



*Several western species made appearances in the state this summer, including one (possibly two) Burrowing Owls. Ohio currently has three accepted records for this species. This individual was photographed in **Darke** on 24 Jun by Robb Clifford.*



Many people are concerned about the apparent decline of Common Nighthawks and cite a possible link for this decline to modern buildings being constructed without gravel roofs. Common Nighthawks do not construct a nest, instead they place their two eggs directly on the ground, or on the roof of buildings in urban areas, on a substrate that will camouflage their speckled eggs. This adult with a single nestling was photographed by Dan Adamski on the roof of the University Medical Center in Toledo on 28 Jul.

Mark Shieldcastle), **Greene** (27 Jun; Sue Tackett), and **Columbiana** (10 Jun; *fide* Jim Dolan). On the morning of 28 Jul, screech-owls were readily detected during daylight hours in Brush Creek Township, **Highland**, when four different individuals were calling in response to call playback (Aaron Boone and Dave Slager).

Great Horned Owl: Ryan Steiner discovered a nest with young on 10 Jul in **Ashland**. From 01 Jun to 06 Jul, OBBA2 volunteers submitted 17 records of fledged young (**Clark**, **Columbiana**, **Erie**, **Fulton**, **Hamilton**, **Lake**, **Lucas**, **Ottawa**, and **Wyandot**). Current atlas data show southeastern counties with sparse records for the species, a trend also evident in data from the first Ohio Breeding Bird Atlas (Peterjohn and Rice 1991).

Burrowing Owl: A landowner reported a Burrowing Owl on 24 Jun that had apparently been present at his soybean field in **Darke** since approximately 18 Jun (confirmed and photographed by Robb Clifford). The bird was not seen on 25 Jun despite much birding effort. Interestingly, an injured Burrowing Owl was turned in to rehabilitators in **Montgomery** three days after the **Darke** bird was documented. If both birds are accepted as separate individuals, they represent the fourth and fifth records for Ohio.

Barred Owl: 56 records submitted to the OBBA2 involved confirmation of breeding for **Lucas** (05 Jul, Debbie Johnson), **Lorain** (24 Jun; Terry Collins), **Hancock** (17 Jun; Dave Slager), **Cuyahoga** (13 Jul; Terri Martincic), **Summit** (19 Jun and

04 Jul, Dwight and Ann Chasar), **Columbiana** (27 Jun, Bob Lane), **Carroll** (03 Jul, Lori Brumbaugh), **Delaware** (03 Jun; Charles Bombaci), and **Hocking** (10 Jul; Erin Cashion).

Common Nighthawk: A quite different picture for this nightjar appears to be developing in Ohio. Current breeding bird atlas data are few and far between. Elliott Tramer lamented only seeing one bird in the greater Toledo area during the reporting period. A nest was photographed on a medical center rooftop in Toledo, **Lucas**, on 15 Jul (Dan Adamski). On 27 Jun, fledged young were reported from **Hamilton** (Wayne Wauligman). In all, the species was reported from only 45 OBBA2 survey blocks from across the state during the period. Adequate effort could easily explain the paucity of data; USGS Breeding Bird Survey data show a precipitous decline in Ohio since the mid-1960s. Notable concentrations were 12 birds flying over the beach at East Fork SP, **Clermont**, on 23 Jun (Sharon Cates) and seven birds over downtown Mansfield, **Richland**, on 26 Jul (Gary Cowell).

Chuck-will's-widow: A nest with eggs was found in **Adams** on 05 Jun, the first conclusive evidence of breeding submitted to the OBBA2, or for either Ohio breeding bird atlas in **Adams** (Peter Whan). Searches for nocturnal birds in Swan Township, **Vinton**, produced a calling bird on 14 Jun (Erin Cashion); follow up searches detected the bird again on 19 Jun (Ben Warner). Another singing bird to the north in **Hocking** was calling throughout the period; this is the second consecutive year the species has been observed at this location

(Paul Knoop *vide* Jim Fry). Two other records in **Adams** come from Meigs Township. on 07 Jun (Lori Brumbaugh) and Brush Creek Township on 15 Jun (Cindy Steffen). On 28 Jun, one bird was singing in Monroe Township, **Adams** (Jay Lehman).

