATED WARBLER -- 1, 7 July, Horn I., WCW; 3, 3 Aug., Horn I., WCW.
- CHESTNUT-SIDED WARBLER -- 22 Sept., Attala Co., JAS, RW; 17 Oct., Hattiesburg (last seen), LG.

- BAY-BREASTED WARBLER -- 17 Oct., Hattiesburg (last seen), LG.  
 PRAIRIE WARBLER -- 2, 3 Aug., Horn I., WCW; 3 Sept., Attala Co., JAS;  
 9 Oct., Bellefontaine Beach (last seen), LG.  
 PALM WARBLER -- 8 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG  
 OVENBIRD -- 15 Sept. and 7 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG.  
 NORTHERN WATERTHRUSH -- 2, 17 Aug., Pearl R. delta, La., LG, JT, WCW.  
 LOUISIANA WATERTHRUSH -- 1, 16 Aug., Monticello, CB; 6 Sept., Attala Co.,  
 JAS.  
 HOODED WARBLER -- 1 male, 3 Aug., Horn I., WCW.  
 WILSON'S WARBLER -- 16 Sept., Attala Co., JAS, 19 Sept., Warfield Park,  
 E & GA.  
 CANADA WARBLER -- 22 Sept., Attala Co., JAS, RW.  
 AMERICAN REDSTART -- 1, 3 Aug., 4 Aug., Horn I., WCW; 22 Sept., Attala  
 Co., JAS, RW.  
 ORCHARD ORIOLE -- 26 Sept. (departure), Washington Co., E & GA.  
 NORTHERN ORIOLE -- 21 Aug. (departure), Washington Co., E & GA.  
 RUSTY BLACKBIRD -- 1, 17 Nov., Oktibbeha Co. L., WCW.  
 BREWER'S BLACKBIRD -- 20, 20 Nov., Nr. Lakeshore, WCW, WJW.  
 BOAT-TAILED GRACKLE -- 20, 20 Nov., Nr. Lakeshore, MOS members.  
 BROWN-HEADED COWBIRD -- very numerous, early July, Archer I., Ark., NH.  
 SCARLET Tanager -- 1, 27 Aug., JP Coleman St. Pk., WCW; 7 Oct., Hatties-  
 burg, LG.  
 SUMMER Tanager -- 22 Sept. (departure), Washington Co., E & GA; 1, 9 Oct.,  
 L. Lowndes, WCW; 14 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG.  
 ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK -- 2 female or imm., 1 Sept., Buccaneer St. Pk.,  
 JT, FM; 1, 23 Sept., MSU campus, WCW; 7, 20 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG.  
 BLUE GROSBEAK -- 16 Oct., Hattiesburg (last seen), LG  
 INDIGO BUNTING -- 3, 9 Oct., L. Lowndes, WCW; 17 Oct. (departure),  
 Washington Co., E & GA; 20 Oct., Hattiesburg (departure), LG.  
 PAINTED BUNTING -- 29 July, Archer I., Ark., NH; 22 Sept. (departure)  
 Washington Co., E & GA.  
 PURPLE FINCH -- 1 male, 5 Nov., Jackson, M & C Berry, feeder; several  
 14 Nov., Archer I., Ark., NH; 3, 17 Nov., Oktibbeha Co. L., WCW.  
 AMERICAN GOLDFINCH -- 1, 22 Aug., Noxubee NWR, WCW; 2 (1 male, 1 female),  
 27 Aug., Tishomingo St. Pk., WCW; 17 Oct. (arrival), Washington Co.,  
 E & GA.  
 RUFOUS-SIDED TOWHEE -- newly-fledged brood, Aug 3-4, Horn I., WCW.  
 SAVANNAH SPARROW -- 19 Sept., Canton, LG; 9 (caught and banded), 13 Oct.,  
 Starkville, JAJ, BS; 50, 20 Nov., Buccaneer St. Pk., WCW, WJW, JT;  
40, 24 Nov., E. Ship I., WCW.  
 DARK-EYED JUNCO -- 6, 31 Oct., Noxubee NWR, WCW; 6 Nov. (arrival),  
 Washington Co., E & GA; large flock, 7 Nov., Archer I., Ark., NH;  
5, 8 Nov., Hattiesburg, LG; 50, 23 Nov., E. Ship I., WCW.  
 CHIPPING SPARROW -- 20 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG.  
 WHITE-CROWNED SPARROW -- 28 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG.  
 WHITE-THROATED SPARROW -- several, 10 Oct., Archer I., Ark., NH; 15 Oct.,  
 Hattiesburg, LG; 80, 23 Nov., E. Ship I., WCW.  
 FOX SPARROW -- 1, 24 Nov., E. Ship I., WCW.  
 SWAMP SPARROW -- 1, 8 Oct., Choctaw L., WCW; 8 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG;  
 12 Oct. (arrival), Washington Co., E & GA.  
 SONG SPARROW -- 30 Sept., Attala Co., JAS, RW; 10 Oct. (arrival),  
 Washington Co., E & GA; 3, 28 Oct., Hattiesburg, LG.

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Key to Abbreviated Localities.-- Many localities were identified in the Mississippi Kite 6(1):19. Those not previously identified are as follows: Ansley = Hancock Co.; Bay St. Louis = Hancock Co.; Buccaneer St. Pk. = Hancock Co.; Canton = Madison Co.; Choctaw = Bolivar Co.; Choctaw L. = Choctaw Co.; Clermont Hbr. = Hancock Co.; Durant = Holmes Co.; Greenville = Washington Co.; Hattiesburg = Forrest Co.; Herron Bay Rd. = Hancock Co.; J.P. Coleman St. Pk. = Tishomingo Co.; Lake Lowndes = Lowndes Co.; Lake Mary Crawford = Lawrence Co.; Lakeshore = Hancock Co.; Latimer = Jackson Co.; Leroy Percy St. Pk. = Washington Co.; Loakfoma L. = Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge, Noxubee Co.; Lyman = Harrison Co.; Monticello = Lawrence Co.; Ocean Springs = Jackson Co.; Ship Island = Harrison Co.; Vicksburg = Warren Co.; Warfield Park = Washington Co.; Waveland = Hancock Co.

Note to Contributors.-- The next issue of The Mississippi Kite, which we expect to publish in March, will include sightings from the period beginning 1 December 1976. Please submit your observations for the winter season by 5 March 1977. If your group held a Christmas Bird Count, please send us a list of your results, and we will include highlights from these in "Birds Around the State". For unusual records (casual or accidental species, or out-of-season birds), supply as much detail as possible, including a detailed description of the bird(s). For all records, please specify the number of birds, date, exact locality, and observer(s). Good quality photographs for use in The Mississippi Kite would be welcomed.

Not all records received can be published. Those of interest are: early and late records of migrants, records of unusual species or unusual numbers of birds, and unusual breeding records. All breeding records, for any species, are desired for our nest record card file.