

# Ontario Bird Records Committee Report for 2016

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## **Introduction**

This is the 35th annual report of the Ontario Bird Records Committee (hereafter 'OBRC' or 'Committee') of the Ontario Field Ornithologists. The OBRC reviews rare bird reports in Ontario based on documentation that has been submitted by the birding community. Species and subspecies evaluations are based on the Review Lists for Ontario, which can be found on the OFO website ([www.ofo.ca](http://www.ofo.ca)). Any new species, subspecies or first breeding records for Ontario are also reviewed. This report deals with the review of 191 records by the OBRC in 2016, of which 161 (84%) were accepted. All reports reviewed by the 2016 Committee will be added to the permanent file kept at the Royal Ontario Museum (ROM).

The members of the 2016 Committee were Kenneth G.D. Burrell (chair), Mike V.A. Burrell (non-voting secretary), Barbara N. Charlton (non-voting assistant to the secretary), William J. Crins, Timothy B. Lucas, Paul D. Pratt, Donald A.

Sutherland, Joshua D. Vandermeulen and Ross W. Wood (Figure 1). Mark K. Peck acted as the ROM liaison for the OBRC.

## **Changes to the Checklist of Ontario Birds**

Two new species were added to the Ontario list, bringing the total to 496 species. These species were Common Ringed Plover (*Charadrius hiaticula*) and Grace's Warbler (*Setophaga graciae*).

## **Changes to the Review Lists**

Beginning with the 2014 report (Burrell and Charlton 2015), the OBRC split the province into three review zones. See Holden (2014) for more details.

No new species were added to the Lowlands Review List, leaving the total number of species recorded in this review zone at 331.

Glossy Ibis (*Plegadis falcinellus*) was added to the Central Review List following acceptance of the first record for the region; this addition brings the total number of species recorded in this review zone to 383. Beginning in 2017, reports



Figure 1: Ontario Bird Records Committee for 2016. Left to right (standing): Donald A. Sutherland, William J. Crins, Joshua D. Vandermeulen, Ross W. Wood, Timothy B. Lucas. Left to right (sitting): Kenneth G.D. Burrell, Mike V.A. Burrell, Barbara N. Charlton. (Absent: Paul D. Pratt) Photo: Barbara N. Charlton.

of Lesser Black-backed Gull (*Larus fuscus*) in the Central Review Zone are no longer requested, based on a documented pattern of occurrence and a vote by the Committee. Reports prior to 2017 are still requested for review.

Beginning in 2017, reports of Glossy Ibis, Townsend's Solitaire (*Myadestes townsendi*) and Kirtland's Warbler (*Setophaga kirtlandii*) in the South Review Zone are no longer requested, based on more than twenty records occurring in the previous five years and a vote by the Committee. Reports prior to 2017 are still requested for review. Also, beginning in 2017, reports of Western Sandpiper (*Calidris mauri*) and Western Kingbird (*Tyrannus verticalis*) in the South Review Zone are now requested for review, as

both species have occurred fewer than the allotted threshold in the previous five years. Both species new to Ontario, as listed above, were recorded in the South Review Zone, bringing the total number of species recorded in this review zone to 486.

No changes were made to the Subspecies Review List or the list of species known to have bred, leaving the total number of breeding species at 290.

### Listing of Records

For accepted records and records for which the identification was accepted but the origin is questionable, the following information is provided where known: year and date(s) of occurrence, location, number of birds, plumage and sex of each

individual, names of contributors and OBRC file number. For accepted records, the total number of records for the province (including 2016 reports) is indicated in parentheses after the species name. All contributors who have provided reports are listed; if a contributor is also a finder of the bird(s), their name is underlined. Additional finders of the bird(s) are also listed, where known, even if they did not provide documentation for review. Place names in italics refer to the county, regional municipality or district in Ontario. Common and scientific names, as well as taxonomy, follow the seventh edition of the Check-list of North American Birds published by the American Ornithologists' Union (1998), along with its annual supplements published in *The Auk: Ornithological Advances*, up to the 57th supplement (Chesser *et al.* 2016) inclusive.

