

and a nest with four eggs was discovered 19 May (AV, ph.). This nest furnished only the 2nd verifiable breeding record for Florida; the first came from the same site in 1999. An apparent Rose-breasted Grosbeak × Black-headed Grosbeak hybrid was photographed at Bald Pt. 28 Apr (JaD). Nice numbers of Bobolinks were 1735 at Lake Apopka N.S.R.A. 26 Apr (HR) and 250 at Polk mines 6 May (PF). Single Yellow-headed Blackbirds were spied at Gainesville 8 Mar (BCh), Altamonte Springs 27 Mar (fide AV), Crystal River in late Mar (JWa), and Cedar Key 26 Mar–6 May (DHe et al.). There were six reports of Shiny Cowbird: single males at Cedar Key 15 Apr and 3 May (DHe), Bald Pt. 9 Apr and 21–22 May (JM, JaD), and Lake Apopka N.S.R.A. 1 May (HR), with 2 males at Ft. De Soto 28 May (LA).

House Finches continue to colonize the cen. peninsula, albeit slowly. This season, the female of a pair at Orlando was observed carrying Spanish Moss 27 Apr (GS), 2 juveniles were found at Sanford, *Seminole* 29 Apr (AV), and the first *Polk* nest fledged 3 at Winter Haven 2–4 May (J&TS). Another finch pair was at Sorrento, *Lake* 27 May (CP). Purple Finches tarried at

Gainesville 3 Mar (BCa) and at Tallahassee 23 Mar (FR); the latest Pine Siskin was at Tallahassee 25 Apr (JL). American Goldfinches numbered 75 at Eco Pond, Everglades N.P. 17 Apr (JBo); 3 were at Winter Park, *Seminole* through 7 May (BAn), and one remained at Tallahassee through 27 May (JL).

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The weather was unusually cool though the period, and the paucity of warm fronts was likely responsible for reports that migrants were in low numbers, particularly Neotropical migrant songbirds. Wintry conditions persisted through much of March, but a burst of record warmth late in the month and into April was responsible for a few early flights. This pattern may have been connected to the greater-than-average influx of southern species, especially wading birds, into the Region. How-

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Though nearly annual in Pennsylvania, American White Pelicans are always noteworthy when found. This bird was at Presque Isle State Park, Erie County on the first of May 2005. Photograph by Jerry McWilliams.

ever, late April through the remainder of the season saw a return of winter, as significant snowfalls were recorded along the south shore of Lake Erie into the first week of May. Average rainfall decreased as the season progressed, allowing for some good shorebirding as waters receded along some shorelines, but the spring showing for small *Calidris* was overall very poor. Finally, a late-May Atlantic storm brought a few birds of note to eastern Pennsylvania.

Abbreviations: B.S.B.O. (Black Swamp B.O.); C.C.S.P. (Caesar Creek S.P., Warren/Greene, OH); C.V.N.P. (Cuyahoga Valley N.P., Summit/Cuyahoga, OH); G.L.R. (Green Lane Res., Montgomery, PA); J.E.E.C. (Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center, Northampton, PA); L.N.S.P. (Lake Nockamixon S.P., Bucks, PA); L.G.W.R. (Lehigh Gap Wildlife Refuge, Lehigh, PA); M.C.P.P. (Martin's Creek PPL Power Plant, Northampton, PA); M.C.W.M.A. (Middle Creek Wildlife Management Area, Lancaster/Lebanon, PA); P.V.P. (Peace Valley Park, Bucks, PA); P.N.R. (Powdermill Nature Reserve, Westmoreland, PA); R.C.S.P. (Raccoon Creek S.P., Beaver, PA); T.M.H. (Tussey Mountain Hawkwatch, Centre/Huntingdon, PA); Y.C.S.P. (Yellow Creek S.P., Indiana, PA).

LOONS THROUGH HERONS

A fallout of 260 Common Loons at L.N.S.P.