Whip-poor-will: An unexpected report of a single bird in northern **Montgomery** on 17 Jun (Daniel Seger) was the first OBBA2 report of the species in the far southwestern counties. Breeding confirmation in **Coshocton** and the Oak Openings, **Lucas**, provided the second and third of only three actual nest records for OBBA2; a nest with one chick was seen near Spring Mountain in **Coshocton** on 04 Jun (James F. Yoder) and a nest with chicks was found in the Oak Openings at the edge of a sand dune on 13 Jul (Warren Uxley). The species was heard singing as late as 21 Jul, when one was detected in **Hocking** (Erin Cashion). Overall, observations submitted by atlas volunteers were rather meager for the period. Highly coordinated efforts to detect this and other nightjar species are imperative for delineating their true distributions in Ohio.

Chimney Swift: OBBA2 volunteers submitted 704 survey block observations, further documenting their distribution in all quarters of Ohio. Actual nests were reported from **Athens, Brown, Clark, Columbiana, Cuyahoga, Fayette, Harrison, Holmes, Montgomery, Preble**, and **Summit**. An impressive concentration of 1,100 swifts was observed in Wadsworth, **Medina**, on 12 Jun (Robert and Sandy Harlan). **Cuyahoga** also had good

concentrations with 319 near Parma on 05 Jul (Claire Kluskens) and approximately 260 in Bedford Heights on 15 Jul (Dwight and Ann Chasar).

Ruby-throated Hummingbird:

455 survey block observations were submitted to the OBBA2 during the period.

Belted Kingfisher: OBBA2

volunteers submitted 227 observations. Nests were found in **Butler** (11 Jun; John Habig), **Montgomery** (28 Jun; Scott Hackett), **Wayne** (21 Jun; Aden A. Yoder), and **Holmes** (21 Jun; Jeremy Ross).

Red-headed Woodpecker: This species was observed in 203 survey blocks throughout the state. Where more sparsely distributed, **Washington** was the only southeastern county with a record this summer (16 Jul; Becky Wright).

Red-bellied Woodpecker:

Reported to the OBBA2 from 625 survey blocks.

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker:

Territorial Yellow-bellied Sapsuckers were reported from northern (Singer Lake Bog on 07 Jun; Terri Martincic) and southern (24 Jun; Ethan Kistler) portions of **Ashtabula** and also from a forested residential area in **Lake** near where the species has nested for several years (14 Jun; Tim Lenz).

Downy Woodpecker: Reported to the OBBA2 from 676 survey blocks.

Hairy Woodpecker: Reported to the OBBA2 from 301 survey blocks.

Northern Flicker: Reported to the OBBA2 from 578 survey blocks.

Pileated Woodpecker: Reported to the OBBA2 from 228 survey blocks. A drumming bird in a large wooded area in far western *Williams* on 02 Jun (Aaron Boone, Paul Rodewald) confirmed the persistence of the species in this area after being recorded during the first breeding bird atlas more than 20 years ago. Rick Nirschl reported the species from Lake La Su An WA, *Williams*, on 04 Jun. An immature bird was seen in a large woodlot in *Hancock* on 15 Jul (Robert Sams).

Olive-sided Flycatcher: A late individual was reported from *Lake* on 06 Jun (John Pogacnik). Even later was a bird recorded during the *Summit* County Summer Census on 13 Jun (Bill Osborne).

Eastern Wood-Pewee: Reported to the OBBA2 from 753 survey blocks.

Yellow-bellied Flycatcher: A migrant was in *Franklin* on 01 Jun (Rob Thorn). John Pogacnik reported a bird from his yard in *Lake* on 03 and 06 Jun.

Acadian Flycatcher: Reported to the OBBA2 from 450 survey blocks.

