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Introduction

In this volume of the *Field Notes* are listed all of the birds seen in Berrien County, Michigan during 2009. Included are the occurrence dates for each species. In the case of most birds seen regularly, only the first and last observations are given. Out of season records are also listed. For rare and accidental species all dates are given. Where significantly high counts were reported an entry is made at the end of each species account. Initials of observers are given with most observations. (See pages 12 & 13 for abbreviations keys.) However, in some cases where occurrence dates fall well within the normal period, initials are not included.

Four Christmas counts were conducted either largely or entirely within Berrien County in 2009. For rare species seen during one or more of these counts, complete information is given. Otherwise, the letters BCCBC indicates the total of all four counts. In the case of birds that are certainly present all winter the term "winter to" is used to mean "from the first of January to", while "to winter" is to be interpreted as "to December 31". The terms "Summer?" and "Fall?" are used for species that are known to be present at these seasons, but were not recorded by any observer. A few dates are earlier or later, as the case may be, than any previously recorded. An asterisk (*) indicates these.

This was an excellent year for finding birds in the county with the species total for 2009 being 285, which is well above the 40-year average of 259.

Three news birds were added to the county list in 2009. Several **Fish Crows** were recorded from May through October and also represent a first state record for Michigan! A flock of **Smith's Longspurs** was found during the spring. In November an **Ancient Murrelet** delighted over a hundred birders at St. Joseph. Other noteworthy species recorded in Berrien County during 2009 included: **Ross's Goose**, **Trumpeter Swan**, **Pacific Loon**, **Western Grebe**, **White-faced Ibis**, **Arctic Tern**, **Chuck-wills-widow**, **Loggerhead Shrike**, **Bohemian Waxwing**, **LeConte's Sparrow**, **Nelson's Sparrow**, **Red Crossbill** and **White-winged Crossbill**.

The total number of species reported and accepted in Berrien County by the Michigan Bird Records Committee since the *Field Notes* began in 1962, now stands at 346.

Additionally, three species were recorded prior to 1962. They are **Greater Prairie-Chicken**, **Passenger Pigeon**, and **Kirtland's Warbler**. This brings the Berrien County total to 349 species, which are accepted by the Michigan Bird Records Committee.

The compiler wishes to thank all those who submitted records for this volume. Anyone who observes birds in Berrien County is encouraged to keep records and submit them as the seasons progress or at the end of each year to help make the *Field Notes* as complete as possible.

SPECIES ACCOUNTS

SWANS, GEESE & DUCKS (Anatidae)

SNOW GOOSE: March 8 (Mill-Kruger Roads Intersection, 19, SJ, SS); March 8 (Linco Road, 2, JLW, JW); March 9-10 (Three Oaks, 24-25, WJ, MH); March 9 (Three Oaks, 10, EH); March 10 (Galien, 6, MH); March 10-12 (Linco Road, 15-40, TBa); March 28 (US-12 near Hampton Road, 2, AV, MC). Oct 26 (Three Oaks, 1, WJ); Nov 21-24 (Lake Michigan College, 5-7, MO, AV, RJ); Nov 22-23 (Royalton Twp, 1, JW); Dec 16 (Paw Paw Lake, 8, TBa). NCBC-1 [in Cass County].

ROSS'S GOOSE: March 10 (Three Oaks, 1, MH); March 10-12 (Linco Road, 5, TBa, MH, m.obs.). Accepted by MBRC.; March 13 (Galien, 2, AM); Dec 16 (Lake Michigan College, 1, TBa); Dec 20 (St. Joseph, 1, TBa). BSCBC-1.

CACKLING GOOSE: March 14 (Linco Road, 1, MH); April 4 (Buffalo Road, 1, AV); Apr 17 (Buffalo Road, 1, AV, RJ); Oct 20 (Three Oaks, 6, MH); Oct 24 (Three Oaks, 6, AV); Nov 22 (Lake Michigan College, 1, MO).

CANADA GOOSE: Permanent resident. BCCBC-5201.

GREATER WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE: March 7 (Three Oaks, 7, HB); March 9-11 (Galien, 1-15, EH, AV, RJ); March 9-10 (Three Oaks, 1-4, EH, MH). Oct 24 (New Buffalo, 1, AV); Dec 21-28 (Paw Paw Lake, 2, TBa).

MUTE SWAN: Permanent resident.

TRUMPETER SWAN: Dec 16-28* (Paw Paw Lake, 2, TBa); Dec 20 (Buchanan, 2, AV). BCCBC-2.

TUNDRA SWAN: Oct 31 (Cherry Beach, 1, AV) to Dec 19 (Buchanan, 1, WEJ). BCCBC-4.

WOOD DUCK: Permanent resident. Small numbers in winter.

GADWALL: March 9 (Three Oaks, 1+, MH) to May 19 (Brown Sanctuary, 2, PU). Oct 7 (St. Joseph, 3, TBa, MH) to Dec 31 (Coloma CBC, 9). BCCBC-10.

AMERICAN WIGEON: March 11 (Linco Road, 6, AM) to spring departure. Sep 28 (St. Joseph, 1, TBa) to winter.

AMERICAN BLACK DUCK: Jan 23 (Linco Road, 3, DSc) to spring departure. Oct 7 (St. Joseph, 2, MH, TBa) to winter. BCCBC-16.

MALLARD: Permanent resident. BCCBC-1873.

BLUE-WINGED TEAL: March 6 (Rocky Weed, Linco Roads, flock, DSc) to Oct 24 (New Buffalo, 4, AV).

NORTHERN SHOVELER: March 6 (Linco, Rocky Weed Roads, flock, DSc) to May 16 (Oronoko Twp, 1, MH, TBa). June 27 (Buffalo Road, 2, AM). Late July (Andrews University, 1+, TBa); August 1 (Three Oaks, 2+, JG, JW). August 17 (Benton Harbor, 13, MH) to winter.

NORTHERN PINTAIL: Jan 3 (Lake Chapin, 3, AM) to April 4 (Holden Road 1, AV). May 16 (Sarett NC, 1, SWMTB). Aug 31 (New Buffalo, 2, AV) to Oct 9 (St. Joseph, flocks, MH).

GREEN-WINGED TEAL: March 6 (Linco Road, flock, DSc) to June 3 (Andrews University, 2, TBa). Aug 26 (St. Joseph, 13, TBa) to Dec 19 (Matthew Road, 4, WJ). NCBC-4.

CANVASBACK: March 7 (Grand Mere SP, 1+, AV) to spring departure. Oct 7 (St. Joseph, 1, RJ) to winter. CCBC-5.

REDHEAD: Jan 1 (Grand Mere SP, 2, MH) to spring departure. Oct 7 (St. Joseph, 10, MH, TBa) to winter. BCCBC-45.

RING-NECKED DUCK: Winter to April 24 (Three Oaks, 4, WJ). May 28 to June 7 (Three Oaks, 1 female, TBa, DB, m.obs.). Oct 16 (Three Oaks, 1, AV) to winter. BCCBC-11.

GREATER SCAUP: Winter to spring departure. Oct 5 (St. Joseph, flocks, MH) to winter. BCCBC-332.

LESSER SCAUP: Winter to April 24 (Three Oaks, 25, WJ). Sep 7 (St. Joseph, 1, AV) to winter. BCCBC-271.

Scaup, sp: Sep 15 (St. Joseph, 1, MH).

