

Tennessee & Kentucky



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The fall 2006 season experienced relatively normal temperatures and precipitation overall; however, the conditions during individual months were more variable. Temperatures in August were warmer than normal, in large part due to a hot period during the first two weeks of the month, when the temperatures reached summer maxima of 95° F at Louisville on three days (2, 7, and 10 August) and 98° F on one day in Nashville (10 August). Temperatures during September and October were cooler than normal, but November temperatures were warmer than normal to normal across the Region. Precipitation was above average in Kentucky during August through September, especially in western Kentucky, where Paducah experienced a record amount of rain in September. By contrast, precipitation in Tennessee was closer to normal during the same period. The major precipitation event of the autumn occurred 22-23 September, when Louisville recorded about 13 cm of rain, causing much local flash-flooding. November was drier than normal across most of the Region except in western Kentucky, where it was again wetter than normal.

The rarity of the season was the Little Stint at Louisville, a bird that represents one of only a handful of interior North American records. A close second was the Region's first record of Cave Swallow, two birds photographed near Memphis. Other rarity highlights included a Wood Stork and Great Black-backed Gull in Kentucky, and Mottled Duck, White-faced Ibis, and Inca Dove in Tennessee. By season's end, it was clear that there would be no pronounced flight of boreal species, notably finches. Natural food crops, including evergreen cones, berries, acorns, and hickory nuts, all appeared to be produced in average to slightly below-average abundance.

Abbreviations: Ensley (Ensley Bottoms, in-

cluding the EARTH Complex, in sw. Shelby, TN); Falls of the Ohio (Falls of the Ohio National Wildlife Conservation Area, Jefferson, KY); Kentucky Dam (Livingston/Marshall, KY); Lake No. 9 (w. Fulton, KY); Pace Pt. (Big Sandy Unit, Tennessee N.W.R., Henry, TN); Radnor (Radnor L. State Natural Area, Nashville, TN); Rankin (Rankin Bottoms, Cocke, TN); Sauerheber (Sauerheber Unit Sloughs W.M.A., Henderson, KY); S. Holston L. (Sullivan,

TN); Standifer Gap (Standifer Gap Marsh, Hamilton, TN).

WATERFOWL THROUGH STORK

An early-season count of 1000 Greater White-fronted Geese at Sauerheber 28 Nov (MMr) was relatively impressive. Cackling Geese were reported from Shelby, TN 22 Nov (one; DPr, MTOS) and Britton Ford, Tennessee N.W.R., Henry, TN 24 Nov (6; MaG, ph. MT). Two early-season Mute Swans in Wayne, KY 19 Aug (RDn) and Oldham, KY 14 Sep (BW) may have been summering. The first of Sauerheber's wintering flock of Tundra Swans to be reported were 7 there 16 Nov (MMr). A Mottled Duck at Douglas L., Sevier, TN 5-9 Sep (†KDE, ph. JA, ph. DJ, m.ob.) added to the growing number of recent records for the Re-



Mottled Ducks continue to be detected annually in the Tennessee & Kentucky Region; this one was at Douglas Lake, Sevier County, Tennessee 5 through 9 (here) September 2006. Photograph by Jean Alexander and David Johnson.

gion. An early-season peak count of 2250 Gadwalls in Henderson/Union, KY 28 Nov (MMr) was noteworthy. Unusually early waterfowl included 2 Gadwalls at Lake No. 9 on 14 Aug (BPa, RDn, RDv) and a Common Merganser on the Ohio R. at Louisville, KY 1 Nov (EH). About 10 Lesser Scaup on L. Barkley, Lyon, KY 17 Sep (BPa et al.) were probably summering birds. A summering Ruddy Duck continued at Lexington, KY into late Oct (SMa); one on L. Barkley, Lyon, KY 17 Sep (BPa et al.) was either a summering bird or an early migrant.

