

The Reports
Summer Nesting
1 June - 31 July
1980
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Below is a compilation of breeding and summering birds. Records of birds that were obvious migrants will be included in the fall migration report. In the future we hope to divide the summer issue records into three parts: late spring migrants, early fall migrants and breeding and summering birds.

I wish to thank all who have contributed to the last two issues. We are getting some fine reports. We still need more coverage from the Cincinnati area, Marietta area, and some eastern Ohio areas. If you know people who could help in these areas, please let us know. (* = written documentation on file with editor.)

Weather

"June started out quite wet with severe flooding in portions of the state. Although precipitation slacked off later in the month, it still averaged nearly two inches above normal. Temperatures were relatively cool early in the month. Typical summer temperatures did not arrive until the end of June and the month averaged several degrees cooler than normal.

July was a typical hot and humid summer month in Ohio. Both temperatures and precipitation were normal. Most rain fell in thunderstorms which caused locally severe damage and minor flooding. Rain fell on a weekly basis and no droughts were noted.

By and large, it was a typical summer. With the exception of locally severe thunderstorms, the weather had little affect on bird populations. Reproduction seemed to be average to good for most species.

As usual, fall migration started with the first cold front during the last few days of June. A few shorebirds were noted then and a fairly strong movement was noted in mid-July. Good numbers of terns had also started to move by the end of July. Little passerine migration was noted during the period except for a few late spring migrants in early June." (BP)

Common Loon

5/31 - 6/7 immature, Findlay Res. (Hancock Co.) (TB, BP, DT); 6/1 - 7/31 immature Clearfork Res. (Richland & Morrow Co.) (JHr). Ed. Note: Two winter plumaged birds were reported from this location for 6/1 - 7/31 in 1978 and one bird for 6/16 - 7/26 in 1979.

Horned Grebe

6/2 at Wellington Res. (Lorain Co.) (JP).

Pied-billed Grebe

6/2 40+ pairs Magee Marsh (Ottawa Co.) (MS); 6/15 10 at Touissant Marsh (Ottawa Co.) (SB); 7/13 10 birds at Navaree Unit ONWR (Ottawa Co.) (MS); "This species had a good breeding season along the Lake Erie marshes. Numerous juveniles were seen in Lucas, Ottawa and Erie Cos. during July." (BP).

Double-crested Cormorant

7/6 - 7/17 Magee Marsh (fide MS, TB, BP, LV); 6/20 - 7/31 immature Lake

Rockwell (Portage Co.) (LR).

Great Blue Heron

Only nests reported were in Seneca Co.: 2 rookeries, 3 and 14 nests respectively.

The large rookeries in Erie County at the East end of the Sandusky Bay bridge and in Ottawa County at Winous Point were not covered.

Other records: Clark Co.: 2 to 5, Buck Creek S.P. & Clark Lake (DO); Cuyahoga Co.: 6/6 - 7/31 one each, Cleveland lakefront and Rocky River valley, vistors (WNK), "in low numbers", Shaker Lakes (VF); Erie Co.: one, Huron harbor (DJH); Fairfield Co.: 6/20 one Clearcreek (JC) and 6/7 one Buckeye Lake (HK); Franklin Co.: 7/10 13 and 7/26 26, Pickerington Ponds (JF), 7/11 9 Walden Wildlife Refuge (JF); Greene Co.: 3 to 5, Hueston Woods SP (JSm); Ottawa Co.: 7/13 350+ roosting Navarre Unit (MS), 7/19 40 ONWR (VF); Portage Co.: 6/27 one, Lake Rockwell; Summit Co.: 6/20 - 6/23 13 (fide CT).

Green Heron

"Stable population levels, as compared with 1979 (31 sightings in 1980 vs. 26 in 1979). This species is fairly well distributed throughout the state." (BP)

Nests: 5+ Magee Marsh (MS); one, Rocky River valley with a maximum of four birds present during June (WNK); Seneca Co. (TB) and Clark Co. (SB); one, Clearcreek (JC); one, Maumee (Lucas Co.), hatched in early June (MA).