HARLEQUIN DUCK: Oct 7 (St. Joseph, 1, MH, TBa); Oct 24 (New Buffalo, 1 female, AV).

SURF SCOTER: March 2 (St. Joseph, 1, RB) to April 4 (Grand Mere SP, 15, PU, BBCFT) and (Lakeside, 1, AV). Aug 26* (St. Joseph, 1 female, TBa, MH). Oct 7 (St. Joseph, 4, TBa, MH) to Dec 14 (New Buffalo, 4, m.obs.). NBCBC-4.

WHITE-WINGED SCOTER: Winter to April 13 (Lakeside, 1+, KM). Oct 24 (New Buffalo, 12, AV) to winter. BSCBC-6.

BLACK SCOTER: Winter to March 28 (Hagar Shores, 1, BBCFT). Oct 7 (St. Joseph, 2, TBa, MH) to winter. BCCBC-4.

LONG-TAILED DUCK: Jan 6 (Grand Mere SP, 1, PU); March 13 (St. Joseph, 1, AV); March 14 (Union Pier, 75, AV); March 23 (New Buffalo, flocks, AV, MO); March 28 (Berrien Co, flocks offshore, BBCFT); April 4 (Grand Mere SP, 1 male, PU, BBCFT). Nov 3 (St. Joseph, 10, MH) to winter. BCCBC-16.

BUFFLEHEAD: Winter to April 24 (Three Oaks, 48, WJ). Oct 27 (St. Joseph, 30, MH) to winter. BCCBC-64.

COMMON GOLDENEYE: Winter to April 10 (Union Pier, 1+, WJ). Nov 1 (St. Joseph, 1, TBa) to winter. BCCBC-543.

HOODED MERGANSER: Winter to April 10 (Three Oaks, 1, WJ). June 7 (Big Smith Lake, 1, AV, MC). Early July (Brown Sanctuary, 4-5 young, TBa). Aug 24 (Eau Claire Sewage Ponds, 1, AV) to Dec 31 (Coloma CBC, 13). BCCBC-42.

COMMON MERGANSER: Winter to April 4 (Grand Mere SP, 1, PU, BBCFT). May 16 (1, SWMTB). Nov 13 (St. Joseph, flock, TBa) to winter. BCCBC-31.

RED-BREASTED MERGANSER: Winter to June 1 (Pier Road, 1, TBa). August 2 (St. Joseph, 1, TBa) to winter. BCCBC-763.

RUDDY DUCK: March 8 (Three Oaks, 1+, AV, MC) to June 2 (Andrews University, 2, TBa). Early July (Lake Michigan College, 2, MIDNR). Oct 9 (St. Joseph, flocks, MH, TBA) to Dec 6 (Three Oaks, 1, WJ). BCCBC-102.

PHEASANTS, GROUSE & TURKEYS (Phasianidae)

RING-NECKED PHEASANT: Permanent resident.

RUFFED GROUSE: Permanent resident in low numbers. Early May (Warren Dunes SP, 1, TBa). Nov 24 (Sarett NC, 1, AV, RJ).

WILD TURKEY: Permanent resident. BCCBC-230.

LOONS (Gaviidae)

RED-THROATED LOON: March 10 (St. Joseph, 2, TBa) to April 18 (New Buffalo, 1, RJ, AV). Sep 25 (St. Joseph, 1, MH) to Dec 21 (St. Joseph, 16, TBa). BCCBC-17.

PACIFIC LOON: Nov 4 (St. Joseph, 1, MH, TBa). Accepted by MBRC.

COMMON LOON: Feb 15 (Weko Beach, 1 dead, BA); March 21 (New Buffalo, 2, AV, MO.) to May 16 (Lakeside, 1, SWMTB). Sep 25 (US-31 Bypass, 1 dead, JW) to Dec 21 (St. Joseph, 1, MH, TBa). NBCBC-1.

GREBES (Podicipedidae)

PIED-BILLED GREBE: Present all year. BCCBC-21.

HORNED GREBE: March 10 (Three Oaks, 1, MH) to April 24 (Three Oaks, 1, WJ). Oct 16 (New Buffalo, 1+, AV) to winter. BCCBC-4.

RED-NECKED GREBE: Sep 16 (St. Joseph, 1, MH). Nov 20 (St. Joseph, 1, TBa); Nov 21-Dec 21 (St. Joseph, 1-2, TBa, AM, m.obs.). BCCBC-1.

WESTERN GREBE: Nov 7 (New Buffalo, 1, AV, RJ, MH, m.obs.). Accepted by MBRC. Nov 23-Dec 8 (St. Joseph, 1, PC, JW, m.obs.). Accepted by MBRC.

PELICANS (Pelicanidae)

AMERICAN WHITE PELICAN: April 24-25 (St. Joseph, 1, *fide* TS). Oct 27 (New Buffalo, 1, AB).

CORMORANTS (Phalacrocoracidae)

DOUBLE-CRESTED CORMORANT: March 21 (New Buffalo, 1, AV, MO) to Nov 22 (North Lake, 1, JW). Dec 1 (New Buffalo, 1, RJ, AV).

BITTERN, HERONS & EGRETS (Ardeidae)

AMERICAN BITTERN: April 25 (Lakeside Road, 1, KM, m.obs.); May 8 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, JW).

LEAST BITTERN: May 16 (Big Smith Lake, 1, SWMTB); June 15 (Brown Sanctuary, 1, TBa); July 5-27 (Smith Lakes, 6, RJ, AV); July 9 (Mill Road park, 1, AV); July 11 (New Buffalo Marsh, 1, PU).

GREAT BLUE HERON: Permanent resident. BCCBC-5.

GREAT EGRET: April 13 (Niles, 1, WJ) to May 18 (Three Oaks, 2, KM). HRT – Aug 4 (St. Joseph River-Linden Dr, 26, GK).

CATTLE EGRET: April 26 (Euclid Road, 3, MH); April 28-29 (Galien, 2-3, AM, m.obs.); April 29 (Benton Twp, 1, JV); May 25 (Three Oaks, 1, MC).

GREEN HERON: April 18 (Tudor Road, 1, AV) to Oct 27 (Bridgman & Oronoko Twps, 1 each, RJ, AV).

BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT HERON: May 9 (Long Lake & Jones Road Intersection, 1, AV); May 18 (Three Oaks, 1, KM). Dec 8 (St. Joseph, 2 juv., TBa).

IBISES (Threskiornithidae)

WHITE-FACED IBIS: May 28* (Three Oaks, 1, TBa, MH, m.obs.). Second county recoRoad. Accepted by MBRC.

NEW WORLD VULTURES (Cathartidae)

TURKEY VULTURE: Feb 17 (Bridgman, 1, BA) to Nov 9 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, MH).

HAWKS AND EAGLES (Accipitridae)

OSPREY: April 13 (Tudor Road, 2, AV) to Sep 13 (Berrien Springs, 1, AV).

BALD EAGLE: Jan 1-3 (Berrien Springs, 1-3, MC, AM) to May 10 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, JS). July 5 (Warren Dunes SP, 1 ad, 1 juv, BA); July 25 (Warren Dunes SP, 1 adult, BA); Aug 2 (Warren Dunes SP, 1 adult, MK); Aug 7-9 (Warren Dunes SP, 1 adult, 1 juv, BA); Aug. 8 (Andrews University, 1 adult, RP); Sep 16 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, MH) to winter. BCCBC-5.

NORTHERN HARRIER: Present every month of the year. BSCBC-3.

