

THE 1988 SUMMER SEASON
1 JUNE - JULY 31

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Whew! Ohio, the midwest, and much of the United States and Canada experienced one of the hottest (if not the hottest) summer in at least fifty years. Never has Ohio seen so many days where temperatures exceeded 90 degrees. As an example, Toledo, which normally experiences about one dozen days over 90 degrees for the year, had well over 40 in 1988. Temperatures in excess of 100 degrees even became somewhat old hat. Atypical for Ohio, the unusually high temperatures were accompanied by unusually low humidity through at least most of June.

As bad as the heat was though, the dry was actually much more newsworthy. Many areas had virtually no rain from Easter through mid-July. Farmers suffered miserably. There is little doubt that many birds did not fair well either. Waterbirds, insect-eating birds, and species that feed on worms were all stressed as marshes, ponds, and creekbeds dried up (thereby greatly diminishing suitable insect-breeding habitat) and the ground became rock hard. Many plants withered and died before they were able to produce flowers and seeds. Sparrows and other species will find the going a bit tougher this fall and winter. It will be difficult to quantify the adverse effects of the drought on local bird populations. Needless to say, we can only hope that we do not have another repeat of such miserable weather.

A total of 214 species was reported for the summer period. Thirty-five species or so were late spring or early fall migrants. Were the White-rumped sandpipers at the Maumee River Rapids on June 26 heading north or south? It's speculation at best, but did the widespread drought have anything to do with the appearance of two western birds: a Black-throated sparrow at Hambden Orchard Wildlife Area (see separate article) or a Black-headed grosbeak in Whitehouse, Ohio? Likewise, did dry conditions push southern species north in search of suitable breeding conditions? The Oak Openings had as many as three male Summer tanagers, three Kentucky warblers, probably its first-ever summer Yellow-throated warbler, and most surprisingly, a breeding pair of Blue grosbeaks (see separate article).

Downtown Toledo's Peregrine falcons came through in a big way. They raised two young on the Commodore Perry Building for Ohio's first recorded breeding record. This event is covered in detail elsewhere in this issue.

The following is a synopsis of the highlights of the summer season.

Loons through Ruddy Duck

The only Common loon report was of a single bird on June 7 at Caesar Creek. Double-crested cormorants were noted at three locations; however, no mention was made of any nesting attempts at Ottawa Wildlife Refuge as occurred in 1987. An American bittern at Gordon Park on July 23 was noteworthy as was the scarcity of Least bitterns - only one was reported. Snowy and Cattle egrets and Little Blue herons were all present in lower-than-normal numbers. Drought conditions may have contributed to the decline. Three Yellow-crowned night-herons were seen in Dayton and two were at South Chagrin Reservation July 20. Waterfowl reports were unimpressive in general. Noteworthy, though, was a family group of Hooded mergansers at Brecksville Reserve and nesting Ruddy ducks at Barberton.

Vultures through Terns

Northern harriers were seen in Ashtabula County in June and Columbiana County in July. Very few Red-shouldered hawks were reported; the only mention of nesting was from the Oak Openings. As mentioned earlier, the Peregrine falcons raised two young in downtown Toledo. Twenty-six species of shorebirds were reported during June and July. Most unusual was the old world race Whimbrel on the Maumee River in mid-July (see separate article). Upland sandpipers were reported from five counties. A couple of American avocets in Wayne County July 20-21 were a pleasant surprise. Gordon Park in Cleveland hosted an American avocet, Marbled godwit, Willet and Whimbrel at various times over the summer. A Laughing gull was documented along the Scioto River on July 20 and a Franklin's gull was on the Maumee River rapids on July 16.

Doves through Swallows

Black-billed cuckoos continued to be scarce - only 4 were reported. Yellow-billed cuckoos appeared to be more widespread. Very encouraging were nesting records of Common barn-owls from Coshocton, Wayne, and Lucas Counties. A Short-eared owl was present at Huron during the last half of July. Alder flycatchers, always uncommon, were seen in four locations as were Least flycatchers.

Blue Jay through Warblers

A family group of Red-breasted nuthatches was found in the Maumee State Forest in mid-June, and two were seen at Mohican State Forest in late June. A Winter wren was at Mohican State Forest July 7 and the only Sedge wren report came from the Oak Openings on July 31. Loggerhead shrikes raised young again near Bowling Green. The season's only Bell's vireo report was from Buck Creek State Park. Solitary vireos have become regular in summer at Oak Openings. Noteworthy warbler reports include Golden-winged warblers at Brecksville Reserve and Oak Openings, single Magnolia and Canada warblers in mid-June in Hocking County, a Yellow-throated warbler in the Oak Openings on June 4, and what must have been an extremely early Wilson's warbler at Spring Valley on July 18. An early Tennessee warbler was at Buck Creek State Park on July 23.