Plumage terminology follows that of Humphrey and Parkes (1959). For a detailed explanation of plumage and molt terminology, see Pittaway (2000). Beginning in 2017, plumage terminology will follow a modified Humphrey and Parkes (1959) system following Howell (2010); regular contributors are encouraged to begin using this system with submissions to the committee.

All records that were not accepted due to either insufficient evidence or questionable origin have been listed separately. Contributors of all "not accepted" records are notified in writing by the Committee. Reasons for the decision are explained, using information provided by voting members on their voting slips. Any "not accepted" record can be reconsidered

by the OBRC if new or additional documentation is provided.

All documentation provided to the OBRC is permanently archived at the ROM. Researchers and other interested parties are welcome to examine any of this material evidence, by appointment. Please contact Mark Peck in writing at Department of Natural History, Royal Ontario Museum, 100 Queen's Park, Toronto, Ontario, M5S 2C6, by email at markp@rom.on.ca or by telephone at 416-586-5523. Over the past several years volunteers have been working to digitize the OBRC rare species documentation.

### **Acknowledgements**

The OBRC appreciates the efforts of the 214 observers who took the time to submit documentation of rare birds for consideration by the 2016 Committee. We also thank the following people who assisted the Committee in the acquisition of additional data and other material evidence that supplemented the information submitted directly by observers and Committee members, or by providing expert opinions on material evidence submitted to the Committee: Peter Adriaens, David M. Bell, David Brinkman, Peter S. Burke, Glenn Coady, Willie D'Anna, Bruce M. Di Labio, Christian A. Friis, Marcel Gahbauer, Jean Iron, Alvaro P. Jaramillo, Tony Leukering, Stuart A. Mackenzie, Leonard P. Manning, Kevin McLaughlin, Shaibal Mitra, Jim Pawlicki, Ron Pittaway, Peter Pyle, Brian D. Ratcliff, Michael L.P. Retter, Ron Ridout, Kayo J. Roy, Jon P. Ruddy, Jeff H. Skevington and Sara Jean Street.



Figure 2: Black-bellied Whistling-Ducks at Hamilton, *Hamilton* on 13 July 2016. Photo: Barbara N. Charlton.

### Accepted Records

#### Black-bellied Whistling-Duck *Dendrocygna autumnalis* (6)

- 2016 – five, definitive basic, 13 July, Hamilton, *Hamilton* (Eric W. Holden, Barbara N. Charlton, Joanne Redwood, Luc S. Fazio, J. Brett Fried; 2016-010)  
– photos, video on file.

#### Pink-footed Goose *Anser brachyrhynchus* (3)

- 2016 – one, definitive basic, 11 March, Wolfe Island, *Frontenac* (Mark D. Read, Justin White, found by Erwin Batalla, Paul Mackenzie; 2016-123) – photos on file.  
– one, definitive basic, 31 October-7 November, Tayside, *Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry* (Brian L. Morin, Robert H. Curry; 2016-122) – photos on file.

The Tayside bird is almost certainly the same returning individual that furnished the first provincial record in 2015 (Burrell and Charlton 2016) as it appeared at the same location with large flocks of Snow Geese (*Chen caerulescens*).

#### Barnacle Goose *Branta leucopsis* (2)

- 2015 – two, definitive basic, 3-4 May, Mohr Corners, *Ottawa* (Gary Milks, Arnie Simpson, Jamie Spence, Lacey Dolan, found by Richard Waters, Raymond P. Holland; 2016-145) – photos on file.

This record was originally considered by the 2015 Committee as record 2015-026 (Burrell and Charlton 2016) at which time the identification was accepted but its origin was considered unknown. Subsequently the record was resubmitted in accordance with section 6.5 of the OBRC operating guidelines. Burrell (*in prep*) is summarizing the status of this

species in northeastern North America. In light of the results of this summary, the Committee has decided there is now adequate evidence to suggest records of this species in southeastern Ontario should be assumed to constitute wild individuals, unless evidence to the contrary is presented.

