

REGION 1—NIAGARA FRONTIER

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June 2017 was a welcomed break from the second wettest spring on record. The mean temperature was 67.3° F, 1.0° above average. Rain occurred mostly in the second half of the month, with a total of 2.21" at the Buffalo airport, 1.45" below average. July was mostly pleasant, with an average temperature of 70.7°, 0.5° below normal. Rainfall at Buffalo was 4.65", 1.42" above average, much of which fell on the 12th and brought flash flooding. Four tornadoes hit the area on the 20th. August was fairly typical, with the mean temperature at 68.7°, 0.9° below normal. There was 3.15" of rain, 0.11" below average. Weather data excerpted from National Weather Service *Monthly Weather Summary* for Buffalo.

While the summer weather was fairly typical, it followed an extremely wet spring that undoubtedly affected breeding success, whether favorably or unfavorably, for some bird species. I do not have reports, nor do I choose to speculate, on the winners or losers in this respect. However, we have a new breeding species for the Region, which was likely the result of the wet spring weather. **Caspian Terns** have been expected, and even encouraged, to take up nesting in Buffalo Harbor and nearby Niagara River locations. This was the year that it happened. Very high water levels on Lake Ontario in the Toronto area and Eastern Basin likely prevented nesting in regular locations. It is suspected that these birds and perhaps others that were displaced from regular colonies found Buffalo Harbor to be a suitable replacement. Connie Adams and Jacqueline Walters from NYSDEC counted 130 adults and 57 young during a 5 July monitoring visit to Donnelly's Spit in Buffalo Harbor after noting over a hundred adults frequenting the harbor since mid-May.

Dickcissels staged their biggest appearance ever or at least in the last 100+ years. It was once considered a regular breeder before its range retracted to the west (per E.H. Eaton "Birds of New York", 1901, and C. Beardslee and H. Mitchell "Birds of the Niagara Frontier", 1965). It wasn't the local weather conditions that brought them to western New York, but it may have been drought conditions in the central U.S. that pushed them east. But maybe not, since it is uncertain if droughts are the primary reason for their breeding season invasions. Dickcissels were first found in mid-June and remained at some locations until at least early August. They were found at multiple locations in Niagara, Orleans, and Chautauqua Counties. Joel Strong found a total of 13 at three locations just in the town of Yates, Orleans County. Had more birders gone out specifically looking for them there probably would have been more reports; just think of what the numbers might have been if this had been a breeding bird atlas year. Males and females were found together, and there was

clearly plenty of territorial behavior with their near constant singing. However, the only evidence of confirmed breeding that I'm aware of was Andy Guthrie reporting an agitated female that was carrying food at one of the locations in Yates on 5 August.

There are several other species potentially on the verge of breeding in the Region for the first time, or perhaps it is more appropriate to say for some that they just haven't been confirmed yet. Two **Trumpeter Swans** remained throughout the season at Cayuga Pool at Iroquois NWR, but they did not appear to be a pair. **Black Vulture** summer sightings occurred in the Lewiston area consistent with recent summers. Their year round presence here now gives more reason each year to suspect local breeding. For the second summer in a row, a **Fish Crow** was found in Niagara Falls (New York) in June. Proof of breeding is lacking for Region 1, although they must be breeding nearby. Just across the Niagara River in Niagara Falls, Ontario, Josh Vandermeulen photographed two recently fledged Fish Crows on 2 August and also documented up to 55 Fish Crows coming to a cemetery night roost. A **Black-necked Stilt** at nearby Kumpf Marsh at Iroquois NWR was sighted several times within the period of 17-21 June. This was likely the same bird that was found at this location in May, a Regional first. Given its presence in suitable habitat in June, it raises the possibility it could have bred if only a willing member of the opposite sex wandered to the same place. While that may seem farfetched to some, there has been an increase in out-of-range summer reports for this species this century, including extralimital breeding in Michigan, Ohio, and at a location in Ontario only 75 miles from Buffalo.