Alder Flycatcher: Reported to OBBA2 from *Ashtabula*, *Champaign*, *Clark*, *Coshocton*, *Erie*, *Fulton*, *Geauga*, *Hancock*, *Harrison*, *Hocking*, *Holmes*, *Licking*, *Mahoning*, *Medina*, *Morrow*, *Noble*, *Portage*, *Richland*, *Stark*, *Summit*, *Trumbull*, and *Tuscarawas*. Six pairs at the Ohio Bird Sanctuary,

Richland was a very good count for one location (John Herman). Detections of territorial Alder Flycatchers are increasing in counties farther south of their breeding distribution recorded during Ohio's first breeding bird atlas project. Alder Flycatchers continue in the Clear Creek valley, *Hocking*, with multiple pairs likely; Cedar Bog SNP, *Champaign*, continues to host the species (27 Jun, Ethan Kistler). A good find in central *Pickaway* was an apparently territorial bird heard through 14 Jun (Rob Thorn). Other interesting records were of single territorial birds in *Harrison* and *Noble* (18 Jul and 23 Jul respectively, David Rankin).

Willow Flycatcher: Reported to the OBBA2 from 458 survey blocks.

Least Flycatcher: A great find for the county, a bird was first heard and then a pair was seen copulating in *Fayette* on 26 Jul (Dave Slager), the most southern record during the period for Ohio. A singing bird at Fort Ancient SP, *Warren*, on 03 Jul was the southernmost record in the state (William McGill). A singing bird was in *Williams* on 21 Jun (Greg Links). Most observations submitted to the OBBA2 were from northeastern counties (15 records from *Carroll*, *Columbiana*, *Geauga*, *Holmes*, *Lorain*, *Mahoning*, *Portage*, *Richland*, *Summit*, *Trumbull*, *Tuscarawas*,). Another record from *Holmes* on 01 Jun could have been either territorial or a late migrant (James E., Adam H., and David H. Yoder).

Eastern Phoebe: Reported to the OBBA2 from 492 survey blocks (representing 94% of all survey regions).

Great Crested Flycatcher:

Reported to the OBBA2 from 453 survey blocks.

Western Kingbird: A single bird on 22 Jul was a one-day wonder in **Hamilton** (Brian Wulker).

Eastern Kingbird: Reported to the OBBA2 from 455 survey blocks.

Loggerhead Shrike: A single shrike was discovered in a recently harvested hayfield in **Ashtabula** on 16 Jun but could not be relocated (Craig Holt).

White-eyed Vireo: Reported to the OBBA2 from 285 survey blocks. Craig Holt reported a single territorial bird from southern **Ashtabula** on 10 Jun where typically considered scarce as a breeder. In the northwest, territorial birds were reported from **Lucas** at Lou Campbell SNP (09 Jun; Ryan Schroeder) and the far eastern portion of the county on 26 Jun (Mark Shieldcastle); Elliot Tramer encountered a good count of four territorial birds at the Oak Openings Metropark on 02 Jul. Other noteworthy records for northwestern counties were single birds encountered in **Ottawa** on 16 Jul (Mark Shieldcastle), **Defiance** on 01 Jun (David Rankin), and **Wood** on 30 Jun (Tom Kemp).

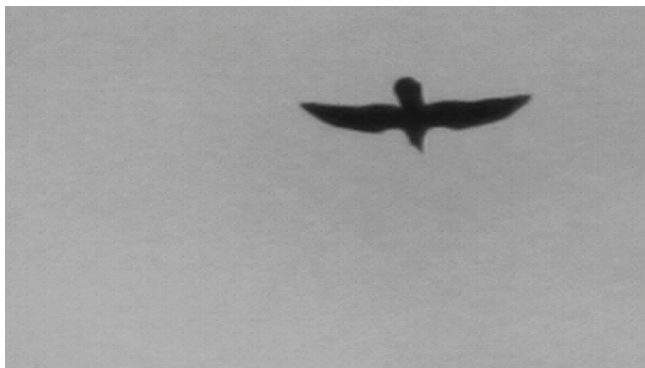
Bell's Vireo: Another good season for Bell's Vireo in **Franklin**, with birds nesting again on campus of Ohio State University (m. obs.) and at least two birds to the northwest in Hilliard on 22 Jun (Brian Gara). Other records for Bell's Vireo include a territorial bird in **Lucas** on 01 Jun (Geoffrey Cottier), a persistently singing bird in **Allen** on 12 Jul (David

Rankin), a confirmed nest at the Ellis Lake Wetlands, **Butler**, on 14 Jun (Kirk Westendorf), and one on 22 Jun at Campbell Ponds, **Hamilton** (William Hull). A quick glimpse of what was likely a Bell's Vireo came from a scrubby reclaimed strip mine in central **Jefferson** on 25 Jun (Scott Albaugh); the species might start showing up more frequently in reclaimed strip mine areas with sufficient scrubby habitat.