Tanagers through House Sparrow

A male Black-headed grosbeak made a brief appearance in the Oak Openings on June 23, while just a few miles away a pair of Blue grosbeaks were establishing the first northern Ohio breeding record. A Black-throated sparrow at Hambden Orchard Wildlife Area represented the second record for the state and was still present at the end of the period. This sighting is covered elsewhere in this issue. Reports of a White-throated sparrow at Firestone Metropark, a Dark-eyed junco at South Chagrin Reserve, and three Red Crossbills at Hambden Orchard Wildlife Area were all of interest. A couple of pairs of Pine siskins lingered in the Oak Openings until June 4.

In the following species accounts, unusual species are underlined and an asterisk following a sighting indicates a documentation accepted by the records committee. A 'D' indicates species which should be documented. Common abbreviations used are ONWR (Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge), CPNWR (Cedar Point National Wildlife Refuge), GLSM (Grand Lake St. Mary's), and CVNRA (Cuyahoga Valley National Recreation Area). Monthly counts at ONWR and CPNWR are compiled by Ed Pierce and Joe Komorowski, respectively.

LATE SPRING MIGRANTS/SUMMER VISITORS

Common Loon
9/6/7 Caesar Creek (SL)

Osprey
6/5 ONWRC

Black-bellied Plover
6/11 ONWRC, 6/12 CPNWR

Semipalmated Plover
6/8 Huron (TL)

Marbled Godwit
6/1 Gordon Park (RH)

Ruddy Turnstone
6/5 ONWRC (4)

Semipalmated Sandpiper
6/4 Barberton (30) (RH), 6/4 Clark Lake (22) (DO), 6/8 Huron (24) (TL)

Least Sandpiper
6/12 CPNWR (15)

White-rumped Sandpiper
6/8 Huron (2) (TL), 6/26 Maumee R. Rapids (3) (TK) [going north or south?-Ed.]

Dunlin
6/8 Huron (TL)

Wilson's Phalarope
6/12 CPNWR

Caspian Tern
6/10 Caesar Creek (SL)

Forster's Tern
6/13 Huron (6) (TL)

Olive-sided Flycatcher
6/4 Oak Openings (MA)

Northern Waterthrush
6/5 ONWRC

Mourning Warbler
6/4 Oak Openings (MA)

EARLY FALL MIGRANTS/SUMMER VISITORS

Osprey

7/16 Maumee River Rapids (2) (MA), 7/26 Caesar Creek (DM)

Lesser Golden-Plover

7/4 Maumee R. Rapids (TK)

Semipalmated Plover

7/23 Gordon Park (TL), 7/23 Buck Creek SP (3) (DO), 7/26 Gordon Park (12) (TL, RH), 7/29 Huron (3) (BG), 7/30 GLSM (CLC)

American Avocet

7/11 Gordon Park (RH, TL), 7/20-21 Wayne Co. (2) (BG)

Greater Yellowlegs

6/29 Maumee R. Rapids (5) (TK), 7/3 ONWRC (36), 7/9 Gordon Park (TL), 7/12 Spring Valley (LG), 7/16 Buck Creek SP (DO)

Lesser Yellowlegs

6/26 Maumee R. Rapids (5) (TK), 6/28 Gordon Park (13) (RH), 7/3 ONWRC (37), 7/9 Spring Valley (LG), 7/10 CPNWR (8), 7/17 Darby Marsh (35) (KM), 7/28 Gordon Park (88) (TL),

Willet

6/20-7/16 Gordon Park (RH, BG, TL), 7/20 Hancock Co. (6) (BH, AS)

Solitary Sandpiper

6/29 Baldwin Lake (RH), 7/3 ONWRC, 7/10 Buck Creek SP (3) (DO), 7/21 Spring Valley (3) (LG), 7/26 Hancock Co. (10) (BH, AS)

Whimbrel

7/10-18 Maumee River Rapids (Old World race: see article this issue) (MA, TK, ED), 7/11 Gordon Park (TL, RH), 7/23-25 Burke Airport (TL), 7/30 Huron (ECP)

Ruddy Turnstone

7/29 Huron (3) (BG), 7/31 Gordon Park (TL)