Other records: Cuyahoga Co.: "in good numbers", Shaker Lakes (VF); Delaware Co.: 3 birds at one location (JF); Franklin Co.: 7/22 3, Pickerington Ponds and 7/30 2, Walden WR (JF); Greene Co.: many individuals, Spring Valley WA and present throughout period, Hueston Woods SP (JI); Lorain Co.: 6/3 2 birds (AT); Lucas Co.: 7/12 one, Irwin Prairie (DJH); Portage Co.: 7/14 3, West Branch Res. (LR); Summit Co.: 6/20 - 6/23 19 birds (fide CT).

Little Blue Heron

7/8 - 7/31 2 immatures on 7/23 otherwise 1 immature Lake Logan (Hocking Co.) (*JP); 7/27 one adult Magee Marsh (BP, DT).

Cattle Egret

3 to 5 birds seen throughout June and July at ONWR & Magee Marsh (MS, VF, AT, WS) with a peak of 28 on 7/27 at ONWR (BP) and 19 at Davis-Besse (Ottawa Co.) on 7/31 (AT). Nests at West Sister Island (Ottawa Co.) (MS) (See American Birds Vol. 32, No. 6 where the first nesting in Ohio of 20 nests was reported in 1978.)

Great Egret

Seen every week of period at Magee Marsh with a peak of 100+ roosting on 7/9 and 150+ roosting on 6/22 at Navarre Unit (MS); Nests at West Sister Island (MS); 7/16 1 at Gordon Park (Cuyahoga Co.) (DJH).

Snowy Egret

6/1 - 7/13 1 bird at ONWR/Magee Marsh (MS); 6/20 3 birds at Magee Marsh seen feeding in Magee and then heading for West Sister Island (MS). (American Birds Vol. 32, No. 6 1978 reports a single bird in the cattle egret colony on West Sister Island.)

Black-crowned Night Heron

None seen in Cuyahoga Co., Franklin Co., Lorain Co. or Shaker Lakes. Only report outside of Ottawa Co. was Erie Co. 1 bird 7/2 (AT) and one at Huron harbor 7/19 (WS); 7/13 250+ Navarre Unit (MS).

Yellow-crowned Night Heron

3 young raised at Lake Logan (JP); 6/1 - 7/31 1 present at Rocky River but no mate seen. (WNK), Nest reported from Rocky River for first time in 1978 but only a single bird each year since. (American Birds Vol. 32 No. 6.) No nest reported from Franklin Co. for the first time in the last three years.

Least Bittern

6/27 and 7/11 Magee Marsh (MS); 7/9 Lake Rupert (Vinton Co.) (JP); 6/13 - 18 4 birds at Madison Twp. (Richland Co.) (SM, JHr); successfully raised 5 young in Maumee (MA).

American Bittern

One adult in June at Cedar Point Wildlife Refuge (Ottawa Co.) (BP); 7/10 Spring Valley W.A. (JI); 7/18 Hueston Woods (JSm); 7/25 Clark Co. (SB).

Mute Swan

None reported.

Whistling Swan

None reported.

Canada Goose

Approximately 1400 young produced at ONWR/Magee Marsh (MS); Nested in Hocking Co., Erie Co., Lucas Co. (JP), Seneca Co. (TB), and Clark Co. (SB); 26 adults and 10 young summered at Walden W.R. (JF); 7/10 10 young at Pickerington Ponds (JC); 6/10 and 7/10 Spring Valley W.A. (JI); 6/20 - 23 65 birds in Summit Co. (fide CT); more summering than usual at Shaker Lakes (VF).

Mallard

11 nests found at Magee Marsh (MS); 7/28 750+ birds at Magee Marsh (MS); 7/25 nest ONWR (MS); Nested at Cleveland lakefront, Rocky River valley, Cleveland Heights and miscellaneous Cleveland local areas and 29 birds present on 7/31 (WNK, DJH); nested in Seneca Co. (TB); 7 adult males summered at Walden W.R. (JF); present during entire period in Clark Co. (DO); 2 pairs, 1 brood, 3 young at Clearcreek (JC); 7/10 9 young at Pickerington Ponds (JC); 6/7 Buckeye Lake (HK); 6/20-23 95 birds in Summit Co. (fide CT).

