

REGION 1—NIAGARA FRONTIER

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The summer of 2015 got off to a wet start in June. The mean temperature was 65.6° F, 0.7° below average. Rain was frequent, with a total of 5.03" at the Buffalo airport, 1.37" above average. July averaged out as normal, with an average temperature of 71.0°, 0.1° below normal. Rainfall at Buffalo was 2.42", 0.81" below average. August was comfortable, with the mean temperature at 69.7°, 0.1° above normal. There was 4.39" of rain, 1.13" above average. Weather data was excerpted from National Weather Service *Monthly Weather Summary* for Buffalo.

A look at the summer season highlights reveals a diverse mix of unexpected species. With some species out of season for regular occurrence and others geographically misplaced, it poses some fun questions. For instance, how often has Black-bellied Whistling-Duck overlapped in time in the same region with Snowy Owl and Harlequin Duck? Or, has any region in North America held sightings of Swallow-tailed Kite, Neotropic Cormorant, Iceland Gull, Glaucous Gull, and the aforementioned species in a three month period? I suspect this assemblage has not come together before; however, these questions are left for us all to ponder as answering them would likely take more time than preparing this Regional summary did.

The **Black-bellied Whistling-Duck** was originally found by Charlie Horton in late May. Many birders made a visit to Twelve Mile Creek, adjacent to Wilson-Tuscarora SP, to see this handsome bird that was present until mid-July. Another carryover from May that was also close to the whistling-duck, was a **Eurasian Collared-Dove** that was present into July in the vicinity of Wilson Harbor. A second bird was found in the same area in June but no evidence of breeding was discovered.

Jacquie Walters photographed a **Snowy Owl** in Buffalo Harbor on June 3, representing the first summer record for the Region. The owl perched atop a harbor light structure in the midst of an active Common Tern colony which undoubtedly created quite a ruckus. Also out of season and a first summer record was a male **Harlequin Duck** observed at the base of Niagara Falls which was initially reported by a tourist from Sweden aboard a Maid of the Mist boat. Continuing with the out of season theme, but certainly not as unexpected, were sightings of **Iceland Gull** and **Glaucous Gull** in early June along Lake Ontario. In recent years several birders have taken to checking the piers and other areas

along Lake Ontario more often in summer, to which I attribute the increase in early summer reports of immature gulls like these.

Alec Humann was enjoying some coffee on the back deck of his grandfather's house in the City of Buffalo on the morning of 2 August and started an eBird list when an Osprey flew over. A few minutes later he observed a distant white bird approaching that he assumed was a gull but it turned out to be a **Swallow-tailed Kite** that flew about 100 feet overhead. He took several photos with his phone and called the brief encounter one of the most surprising and exciting birding experiences of his life. This represents the fourth Regional record and first in summer.

Another first for summer was a **Neotropic Cormorant** sighted by Jim Pawlicki on a distant break wall in Buffalo Harbor on the evening of 15 July. He communicated with Gates Dupont who kayaked out to the breakwall and took video footage of the smaller cormorant among the hundreds of Double-crested Cormorants. This is the second Regional record, with the first coming this spring, and potentially the third for New York State if accepted by NYSARC. The sighting followed a similar encounter two nights earlier that Jim suspected perhaps was a different Neotropic Cormorant out on the breakwall, but distance prevented definitive identification.

A **Brant** was a nice find at Gratwick Park on 11 Jun as spring and early summer reports are irregular. A **Snow Goose** thought to be injured remained at Iroquois NWR into June, while one on Lake Ontario off Fort Niagara SP in July was more unusual and a first for July in this Region. A **Trumpeter Swan** was identified at Tonawanda WMA in August for the only report this summer. A few reports of summering diving ducks were reported from the usual places around the Great Lakes, Niagara River, and Batavia WWTP. Batavia WWTP remains the best place to see a Ruddy Duck in this Region, if not the entire State; however, summer numbers have dropped in recent years with a maximum count of only 20 this summer. **Common Loon** was observed much more than usual in summer. One to two **Eared Grebes** were at Batavia WWTP in July and August, a nearly annual summer occurrence. A **Red-necked Grebe** was identified on Lake Ontario in late August, which is developing into a new nearly annual summer occurrence. Melissa Mance-Coniglio observed four **American White Pelicans** flying west over Olcott on 14 June, and they were later photographed by Bonnie Voight sitting out on Lake Ontario in Porter.