SHARP-SHINNED HAWK: Winter to May 16 (1+, SWMTB). Sep 21 (Oronoko Twp, 1, DSc) to winter. BCCBC-4.

COOPER'S HAWK: Permanent resident. BCCBC-25.

NORTHERN GOSHAWK: April 24 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, AV). Nov 11 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, TBa).

RED-SHOULDERED HAWK: Present during every month. BCCBC-12.

BROAD-WINGED HAWK: April 20 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, JS) to Sep 20 (Warren Dunes SP, 2, BA).

RED-TAILED HAWK: Permanent resident. BCCBC-126.

ROUGH-LEGGED HAWK: Winter to April 29 (Cleveland & Browntown Intersection, 1, AV). Oct 16 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, AV) to winter. BCCBC-3.

GOLDEN EAGLE: March 1 (Mill-Kruger Intersection, MC); March 13 (Black Lake Road, 1, JV). Nov 11 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, TBa).

FALCONS (Falconidae)

AMERICAN KESTREL: Permanent resident. BCCBC-28.

MERLIN: March 2 (Watervliet, 1, AV); April 5 (St. Joseph, 1, RB); April 13 (Andrews University, 1, RJ); April 28 (Grand Mere SP, 1, MM). Sep 7 (St. Joseph, 1, MH, TBa); Sep 10 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, MH); Dec 20 (Riverview Park, 1, TBa). BSCBC-1.

PEREGRINE FALCON: March 8 (Stevensville, 1, SJ) to May 16 (1, SWMTB). Aug 26 (St. Joseph, 1, MH); Sep 26 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, BA) to Nov 29 (St. Joseph, 1, AM).

RAILS AND COOTS (Rallidae)

VIRGINIA RAIL: April 4 (Mud Lake Bog, 1, GD) to fall?

SORA: April 26 (New Troy, 2-3, JW) to Mid-Oct (New Buffalo Marsh, 1, TBa).

COMMON MOORHEN: May 16 (Little Indian Lake, 1, SWMTB); June 7-July 27 (Big Smith Lake, 1, AV, MC, m.obs.); June 15 (Brown Sanctuary, 1-2, TBa).

AMERICAN COOT: Permanent resident. BCCBC-520.

CRANES (Gruidae)

SANDHILL CRANE: Feb 16 (Long Lake Road, 1+, MB) to Dec 10 (Tudor Road, 1, AV).

PLOVERS (Charadriidae)

BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER: April 30 (Buffalo Road, 1, AB) to May 30 (St. Joseph, 2, TBa). Aug 11 (Bridgman, 1, DH) to Aug 17 (New Buffalo, 1, KM).

AMERICAN GOLDEN PLOVER: April 27-30 (Buffalo Road, 30, KM, m.obs.).

SEMIPALIMATED PLOVER: April 28 (Andrews University, 1, AV) to June 1 (Andrews University, 1, TBa). August 2 (Benton Harbor, 1, TBa) to Sep 13 (Andrews University, 1, AV).

PIPING PLOVER: Aug 1 (New Buffalo, 1, SJ).

KILLDEER: March 6 (Three Oaks, 1, TS) to Dec 5 (Royalton Twp, 5, HB). Dec 14 (New Buffalo CBC, 3). NBCBC-3.

AVOCETS & STILTS (Recurvirostridae)

AMERICAN AVOCET: April 26 (US 12 & Avery Road, 8, DI, MI); July 12 (Warren Dunes SP, 3, BA); July 15 (St. Joseph, 1, TBa); July 29 (St. Joseph, 2, MH); August 5 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, AM); August 11-12 (St. Joseph, 3-5, TSm); Sep 11 (St. Joseph, 2, MH); Sep 25 (St. Joseph, 5, MH).

SANDPIPERS & ALLIES (Scolopacidae)

GREATER YELLOWLEGS: March 24 (Linco Road, 1, JLW) to June 1 (Pond on M-140, 1, TBa). Sep 7 (New Buffalo, 1, KM) to Oct 26 (Three Oaks, 1+, WJ).

WILLET: April 29 (St. Joseph, 1, BC); July 7 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, DH); July 7 (Grand Mere SP, 2, DH); July 15 (St. Joseph, 11, TBa); July 20 (St. Joseph, 6, AV, PC); July 29 (St. Joseph, 3, MH); August 1 (1, SJ); August 2 (Warren Dunes SP, 2, JW); August 2 (St. Joseph, 1, TBa); August 5 (Benton Harbor, 1, AV); August 17 (Jean Klock Park, 2, MH); August 17 (Warren Dunes SP, 7, KM); Aug 25 (St. Joseph, 3, AV).

LESSER YELLOWLEGS: April 2 (Buffalo Road, 2, AV, RJ) to May 16 (1, SWMTB). July 17 (Berrien County, 2+, JW) to Oct 24 (Three Oaks, 16, AV).

Yellowlegs, sp: Oct 31 (Cherry Beach, 14, AV).

SOLITARY SANDPIPER: April 24 (Three Oaks, 1, WJ) to May 16 (1, SWMTB). July 17 (Berrien County, 2+, MC) to Sep 13 (Andrews University, 1+, AV).

SPOTTED SANDPIPER: Apr 18 (New Buffalo, 1, RJ, AV) to Oct 20 (New Buffalo, 1, MH).

UPLAND SANDPIPER: April 28 (Buffalo Road, 1, CP).

WHIMBREL: Aug 26 (St. Joseph, 1, TBa); Aug 31 (New Buffalo, 1, AV); Aug 31 (St. Joseph, 10, MH).

HUDSONIAN GODWIT: June 2 (Andrews University, 1, TBa); Aug 25 (St. Joseph, 1, AV).

MARbled GODWIT: July 15 (St. Joseph, 1, TBa); August 5 (Benton Harbor, 1, AV).

RUDDY TURNSTONE: May 16 (1, SWMTB) to June 1 (St. Joseph, 12, TBa). Aug 17 (7 at New Buffalo; 2 at Warren Dunes SP and 3 at St. Joseph, KM).

RED KNOT: June 2 (St. Joseph, 1, TBa).

SANDERLING: May 13 (St. Joseph, 1, TBa) to June 3 (St. Joseph, 1, TBa). July 15 (St. Joseph, 5, TBa) to Nov 23 (St. Joseph, 1, SBa).

SEMIPALIMATED SANDPIPER: May 16 (Avery Road, 2, SWMTB) to June 1 (Three Oaks, 1, TBa). August 1 (various locations, 1+, TBa) to Sep 13 (Andrews University, 1+, AV).

LEAST SANDPIPER: April 29 (Three Oaks, 20, AC) to June 4 (Three Oaks, 4-5, AC). July 17 (Grange Road, 1+, MC) to Sep 13 (Andrews University, 1, AV). Oct 16*-20* (Three Oaks, 1, AV, MH).

WHITE-RUMPED SANDPIPER: May 16 (Avery ROAD, 1, GA); May 24 (Three Oaks, 1, AV); May 28 (Three Oaks, 3, TBa); June 1 (Three Oaks, 1, TBa).

BAIRD'S SANDPIPER: July 22 (Three Oaks, 1, MH); Late July (Andrews University, 2, TBa); August 1 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, BA) to Aug 26 (St. Joseph, 1, TBa).

PECTORAL SANDPIPER: March 28 (Buffalo Road, 2, AV, MC) to June 9 (Andrews University, 1, TBa). Aug 31 (Three Oaks, 1, AV) to Oct 20 (Three Oaks, 1+, MH).