Black Duck

Seen in Lorain, Erie & Ottawa Cos. (JP, AT); seen every week of period at Magee Marsh (MS); regular with up to four maximum at Cleveland Lakefront and miscellaneous Cleveland local areas (WNK); 6/7 Buckeye Lake (HK); 6/20 - 23 1 in Summit Co. (fide CT); "Black Duck did well" at Shaker Lakes (VF).

Gadwall

Seen in Erie & Ottawa Cos. (JP, AT); 5 pairs at Magee Marsh (MS); 6/21 2 broods and 3 nests at Bayshore Power Plant (Lucas Co.) (MS); 6/16 1 pair ONWR (JF); "a large number of summering birds were present in Cedar Point W.R. throughout the period with a peak of 18 on June 21." (BP).

Pintail

6/8 one brood & 3 pairs at Magee Marsh (MS); one pair summered at ONWR (BP); nested in Erie Co. (JP).

Green-winged Teal

3 nests found on Magee Marsh (MS); 6/16 3 males at ONWR (JF); Up to 10 summering birds present at Cedar Point W.R. during the period (BP); 7/22 ONWR (AT); 7/24 1 male at Huron harbor (DJH).

Blue-winged Teal

25 nests found on Magee Marsh (MS); 7/30-31 1-2 birds only Cleveland lake-front area (WNK) 6/16 10+ birds at ONWR (JF); 7/24 1 bird at Walden W.R. (JF); 7/13-20 2-7 birds at pond at 334 and Middle Urbana Rd. (Clark Co.) (DO); 7/10 one male and one female at Spring Valley (JI); 7/18 Hueston Woods S.P. (JSm); 7/30 13 in eclipse plumage at Springville Marsh (Seneca Co.) (TB).

American Wigeon

6/1 - 7/31 one adult male at Magee Marsh (MS); 6/16 4 birds at ONWR (JF); 6/21 50+ summering at Cedar Point W.R. (BP); 7/6 5 summering at ONWR (BP); 6/30 and 7/31 Erie Co. (AT).

Northern Shoveler

Seen every week 6/2 - 7/6 at Magee Marsh (MS); Seen at Medusa Marsh (Erie Co.) (JP); 6/16 2 males and one female on ONWR (JF); 6/16 one male on Magee Marsh (JF).

Wood Duck

6/14 12 nests at Magee Marsh (MS); 6/22 120+ birds at Navaree Unit (MS); 7/13 2 broods at Navarre Unit (MS); Nested in Cuyahoga Co. at Rocky River and Shaker Lakes (WNK, VF) Nested in Seneca Co. (TB); summered at and presumably nested at Blendon Woods Metro Park (Franklin Co.) (JF); 6/21 2 birds at Buck Creek SP (DO); 7/6 - 7/13 2-4 birds at Clark Lake (DO); 2 broods with 5 young at Clearcreek (JC); 7/10 43 young at Pickerington Pond (JC); 6/13 Sheldon's Marsh (Erie Co.) (AT); 7/22 9 young ONWR (AT); "Many young birds" Spring Valley (JI); 7/10 2 at Gordon Park (DJH); In July "several present" at Cleveland Heights (DJH); 6/20-23 25 birds in Summit Co. (fide CT); a drop of 50% in pairs over 1979 at Shaker Lakes (VF); 30 at Lake Rockwell (WS).

Redhead

Nested in Medusa Marsh 3 young (JP, BP, DT); 6/21 4 birds at Bayshore Power Plant (MS).

Ring-necked Duck

One male summered at Castalia (Erie Co.) (JP, AT).

Canvasback

7/19 one at Huron harbor (VF, TL); 7/25 one male at Medusa Marsh (JP).

Greater Scaup

None reported.