The less common and/or declining breeding species typically tracked in this summer season report were found mostly in their previously documented breeding areas. A hen **Redhead** with four young at Iroquois NWR posed an ID challenge as the female was of the white-headed variant form. Nonetheless, there have been fewer breeding reports of Redhead around Iroquois NWR than in previous decades. Breeding **Upland Sandpipers** were only found at Tillman Road WMA. There were a few other late summer migrant sightings. There were just a few **Common Nighthawk** reports from Buffalo and Jamestown, the last likely remaining breeding locations. **Merlins** were reported from at least six locations in June and July, which is more indicative of local breeding. **Sedge Wrens** were at three locations. There were two reports of "Brewster's" Warbler and one of "**Lawrence's**" Warbler, but no Golden-winged Warbler reports. Up to five **Prothonotary Warblers** were counted at Tonawanda WMA, including at multiple active nest boxes. Of particular interest was one spotted along Eighteen-mile Creek in Newfane by Joel Farwell while kayaking. **Clay-colored Sparrows** seem to be expanding along Lake Ontario, with four locations of sightings.

Up to five **Sandhill Cranes** were found in both the Iroquois NWR and Watts Flats WMA areas, where they have been regular in recent summers, although I'm not aware of evidence of breeding from this summer. There were

three sightings of lone cranes in commercial and residential areas that were reported with photographs to NYSDEC. This bizarre behavior was thought to be of young birds.

Several Niagara County fields remained wet from the spring and were conducive for good summer migrant shorebirding. It also helped to have regular birder coverage of these fields. Highlights from these areas included a **Whimbrel** on 29 August, a **Buff-breasted Sandpiper** on 24 August, an adult **Long-billed Dowitcher** on 16 and 18 August, and a **Ruff (Reeve)** found by Alec Humann on 2 August. Other highlights included a group of **14 American Avocets** at Bennett Beach along Lake Erie on 13 July, up to 3 **Willetts** at Buffalo Harbor on 15 August, a **Red Knot** at Dunkirk Harbor 23-26 August, and a few **Wilson's Phalarope** reports. Ken Reichman found a **Ruddy Turnstone** in Wellsville on 31 August, an unusual location (Allegany County) to find this species.

Late summer or "fall" migration for other groups was highlighted by five **Olive-sided Flycatcher reports** in August, more than usual for this species. Purple Martins started to congregate at the Grass Island roost in August, with 6,500 estimated there on the 19th. The usual mix of warbler and other passerine species was identified in August.

Beyond breeders and migrants, there were plenty of lingering, wandering, and some vagrant sightings of note this summer season. Summering diving ducks were reported from the Great Lakes, Niagara River, and Batavia WWTP, including **Canvasbacks** at two locations, a few Lesser Scaup and Ring-necked Duck, a scaup at Times Beach Nature Preserve in August that even with photographs proved too difficult to assign to species, one White-winged Scoter, two Long-tailed Ducks, and two Bufflehead reports. Ruddy Ducks always summer at Batavia WWTP, but sightings to deep June at a few other locations were unusual. A **Red-throated Loon** lingered until 3 June at Barcelona Harbor. An **Eared Grebe** appeared at Batavia WWTP on 23 August; a nearly annual summer occurrence at this location. David McQuay photographed a **Wood Stork** on the beach (close to beachgoers!) at Evangola SP on 12 July and Mary-Ann Ingrao photographed what was undoubtedly the same bird later that day flying over nearby Sturgeon Point. This was the fourth Regional record and second consecutive summer season with a sighting.

The **Brown Pelican** on the Niagara River in Buffalo that was found in late May continued there until at least 6 June. Greg Lawrence found a **Glossy Ibis** at Tonawanda WMA on 21 June. What was thought to be the same bird was found regularly at that location from late July to mid-August. Bonaparte's Gulls have been regularly found at Fort Niagara SP from May through summer in the last ten years or so. This year there were more with up to 150, along with **14 first-summer Little Gulls** found and photographed on 8 July by Andy Guthrie. Two **Laughing Gulls** at Point Breeze on 8 June were a good find by Joel Strong and Willie D'Anna, as well as a lingering **Iceland Gull** at Niagara Falls on 1 June by

Chris Kundl. **Lesser Black-backed Gulls** continue to be found in summer with increased regularity.

