

FALL SEASON 2005

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The fall 2005 season was overall warmer and drier than normal. August was hot, with the temperature reaching 90 degrees or higher on 20 days at Louisville. The most remarkable weather event of the season was the passage of the remnants of Hurricane Katrina, which passed across Kentucky 30-31 August with copious precipitation (4.4" at Bowling Green; 3" at Paducah; 2.6" at Louisville; and 2" at Lexington) and moderate winds. In fact, the rains provided by the storm's passage provided many areas with the *only* substantial precipitation over the entire period! September and October remained warmer-than-normal with little precipitation (e.g. Bowling Green received less than 1" of rain during the entire two-month period). November remained slightly warmer than normal, but precipitation began to return towards normal.

Rarity highlights included Band-rumped Storm-Petrels at two locales during the passage of the remnants of Katrina, several rare waders (Tricolored Heron, White Ibis, and Roseate Spoonbill) in the far western part of the state, a few rare shorebirds (including Marbled Godwit and Red Phalarope), a Pomarine Jaeger, and a returning Spotted Towhee. An unusually large number of reports of Laughing Gulls and terns was also attributable to the nasty weather associated with Katrina. In contrast to the previous year, natural food crops including evergreen cones, berries, acorns, and hickory nuts, all appeared to be produced in abundance, boding well for wintering species.

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Matthews, *Jefferson*; Sauerheber = Sauerheber Unit of Sloughs WMA, *Henderson*; Shaker Mill = Shaker Mill, *Warren*; Shawnee Park = Shawnee Park, *Jefferson*; Sinclair = Sinclair Unit Peabody WMA, *Muhlenberg*; Smithland Dam = Smithland Dam on the Ohio River, *Livingston*; Sonora = Sonora, *Hardin*; Surrey Hills Farm = Surrey Hills Farm, ne. *Jefferson*; Thurston's Pond = Thurston's Pond, *Wayne*; Tom Sawyer = E.P. "Tom" Sawyer SP, *Jefferson*; Town Creek = Town Creek moist soils unit, Westvaco WMA, *Hickman*; Van Buren = Taylorsville Lake at Van Buren boat ramp, *Anderson*; Waitsboro = Waitsboro Recreation Area on Lake Cumberland, *Pulaski*; Wolf Creek Dam = Wolf Creek Dam, Lake Cumberland, *Russell*; SNP = State Nature Preserve; SRP = State Resort Park; WMA = Wildlife Management Area.

Greater White-fronted Goose – the injured and summering bird at Ballard was seen several times in August and September (m. ob.); otherwise, earliest reports included 22 at Jonathan Creek 19 October (ME) and 16 at Sauerheber 22 October (DRo, KOS); other interesting reports included a remarkably large group of 58 at A.J. Jolly Park, *Campbell*, 3 November (FR); 4 over Pleasant Hill Church Road 4 November (BLi); 3 at Jonathan Creek 17 November (ME); ca. 200 at Sauerheber by 26 November (BP, AC); and 1 over Shaker Mill 29 November (DRo).

Snow Goose – a dark morph bird was again present at Minor Clark 25 September (BP et al.), perhaps the same possibly "resident" individual that has been present in previous years.

Ross's Goose – the only report was for 1 over Shaker Mill 29 November (DRo).

Mute Swan – 2 at a farm pond at Hebron, *Boone*, 16 November (FR) were either the first of the season to arrive from farther n. or of local feral origin.

Tundra Swan – the first of Sauerheber's wintering flock to return were 8 there 18 November (MMr).

Gadwall – peak counts included 284 at Jonathan Creek 28 October (ME) and 100+ at Lake Peewee, *Hopkins*, 26 November (BP, AC).

American Wigeon – earliest report was for 1 at Minor Clark 25 September (BP et al.); peak count was for 150+ at Sauerheber 25 November (BP, AC).

Blue-winged Teal – peak counts included 150+ at Mitchell Lake (SR) and 100+ at Jonathan Creek (ME), both 14 September; latest report was for 2 tardy birds at Lexington 19 November (SM, RB).

Northern Shoveler – earliest reports included 1 at Clifty Pond 25 August (RDn) and 3 at the Falls of the Ohio 31 August (DRo et al.); peak counts included 105+ total in scattered flocks on the Ohio River at Louisville 16 November (BP) and 200+ at Sauerheber 25-26 November (BP, AC).

Northern Pintail – earliest report was for 3 at Mitchell Lake 10 September (BP, MS).

Green-winged Teal – earliest reports included 2 at Little River 24 August (DRo) and 4 at Horseshoe Road 4 September (CC).

Redhead – earliest report was for 2 at Twin Lakes Subdivision lake near Somerset, *Pulaski*, 25 October (RDn).

Ring-necked Duck – earliest report was for 1 at Camp Ernst Lake, *Boone*, 10 October (LM).

Greater Scaup – earliest reports were for singles on the Ohio River at Louisville (BP) and at Waitsboro (RDn), both 16 November.

Lesser Scaup – peak counts included 1500+ on n. Lake Barkley, *Lyon*, 12 November (HC, ME) and 150+ on the Ohio River at Grandview, IN, *Daviess/Hancock*, 16 November (DA).

Surf Scoter – the only report was for 2 at Doe Run Lake, *Kenton*, 2 November (FR).

Hooded Merganser – peak count was for 83 birds at Lexington 19 November (SM, RB).

Ruddy Duck – earliest reports included 1 on the Ohio River at Newport 17 October (FR) and 1 at Cooley's Pond 25 October (RDn); peak count was for 200+ on Lake Barkley above the dam 30 November (SR).

Red-throated Loon – the only report for the season was for a juv. on the Ohio River at Louisville 2 November (JB, PB, EH) to 6 November (EH, JHu).

Common Loon – earliest reports, likely involving summering birds, included an ad. at Barren, *Barren*, 7 August (ph.LK); a basic-plumaged bird on Lake Barkley above the dam 24 August (DRo); and 2 ads. above Wolf Creek Dam 3 September (RDn); pronounced fallouts were lacking with the following peak counts reported: 43 above Wolf Creek Dam 11 November (RDn); 13 at Freeman Lake 15 November (RH); and 183 at Barren 21 November (DRo).