**“Bewick’s” Tundra Swan *Cygnus columbianus bewickii* (4)**

- 2016** – one, definitive basic, leucistic, 6-9 February, Shrewsbury, *Chatham-Kent* (Blake A. Mann, Andrew E. Keaveney, Lev A. Frid; 2016-008) – photos on file.
- one, definitive basic, 6-9 February, Shrewsbury, *Chatham-Kent* (Andrew E. Keaveney, Michael D. Williamson, found by Reuven D. Martin, Pilar Manorome; 2016-009) – photos on file.

**Eurasian Wigeon *Anas penelope* Central and Lowlands only (75)**

- 2016** – one, definitive alternate male, 12-17 June, South Porcupine, *Cochrane* (Roxane D. Filion, also found by Jeffrey B. Parnell, Gary T. Dowe; 2016-030) – photos on file.
- one, definitive alternate male, 3 November, Netitishi Point, *Cochrane* (Joshua D. Vandermeulen, also found by Todd R. Hagedorn; 2016-039) – photos on file.

**Cinnamon Teal *Anas cyanoptera* (17)**

- 2016** – one, definitive alternate male, 11 June, Rainy River, *Rainy River* (David S. New, found by Mark K. Peck; 2016-020) – photos on file.

This is only the second provincial record since 2004, and the first since 2012.

**“Eurasian” Green-winged Teal *Anas crecca crecca* (9)**

- 2016** – one, definitive alternate male, 20 March, Townsend, *Haldimand* (Adam J. Triska; 2016-029) – photos on file.
- one, definitive alternate male, 19 April, Stoney Creek, *Hamilton* (Leonard P. Manning, Richard D. Poort; 2016-028).

**Common Eider *Somateria mollissima* Central and South only (25)**

- 2016** – one, *dresseri*, basic female, 31 May-14 June, Oakville, *Halton* (Mark W. Jennings; 2016-026) – photos on file.

**Harlequin Duck *Histrionicus histrionicus* Central and Lowlands only (30)**

- 2015** – one, first basic male, 26 December, Thunder Bay, *Thunder Bay* (Mike Childs, also found by Bruce Childs, Marion Childs; 2016-101) – photo on file.
- 2016** – one, basic, 12 October, Thunder Cape Bird Observatory, *Thunder Bay* (Mark H. Dorriesfield, also found by Kate Prince, Rinchen Boardman; 2016-064).
- three, basic, 30 October, Netitishi Point, *Cochrane* (Joshua D. Vandermeulen, also found by Todd R. Hagedorn; 2016-063) – photos on file.

**Pacific Loon *Gavia pacifica* Central only after 2014 (66)**

- 2012** – one, basic, 24 November, Cadigan Point, *Peterborough* (Donald A. Sutherland; 2016-091).





Figure 3: Pink-footed Goose with Snow Goose at Tayside, Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry on 31 October 2016. *Photo: Brian L. Morin.*



Figure 4: Eurasian Wigeon at South Porcupine, Cochrane on 12 June 2016. *Photo: Roxane D. Filion.*



Figure 5: Common Eider *dresseri* at Oakville, Halton on 31 May 2016. *Photo: Mark W. Jennings.*

**Western Grebe** *Aechmophorus occidentalis* (48)

- 2016 – one, basic, 25 March-9 April, Port Credit, *Peel* (Dominik Halas, J. Brett Fried, Greg J. Lavery, found by Reuven D. Martin; 2016-189) – photos on file.  
– one, basic, 3-8 December, Midland, *Simcoe* (Jean-Francois Robitaille, J. Burke Korol, David E. Szmyr, Barbara N. Charlton, Lucas J. Foerster, Peter S. Burke; 2016-188) – photos on file.