Rounding out this report are two rarities. Carol Hardenburg had a **White-winged Dove** appear at her feeders in Portland on 1 July. This is only the second Regional record, although Carol said she had one in her yard once previously. Shelly Seidman was surprised to find a **Loggerhead Shrike** at Times Beach NP and along the Buffalo waterfront on 31 August. The shrike had colored bands on its legs which could be tracked to a hatch-year bird as part of the Ontario recovery effort. So technically, this was a captive-bred bird released at the Carden Alvar at some point in August.

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ABBREVIATIONS

AISP – Allegany SP, CATT; AmSP – Amherst SP, ERIE; BMAC – Beaver Meadow Audubon Center, WYOM; BuFH – Buffalo Harbor, ERIE; BuSP – Buckhorn I SP, ERIE; BWWTP – Batavia Waste Water Treatment Plant, GENE; ChauL – Chautauqua L, CHAU; DH – Dunkirk Harbor, CHAU; EvSP – Evangola SP, ERIE; FLC – Forest Lawn Cemetery, Buffalo, ERIE; FNSP – Fort Niagara SP, NIAG; GHSP – Golden Hill SP, NIAG; INWR – Iroquois NWR, GENE/ORLE; JAS – Jamestown Audubon Sanctuary, CHAU; LBSP – Lakeside Beach SP, ORLE; NF – Niagara Falls, NIAG; NFSP – Niagara Falls SP, NIAG; NR – Niagara R; OOWMA – Oak Orchard WMA, ORLE/GENE; PB – Point Breeze, ORLE; TBNP – Times Beach NP, ERIE; Tift NP – Tift Nature Preserve, Buffalo, ERIE; TRWMA – Tillman Road WMA, ERIE; TWMA – Tonawanda WMA, GENE/NIAG; WFWMA – Watts Flats WMA, CHAU; WoBSP – Woodlawn Beach SP, ERIE; WTSP – Wilson-Tuscarora SP, NIAG.

WATERFOWL - VULTURES

Mute Swan: Cassadaga CHAU 1 Jun; 4 DH 21 Jun, 1-3 Jul; 6 Newfane NIAG 15 Jul; New Albion ALLE 3 Aug; max 14 WTSP 4 Aug.

Trumpeter Swan: 2 INWR 3 Jun – 12 Aug, long staying but no evidence of nesting; OOWMA 1 Jul.

Wood Duck: 85 INWR 14 Jun; max 140 TWMA 5 Aug.

Gadwall: 3 INWR 21 Jun; max 21 BWWTP 25 Aug.

Am. Wigeon: 2 INWR 7 Jun; max 11 TWMA 25 Jul; 10 BWWTP 25 Aug.

Blue-winged Teal: arr 12 Hartland NIAG 23 Jul; 20 BWWTP 30 Aug; max 109 TWMA 31 Aug (GL).

N. Shoveler: BWWT 12 Jul; max 12 Tift NP 20 Aug.

N. Pintail: 2 OOWMA 22 Jun; 2 Somerset NIAG 30 Jul; TWMA, Alabama GENE 6 Aug; only reports.

Green-winged Teal: 5 INWR 20 Jun; 8, 16 TWMA 24 Jul, 31 Aug; arr Tift NP 29 Jul; 12 BWWT 25 Aug.

Canvasback: FNSP 4-16 Jul (CG); GHSP 5 Jul (JS); unusual in summer but several reports on western L Ontario out of Reg as well.

Redhead: 3-4 DH 5, 6 Jun, 21-27 Aug; 2, 1-2 BWWT 1-30 Jun, 2-25 Aug; 1 + 4 yg INWR 2 Jul, ad f was white-headed variant; FNSP 4-16 Jul.

Ring-necked Duck: 2, 6 BWWT 1 Jun-12 Jul, 23 Jul; 2 INWR 4 Jun; Carroll CHAU 4 Jun (JB), unusual location for date.

scaup species: TBNP 17, 18 Aug (SS, MT); differing opinions on ID from photos.