(BE) and 113 at G.L.R. 23 Apr (GF) led reports. Among few Red-throated Loon reports, one in Jefferson, WV 29 Mar (MO) was a surprise, while a late bird was noted in Lake, OH 22 May (JP). An average passage of Red-necked Grebes saw a high of 4 at Beltzville S.P. Carbon, PA 1 Apr (TMa) and one lingering at Y.C.S.P. 7–18 May (MHi et al.). Well off the normal flyway, singles were in sw. Ohio 20–26 Mar at Cowan L., Clinton (LG, J. Hickman) and 24 Mar at C.C.S.P. (JL). No more than 46 Horned Grebes were on the Ohio R., Beaver, PA 22 Mar (MV) and 50 on Wellington Res., Lorain, OH 18 Mar (BAT). The Eared Grebe flight was average, with only 4 in Ohio 21 Mar–10 Apr (S. Landes, JL, E. Bacik, J. McCarty); in Pennsylvania, one was e. to Y.C.S.P. 2 & 17 May (M. & E. Fowles, MHi, ph. R. Higbee). The now-annual spring movement of American White Pelicans through Ohio involved 15 birds 9 Apr–8 May (LG, M. Misplon, m.ob.) led by a flock of 12 at Buck Creek S.P., Clark 10 Apr (DO). Least expected was one at Rocky Fork L., Highland 27 Apr (S. Wagner). Singles made it to P.I.S.P. 29 Apr–4 May (BC, JM, fide SSm, ph.) and Lorain Harbor, Lorain, OH 28 May (JP), while West Virginia recorded one 29 Apr at Byrd Lock & Dam on the Ohio R. (WA). The 21 American Bitterns at P.I.S.P. 18 Apr–8 May (JM, BC) was a modest tally. In addition to the 4 in the Western Basin marshes (KK, m.ob.), Little Blue Herons were well represented elsewhere in Ohio,



This Swallow-tailed Kite was found nearly dead along the West Branch of Octoraro Creek in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania on the early date of 13 March 2005. Although March "overmigrants" are known from farther south, this represents one of very few such records north of the Mason-Dixon line. Photograph by Tom Amico.

with singles at Spring Valley W.A., Warren 24 Apr (JL), Goshen, Clermont 25 Apr (T. Jackson), C.V.N.P. 4 May (ph. D. Chasar), in Lake 5 May (JP), Pickerington Ponds, Franklin 9 May (R. Rogers et al.), and at Sandy Ridge, Lorain, 11–14 May (L. Deininger, C. Caldwell). Another was present 16 Apr at the Winfield Locks, Putnam, WV (K. Kazmierski). Completing the influx of southern waders was an extraordinary in-

cursor of 35 *Plegadis* ibis into Ohio. From 14–21 May, at least 3 White-faced Ibis and up to 9 Glossy Ibis made visits to various diked marshes in the Western Basin (KK, m.ob.). A flock of 23 *Plegadis* was seen in flight heading northward in Van Wert 31 May (J. Perchalski). A Black Vulture appeared 20 Apr in Lake, OH (RH), where the largest Turkey Vulture flight, numbering 1200, passed 30 Mar (RH).

WATERFOWL THROUGH CRANES

The appearance of 9 Fulvous Whistling-Ducks at Grand L., Mercer, OH in mid-May (ph. S. Chapin) recalls the flock of 9 in nearby Wyandot in the spring 1975. This is the first Ohio record of the species since 1994. A strong passage of Tundra Swans through Pennsylvania 14–20 Mar included 600+ in Indiana (D. Jacobs, MHi), 995 at T.M.H. (TM, fide GG), and 700 at Indian Cr., McKean (JF, fide MM). The seasonal total at M.C.W.M.A. was 4500 (fide BMe). Whooper Swan reports in Pennsylvania included 2 at L.N.S.P. 18–29 May (BE, CR) and one at Tunkhannock, Wyoming, PA 25 May (WR, m.ob.). Rare in w. Pennsylvania, a Greater White-fronted Goose from the winter season in Allegheny remained through 3 Mar (m.ob.). Reports elsewhere were modest, with no more than 4 noted at a single location. The Snow Goose flock (estimated at 100,000) commuted into cornfields in Northampton, PA from nearby Merrill Creek Res., NJ in Mar (J. Bullis, RW, m.ob.). The seasonal high count at M.C.W.M.A. was 140,000 (fide BMe). A lingering bird was noted 30 Apr at Pipe Creek W.A., Erie, OH (S. Young). Among several Ross's Geese reported in Pennsylvania, one at Green Pond, Northampton 8–14 Apr (B. Weber) was record late. Two were found in Jefferson, WV 7–13 Mar (MO). There were at least eight reports of Cackling Geese in Pennsylvania during the period (m.ob.), including a high of 7 at P.V.P. 2 Mar (CR).