Yellow-throated Vireo: Reported to the OBBA2 from 332 survey blocks.

Blue-headed Vireo: Reported to the OBBA2 from an impressive twelve counties (**Columbiana**, **Coshocton**, **Cuyahoga**, **Hocking**, **Jefferson**, **Knox**, **Medina**, **Meigs**, **Ottawa**, **Richland**, **Summit**, and **Trumbull**). A bird banded on 01 Jun at Navarre, **Ottawa**, was likely a late migrant (Mark Shieldcastle). This attractive vireo appears to be cropping up as a likely breeder from areas not previously documented. Mohican SP, **Ashland**, hosted at least five territorial birds on 09 Jun (Robert and Sandy Harlan). At least two territorial birds in the Oak Openings region, **Lucas** (21 Jun and 12 Jul; Matt Anderson). A nesting pair in **Coshocton** was observed throughout the period and re-nested after cowbird parasitism, but this attempt apparently failed (Adam H. Yoder). Sean Williams found an adult carrying food in eastern **Meigs** on 17 Jul, which may represent a first nesting confirmation for that county. The Hocking Hills region, **Hocking**, tallied the most OBBA2 records with 12 being reported throughout the period. A territorial bird was found in the Yellow Creek watershed, northern

*Common Ravens have returned to Ohio as breeders, and records away from the nesting site near Fernwood suggest that additional pairs may be nesting. April Sterling captured this image on 11 Jul in **Monroe**.*



*Cliff Swallow nesting activity in Ohio has increased, even since the last Ohio Breeding Bird Atlas; see Figure 8. Dave Lewis captured this image of an adult feeding a nestling in **Cuyahoga** on 01 Jul.*



Jefferson on 08 Jun (*fide* Jim Dolan), a first for the county during either Ohio breeding bird atlas projects. This region may yield many more hemlock-associated species as the habitat is better surveyed.

Warbling Vireo: Reported to the OBBA2 from 478 survey blocks.

Red-eyed Vireo: Reported to the OBBA2 from an amazing 777 survey blocks. USGS Breeding Bird Survey data show a gradual increase in

detection for the species in Ohio since the 1960s.

Blue Jay: Reported from 828 survey blocks covering all OBBA2 survey regions.

American Crow: Reported to the OBBA2 from 667 survey blocks.

Common Raven: With the discovery of nesting ravens during spring 2008, subsequent searching in **Jefferson** provided additional observations of the

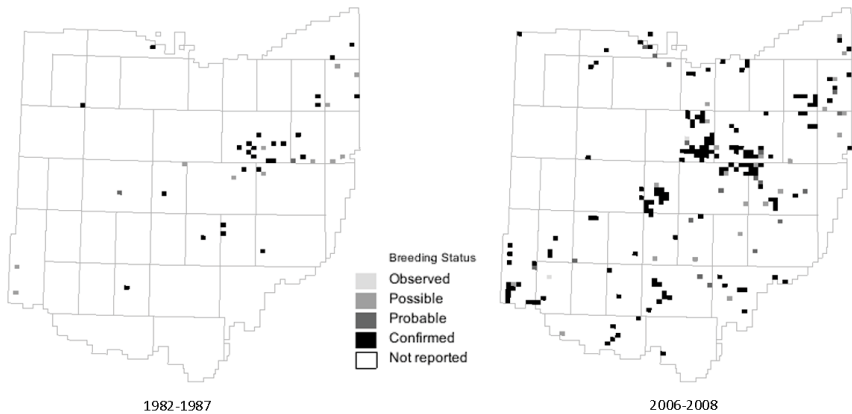


Figure 8. Maps showing Cliff Swallow distribution recorded during the first Ohio Breeding Bird Atlas (1982-1987) and that from the current breeding bird atlas (2006-2008). Data and images courtesy of the Ohio Breeding Bird Atlas (Peterjohn and Rice 1991), the Ohio Breeding Bird Atlas II, the Cornell Lab of Ornithology.