Lesser Scaup

7/1 one adult male at Winous Point (Ottawa Co.) (TB); 7/14 Wildwood Park (Cuyahoga Co.) (fide VF); 7/13 one adult White City Park (Cuyahoga Co.) (CL).

Goldeneye, Bufflehead, Oldsquaw, Scoters

None reported.

Ruddy Duck

One male summered at Castalia (JP, AT); 6/3 Magee Marsh (MS); 6/11 10 at Bay Shore Power Plant (MS); 6/1 5+ pair at Crane Creek (TB); 7/2 Huron harbor (AT); 7/13 one male ONWR (WS).

Hooded Merganser

Nested ONWR 5 young (JP, TB); 7/23 Magee Marsh one brood (MS); 7/29 9 birds at ONWR (BP, DT); 6/12 one immature Shaker Lakes (VF).

Common Merganser
None reported.

Red-breasted Merganser
6/1 - 7/31 one female was present at Wildwood Park, on 6/8 both a male and female were present (*RH, WNK).

Turkey Vulture
Nest discovered in Seneca Co. in late May by Doug Sampson. Appears stable or increasing statewide. Numerous calls to naturalists, maintenance men and rangers in the Cleveland Metro Parks yielded little information on the "Hinckley buzzards". The most definitive information was that between 50-75 birds roosted at Hinckley each year for the last ten years. The nesting area of these birds is unknown, perhaps Lorain Co. Strange that so little is known about such a publicized bird.

Black Vulture
2 in Adams Co., 6/22 (BP, DT, TB); 1 or more observed in Hocking, Vinton, Jackson and Fairfield (JP); High of 13 at Clearcreek 6/12 (JC).

Sharp-shinned Hawk
6/16 nest in Wayne Co., male adult and female sub-adult which successfully fledged one female and two males, (LR, WS); 6/4 Magee Marsh (late migrant?) (MS); immature at Killdeer Plains 6/1 (late?); 6/20-23 2 in Summit Co. (fide CT).

Cooper's Hawk
6/19 Oxford (Butler Co.) (JSm); 6/6 Lorain Co. (AT); 7/2 Ottawa Co. (AT); 6/12 Clearcreek (JC); 7/13 Stow, O. (LR): Hocking, Vinton, Jackson, Richland, Fairfield and Pike Cos. (JP); 6/20 1-3 (1 immature) Seneca Co. (BP, TB); 6/7 Adams Co. (BP); 6/20-23 6 Summit Co. (fide CT).

Red-tailed Hawk
Status normal.

Red-shouldered Hawk
6/20 1 Stow (LR); 6/10 Clearcreek (JC); 7/23 Lorain Co. (Findlay S.P.) (AT); 6/7 3 Adams Co. (BP); 6/20-23 3 Summit Co. (fide CT); Hocking, Vinton, Lorain and Licking Cos. (JP); nesting pair at Munroe Falls (Summit Co.) (WS).

Broad-winged Hawk
7/20 1 Erie Co. (DJH); 6/10 Clearcreek (JC); 7/11-31 1-2 Blendon Woods (JF); 6/11 Mohican SP (SM); 7/15 Richland Co. (SM); 6/13 Oak Openings (3) (TB); 7/16 and nest, Schwamburger Prairie (TB); Hocking, Vinton, Fairfield, Richland and Pike Cos. (JP); 4 nests in Summit Co. (WS).

Bald Eagle
Sandusky Co. nest fledged 2 young (one a transplant from Patuxent) and Lucas Co. nest at ONWR fledged 2 young (LV).

Northern Harrier
None reported.

American Kestrel
Status normal.

Ruffed Grouse
5 pr. on the Clearcreek survey (JC); 4 young at North Chagrin Metro. Park (Cuyahoga Co.) (TL).

Bobwhite

Seems to be increasing, especially in the south and central parts of the state. Northern populations still very low.

Ring-necked Pheasant

Several reporters feel there is a slight increase over 1979. This species should be carefully watched.

Turkey

1 on 6/10 Clearcreek survey (JC); 6/18 female with 11 young (Vinton Co.) (JP).