Some nice counts of **Ruddy Turnstones** on 1 June at Ellery and Tonawanda WMA were the highlight of the tail end of spring migration. Just 30 days later the first southbound shorebirds were documented. Shorebird highlights in July included **American Avocets** at Buffalo Harbor and Ellery. While this species is now annual in summer and often with multiple sightings, there is still an increased level of excitement among birders. **Willetts** were reported at three locations in July and one in late August; collectively, this represents an excellent summer showing. A single **Whimbrel** at Buffalo Harbor in late August was the lone report this summer. Joe Mitchell identified a juvenile

Western Sandpiper at Wood Marsh at Tonawanda WMA in August. This location was the hotspot for shorebirding in late summer.

Immature **Lesser Black-backed Gulls** continue to be found in summer with increased regularity. Three **Forster's Tern** reports were more unusual given the dates in June and early July, when they have been rare to occur in the Region, while they presumably nest elsewhere on the Great Lakes. Good **Black Tern** numbers continued from the spring at Cayuga Pool at Iroquois NWR.

While we did not receive any reports or confirmation, it is likely that **Sandhill Cranes** nested in the Oak Orchard WMA and/or Iroquois NWR areas again this year, with sightings (adults) through the summer. **Merlins** continued in previous breeding areas of Lakewood and Buffalo, and there were several new locations with apparent breeding reported this year including East Aurora, Wellsville, and Cuba Lake. An adult feeding a fledgling in Lancaster in early August was the best evidence. **Clay-colored Sparrows** continued at Krull Park in Olcott, and there were sightings from three other locations this summer.

Our uncommon and/or declining breeding species were mostly found only in previously documented breeding areas. **Upland Sandpipers** were again in Java and Tillman Road WMA, and perhaps a new location in Shelby, with a likely migrant at Dunkirk Airport in August. Presumed migrant **Common Nighthawk** reports continued into the second week of June, but possible breeding is likely left to only very small numbers in North Buffalo and Jamestown. **Prothonotary Warbler** was only found at Tonawanda WMA. A **Ruby-crowned Kinglet** found by Richard and Dorothy Rosche in suitable "Canadian zone" habitat in Lost Nations SF in Allegany was a rare summer report for the Region. Also unusual for location was a singing **Acadian Flycatcher** at Tifft Nature Preserve in mid-July. **Pine Siskin** sightings from multiple areas in June and July may have been indicative of nesting or nesting earlier in the year.

Two good sightings at Forest Lawn Cemetery were highlights of the start of the southbound warbler migration. Alec Humann identified a **Cape May Warbler** there on 24 July, the earliest documented in the Region and a first for July. Shelly Seidman photographed a warbler she was not familiar with on 19 August which was identified as a **Cerulean Warbler**, rarely observed during 'fall' migration in the Region.

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ABBREVIATIONS

AlSP – Allegany SP, CATT; AmSP – Amherst SP, ERIE; BeSP – Beaver I SP, ERIE; BMAC – Beaver Meadow Audubon Center, WYOM; BufH – Buffalo Harbor, ERIE; BWWTP – Batavia Waste Water Treatment Plant, GENE; CCWMA – Canadaway Creek WMA, CHAU; CSWMA – Conewango Swamp WMA, CATT; DA – Dunkirk Airport, CHAU; DH – Dunkirk Harbor, CHAU; FNSP – Fort Niagara SP, NIAG; INWR – Iroquois NWR, GENE/ORLE; JAS – Jamestown Audubon Sanctuary, CHAU; LBSP – Lakeside Beach SP, ORLE; NF – Niagara Falls, NIAG; NR – Niagara R; OOWMA – Oak Orchard WMA, ORLE/GENE; PB – Point Breeze, ORLE; SPWS – Sinking Ponds Wildlife Sanctuary, ERIE; TBNP – Times Beach Nature Preserve, ERIE; Tifft NP – Tifft Nature Preserve, Buffalo, ERIE; TRWMA – Tillman Road WMA, ERIE; TWMA – Tonawanda WMA, GENE/NIAG; WFWMA – Watts Flats WMA, CHAU; WTSP – Wilson-Tuscarora SP, NIAG.