Horned Grebe – earliest reports included 2 at Waitsboro 25 October (RDn) and 1 on the Ohio River at Newport 29 October (FR); peak count was for 50+ on n. Lake Barkley 30 November (SR).

Band-rumped Storm-Petrel – there were 2 reports of this pelagic species following the passage of the remnants of Hurricane Katrina: 1 at the Falls of the Ohio 31 August (*BY & MW, BP) and 2 at the Frankfort Fish Hatchery, *Franklin*, 31 August (ML). Both at the latter location were described as being barely able to fly or swim, and remnants of 1 were retrieved from the shore of one of the ponds and preserved the following day (*BP). KBRC review required.

American White Pelican – the first to appear were 2 at Grassy Pond/Powells Lake 20 August (CC) and 2 at Smithland Dam 4 September (HC, DRo); the species arrived in numbers on Lake Barkley during the first week of October (m. ob.) with peak counts including 210 on Lake Barkley near Canton, *Trigg*, and 160 at Eddyville, both 28 October (KL, BLE).

Double-crested Cormorant – notable fall counts included 72+ at Van Buren 8 September (BP) with 45 still there 14 October (BW); 100+ at Kuttawa by 10 September (BP et al.) and ca. 1000 on the Ohio River above the Falls of the Ohio 15 November (AG, BE).

American Bittern – there were only 2 reports: 1 at Sinclair 10 October (DRo) and 1 at Sauerheber 22 October (DRo, KOS).

Great Blue Heron – notable fall counts included 100+ at Mitchell Lake 12 August (SR) and 62+ at Van Buren 8 September (BP) with 60+ still there 14 October (BW).

Great Egret – post-breeding concentrations in the w. portion of the state were smaller than in some recent years and included at least 300 at Mitchell Lake 12 August (SR) with 150 there 25 August (SR) and 50+ still there 14 September (SR) and 300 at Honey Cypress Slough, Grassy Pond/Powells Lake 13 August (CC); other reports of post-breeding gatherings included 17 at Boston 25 August (BP); 67 at Paradise 30 August (RDn, SDn); more than have been observed in many years at the Falls of the Ohio with 32 there 5 September (BP, AC), an impressive count of 75 there 2 October (T&CB) and 60+ still there 7 October (T&CB et al.); other interesting reports included up to 22 at Van Buren 8 September (BP); 50 at Eddy Creek 10 September (BP et al.); 11 at Lake Linville, *Rockcastle*, 23 September (RDn); and 70 at Little River 4 October (DRo). Small numbers lingered especially late into the season with 1 at Minor Clark 12 November (LH); 9 in w. *Henderson* 12 November (CC) and 7 still at the Falls of the Ohio 18 November (BE); 1 near Versailles, *Woodford*, 19 November (IH); and 1 at Van Buren 21 November (BW, MB).

Snowy Egret – peak counts of post-breeding gatherings included 245 at Lake No. 9 on 29 August (BP, JDu) and 25 at Mitchell Lake 12 August (SR) with 20 still there 10 September (BP, MS) and 11 September (DRo); also reported were 1 at Paradise throughout the early portion of the period (m. ob.);

1 at Homestead (DRo, RDv) and 1 at the Falls of the Ohio (RG), both 8 August; and a few at Little River 10 September (BP et al.).

Little Blue Heron – there were an above-average number of post-breeding birds at scattered locales with 1-2 as far e. as Minor Clark 7 August (DP) and 4 September (LH); additional reports of some interest included 6 juvs. at Van Buren 18 August (BW); 8 juvs. at Grassy Pond/Powells Lake 20 August (CC); single juvs. at McDougal Lake, *Larue*, (BP) and at Boston (BP) both 25 August; and 4 juvs. at Thurston's Pond 27 September (RDn); peak counts included 18 at Homestead 8 August (DRo, RDv); 20+ at Mitchell Lake 11 August (DRo); 19 at Blood River 21 August (HC); and 110 at Lake No. 9 on 29 August (BP, JDu).

Tricolored Heron – 1 was at Lake No. 9 from 4 August (ph.DRo) to 7 August (ph.RDn, BY, MWr) with 2 reported there 21 August (ph.JW).

Cattle Egret – several thousand came to roost at Kuttawa 10 September (BP et al.); a report of both late and out-of-range birds was a flock of 8 at Russell Springs, *Russell*, 15 November (LC).

Black-crowned Night-Heron – latest reports included an ad. at A.J. Jolly Park, *Campbell*, 7 November (FR) and 2 at Paradise 19 November (RDn, HC); as is now the norm, a few lingered at St. Matthews into December (BW).

Yellow-crowned Night-Heron – the only reports were for 2 juvs. at Ballard 11 August (DRo); a juv. at Lexington 21 August (JV); and a juv. at St. Matthews 31 August—6 September (BW).

White Ibis – single juvs. were reported at Lake No. 9 on 4 August (ph.DRo) and at Mitchell Lake 9 August (ph.NR et al.) through 13 August (HC, ME). KBRC review required.

Roseate Spoonbill – a juv. was observed in flight over Lake No. 9 on 5 August (*DRo). KBRC review required.

Turkey Vulture – peak counts included 178 at Dayton, *Campbell*, 22 October (FR) and 100+ at Taylorsville Lake, *Spencer*, 21 November (BW).

Osprey – 1 over the Tug Fork of the Big Sandy River, *Pike*, 19 September was a local first (JCr, LE); latest reports included 1 on Lake Barkley near Canton, *Trigg*, 28 October (KL, BLe); 1 at Fishing Creek 1 November (RDn); 1 at Freeman Lake 6 November (EH, JHu, CB); and a very tardy bird at Lexington 19 November (SM, RB).

Mississippi Kite – the only reports of vagrants involved 1 (same individual?) in ne. *Fayette* 21 May and 24 July (DS); another interesting report involved 4 birds including a juv. below Ky Dam 24 August (DRo).

Bald Eagle – early or out of breeding range reports included 1 at Wolf Creek Dam (DRo, JR) and 1 at Fishing Creek (RDn), both 25 September.

Northern Harrier – earliest reports in non-breeding areas included 1 at Minor Clark 27 August (LM, NKBC).

