

Report of the Records Committee. Winter 1988

The Ohio Cardinal Records Committee (OCRC) received 22 documentations for 18 separate birds (some birds were reported by multiple observers). The OCRC accepted nine of these 18 sightings; to save space these are not listed below, but are reported elsewhere in this issue. In the other nine cases the committee was not able to verify the sightings reported from the written descriptions provided. These sightings are listed below:

- Greater White-fronted Goose - Oakwood Forensic Center (near Lima?), 12-27,28 - acceptable description but behavior & location suggest non-wild birds
- Merlin - Mosquito Creek, 2-3 - Description did not rule out accipiters
- Lesser Yellowlegs - Maumee River at Rossford, 12-20 - OCRC split 2-2 on this, two members accepting and 2 believing the distance was too great for certain identification to species
- Common Black-headed Gull - Cleveland, 1-4 - OCRC felt the details provided with this brief observation at a considerable distance still left room for uncertainty as to the bird's identity
- House Wren - West Ham Co., 12-20 - The description does not conclusively rule out a Winter Wren.
- Chipping Sparrow - Wilmington, 2-4 - Again the OCRC split 2-2 on this record. Those voting not to accept felt the description did not conclusively rule out other species, including the Field Sparrow.
- Chipping Sparrow - West Ham Co., 12-20 - Few details were provided on this bird. The Christmas Count rare species form was used, which unfortunately provides no place to describe the bird's size or shape.
- Lincoln's Sparrow - Cleveland 2-28 - The description, while detailed, did not mention wing color and thus did not conclusively rule out Swamp Sprw.
- Pine Grosbeak - Findlay? 2-10 - Possibly correct, but the person writing the description did not see the bird, and the actual observer did not file a report.

OBSERVERS

Matt	Anderson	MA	Vic	Fazlo	VF	Tom	LePage	TL
Ron	Austing	RA	Ken	Fulmer	KF	Tony	Luekering	TLu
Carole	Babyak	CB	Larry	Gara	LG	Charlotte	Mathena	CM
Lynn	Barnhart	LB	Peggy	Gatch	PG	Bea	Mercer	BM
Tom	Bartlett	TB	Kent	Glauser	KG	Morris	Mercer	MM
Sue	Baxter	SB	Bruce	Glick	BG	Pete	Montion	PM
Jim	Becker	JBe	Lynn	Groschek	LGr	Ann/Bill	Moring	ABM
Joe	Bens	JB	Nan	Groves	NG	Doug	Overacker	DO
Steve	Bernick	SBe	Betty	Hardesty	BH	R.	Phillips	RP
Charles/Betty	Berry	CBB	Robert	Harlan	RH	Ed/Cheryl	Pierce	ECP
Michael	Braun	MB	Steve	Hatfield	SH	Dave	Quilligan	DQ
Nancy	Brundage	NB	John	Herman	JHe	Debbie	Quilligan	DeQ
Mike	Carr	MC	Jim	Hickman	JH	Worth	Randle	WR
Cliff	Cathers	CC	Jim	Hill	JHi	John	Ritzenthaler	JR
Laurie	Cathers	LC	Judy	Howard	JHo	Larry	Rosche	LR
Dwight/Ann	Chasar	DAC	Betty	Hultgren	BHu	Gary	Salmons	GS
Bill	Creasey	BC	Tom	Kemp	TK	John	Shrader	JS
Robert	Cutter	RCu	Carol	Kennedy	CK	Dave	Styer	DS
Jim	Dabbet	JD	Robert	Kennedy	RK	Merrill	Tawse	MT
Eric	Durbin	ED	Dennis/Vernon	Kline	DVK	Erdine	Thompson	ETH
Joe	Emery	JE	Paul	Knoop	PK	Elliot	Tramer	ET
Duncan	Evered	DE	Joe	Komorowki	JK	Winston	Vore	VV
Bonnie	Fancher	BF	Nevada	Laitsch	NL	Paul	Wharton	PW
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