family group fledged from Fernwood State Forest (5-6 birds seen on 12 Jul, *fide* Brad Sparks). Earlier on 15 Jun, a single bird was seen in Island Creek Township, **Jefferson**, which is nearly seven miles north of the Fernwood nesting site (Robert and Sandy Harlan). Away from **Jefferson**, a single raven was photographed in **Monroe** on 11 Jul (Bill Murphy, April Sterling *fide* Jim McCormac). Photographs of a raven from neighboring **Washington** in April 2008 suggest that the species could be nesting in other regions of southeastern Ohio.

Horned Lark: Reported to the OBBA2 from 434 survey blocks. Relatively scarce as a breeder in southern counties; a good find was of a territorial bird in a **Brown** soybean field on 03 and 14 Jun (Madeline Schickel).

Purple Martin: Reported to the OBBA2 from 207 survey blocks that represent nearly every survey region.

Tree Swallow: Reported to the OBBA2 from 350 survey blocks.

Northern Rough-winged

Swallow: Reported to the OBBA2 from 329 survey blocks.

Bank Swallow: Reported to the OBBA2 from 64 survey blocks. Nest cavities and/or fledglings were found in **Adams, Carroll, Columbiana, Coshocton, Crawford, Delaware, Erie, Fairfield, Fulton, Hocking, Mahoning, Montgomery, Noble, Richland, Ross, Sandusky, Summit, Trumbull, Tuscarawas,** and **Wyandot**. An impressive colony of more than 150 pairs were near Benton, **Holmes** (Michael Hersherberger). A bird entering an apparent nest hole in **Noble** on 23 Jul is one of just a handful of atlas records from the far southeastern counties. An estimated 2,000 birds were staging at Headlands Beach SNP, **Lake** on 16 Jul (Ray Hannikman).

Cliff Swallow: Reported to the OBBA2 from 57 survey blocks. Nests

or likely nesting locations were in **Butler, Coshocton, Cuyahoga, Fairfield, Fayette, Franklin, Hamilton, Harrison, Highland, Holmes, Knox, Mahoning, Meigs, Montgomery, Morgan, Ottawa, Pike, Richland, Ross, Trumbull, Vinton, Washington, Williams,** and **Wood**. Current data from the OBBA2 show a more extensive distribution than was recorded during the 1980s, especially in the southern and southwestern counties (Figure 8). An interesting record from 19 Jun was of the species nesting on a cliff face on West Sister Island, **Ottawa** (Mark Shieldcastle). The first OBBA2 record for **Williams** was of a group of birds was observed collecting mud along a road on 02 Jun; nests were later located under the eaves of a barn roof (Aaron Boone, Paul Rodewald). The largest reported colony comes from **Holmes**, which included an estimated 500 nesting pairs (Marty Schlabach). Brad Bond confirmed nesting for the species with adults carrying food to a likely nesting location in **Washington** on 01 Jul.

Barn Swallow: Reported to the OBBA2 from 741 survey blocks. Richard Rickard had a pair building a nest as late as 27 Jul in **Cuyahoga**.

Carolina Chickadee: Reported to the OBBA2 from 438 survey blocks. A pair north of the Blanchard River, **Hancock**, on 25 Jun contained one Carolina Chickadee while the other bird appeared to be a hybrid (Robert Sams).

Black-capped Chickadee: Reported to the OBBA2 from 230 survey blocks. A chickadee was singing a perfect black-capped song at Cedar Bog SNP, **Champaign**, on 28 Jun

(Ethan Kistler, Jim McCormac, m. obs.). Southern **Champaign** is approximately 50 miles from the supposed hybrid line between chickadee species.

Tufted Titmouse: With each OBBA2 survey region represented, the species was reported from 693 survey blocks. Current documented distribution closely reflects current distribution of atlas effort.