Lesser Scaup: 1, 1-2 BWWT 1 Jun, 3-30 Aug; 2 TBNP 14 Jun; Wilson NIAG 8 Jul; NF 20 Aug; only reports.

White-winged Scoter: NF 20 Aug (KR), only report.

Long-tailed Duck: Carlton ORLE 8 Jun (DBem); FNSP 16 Jul (WD); only reports.

Bufflehead: 2 DH 5 Jun (GV); Motor I NR 9 Jul (JRB); only reports.

Com. Merganser: max 24 WoBSP 15 Aug.

Red-breasted Merganser: 2 Derby ERIE 3 Jun; 2 DH 8 Jun; arr Buft 18 Aug.

Ruddy Duck: 37, 20, 52 BWWT 16 Jun, 2 Jul, 30 Aug, regular location in summer; 7 Dayton CATT 3 Jun; AISP 3, 30 Jun (S&RM, KRe); 1-2 TWMA 9 Jul-8 Aug.

Red-throated Loon: last Barcelona CHAU 3 Jun (CH), lingered since mid-May.

Com. Loon: Cuba L ALLE 3 Jul; 3 Mayville ChauL 9 Jul (TL); arr Olcott NIAG 23 Aug.

Pied-billed Grebe: 35 INWR 2 Jul; max 58 TWMA 22 Aug.

Eared Grebe: BWWT 23 Aug thru (DBea); annual location in late summer-fall.

WOOD STORK: EvSP, Sturgeon Pt ERIE 12 Jul (DM, MI); 4th Reg rec, second consecutive summer.

Double-crested Cormorant: max 970, 1500 Buft 2 Jul, 29 Aug; 561 FNSP 20 Aug.

BROWN PELICAN: Buffalo NR 1-6 Jun (AH, mob), continued from late May.

Am. Bittern: 2 TWMA 8 Jun; max 4 INWR 12 Jun.

Least Bittern: 2 Tift NP thru; 2 TWMA 14 Jun; max 4 INWR 11 Jul.

Great Blue Heron: max 136, 94 TWMA 22 Jun, 8 Aug.

Great Egret: 40 Tonawanda NR 17 Jun; max 61 TWMA 21 Jun.

Black-crowned Night-Heron: 14, 12 INWR 3 Jun, 6 Aug; uncommon away from NR breeding areas.

GLOSSY IBIS: TWMA 21 Jun, 25 Jul-12 Aug (GL, CM, PH), probably same bird.

Black Vulture: 1, 1, 1, 1 Lewiston NIAG 11 Jun, 2, 15 Jul, 5 Aug, year round resident at this loc; FNSP 8 Jul.

HAWKS - LARIDS

Osprey: well reported from known breeding locations.

Bald Eagle: well reported from known breeding locations; max 6 DH 23 Aug.

Broad-winged Hawk: GHSP 27 Aug, fall migrants are uncommon here.

Virginia Rail: Hanging Bog WMA ALLE 24 Jul; 3 BMAC 27 Jul; only reports away from INWR and vicinity.

Sora: 3 JAS 21 Jul; 2 N Harmony CHAU 24 Jul; only reports away from INWR and vicinity.

Am. Coot: max 8 INWR 27 Jul; only regular summer location.

Com. Gallinule: max 37 INWR 16 Aug.

Sandhill Crane: N Harmony CHAU 14 Jun (TJ); Angola ERIE 17-19 Jun (SBI); 5 Alabama GENE 19 Jun (JG); 5 TWMA 21 Jun (GL); Fredonia CHAU 26 Jun; 2 INWR 2, 31 Jul; Alfred ALLE 9 Jul (EB); 5 WFWMA 26 Aug (JB); Hamburg ERIE 27 Aug; *intro*.

BLACK-NECKED STILT: INWR 17, 20, 21 Jun (CM, BP, WD), likely same bird at this loc from May.

Am. Avocet: 14 Bennett Beach ERIE 13 Jul (JFe, SBa, BH, TR); only report.

Black-bellied Plover: arr Somerset NIAG 31 Jul; max 7 Porter NIAG 14 Aug; Buft 14 Aug; TWMA 23 Aug; Hartland NIAG 31 Aug.

