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Bobolink: D. Chasar reported numbers were down at the Scobie Rd site in the CVNRA. C. Holt counted 26 in Ashabula on 14 Jun. Twelve were at BIWA on 23 Jun (V. Fazio).

Eastern Meadowlark: Seemed down in general. At Ottawa, two on 7 Jun and one on 5 Jul were not good numbers.

Western Meadowlark: A male was present in Holmes from late May through 7 Jul (A. Troyer, m obs). One was in Greene on 14 Jun (D. Overacker), and a male sang in Hancock on 7 and 10 Jul (B. Hardesty).

Common Grackle: High count 446 on the 5 Jul ONWRC. P. Lozano noticed a group anting with moths in Lakewood on 21 Jun.

Orchard Oriole: In good shape in the CVNRA, where five fledged in a nest near Jaite on 13 Jun (D&A Chasar) and four were noted at Ira Rd on 29 Jun (T&M Romito). By 6 Jul the first migrant was noticed, in Holmes (M. Gingerich).

Purple Finch: In good numbers. One was in Ashabula on 14 Jun (C. Holt), 17 on the GAASBC in mid-month, and a male haunted Mohican on 26 Jun (M. Gingerich). K. Metcalf noted one on the N. Chagrin Res’n on 2 Jul, and one was in Streetsboro Bog, Portage, for R. Rickard on the 5th. J. Fry had a female visit his feeders in Hocking on 23, 24, 26, and 28 Jul and a male follow up on the 29th.

Pine Siskin: Appeared at a feeder in Holmes 5 and 7 Jun (R. Hershberger, J. Miller).

American Goldfinch: High count 85 in a thistle patch in Holmes on 22 Jun (M. Troyer).

Evening Grosbeak: An adult appeared at Lakeside MP, Lake, on 16 Jun (J. Pogacnik).

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This Swainson’s warbler managed to find itself in one of the Black Swamp Bird Observatory’s nets at Navarre Marsh, Ottawa Co. It was banded on 28 April 1998 and was relocated two days later. Photo by Bruce Simpson on 28 April 1998.