Sanderling

7/14 Huron (2) (TL), 7/19 Gordon Park (8) (RH), 7/31 Buck Creek SP (DO)

Semipalmated Sandpiper

7/3 ONWRC (70), 7/16 Gordon Park (10-15) (TL, BG), 7/23 Gordon Park (50) (TL, RH), 7/23 Buck Creek SP (DO), 7/26 Huron (40) (TL)

Western Sandpiper

7/16 Gordon Park (BG), 7/29 Huron (BG)

Least Sandpiper

6/24 Baldwin Lake (RH), 6/29 Maumee R. Rapids (8) (TK), 7/3 ONWRC (27), 7/4 Huron (TL), 7/10 Maumee R. Rapids (23) (MA), 7/10 Buck Creek SP (DO), 7/12 Spring Valley (8) (LG), 7/26 Hancock Co. (15) (BH, AS)

Baird's Sandpiper

7/19 Hancock Co. (BH, AS), 7/26 Hancock Co. (2) (BH, AS)

Pectoral Sandpiper

7/3 ONWRC, 7/10 Buck Creek SP (DO), 7/12 Huron (TL), 7/15 Maumee R. Rapids (10) (TK), 7/16 Spring Valley (LG), 7/19 Maumee R. Rapids (65) (TK), 7/28 Gordon Park (86) (TL)

Dunlin

7/3 ONWRC

Stilt Sandpiper

6/26 Maumee R. Rapids (TK), 7/9 Gordon Park (TL), 7/26 Huron (6) (TL)

Short-billed Dowitcher

6/27 Huron (TL), 6/28 Gordon Park (RH), 7/3 ONWRC (182), 7/10 Maumee R. Rapids (3) (MA), 7/12 Spring Valley (6) (LG), 7/17 Darby Marsh (30) (KM), 7/19 Gordon Park (140) (RH), 7/20 Hancock Co. (BH, AS)

Laughing Gull

7/20 Scioto River (KM*)

Franklin's Gull

7/16 Maumee R. Rapids (TK, MA, ED)

Bonaparte's Gull

7/1 Maumee R. Rapids (TK), 7/3 ONWRC (5)

Great Black-backed Gull

7/3 ONWRC

Caspian Tern

6/27 Huron (TL), 7/3 ONWRC (4), 7/5 Gordon Park (TL), 7/10 CPNWR, 7/30 Huron (15) (ECP)

Forster's Tern

6/27 Huron (TL), 7/3 ONWRC (7), 7/10 Buck Creek SP (DO), 7/10 CPNWR, 7/14 Huron (65) (TL), 7/30 GLSM (3) (CLC)

Short-eared Owl

7/14-30 Huron (TL, ECP)

Tennessee Warbler

7/23 Buck Creek SP (DO)

Wilson's Warbler

7/18 Spring Valley (banded) (BT)

SUMMER RESIDENTS

Pied-billed Grebe

6/4-11 Barberton (20) (RH, ECP), 7/19 Hancock Co. (BH, AS), 7/21 ONWR (BG)

Double-crested Cormorant

6/5 ONWRC (3), 6/6 CJ Brown (DO), 7/21 ONWR (4) (BG), 7/30 Meander Res. (6) (NB) [presumed to be non-breeders-Ed.]

American Bittern

7/23 Gordon Park (RH) [early migrant?-Ed.]

Least Bittern

6/4 Spring Valley (SL)

Great Blue Heron

6/12 CPNWR (1078), 7/3 ONWRC (430), 7/10 CPNWR (529), 7/17 Darby Marsh (80) (KM), 7/19 Findlay Res. (21) (BH, AS), 7/21 ONWR (30+) (BG), very low in SW Ohio (AW).

Great Egret

6/11 ONWR (158) (ECP), 6/12 CPNWR (44), 7/17 Darby Marsh (45) (KM), 7/21 ONWR (50+) (BG)

Snowy Egret

6/5 ONWRC (3), 7/21 ONWR (2) (BG)

Little Blue Heron

7/21 ONWR (BG)

Cattle Egret

6/26 Erie Co. (KM)

Green-backed Heron

6/5 ONWRC (6), 6/12 Clark Co. (7) (DO), 7/8 Adams Co. (3) (BL), 7/17 Darby Marsh (5) (KM), 7/21 Spring Valley (10) (LG), 7/26 Findlay Res. (BH, AS), listed as "way down" in Hocking and Hamilton Cos. (WR, AW).