PURPLE SANDPIPER: Dec 8 (St. Joseph, 1, TBa, MH); Dec 20 (St. Joseph, 1, TBa); Dec 28 (New Buffalo, 2, PC, AB). BSCBC-1.

DUNLIN: April 10 (US-12 & Avery Road, 20, DB) to June 9 (Three Oaks, 1, LH). Oct 16 (Three Oaks, 1+, AV) to Oct 26 (Three Oaks, 30, WJ). Dec 28 (Paw Paw Lake, 1, PC, AB).

STILT SANDPIPER: May 16 (SWMTB); Late July (Andrews University, 1, TBa).

SHORT-BILLED DOWITCHER: May 13 (St. Joseph, 18, TBa); May 14 (Avery Road, 1, MH); May 16 (SWMTB). Late July (Andrews University, 1+, TBa). Aug 17 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, KM) to Sep 11 (Andrews University, 1, AV). Oct 16 (Three Oaks, 2, AV).

WILSON'S SNIPE: March 20 (Buffalo Road, 1, MC) to 11 Apr (HRT-211 at Avery & US-12 intersection AV). Oct 16 (Three Oaks, 7, AV) to fall departure.

AMERICAN WOODCOCK: Feb 17 (Sarett NC, 1, MM) to Oct 25 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, BA).

WILSON'S PHALAROPE: May 9 (Three Oaks, 1, AV); May 16 (Three Oaks, 2, SWMTB).

RED-NECKED PHALAROPE: Sep 29 (St. Joseph, 1, MH, TBa).

GULLS, TERNS and JAEGERS (Laridae)

BLACK-LEGGED KITTIWAKE: Sep 21* (Warren Dunes SP, 1, TBa); Oct 16 (South County, 1 adult, AV); Nov 15 (New Buffalo, 1, AV).

BONAPARTE'S GULL: March 24 (Three Oaks, 1+, PU) to June 12 (St. Joseph, 48, TBa). July 8 (St. Joseph, 1, TBa) to Dec 14 (New Buffalo, 1, m.obs.). NBCBC-1.

LITTLE GULL: Aug 26 (St. Joseph, 2, TBa); Sept 14 (St. Joseph, 1, MH); Nov 10 (St. Joseph, 2-3, TBa, MH); Nov 18-29 (St. Joseph, 1-2, TBa, AV, m.obs.).

LAUGHING GULL: May 30 (Jean Klock Park, 1, TBa); June 3 (St. Joseph, 1, TBa); June 10 (St. Joseph, 1, TBa); July 26 (St. Joseph, 1, MH).

FRANKLIN'S GULL: Apr 18 (New Buffalo, 1, RJ, AV); June 6 (Benton Harbor, 1, TBa). Oct 7 (St. Joseph, 1, TBa, MH); Oct 13 (St. Joseph, 2, MH, TBa); Oct 27 (New Buffalo, 1, RJ, AV); Nov 1 (Cherry Beach, 3, KM); Nov 9 (New Buffalo, 1, TBa, MH).

RING-BILLED GULL: Permanent resident. BCCBC-2962.

HERRING GULL: Permanent resident. BCCBC-3710.

THAYER'S GULL: March 3 (New Buffalo, 1, PC); March 3 (Forest Lawn Landfill, 2, PC); March 8 (Mill-Kruger Road Intersection, 1, SJ, SS). Nov 11 (New Buffalo, 1, TBa); Nov 15 (New Buffalo, 2, AV); Nov 19 (New Buffalo, 3, AV); Nov 20 (New Buffalo, 1, MH); Nov 30 (New Buffalo, 1, KM); Dec 14 (New Buffalo, 1,); Dec 28 (Forest Lawn Landfill, 1, AV). NBCBC-1.

ICELAND GULL: March 8 (Mill-Kruger Road Intersection, 1, SJ, SS); April 2-4 (US-12 & Avery Road Intersection, 1, RJ, AV). Nov 9 (New Buffalo, 1, TBa).

LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL: Jan 19 (Forest Lawn Landfill, 1, MH) to April 29 (Three Oaks, 1, MH). Aug 11 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, DH); Aug 17 (New Buffalo, 1, KM); Sep 15 (St. Joseph, 1, MH, TBa) to Dec 28 (New Buffalo, 3, AV). BCCBC-3.

GLAUCOUS GULL: Jan 2-4 (St. Joseph, 1, MH, RB) to May 1 (Berrien Co, 1, AV). Oct 20 (New Buffalo, 1, MH) to Dec 28 (New Buffalo, 2, AV). BCCBC-4.

GREAT BLACK-BACKED GULL: March 10 (St. Joseph, 2, TBa); April 11-13 (St. Joseph, 1, KM, m.obs.); May 9 (St. Joseph, 1, AV, RJ); May 16 (1, SWMTB); May 20-Mid-July (St. Joseph, 5-9, TBa). July 17 (New Buffalo, 1, PC); July 19 (Grand Mere, 1, AV); Sep 12 (Bridgman, 1, BA); Sep 30 (Weko Beach, 1, BA); Oct 4-5 (Lake Chapin, 2-3, MC); Oct 10 (Bridgman, 1, BA); Nov 30 (New Buffalo, 2, KM); Dec 21 (Grand Mere SP, 2, JLW, JW). BCCBC-5.

CASPIAN TERN: April 4 (Grand Mere SP, 1, PU, BBCFT) to Aug 31 (New Buffalo, 1+, AV).

BLACK TERN: May 9 (New Buffalo, 1, AV, RJ) to Aug 26 (St. Joseph, 4, TBa).

COMMON TERN: Late April (New Buffalo, 1, eBiRoad) to Nov 10 (St. Joseph, 1, TBa, MH).

ARCTIC TERN: Nov 27* to Dec 6* (Three Oaks, 1, KM, JW, PC, m.obs.). Accepted by MBRC.

FORSTER'S TERN: May 9 (St. Joseph, 1-2, AV) to Sep 13 (Berrien Co, 1+, AV).

PARASITIC JAEGER: Oct 27 (St. Joseph, 1, MH); Nov 9 (New Buffalo, 1, TBa, MH); Nov 19 (St. Joseph, 1, AV); Nov 20-22 (St. Joseph, 1-4, m.obs.)

Jaeger, sp: Sep 28 (St. Joseph, 1, TBa); Nov 14 (St. Joseph, 1-2, MH, AB, m.obs.).

ALCIDS (Alcidae)

ANCIENT MURRELET: Nov 14-Nov 24 (St. Joseph, 1, TBa, m.obs.). Accepted by MBRC. First county record.

PIGEONS AND DOVES (Columbidae)

ROCK PIGEON: Permanent resident. BCCBC-1624.

MOURNING DOVE: Permanent resident. BCCBC-2823.

CUCKOOS, ANIS (Cuculidae)

BLACK-BILLED CUCKOO: May 12 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, KM) to Aug 31 (Lakeside Road, 1, AV).

YELLOW-BILLED CUCKOO: May 9 (Jones Road, 1, MB) to Aug 31 (various locations, 6, AV).

OWLS (Strigidae)

EASTERN SCREECH OWL: Permanent resident. BCCBC-52.

GREAT HORNED OWL: Permanent resident. BCCBC-17.

SNOWY OWL: Jan 1-March 3 (Kruger Road, 1, m.obs.). Nov 27 (Linco & Tozke Roads, 1, JW).