King Rail

6/11 one at Magee Marsh (MS); 6/25 immature at Magee Marsh (MS); 7/26 Magee Marsh (SB).

Virginia Rail

A nest with 9 eggs was found in Lucas Co. 5/24 (MA); 6/1 Ottawa Co. (JP); 7/12 Spring Valley (Montgomery Co.) (JI); 7/16 Lake Rockwell (LR); 6/20 - 6/23 1 in Summit Co. (fide CT); all period at Magee Marsh (MS, TB); 7/6 Cedar Point NWR (TB).

Sora

All period at Magee Marsh (MS); 6/13 3 at Toussaint Marsh (VF), 7/29 Pickerington Pond (JF); 7/6 4 at Cedar Point NWR (TB); 7/30 4 at Springville Marsh (TB).

Black Rail

6/15-20 a calling bird was seen at Irwin Prairie (*m.ob.).

Common Gallinule

Nested in Ottawa, Lucas, and Erie Cos. in good numbers. 70+ pair at Magee Marsh and 56 birds at Navarre Marsh (MS, m. ob.); 6/20-23 one on Summit Co. survey (fide CT); 7/14 Lake Rockwell (LR, EE); 1 in Richland Co. 6/14 (JHr); also observed in Vinton (JP).

American Coot

6/7 Springville Marsh (1st summer record for Seneca Co.) (TB); good numbers in Lucas, Ottawa, and Erie Cos. (60+ at Magee Marsh (MS)). 6/25 1 at Pickerington Pond (JC); 7/3 1 at Huron (EE).

Killdeer

Status normal.

American Woodcock

Status normal.

Common Snipe

Status normal in the Lake counties.

Upland Sandpiper

Maybe starting a come back. Birds were observed in Butler, Montgomery, Cuyahoga, Ottawa, Clark, Lucas, Delaware, Licking and Lorain Cos. Nests were found in Ottawa NWR (4) (MS), Navarre Marsh (1) (AT), Wright-Patterson A.F.B. (4) (SB), Burke Airport (Cleveland) (2) (DJH), and Butler Co. (5) (JI). An usual number of birds (21) were present at the Dayton Airport 6/28 (BB, CM, CB).

Spotted Sandpiper

Status normal.

Wilson's Phalarope

First Ohio record: 6/4 one nest at Magee with four eggs and two fledglings perhaps three (MS). See separate article in this issue for details.

The remainder of the shorebirds were considered migrants and will be covered in the Fall issue.

Great Black-backed Gull

The usual number of immatures were observed along western Lake Erie. An unusual record was an immature bird inland at St. Mary's Fish Hatchery on 7/23 (CM, AVR).

Herring Gull

Normal numbers along the lake, not as common as Ring-billed Gulls. About 100 summered near Cleveland (WNK, DJH) and over 100 young were banded at the Bay Shore Power Plant in Oregon (MS).

Ring-billed Gull

Normal numbers along the lake. More than 1200 young banded at the Bay Shore Power Plant (MS). Unusual numbers noted inland: 100+ summered at Alum Creek Res. (BP) and 100 at C.J. Brown Res. (DO) and small numbers at Hueston Woods S.P. (JI).

Franklin's Gull

One immature at Findlay Res. 6/2 (fide TB); an immature at C.J. Brown Res. 6/6-9 (DO, SB) and 2 adults there on 6/8 (DO).

Laughing Gull

6/29 one adult Gordon Park (Cuyahoga Co.)(*DJH); 7/18-7/26 one second year bird at Huron harbor (m. ob.). It was joined by a second, second year bird on 7/26 (RH).

Bonaparte's Gull

6/1 40 immatures at Cleveland Municipal Light Plant (Cuyahoga Co.); 6/29 40 at Gordon Park (Cuyahoga Co.) mostly non-breeding adults. Summering of this species in Cleveland is very rare but these two landfill sites were the attraction this year. On 7/13 there were 100 non-breeding adults at Gordon Park but by 7/24 mostly breeding birds were present. The first juvenile did not appear there until 8/3 (DJH).