Not since the mid-1940s has the Region seen so many Eurasian Wigeons. Eight males in Pennsylvania 13–30 Mar were reported in Erie, Philadelphia, Indiana, Westmoreland, Clinton, Crawford, and Berks (JM, J. Miller, A. Jackman, M. Cunkleman, K. Byerly, C&CH, B. Smith, K. Saunders, JD). Ohio had 5 spanning 16 Mar–30 Apr in Wayne, Trumbull, Lucas, and Ottawa (R. Hershberger, C. Bochmann, JP, T. Shiveley, A. Boone). A Common (Eurasian Green-winged) Teal was in Portage, OH 5 Apr (LR). A gathering of diving ducks on Mosquito L., Trumbull, OH 20–22 Mar included 1750

Ring-necked Duck, 950 Lesser Scaup, 600 Redhead, 550 Common Goldeneye, and 500 Canvasback (D. Hochadel, VF). Elsewhere, Wellington Res., Lorain, OH held 250 Canvasbacks and 1000+ Redheads 18 Mar (BAT), while 1200 Ring-necked Ducks rested on Mogadore Res., Portage, OH 23 Mar (LR). The Mar scoter passage through Ohio involved 28 Surf, a Black, and 5 White-winged. Another 11 White-winged Scoters at Bald Eagle S.P., PA 28 Mar (M. Heath) and 4 Black Scoters at Walker L., Snyder, PA 31 Mar (C. Kaufman, A. Troyer) made for an above-average showing for those species. Long-tailed Ducks were conspicuously absent across the Region, with no concentration greater than 4 reported in either Ohio or Pennsylvania. A male Common Goldeneye x Hooded Merganser hybrid was seen at P.I.S.P 3-6 Mar (JM). A female Hooded Merganser with young was observed at Somerset, PA (A. Marich), and one was banded in a nest with eggs at East Bangor Dam, Northampton, PA (fide BK), the 2nd county nesting record. The range of the Common Merganser continues to expand away from the major rivers in se. Pennsylvania. A female and 12 young were seen at G.L.R. 30 May (GF); and the species nested for the first time at J.E.E.C. (J. Wilson). For the 2nd year in a row, a female was seen entering a chimney at the headquarters of L.G.W.R. (DK). Notable merganser concentrations in Pennsylvania included 150 Hoodeds and 2000 Commons at L.N.S.P 21 Mar (BE) and 3500 Commons at L. Ontelaunee, Berks 26 Mar (RK). At P.I.S.P, numbers of diving ducks, mostly Red-breasted Mergansers, reached 50,000 in late Mar-early Apr (JM). Away from L. Erie, the peak count was 1050 on Hoover Res. 5 Mar (C. Bombaci).

Many Osprey nests were active this season in Northampton, PA (BH, RW), including the first away from the Delaware R. at J.E.E.C. (fide BK). The male of a pair nesting at Portland was hacked at the same location in 1985 (BH). A Swallow-tailed Kite found alive but weak 13 Mar along the Octorora Cr., Lancaster succumbed 17 Mar (C. Price; *, ph. TA). This is a very early record for such a northerly location and represents about the 10th record for Pennsylvania. Up to 8 Mississippi Kites were noted in Pennsylvania 21 Apr-31 May, including at least 4 in Bucks (BE, M. Homel, B. & E. Mercer), 3 in Northampton (A. Koch, MSc), and one in Berks 21 Apr (MW). A pair of Bald Eagles successfully raised 2 young on an Osprey nesting platform in Northampton, PA (m.ob.). A kettle of 8 Broad-winged Hawks over Minford, OH 26 Mar was very early (D. Riepenhoff). A dark-morph Red-tailed Hawk was seen in Girard,

Erie, PA 6 Apr (Jim Baxter). Eighteen Rough-legged Hawks were tallied during the season at T.M.H., and a seasonal total of 178 Golden Eagles there marked the 2nd highest count ever at that location (TM, D. Ombalski, fide GG); the peak Golden Eagle flight there was 21 on 12 Mar (TM). Late Rough-legged Hawks 1 May were detected in Lorain, OH (K. Mock) and Berks, PA (Sue Schmoyer).