WHISTLING-DUCKS – VULTURES

BLACK-BELLIED WHISTLING-DUCK:

Wilson NIAG 2-29 Jun, 11, 16 Jul (WD, KL, mob); continuing from May.

Snow Goose: INWR 4 Jun (WD), injured; FNSP 13, 22, 25 Jul (KL, JPa, JF); rare in summer.

Brant: Tonawanda NR 11 Jun (CG, CK), only report.

Mute Swan: no reports away from L Ontario shore.

Trumpeter Swan: TWMA 12 Aug (JPa), only report.

Wood Duck: 46 OOWMA 19 Jun; max 150 BWWTP 21 Aug.

Gadwall: 5, 3 BWWTP 3, 13 Jun; 2 BufH 5 Jul; 1 ad + 12 yg BWWTP 8 Jul; Dayton CATT 9 Aug.

Am. Wigeon: Newstead ERIE 17 Jun; INWR 22 Jun; max 16 TWMA 12 Jul.

Blue-winged Teal: 8 TWMA 19 Jul; arr 5 BufH 30 Jul; max 28 BWWTP 21 Jul.

N. Shoveler: 2, 1 BWWTP 13 Jun, 8 Jul; N Harmony CHAU 9 Jul; arr TWMA 26 Jul.

N. Pintail: TWMA 26 Jul, 20 Aug; INWR 28 Aug; only reports.

Green-winged Teal: BWWTP 3, 13 Jun; max 30, 46 TWMA 12 Jul, 27 Aug.

Redhead: PB 8, 12 Jul; Newfane NIAG 25 Jul; 3 DH 26 Jul; 3 TBNP 28 Jul, 13 Aug; 5 BWWTP 13 Aug; LBSP 18 Aug; more reports than typical Jul-Aug.

Greater Scaup: 1-6 NF 30 Jun-4 Jul (JPa, RS, JBa); Buffalo NR 15 Aug (CK); only reports.

Lesser Scaup: BWWTP 13 Jun, 2-18 Jul (KF, GL); NF 30 Jun, 2-6 Jul (JPa, RS, JPo); Wilson NIAG 23 Aug (WD); only reports.

HARLEQUIN DUCK (R1): m NF 30 Jun-4 Jul (JPa, RS, JBa, ph), in gorge below Horseshoe Falls, first summer record in Reg.

White-winged Scoter: 2 NF 30 Jun-6 Jul (JPa, RS, JBa); 2 MI 1 Aug (LR); only reports.

Red-br. Merganser: 4, 9 DH 26, 29 Jun, lingering.

Com. Merganser: 1 ad + 11 yng DH 26 Jun; max 21 Wellsville ALLE 23 Jul.

Ruddy Duck: 7, 20, 14 BWWTP 2 Jun, 26 Jul, 26 Aug, regular location in summer but numbers decreasing in recent years; 2 INWR 18 Aug.

Ruffed Grouse: INWR 28 Aug (CMo); rare away from Southern Tier.

Com. Loon: AISP 1 Jun (TiL); Buffalo NR 10 Jun (AH); Wilson NIAG 17 Jun (MMc); Olcott NIAG 2 Jul (JPa); 3 N Harmony CHAU 20 Jun (TiL); BufH 23 Jun (JPa); INWR 23 Jun (JPa); NF 23 Jun (GM); 4 Mayville CHAU 7 Aug (TiL); 3, 1 Wilson NIAG 24, 28 Aug (WD); more summer reports than typical.