Red-breasted Nuthatch: It appeared that more Red-breasted Nuthatches were detected this summer, possibly the result of birds remaining after the large invasion Ohio experienced last fall and winter. An individual was detected in the Oak Openings, **Lucas**, on 21 Jun, with a pair seen on 13 Jul (Matt Anderson); west Toledo, **Lucas**, hosted a calling bird in an urban neighborhood on 07 Jul (anonymous report on rarebird.org). Other Ohio counties of note hosting Red-breasted Nuthatch were **Wood** (1 Jun; Mark Miller); two different areas in **Hancock** (25 Jun and 08 Jul; Robert Sams); one at a feeder in **Wayne** on 05 Jun (Linda Stoller); another at a feeder in **Ashland** on 24 Jul (Lloyd Wygant). Gregory Bennett had a good count of three individuals calling around the Barberton Reservoir, **Summit**, on 13 Jun. The most southerly record was in **Hocking** on 10 Jun when a mated pair was found (Eric Hall).

White-breasted Nuthatch: With each OBBA2 survey region represented, the species was reported from 616 survey blocks.

Brown Creeper: Birds seen repeatedly in the Oak Openings,

Lucas, likely nested (Rick Nirschl, Matt Anderson); other noteworthy records of the species were observations on 30 Jun in **Allen** (Linda Houshower) and a 03 Jul record from Fort Ancient SP, **Warren** (William McGill). Randall Carmel found a probable nesting pair in **Knox** on 12 Jun. Eastern **Columbiana** had three separate locations where the species was recorded during atlasing efforts (16 Jun by Jim Dolan; 19 Jun by Ethan Kistler; 01 Jul by Aaron Boone, John Kuenzli, and Paul Rodewald). The only confirmed record of nesting was the observation of fledged young in northern **Stark** on 18 Jun (Kent Miller).

Carolina Wren: USGS Breeding Bird Survey data show an increase for the species since the mid-1980s and current atlas data show many more detections of Carolina Wrens in the far northern counties. For example, Carolina Wrens were not detected in **Williams** during the first breeding bird atlas. On 02 Jun, territorial birds were found in both Northwest and Florence Townships (Aaron Boone, Paul Rodewald). Additionally, the species was reported to the OBBA2 from 31 survey blocks in the far northern survey regions (from **Williams** east to **Ashtabula**).

House Wren: Reported to the OBBA2 from 894 survey blocks.

Winter Wren: Expected at Mohican SP area, **Ashland**, a singing male was reported on 09 Jun (Robert and Sandy Harlan) and on 18 Jul (Bruce Glick); a nearby hemlock slope in **Knox** also had a territorial bird on 12 Jun (Randall Carmel). Southern **Columbiana** (07 Jun) and northern **Jefferson** (late Jun) also had Winter Wren observations where hemlocks

were present. Gabe Leidy confirmed breeding when fledglings were observed on 15 Jul in Cuyahoga Valley NP, **Cuyahoga**.

Sedge Wren: Reported to the OBBA2 in 25 survey blocks from 17 counties (**Champaign, Columbiana, Greene, Hardin, Highland, Knox, Marion, Ottawa, Pickaway, Portage, Richland, Ross, Summit, Tuscarawas, Union, Williams, Wyandot**). Nesting was confirmed in **Ottawa** during Jun and approximately 20 birds were seen in an 80-acre conservation reserve grassland at one point (*vide* Lois Harder). An additional record came from **Holmes** on 26 Jun (Allen Troyer). The southern most record from **Highland** included at least two territorial birds on 31 Jul (Dave Slager).

Marsh Wren: The colony at the eastern **Hardin** wetlands grew to more than 15 territorial males (Richard Counts) Apparently for the first time since the wetland restoration, territorial males showed up at the Wellington Reservation, **Lorain**; five territorial males were tallied on 11 Jul (Aaron Boone, Ethan Kistler). Seven individuals were tallied at the Firestone-Yeagley WA, **Columbiana**, on 15 Jun (Robert and Sandy Harlan), and 16 individuals were at Killbuck Marsh WA, **Wayne**, on 28 Jul (Adam H. Yoder). Other observations of the species were reported to the OBBA2 from **Ashtabula, Cuyahoga, Erie, Lorain, Mahoning, Marion, Ottawa, Richland, Trumbull, Wood** (04 Jul record from **Jackson** Township; Chuck Anderson). eBird data indicate that the species was present at Pickerel Creek WA, **Sandusky**, throughout Jul. A

Marsh Wren lurking in backwaters at Hoover Reservoir, **Delaware**, on 02 Jun seemed out of place (Charlie Bombaci).

