

Four large interpretive panels explaining birding and banding at the Historic Site have been unveiled along the access road, following the naming of Crown Point as a Bird Conservation Area by the state of New York. We are grateful to those who helped transport the banding station: Gordon Howard, Dan Lee, Gary Lee, and Dave Rutkowski. The banders appreciate the contributions of elk, mule deer, trout, and other food and beverages that helped sustain them while banding over a thousand birds. Special thanks go to Historic Site Manager Thomas Hughes, Jake Putnam, and the rest of the superb Crown Point staff for their close cooperation and many kindnesses, as well as to Ray Perry of OPR&HP in Albany for continuing to conduct avian surveys. Since 1976, a total of 14,625 birds have been banded on the grounds of Crown Point State Historic Site, and we look forward to our 33<sup>rd</sup> year in 2008.

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The 2007 spring banding season got underway on 4 May. The banding on this day was very slow with only three being captured after four hours using 15 12-m nets. Experience has shown that over the last 20 years, the spring arrival dates are approximately one week later. In 1976, when this station was started, 1 May was the time to start nets in operation.

	% SY	% ASY	% AHY
44 Myrtle Warbler	5		95
40 Gray Catbird	8		92
20 Magnolia Warbler	10		90
14 Bay-Breastd Warb	14		86
14 Chest-sd Warbler	7		93
13 Rose-br Grosbeak	47	23	30
13 Nashville Warbler	8		92
13 Tennessee Warb			100
11 Amer Goldfinch	27	18	25
10 Swainson's Thrsh	50		50

This past spring banding season turned out very well compared to the last few years. The total number of birds captured and banded was up by

177, and species showed an increase of 16 from spring 2006. Due to great banding weather conditions, there were two additional days of banding which increased the total hours. There were no scheduled banding days lost because of poor conditions. Birds captured per 100 net hours (b/100nh) increased from 19.3 in 2006 to 35.8 in 2007.

There were eight local retraps of which five were Black-capped Chickadees, two Wood Thrushes, and one Downy Woodpecker. One of the Wood Thrushes was at least five years old.

This year marked a first for the station with the capture of a foreign retrap. After checking out this band number, it was learned that the bird had been banded at the Braddock Bay Bird Observatory banding station five days previous to my recapture. This bird had moved in a westerly direction and covered approximately 65 miles.

As in years past, there were over 20 individuals who showed up at the station and were shown the operation. It was also explained to them the reasons for catching and banding birds.

**Braddock Bay Bird Observatory**      **431-0774**  
**Kaiser-Manitou Beach Banding Sta.**  
 Monroe County, NY

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The 22<sup>nd</sup> consecutive year of spring migration monitoring at the Kaiser-Manitou Beach banding station was carried out for 49 days beginning 15 Apr and ending on 12 Jun 2007. There were 4,752 birds banded of 96 forms. Thirty-three Ruby-throated Hummingbirds are included in the list of banded birds but an additional 29 female and 15 male Ruby-throated Hummingbirds were captured and released unbanded.