EARED GREBE (R1): 1, 1-2 BWWTP 2-27 Jul, 1-26 Aug (GL, SB, mob); annual location in late summer-fall.

Red-necked Grebe: arr Wilson NIAG 24 Aug (WD), only report.

NEOTROPIC CORMORANT: imm BufH 15 Jul (JPa!, GD, ph, NYSARC); 2nd Reg record and will be 3rd State record if accepted.

Double-crested Cormorant: 603, max 952 BufH 16 Jun, 21 Jul; 300, 400 DH 10 Jul, 1 Aug; 90 INWR 18 Aug.

AM. WHITE PELICAN (R1): 4 Olcott NIAG, Porter NIAG 14 Jun (MMA, BV), fly-over at Olcott and later seen sitting on L Ontario in Porter.

Am. Bittern: max 5, 3 INWR 13 Jun, 3 Jul; 2 TWMA 28 Jul; E Aurora ERIE 9 Aug; Tiftt NP 30 Aug.

Least Bittern: 1-2 INWR 1-13 Jun, 1-23 Jul; 1-2 Tiftt NP 5-16 Jun; Pomfret CHAU 24 Jun; regular locations except for the last one.

Great Egret: 31, 68 MI 30 Jun, 21 Jul; 138 TWMA 30 Jul; 151, 248 OOWMA 17, 24 Aug (CMo), evening roost counts.

Black-crowned Night-Heron: 8 TWMA 29 Jul; uncommon away from NR.

Black Vulture: 2, 7-8 Lewiston NIAG 6 Jun, 3-8 Aug, year round residents.

HAWKS - ALCIDS

Osprey: well reported from known breeding locations.

SWALLOW-TAILED KITE: Buffalo ERIE 2 Aug (AH!, ph, NYSARC), fly-over, unexpected; first summer record and only 4th overall for Reg.

Bald Eagle: well reported from known breeding locations and Lake Erie shore.

Virginia Rail: max 4 CSWMA 22 Jun; 2 BWWTP 2 Jul.

Sora: BWWTP 26 Jul; JAS 29 Jul (JL); few reports.

Am. Coot: 8, 17 INWR 26 Jun, 3 Jul; only regular summer location.

Com. Gallinule: 10, 16, 35 INWR 19 Jun, 12 Jul, 28 Aug (TiL, AG, CMo); higher counts than usual.

Sandhill Crane: 1, 2, 1-7 INWR 3 Jun, 26 Jul, 8-28 Aug; 3, 1 OOWMA 28 Jul, 17 Aug, has bred at INWR/OOWMA in recent years.

Black-bellied Plover: arr 2, 2, 4 TWMA 31 Jul, 1, 17 Aug.

Am. Golden-Plover: arr 1 TWMA 15 Aug; 4 Oakfield GENE 23 Aug.

Semipalmated Plover: arr 1, 25, max 36 TWMA 8, 31 Jul, 7 Aug.

Am. Avocet: arr 4 BufH 14 Jul (JPa); 2 Ellery CHAU 19 Jul (KV); only reports.

Solitary Sandpiper: arr 4, max 32, 30 TWMA 8, 26 Jul, 2 Aug (JPa, JMi); 16 Chautauqua CHAU 2 Aug.

Greater Yellowlegs: arr 4, max 22 TWMA 1, 21 Jul.

Willet: arr DH 7 Jul (GV, BH); BufH 14 Jul (PY); Barcelona Harbor CHAU 19 Jul (SSt); LBSP 29 Aug (GL); good showing.

Lesser Yellowlegs: arr 48, 122, max 130 TWMA 4, 26 Jul, 13 Aug.

Upland Sandpiper: Java WYOM 6 Jun (PM); 1-4 TRWMA 7 Jun-8 Aug, regular location; 1-2 Shelby ORLE 29 Jul-23 Aug (CMo); DA CHAU 9 Aug (GV).

