

## YEARS AGO

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**10 years ago**, the Summer 2014 *Ohio Cardinal*, Vol. 27 No. 4 (Bill Whan, Editor) contained these items:  
Jun rainfall was 130% of normal and Jul's was 140%.

Three review species (Mississippi Kite, Black-necked Stilt, and Loggerhead Shrike) were reported. At least four Stilts were at three locations and one apparent nesting attempt was noted.

Ohio's first known King Rail nests were documented in Prairie Oaks MP, *Madison*, and at Killdeer. Short-eared Owls nested at The Wilds.

The CVNP Horseshoe Pond area hosted a nest of a female Blue-winged Warbler paired with a male Golden-winged. No offspring were noted.

**25 years ago**, the Summer 1989 *Ohio Cardinal*, Vol. 12 No. 4 (Ed Pierce and Tom Kemp, Co-Editors), contained these items:

Precipitation was much greater than normal all season.

Three Bald Eagles were reported.

A Sabine's Gull spent all summer at Lorain, and Laughing and Little gulls were reported elsewhere.

The cover photo was of the season's sole Black-necked Stilt.

*Wood* hosted two Loggerhead Shrikes.

Three locations held a total of four Western Meadowlarks.

Tom Kemp listed his predictions for upcoming new species in the state. Of his top 10, Garganey, Say's Phoebe, Fish Crow, Mountain Bluebird, and Golden-crowned Sparrow have arrived. Brown Pelican, Royal Tern, Cassin's Sparrow, and Painted Bunting were among the next 15 on his list.

**35 years ago**, the Summer 1979 *Ohio Cardinal*, Vol. 2, No. 2 (John Herman, Editor) included these items:

Three ospreys were seen, two of them in one location.

The western Lake Erie shore boasted three Bald Eagle nests, each of which fledged one chick. One additional sighting was reported.

One each Glaucous and Franklin's gulls dropped in.

Observers found only one Alder Flycatcher.

Three counties hosted Dickcissels.

The *Cleveland Bird Calendar* did not publish summer editions 50 and 100 years ago.