A pair of Peregrine Falcons laid eggs in a nest box at M.C.P.P., the first confirmed nesting in Northampton since the 1950s (J. Hahn, J. Depalma). Local American Kestrel numbers were elevated by 50 occupied nest boxes in Northampton, PA (RW, Little Gap Raptor Research). The spring Sandhill Crane flight through the Western Basin was normal, with 41 recorded (B.S.B.O.), and 5 were



This banded Piping Plover was one of three observed between late April and late May at productive Presque Isle State Park, Erie County, Pennsylvania (here 12 May 2005). Photograph by Jerry McWilliams.

reported in West Virginia. The species continues to increase in Pennsylvania: up to 21 were at Plain Grove, Lawrence 5 Mar (MV), and 15 were noted 11-17 Mar in Spring Township, Crawford (C. Armstrong, E. Erb). Two ads. (with 2 yearlings) that had nested in Cambridge Springs, Crawford in 2004 returned to the same area in early Apr (C. Gehringer), and another pair nested in Sullivan (fide J. Adamic). One at Loyalville, Luzerne, PA 18 Apr was apparently a first county record (RKO). A Yellow Rail was detected at Irwin Prairie, Lucas, OH 6-12 May (G. Miller et al.).

SHOREBIRDS THROUGH GULLS

American Avocets almost went unreported this season; only one was reported from Ohio. The season's only Black-necked Stilt report came 22-23 May from Maxtawny, Berks, PA, where up to 3 were present (ph. B. Williams), a first county record for this species, very rare in Pennsylvania. Nice counts of Semipalmated Plovers in Pennsylvania included 50 at Plymouth, Luzerne

22 May (RKO) and 60 at Little Blue L., Beaver 30 May (MV). Three Piping Plovers at P.I.S.P during the season was an encouraging number. Single ads. were seen 26-28 Apr (BC, JM), 12-17 (b.; BC, JM) & 28 May (JF). Another Piping Plover was seen in Pennsylvania after a storm at Penn-Warner Tract, Bucks 2 Apr (DF), a first for that county in recent times. Two Ohio reports came from C.C.S.P. 29 Apr-4 May (LG et al.) and near Shawnee S.F., Scioto 30 Apr (SS), where a first county record. Up to 3 Willets were seen at P.I.S.P 1 May (BC, JM), and singles were in Berks, PA 23 Apr (K. Lebo, fide NP) and Beaver 3-4 May (Josie & Joseph Valasek). A record flight through the w. was led by 36 in Holmes, OH 3 May (L. Hershberger), 20+ at the Voice of America facility, Butler, OH 30 Apr (B. Wulker, fide NK), and 9 at Byrd Lock & Dam, WV 29 Apr (WA). Only a decade ago, the species was considered accidental away from L. Erie in Ohio. Three Stilt Sandpipers in Wyandot, OH 11 May (RC) was the highest count of this casual spring migrant. Rare in spring, 2 Long-billed Dowitchers appeared in ne. Ohio: in Wayne, OH 27-28 Mar (SS) and at C.V.N.P. 8 Apr (fide K. Metcalf). Good counts of Short-billed Dowitchers in Pennsylvania included 55 at Y.C.S.P. 24 May (MHi et al.) and 32 near Mammoth Park, Westmoreland 14 May (MM). A good flight of Whimbrels included 35-40 noted over the Erie Zoo, Erie, PA 29 May (BC), 35 over Lake, OH 25 May (JP), and 75 at Conneaut Harbor, Ashtabula, OH 24 May (CH). A record count of 16 Marbled Godwits dropped in at C.C.S.P. 2 May (K. Braun, R. Foppe, J. Hovekamp).

A single Western Sandpiper appeared at Conneaut Harbor, Ashtabula, OH 29 May (JP), while farther e. 2 were found at Sharlettsville, Berks, PA 11 May (MW). Double-digit counts of Sanderling away from L. Erie are exceedingly rare, so 10 at East Fork L., Clermont, OH 4 May (D. Morse, Jr.) were especially noteworthy. A Red Knot at P.I.S.P. 22 May (JM, RK) was the only one reported. The Red-necked Phalarope 27 May in Beaver, PA (MV) was likewise the only one of its species reported and may have been related to the coastal nor'easter. Five Ohio Wilson's Phalaropes appeared 2-29 May in Darke, Wyandot, Putnam, and Ottawa (R. Schlietz, RC, C. Tucker, R. Schroeder).