Whimbrel: BufH 30 Aug (JPa), only report.

Ruddy Turnstone: max 18 Ellery CHAU, 13 TWMA 1 Jun (KV, JMi), excellent counts for these locations; arr 1-2 BeSP 25-27 Aug; 9 BufH 30 Aug.

Sanderling: 6 DH 4 Jun, spring sightings uncommon; arr 2, 2 PB 16 Jul, 21 Aug (AG, GL, SB, CMo); 2, 1 BufH 18 Jul, 30 Aug.

Semipalmated Sandpiper: 6, max 65, 40 TWMA 17 Jun, 26 Jul, 4 Aug; arr LBSP 9 Jul.

WESTERN SANDPIPER: juv TWMA 11 Aug (JMi!, CMo, SB, DBE, ph), rare.

Least Sandpiper: arr 4, max 200, 150 TWMA 4, 21 Jul, 4 Aug.

White-rumped Sandpiper: 1, 2 TWMA 16 Jul, 21 Aug (CMo, SB, JMi); Tiftt NP 20-21 Aug (SSe, BH); LBSP 29 Aug (GL); only reports.

Baird's Sandpiper: arr 4 BWWTP 19 Aug (GL, JPd); LBSP 29-30 Aug (CMo, WD, JPo); only reports.

Pectoral Sandpiper: arr 3, 18, max 59 TWMA 12, 31 Jul, 7 Aug.

Stilt Sandpiper: arr 1, 2, 5 TWMA 21 Jul, 2, 19 Aug (JMi, CMo, GL, JPd); 2 LBSP 29-30 Aug (WD); only reports.

Short-billed Dowitcher: arr 1, 6, 4 TWMA 8, 21 Jul, 20 Aug.

Wilson's Snipe: max 5 TWMA 7 Aug.

Bonaparte's Gull: 2 Wilson NIAG 8 Jun; 3 DH 12 Jun; Tonawanda ERIE 12 Jun; 2 BufH 13 Jul; Wellsville ALLE 24 Jul (KR), unusual location for Jul; 2 TWMA 8 Aug; BWWT 21 Aug.

Iceland Gull: imm Wilson NIAG 5 Jun (JPa), late.

Lesser Black-backed Gull: FNSP 5 Jun (JPa); 1-2 Wilson NIAG 4-6 Jun (JPa, AG); Goat I 6 Jul (JPa, AG); 1, 3 Lewiston Res 19, 22 Jul (JPa); Barcelona Harbor CHAU 27 Jul (RG, AG); continued increase in sightings Jun-Jul.

Glaucous Gull: imm Wilson NIAG 6 Jun (AG, JPa), late.

Great Black-backed Gull: 18 imm BufH 16 Jun.

Caspian Tern: 47 Olcott NIAG 19 Jun; 67, max 83, 72 PB 24 Jun, 8 Jul, 21 Aug; 41 TWMA 12 Aug.

Black Tern: 38, 40 INWR 6 Jun, 5 Jul (AG, CMo); BWWT 15 Jul, 21 Aug (GL); max 49 TWMA 12 Aug; PB 21 Aug (GL, CMo, SB); above average numbers at INWR/TWMA.

Com. Tern: 38 ad + 4 n Olcott NIAG 10 Jun, late failed breeding attempts; max 453 BufH 16 Jun; 73 FNSP 22 Jul (JPa).

Forster's Tern: Wilson NIAG 5 Jun, 11 Jul (BC, J&AS); BWWT 2 Jul (GL); only reports.

PIGEONS - PARROTS

EURASIAN COLLARED-DOVE: 1-2, 1, 1 Wilson NIAG 3-30 Jun, 5, 15 Jul (WD!, RS, JPo), continuing from spring, likely pair but no confirmation of breeding.

Black-billed Cuckoo: BeSP 20 Aug (DS), probable migrant.