Black-crowned Night-Heron

6/12 CPNWR (96), 7/3 ONWRC (65), 7/10 CPNWR (66), 7/12 Spring Valley (LG), 7/12 Cuyahoga Co. (RH), 7/16 Buck Creek SP (DO), 7/17 Darby Marsh (50) (KM), 7/21 ONWR (BG), nested in Hamilton Co. (NK).

Yellow-crowned Night-Heron

7/4 Dayton (3) (NBa), 7/20 South Chagrin Res. (2) (RH)

Canada Goose

6/26 Darby Marsh (50) (KM), 7/3 ONWRC (335), 7/26 Findlay Res. (90) (BH, AS)

Wood Duck

6/5 ONWRC (85), 6/12 CPNWR (114), 7/17 Darby Marsh (40) (KM), 7/19 Hancock Co. (24) (BH, AS), 7/21 Spring Valley (30) (LG).

Green-winged Teal

6/12 CPNWR, 7/3 ONWRC (8), 7/24 Gordon Park (2)

American Black Duck

6/7 Cuyahoga Co. (RH), 6/12 CPNWR (6), 7/17 Darby Marsh (6) (KM)

Mallard

6/5 ONWRC (363), 6/12 CPNWR (521)

Northern Pintail
7/3 ONWRC

Blue-winged Teal
6/5 ONWRC (3), 6/12 CPNWR (7), 6/26 Darby Marsh (15), 7/10 Buck Creek SP (DO), 7/21 ONWR (4) (BG)

Northern Shoveler
6/4 Barberton (RH), 6/5 ONWRC (3)

Gadwall
6/12 CPNWR (4)

scaup, sp.
6/5 ONWRC

Hooded Merganser
6/18 Brecksville Res. (female, 5 young) (RH), 7/3 ONWRC (3)

Ruddy Duck
6/4 Barberton (nested) (RH), 6/12 CPNWR

Black Vulture
6/25 Adams Co. (nested) (ECP), 7/27 Adams Co. (BL)

Bald Eagle
6/12 CPNWR, 6/1-7/31 ONWR (m.ob.)

Northern Harrier
6/12 Ashtabula Co. (3) (RH), 7/26 Columbiana Co. (NL)

Sharp-shinned Hawk
6/23 CVNRA (RH)

Cooper's Hawk
6/10 Caesar Creek (SL), 6/14 Hancock Co. (2 ad., 4 young) (KN), 7/19 Canfield (NB), nested in the Oak Openings (TK).

Red-shouldered Hawk
6/3 CVNRA (2) (RH), 7/12 Sugarcreek Res. (2) (MN), nested in the Oak Openings (TK).

Broad-winged Hawk
6/3 CVNRA (RH), nested in the Oak Openings (MA, TK).

Peregrine Falcon (D)
Pair nested and fledged two young in downtown Toledo; see article and photos this issue. 7/10 CPNWR (JKo)*.

Wild Turkey
7/13 Mohican SF (TK), nested in Holmes Co. (fide BG), reported from Washington Co. (LB).

King Rail
7/19 Hancock Co. (BH, AS) (2)

Virginia Rail
6/12 Plymouth Marsh (5) (RH)

Sora
6/4 Washington Co. (LB), 6/12 Plymouth Marsh (RH), 7/4 Firestone MP (ECP), 7/22 Metzger Marsh (BG)

Common Moorhen

6/1-7/31 Barberton (nested) (ECP), 7/22 Metzger Marsh (3-4) (BG), 7/30 Spring Valley (2) (LG)

American Coot

6/4-11 Barberton (32 including adult on nest) (RH, ECP), 6/12 CPNWR

Killdeer

7/3 ONWRC (300), 7/16 ONWR (325+) (KM), 7/17 Darby Marsh (150) (KM)

Spotted Sandpiper

6/5 ONWRC (18), 7/10 CPNWR (14), 7/17 Darby Marsh (12) (KM), 7/19 Findlay Res. (24) (BH, AS)

Upland Sandpiper

6/13 Fulton Co. (TK), 6/16-27 Mansfield Airport (JVH, SM), 6/26 Wright Patterson AFB (3) (fide JS), 6/30 Henry Co. (TK), 7/23-30 Burke Airport (2) (RH, TL)

American Woodcock

7/10 CPNWR

Ring-billed Gull

7/30 GLSM (250) (CLC)

Common Tern

6/12 CPNWR, 6/13 Huron (7) (TL), 7/3 ONWRC (9), 7/17 Darby Marsh (KM), 7/26 Huron (75) (TL)
[presumed non-breeders-Ed.]