Only 3 Franklin's Gulls were reported from Ohio 26 Mar-15 Apr (D. Graham, RC). Still rare in the Eastern Basin, single Laughing Gulls were in Erie, PA 1 Apr (BC) and 10 & 22 May (JM); one at Easton, Northampton, PA 12-13 Mar was either extraordinarily early or a bird undetected from the winter



This female Kirtland's Warbler at Crane Creek, Ohio 25 May was first found 23 May and was the second found there in spring 2005. Photograph by Jo Heindel.

period (ph. MSc et al.). The spring gathering of Laughing Gulls on the lower Delaware R. in Bucks, PA peaked at 15,057 on 14 May (BE, *fide* AM); Ohio records of the species were limited to C.C.S.P. 14 Apr (LG) and Lorain Harbor, Lorain 28 May (JP). The flight of Bonaparte's Gulls on the Susquehanna R., PA late Mar–early Apr included up to 1000+ in York 30 Mar and 2 Apr (L. Carpenter, EW) and the same tally in Lancaster 4 Apr (BS). The 3000 in Fairport Harbor, Lake, OH 3 Apr was a high spring count for the Central Basin (RH). Inland Little Gulls in Pennsylvania included 3–5 at Long Level, York 26 Mar (T. Garner), 6 at Harrisburg, Dauphin 29–30 Mar (CR, D. Hoffman), and 3–4 at Accomac Inn, York 2 Apr (EW). Single Little Gulls were in Luzerne 2 Apr (JD) and Clinton 4 Apr (J. Lipar, D. Ferry), while only 3 were noted in Ohio along the Central Basin of L. Erie (JP et al.). An ad. Black-headed Gull at Harrisburg, Dauphin, PA 27 Mar (TJ) was a nice find.

The best count of Ring-billed Gulls was 8000 at G.L.R. 18 Mar (GF). An ad. California Gull was an excellent find on the Conejohela Flats, Lancaster, PA 14 May (BS, ph. F. Haas, m.ob.)—a first county record and about the 3rd documented record for the state. Three Herring Gull nests at the Gavin Power Plant, Gallia, OH 27 Apr reaffirmed last year's pioneering effort this far w. along the Ohio R. (H. Slack). An Iceland Gull in Allegheny, PA 13 Mar (GM) furnished only the 3rd county record. Up to 7 Icelands were noted in Erie, PA 3 Mar–27 Apr (BC, JM), and 7–10 were at Tullytown, Bucks, PA 3–25 Mar, along with at least one Thayer's Gull (M. Sharp, TJ). Lesser Black-backed Gulls remain unusual away from se.

birds were noted as being ads. (BE, AM et al.). Up to 6 Glaucous Gulls were noted in Erie, PA 1 Mar–5 May (JM, BC), and 2 were at N.S.P. 19–23 Mar (BE), while no more than 3 were detected at any Ohio location into early Mar. One or more Great Black-

Pennsylvania. One in Allegheny, PA 13 Mar provided only the 4th record for the county (GM), while single ads. at Buck Creek S.P., Clark 13–25 Mar (DO) and at Hueston Woods S.P., Preble 13–14 Mar (B. Heck, D. Russell) added to accumulating records in sw. Ohio. On L. Erie in the Central Basin, only 4–5 were noted, while 13 appeared in the Eastern Basin at Erie, PA 3 Mar–27 Apr (JM, BC). Stragglers were noted at Conneaut Harbor, Ashtabula, OH 24 May (CH) and Lorain Harbor, Lorain, OH 28 May (JP). Of the 367 counted in Bucks, PA 12 Mar, 305 were at P.V.P. About 85–90% of these

DOVES THROUGH FINCHES

Two Eurasian Collared-Doves were present in Shady Grove, Franklin, PA in late Mar (D. Gearhart). Among several reports of White-winged Dove in Pennsylvania were singles at State College, Centre 17 Apr (Ken Gray), in Carbon 16 May (ph. RRe), and in Holtwood, Lancaster 6 Apr (ph. TA). The only Snowy Owl report in Pennsylvania was from a farm in Montour 3 Mar (M. Kuriga, *fide* W. Laubscher). A nice count of 20+ Short-eared Owls was made near Rector, Westmoreland, PA 29 Mar (ML). Sixteen Yellow-bellied Flycatchers were banded at P.N.R. 16–29 May (RCL, RMu). A Scissor-tailed Flycatcher found near Ligonier, Westmoreland, PA 1 May (R. Hunt, RCL et al., ph. ML) furnished about the 13th record for the state. A Northern Shrike lingered through 5 Apr at Headlands Beach S.P., Lake, OH (RH). Swallows appeared early, with 330 Tree Swallows and 4 Barn Swallows at a gathering in Hamilton, OH, both high counts for 27 Mar (JS); the 5 Northern Rough-winged Swallows that day in adjacent Clermont, OH were likewise early (D. Morse, Jr.). Rough-wingeds had reached the Central Basin of L. Erie in Lake, OH by 31 Mar (JP).