Between one and 6 Surf Scoters were reported from four Kentucky and three Ten-

nessee locations 31 Oct–15 Nov. Black Scoters peaked in mid-Nov, with one to 3 reported from three Kentucky and two Tennessee locations 11-19 Nov, while one or 2 White-winged Scoters were reported from two Kentucky and two Tennessee locations 29 Oct–24 Nov. A Surf Scoter at S. Holston L. 14 Oct (DH, RK et al.) and 4 Black Scoters at Mud L., Shelby, TN on the same date (JRW) were unusually early. A Long-tailed Duck was in Henry, TN 10 Nov (MT), and 3 were at S. Holston L. 23 Nov (RC et al.).

Loon migration was not remarkable, except for a high count of 800 Common Loons in Henry, TN 6 Nov (MT). The rarer loons were even rarer than usual this season. Only 2 Red-throated Loons were reported, both singles at S. Holston L. 8 Oct (DH) and 24 Nov (TM); the first was unusually early. The only Pacific Loon was in Henry 6 Nov (MT). A peak count of 1000 Horned Grebes in Henry, TN 24 Nov (MaG, MT) was exceptional. There were two reports of Red-necked Grebes in Kentucky: singles on L. Cumberland, Pulaski 4-24 Nov (ph. RDn) and on the Ohio R. at Louisville 19 Nov (JBe, PB). One to 2 Red-neckeds were at Pace Pt. 6-24 Nov (ph. MT, MaG et al.). Eared Grebes returned to S. Holston L. 30 Aug+ (RK) for the 13th consecutive year. One to 2 Western Grebes were at Pace Pt., where 2 wintered last season, 6-29 Nov (ph. MT, MaG et al.). The peak count of American White Pelicans for the Region was 630+ on L. Barkley, Trigg, KY 6 Oct (DR). There were two reports e. of normal occurrence in Kentucky: 4 in Muhlenberg late Jul–22 Sep (DR et al.) and one in Jefferson 12 Nov (MSI). Four Anhingas were at Mud L., Shelby, TN 13 Aug (MT, JRW), and one was at Shelby Forest, Shelby, TN 19 Aug (VR).

Transient American Bitterns were reported widely across the Region in above-average numbers; one in Fentress, TN 18 Nov (BHS) and one at Brainerd Levee, Hamilton, TN 22 Nov (RS) were unusually late. The only Least Bittern reported in Kentucky was one at Sauerheber 14 Oct (DR et al.); in Tennessee, singles were reported at the Wal-Mart Distribution Center, Greene 5 Aug (DH et al.) and 16 Sep (DMi); in Shady Valley, Johnson 25 & 30 Sep (RK; DH); and at Standifer Gap 4 Oct (DPt). A Cattle Egret in Union, KY 9 Nov (BPa) was relatively late. Two juv. White Ibis were present at Lake No. 9 on 9 Aug (ph. DR), with one continuing there through 14 Aug (BPa, RDv, RDn). One to 3 juvs. were at Rankin 5 Aug–1 Sep (MSI, RK et al.), and an ad., which is very rare in the Region, was at Kingston Steam Plant, Roane, TN 5 Aug (C&LE). A White-faced Ibis was in Lake, TN 10 Nov+ (NM, ph. MT, m.ob.). Single imm.



A small passage of Red-necked Grebes was noted in November 2006 in the Tennessee & Kentucky Region. This bird was present on Lake Cumberland, Pulaski County, Kentucky 4-24 (here 5) November. Photograph by Roseanna Denton.

Wood Storks were at Rankin late Jul–5 Sep (RK, MSL, DMi, m.ob.), Lake No. 9 on 9-13 Aug (ph. DR, RDn), n. Memphis 19 Aug (JRW, MT), and Shelby Forest, Shelby, TN 4 Sep (VR); 13 were at Memphis, TN 18 Aug (JRW).

