

Rufous Hummingbird *S. rufus*—Wayne County, September – at least 31 December 2002 (still present at the time of this writing). Observers: Ruth Vandersall, Su Snyder, Bruce Glick, Allen Chartier; photographed. This bird was captured, banded, and documented. Ohio's 17th record.

Western Kingbird *Tyrannus verticalis*—Wyandot County, 9 August 2002. Observers: Charlie and Linda Bombaci; photographed. At least the 16th record since 1980.

Loggerhead Shrike *Lanius ludovicianus*—Wyandot County, 26 October 2002. Observer: Ronald Sempier; photographed.

Harris's Sparrow *Zonotrichia querula*—Fairfield County, 20-26 November 2002. Observers: Debbie Bradley, Joe Hammond; photographed. At least the 17th record in the last two decades.

Records Not Accepted

Documentations received for the following reports received fewer than six votes to accept, and were hence not accepted.

Red-necked Stint *Calidris ruficollis*—Sandusky County, 31 July 2002. There has been only one prior record of this species in Ohio, on 21 July 1962. The overarching general concern nearly all members expressed regarded the conditions under which the bird was seen. Both observers who documented this bird noted that they were looking into the sun, and heat waves were at times oppressive and obscured the bird, which was about 50 yards distant. Only one observer had firsthand field experience with red-necked stint. Some details were not described, such as wing length, primary extension, and tail length. Much was made of the coloration—this being an adult in alternate plumage—yet there were some inconsistencies in the two descriptions, and some features such as the chin coloration were not correctly described. It was also felt by many that little stint *Calidris minuta*—even though more unlikely—could not be ruled out.

Parasitic Jaeger *Stercorarius parasiticus*—Cuyahoga County, 11 November 2002. None of the members questioned that a jaeger was seen, but most had problems with a specific identification and felt that the bird could be accepted only as jaeger sp. Some specific concerns included the following: no description of wingbeat style or undertail pattern; no mention of relative size in relation to nearby gulls; and upperwing description does not definitively eliminate pomarine jaeger *S. pomarinus*.

Records in Recirculation

Having received between six and eight votes to accept, the following records are being recirculated.

Piping Plover *Charadrius melodus*—Wyandot County, 26 August 2002.

Rufous Hummingbird *Selasphorus rufus*—Wayne County, late October – at least 31 December 2002 (still present at the time of this writing).

Rufous Hummingbird *S. rufus*—Clermont County, early November – 28 December 2002. 🐦



The only Harris's sparrow of the season appeared at a Fairfield County feeder in late November. Digiscoped photo by Joe Hammond on 21 November 2002.



Present from 20 July - 20 October 2002, four immature roseate spoonbills at Rocky Fork State Park in Highland County provided Ohio with its second record. These cooperative birds were viewed and photographed by many birders during a record-breaking stay. Photo credits, clockwise from top: Lana Hays (14 September 2002), Bill Hull (26 August 2002), Lana Hays (14 September 2002), Dave Russell (31 August 2002).

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