SNOWY OWL: BufH 3 Jun (JW, ph); first summer record in Reg.

Com. Nighthawk: INWR 4 Jun; 1, 1, 2 DH, Wilson NIAG, Marilla ERIE 9 Jun; Amherst ERIE 11 Jun; Buffalo ERIE 11, 25 Jun (PY, MMo), probable breeding; 2 Jamestown CHAU 18 Jul, probable breeding; 4 Amherst ERIE 23 Aug (RS); 11 Tonawanda ERIE 23 Aug (PH); 5 Whitesville ALLE 30 Aug (KR); 4 other reports of 1-2 from 16-28 Aug.

Red-headed Woodpecker: reported from five locations.

Merlin: 2 East Aurora ERIE 3 Jun (LH); 2 Chautauqua Institution CHAU 11 (CH); Cuba L ALLE 26 Jun (CMo, SB); 1, 2 Buffalo ERIE 28 Jun, 17 Jul (BH, PY); ads + 2 nests Lakewood CHAU 1-19 Jul (TS); CCWMA 12 Jul (GV); Wellsville ALLE 26 Jul (RP); 1 ad, 1 fl Lancaster ERIE 5 Aug (CMr), apparent new nesting location; arr TWMA 11 Aug; seven other Aug reports; continued presence as rare breeders Jun-Jul.

Peregrine Falcon: Tift NP 10 Jun; DH 26 Jun, 9 Aug; several reports 1-2 thru Jul from 10 locations; 2 Grand I ERIE 6 Aug; NF 7 Aug.

FLYCATCHERS - WAXWINGS

Olive-sided Flycatcher: arr West Seneca ERIE 23 Aug (GY); AmSP 30 Aug (RS); only reports.

Yellow-bellied Flycatcher: arr FLC 22 Aug (JPa); AmSP 25, 28, 30 Aug (RS); Wilson NIAG 30 Aug (BP).

Acadian Flycatcher: 5 Hunter's Creek CP ERIE; Tift NP 18 Jul (JMc, LS), unusual location; last INWR 26 Jul.

Least Flycatcher: arr AmSP 21 Aug.

Philadelphia Vireo: arr AmSP 26, 27 Aug (RS).

Com. Raven: 1, 5 Tonawanda ERIE 10, 13 Jun (MG, JR); Pomfret CHAU 3 Aug (TM); away from regular distribution.

Purple Martin: 85, 80 INWR 3 Jun, 16 Jul; 63 OOWMA 19, 22 Jun; 77 Newstead ERIE 24 Jun; 80 Akron ERIE 16 Jul; lower numbers at nesting sites than recent years.

Tree Swallow: 165, 685, max 850 BWWT 26 Jul, 8, 21 Aug.

Bank Swallow: 55 BWWT 21 Jul; 60 Tonawanda ERIE 12 Aug; max 125 Alabama GENE 24 Aug.

Barn Swallow: 200, 130, max 385 BWWT 15, 18 Jul, 8 Aug.

Ruby-crowned Kinglet: Lost Nation SF ALLE 22 Jun (R&DR!), likely a rare summering bird.

Swainson's Thrush: Tonawanda ERIE 2 Jun; last Buffalo ERIE 15 Jun (PY); AISP 3 July; arr 2 Tonawanda ERIE 27 Aug (PH); LBSP 29 Aug.

LONGSPURS - WARBLERS

Ovenbird: arr AmSP 21 Aug.

Louisiana Waterthrush: Cuba ALLE 1 Jun; Jamestown CHAU 28 Jul; several other reports from documented breeding locations.