Black Tern

6/29 Spring Valley (2) (WW, PH), 7/1 Maumee R. Rapids (TK), 7/16 ONWR (3) (KM), 7/17 Buck Creek SP (DO), 7/30 Gordon Park (13) (TL) [presumed non-breeders-Ed.]

Black-billed Cuckoo

6/3 Columbiana Co. (NB), 6/5 ONWRC, 6/1 Holmes Co. (BG), 6/12 CPNWR

Yellow-billed Cuckoo

6/4 Clark Lake (DO), 6/7 Hancock Co. (5) (m.ob.), 6/9 Fort Ancient (LG), 6/12 CPNWR (4), 6/18 Scioto Trails SP (8) (ECP), 6/19 Adams Co. (2) (BL), 6/26 Darby Marsh (2) (KM), 6/26 Huffman Prairie (m.ob.)

Common Barn-Owl

Nested Coshocton Co. (6 young) (JVH), Tuscarawas Co. (m.ob.), Lucas Co. (6 young) (LVC)

Eastern Screech-Owl

Forty-one young banded in 19 boxes in Lucas/Ottawa Cos. (LVC).

Chuck-will's-widow

6/25 Adams Co. (3) (ECP), 7/9 Ohio Brush Creek (13) (TK)

Whip-poor-will

6/10 Caesar Creek (SL), 6/25 Adams Co. (4) (ECP), way down in Hocking Co. (WR).

Ruby-throated Hummingbird

6/8 CVNRA (4) (RH), 6/12 Clark Co. (DO), 7/4 Canfield (4) (NB), 7/31 Oak Openings (10) (MA), listed as down in the Wilmington area (LG).

Belted Kingfisher

6/12 Clark Co. (20) (DO)

Red-headed Woodpecker

6/4 Clark Co. (DO), 7/19 Hancock Co. (BH, AS)

Pileated Woodpecker

6/2 Clark Co. (DO), 6/5 Columbiana Co. (NB), 6/15 CVNRA (RH), 9/15 Englewood Res. (5) (fide JS)

Eastern Wood-Pewee

6/3-15 CVNRA (49) (RH), 6/5 ONWRC (10), 6/7 Hancock Co. (10) (m.ob.), 6/12 Clark Co. (10) (DO), 6/12 CPNWR, 7/17 Darby Marsh (10) (KM)

Acadian Flycatcher

6/3-15 CVNRA (36) (RH)

Alder Flycatcher

6/3 Columbiana Co. (NB), 6/12 Plymouth Marsh (RH), 6/18 Maumee SF (MA, TK), 6/20 Hambden Orchard WA (ECP)

Willow Flycatcher

6/7 Hancock Co. (m.ob.), 6/12 CPNWR (4), 6/22 Noble Co. (LB), 7/3 ONWRC (12), 7/23 Buck Creek SP (10) (DO), 7/24 Spring Valley (LG, SU)

Least Flycatcher

6/11 Barberton (ECP), 6/11 Buck Creek SP (DO), 6/15 Mill Creek Pk. (NB), 7/10 CPNWR

Great Crested Flycatcher

6/3-15 CVNRA (11) (RH), 6/5 ONWRC (6)

Eastern Kingbird

6/7 Hancock Co. (9) (m.ob.), 7/3 ONWRC (27), 7/16 Adams Co. (3)

Horned Lark

6/14 Fulton Co. (52) (TK), 6/30 Henry/Putnam Cos. (69) (TK)

Purple Martin

6/5 ONWRC (24), 7/10 CPNWR (9), 7/17 Darby Marsh (65) (KM), 7/19 Hancock Co. (19) (BH, AS)

Tree Swallow

6/26 Darby Marsh (75) (KM), 7/3 ONWRC (150), 7/10 CPNWR (231)

Northern Rough-winged Swallow

6/3 CVNRA (RH), 6/3 Columbiana Co. (NB), 6/7 Hancock Co. (m.ob.), 6/10 Caesar Creek (colony) (SL), 6/12 Clark Co. (20) (DO), 7/17 Darby Marsh (8) (KM)

Bank Swallow

7/23 Clinton Co. (350) (LG), 7/27 Buck Creek SP (300) (DO)

Cliff Swallow

6/10 Richland Co. (6 prs.) (JVH), 7/17 Maumee R. Rapids (3 nests) (MA), 7/27 Buck Creek SP (DO), nested at Magee Marsh (m.ob.), 7/30 GLSM (CLC)