RAPTORS THROUGH SHOREBIRDS

A juv. Osprey in Hopkins, KY 10 Nov (BPa) was relatively tardy. A Swallow-tailed Kite at Camp Creek Bald, Greene, TN 13 Aug (DH et al.) was rare for the Region. A Mississippi Kite in Maury, TN 24 Aug (BPu) was rare away from the Mississippi R. area. The only reports of Northern Goshawk were of one at Roan Mt., Carter, TN 30 Sep (FA, LaM) and a juv. in Allen, KY 20 Oct (DR). A dark-morph Red-tailed Hawk (either *calurus* or *harlani*) at Pine Mt., Letcher, KY 18 Sep (SSw et al.) was relatively early and far east. A rare dark-morph Broad-winged Hawk was in Memphis, TN 20 Aug (JRW, MT). An early dark-morph Rough-legged Hawk was reported from Greene, TN 7 Oct (DMi). A Golden Eagle over Marshall, KY 10 Nov (DR) furnished the only Kentucky report; in Tennessee, an imm. was in Bradley 9 Nov (ZB), and an ad. was in a regular winter location near Pace Pt. 19 Nov (MT, QBG). It was a banner fall for Merlins, with singles reported on 19 occasions at 16 sites in Kentucky 22 Aug–28 Nov; conversely, only 2 were reported from Tennessee 30 Sep–9 Oct. Reports of Peregrines other than local nesting pairs were limited to single birds at nine sites 17 Aug–late Nov; 5 transients were banded during the season at Big Bald Mt., Unicoi, TN (MH et al.).

The only report of King Rail in Kentucky was one at Sauerheber 14 Oct (DR et al.). One to 2 Virginia Rails were reported at four Kentucky sites 17 Sep–24 Nov. In Tennessee, one was in Chattanooga 11 Oct (CBo, CJ), one (16 Sep) to 3 (24 Nov) were at the Wal-Mart Distribution Center, Greene (DMi), and small

numbers were, as usual, present throughout the period at Standifer Gap (DPt). Soras were also at the Wal-Mart Distribution Center, Greene, TN 1-15 Sep (DMi) and at Standifer Gap through 15 Nov (DPt). An early Sandhill Crane was present at Sauerheber 25 Sep (JBr); the first flights commenced during the last 10 days of Oct, with a peak count in Kentucky being 1200 over Hart 22 Nov (MSu).

Shorebird habitat was not remarkably extensive this season, and notable peak counts were generally lacking. There were at least four Kentucky reports of Piping

Plover: singles in Muhlenberg 15 Aug and 12 Sep (DR); one at the Falls of the Ohio 15-16 Aug (TB, CBe, MY et al.), with perhaps a different individual there 26 Aug (TB); and 2 at the Minor Clark Hatchery, Rowan 24 Aug (MWr, MiG et al.), with one remaining there through 29 Aug (TH, ph. LH). In Tennessee, 2 were on an island in the Mississippi R. across from Mud I., Memphis, TN 6 Aug (JRW). American Avocets appeared only twice in Kentucky: 8 at the Falls of the Ohio (MWa et al.) and 4 in Muhlenberg (DR), both 15 Aug. In Tennessee, single birds were reported from Rankin 1-20 Sep (RK, m.ob.), Austin Springs, Washington, 1 Oct (RK), and Pace Pt. 14 Nov (MT).

Unusually late were single Greater Yellowlegs in Trigg, KY 24 Nov (BL) and Jefferson, KY 27 Nov (BW), and 2 Lesser Yellowlegs



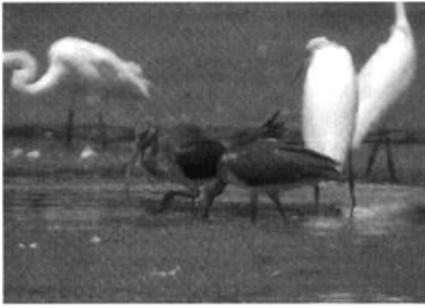
Wood Storks remain quite rare as far north as western Kentucky, where this immature was present 9 (here) through 13 August 2006. Photograph by David Roemer.

at Sauerheber 26 Nov (BY, MY). Reports of Willets were limited to one to 2 at four sites in Kentucky 13 Aug–9 Sep and one to 6 at two sites in Tennessee 26 Aug–17 Sep. The only reports of Upland Sandpiper were of 2 in Rowan, KY 5 Aug (ph. LH et al.), one heard over s. Jefferson, KY 17 Aug (DR), and one at Ensley 20 Aug (MT, JRW). Two Whimbrels at the Falls of the Ohio 15 Aug (MWa) will rep-

resent a first fall record for Kentucky if accepted by the B.R.C. Outside of e. Tennessee, only a single Ruddy Turnstone was reported—on the Mississippi R., Memphis, TN 5 Aug (JRW). In e. Tennessee, where generally uncommon, 4 were found between three locations 2-5 Sep. Sanderlings and Western Sandpipers were also scarce, although 18 of the former at Rankin 1 Sep (RK) was an exceptional number.