A Yellow-throated Vireo at P.V.P 14 Apr was the earliest county record by 10 days (B. Lishman, *fide* AM). Away from breeding



There is still much to learn about the migration patterns of Long-eared Owl, especially in spring. How this individual ended up in a side-yard nearly devoid of vegetation on the morning of 4 April 2005—in the very urban neighborhood of West Philadelphia, Pennsylvania—is anyone's guess. Photograph by Oliver J. Carley.

backed Gulls appeared 10–25 Mar in Allegheny, PA (D. Yagusic, GM, MF), where rare. The apparent Great Black-backed Gull × Herring Gull hybrid in Cleveland remained through 6 Mar (JP). A Caspian Tern had returned to the Eastern Basin at Conneaut, Ashtabula, OH 31 Mar (JP). Four Forster's Terns at Caesar Creek S.P., Warren, OH lingered through 21 May (LG).

sites, a Bell's Vireo was found at Magee Marsh W.A., Lucas, OH 25 May (†T. & J. Heindel). Fish Crows continue to expand in w. Pennsylvania. They returned 27 Mar to North Braddock, Allegheny (MF), where the first breeding record for sw. Pennsylvania was documented in 2004. Four at P.N.R. 1 May were the first for the Ligonier Valley (ML, T. Miller), and another was unusual in

Beaver, PA 25 Mar (E. Richards). Common Ravens also continue to expand. In Nockamixon Township, *Bucks*, s. of their normal range in e. Pennsylvania, 2 were noted through the period (m.ob.). After many years of sightings, Common Raven was confirmed nesting on the Kittatinny Ridge in *Berks* (Kerry Grim). A heavy flight of Blue Jays along the L. Erie shoreline was noted in the Central Basin, with 5000 estimated 9 May and 8000 on 22 May at Lakeshore Park, *Lake*, OH (JP).

A House Wren in *Hamilton*, OH 26 Mar was among the earliest spring arrivals on record for Ohio (NK, K. MacDonald). A singing Winter Wren on Blue Mt. near Bake Oven Knob, *Lehigh* 21 May was near its s. limit in e. Pennsylvania (Jeff Hopkins), and a singing Sedge Wren at Milesburg, *Centre*, PA 5 May was a rare find (J. Yerger, *vide* J. Mohlmann). Up to 9 Northern Mockingbirds in *Crawford* and *Erie* 11 Apr through the period was an unusually high total for nw. Pennsylvania (JM et al.). A major movement of American Pipits was noted in the Amish fields of Big Valley, *Mifflin*, PA 17 Apr, with several thousand estimated present (GG). The peak passage for American Robin came 30–31 Mar, when 2600 were counted passing through *Lake*, OH (JP). Rare thrushes reported in Pennsylvania during the winter season continued through Mar. The **Townsend's Solitaire** present during the winter in *Betula*, *McKean* delighted many observers through 2 Apr (JF, m.ob.). The Varied Thrush at *Caledonia* S.P., *Franklin*, PA was present through at least 21 Mar (B. Moul), while the wintering bird at *Carrolton*, *Carroll*, OH was last seen 31 Mar (C. Ickes).

At least 6 Brewster's Warblers were reported in Pennsylvania 9–30 May (m.ob.), and a bird believed to be a **Sutton's Warbler** was described well at R.C.S.P. 8 May (C. Tague). There was a good flight of *Magnolia* Warblers at P.N.R., including 226 banded 5 May–1 Jun (RCL et al.). A *Yellow-throated Warbler* at P.I.S.P. 9 May (L. Massey, B. Ginader) was unusual for that location. The overall fortunes of **Kirtland's Warbler** are reflected roughly in the annual detection of the species in Ohio during spring migration. This season's substantiated reports included a male at *Magee Marsh* W.A., *Lucas* 15–16 May (B. Miller, m.ob.) and a female there 23–25 May (ph., †K. Levinson, AB, m.ob.). Two *Yellow Palm Warblers* were w. to *Lucas*, OH 20 Apr (KK). A nice count of 10–12 *Cerulean Warblers* was at *Shickashinny*, *Luzerne*, PA 20 May (RKO), and 2 were early at R.C.S.P. 16 Apr (R. Machesney, *vide* PH).

