

**Lewiston**

**431-0790**

Niagara County, NY

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The 2007 fall banding season started on 27 Aug. It had been planned to open the station earlier in August but many things came up to prevent that. The best days for both total numbers and species occurred over the first three days of banding. Hopefully for the fall of 2008 this station will record many more days of banding in the month of August. The station remained open later than in the past but most of the birds had passed through, which resulted in lower numbers of b/100nh.

Overall, the 2007 fall banding season was very good. Weather conditions were good, with no planned banding days having to be canceled.

Five local retraps handled.

Again this year, a banding demonstration was held on the day of the Pheasant Forever Youth Day Event. This is a great experience for the 40 youths and their parents attending and is evaluated by them as being the best of the many events they take part in through the day.

**Ruthven Park**

**425-0795**

Haldimand County, ON

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We had a pretty exceptional fall season: our second highest banding total-3530 banded (vs the 3827 in 2005) of 85 species. After September, we thought we would have a new season record. At the end of that month we had banded 1425, well over 400 more than in any previous September. But then the bottom fell out and, although we banded a very respectable 1762 in October, we were nowhere close to the 2694 handled in Oct 2005. On our biggest day (11 Oct) we banded 192.

There were a couple of species we caught in unusually high numbers. Most unusual was the number of American Goldfinches. We normally catch quite a few and they are very common birds in our area, but we just were not prepared for the

**Table 1. AFR III Fall 2007 Summary**

	Lewiston, NY	Ruthven Park, ON	Rock Point, ON	Long Point, ON	Presque Isle, PA	Powdermill, PA	Bedford Valley, PA	Mt. Nebo, MD	Allegheny Front, WV
First Day/Last Day	8/27-11/2	9/3-11/7	7/23-11/13	8/3-11/15	8/1-10/27	8/1-11/30	8/14-10/23	8/27-10/31	8/11-10/21
Days Operated	14	61	67	103	28	96	28	36	72
No. Nets Used	15	1 to 15	2 to 16	0 to 60	7 to 13	3 to 70	1 to 12	14 to 17	15 to 30
Total Net Hours	932	4,540	4,520	12,557	797	16,764	-	2,723	9,408
% Caught in Traps	0%	2.0%	0%	11.9%	0.0%	<1%	0%	0%	0%
Lrgst Daily Catch	38 on 8/29	192 on 10/11	212 on 9/10	833 on 10/12	30 on 8/27	379 on 10/16	7 on sev days	55 on 10/17	945 on 9/23
Most Common Best Day	MAWA 18%	AMGO 32%	REVIMAWA 16%	MYWA 26%	GRCA 20%	AMGO 27%	AMGO 71%	WTSP 53%	BTBW 41%
Most Spec. Divrsty	18 on 8/29	30 on 9/10	36 on 9/10	52 on 9/28	13 on 8/27	43 on 9/18	7 on 10/13	18 on 9/8	36 on 9/26
No. Banded 2006	383	2,075	1,954	16,798	0	10,022	73	753	6,784
No. Banded 2007	322	3,530	2,603	15,516	115	8,628	72	1,010	8,053
No. Forms 2006	44	79	71	126	0	109	30	65	86
No. Forms 2007	48	85	81	134	23	113	27	56	85
Birds/100nh 2006	47.1	71.9	93.0	125.1	NA	45.7	0.2	38	87.1
Birds/100nh 2007	34.6	76.1	57.0	123.6	36.8	50.8	0.1	37	85.6
% HY 2006	83%	NA	75%	88%	NA	-	NA	73%	71%
% HY 2007	87%	NA	68%	75%	75%	61%	70%	64%	62%