Barn Swallow

7/10 CPNWR (28), 7/17 Darby Marsh (125) (KM), 7/19 Findlay Res. (77) (BH, AS)

Black-capped Chickadee

6/3-15 CVNRA (42) (RH)

Tufted Titmouse

6/3-15 CVNRA (62) (RH)

Red-breasted Nuthatch

6/18 Maumee SF (family group of 6) (TK), 6/20-28 Mohican SF (2) (JVH)

House Wren

6/5 ONWRC (21), 6/7 Hancock Co. (28) (m.ob.), 6/12 Clark Co. (15) (DO), 7/17 Darby Marsh (20) (KM)

Winter Wren

7/7 Mohican SF (SM)

Sedge Wren

7/31 Oak Openings (MA)

Marsh Wren

6/4-11 Barberton (6) (ECP, RH), 6/5 ONWRC (7), 6/18 CJ Brown (6) (LG), 7/9 Buck Creek SP (10) (DO), 7/10 CPNWR (10)

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

6/12 Clark Co. (12) (DO), numbers down in Columbiana Co. (NL).

Veery

6/4 Spring Valley (NK), 6/5 ONWRC, 06/15 Hocking Co. (WR), 6/20 Mohican SF (JVH)

Hermit Thrush

06/15 Hocking Co. (12) (WR), 7/13 Mohican SF (nest, 3 eggs) (TK)

Wood Thrush

6/3-15 CVNRA (18) (RH); populations low in Columbiana Co. (NL).

Gray Catbird

6/7 Hancock Co. (35) (m.ob.), 6/26 Darby Marsh (12) (KM), 7/2 Firestone MP (20) (ECP)

Brown Thrasher

Low numbers in Clinton Co. (LG).

Cedar Waxwing

6/7 Hancock Co. (18) (m.ob.), 7/10 CPNWR (8)

Loggerhead Shrike

6/11-25 Wood Co. (incubating) (ECP, RH), 7/31 Burke Airport (RH)

White-eyed Vireo

Increasing in Columbiana Co. (NL)

Bell's Vireo

6/6-7/9 Buck Creek SP (DO)

Solitary Vireo

6/7 Hancock Co. (m.ob.). 6/15-7/13 Brecksville Res. (3 males, one active nest) (RH), 06/15 Hocking Co. (WR), 7/22 Rocky River Res. (RH), 06/15 Oak Openings (2) (MA), 7/24 Firestone MP (ECP)

Yellow-throated Vireo

6/3-15 CVNRA (16), 6/9 Fort Ancient (LG), 6/12 Clark Co. (3) (DO), 06/15 Oak Openings (6) (MA)

Warbling Vireo

6/5 ONWRC (9), 6/8 CVNRA (5) (RH), 6/12 CPNWR (5), 6/12 Clark Co. (15) (DO), 7/24 Spring Valley (SU, LG)

Red-eyed Vireo

6/3-15 CVNRA (95) (RH)

Blue-winged Warbler

6/3-15 CVNRA (18) (RH), 7/3 Columbiana Co. (NL), 7/23 Spring Valley (LG)

Golden-winged Warbler

6/8-18 Brecksville Res. (RH), 06/15 Oak Openings (m.ob.)

Brewster's Warbler

6/18 Maumee SF (TK, MA)

Northern Parula

7/3 Columbiana Co. (NL), 7/6 L. Miami River (3) (LG), 7/10 Hocking Co. (4) (TK)

Yellow Warbler

6/5 ONWRC (54), 6/7 Hancock Co. (9) (m.ob.), 6/12 Clark Co. (8) (DO), 6/12 CPNWR (7), 6/26 Darby Marsh (10) (KM), 7/24 Gordon Park (30) (RH)

Chestnut-sided Warbler

6/12 Ashtabula Co. (3) (RH)

Magnolia Warbler

06/15 Hocking Co. (WR)

Black-throated Green Warbler

7/3 Columbiana Co. (NL), 7/9 Hocking Co. (common) (TK), 6/20-7/12 Mohican SF (12) (JVH, TK)

Yellow-throated Warbler

6/4 Oak Openings (very rare in NW Ohio) (MA, TK, ED), 6/8-18 Brecksville Res. (RH), 7/9 Shawnee SP (3) (TK); increasing in Columbiana Co. (NL).