Am. Golden-Plover: arr 4 Porter NIAG 24 Aug; 3 Hartland NIAG 27 Aug; 4 BWWT 30 Aug.

Semipalmated Plover: last 12 Somerset NIAG 4 Jun; arr 1, max 14 Somerset NIAG 17 Jul, 4 Aug; 13 TWMA 10 Aug; 11 Hartland NIAG 28 Aug.

Killdeer: max 84 Wilson NIAG 21 Jul.

Solitary Sandpiper: arr INWR 4 Jul; max 9 Hartland NIAG 12 Aug.

Greater Yellowlegs: TWMA 5, 6, 23, 30 Jun (GL), lingerer; max TWMA 6 Aug.

Willet: arr 1, 3 Buft 12, 15 Aug; only reports.

Lesser Yellowlegs: arr Yates ORLE 24 Jun; max 117 TWMA 10 Aug.

Upland Sandpiper: 3-4 TRWMA thru 8 Jul, regular location; Porter NIAG 5 Aug; 2 INWR 6 Aug; Somerset NIAG 7, 23 Aug.

Whimbrel: Somerset NIAG 29 Aug (WD), only report.

Ruddy Turnstone: Angola ERIE 1 Jun; last 25 Ellery ChauL 2 Jun (WS); arr Wilson NIAG 21-29 Jul; 1, 1 DH 25 Jul- 1 Aug, 25 Aug; 1, 2 BuffH 18, 29 Aug; Wellsville ALLE 31 Aug (KRe), unusual location.

Red Knot: DH 23-26 Aug (GV), only report.

RUFF: Somerset NIAG 2-5 Aug (AH, mob); 4th Reg summer rec.

Silt Sandpiper: arr 1, 1 Somerset NIAG 11 Jul, 21 Aug; 2, 11, 6 TWMA 24 Jul, 16, 23 Aug; 1, 1 Hartland NIAG 1, 26 Aug; 1, 1, Porter NIAG 5, 12 Aug; 2 INWR 19 Aug.

Sanderling: arr 2, max 8 DH 25 Jul, 26 Aug; 3 BuffH 29 Aug; 2 Wilson NIAG 30 Aug.

Dunlin: 3, 5 Somerset NIAG 1, 4 Jun; last 3 INWR 7 Jun.

Baird's Sandpiper: arr 1, max 7 Somerset NIAG 10-21 Aug, 28 Aug; TWMA 16 Aug; Hartland NIAG 30, 31 Aug.

Least Sandpiper: arr 7 TWMA 30 Jun; max 178, 91 TWMA 24 Jul, 10 Aug.

White-rumped Sandpiper: 1, last 2 INWR 2, 7 Jun; Somerset NIAG 4 Jun; arr TWMA 24 Jul; Wilson NIAG 29 Jul; 3 Somerset NIAG 1 Aug; max 5, 2 Hartland NIAG 3, 6 Aug; 1, 1 Porter NIAG 8, 12 Aug.

Buff-breasted Sandpiper: arr Somerset NIAG 24 Aug.

Pectoral Sandpiper: arr 1, 18 TWMA 10, 24 Jul; max 49, 39 Hartland NIAG 25 Jul, 21 Aug; 26 Porter NIAG 8 Aug; 22 TWMA 11 Aug.

Semipalmated Sandpiper: 48, 21 TWMA 1, 5 Jun; max 285, last 2 Somerset NIAG 4, 13 Jun (WD, JS); arr Somerset NIAG 11 Jul; 64 Wilson NIAG 24 Jul.

Short-billed Dowitcher: arr LBSP 9 Jul; max 7, 5 TWMA 27 Jul, 17 Aug; 6 Somerset NIAG 18 Aug; 2 Hartland NIAG 29 Aug.

Long-billed Dowitcher: ad Hartland NIAG 16, 18 Aug (WD), only report.

Wilson's Phalarope: Wilson NIAG 2 Jun (WD); arr 1, 2 Hartland NIAG 2, 24 Aug (WD, JS, RW); BWWT 30 Aug (MG).