BARRED OWL: Permanent resident. BCCBC-8.

LONG-EARED OWL: Dec 1 (Sarett NC, 1, TBa, MH); Dec 29 to 31 (Sarett NC, 1-2, MM). CCBC-2.

SHORT-EARED OWL: March 25 (St. Joseph, 4, TBa); March 26 (St. Joseph, 1, AV); May 4 (St. Joseph, 1, TBa).

NORTHERN SAW-WHET OWL: Nov 23 (Millburg, 1, *fide* MM); Dec 28 (Sarett NC, 1, TBa).

NIGHTJARS (Caprimulgidae)

COMMON NIGHTHAWK: May 2 (Eau Claire Sewage Ponds, 1, TBa) to Sept. 7 (Niles Twp, 2, JW).

CHUCK-WILLS-WIDOW: May 4 (Long Lake Road area, 1, MB, m.obs.) to July 20*. Aug 1* (Jones-True-Steinbauer Roads, 1, MB). Accepted by MBRC.

WHIP-POOR-WILL: April 30 (Long Lake Road, 1, MB) to Aug 10 (True Road, 1, JW).

SWIFTS & HUMMINGBIROADS (Apodidae)

CHIMNEY SWIFT: April 24 (Tudor Road, 2, AV) to Oct 11 (Holden Road, 11, MW).

RUBY-THROATED HUMMINGBIRD: April 21 (Coloma, 1, *fide* BA) to Oct 26 (Hagar Shores, 1, AH).

KINGFISHERS (Alcedinidae)

BELTED KINGFISHER: Permanent Resident. BCCBC-5.

WOODPECKERS (Picadae)

RED-HEADED WOODPECKER: Permanent resident. BCCBC-5.

RED-BELLIED WOODPECKER: Permanent resident. BCCBC-245.

YELLOW-BELLIED SAPSUCKER: Winter to May 2 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, EK). Sep 25 (Warren Dunes SP, 2, BA) to winter.

DOWNY WOODPECKER: Permanent resident. BCCBC-377.

HAIRY WOODPECKER: Permanent resident. BCCBC-75.

NORTHERN FLICKER: Permanent resident. BCCBC-94.

PILEATED WOODPECKER: Permanent resident. BCCBC-22.

TYRANT FLYCATCHERS (Tyrannidae)

OLIVE-SIDED FLYCATCHER: May 4 (Warren Woods SP, 1, WJ) to June 7 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, TBa). Aug 22 (Bridgman, 1, BA) to Sep 4 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, AV).

EASTERN WOOD PEWEE: May 10 (Galien River, 1, CP) to Sep 23 (Fernwood NC, 1, WJ).

YELLOW-BELLIED FLYCATCHER: May 16 (1+, SWMTB) to June 7 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, TBa). Mid-Sep (Grand Mere SP, 1, AV).

ACADIAN FLYCATCHER: May 9 (Kesling Preserve, 1, AV, RJ) to fall.

ALDER FLYCATCHER: May 16 (1+, SWMTB) to fall.

WILLOW FLYCATCHER: May 8 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, AV) to August 31 (1, AV).

LEAST FLYCATCHER: April 25 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, MM) to Aug 31 (1, AV).

EASTERN PHOEBE: March 15 (Three Oaks, 1, TS) and March 15 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, BA) to November 1 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, BA).

GREAT CRESTED FLYCATCHER: April 24 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, RJ, AV) to Sep 22 (Fernwood NC, 1, WJ).

EASTERN KINGBIRD: Apr 18 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, BA) to Sep 13 (Andrews University, 1, AV).

SHRIKES (Laniidae)

NORTHERN SHRIKE: Feb 6 (Berrien Twp, 1, EH); Feb 15-16 (Sommer Road, 1, MC, RJ); Oct 31 (Jaspar Dairy Road, 1, AV). [CCBC-1, Van Buren County].

LOGGERHEAD SHRIKE: June 12 (Hampton Road, 1, HV, RV). Accepted by MBRC.

VIREOS (Vireonidae)

WHITE-EYED VIREO: May 4-5 (Forest Lawn Road, 1, MCh) to Sep 13 (North Lake Park, 1, AV).

BLUE-HEADED VIREO: April 25 (Galien, 1, AV) to Late May (Berrien County). Sep 10 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, MH, TBa) to Nov 12 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, MH).

YELLOW-THROATED VIREO: April 25 (Galien River, 1, CP) to Sep 13 (Grand Mere SP, 1, AV).

WARBLING VIREO: April 25 (Royalton Twp & Galien River, 2, JW, CP) to Sep 13 (Grand Mere SP, 1, AV).

PHILADELPHIA VIREO: May 16 (Forest Lawn Road, 1, SWMTB) to Late May. Sep 13 (Andrews University, 1, AV).

RED-EYED VIREO: April 26 (Tudor Road, 1, AV) to Oct 16 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, AV).

JAYS AND CROWS (Corvidae)

BLUE JAY: Permanent resident. BCCBC-1056.

AMERICAN CROW: Permanent resident. BCCBC-1257.

FISH CROW: May 16-Oct 25 (Forest Lawn Road/Forest Lawn Landfill, 1-6, TBa, MH, CB, m.obs.) First state & county record.

LARKS (Alaudidae)

HORNED LARK: Permanent resident. BCCBC-427.

SWALLOWS (Hirundinidae)

PURPLE MARTIN: April 24 (Warren Dunes SP, 1+, RJ, AV) to fall departure.

TREE SWALLOW: March 19 (Three Oaks, 1, AV) to Oct 16 (New Buffalo, 1, AV).

NORTHERN ROUGH-WINGED SWALLOW: April 13 (Andrews University, 1, KM, RJ) to Sep 13 (Andrews University, 1, AV).

BANK SWALLOW: April 23 (Berrien Springs, 1, AV) to Aug 31 (New Buffalo, 1+, AV).

CLIFF SWALLOW: April 30 (Buffalo Road, 1, AV) to Sep 11 (Andrews University, 1+, AV).

BARN SWALLOW: April 11 (Avery & US-12, 1, AV) to fall departure.

CHICKADEES AND TITMICE (Paridae)

BLACK-CAPPED CHICKADEE: Permanent resident. BCCBC-1099.

TUFTED TITMOUSE: Permanent resident. BCCBC-613.

NUTHATCHES (Sittidae)

RED-BREASTED NUTHATCH: Winter to May 19 (Lincoln Twp Beach, 1, AV). June – October 21 (Lincoln Twp, 4, RH). August 11 (Lincoln Twp, 1, PU) to winter. BCCBC-83.

WHITE-BREASTED NUTHATCH: Permanent resident. BCCBC-507.

CREEPERS (Certhiidae)

BROWN CREEPER: Winter to May 30 (Long Lake Road, 1, GD). Sep 24 (Fernwood NC, 1, WJ) to winter. BCCBC-35.

WRENS (Troglodytidae)

CAROLINA WREN: Permanent resident, numbers vary in winter. BCCBC-35.

HOUSE WREN: April 24 (Tudor Road, 1, AV) to Sep 13 (Berrien Co, 1+, AV).

WINTER WREN: March 27 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, BA) to May 16 (Berrien Co, 1). Sep 29 (Grand Mere SP, 2, AV, RJ) to winter. BCCBC-10.

SEDGE WREN: April 24 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, RJ, AV) to August 2 (Rocky Weed Road, 2, JW).

MARSH WREN: May 9 (New Buffalo Marsh, 1, RJ, AV) to fall?