The rarity highlight of the season was a Little Stint, an ad. in worn alternate plumage, at Louisville, KY 16-21 Aug (ph. BPa, m.ob.). Well-documented reports of Little Stint in the interior of North America are quite scarce, and this represents the first for the Ohio/Mississippi valleys region. One to 2 White-rumped Sandpipers, always a good find in the Region in fall, were reported at four Kentucky sites 1-26 Sep; those that were closely observed were all ads. Seven White-rumped at Rankin 7 Sep (RK, m.ob.) was an exceptional number. Baird's Sandpipers were not especially conspicuous, with only singles reported at seven Kentucky and three Tennessee locales 2 Aug–23 Oct. A count of 650 Pectoral Sandpipers at Lake No. 9 on 21 Aug (DR) was a noteworthy peak count. A juv. Dunlin at Sauerheber 25 Sep (†JBr) was unusual and may represent the first Kentucky report for a juv. Stilt Sandpipers were relatively widespread in Kentucky, with a peak count of 30 on 4 Sep representing an all-time high count for the Louisville area (BPa et al.); small numbers were found as far e. as L. Cumberland, Pulaski 9 Aug–6 Sep (RDn) and Rowan 15 Aug (LH). Buff-breasted Sandpipers were reported in below-average numbers except for groups of 7 at Rankin 26 Aug–3 Sep (RK, m.ob.) and 12 on the Mississippi R., Carlisle, KY 31 Aug (DR).

Short-billed Dowitchers were not numerous, with a peak count of just 13 at Louisville 1-4 Sep (BPa et al.); one at Sauerheber 10 Oct (DR) established a new late departure date for Kentucky. Long-billed Dowitchers made a decent showing, with a rather early ad. in Todd, KY 6 Aug (MBe, DR). A likely Long-billed lingered on Kentucky L., Marshall, KY through 27 Nov (HC, ME). A juv. American Woodcock, still retaining some natal down, was observed along Open Fork Road, Elliott, KY 14 Aug (EM); it represented an unprecedentedly late breeding record for the Region. One to 2 juv. Wilson's Phalaropes were noted at three Kentucky and one Tennessee sites 9 Aug–6 Sep. A Red-necked Phalarope, always rare in the Region, was at Rankin 1-3 Sep (RK, m.ob.).



These two juvenile White Ibis were part of a concentration of waders in western Fulton County, Kentucky 9 August 2006; one lingered until 14 August. Photograph by David Roemer.

JAEGER THROUGH FLYCATCHERS

An unidentified distant jaeger, thought to be a juv. Parasitic, was at Pace Pt. 4 Nov (†MT, JoM, DMO, NH). There were several reports of Laughing Gulls on Kentucky L. and L. Barkley, KY and farther s. in Henry, TN, with one to 5 reported 15 Aug–11 Nov. Away from the Kentucky L. area, a juv. was on the Ohio R. at the mouth of the Licking R., Campbell/Kenton, KY 14–15 Sep (DB, ph.FR), one was at Old Hickory L., Davidson, TN 30 Sep (JaM), 3 were on an island in the Mississippi R. across from Mud I., Memphis, TN 29 Oct (JRW), and up to 2 were at upper Douglas L., Cocke, TN 26 Aug–13 Sep (KDE, RK, DMi, MSl et al.). One to 7 Franklin's Gulls were found at four Kentucky and five Tennessee sites 11 Sep–11 Nov; otherwise, one was relatively early in Henry, TN 28 Aug (MT et al.), and 131 on an island in the Mississippi R. across from Mud I., Memphis, TN 29 Oct (JRW) was the only notable concentration. A juv. Bonaparte's Gull at Kentucky Dam 21 Aug (DR) was earlier than normal. The only Kentucky reports of Lesser Black-backed Gull were a first-year bird at Kentucky Dam 6 & 19 Oct (DR) and an ad. on Kentucky L., Marshall 9 Oct (HC); in Tennessee, a first-year bird was in Henry 22 Oct–10 Nov (MT et al.). A first-year Great Black-backed Gull was present at the Falls of the Ohio 6–9 Sep (vt. BY, MY et al.).