Red-tailed Hawk – there were several of reports of individuals of western races, all being included: ad. intermediate morph *harlani* in *Simpson* 12 October (DRo, CHO); ad. light morph *calurus* at Sauerheber 22 October (DRo); ad. dark or dark intermediate morph *calurus* at Homestead 31 October (DRo); ad. dark morph *harlani* in *Barren* 2 November (vt.DRo); ad. dark morph *calurus* at Shaker Mill and at Barren (latter for third consecutive winter), both 11 November (DRo); and ad. light morph *harlani* at the WKU Farm, *Warren*, for fifth consecutive winter beginning 18 November (DRo).

Golden Eagle – the only report was for a juv. over Pleasant Hill Church Road 12 November (BLi).

Merlin – there were slightly less reports this fall season, all being included: 1 at Mammoth Cave 24 September (TD); singles at Ky Dam and Smithland Dam 27 September (DRo); 1 at Burnside marina on Lake Cumberland, *Pulaski*, 27 September (RDn); 1 at Homestead 31 October (DRo); and 1 at Cox's Park, Louisville, 5 November (ph.EH, JB, PB).

Peregrine Falcon – there were not many reports, all being included: 1 at St. Matthews 4/11 September (BW); 1 at Shawnee Park 23 August (JB, PB, et al.) and 14 September (JB, PB, BBC); 1 on the Natcher Bridge over the Ohio River, *Daviess*, 30 August (DA); 1 at the Falls of the Ohio 1 September/9 October (BY, MWr); 1 near the Greater Cincinnati Airport, *Boone*, 4 October (LM); an ad. at Shaker Mill 9 October (DRo, JR); 1 at Garvin Brown 29 October (BW); 1 at Lexington 30 October (SM); and 1 on the Ohio River at Louisville 5 November (JB, PB, EH). A banded bird was present at Minor Clark from early September to mid-November (LH); it had been hacked at Red River Gorge in 2003 (AS).

King Rail – the only report was for 1 at Sauerheber 22 October (BW, DRo, KOS).

Virginia Rail – the only report was for 1 at Sauerheber 22 October (DRo, KOS).

Sora – earliest report was for 1 at Pond Creek Marsh, Sauerheber, 3 September (CC); latest report was for 3 at Sauerheber 22 October (DRo, KOS).

Purple Gallinule – a juv. with an injured wing was found near Sharkey, *Rowan*, 18 September (ph.TB et al.). It was observed by several others on subsequent days (ph.DRo, ph.RDn) and was last observed 25 September (ph.BP, AC, BY, MWr, LP). KBRC review required.

Common Moorhen – there were reports of single birds from only 2 locations: Pond Creek Marsh, Sauerheber, 20/28 August (CC) and Lexington 24 September (SM).

Sandhill Crane – the species did not seem to be as numerous this fall, with no reports of unusually large numbers; there were, however, a much greater than normal number of reports along the e. side of the corridor (e. of Louisville to around Lexington); earliest report was for ca. 20 over Somerset, *Pulaski*, 18 October (JDn); peak counts were for 120 on the ground at Barren 21 November (DRo) and "hundreds" on the ground near Versailles, *Woodford*, 22 November (DRa).

Black-bellied Plover – only a few reports, all being included: 1 at Blood River 28 August (HC); 1 at Mitchell Lake 29 September (SR); 1 at the Falls of the Ohio 9 October (BY, MWr); and 1 at Jonathan Creek 1 November (HC et al.).

American Golden-Plover – all reports are included: 1 at Fishing Creek 29 August (RDn); 1 accidentally shot during a dove hunt in s. *Casey* 1 September (fide BS); 4 at Horseshoe Road 4 September (CC) with 2 there 5 September (CC), 6 there 9 September (CC), and 1 there 18 September (CC); an ad. at Campbell Dikes 10 September (BP, AC); 7 at Mitchell Lake 13 September (AH); 1 at Blood River 26-29 September (HC); and 1 at Mitchell Lake 27 September (AH).

Semipalmated Plover – not numerous this fall; peak count was for 18 at Ky Bend 5 August (DRo).

Piping Plover – the only report was for an ad. just upstream from Laketon 17 August (ph.SR).

Killdeer – peak counts included ca. 300 at Mitchell Lake 4 August (NR) and 250+ at Ky Bend 5 August (DRo).

American Avocet – there were 2 reports: 3 at a gravel pit at Petersburg, *Boone*, 13 August (LM) and 5 at Blood River 28 August (HC).

Greater Yellowlegs – latest reports included 1 at Sauerheber 22 October (DRo, KOS); 1 at Pulaski County Park 23 October (RDn); 1 at Minor Clark 5 November (LH); 2 at Fishing Creek 6 November (RDn); and 1 in *Mercer* 12 November (RDn, SBC).

Willet – following the flurry of reports in July, there was only 1 report later in the season: 4 at Smithland Dam 4 August (DRo).

Spotted Sandpiper – latest report was for 3 at Fishing Creek 5 November (RDn).

Upland Sandpiper – the only report was for 1 at Ky Bend 5 August (DRo).

Marbled Godwit – 1 was at Jonathan Creek 25-26 September (ph.HC, ME). KBRC review required.

Sanderling – not numerous this fall, all reports being included: 1 molting ad. at Mitchell Lake 9 August (NR); 1 at Town Creek 25 August (SR); 3 juvs. at Laketon 29 August (BP, JDU); 1 at the Falls of the Ohio 31 August (BP et al.), 2 September (BY et al.), and 17 September (BY, MWr); 5 at Island No. 1 and 1 at Campbell Dikes, both 10 September (BP, MS); 2 at Mitchell Lake 14 September (SR); 1 at Jonathan Creek 13-14 October (HC).

Semipalmated Sandpiper – peak count was for 50+ upstream from Laketon 25 August (SR); latest report was for 1 at the Falls of the Ohio 9 October (BY, MWr).