N. Waterthrush: arr Tift NP 23 Jul (NJ), likely migrant; TBNP 29, 30 Aug.

Black-and-white Warbler: 5 Alma ALLE 14 Jun; arr East Aurora ERIE 9 Aug.
Prothonotary Warbler: 1-2 TWMA 6-13 Jun, 4 Jul; known breeding location.
Tennessee Warbler: arr FLC, TBNP 22 Aug.
Nashville Warbler: WFWMA 4 Jun; Gerry CHAU 29 Jun; Alfred ALLE 19 Jul; arr FLC, Tift NP 22 Aug.
Mourning Warbler: arr Wilson NIAG 28 Aug.
Cape May Warbler: arr FLC 24 Jul (AH!), record early; Wilson NIAG 14-27 Aug (WD, BP).
Cerulean Warbler: 3 INWR 19 Jun; 2 Royalton NIAG 8 Jul; Newstead ERIE 12 Aug; last FLC 19 Aug (Sse), migrant.
N. Parula: Caneadea ALLE, New Hudson ALLE 26 Jun; arr Amherst ERIE 28 Aug.
Magnolia Warbler: arr AmSP 21 Aug.
Bay-breasted Warbler: arr Wilson NIAG 13 Aug.
Blackburnian Warbler: arr FLC 5 Aug, early.
Chestnut-sided Warbler: arr 2 AmSP 21 Aug.
Blackpoll Warbler: Cuba L ALLE 1 Jun (TiL); JAS 2 Jun (TwL); BuSP 13 Jun (TK, SC, LM); TBNP, WTSP 14 Jun (JR, SM, PL); Shelby ORLE 2, 19 Jun (CMo), record late by 1 day; arr 1, 2 Buffalo ERIE, BMAC 28 Aug; more reports in Jun than typical.
Black-throated Blue Warbler: 2 CCWMA 12 Jul; arr BeSP 20 Aug.
Yellow-rumped Warbler: arr Grand I ERIE 18 Aug.
Prairie Warbler: max 5 Yorkshire CATT 26 Jun; last AlSP 19 Aug.
Black-throated Green Warbler: arr AmSP 26 Aug.

Canada Warbler: 3 Alma ALLE 14 Jun; WFWMA 4 Jul (JBe); arr Ashford CATT 18 Aug.

Wilson's Warbler: arr AmSP 26 Aug.

TOWHEES - WEAVERS

Clay-colored Sparrow: 1, 1-4 Olcott NIAG 3 Jun, 9-21 Jul, known breeding location; Newstead ERIE 24 Jun (CMo); Somerset NIAG 2 Jul (JPa); LBSP 23-31 Jul (DBo).
Vesper Sparrow: TRWMA 16 Jun (DM); Bethany GENE 27 Jul (DBe); Attica WYOM 16 Jul (DBe); Alabama GENE 24 Aug (CMo); only reports.
Grasshopper Sparrow: 1-2 DA 2 Jun, 8 Jul, 1 Aug (GV); 1-2, 1 Middlebury WYOM 20-27 Jun, 19 Jul (DBe, CMo, SB); 1-2, 3 TRWMA 1-14 Jul, 8 Aug (CMo, mob); Newstead ERIE 16 Jul (SB); Alexander WYOM 20 Jul (DBe).
White-throated Sparrow: 4-6, 6 Alfred ALLE 13-29 Jun, 25 Jul (EB); 2 Machias CATT 17 Jun (WD); only reports.
Bobolink: 57, max 100 INWR 18, 28 Aug (CMo).
Orchard Oriole: Middlebury WYOM 20 Jun (CMo, DBe); 2 SPWS 2 Jul (LH); 5, max 6, last 1 LBSP 9 Jul, 1 Aug, 29 Aug, record late by 4 days (DBo, WD!); 2-3 Bethany GENE 23-24 Jul (DBe); 8 other reports from 7 locations.
Pine Siskin: Forestville CHAU 5-7 Jun (GV); Fredonia CHAU 6-16 Jun (JG); 3 Portland CHAU 16 Jun (CH); 5, max 11, 4 Wilson NIAG 19, 26, 30 Jun (WD, DS, JF); Shelby ORLE 11-13, 19 Jun (CMo); Marilla ERIE 23-30 Jun, 3-4 Jul (LH); Whitesville ALLE 26 July (KR).