KINGLETS (Regulidae)

GOLDEN-CROWNED KINGLET: Winter to May 1 (Forest Lawn Road, 1, AV). Oct 1 (St. Joseph, 1 dead, *fide* BA) to winter. BCCBC-20.

RUBY-CROWNED KINGLET: April 5 (Berrien Springs, 1, MC) to May 18 (Galien River Marsh CP, 1, PC, JW). Sep 19 (Love Creek NC, 1, WJ) to Oct 26 (Warren Dunes SP, 2, WJ). Dec 19 (Niles Twp, 1, AV, NCBC). NCBC-1.

GNATCATCHERS (Sylviidae)

BLUE-GRAY GNATCATCHER: Apr 18 (Warren Dunes SP, 2, BBCFT) to Sep 13 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, AV).

THRUSHES (TuRoadidae)

EASTERN BLUEBIRD: Permanent resident. BCCBC-257.

VEERY: May 2 (Warren Woods SP, 1, MM) to Sep 13 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, AV).

GRAY-CHEEKED THRUSH: April 26 (Lincoln Twp Beach, 1, JW) to May 24 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, AV). Sep 11 (Andrews University, 1, AV) to Sep 27 (Bridgman, 1, BA).

SWAINSON'S THRUSH: April 26 (Sarett NC, 1, MM) to May 24 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, BA). Aug 31 (Kesling Preserve, 1, AV) to Oct 5 (Fernwood NC, 1, WJ).

HERMIT THRUSH: April 1 (Royalton Twp, 1+, MH) to May 16 (SWMTB). Oct 8 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, MH) to winter. Dec 23-24 (Bridgman, 1, BA). BCCBC-5.

WOOD THRUSH: April 24 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, RJ, AV) to Oct 4 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, BA).

AMERICAN ROBIN: Permanent resident. BCCBC-332.

MIMIDS (Mimidae)

GRAY CATBIRD: Jan 14 (Lincoln Twp, 1, JM); April 24 (Forest Lawn Road, 1, WJ) to fall departure.

NORTHERN MOCKINGBIRD: Permanent resident in small numbers. April 2 (Miners Road in Royalton Twp, 1, JLW); Apr 17 (Forest Lawn Road, 1, AV, RJ); April 27 (Kruger Road, 1, EM); May 15 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, JW); May 16 (Hagar Twp, 1, MH, TBa). Late May – Aug 25 (Coloma Twp, 2 adults + 2 juvs., *fide* BA); June 13 (M-140 & Steinbauer Roads, 1, MB); July 5 (Jean Klock Park, 1, KM); Oct 11-14 (Sarett NC, 1, MH, TBa, MM); Nov 15 (Sarett NC, 1, AV); Dec 5 (Sarett NC, 1, JW).

BROWN THRASHER: April 8 (Sarett NC, 1, MM) to Nov 15 (Bridgman, 1, BA). Dec 20 (New Buffalo CBC, 1). NBCBC-1.

STARLINGS (Sturnidae)

EUROPEAN STARLING: Permanent resident. BCCBC-14,045.

PIPITS (Motacillidae)

AMERICAN PIPIT: March 23 (Avery Road, 2, JW) to May 29 (Avery Road, 1, DB). Sep 24 (Andrews University, 50, AV) to Dec 19 (Buchanan, 1, AV); Dec 26 (St. Joseph, 1, TBa). NCBC-1.

WAXWINGS (Bombycillidae)

BOHEMIAN WAXWING: Oct 29* (Stevensville, 3, JM).

CEDAR WAXWING: Permanent resident. BCCBC-197.

WOOD-WARBLERS (Parulidae)

BLUE-WINGED WARBLER: April 28 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, AV) to Aug 31 (Lakeside Road, 1, AV).

GOLDEN-WINGED WARBLER: May 2 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, TB) to May 16 (1, SWMTB). Sep 13 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, AV).

TENNESSEE WARBLER: April 25 (Galien River vicinity, 1, CP) to May 19 (Niles, 1, WJ). Sep 4 (Fernwood NC, 3, SS) to Sep 19 (Fernwood NC, 1, WJ).

ORANGED-CROWNED WARBLER: April 18 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, PU, BBCFT) to May 16 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, SWMTB). Oct 8 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, MH) to Oct 25 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, BA).

- NASHVILLE WARBLER:** April 24 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, RJ, AV) to May 19 (Niles, 1, WJ). June 21* (Fernwood NC, 1 male dead – window kill, WJ). Aug 14 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, BA) to Oct 14 (Warren Dunes SP, 4, MH, TBa).
- NORTHERN PARULA:** April 25 (Forest Lawn Road, 1-2, BBCFT) to summer. Sep 5 (Love Creek NC, 1, KM).
- YELLOW WARBLER:** April 24 (Bridgman Sewage Ponds, 2+, RJ, AV) to Sep 13 (Andrews University, 1, AV).
- CHESTNUT-SIDED WARBLER:** May 10 (Galien River, 7, CP) to June 7 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, BA). Sep 13 (Berrien Co, 1, AV) to Sep 19 (Love Creek NC, 1, WJ).
- MAGNOLIA WARBLER:** May 10 (Royalton Twp, 1, JLW) to Sep 29 (Grand Mere SP, 1, AV, RJ).
- CAPE MAY WARBLER:** May 7 (Lake Chapin ROAD, 1, NM) to May 16 (Berrien Co, 1). Sep 6 (Royalton Twp, 1, MH) to Sep 29 (Grand Mere, 1, RJ, AV).
- BLACK-THROATED BLUE WARBLER:** April 28 (Three Oaks, 1, TS) to May 24 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, AV). Sep 9 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, WJ) to Oct 2 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, BA).
- YELLOW-RUMPED WARBLER:** Winter to May 16 (Maudlin Road, 1, SWMTB). Sep 29 (Love Creek NC, 1, KM) to winter. BCCBC-7.
- BLACK-THROATED GREEN WARBLER:** April 25 (Galien River, 2+, CP, m.obs.) to Oct 4 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, BA).
- BLACKBURNIAN WARBLER:** May 5 (Warren Dunes SP, 1) to June 5 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, BA). Sep 4 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, BA) to Sep 19 (Love Creek NC, 5, WJ).
- YELLOW-THROATED WARBLER:** Apr 17 (Forest Lawn Road, 1, AV, RJ) to August 1 (Kesling Preserve, 1, JW, JG).
- PINE WARBLER:** Apr 18 (Lincoln Twp Beach, 1, JW) to May 16 (1, SWMTB). Sep 19 (Love Creek, 1, WJ) to Oct 8 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, MH).
- PRAIRIE WARBLER:** April 24 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, RJ, AV) to Sep 7 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, BA).
- PALM WARBLER:** April 24 (Forest Lawn Road, 1, WJ) to May 16 (1, SWMTB). Aug 23 (Andrews University, 1, AV) to Sep 26 (Bridgman, 1, BA).
- BAY-BREASTED WARBLER:** May 10 (Galien River, 1, CP) to May 29 (Forest Lawn Road, 1, DB). Aug 31 (Lakeside Road, 1, AV) to Sep 12 (Berrien Co, 1, AV).
- BLACKPOLL WARBLER:** May 9 (Sarett NC, 1, BBCFT) to May 26 (Sarett NC, 1, MM). Sep 5 (Love Creek NC, 1, KM) to Oct 4 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, BA).
- CERULEAN WARBLER:** May 1 (Forest Lawn Road, 1, AV) to July 27 (Lakeside Road, 1, AM, AV).
- BLACK-AND-WHITE WARBLER:** April 24 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, AV, RJ) to June 7 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, BA). Sep 5 (Love Creek NC, 1, KM) to Sep 13 (Berrien Co, 1, AV).
- AMERICAN REDSTART:** May 2 (Berrien Springs, 1, AV) to Oct 4 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, BA).
- PROTHONOTARY WARBLER:** May 9 to June 13 (Brown Sanctuary, 1, AV, RJ, m.obs.); May 16 (Lakeside Bridge, 1, SWMTB). Aug 31 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, AV).
- WORM-EATING WARBLER:** May 23 to July 4 (Warren Dunes SP, 1-2, BA); May 24 (Warren Dunes SP, 3rd individual, BA); May 25 to June 13 (Warren Dunes SP, 4th individual, BA, m.obs.).
- OVENBIRD:** May 1 (Berrien Twp, 1, MB) to Oct 11 (St. Joseph, 1, TSt).
- NORTHERN WATERTHRUSH:** Apr 19 (Harbert, 1, NM, CM) to May 16 (1+, SWMTB). Aug 31 (Warren Dunes SP, 6, Warren Dunes SP, AV) to Oct 8 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, MH).
- LOUISIANA WATERTHRUSH:** Apr 18 (Love Creek NC, 1, KM, PU) to August 5 (Love Creek NC, 1, PU). Sep 7 (Bridgman, 1, BA). Sep 13 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, AV).
- KENTUCKY WARBLER:** May 9-16 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, JS, AV, RJ, m.obs.).
- CONNECTICUT WARBLER:** May 11 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, RJ, AV) to May 16 (Berrien Co, 1). Sep 13 (Andrews University, 1, AV).
- MOURNING WARBLER:** May 14 (Lakeside Bridge, 1, MH) to June 1 (Galien River Marsh, 1, TBa). June 14 (Sarett, 1, MM). Aug 31 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, AV) to Sep 14 (Bridgman, 1, BA).
- COMMON YELLOWTHROAT:** April 25 (Galien River, 1, CP) to Sep 19 (Love Creek NC, 4, WJ).
- HOODED WARBLER:** April 25 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, MM) to Oct 2 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, BA).
- WILSON'S WARBLER:** May 8 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, JW) to May 21 (Niles, 1, WJ). June 7 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, CP). Aug 31 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, AV) to Sep 19 (Love Creek NC, 1, WJ).
- CANADA WARBLER:** May 11 (Warren Dunes SP, 1+, MH) to Sep 29 (Grand Mere SP, 1, AV, RJ).

