

While not Review Species, the tanager and waterthrush are being reviewed to document their occurrence well out of season.

Other Information

At the OBRC Annual Meeting on 24 March, retiring members Bob Conlon, Rob Harlan, and Craig Holt were thanked for valued service, and new members Micki Dunakin, Kevin Metcalf, and Sean Zadar were welcomed. OBRC Secretary Jim McCormac reported that during 2001 the Committee reviewed 47 records, accepting 32, not accepting 13, and continuing to circulate two more. One new state record—brown-headed nuthatch—was accepted, and three were not: dovekie, chestnut-collared longspur, and shiny cowbird. Two potential new state records—Eurasian collared-dove and Bicknell's thrush—remained in recirculation at the end of the year.

Two changes were made in the Review List. Le Conte's sparrow *Ammodramus lecontei* was removed from the Review List. This elusive species, while probably often overlooked, has a well-established migratory pattern through Ohio, particularly in the fall, and in recent years there are sufficient records to pass the threshold for removal from the list. Loggerhead shrike *Lanius ludovicianus*, however, has become increasingly scarce in Ohio, and having fallen below the numerical threshold for reliable records, was added to the Review List.

The new OBRC publication, assisted in the costs of production by a grant from the Master Family Fund, is scheduled for release by 11 May, and will undergo final editing following member comments. This durable booklet of 36 pages will feature seasonal bar-graphs or records notes, and annotations for all 410 species on the Ohio list. 



These three black scoters were photographed off South Bass Island in Ottawa County on 1 December 2001. Photo by Stan Wulkowicz.



Killdeer Plains Wildlife Area in Wyandot County hosted a number of red-headed woodpeckers this season. This stunning individual was photographed there in December 2001 by Bob Royse.

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