

## **NEW HISTORIC RECORDS OF ANNA'S HUMMINGBIRD FROM OREGON**

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The Anna's Hummingbird has spread north along the west coast of North America since the mid-20th century, and Zimmerman (1973) provided a useful overview of a principal period of this expansion. In that survey of published and unpublished records he noted that the first reports for Oregon were in 1964 in the Rogue Valley. He also stated that there "evidently was little or no range extension [north of California] between 1940 and 1960."

Zimmerman apparently missed a published record of a male observed by Tom McCamant at Ashland, Jackson Co., from 31 December 1958 to the end of March 1959 (Boggs and Boggs 1960), later included in a publication on birds of Jackson County (Browning 1975).

I recently reviewed transcribed field notes of Hilda Reiher, an active bird observer on the southern Oregon coast from the 1940s through the early 1970s. She noted an Anna's Hummingbird at her feeder in North Bend, Oregon, on 17 December 1944, a record that had not been published until I included it in *Birds of Coos County, Oregon* (Contreras 1998). She did not record the species at the same location again until 1962.

I met Hilda Reiher shortly before her death in the early 1970s, and I have examined many of her records. From the overall quality and reliability of her observations I have no reason to doubt the accuracy of the 1944 record of Anna's Hummingbird.

Because researchers examining the early history of the species' northward expansion may rely on Zimmerman's excellent overview as the last word in the period before 1970, I submit this note to make these two additional early records more readily available.

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