Bonaparte's Gull: 2, 1 PB 8, 9 Jun; max 240, 150 FNSP 8, 16 Jul, regular summer loc.

Little Gull: max 14 FNSP 8 Jul (AG, ph.), all first summer birds; ad FNSP 24 Aug.

LAUGHING GULL: 2 PB 8 Jun (JS, WD), rare.

Iceland Gull: NF 1 Jun (CK), late.

Lesser Black-backed Gull: Somerset NIAG 4, 5 Jun (WD); Wilson NIAG 8, 27 Jul (AG, WD); 2 FNSP 28 Jul (CK); summer sightings no longer rare.

Caspian Tern: 31 Wilson NIAG 2 Jun; 130 ad + 57 yg BuffH 5 Jul (JW, CA), first nesting in Reg, *intro.*; 130 Olcott NIAG 4 Aug; 19 TWMA 17 Aug.

Black Tern: N Tonawanda NR 2 Jun (JW, CA); max 40, 23 INWR 15, 30 Jul; 11 TWMA 7 Aug.

Com. Tern: max 320 NF 2 Jun (JW); 100 BuffH 19 Jul.

Forster's Tern: no reports.

PIGEONS - PARROTS

WHITE-WINGED DOVE: Portland CHAU 1 Jul (CH); 2nd Reg rec.

Com. Nighthawk: 3, 4 Jamestown CHAU 1, 15 Jun; Buffalo ERIE 5 Jul; likely breeders; arr 2 N Tonawanda NIAG 14 Aug; 2 Dayton CATT 19 Aug; max 6 Orchard Park ERIE 29 Aug.

Red-headed Woodpecker: max 7 FNSP 13 Aug.

Merlin: 2 Lakewood CHAU 1-9 Jun (TS); 2, 3 Buffalo ERIE 12, 15 Jun; 2 AISP 28 Jun (KRe); 2 Chautauqua CHAU 4, 8 Jul (TL); 2 E Aurora ERIE 9-17 Jul; 4 Olean CATT 10-24 Jul (KH); plus reported from 12 loc in August which are more likely wanderers or migrants.

Peregrine Falcon: Wilson NIAG 17 Jul; TWMA 31 Jul; only Jun & Jul reports away from known breeding areas.

FLYCATCHERS - WAXWINGS

Olive-sided Flycatcher: arr Somerset NIAG 9 Aug; TBNP 13, 15 Aug; East Amherst ERIE 16 Aug; 1, 1 AmSP 19, 28 Aug; 2 FLC 27 Aug; good showing.

Yellow-bellied Flycatcher: last Hunters Creek CP ERIE 3 Jun; arr AmSP 14 Aug; five other Aug reports.

Acadian Flycatcher: last BMAC 19 Aug.

E. Kingbird: 23 Jamestown Airport CHAU; max 29 TWMA 23 Aug.

LOGGERHEAD SHRIKE: TBNP 31 Aug (SS), from Ontario restoration program, *intro.*

Philadelphia Vireo: arr TBNP 20 Aug.

Fish Crow: NF 2 Jun (CK), only report.

Purple Martin: 116, 150 BWWT 22 Jun, 7 Jul; max 6500 BuSP 19 Aug (AH), regular late summer roost at Grass I.

Tree Swallow: max 400 TWMA 27 Jul.

Cliff Swallow: max 250 Tonawanda ERIE 16 Jun.

Barn Swallow: max 150 Shelby ORLE 28 Jul.

Sedge Wren: TWMA 19 Jun (PM, MG); 1, 2 INWR 20 Jun, 29 Jul; 2 Stockton CHAU 1, 19 Jul (KV, RS); only reports.

Gray-checked Thrush: last Wilson NIAG 5 Jun.

Swainson's Thrush: 2, 1 AISP 3 Jun, 16 Jul; last Wilson NIAG 5 Jun.

LONGSPURS - WARBLERS

Ovenbird: arr TBNP 29 Aug.

Louisiana Waterthrush: max 6 Wales ERIE 11 Jun.

N. Waterthrush: arr TBNP 7 Aug.

Golden-winged Warbler: no reports.

