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Thank you to all the contributors past and present who have made this AFR region meaningful and successful! This will be my last season as regional editor as my station is now closed as a constant-effort AFR station and our participant numbers have dwindled sadly due to retirements and other factors. We have two remaining full time stations and two part time efforts remaining.

I started editing AFR many moons ago (1995 I think) and along the way Betsy Brooks and I changed the regions to reflect more accurately north to south migration flow through our portion of the flyway. The other regions fell nicely into a north-to-south orientation, whereas the west-to-east orientation of our stations in Region II served to demonstrate the differences in flow throughout our area. With stations dwindling, that concept is no longer valid.

Farewell and wish you all fair winds, following seas and tons of migrants!

Thank You, John.

With this issue of NABB, John Gregoire is resigning as AFR Region 2 Coordinator. John has made an immense contribution to migration monitoring through his long-time banding effort at his home station, Kestrel Haven, and as a coordinator of Region 2 – the North Central Region which includes Canada from North Bay to Ottawa and western New York to the Hudson Valley. Through the years, I have appreciated his input into the concept of the Atlantic Flyway Review. He and I both understood the importance of cooperative research through banding. His input into the logistics of the 1995 reorganization of the AFR was very helpful, and I thank him for that.

John is not retiring from banding, and plans to continue his Northern Saw-whet Owl Banding Project.

Andrea Patterson has agreed to become the new Region 2 Coordinator, effective immediately. Andrea is an active, permitted bander and educator at Braddock Bay Bird Observatory and an EBBA Councilor.

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Table 1. AFR II Summary of Operations - Fall 2012

	Braddock Bay	Alfred Station	Northview	MBO
Start	21 Jul	7 Jul	7 Jul	1 Aug
Stop	25 Oct	18 Nov	14 Oct	30 Oct
Total days	95	28	22	87
Number Nets	1 to 37	.5 to 1.5	1 to 5	16
Net Hours	15,292	173	243	6,489
Number Best Day	241	11	23	150
Best Day Date	25 Sep	17 Aug	5 Sep	3 Oct
Reason Best Day	32% WTSP 19% GCKI	8 SPP		41% RCKI
Best Diversity	27 on 26/27 Sep	8 on 17 Aug	8 on 29 Sep	30 on 13 Sep
Banded 2012	5570	91	200	4064
Banded 2013	4211	73	228	3341
Species 2012	96	21	33	87
Species 2013	86	23	33	77
B/100nh 2012	38	39	1	59
B/100nh 2013	40	42	1	52
% HY 2012	NR	NR	76%	80%
% HY 2013	85%	63%	74%	82%

Table 2. AFR II Most Frequently Encountered Species - Fall 2013

Braddock Bay			Alfred Station			Northview			MBO		
Species	#	% HY	Species	#	% HY	Species	#	% HY	Species	#	% HY
1. WTSP	843	89%	SCJU (1)	12	60%	GRCA (1)	82	68%	RCKI (2)	347	72%
2. GCKI	456	91%	BCCH (2)	11	86%	SOSP (3)	61	70%	MAWA (5)	284	77%
3. RCKI	287	79%	BLJA	5	50%	COYE	16	69%	SOSP (4)	267	92%
4. MAWA	284	95%	CHSP	5	50%	WTSP	13	100%	WTSP (1)	263	73%
5. GRCA	273	81%	AMRO	4	25%	RTHU	8	75%	TEWA (15)	249	93%
6. HETH	203	90%	MYWA	4	75%				AMRO (10)	236	92%
7. BLPW	182	69%	SOSP	4	50%				AMRE (9)	146	84%
8. YEWA	162	74%							MYWA (3)	108	69%
9. SWTH	134	86%							GCKI (13)	101	74%
10. CEDW	126	10%							CEDW	91	62%
% of Total Banded		70%			20.0%			78.0%			41%

Notes: (#) Indicates ranking last fall.