YELLOW-BREASTED CHAT: May 9 (Franklin Road, 2, MO, AV) to Late July (Brown Sanctuary, 1, TBa).

NEW WORLD SPARROWS AND ALLIES (Emberizidae)

EASTERN TOWHEE: Jan 1 (Royalton Twp, 1). Jan 18 – 22 (Bridgman, 1, BA, HA). March 27 (Bridgman, 1, BA) to winter.

AMERICAN TREE SPARROW: Winter to March 24 (Berrien Co, 1). Oct 24 (Warren Dunes SP, 1+, AV) to winter. BCCBC-1219.

CHIPPING SPARROW: March 18 (Oronoko Twp, 1, DSc) to Oct 16 (Warren Dunes SP, 10+, MH, TBa). Dec 17 (Weiser Road, 1, AV).

CLAY-COLORED SPARROW: Mid-May (Grand Mere SP, 1, MM); May 16 (1, SWMTB); June 6 (Bainbridge Twp, 1, RSc). Oct 14 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, MH, TBa); Oct 16 (Warren Dunes SP, 2, AV).

FIELD SPARROW: March 21 (Brownstown & Hills Road, 1, AM) to fall departure.

VESPER SPARROW: April 8 (Buffalo Road, 1, AV) to Oct 14 (Warren Dunes SP, 4, MH, TBa).

SAVANNAH SPARROW: April 8 (Browntown Road, 1, AV) to Oct 14 (Sarett NC, 1, MH, TBa).

GRASSHOPPER SPARROW: April 18 (St. Joseph, 1, MH) to Oct 14 (Sarett NC, 2, MH, TBa).

HENSLOW'S SPARROW: May 9 (Sarett NC, 1, AV, RJ) to Oct 14* (Sarett NC, 1, MH, TBa).

LECONTES SPARROW: May 10 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, BK).

NELSON'S SPARROW: May 28*-31* (Galien River Marsh, 1, TBa, m.obs.). First spring record. Accepted by MBRC.

FOX SPARROW: Winter to April 17 (Bridgman, 1, BA). Oct 10 (Warren Dunes SP, 1+, BA) to winter. BCCBC-10.

SONG SPARROW: Permanent resident. BCCBC-50.

LINCOLN'S SPARROW: Apr 25 (Forest Lawn Road, 2, BBCFT) to May 16 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, BA). September 14 (Oronoko Twp, 1, DSc) to Oct 24 (Warren Dunes SP, 2, AV).

SWAMP SPARROW: Winter to fall departure. BCCBC-11.

WHITE-THROATED SPARROW: Winter to May 29 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, BA). Sep 17 (Bridgman, 1, BA) to winter. BCCBC-4.

WHITE-CROWNED SPARROW: Winter to May 16 (Warren Dunes SP, 1+, SWMTB). Oct 1 (Sarett NC, 1, MM) to winter. BCCBC-29.

DARK-EYED JUNCO: Winter to May 8 (Tudor Road, 1, AV). Sep 18 (Bridgman, 1, BA) to winter. BCCBC-2036.

LAPLAND LONGSPUR: Winter to April 30 (Buffalo Road, 8-12, AB). Oct 27 (St. Joseph, 1, MH) to winter.

SMITH'S LONGSPUR: April 27* to May 9* (Buffalo Road, 40, AV, RJ, m.obs). Accepted by MBRC.

SNOW BUNTING: Winter to Feb. Oct 16 (New Buffalo, 1+, AV) to winter. BCCBC-122.

TANAGERS (Thraupidae)

SUMMER TANAGER: April 28-May 2 (Three Oaks, 2, TS); April 28 (Stevensville, 1, *fide* MM); April 28 (Royalton Twp, 1, JB); June 7 to July 2 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, CP, TBa, m.obs.).

SCARLET TANAGER: April 25 (Galien River, 1, CP) to Sep 13 (Berrien Co, 1, AV).

CARDINALS AND ALLIES (CaRoadinalidae)

NORTHERN CARDINAL: Permanent resident. BCCBC-1113.

ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK: April 24 (Stevensville, 1, DG) to Oct 4 (Warren Dunes SP, 1, BA).

INDIGO BUNTING: April 25 (Bridgman, 1, HA) to fall departure.

DICKCISSEL: May 15-16 (Rangeline Road, 1, TBa, MH); May 19 (St. Joseph, 1, MM); May 24 (Mill-Kruger Roads, 1+, AV, m.obs.) to July 27 (Mt. Tabor Road, 5, AV).

ICTERIDS (Icteridae)

BOBOLINK: May 2 (Three Oaks & Elm Valley Road intersection, 1, AV) to Sep 15 (St. Joseph, 1, MH).

RED-WINGED BLACKBIRD: Feb 10 (m.obs.) to Dec 20 (Berrien Springs CBC, 19). BCCBC-24.