Least Terns completed what appeared to be a relatively successful nesting season on the Mississippi R. and lower Ohio R.; ca. 150 birds were still at a small island on the Ohio R., Ballard, KY 1 Aug (JBr, GB). One to 2 vagrant Least Terns were found in Pulaski, KY 3 Aug (ph. RDn), in Jefferson, KY 26 Aug (BPa, JBe, PB), and in Muhlenberg, KY 26 Aug (DR); a juv. was still in Ballard, KY 17 Sep (BPa et al.). The peak count for Caspian Terns was ca. 300 on L. Barkley, Lyon 11 Sep (DR). Black

Terns put in a decent showing, with one to 25 at about a dozen Kentucky sites through 20 Sep. A peak count of 166 Forster's Terns was tallied on Kentucky L., Marshall, KY 28 Oct (HC, BH).

Black-billed Cuckoo was scarce, with the only report coming from Jefferson, KY 11 Sep (JBe, PB). An Inca Dove in Hamblen 18 Oct+ (BB, ph. RC, m.ob.) furnished the 3rd record for Tennessee and the 2nd photographed. There were four Kentucky reports for Barn Owl: a single in Pulaski (RDn) and family groups in Henry (GD, BPa), Bath (JW, EW), and Owen (WS, EW). The earliest report for Short-eared Owl was of one on Big Bald Mt., Unicoi, TN 13 Oct (MH et al.); one was also in Washington, TN 2 Nov (BK). The only Kentucky report for Northern Saw-whet Owl was one banded in Jefferson 20 Nov (MMn et al.). A very tardy Common Nighthawk was observed in Pulaski, KY 17 Nov (RDn). Hummingbirds from Nov through the winter season will be summarized in the winter season report.

Single Olive-sided Flycatchers were reported from Kentucky in Madison 30 Aug (TA) and Boone 16 Sep (LeM et al.). Numbers in Tennessee were average, with one late report from Knox 9 Oct (KDE). An ad. Eastern



Great Black-backed Gulls continue to be quite rare in the Tennessee & Kentucky Region, especially outside of winter. This first-year bird was present at the Falls of the Ohio 6–9 (here 7) September 2006. Photograph by Brainard Palmer-Ball, Jr.

Wood-Pewee with bob-tailed fledglings in e. Jefferson, KY 16 Sep (BW) represented a late nesting; a very tardy individual was present in Russell, KY 12 Nov (ph. RDn). Yellow-bellied Flycatchers were reported in above-average numbers throughout the Region, with one to 2 at five sites in Kentucky and seven sites in Tennessee 5 Sep–25 Sep; a Yellow-bellied in Warren 11 Oct (DR) established a new late departure date for Kentucky. An Alder Flycatcher (seen and call notes heard) in Pulaski 24–25 Sep (RDn) represented a new late departure date for Kentucky; one was also reported at Radnor 20 Sep (PCa, FF, SHI). Both Western

Kingbirds and Scissor-tailed Flycatchers are now regular breeders in the Region, although Western Kingbirds are thus far limited to Shelby, TN. The family group of Scissor-tailed Flycatchers below Barkley Dam, Lyon, KY was last seen 1 Oct (HC, ME) and represented a new late departure date for the state. One in Madison, TN 23 Oct (CRe) was also late. Five Western Kingbird × Scissor-tailed Flycatcher fledglings resulted from a male kingbird pairing with a female Scissor-tailed in North Memphis, Shelby, TN (ph. JRW); this combination has been recorded previously but is apparently very rare.