Western Sandpiper – following the flurry of July reports, the species was not numerous later, all reports being included: 7 at Ky Bend (DRo) and 1 at E.W. Brown (RDn), both 5 August; 1 at Mitchell Lake 9 August (NR); at least 5 upstream from Laketon 17 August (SR); 1 juv. at Little River 24 August (DRo) with 1 or 2 juvs. still there 10 September (BP et al.); 2 upstream from Laketon 10 September (BP, MS); 2 at Jonathan Creek 14 September (HC); 1 at Mitchell Lake 22 September (SR); 4 at Blood River 26 September (HC); and 1 at Blood River and 2 at Jonathan Creek, both 30 October (HC).

Least Sandpiper – peak counts were for 150 at Jonathan Creek 13-14 October (HC), with 190 there 1 November (HC), and 150 still there 12 November (HC, ME), as well as 97 at Mitchell Lake 14 October (AH); as is usual, small numbers lingered there and at Blood River into December; a few birds lingered late into the season at other locales including 3 at Minor Clark 12 November (LH) with 1 still there 19 November (LH) and 4 at Paradise 19 November (RDn, HC).

White-rumped Sandpiper – the only report was for 1 at Little River 16 September (DRo).

Baird's Sandpiper – not numerous this fall, all reports being included: 1 at Mitchell Lake 4 August (NR); 2 at Laketon 29 August (BP, JDU); 1 at the Falls of the Ohio 31 August (BP et al.), with 3 there 5 September (BP, AC) and 1 there 7 September (BY, MWr); and 1 at Paradise 10 October (DRo).

Pectoral Sandpiper – peak counts included 100 at Mitchell Lake 4 August (NR); 100 at Ky Bend 5 August (DRo); 350+ at Mitchell Lake 13 August (HC, ME); and 130 at Little River 24 August (DRo).

Dunlin – peak count was for 73 at Blood River 1 November (HC et al.).

Stilt Sandpiper – peak counts included 6 at Ky Bend 5 August (DRo); 12 at Mitchell Lake 9 August (NR); 6 at Mitchell Lake 10 September (BP, MS) through 22 September (SR) with 7 there 29 September (SR); and 11 at Blood River 15 September (HC). Also reported were 2 at the Falls of the Ohio 21 August (T&CB); 1 at Fishing Creek 29 August and 23 September (RDn); 4 at Eddy Creek 10 September (BP et al.); 1 at Minor Clark 20 September (BP, RDn); 6 at Blood River 26 September (HC); and 5 at Jonathan Creek 16 October (ME).

Buff-breasted Sandpiper – not many reports this fall, all being included: 2 adjacent to Lake No. 9 on 6 August (HC et al.); 1 at Ballard 18 August (SR) and 14 September (SR); 6 at Lake No. 9 on 21 August

(JW); 4 at Little River 24 August (DRo); 1 at the Falls of the Ohio 5 September (BP, AC) with 3 there 11 September (BY, MY, MWr); and 3 at Fishing Creek 5-8 September (RDn).

Short-billed Dowitcher – not many reports during the season, all being included: 1 at Willow Pond, *Fulton*, (DRo) and 1 at Mitchell Lake (NR), both 4 August; 1 at Ky Bend 5 August (DRo).

Long-billed Dowitcher – establishing a new late departure date was a bird seen and heard at Fishing Creek 30 November that lingered into early December (ph.RDn); other reports included 2 near Grassy Pond/Powells Lake 8 October (CC) and 1 at Van Buren 14/19 October (BW).

Wilson's Snipe – earliest report was for 3 at Mitchell Lake 9 August (NR); a count of 20 at Horseshoe Road 4 September (CC) was exceptional for early September; peak counts included 100+ at Ballard 27 October (SR) and 80 at Cooley's Pond 26 November (RDn).

American Woodcock – likely fall migrants were reported as follows: 1 at Mitchell Lake 6 October (AH); 1 at St. Matthews 7 November (BW); 1 at Surrey Hills Farm 10 November (BP) with 2 there 17 November (BP); 1 at Garvin Brown (MwM) and 1 on the Cathy Crockett Trail (RDn), both 16 November.

Wilson's Phalarope – all reports are included: 1 at Mitchell Lake 13 August (HC, ME); 1 (same bird?) there 20/25 August (SR, AH); 2 at Town Creek 25 August (ph.SR); 2 at Mitchell Lake 27 August (AH); and 1 at Paradise 15 September (AH).

Red Phalarope – a molting juv. was present on the Ohio River at the mouth of the Licking River, *Campbell/Kenton*, 31 August (DB, ph.FR, ph.JDu). KBRC review required.

phalarope sp. – a flock of 3-5 at Van Buren 31 August may have been Red-necks but were not seen well enough to confirm (*AS).

Pomarine Jaeger – an intermediate morph juv. was present at Freeman Lake 3 November (RH, ph.BP, ph.DRo, et al.) to 7 November (DA, SK, JK). KBRC review required.

Laughing Gull – although there were several reports from sites where the species is traditionally observed in late summer and fall, record numbers occurred after the passage of the remnants of Hurricane Katrina, and small numbers appeared to linger for some weeks afterwards; all reports are included: 1 juv. at Eddyville 24 August (DRo); 1 juv./first-year at Ky Dam (BP, JDu, DRo) and 1 first-year at Rochester (RDn, SDn), both 30 August; 1 juv./first-year at the Falls of the Ohio 31 August (BP et al.) with 2 juv./first-years there 1-3 September (BY, MWr) and 1 still there 5 September (BP, AC); a remarkable state-high flock of 10 at Freeman Lake—right along the path of Katrina—(RH) and 1 on Ky Lake near Kenlake SRP, *Marshall*, (HC), both 31 August; 1 at Barkley Dam, 2 at Smithland Dam, 1 on Lake Barkley at Green Turtle Bay marina, *Lyon*, and 4+ at Ky Dam, all 4 September (DRo, HC); 4 at Ky Dam and 3 at Smithland Dam 5 September (DRo); 1 on Ky Lake, *Calloway*, 9 September (HC et al.); 1 ad. at Little River 10 September (BP et al.); 5 at Smithland Dam 16 September (DRo) with 1 there 21 September (DRo); 2 at Wolf Creek Dam 25 September (DRo, JR); 3 at Waitsboro (first local record) 26 September (RDn) with one still there 27 September (ph.RDn); a record count in one day of 12 in the dams area (5 at Ky Dam; 5 at Smithland Dam; 2 at Barkley Dam) 27 September (DRo); 2 at Smithland Dam 4 October (DRo); and 1 second-year bird at Barren (first local record) 24/25 October (ph.DRo).