Golden-crowned Kinglet: A pair of Golden-crowned Kinglets was found 12 Jun (Aaron Boone, Jim Dolan, Bob Lane) in a **Columbiana** spruce grove where nesting was first confirmed for the state several years ago. Suitable habitat in **Knox** had a territorial kinglet 12 Jun and again on 30 Jun (Randall Carmel). Two territorial males were at Hinckley MP, **Medina**, on 04 Jun (Robert and Sandy Harlan). Ethan Kistler had a single territorial bird in **Summit** while atlasing on 06 Jun. Two were found in **Cuyahoga** NP, **Summit**, on 21 Jun (Dwight and Ann Chasar). Calling birds were heard on 12 and 13 Jul in the Oak Openings MP, **Lucas** (Matt Anderson, Greg Links).

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher: With all but three OBBA2 survey regions represented, the species was reported from a total of 402 survey blocks.

Eastern Bluebird: Reported to the OBBA2 from 525 survey blocks.

Veery: Reported to the OBBA2 from 16 northern counties (**Ashtabula**, **Columbiana**, **Cuyahoga**, **Fulton**, **Geauga**, **Hancock**, **Lucas**, **Medina**, **Morrow**, **Portage**, **Richland**, **Stark**, **Summit**, **Trumbull**, **Tuscarawas**, and **Wayne**). Atlas surveys in **Fairfield** and **Hocking** produced territorial birds (19 Jun; John Watts). While surveying a ravine preserve in **Delaware**, Tom Bain had a singing bird on 12 Jul, a first OBBA2 record from **Delaware**.

Gray-cheeked Thrush: A bird was banded in **Ottawa** on 07 Jun (*fide* Mark Shieldcastle). Other late dates for Gray-cheeked Thrush were from **Lake** as late as 03 Jun (Ray Hannikman) and also on 06 Jun (John Pogacnik).

Swainson's Thrush: John Pogacnik had a Swainson's Thrush at his **Lake** property on 06 Jun.

Hermit Thrush: A territorial Hermit Thrush was detected first on 12 Jun and again on 07 Jul in southwestern **Stark** (Ryan Steiner). Likely breeders were found in suitable habitat along Pine Run and near Sheepskin Hollow SNP, **Columbiana**, on 12 Jun (Aaron Boone, Jim Dolan). In southeastern Ohio, a Hermit Thrush was likely breeding in **Meigs** when observed on 16 Jul (Sean Williams). The species was well represented in **Hocking** with a total of six survey block records for the county; a survey of Crane Hollow, **Hocking**, tallied approximately 25 singing males along a two-mile stretch of the hollow (Aaron Boone, Dave Slager).

Wood Thrush: Reported to the OBBA2 from 680 survey blocks

American Robin: Reported to the OBBA2 from 1,053 survey blocks; this is the most commonly reported species for OBBA2.

Gray Catbird: Reported to the OBBA2 from 904 survey blocks.

Northern Mockingbird: Reported to the OBBA2 from 381 survey blocks. In the northern counties where the



*This Blue-winged Warbler was photographed by Brian Zwiebel in **Williams** on 14 Jun while it sang from a perch on a Multiflora Rose (*Rosa multiflora*).*

species is more sparsely distributed, mockingbirds were found in **Ashland** (one block record), **Cuyahoga** (three block records), **Defiance** (one block record), **Erie** (three block records), **Fulton** (four block records), **Hancock** (one block record), **Henry** (six block records), **Lorain** (one block record), **Mahoning** (three block records), **Medina** (one block record), **Ottawa** (three block records), **Paulding** (one block record), **Portage** (one block record), **Putnam** (one block record), **Sandusky** (one block record), **Summit** (four block records), **Trumbull** (seven block records), **Williams** (one block record), and **Wood** (18 block records).

Brown Thrasher: Reported to the OBBA2 from 467 survey blocks.

European Starling: Reported to the OBBA2 from 814 survey blocks.

Cedar Waxwing: Reported to the OBBA2 from 561 survey blocks.