VIREOS THROUGH WAXWING

Tardy White-eyed Vireos were banded in Franklin, KY 6 Nov (AS) and observed in Jefferson, KY 13 Nov (BW). A Philadelphia Vireo in Anderson, TN 8 Sep (BHS) was slightly early; 16 at Radnor 4 Oct (PCa, FF) was an unusually high number. Three Fish Crows in Knox, TN in mid-Aug (SHy) added to the growing number of reports from the Knoxville area. Unusually late swallows included 2 Purple Martins in Pulaski, KY 24 Sep (RDn); 2 Northern Rough-wingeds in Lyon, KY 10 Nov (DR); and a Cliff in w. Fulton 18 Oct (DR). The Region's long-expected first record for Cave Swallow was represented by 2 at the mouth of the Wolf R., Shelby, TN 30 Sep (ph. JRW).

There was only a slight movement of Red-breasted Nuthatches into the Region; the first to be reported was one in Shelby Forest, Shelby, TN 16 Sep (MTOS), but the species remained scarce by the end of Nov. A Bewick's Wren was found in Jackson, TN 24 Sep (DC, KM), providing one of very few recent records of this species for the Upper Cumberland region. The earliest Winter Wren was reported from Jefferson, KY 15 Sep (CP, fide DPI). Sedge Wrens continue to make a good late-summer showing as probable/confirmed breeding birds in Kentucky; this season, one to 8 birds were detected in w. Fulton, sw. Hardin, w. Henderson, ne. Jefferson, e. Muhlenberg, and s. Nelson (BPa et al.); probable nesting birds lingered in ne. Jefferson through 4 Nov (BPa). In Tennessee, Sedge Wrens were reported from five locations 8 Oct–29 Nov, with 5 at Heritage Marsh, White, TN 21 Oct (SJS). One to 4 Marsh Wrens were noted at six Kentucky sites 25 Sep–30 Oct, and one to 6 were at five Tennessee sites 24 Sep–14 Nov. Six juv. Hermit Thrushes banded at Roan Mt., Carter, TN 22 Aug–27 Sep (RK) indicated local breeding. Cedar Waxwings staged a notable flight through the Region from mid-

Sep–mid-Nov, but it appeared by late Nov that most had gone farther s. for the winter.

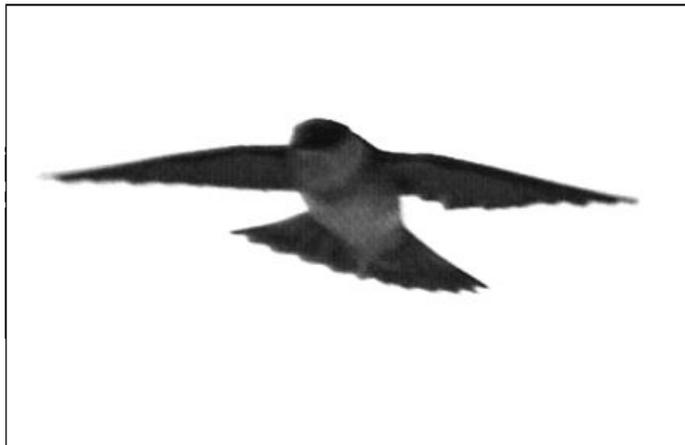
WARBLERS THROUGH FINCHES

Warblers began moving into the Region in numbers during the last 10 days of Aug. A few warblers lingered beyond normal departure dates, including 2 Tennessees at Standifer Gap 10 Nov (DPt); a Yellow in *Livingston*, KY 6 Oct (DR); a Magnolia in *Hart*, KY 18 Nov (CF, *fide* SK); a Blackburnian in *Carter*, TN 5 Nov (FA); a Cerulean in *Boone*, KY 3 Sep (LeM); and a Louisiana Waterthrush in *Monroe*, KY 27 Aug (SJS, WW). A dead Northern Parula was found in Elizabethton, *Carter*, TN 28 Nov (*fide* BSt, GW).

