

FIELD NOTES FOR THE 1942-1943 SEASON
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War conditions naturally have continued to restrict the activities of the Club. The absence of some thirty younger members who are serving in the armed forces, the exclusion of observers from some coastal and other areas, and restrictions on the use of binoculars have been factors which cut deeply into the number of records reported.

The 1942 Christmas Census was made at Cape May on December 27 without glasses. Under the unfavorable conditions a list of 85 species was considered rather satisfactory.

The Annual Round-Up was held on May 9, with twenty-one lists submitted. It was agreed by all members participating that the numbers of species and individuals present during the entire day was remarkable. This was particularly true of the Warblers which were out in force, thirty-one species being recorded. Large and varied waves of migrants were noted also on several other days.

While not in the Delaware Valley area an interesting record of the breeding of the Eastern Purple Finch (*Carpodacus purpureus purpureus*) has been received from Mrs. J. H. Samson of Sayre, Bradford County, Pa. She reports that a family was successfully raised in June 1943.

The selections for publication this year were made with the help of James Bond and Charles E. Mohr. We wish to express our thanks to them for the time spent in going carefully through the records and confirming those selected by the writer for publication.

Gavia immer immer. COMMON LOON. One banded near West Chester, Pa., in 1938. Shot in Manitoba, Canada, in September 1941 (Conway).

Colymbus griseigena holboelli. HOLBOELL'S GREBE. Island Beach, N. J., January 10 (Kramer); Springton Reservoir, Pa., March 14 to April 6 (J. and E. Rigby); Penn Manor, Pa., March 21 (Kramer).

Colymbus auritus. HORNED GREBE. Springton Reservoir, Pa., April 17 (250) (J. and E. Rigby).

Pelecanus erythrorhynchos. WHITE PELICAN. Beverly, N. J., September 25; first record in eighty years. The bird was in perfect health and able to fly. The Philadelphia Zoo was called and stated that no birds had escaped (Street).

Phalacrocorax carbo carbo. EUROPEAN CORMORANT. Penn Manor, Pa., October 25 (Wright).

Egretta thula thula. SNOWY EGRET. Wildwood Crest, N. J., May 31 (7) (Kramer); Tinicum, Pa., July 29 (Debes).

Nyctanassa v. violacea. YELLOW-CROWNED NIGHT HERON. Chestnut Hill, Pa., September 6 (Hebard).

Chaulelasmus streperus. GADWALL. Bombay Hook, Del., January 2 (B. Cadbury).

Spatula clypeata. SHOVELLER. Fort Mott, N. J., August 10 (Female) (Coman).

Aix sponsa. WOOD DUCK. Wissahickon Creek, Pa., February 24 (Miller); March 5 (Ross).

Nyroca collaris. RING-NECKED DUCK. Springton Reservoir, Pa.; November 14 (Debes); Penn Manor, Pa., March 21 (300) (Kramer).

Nyroca valisineria. CANVAS-BACK. Springton Reservoir, Pa., November 14 (Debes).

Somateria spectabilis. KING EIDER. Burlington, N. J., November 19 (3 shot) Reported by Bond.

Erismatura jamaicensis rubida. RUDDY DUCK. Burlington, N. J., November 19 (Bond).

Buteo platypterus platypterus. BROAD-WINGED HAWK. Springton Reservoir, Pa., March 14 (6) (J. and E. Rigby).

Aquila chrysaetos canadensis. GOLDEN EAGLE. Cape May, N. J., September 25 (J. Cadbury).

Falco peregrinus anatum. DUCK HAWK. City Hall, Philadelphia, Pa., June 14 (Reimann).

Creciscus jamaicensis stoddardi. BLACK RAIL. Cape May, N. J., September 26 (dead) (Manners).

Gallinula chloropus cachinnans. FLORIDA GALLINULE. Richmond, Pa., December 1 (Miller).

Pagolla wilsonia wilsonia. WILSON'S PLOVER. Holgate, N. J., August 6 (4) (Coman).

Pluvialis dominica dominica. AMERICAN GOLDEN PLOVER. Manington Creek, Salem Co., N. J., September 12 (Potter and Coman); Westville, N. J., September 26 (Manners).

Bartramia longicauda. UPLAND PLOVER. Sewell, N. J., June 17 (Manners and LaDow).

Pisobia bairdi. BAIRD'S SANDPIPER. Westville, N. J., September 5 (Manners).

Micropalama himantopus. STILT SANDPIPER. Fishouse, N. J., August 15 (2) (Coman); Westville, N. J., September 5 (Manners); Cape May, N. J., September 25 (J. Cadbury); Beverly, N. J., September 25 (Street).

Ereuntes maurii. WESTERN SANDPIPER. Holgate, N. J., August 8 (Coman); Beverly, N. J., September 19 (Street).

Limosa fedoa. MARBLED GODWIT. Lake Lily, Cape May, N. J., September 5 (Kramer); September 25 (J. Cadbury).

Lobipes lobatus. NORTHERN PHALAROPE. West Chester Reservoir, Pa., September 22 (Whitworth).

Larus hyperboreus. GLAUCUS GULL. Westville, N. J., April 4 (Potter, Coman, and McDonald).