Pine Warbler

6/11 Germantown Res. (CDB), 06/15 Oak Openings (2) (MA, TK), 6/20 Mohican SF (JVH), 7/9 Shawnee SP (TK), 7/12 Howland (CB)

Prairie Warbler

6/5 Columbiana Co. (4-6) (NB), 06/15 Oak Openings (pair) (MA), 6/18 CVNRA (2) (RH), 6/28 Richland Co. (JVH), 7/31 Adams Co. (3) (BL)

Cerulean Warbler

6/3-15 CVNRA (24) (RH), 6/5 Columbiana Co. (NB), 6/15 Mosquito Creek (CB), 7/9 Shawnee SP (3) (TK), 7/2 Fort Ancient (LG)

Black-and-white Warbler

7/9 Shawnee SP (TK), 7/12 Sugarcreek Res. (MN), 7/13 Spring Valley (KD), 7/26 L. Isaac (RH)

American Redstart

6/3-15 CVNRA (15) (RH), 6/5 ONWRC (2), 6/9 L. Miami River (LG), 6/12 CPNWR, 6/19 Firestone MP (ECP), 6/20 Sugarcreek Res. (CM), 7/12 Mohican SF (TK)

Prothonotary Warbler

6/10 Caesar Creek (3) (SL), 6/12 Clark Co. (DO), 6/18 Brecksville Res. (2) (RH), 7/3 ONWRC (2)

Worm-eating Warbler

06/15 Hocking Co. (30) (WR), 6/23 Fort Ancient (LG), 7/13 Mohican SF (feeding young) (TK)

Ovenbird

6/3-15 CVNRA (15) (RH)

Louisiana Waterthrush

6/3-15 CVNRA (4) (RH), 06/15 Oak Openings (3 pairs) (MA, TK)

Kentucky Warbler

06/15 Oak Openings (3) (MA, TK), 6/18 Scioto Trails SP (10) (ECP), 7/13 Mohican SF (3 families) (TK), 7/28 Adams Co. (4) (BL), down in Columbiana Co. (NL).

Mourning Warbler

6/12 Ashtabula Co. (RH), 6/16-18 Geauga Co. (RH, ECP)

Common Yellowthroat

6/3-15 CVNRA (16) (RH), 6/5 ONWRC (21), 7/10 Buck Creek SP (10) (DO), 7/10 CPNWR (12), 7/17 Darby Marsh (10) (KM), 7/19 Hancock Co. (10) (BH, AS)

Hooded Warbler

6/3-15 CVNRA (65) (RH), 6/15 Oak Openings (6) (MA)

Canada Warbler

6/13 Hocking Co. (WR, LG)

Yellow-breasted Chat

6/4 Spring Valley (TLI), 6/7 Hancock Co. (m.ob.), 6/11 Cowan Creek (LG), 6/11 Buck Creek SP (3) (DO), 6/15 Adams Co. (2) (BL), 6/15 Oak Openings (MA)

Summer Tanager

6/15 Oak Openings (MA), 6/23 Fort Ancient (LG), 7/18 Adams Co. (3) (BL), 7/31 L. Cowan (LG)

Scarlet Tanager

6/3-15 CVNRA (34) (RH)

Northern Cardinal

6/3-15 CVNRA (78) (RH)

Rose-breasted Grosbeak

6/3-15 CVNRA (15) (RH), 6/12 Clark Co. (4) (DO), 6/19 Spring Valley (LG)

Black-headed Grosbeak

6/23 Oak Openings (MA)*

Blue Grosbeak

6/18-7/5 Oak Openings (TK*, m.ob.) (Nested for the first northern Ohio breeding record. See article this issue.); 6/25 Adams Co. (ECP), 7/9 Ohio Brush Creek (4) (TK), 7/31 Adams Co. (3) (BL).

Indigo Bunting

6/3-15 CVNRA (61) (RH), 6/5 ONWRC (40), 6/7 Hancock Co. (26) (m.ob.), 6/12 Clark Co. (15) (DO), 6/14 Fulton Co. (30) (TK), 6/28 Allen/Putnam Cos. (36) (TK), 7/17 Darby Marsh (20) (KM)

Dickcissel

6/9-14 Mahoning Co. (NB), 6/12-26 Washington Co. (pair) (LB), 7/3 ONWRC (4), nested Holmes Co. (BG), widespread in W. Lucas Co. (TK, MA).