Golden-winged Warblers were reported in above-average numbers throughout the Region. An impressive 8 were reported from Shelby Forest, *Shelby*, TN 15 Sep (DPr). Of interest was a Magnolia Warbler initially captured and banded in *Franklin*, KY 27 Sep and recaptured at the same station 18 Oct (AS), indicating a migratory stopover of more than three weeks. A Yellow Palm Warbler in *Barren*, KY 20 Oct (ph. DR) represented only the 2nd report of the subspecies *hypochrysea* from Kentucky and the first to be photographically documented. There were two reports of Blackpoll Warbler farther w. in Kentucky in fall than previously reported: one in *Livingston* 17 Sep (†BPa et al.) and one in *Trigg* 8 Oct (†HC). A loose group of ca. 30 Prothonotary Warblers in *Calloway*, KY 4 Aug (HC) was rather unusual. A Northern Waterthrush initially captured and banded in *Franklin*, KY 25 Sep and recaptured at the same station 7 Oct (AS) indicated a long stopover. Single Connecticut Warblers were in *Boone*, KY 2 Sep (LeM et al.) and *Jefferson*, KY 16 Sep (JBe). Single Mourning Warblers were at Radnor 6 Sep (JS, FF) and at Shelby Park, Nashville, TN 24 Sep (JoM, RL, NTOS). A first-fall male Canada Warbler was banded at Clarks River N.W.R., *Marshall*, KY on the incredibly early date of 2 Aug (HC et al.).

A tardy female Summer Tanager visited a yard in *Hamilton*, TN 19 Nov+ (MBu). There were three reports of Clay-colored Sparrow: singles in *Jefferson*, KY 25 Sep (JBe, PB) and 7 Oct (†EH, TB) and one in *Henry*, TN 5 Oct (DMa, *fide* MT). Single Le Conte's Sparrows were reported from five Kentucky and three Tennessee locales 10 Oct–29 Nov. Seven Henslow's Sparrows were still in *Lewis*, TN 8

Aug (BPu, CRo); one in *Warren*, TN 24 Oct (SMc) was likely a transient. A Nelson's Sharp-tailed Sparrow picked up dead in a parking lot in *Daviess*, KY 19 Sep (ph. SA) represented a new early fall arrival date for the state; elsewhere, singles were reported in ne. *Jefferson* 26 Sep (MWa) and at Shady Valley, *Johnson*, TN 30 Sep (DH), and 2 were found at Sauerheber 14 Oct (DR et al.). The earliest American Tree Sparrows were one in Millington, *Shelby*, TN (DPr) and 2 in *Lake*, TN (MaG), both 21 Nov. A Lark Sparrow was at Ensley 3 Sep (JRW). The earliest Lapland Longspur was one heard over ne. *Jefferson*, KY 29 Oct (BPa); by the end of Nov, decent numbers were being reported from traditional wintering areas in *Fulton*, KY (BY, MY), *Warren*, KY (DR), and *Lake*, TN (MT). Other reports of interest in Tennessee were 8 in *Gib-*



The Tennessee & Kentucky Region's long-expected first record for Cave Swallow was represented by two at the mouth of the Wolf River, Memphis, Tennessee 30 September 2006. These birds were associating with hundreds of Northern Rough-winged Swallows. Photograph by Jeff R. Wilson.

son 18 Nov (MaG) and one in *Washington* 13–21 Nov (RK). A female Snow Bunting at the Falls of the Ohio 12 Nov (BPa et al.) was the only one reported in the Region. An extremely late nesting record for Indigo Bunting was represented by young that fledged from a nest at Ft. Campbell, *Christian*, KY 25 Sep (DMo). An early Rusty Blackbird in e. *Jefferson* 10 Oct (BW) was a prelude to a relatively good showing by the end of Nov; one in *Rowan*, KY 22 Nov (SF) was relatively far east. A very tardy oriole that appeared to be a female Baltimore was photographed in *Rowan*, KY 25 Nov (ph. PCo). Winter finches were nearly nonexistent, with only a very light flight of Purple Finches and Pine Siskins noted in the Region.

Corrigendum: The 75 Willets at Ft. Loudoun L., TN 30 Apr 2006 (KDE) were not in *Loudoun* but in *Knox*. Also, *Loudoun* was incorrectly listed as a county from which Fish

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