

Regional Reports Pictorial Highlights

Spring 1989



Red-faced Warbler at Green River, Wyoming, April 30, 1989. A remarkable first state record. Photograph/Janis Steenberg.



Harlequin Ducks at the Chesapeake Bay Bridge and Tunnel, Virginia, March 25, 1989. Photograph/Wendell L. Argabrite.



Elf Owl at Kickapoo Caverns State Park, Texas, May 18, 1989. Several new Texas locations for the species have come to light recently. Photograph/Kelly Bryan.



Male Scarlet Tanager (on an atypical barbed-wire perch) at House, Quay County, New Mexico, May 12, 1989. Photograph/Steve West.



Little Curlew at Gambell, St. Lawrence Island, Alaska, June 8, 1989. First record for Alaska, and third for North America. Photograph/Kenn Kaufman/VIREO.



Little Curlew in flight at Gambell, Alaska, June 8, 1989. Photograph/Kevin J. Zimmer.



Whimbrel at Grand Forks, North Dakota, May 27, 1989. Photograph/David O. Lambeth.



Mississippi Kite in first-summer plumage at Huntington Beach California, June 6, 1989. Photograph/James R. Gallagher.



Black-necked Stilt in Gibson County, Indiana, May 9, 1989. One of two present for first acceptable Indiana record. Photograph/Michael Ray Brown.



Male Mountain Bluebird at Grand Isle, Vermont, April 2, 1989 First for Vermont and second for New England. Photograph/R B. Lavallee.



Spotted Redshank in breeding plumage near Oceanside, California, May 20, 1989. Photograph/John O'Brien.



This duck at Warm Springs, Montana, in May 1989 was believed to be a male hybrid Wood Duck x Cinnamon Teal. Photograph/Don Stoecker.



It has been only about a decade since the blue morph of Ross' Goose was detected for the first time; relatively few birders have seen this rare color form, and fewer still have been close enough to photograph it. These portraits show an example of this rare bird associating with Ross' Geese of the normal white form at Ash Creek Wildlife Area, Lassen County, California, on March 19, 1989. Compared to the well-known blue morph of the Snow Goose, the blue Ross' has a darker neck area extending up onto the nape and even the back of the crown, leaving only a restricted face area white. Photographs/Deborah J. Klein.



Palm Warbler at Corn Springs, Riverside County, California, April 8, 1989. Photograph/Herbert Clarke.



Adult Yellow-crowned Night-Heron in Mason County, West Virginia, April 1, 1989. Photograph/Wendell L. Argabrite.



Male Gray-crowned Yellowthroat at the Sabal Palm Grove, Brownsville, Texas, May 24, 1989. Photograph/Mike Krzywowski.



Bahama Mockingbird near Miami, Florida, April 11, 1989. About the ninth record for the United States. Photograph/Max Parker.



Snowy Plover in Gibson County, Indiana, April 26, 1989. Third Indiana record. Photograph/Donald R. Whitehead.



Eurasian Bullfinch at Gambell, St. Lawrence Island, Alaska, May 29, 1989. Photograph/Gary H. Rosenberg.



Forster's Tern at Riverfront Park, Huntington, West Virginia, May 2, 1989. The species has been turning up more frequently in the Appalachian Region recently. Photograph/Mike Griffith.



Northern Hobby on board a ship 300 miles east of St. John's, Newfoundland, in May 1989. Not quite in North American waters, but tantalizingly close. Photographs/Alan Longhurst.



Swainson's Warbler captured for banding at Powdermill Nature Reserve, southwestern Pennsylvania, May 9, 1989. Notice the relatively heavy bill for a warbler. Photograph/Robert C. Leberman.



Glossy Ibis at Point Pelee, Ontario, spring 1989. Photograph/James N. Flynn.



Purple Sandpiper at Gulfport, Mississippi, April 25, 1989. This was one of two birds present since December 1988 for one of the few state records. Photograph/Paul Lehman.