Franklin's Gull – all reports are included: 1 first-year above Ky Dam 30 August (BP, JDu); 1 first-year at Smithland Dam 4 September (DRo, HC); 1 second-year at Smithland Dam 16 September (DRo); 1 first-year at Jonathan Creek 4 October (DRo); 2 at Kuttawa 12 October (BP); and 3 ads. at the Falls of the Ohio 16 November (BP).

Bonaparte's Gull – earliest reports included single ads. at Eddyville 24 August (DRo) and Smithland Dam 4 September (HC, DRo); peak counts were low and included ca. 100 on the Ohio River above Uniontown Dam, *Union*, 20 November (CC).

Ring-billed Gull – ca. 1500 were in the dams area by 24 August with 450-500 in the vicinity of Ky Dam alone (DRo); one of the larger groups away from the dams area was 400-500 on the Ohio River above Uniontown Dam, *Union*, 20 November (CC).

Herring Gull – 4 were already at Barkley Dam 24 August (DRo), with at least 12 ads., nearby at Green Turtle Bay marina, *Lyon*, by 30 August (BP, JDu); an ad. above Wolf Creek Dam 24 September (DRo) was relatively unusual for time and place.

Lesser Black-backed Gull – earliest report was for an ad. on Ky Lake near Ky Dam Village 21 September (DRo); with an ad. at Kuttawa 27 September/4 October (DRo); single ads. at Ky Dam Village beach and Kuttawa, both 13 October (BP, SDu, AM); and an ad. on Lake Barkley near Canton, *Trigg*, 24 November (KB).

Caspian Tern – as is becoming the norm, peak counts all came from n. Lake Barkley from the dam to Eddyville, where 250+ were counted 30 August (DRo) and 200+ were in the area 10/21 September (BP et al.) with 190+ still present 27 September (DRo) and 90-100 still there 4 October (DRo); other peak counts included 12-15 at the Falls of the Ohio 31 August (BP et al.) with 16 there 5 September (BP, AC) and 8 at Wolf Creek Dam 3 September (RDn).

Common Tern – occurrence peaked during the passage of the remnants of Hurricane Katrina; all reports are included: 20 at Fishing Creek 29 August (RDn); 75+ on n. ends of Ky Lake and Lake Barkley combined (DRo) and 60 at Rochester (RDn, SDn), both 30 August; 20-25 at the Falls of the Ohio (BP et al.); 3 at Taylorsville Lake, *Spencer* (AS); and 2 at Barren (DRo), all 31 August; 10 with 6 Forster's on Lake Cumberland, *Russell*, 24 September (LM, Jcm, KC, et al.); and 10+ above Ky Dam and 10+ at Smithland Dam, both 27 September (DRo).

Forster's Tern – widespread in small numbers with other terns during late August and September; peak counts included 100+ at Jonathan Creek 10 September (BP et al.); 110 at Ky Dam 27 September (DRo); and ca. 50 at Kuttawa and 85 above Ky Dam (75 in a raft on the water), both 12 October (BP).

Least Tern – late-season nesting continued into August, with juvs. observed at several locations including a small island near Monkeys Eyebrow, *Ballard*, where ca. 50 flying birds included juvs. and 3 as yet unfledged juvs. were still present 29 August (GB); a mixed gathering of ads. and juvs. numbering up to 25-30 birds was present relatively near to this site at Mitchell Lake into mid-September (m. ob.).

Black Tern – it was an excellent fall for the species; reports included 2 at Mitchell Lake 13 August (HC, ME); 5 moving down the Ohio River at Dam #53, *Ballard*, 17 August (SR); 7 at Paradise 20 August (MS); 1 at Meng's Pond, *Warren*, 21 August (TD); 60-70 at Laketon (BP, JDu) and 14 at Fishing Creek (RDn), both 29 August; 2 on the Mississippi River opposite Lake No. 9 on 29 August (BP, JDu); 25 on the Ohio River near Grandview, IN, *Hancock/Daviess* (DA), 8-10 at the Falls of the Ohio (JB, PB, EH, et al.), 8 on the Ohio River at Newport (FR), several above Ky Dam (BP, JDu), 4 on Lake Barkley, *Trigg*, (DRo), and singles at Fishing Creek, *Barren*, and Paradise (RDn, SDn), all 30 August; a loose flock of at least 66 birds at Markland Dam on the Ohio River, *Gallatin* (BP), 10 at E.W. Brown (RDn), 10 at Barren (DRo), and 2 at Newburgh Dam, *Henderson*, (MT, JHo) all 31 August; 14 at Barren 1 September (DRo); 1 at the Falls of the Ohio 3 September (BY, MWr); and 1 at Smithland Dam 27 September (DRo).

Eurasian Collared-Dove – the only report of birds in a new area was for 2 in Edmonton, *Metcalfe*, 30 September (SS, BP). Uniontown?

Black-billed Cuckoo – the only report was for an imm. at Joe Creason 9 September (BW).

Yellow-billed Cuckoo – latest report was for 1 adjacent to J.J. Audubon SP, *Henderson*, 7 October (BP).

Barn Owl – 1 was observed at Ballard several times during the season (fide CW); 1 was found dead in a barn e. of Dry Ridge, *Grant*, in late September (fide SV).

Short-eared Owl – there were only 2 reports: a relatively early bird at Sauerheber 22 October (DRo, KOS) and 1 at Sinclair 28 November (BY, MW_r). Others by KDFWR?

Northern Saw-whet Owl – netting efforts at Surrey Hills Farm yielded captures of 3 birds 10 November and 2 birds 17 November (MMn, BP, et al.).

Common Nighthawk – an impressive flock of ca. 1000 birds was observed at Mt. Zion 31 August (RDn); latest reports were for singles at Elizabethtown, *Hardin*, 8 October (SK) and near Mark, *Pulaski*, 11 October (CN, WN).

Whip-poor-will – latest report was for 1 heard in *Anderson* 17 September (CL).