The 50 *Blackpoll Warblers* estimated 11 May in *Scioto Trail* S.F., *Ross*, OH was among the higher spring tallies in recent decades for Ohio (RR). *Prothonotary Warblers* made a good showing in Pennsylvania. Single birds at *Lawrenceville*, *Allegheny* 22–26 Apr (C&AB) and *Wilkes-Barre*, *Luzerne* 10 May (J. Hoysen) were unusual for those locations, and one was banded at P.N.R. 26 Apr (RCL et al.). Four *Worm-eating Warblers* at *Mohican* S.F., *Ashland*, OH 21 May (SS) were at the n. edge of the species' range. *Extralimital Swainson's Warblers* were reported twice: one singing at P.N.R. 16 May (RMu, ML et al.) and one at *Mohican* S.F., *Ashland*, OH 21 May (SS, Tim Leslie, Trent Leslie, G. Colwell). Four singing *Mourning*



This Baltimore Oriole at *Cincinnati*, *Hamilton* County, Ohio (here 3 March 2005) was probably a holdover from winter rather than an early migrant. Photograph by Bill White.

Warblers at *Beltzville* S.P., *Carbon*, PA 27 May was the most the observer had ever seen at one location during the spring migration (RW), and 19 were banded at P.N.R. 11–29 May (RCL). *Connecticut Warblers* were well reported, with 7 from sw. Ohio alone (*vide* NK). A *Louisiana Waterthrush* had reached the Central Basin in *Lake*, OH by 26 Mar (JP).

Away from breeding sites, 2 *Clay-colored Sparrows* were at P.I.S.P. 14–15 May (JM, BC), one in *Fayette*, WV 7 May (J. Zickefoose), and one in *Columbus*, *Franklin*, OH 10 May (RR). The nor'easter of late May brought a singing *Seaside Sparrow* to a wet field near *Middleton*, *Dauphin*, PA 26 May (TJ, vt. DD, m.ob.); this represents about the 5th documented record for the state. The imm. *Harris's Sparrow* at *Stone Church*, *Northampton*, PA remained through at least 20 Mar (RW), and an ad. *Gambel's White-crowned Sparrow* at M.C.P.P. 7 May furnished about the 5th record for that location (RW). A *Dark-eyed Junco* at L.G.W.R. 23 May was near its s. breeding limit in e. Pennsylvania (RW). *Ohio Lark Sparrows* away from breeding sites appeared twice: 2 in *Hamilton* 1 & 4 May (JS, D. Brinkman) and

one in *Warren* 12 May (J. & H. Schlotman). *Blue Grosbeaks* at *State College*, *Centre*, PA 19 May (D. Bordner) and L.G.W.R. 22 May (*vide* DK) were unusual for those locations. The male *Painted Bunting* in *Bucks*, PA was present until 29 Mar (J. & P. Edwards). Up to 3 *Yellow-headed Blackbirds* were reported in the marshes of the Western Basin late Apr+ (m.ob.). Likely a wintering bird, a *Baltimore Oriole* remained at *Cincinnati* area feeder until at least 3 Mar (ph. B. White, *vide* MB). The few finches of note in Pennsylvania included 2 *Red Crossbills* at *Laurel Summit Bog*, *Westmoreland* 16 May (ML), up to 12 *Common Redpolls* in *Erie* 2–22 Mar (m.ob.), 14 *Pine Siskins* in *Indiana* 14 May (D. Clark), and 6 *Evening Grosbeaks* at *Wilkes-Barre*, *Luzerne* 20 Mar (WR). The L. Erie shoreline passage of *American Goldfinch* was led by a count of 1500 from *Lakeshore Park*, *Lake*, OH 5 May (JP).

Addenda: A *Scarlet Tanager*, retaining some red plumage, attended a *Holmes*, OH feeder 12–24 Dec 2004 where it apparently fed "primarily on bread crumbs" (ph. J. Yoder, *vide* SS).

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