"Brewster's" Warbler: INWR 2 Jun; Barre ORLE 15 Jul; only reports.

"Lawrence's" Warbler: Medina ORLE 28 Jun, 2 Jul (CM, DBem, ph.); rare.

Black-and-white Warbler: Hunters Creek CP ERIE, Bethany GENE 3 Jun, uncertain if late migrants or possible breeders at this date; Centerville ALLE 9 Jul; arr AmSP 16 Aug.

Prothonotary Warbler: 5 TWMA 16, 26 Jun, known breeding location; Newfane NIAG 15 Jul (JFa), along 18-mile Creek.

Tennessee Warbler: arr AmSP 19 Aug.

Nashville Warbler: Harris Hill SF 9 Jun; AISP 10 Jun; Batavia GENE, Gainesville WYOM 7 Jul; arr WoBSP 23 Aug.

Mourning Warbler: arr GHSP 29 Aug.

Cape May Warbler: arr TBNP 16 Aug.

Cerulean Warbler: 2 Hartland NIAG 17 Jun; 3 Newstead ERIE 24 Jun, 3 Jul; only locations away from INWR & close vicinity.

N. Parula: 2 Hunters Creek SP ERIE 3 Jun (GD), unusual loc; 5, 6 AISP 3, 24-30 Jun; Machias CATT 8 Jun.

Magnolia Warbler: arr FNSP 13 Aug.

Bay-breasted Warbler: arr AmSP 19 Aug.

Blackburnian Warbler: arr WoBSP 20 Aug.

Chestnut-sided Warbler: arr WoBSP 20 Aug.

Blackpoll Warbler: last 2 Buffalo ERIE, Clarence ERIE 3 Jun; arr NFSP 25 Aug.

Black-throated Blue Warbler: arr TBNP 26 Aug.

Pine Warbler: arr AmSP 24 Aug

Yellow-rumped Warbler: arr FNSP, AmSP 14 Aug.

Prairie Warbler: max 6 Yorkshire CATT 2 Jun.

Black-throated Green Warbler: arr AmSP 24 Aug.

Canada Warbler: last Wilson NIAG 5 Jun; 3 WFWMA 11 Jun; 4 Keeney Swamp SF 28 Jun; arr WoBSP 21 Aug.

Wilson's Warbler: arr 2 AmSP 22 Aug.

TOWHEES - WEAVERS

Clay-colored Sparrow: 4 Yates ORLE 7 Jun (JS); max 8, 4 Olcott NIAG 16, 30 Jun; 3 Carlton ORLE 25 Jun (DBem); LBSP 16 Jul (DBem); becoming more regular along L Ontario.

Vesper Sparrow: 2 Sheridan CHAU 7 Jun; 2 New Albion ALLE 10 Jun; Yates ORLE 18-27 Jun; 2 Eagle WYOM 7 Jul; only reports.

Grasshopper Sparrow: 2 Dunkirk Airport CHAU 2, 19 Jun; 2 Lewiston NIAG 24 Jun; 3 Yates ORLE 25 Jun; 4 Lockport NIAG 2 Jul; max 4, 6 TRWMA 3 Jul, 5 Aug.

White-throated Sparrow: INWR 8 Jun; only report away from ALLE, CATT.

DICKCISSEL (R1): 3, 6 Sheridan CHAU 20, 29 Jun (GV); up to 13 at 3 locs Yates ORLE 23-28 Jun (JS); 5 John White WMA GENE 21-29 Jun (GL); 3 Pomfret CHAU 23 Jul (GV); lower numbers at these locs in July, last rpts 5-6 Aug; biggest invasion ever; *intro*.

Bobolink: max 125 INWR 6 Aug.

Orchard Oriole: AISP 3 Jun; 2 Hanging Bog WMA ALLE 17 Jun; OOWMA 13, 27 Jun; 3 Aurora ERIE 13 Jul; 2 Dunkirk Airport CHAU 17 Aug; only locations away from NIAG.

Purple Finch: max 8 Andover ALLE 7, 26 Jun.

Pine Siskin: Newstead ERIE 31 Jul (NR, ph.); rare summer report.

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