Larus philadelphia. BONAPARTE'S GULL. Springton Reservoir, Pa., April 18 (14) (J. and E. Rigby).

Alca torda. RAZOR-BILLED AUK. Island Beach, N. J., January 31 (dead). (Kramer).

Alle alle. DOVEKIE. Island Beach, N. J., January 1 (22 dead and 1 alive) (Kramer).

Nyctea nyctea. SNOWY OWL. Jenkintown, Pa., December 7 (B. Cadbury); Beverly, N. J., December 2 (Street).

Antrostomus carolinensis. CHUCK-WILL'S-WIDOW. Morris Park, Pa., May 18 (Kramer) (Note: This record and one from Chestnut Hill, Pa., on August 9, 1942, reported by F. V. Hebard are the only ones from the state of Pennsylvania; no specimens have been taken in the State.)

Centaurus carolinus. RED-BELLIED WOODPECKER. West Chester, Pa., wintering (Conway).

Melanerpes erythrocephalus. RED-HEADED WOODPECKER. Cheltenham, Pa., summering (Curry).

Sphyrapicus varius varius. YELLOW-BELLIED SAPSUCKER. Ardmore, Pa., January 21 (Groskin); West Chester, Pa., wintering (Conway).

Tyrannus verticalis. ARKANSAS KINGBIRD. Cape May, N. J., November 15 (Kramer); Cape May, N. J., September 19 (Kramer).

Muscivora tyrannus. FORK-TAILED FLYCATCHER. Rothsville, Lancaster Co., Pa., November 22, full-plumaged male (Potter for Sharpe).

Sayornis phoebe. EASTERN PHOEBE. Westtown, Pa., January 26 (Conway).

Empidonax vireescens. ACADIAN FLYCATCHER. Haddonfield, N. J., June 13 (nesting) (Potter); Beverly, N. J., July 10 (nest and 3 eggs—full set) (Street).

Empidonax traillii traillii. ALDER FLYCATCHER. Beverly, N. J., June 19 (4 eggs—nest destroyed—first nesting), July 2 (4 eggs—second nesting) (Street).

Nuttallornis mesoleucus. OLIVE-BACKED FLYCATCHER. Lorimer Park, Pa., May 23 (Sivel and Curry).

Otocoris alpestris praticola. PRAIRIE HORNED LARK. Harrogate, Philadelphia, Pa., June 13 (nesting) (Miller).

Nannus hiemalis hiemalis. WINTER WREN. Holmesburg, Pa., May 16 (Miller).

Mimus polyglottos polyglottos. EASTERN MOCKINGBIRD. Clifton, N. J., late November (McCann); Palmyra, N. J., December 17 (Street for H. Moore); Ambler, Pa., wintering (Stuart for Gillin); Oldman's Creek, N. J., May 18 (Bender); Haddonfield, N. J., nesting (Potter for Haines); Tinicum, Pa., September 26 (Miller).

Poliophtila caerulea caerulea. BLUE-GRAY GNATCATCHER. Media, Pa., May 4 (E. Rigby); Forty Fort, Luzerne Co., Pa., May 8 (Tracy); Treasure Island, Pa., August 30 (Cutler).

Corthylio calendula calendula. EASTERN RUBY-CROWNED KINGLET. Beverly, N. J., December 13 (Street).

Bombycilla cedrorum. CEDAR WAXWING. Beverly, N. J., September 3 (young in the nest) (Street).

Vireo philadelphicus. PHILADELPHIA VIREO. Pennypack Park, Philadelphia, Pa., May 16 (Sivel).

Vermivora celata celata. ORANGE-CROWNED WARBLER. Philadelphia, Pa., December 6 (Curry); Moorestown, N. J., January 24 (Haines); Cape May, N. J., September 25 (J. Cadbury).

Oporornis formosus. KENTUCKY WARBLER. Merchantville, N. J., August 18 (dead) (Bond.)

Geothlypis trichas. YELLOW-THROAT. Cape May, N. J., November 15 (Kramer).

Vermivora leucobronchialis. BREWSTER'S WARBLER. Cobbs Creek Park, Philadelphia, Pa., May 14 (Kramer).

Dolichonyx oryzivorus. BOBOLINK. Jacksonville, N. J., June 6 (nesting) (Jacobs).

Icterus galbula. BALTIMORE ORIOLE. Ardmore, Pa., March 21 (Groskin).

Piranga rubra rubra. SUMMER TANAGER. Media, Pa., May 8 (E. Rigby).

Acanthis linaria linaria. COMMON REDPOLL. Haverford, Pa., March 3 (Serrill for Woolman).

Pepilo erythrophthalmus erythrophthalmus. RED-EYED TOWHEE. Chestnut Hill, Pa., January 21 (J. M. Cadbury).

Junco hyemalis hyemalis. SLATE-COLORED JUNCO. Ardmore, Pa., an immature male, banded December 1937, was retaken November 1939, 1940, 1941, and 1942 (Groskin); Germantown, Pa., May 18 (J. M. Cadbury).

Passerella iliaca iliaca. EASTERN FOX SPARROW. Island Beach, N. J., January 10 (freshly killed) (Kramer).