Ruby-throated Hummingbird – most birds departed by the end of the second week in October; latest report was for an injured bird at Shaker Mill to 11 November (JR).

Rufous Hummingbird – there were 6 reports during the season (a full summary will appear in the winter season report): imm. m. banded near Ballardsville, *Oldham*, 2 October (ph.JDa; MMn, BP); ad. m. banded at Corbin, *Knox*, 6 November (J&MP, MMn, BP); imm. m. banded ne. of Georgetown, *Scott*, (DG, MMn, BP) and imm. f. banded in ne. *Jessamine*, (N&JN, MMn, BP), both 22 November; imm. m. banded near Peytona, *Shelby*, 23 November (H&MG, MMn, BP); and an ad. m. captured at Owensboro, *Daviess*, (previously banded in Princeton, IN, 2 weeks prior), 25 November (JHo, CHu, BP, AC).

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker – earliest report was for 1 in sw. *Jefferson* 28 September (CL).

Olive-sided Flycatcher – the only reports were for singles near Lake No. 9 on 7 August (BY, MW_r); at Shawnee Park 19 September (JB, PB, EH); in e. *Jefferson* 23 September (BW); and at Lake Cumberland SRP, *Russell*, 23 September (LAB).

Eastern Wood-Pewee – latest report was for 1 at Pulaski County Park 23 October (RDn).

Yellow-bellied Flycatcher – the only reports were for singles at Caperton 3 September (BY, MW_r), 5 September (MS, MW_m), and 17 September (BY).

Willow Flycatcher – 1 was still singing at Sinclair 7 August (BLi).

Least Flycatcher – earliest report was for 1 at Tom Sawyer 25 August (JB, PB, et al.).

Eastern Kingbird – latest report was for 1 at Hays Kennedy 12 September (BW).

Scissor-tailed Flycatcher – 2 were still in the vicinity of the nesting area near Grand Rivers, *Livingston*, 24 August (DRo) with 2 a couple of miles away below Barkley Dam 4 September (HC, DRo) and 1 last observed back near the nesting area 16 September (DRo).

Loggerhead Shrike – 1 at Cooley's Pond 21 September (RDn) was somewhat uncommon for *Wayne*.

Bell's Vireo – latest reports were for singles at Sinclair 7 September (BP, EC) and 8 September (DRo, RDv).

Yellow-throated Vireo – latest report was for 1 at Red River Gorge, *Powell*, 15 October (SM, RB).

- Blue-headed Vireo** – earliest report from a non-breeding area was 1 at Briarwood 27 September (JB, PB); latest report was for 1 at Ano 8 November (RDn).
- Philadelphia Vireo** – earliest report was for 1 at Caperton 3 September (BY, MWr); latest report was for 1 at Mammoth Cave 16 October (JB, PB, et al.).
- Red-eyed Vireo** – latest report was for 1 at Red River Gorge, *Powell*, 15 October (SM, RB).
- Fish Crow** – a noteworthy count of at least 100 was tallied near Laketon 17 August (SR).
- Purple Martin** – latest reports included 5 in *Jefferson* 17 September (BW) and a very tardy bird at Lake Cumberland SRP, *Russell*, 24 September (BP, KOS).
- Tree Swallow** – 100+ were still at Barren 24 October (DRo); 90 were still at Thurston's Pond 25 October (RDn); 60 were still at Fishing Creek 26 October (RDn).
- Northern Rough-winged Swallow** – latest report was for a very tardy bird in the lower Hickman Bottoms, *Fulton*, 28 November (vt.BY, MWr).
- Barn Swallow** – latest reports were for 1 at Van Buren 19 October (BW) and 2 at Thurston's Pond 25 October (RDn).
- Cliff Swallow** – latest reports were for Jonathan Creek 7 October (ME) and singles 1 at Lake Cumberland SRP, *Russell*, (BP, KOS) and in w. *Henderson* (CC), both 24 September.
- Red-breasted Nuthatch** – a few birds arrived earlier than average, but only a moderate flight resulted; earliest reports were for singles at Surrey Hills Farm 4/18 September (BP); singles (different birds) at Evergreen Cemetery, *Campbell*, 5/22 September (FR); 2 at Lexington Cemetery 15 September (TH); 1 in *Knott* in mid-September (BG); and 1 at Pulaski County Park 28 September (RDn); the species was relatively widespread by mid-October (m. ob.).
- Brown Creeper** – earliest reports were for singles at Cold Spring Park, *Campbell*, 27 September (FR) and at Briarwood 28 September (JB).
- House Wren** – latest report was for 1 at Mt. Zion 6 November (RDn).
- Winter Wren** – earliest reports included 1 banded at Frankfort 28 September (AS) and singles on the Cathy Crockett Trail (RDn) and at Briarwood (JB, PB), both 29 September.
- Sedge Wren** – not especially numerous this fall, all reports being included: 2 at Sauerheber 2-20 August (CC); 1-2 at Clifty Pond 12 August (RDn); 1 at Green River WMA, *Adair*, 1 October (RDn); singles were observed/heard at Surrey Hills Farm 1 October (BP), 2 October (BP), 20 October (BP), and 29/30 October (BP); 1 at Hays Kennedy 4 October (JB, PB, et al.) and nearby at Garvin Brown 9 October (BY, MWr) and 17 October (MWm); 1 at Big Bone Lick SP, *Boone*, 10 October (LM); 2+ including likely calls of fledglings nr. Sonora 11 October (BP, BD, SV); at least 2 at Sauerheber 22 October (DRo, KOS).
- Marsh Wren** – all reports are included: 1 at Shaker Mill 17 September (DRo); 1 at Green River WMA, *Adair*, 1 October (RDn); 1 heard at Surrey Hills Farm 2 October (BP) with 2 there 3 October (BP); 1 at Paradise 10 October (DRo); 1 nr. Sonora 11 October (BP, BD, SV); 1 at Hays Kennedy 15 October (JB, PB, et al.); at least 3 at Sauerheber 22 October (DRo, KOS); 1 at Sinclair 19 November (RDn, HC).
- Golden-crowned Kinglet** – earliest report was for a few at Berea College Forest 1 October (SM, RB).

Ruby-crowned Kinglet – earliest reports were for singles at Briarwood 27 September (JB, PB) and at Mt. Zion 29 September (RDn).