EASTERN MEADOWLARK: Feb 27 (Royalton, 1, JW) to fall departure.

WESTERN MEADOWLARK: April 28 (Buffalo Road, 1, JSc); June 14 (Avery Road, 1, KM).

RUSTY BLACKBIRD: March 14 (Avery Road, 1, AV) to April 25 (Forest Lawn Road, 1, BBCFT). Oct 16 (Three Oaks, flock, AV) to fall departure.

BREWER'S BLACKBIRD: April 11 (Avery Road & US-12 Intersection, 4, AV) to May 29 (Avery Road, 1+, DB).

COMMON GRACKLE: Feb 11 (Three Oaks, flock, EM) to Dec 14 (New Buffalo CBC, 10).NBCBC-10.

YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD: April 26, May 2 (Bridgman, 1 female, KM, PU).

BROWN-HEADED COWBIRD: Permanent resident. BCCBC-123.

ORCHARD ORIOLE: April 26 (Three Oaks & Oronoko Twp, 2, EM, DSc) to Sep 4 (Oronoko Twp, 1, DSc).

BALTIMORE ORIOLE: Apr 12* (Benton Harbor, 1, *fide* TS) to fall departure.

FINCHES (Fringillidae)

PURPLE FINCH: Winter to May 9 (Sarett NC, 1, AV, RJ). Sep 9 (Sarett NC, 1, MM) to winter. BCCBC-23.

HOUSE FINCH: Permanent resident. BCCBC-1143.

RED CROSSBILL: Dec 20 (Love Creek, 1, KM). BSCBC-1.

WHITE-WINGED CROSSBILL: Jan 1 (Royaltown Twp, 1, MH); Jan 1-6 (Rose Hill Cemetery, up to 15, AV, DV, JJ); Jan 4 (Tower Hill, 25, KM); Jan 20 (Grand Mere SP, 7-8, AV, RJ); Jan 21 (Oronoko Twp, 5, AM); Jan 22 (Andrews University, 8, AM); Jan 24 (Berrien Twp, 14, AV); Jan 25 (Tower Hill, 30, JW); Jan 26-Mar 2 (Rose Hill Cemetery, 20, AV, m.obs.); Jan 30-Feb 9 (Andrews University, flock, MB, m.obs.); Feb 3-20 (Fernwood NC, 12, RW, WJ); Feb 25 (Roosevelt Road, Lincoln Twp, 6-8, VR); Feb 26 (Oronoko Twp, 1, AV); Feb 28-March 3 (Berrien Springs, 10, EM). Nov 22 (House of David, 1, JW).

COMMON REDPOLL: Winter to April 4 (Oronoko Twp, 1, AM).

HOARY REDPOLL: Jan 25-26 (Bainbridge Twp, 1, TBa); Feb 16-March 8 (Berrien Springs, 1, AM).

PINE SISKIN: Winter to June 1 (Tudor Road, 1+, AV). Nov 11 (Sarett NC, flock, MW) to winter. BCCBC-15.

AMERICAN GOLDFINCH: Permanent resident. BCCBC-826.

OLD WORLD SPARROWS (Passeridae)

HOUSE SPARROW: Permanent resident. BCCBC-2280.

OBSERVER ABBREVIATIONS

BA	Brad Anderson	BBU	Brad Bumgartner
HA	Hannah Anderson	AB	Adam Byrne
GA	Gordon Adkins	BC	Bruce Cohen
RA	Ray Adams	MJC	Mary Joe Canaday
BB	Barb Baerwald	MCh	Mike Champaign
SBa	Steve Bailey	PC	Phil Chu
CB	Craig Bateman	JC	Joel Coon
TB	Tony Baldoni	GD	Glenda Davidson
TBa	Tim Baerwald	SD	Sherrie Davis
HB	Heidi Beardsley	EE	Erik Enbody
HBe	Holly Beckermeyer	GF	Gene de la Foret
TBe	Tom Beeke	EF	Erin Fuller
AB	Aaron Boone	LF	Laura Sue Fuderer
WB	Walter Booth	NF	Nate Fuller
DB	Diane Braybrook	DG	Dale Gano
RB	Rick Brigham	SG	Shirley Gillman
JB	Jim Brosnan	WG	Wayne Glieber
MB	Marvin Budd	LG	Leonard Graf

JG	Joel Greenberg	CP	Caleb Putnam
CG	Cory Gregory	TR	Teri Reeve
AH	Art Herman	KT	Kevin Thomas
GH	Gwen Hollman	JTu	Jim Tucker
LH	Lyle Hamilton	JT	John Trapp
EH	Eileen Horne	DT	Divone Trosper
DI	David Irwin	PU	Pat Underwood
MI	Marcia Irwin	VR	Vicki Rausch
WJ	Wendy Jones	SS	Steve Sass
RJ	Rhoda Johnson	AS	Adel Schultz
MJ	Madeline Johnston	JS	Jan Shillito
JJ	John Jann	JSk	Jeff Skrenty
SJ	Scott Jennex	CS	Claudia Sowler
MK	Marlo Kauffman	DS	Dick Sowler
RK	RichaRoad Keith	DSI	David Slager
BK	Bob Kingsbury	DSc	Dick Schinkel
EK	Evie Kirkwood	DSp	Dan Sparks
CK	Chris Knudson	KS	Kirk Schrader
SK	Sharon Klemm	JS	Jan Shillito
GK	Gary Kunkel	NS	Nick Sisamus
CL	Charles Lechleitner	TS	Therese Sisamis
EL	Ed Lewis	DSm	Dave Smitley
MM	Mike Mahler	TSm	Tim Smith
MMc	Maryann MCarthy	CS	Claudia Sowler
MK	Michaele Klingerman	AS	Arlen Springer
BM	Bridget McDonough	DSp	David Springer
CM	Charles McKelvy	TSt	Tom Steele
NM	Natalie McKelvy	DSt	David Steen
DM	Doug McWhirter	SS	Sarah Story
LM	Lester Merklin	JT	John Trapp
EM	Elizabeth Meister	DV	Dave Vinnedge
JM	Jim Mullins	HV	Hank Veldman
KM	Kip Miller	JV	Jacqualin Volker
AM	Andre Moncrieff	RV	Rick Veldman
DMu	Dawn Mutz	DW	Doris Watt
MMO	Margret Morton	DWo	David Worthington
BM	Brad Murphy	MW	Mindy Walker
GNe	Greg Neise	TW	Tex Wells
CN	Chuck Nelson	RW	Rick Willey
JN	Jim Neuman	CW	Chuck Witkoski
SO	Sara Oliver	JLW	John L. Wuepper
JO	Jan Osborn	JW	Jon Wuepper
MO	Michael Overway	BY	Barry Young
DP	David Pavlik	MZ	Molly Zahn

ADDITIONAL ABBREVIATIONS

ABC	Andrews Biology Class
BBC	Berrien Biring Club
BBCFT	Berrien Birding Club Field Trip
BCCBC	Berrien County Christmas Bird Counts Total
BSCBC	Berrien Springs Christmas Bird Count (Dec. 20)

CCBC Coloma Christmas Bird Count (Dec. 31)
DNR Department of Natural Resources
m.obs. Many observers
NBCBC New Buffalo Christmas Bird Count (Dec. 14)
NCBC Niles Christmas Bird Count (Dec. 19)
NC Nature Center
SBC Sarett NC Birding Class
SWMBT Southwestern Michigan Team Birdathon (May 16)