Summered at Lorain & Erie Co. (JP); 6/20 Magee (MS); 6/16 immature Metzger Marsh (JF); 6/28-7/1 2 at Lake Logan (JP).

Arctic Tern

First Ohio record. 7/17 an adult at Huron harbor (BP, DT). See separate article in this issue for details.

Common Tern

350 nests (147 young banded) Bay Shore power plant (MS, LV): 6/22 1 immature at Buck Creek SP (SB) and 6/29 2 birds at Buck Creek (DO); one at least, all period, Gordon Park (DJH); 7/3 3 at Huron harbor (EE); 6/9-6/28 up to 16 at Lake Logan (JP).

Caspian Tern

6/30 Huron harbor (AT); 6/29 Wildwood Park (Cuyahoga Co.) (VF); 7/3 Huron (EE); 6/30 Neilson's Marsh (Erie Co.) (JP); 4 summered at Alum Creek Res. (BP).

Black Tern

7 nests at Magee (MS); 6/8 Buck Creek S.P. (late migrant?) (DO); 6/13 1 at

Erie Co. (VF); 7 summered at Cedar Point N.W.R. (nesting?) (BP).

Rock Dove

Nests in every county.

Mourning Dove

Nests in every county. Some reporters feel it is increasing.

Ringed Turtle Dove

A single bird attempted to nest with a mourning dove in the Dayton area (probable escape) (CM).

Yellow-billed Cuckoo

Found statewide and most reported good numbers.

Black-billed Cuckoo

Not as common as Yellow-billed Cuckoo and some reported it down.

Barn Owl

Holmes Co., 6 young; Trumbull Co., 5 young; and Wayne Co., 4 pair with 19 young. (JS); 7/26 Ashland Co. (JP).

Screech Owl

Van Camp reports an increase this year over 1978 in Ottawa Co. Other reports around the state seem to support this also.

Great Horned Owl

Status normal.

Barred Owl

Status normal.

Long-eared Owl

6/16 nested in Summit Co. (unsuccessful) (LR).

Short-eared Owl

Nest with 5 eggs found at Maumee S.P. (Lucas Co.) (no date or whether successful; (Al Maley fide LV).

Chuck-will's-widow

May thru July up to 4 singing in Adams Co. (TB, SB, JP).

Whip-poor-will

Status normal.

Common Nighthawk

Status normal.

Chimney Swift

Status normal.

Ruby-throated Hummingbird

Status normal.

Belted Kingfisher

Several reports felt there is an increase in the population.

Common Flicker
Status normal.

Pileated Woodpecker
Appears to be increasing and spreading. Three new pair found in Seneca Co. (TB).

Red-bellied Woodpecker
Many feel it is still declining. It should be watched carefully. However, the Cleveland area is reporting a slight increase e.g. 6 were observed in the North Chagrin Metro Park 7/11 (DJH).

Red-headed Woodpecker
Seems to be stable in southern Ohio but declining in areas of northern and western Ohio.

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker
7/30 Magee Marsh (MS).

Hairy Woodpecker
Populations still down but appears to be increasing.

Downy Woodpecker
Status normal.

Eastern Kingbird
Many observers felt a slight increase.

Great Crested Flycatcher
Slight increase reported by several observers.

Eastern Phoebe
Slight increase reported.

Yellow-bellied Flycatcher
Not reported.

Acadian Flycatcher
Status normal.

Willow Flycatcher
Status stable. More common in northern and central Ohio than southern Ohio.

Alder Flycatcher
3+ territorial males at Irwin Prairie all summer (m. ob.); 6/20-6/23 1 bird on Summit Co. survey (fide CT); 7/9 one bird on willow habitat was observed singing both willow flycatcher and alder songs? (Pike Co.) (JP).

Least Flycatcher
6/7 Shawnee S.F. (LR); 6/1-14 Richland Co. (SM); 6/27 Streetsboro (Portage Co.) (DJH); 6/13 Erie Co. (AT); 6/20-23 5 on Summit Co. survey (fide CT); 1 summered at Shaker Lakes (VF).

