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Unpredictable, but a regular visitor to Ohio, this Cattle Egret stares intently at a group of shorebirds 03 May, Fernald NP, **Hamilton**. Photo by Ruhikanta Meetei.

**Front Cover:** Elegant in her breeding plumage, this photogenic female Wilson's Phalarope, was one of nine seen this spring in Ohio. Photo by Ruhikanta Meetei 03 May, Fernald NP, **Hamilton**.



This Purple Gallinule, a weak-flying visitor from the southern swamps, thrilled scores of birders and was photographed by Judy Semroc on 02 May. The bird remained at Columbia Reservation in **Lorain** until 23 May. Two other individuals found each other, leading to Ohio's first nesting record (fledging 6 chicks), documented by Su Snyder and Dave Slager in Richland.

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**Back cover:** A review species in Ohio, this Black-necked Stilt delighted birders at Fernald NP, **Hamilton**, 04 May. Photo by Ruhikanta Meetei.

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**On the cover:** Elegant in her breeding plumage, this photogenic female Wilson's Phalarope, caught here by Ruhikanta Meetei on 03May at the Fernald NP in **Hamilton**, was one of nine seen this spring in Ohio.