Rufous-sided Towhee

6/3-15 CVNRA (RH)

Chipping Sparrow

6/14 Fulton Co. (33) (TK)

Vesper Sparrow

6/14 Fulton Co. (24) (TK), 6/30 Henry/Putnam Cos. (30) (TK)

Lark Sparrow

7/24 Adams Co. (BL): at least 2 pairs in the Oak Openings (m.ob.), nested in Hamilton Co. (PG).

Black-throated Sparrow

6/4-7/31 Hambden Orchard WA (AF, m.ob.): second state record; see article this issue.

Savannah Sparrow

6/14 Fulton Co. (17) (TK), 6/30 Henry/Putnam Cos. (28) (TK)

Grasshopper Sparrow

6/4 Clark Co. (DO), 6/9-14 Mahoning Co. (NB), 6/10 CJ Brown (DO), 6/18 Oak Openings (MA, TK), 6/18 CJ Brown (LG), 6/25 Adams Co. (ECP), 6/26 Huffman Prairie (m.ob.), 6/30 Greene Co. (MT)

Henslow's Sparrow

6/9-14 Mahoning Co. (NB), 6/20-7/31 Richland Co. (2) (JVH), 6/26 Washington Co. (LB), 7/9 Ohio Brush Creek (7) (TK), 7/13 Hocking Co. (TK)

Song Sparrow

6/12 Clark Co. (20) (DO), 6/14 Fulton Co. (42) (TK), 6/28 Allen/Putnam Cos. (60) (TK), 6/30 Henry/Putnam Cos. (89) (TK), 7/19 Hancock Co. (28) (BH, AS)

Swamp Sparrow

6/3 Columbiana Co. (NB), 6/18 Maumee SF (MA, TK)

White-throated Sparrow

7/2 Firestone MP (ECP)

Dark-eyed Junco

6/15 South Chagrin Res. (RH)

Bobolink

6/4 Clark Co. (8) (DO), 6/9-14 Mahoning Co. (6-8 prs.) (NB), 7/3 ONWRC (25), 7/10 CPNWR (34), several pairs at Toledo Airport (MA).

Red-winged Blackbird

7/10 CPNWR (5400)

Common Grackle

7/10 CPNWR (102), 7/24 Hancock Co. (1400+) (BH, AS)

Brown-headed Cowbird

6/7 Hancock Co. (30) (m.ob.)

Orchard Oriole

Increasing in Columbiana Co. (NL).

Northern Oriole

6/3-15 CVNRA (23) (RH), 6/5 ONWRC (10), 6/12 Clark Co. (25) (DO)

Purple Finch

6/30 E. Liverpool (NL)

Red Crossbill

6/5 Hambden Orchard WA (3) (PH, RH)

Pine Siskin

6/4 Oak Openings (2 pairs) (MA)

American Goldfinch

6/7 Hancock Co. (45) (m.ob.)

The following species are fairly widespread breeders (or locally common) in Ohio and elicited few, if any, comments from reporters.

Turkey Vulture	Barred Owl	White-breasted Nuthatch
Red-tailed Hawk	Common Nighthawk	Carolina Wren
American Kestrel	Chimney Swift	Eastern Bluebird
Ring-necked Pheasant	Red-bellied Woodpecker	American Robin
Ruffed Grouse	Downy Woodpecker	Northern Mockingbird
Northern Bobwhite	Hairy Woodpecker	European Starling
Herring Gull	Northern Flicker	Field Sparrow
Rock Dove	Eastern Phoebe	Eastern Meadowlark
Mourning Dove	Blue Jay	House Finch
Great Horned Owl	American Crow	House Sparrow
	Carolina Chickadee	

CORRIGENDUM

In Vol. 11 (3), Clinton County should be added to the coverage map. In Vol. 11 (1):9, delete the Black Rail.

Several birds of note were reported during the 1988 fall season. A Gray Flycatcher (*Empidonax wrightii*) was reported from the Crane Creek Bird Trail in August. Unfortunately, the observers who found this bird did not publicize its appearance and few birders saw the bird. A Long-toed Stint (*Calidris subminuta*) was reported by an experienced observer at Gordon Park in Cleveland in August. THE OHIO CARDINAL has received few details of these two sightings. If legitimate, they would constitute new state records. A Trumpeter Swan (*Cygnus buccinator*) was photographed at Metzger Marsh in late September. This bird was unbanded and free-flying. More details will be forthcoming in the next issue of THE OHIO CARDINAL.

THE OHIO CARDINAL staff is considering printing the location cross-reference section in only one issue per year to save space. If you are strongly opposed to such a move, we would like to hear from you. If you have other comments about the format of the journal, please drop us a note.