

The Ohio Cardinal

... is devoted to the study of and appreciation of Ohio's birdlife.

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The Ohio Cardinal exists to provide a permanent and timely record of the abundance and distribution of birds in Ohio; to help document the occurrence of rare species in the state; to provide information on the identification of birds; and to provide information on birding areas within Ohio. We invite readers to submit articles illuminating these topics.

Seasonal Reports are due
by the following dates:
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Letter from the Editor . . .

After 6 and a half years, Rob Harlan is stepping down as Editor of *The Ohio Cardinal*. Rob's unprecedented stint saw the magazine grow in size while maintaining the integrity of the information brought on by his predecessor Tom Kemp. Rob will stay on as copy editor, assuring the quality you have come to expect from *The Ohio Cardinal*. In that tradition, I hope to continue the magazine as an honest and accurate appraisal of Ohio's avifauna.

With this issue, we are in transition to the format I will ultimately establish in the next issue. In these pages, you will already see the new presentation of the seasonal summary. Expansion of the seasonal summary, both richer in text and graphical presentations, is possible largely because of computer hardware upgrades. This experimental issue lacks for articles, but you will be seeing these again with the next issue. The move to a new editor also brings with it changes in print facilities, etc. which we hope to have fully resolved in the near future. During this time we ask again for your patience regarding future issues. Presently the Spring 1997 and Summer 1997 issues are being written and typeset, while data extraction for the Fall 1997 and Winter 1997-98 is complete. By spring 1999 we anticipate a regular schedule of publication. - V.W.F.III



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Erie Co., 18 Jan. 1997 [ph. V.W.F.III]