Swainson's Thrush – earliest reports were for singles at Gunpowder Creek (LM) and near Fisherville, *Jefferson*, (EH), both 4 September.

Wood Thrush – latest report was for 1 banded at Frankfort 12 October (AS).

American Robin – with abundant cedar berries and other fruits on trees, the species remained abundant through the season; a roost of 2500-3000 birds was noted near Seneca Park, Louisville, in early November (BW).

American Pipit – earliest reports were for singles at Dayton, *Campbell*, 25 September (FR) and Jonathan Creek 26 September (ME, HC); peak count was for 90 in *Warren* 18 November (DRo).

Cedar Waxwing – it was a good fall for the species, with numerous reports of sizable flocks; peak count was for 300+ in LBL 18 November (BLi).

Golden-winged Warbler – it was a good fall for the species with numerous reports, all being included: 1 at Shawnee Park 28 August (JB, PB, et al.); 1 at Mt. Zion 1 September (RDn); singles at Joe Creason 5 September (BW); 1 at Miles Park 7 September (BW); 1 at Caperton 9 September (JB, PB); 3 at Caperton 5 September (MS, MWm); 3 at Surrey Hills Farm (BP, AC) and singles at Caperton (BY, MW) and Miles Park (BW), all 17 September; 1 at Mammoth Cave 18 September (JB, PB, BBC); and 1 at Abraham Lincoln Birthplace, *Larue*, 22 September (JB, PB, et al.). The latest report (representing a new late departure date for the state) was for an imm. f. at Pulaski County Park 15 October (RDn, GC).

Brewster's Warbler – the only report was for 1 at Briarwood 7 September (JB).

Tennessee Warbler – latest reports included 1 at Long Run Park, *Jefferson*, 4 November (BW) and 2 at Caperton 6 November (BY, MWr).

Orange-crowned Warbler – earliest reports included 1 at Briarwood 11 September (JB) and 1 in *Jefferson* 17 September (JB, PB); also reported were 1 found dead under a TV tower at Henderson, *Henderson*, 7 October (BP); 1 at Green River WMA, *Adair*, 9 October (SM); singles at Homestead (DRo) and LBL (BLi), both 10 October; 1 at Lake Cumberland WMA, *Pulaski*, 16 October (RDn); and 1 at Mt. Zion 30 October (RDn).

Nashville Warbler – earliest reports included 1 at Caperton 23 August (JB, PB, et al.); singles at Mt. Zion (RDn), Joe Creason (CB), and Taylorsville Lake, *Spencer* (BW), all 1 September; and 1 at Shawnee Park 4 September (JB, PB, BBC).

Yellow Warbler – latest report was for 1 at Surrey Hills Farm 5 September (BP, AC).

Chestnut-sided Warbler – earliest reports were for 1 at Mt. Zion 22 August (RDn); 1 at Shawnee Park 23 August (JB, PB, et al.); and 1 at Briarwood 25 August (JB, PB).

Magnolia Warbler – earliest reports included singles at Shawnee Park and Caperton, both 23 August (JB, PB, et al.); and 2 at Tom Sawyer 25 August (JB, PB, EH).

Cape May Warbler – earliest reports were for singles at Shawnee Park 28 August (JB, PB, et al.) and at Surrey Hills Farm 5 September (BP, AC); latest report was for 1 at Blackacre 9 October (EH, BBC).

Black-throated Blue Warbler – there were a few reports, all being included: an imm f. banded at Frankfort 8 October (AS); an imm. m. banded at Frankfort 10 October (AS); and a f. on the Cathy Crockett Trail 18 October (RDn).

Yellow-rumped Warbler – earliest reports were for singles at South Williamson, *Pike*, 24 September (JCr); and at Briarwood 27 September (JB, PB).

Black-throated Green Warbler – latest report was for 1 at Caperton 5 November (MS).

Blackburnian Warbler – earliest reports included 1 at Caperton 21 August (BY, MWr); 2-3 at Tom Sawyer 25 August (JB, PB, EH); and singles at Joe Creason (EH, BBC) and Caperton (BY, MWr), both 27 August.

Prairie Warbler – latest reports were for 1 at Berea College Forest 1 October (TH, ASK) and a very tardy bird at Cedar Creek Lake, *Lincoln*, 12 November (ph.RDn, SBC).

Palm Warbler – earliest report was for 1 at Surrey Hills Farm 17 September (BP, AC); latest reports were for singles at Garvin Brown 19 November (EH, BBC), Mt. Zion 22 November (RDn), and Sauerheber 26 November (BP, AC).

Bay-breasted Warbler – earliest reports included 1 at Mt. Zion 1 September (RDn) and singles at Middle Creek Park, *Boone*, (LM, NKBC) and Caperton (MS, MWm), both 5 September.

Blackpoll Warbler – there were 2 reports: 1 banded at Frankfort 15 October (AS) and 1 on the Cathy Crockett Trail 18 October (*RDn); the latter represented a new late departure date for the state by several days.

Cerulean Warbler – infrequently seen as a fall migrant, 1 at Caperton 21 August (BY, MWr) was of interest.

Worm-eating Warbler – latest report was for 1 at Shaker Mill 28 September (DRo).

Louisiana Waterthrush – relatively unusual for the time of year were singles at Shallow Flats, Cave Run Lake, *Rowan*, 7 August (DP) and Pumhouse Pond, *Pulaski*, 8 August (RDn).

Connecticut Warbler – there was 1 report of this rare fall migrant: 1 at Mammoth Cave 16 October (JB, PB, et al.).

Mourning Warbler – there were several reports, all being included: 1 at Joe Creason 27 August (EH, BBC) and 1 September (CB); singles at Caperton (MS) and Shawnee Park (JB, PB, et al.), both 28 August; singles at Caperton 5 September (MS, MWm) and 17 September (BY, MWr); and 1 at Briarwood 29 September (JB, PB).

Common Yellowthroat – 1 adjacent to J.J. Audubon SP, *Henderson*, was rather late 26 November (BP, AC).

Hooded Warbler – latest reports were for an imm. at Blackacre 8 October (EH); an ad. m. banded at Frankfort 12 October (AS); and an ad. f. banded at Frankfort 10 October (AS).