Eastern Wood Pewee
Status normal.

Olive-sided Flycatcher
6/1-30 Lorain Co. (JP); 6/10-25 Clearcreek (JC).

Horned Lark
Status normal.

Tree Swallow
Normal populations along Lake Erie. Unusual inland occurrences were a pair that nested at Clark Lake, Clark Co. (SB), up to 4 were there on 6/22 (DO); 6/10 Spring Valley (JI); a pair attempted to nest on the diving board of a small pond in Maumee (MA); 1 summered at Springville Marsh (Seneca Co.) and 2 were observed along the Sandusky River near Old Fort (Seneca Co.) 6/20 (TB, BP); 6/20-6/23 6 in Summit Co. survey (fide CT).

Bank Swallow
Status normal.

Rough-winged Swallow
May be increasing.

Barn Swallow
Status normal.

Cliff Swallow
Up to 24 nests were started at the Sand Beach colony in Ottawa Co. (MS, JP, AT, VF) Small colony was discovered at Alum Creek Reservoir (BP); 3 observed regularly at Lake Logan (JP); no reports from large colony in Holmes Co.

Purple Martin
Status stable.

Blue Jay
Status normal.

Common Crow
Several reporters feel it is increasing.

Black-capped Chickadee
7/5 Crane Creek (fide MS); 1 brood in Maumee (MA); 2 nests at Irwin Prairie (CEP).

Carolina Chickadee
A bird singing the Carolina's song was heard at Collier Scenic River Area (Seneca Co.) 6/10 (TB). It was not observed well enough to verify. Black-capped Chickadees were singing within a 1/4 mile. This area is close to the transition area and the possibility of a hybrid exists.

Tufted Titmouse
Many feel it is starting to recover from the blizzard years.

White-breasted Nuthatch
Many feel it is also increasing.

Red-breasted Nuthatch
6/29-7/1 an adult with 4 young was observed at Findlay S.P. (JP); 7/4 1 Rocky River (WNK); 1 at Brukner Nature Center all July (fide CM).

Brown Creeper
1 observed at Findlay S.P. 7/1 (JP); 4+ (possible family unit) at Secor Park (Lucas Co.) 7/5-12 (MA).

House Wren
Status normal.

Winter Wren

6/27 3+ territorial males at Stebbins Gulch (Geauga Co.) (BP); 1 at Little Mountain (Geauga Co.) (BP).

Bewick's Wren

A pair fledged at least 1 young in Brown Co. (BP et al).

Carolina Wren

Starting to come back. It is increasing better in southern half of the state but several reports came from the north.

Long-billed Marsh Wren

Slight decline reported by several observers, especially inland.

Short-billed Marsh Wren

Good year: 7/19-31 Ottawa NWR (feeding young 7/31) (MS), 6/13-7/16 2+ singing males at Irwin Prairie (TB, JF, DJH), 7/19-31 up to 9 singing males at Buck Creek S.P. (Clark Co.) (BP, SB, DO); 7/27 Adams Co. (JP).

Mockingbird

Increasing in the south and central areas of Ohio. The only reports from northern Ohio were a pair that nested in Seneca Co. (TB) and one bird reported on Summit Co. survey (fide CT).

Gray Catbird

Status normal.

Brown Thrasher

Stable with several reports of possible increases.

American Robin

Status normal.

Wood Thrush

Status normal.

Hemit, Swainson's and Gray-cheeked Thrush

Not reported.

Veery

Continues to expand southward. Reports from Cuyahoga, Lorain, Erie, Lucas, Seneca, Summit, and Delaware Co. for a total of 18+ records.

Eastern Bluebird

Stable; had a good breeding season; many young fledged. Jim Coffman's trail in Seneca Co. had over 105 fledged from 20 boxes.

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

Stable with increasing numbers reported in northern Ohio.

Cedar Waxwing

Status stable.

Northern Shrike

Not reported.