

ADDENDUM

Barn Owl-- The Ohio Division of Wildlife reports that 24 nestings were discovered in 1991, but that only 16 sites were active in 1992.

CONTRIBUTORS & OBSERVERS

All individuals who contributed bird reports to The Ohio Cardinal for the Autumn 1992 season are listed below. In addition, many observers submitted reports to other birding related publications. Those observers who received at least four citations in the Autumn 1992 "The Reports" section are also included in the following list: J. Kirk Alexander (KA); Matt Anderson (MA); Michael J. Arabia (MA); Carole L. Babyak (CB); Emil Bacik (EB); Andrew L. Barber (AB); Tom Bartlett (TB); Dan Best (DB); James Blaser (JB); Nancy D. Brundage (NB); Jeff Buecking (JB); Dwight & Ann Chasar (DAC); A.H. Claugus (AC); Harry Connor (HC); Ken & Linda Crossman (KLC); Robert E. Cutter (RC); David C. Dister (DD); Doug & Micki Dunakin (DMD); Jon L. Dunn (JD); Elinor Elder (EE); Paul D. Ellsworth (PE); Anders & Joyce Fjeldstad (AJF); Andy Fondrk (AF); Larry Gara (LG); Bruce D. Glick (BG); Mike Griffith (MG); Ray Hannikman (RH); Betty Hardesty (BH); Rob Harlan (RH); Bob & Ginny Herbst (BGH); John Herman (JH); Robert J. Hershberger (RHe); David & Judy Hochadel (DJH); Craig Holt (CH); Mike Jefferis (MJ); Richard Johnson (RJ); Ned Keller (NK); Tom Kemp (TK); William & Nancy Kamm (WNK); David Kline (DK); Joe Komorowski (JK); Len Kopka (LK); Tom Leiden (TL); Tom LePage (TLP); Tim Little (TL); Barbara Lund (BL); Bernard F. Master (BMA); Charlotte Mathena (CM); Kevin Metcalf (KMe); Bruce D. Miller (Bmi); Kathy L. Mock (KMo); Yvonne Mohlman (YM); Doug Overacker (DO); John J. Petrella (JP); Edwin C. Pierce (EP); John Pogacnik (JPo); Richard D.S. Rickard (RR); Larry Rosche (LR); Ed Schlabach (ES); Robert D.

Schlabach (RS); Louis A. Schultz (LS); William Shively (WS); John & Elaine Snively (JES); Bruce Stehling (BS); Jay Stenger (JSt); John Szanto (JSz); Erdine Thompson (ET); Bill & Ann Toney (BAT); Elliot Tramer (ETr); Sue Utterback (SU); John Vanderpoel (JV); Steve Wagner (SW); Jeff Wert (JW); Leroy E. Yoder (LEY); Leroy R. Yoder (LRY); Perry Yoder (PY); & Marian Zehnder (MZ). Many other observers are cited for 1 to 3 records within the species accounts. In addition to reports made by our contributors, several other publications were reviewed for bird sightings. These include the Appalachian Front Audubon Society Newsletter, The Cleveland Bird Calendar (Kirtland Bird Club), Passenger Pigeon (Cincinnati Bird Club), Wetland Matters (Oxbow, Inc.), Wing Tips (Black River Audubon Society), and The Yellow Warbler (Dayton Audubon Society). My thanks to all.

PLEASE REMEMBER--

When submitting your reports, please try to include the following information for each sighting: species, date, location, & number. Also include any other comments that you think might be useful, such as sex, age, morph, etc., when known. It is very important to include (as closely as possible) the number of individuals per sighting. If you noted 1 bird, then mark down a "1" in your report for that date. If you did not make a specific count, then try to include a good estimate. However, if you do not wish to make an estimate, then include a check-mark to indicate that the species was present, but not estimated. Also acceptable, but of course less useful, are comments such as "common", "scarce", or "better than last year". Omission of any data regarding the number of individuals seen leaves considerable room for error. Any information, whether a specific count, an estimate, a check-mark, or a verbal comment, is much better than no information at all.

The Grapevine

Raptor Confrontation at Killdeer Plains WA

At about 5:20 p.m. on August 15 1992, as we were traveling west along Road C-75 at Killdeer Plains WA with John Stritmatter and Keith Archibold, we noticed at the side of the road what appeared to be a dead adult Red-tailed Hawk lying on its back with its wings spread. As we pulled up for a closer look, we were surprised to see a mature Great Horned Owl perched on the hawk's torso. The owl immediately saw us and we watched each other for approximately one minute. Initially we thought that the owl was feeding on the hawk carcass, but although we were only 20 feet away, we did not see either bird's talons.

Then, to our surprise, the supposedly dead hawk lifted its head to stare at us as well. At this point the owl flew to the west-southwest and perched in a tree at the edge of a woods from where it continued to observe us closely. To our greater surprise, the hawk then rose from the roadside and flew in a northwesterly direction to a hedgerow where it perched, apparently unharmed, as if nothing had happened.

There were four observers with a combined birding experience of over 100 years in the car and none of us could ever remember seeing or reading about this type of confrontational behavior between these two species. It would have been interesting to have observed the events that preceded our arrival on the scene, but such was not the case. By Bernie Master, 340 Tucker Drive, Worthington, OH 43085 and Louis A. Schultz, 337 Barrington Drive, Westerville, OH 43081.

Trumbull County Red-shouldered Hawk Migration

On October 10 1992, at approximately 3:00 p.m., we were working on our property in Girard, Ohio, when we heard a Red-shouldered Hawk call. Looking up, we saw that there were several buteos in the air 200 to 300 yards high, circling and drifting slowly southeast. We counted at least 18, and since they were very close we were able to positively identify most as Red-shouldered Hawks. A few went unidentified, but by size and shape we felt they were all Red-shouldered's. As we were watching, another Red-shouldered Hawk rose from some nearby trees and joined the flock, continuing southeast with the rest.

This was the first wintry day of the autumn, with intermittent squalls and heavy flurries out of the northwest, following the passage of a cold front the previous night.

Red-shouldered Hawks are the most common nesting hawk in this part of Trumbull County but we have never heard of or seen a flock of this size apparently migrating through the county. By Dave & Judy Hochadel, 2150 Tibbets-Wick Rd., Girard, OH 44420-1227.