Blue-winged Warbler: Reported to the OBBA2 from 134 survey blocks. Current atlas data show a noticeable lack of detections for this warbler in the northwestern counties, but below average survey efforts may account for this. In the northwest, reported to the atlas from **Logan** (fledged young observed on 21 Jun in Perry Township; Dave Slager), **Lucas** (Ryan Schroeder had a territorial male at Irwin Prairie SNP on 26 Jun; Geoffrey Cottier observed a breeding pair in the Oak Openings on 07 Jun), and **Wyandot** (a territorial male at Killdeer Plains WA on 29 Jun; Mark Shieldcastle). The species was also observed in **Williams** on 14 Jun (Pioneer Scout Reservation; Brian Zwiebel) and 21 Jun (Lake La Su An WA; Mike Gordon).

[Golden-winged x Blue-winged Warbler]: A territorial 'Brewster's Warbler' was reported to the OBBA2

on 25 Jun in **Wayne** (Randall Rowe).

Golden-winged Warbler: A Golden-winged Warbler was in full song on 10 Jun in **Cuyahoga** Valley NP, **Summit** (Ethan Kistler). A territorial male was also present for at least two weeks in early Jun in **Hocking** (*fide* Jim Fry, Jim McCormac). Both of these males were presumed to be lone individuals.

Tennessee Warbler: A singing male was in **Huron** on 01 Jun (Robert and Sandy Harlan), and a late migrant was banded at Black Swamp Bird Observatory, **Ottawa**, on 04 Jun (*fide* Mark Shieldcastle).

Nashville Warbler: A migrant was banded at Black Swamp Bird Observatory, **Ottawa**, on 06 Jun (*fide* Mark Shieldcastle). An apparent male Nashville Warbler, seen foraging around a buttonbush swamp at Lawrence Woods SNP, **Hardin**, was a curious find on 19 Jun (Carl Hoagstrom).

Northern Parula: An entirely different breeding distribution for Northern Parula is emerging from current OBBA2 data. Parulas were represented in seven far northern counties (**Ashtabula**, **Cuyahoga**, **Defiance**, **Hancock**, **Lorain**, **Lucas**, and **Wood**). From 24-30 Jun, **Shelby**, a county with apparently little nesting information for Northern Parula, had three different areas with territorial birds (Dave Slager).

Yellow Warbler: Reported to the OBBA2 from 589 survey blocks. In **Medina**, fledged young were noted as early as 07 Jun (Lisa Chapman).

Chestnut-sided Warbler: Reported to the OBBA2 from 22 survey blocks in northern counties (**Carroll**, **Columbiana**, **Coshocton**, **Geauga**, **Jefferson**, **Knox**, **Holmes**, **Mahoning**, **Medina**, **Morrow**, **Ottawa**, **Portage**, **Richland**, **Stark**, and **Wyandot**). Five individuals on 08 Jun in northern **Ashtabula** was a noteworthy count (Robert and Sandy Harlan). An adult male acting aggressively towards an Indigo Bunting on 05 Jun was a good find for **Delaware** (Jonathan Felix). John Watts had territorial birds at single locations in **Fairfield** and **Hocking** on 19 Jun. Elliot Tramer reported a male in the Oak Openings MP, **Lucas**, on 26 Jun; a male was observed again in the Oak Openings on 06 Jul. A great find for **Williams** during the reporting period was a single Chestnut-sided Warbler on 21 Jun (Greg Links).

Magnolia Warbler: This species was reported to the OBBA2 from a total of 13 different survey blocks from five counties (**Carroll**, **Columbiana**, **Hocking**, **Lake**, **Meigs**, and **Trumbull**). Singing birds were reported from a Cleveland Museum of Natural History property in northwestern **Trumbull** on 03, 10, 19, and 30 Jun (Laura Gooch). The species was finally recorded for the OBBA2 from **Columbiana** when up to three territories were documented along Pine Run Hollow on 08 Jun (Aaron Boone, Jim Dolan). Two noteworthy breeding records come from **Meigs**—a territorial male in Rutland Township on 16 Jul and a juvenile bird seen the next day farther to the east in Olive Township on 17 Jul (Sean Williams). These records emphasize