Wilson's Warbler – earliest reports were for 1 at Joe Creason 27 August (EH, BBC) and 1 at Shawnee Park 28 August (JB, PB, et al.).

Canada Warbler – earliest reports included 1 at Mt. Zion 22 August (RDn); 1 at Caperton 23 August (JB, PB, et al.); and 3-6 at Caperton 27 August (BY, MWr); latest report was for 1 at the Lexington Cemetery 18 September (TH).

Yellow-breasted Chat – latest report was for 1 at Tom Dorman SNP, *Garrard*, 21 September (BP).

Summer Tanager – latest report was for a f. at Murray, *Calloway*, 17 October (ME).

Spotted Towhee – the m. that has been present in w. *McCracken* the last 2 winters was relocated at the same spot 27 October (SR) and seen again 30 November (SR).

American Tree Sparrow – earliest report was for 1 at Bernheim Forest 26 November (EH, BBC).

Chipping Sparrow – a flock of 60 was still in w. *Pulaski* 1 November (RDn); 1 was still at Taylorsville Lake, *Spencer*, 19 November (BW); and at least 5 remained through November at Pleasant Hill Church Road (BLi, PL).

Clay-colored Sparrow – 2 were reported at Garvin Brown 15 October (*MWm). KBRC review required.

Vesper Sparrow – earliest report was for an extremely early individual at Bernheim Forest 17 August (*JB, PB, BBC); also reported were 1 at Burlington, *Boone*, 8 October (LM); 1 at Ano 16 October (RDn); 1 at Garvin Brown 17 October (BW); 1 at Surrey Hills Farm 18 October (BP); 1 at Clifty Pond 30 October (RDn); 3 at Peabody WMA 31 October (DRo); 2 at Boston 3 November (BP, AS); and 4 at Clifty Pond 6 November (RDn).

Savannah Sparrow – earliest report was for 1 at Fishing Creek 8 September (RDn).

Grasshopper Sparrow – latest reports included 1 at Ballard 29 September (SR); 2 at Sinclair 10 October (DRo); 6+ nr. Sonora 11 October (BD, BP, SV); and 1 at Mt. Zion 20 October (RDn).

Henslow's Sparrow – at least 7 were still in song at Clifty Pond 9 August (RDn); 1 was still heard singing at Sinclair 7 September (BP, AC) with 1 still there 10 October (DRo); 3+ were still at a breeding site nr. Sonora 11 October (BD, BP, SV); 1 at Sauerheber 22 October (DRo, KOS); and 1 at Clifty Pond 30 October (ph.RDn).

LeConte's Sparrow – there were a few reports, all being included: a juv. at Hays Kennedy 15 October (JB, PB, et al.; ph.KT); at least 5 at Sauerheber 22 October (ph.DRo, KOS); and 1 at Boston 3 November (BP, AS).

Nelson's Sharp-tailed Sparrow – there were an above-average number of reports this fall, all being included: 1 at Hays Kennedy 3-6 October (MWm) with perhaps a different bird there 16 October (BY et al.); 1 at Homestead 10 October (DRo); 2 at Boston 11 October (BP, BD); and an impressive peak count of at least 6 at Sauerheber 22 October (ph.DRo, KOS).

Fox Sparrow – earliest reports were for 1 at Mark, *Pulaski*, 16 October (CN); 2 at Clifty Pond 19 October (RDn) and 2 at Sauerheber 22 October (DRo, KOS).

Lincoln's Sparrow – earliest report was for 1 at Shaker Mill 27 September (DRo); latest report was for 1 at Clifty Pond 6 November (RDn).

Swamp Sparrow – earliest report was for 2 at Sauerheber 1 October (CC).

White-throated Sparrow – earliest reports were for unusually early birds at St. Matthews, 6 & 12 August (BW); next earliest were singles at Gunpowder Creek 3 September (LM) and at Jefferson Memorial Forest, *Jefferson*, 2 October (__, BBC).

White-crowned Sparrow – earliest reports were for singles at St. Matthews 28 September (BW) and Horseshoe Bend, *Henderson*, 7 October (BP).

Dark-eyed Junco – earliest reports were for 1 at Wolf Creek Dam 24 September (DRo, JR) and 2 at Berea College Forest 1 October (SM, RB).

Lapland Longspur – earliest reports were for at least 1 in *Warren* 18 November (DRo) and 70+ in *Warren* 30 November (DRo); the only other reports were for 2 near Monkey's Eyebrow, *Ballard*, 29 November (SR).

Rose-breasted Grosbeak – earliest report was for 1 at Gunpowder Creek, where the species possibly summers, 3 September (LM, NKBC).

Blue Grosbeak – latest report was for a family group at Miles Park 7 October (BW).

Dickcissel – latest report was for 1 at Ballard 10 September (BP, MS).

Bobolink – there were several reports including 1 at Surrey Hills Farm 4 September (BP), 5 September (BP, AC), 17 September (BP), 1 October (BP), and 20 October (BP) with 1 lingering to 30 October (BP), a new late departure date for the state; also reported were 3 at Boston 11 October (BP, BD).

Eastern Meadowlark – 2 at Surrey Hills Farm 7 October (BP) had not been present in previous days and likely represent a typical early arrival date for fall migrants.

Brewer's Blackbird – earliest report was for a bird seen/heard at Sauerheber 22 October (DRo, BP, KOS); 2 along Schuler lane, sw. *Oldham*, 6 November (MWM) were the first in the Louisville area in several years; also reported was an impressive group of 53 near Oscar, *Ballard*, 20 November (BY, MWr) with 21 there 29 November (SR).

Purple Finch – a small to moderate flight occurred; earliest reports were for singles at Shaker Mill (DRo) and Surrey Hills Farm (BP), both 28 October.

Pine Siskin – there was only a modest flight documented; earliest reports were for singles at Sauerheber 22 October (DRo, KOS) and Mt. Zion 29 October (RDn).

Addition to Fall 2004 report:

Clay-colored Sparrow – 1 was noted with a flock of Chipping Sparrows in a yard near Hardin, *Marshall*, 5 November (*MI). KBRC review required.

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