A Western Grebe has appeared in the west end of Lake Ontario each spring since 2006 (with the exception of 2008 and 2014), strongly suggesting a returning bird each year.

**Western/Clark's Grebe** *Aechmophorus* sp. (9)

- 2016 – one, basic, 11 November, Netitishi Point, *Cochrane* (Joshua D. Vandermeulen; 2016-159).  
– one, basic, 18 December, Toronto Islands, *Toronto* (Gavin C. Platt; 2016-053).

**Shearwater sp.** *Calonectris/Ardenna/Puffinus* sp. (1)

- 2016 – one, basic, 28-29 September, Hamilton, *Hamilton* (Robert H. Curry, Robert Z. Dobos, found by Barry S. Cherie; 2016-070).

The Committee felt that while the evidence provided was convincing that a shearwater was observed, the specific (or even generic) identity could not be established due to the distances involved and the brevity of the observation.

**Frigatebird sp.** *Fregata* sp. (5)

- 2016 – one, basic, 8 October, Pinery Provincial Park, *Lambton* (Kai A. Millyard; 2016-045).

**Northern Gannet** *Morus bassanus* (50)

- 2014 – one, definitive basic, 28 September, Netitishi Point, *Cochrane* (Joshua D. Vandermeulen, also found by Kory J. Renaud, Alan Wormington; 2016-075).  
2015 – one, juvenal, 15 October, Long Point (Tip), *Norfolk* (Erika K. Hentsch, J. Brett Fried; 2016-077).  
2016 – one, juvenal, 29 October, Jockvale, *Ottawa* (Bruce M. Di Labio, found by unknown finder; 2016-076) – photo on file.

The *Ottawa* bird was picked up in a weakened condition and transferred to the Ottawa wild bird care centre.

**Neotropic Cormorant** *Phalacrocorax brasilianus* (16)

- 2016 – one, basic, 1 April-4 May, Stoney Creek (1 April and 2 May) and Hamilton (4 May), *Hamilton* (Robert H. Curry, found by Brandon R. Holden; 2016-109).  
– one, basic, 13-14 May, Point Pelee National Park, *Essex* (Robert L. Waldhuber, Kenneth G.D. Burrell, Joshua D. Vandermeulen; 2016-110) – photos on file.  
– one, second basic, 4-24 August, Windermere Basin, *Hamilton* (David I. Pryor; 2016-093).

**Anhinga** *Anhinga anhinga* (5)

- 2016 – one, basic, 23 October, Woodbridge, *York* (Alfred L. Adamo; 2016-071).



Figure 6: Little Blue Heron at Wye Marsh, *Simcoe* on 25 May 2012. Photo: Catherine Lewis.

**Great Egret *Ardea alba* Central and Lowlands only (19)**

- 2009** – one, basic, 10 July, North Whitetop Creek, *Cochrane* (Donald A. Sutherland, Samuel R. Brinker, also found by Colin D. Jones, Charles Latremouille, Bill Spiers; 2016-085) – photo on file.
- 2016** – one, basic, 3-11 September, Balmertown, *Kenora* (Devin Turner, also found by Danielle Gough; 2016-062) – photos on file.
- one, basic, 25 September, Thunder Bay, *Thunder Bay* (Allan F. Gilbert; 2016-142).

**Snowy Egret *Egretta thula* Central and Lowlands only before 1991 and after 1996 (33)**

- 1991** – one, definitive basic, 24-30 May, Beckwith (24 May) and Carleton Place (30 May), *Lanark* (Mike Jacques, found by Joyce Jacques; 2016-134).

**Little Blue Heron *Egretta caerulea* (79)**

- 2012** – one, definitive alternate, 25 May, Wye Marsh, *Simcoe* (Catherine Lewis; 2016-089) – photo on file.

**Cattle Egret *Bulbulcus ibis* Central and Lowlands only (30)**

- 2016** – one, definitive basic, 5-10 May, Kakabeka Falls, *Thunder Bay* (Curtis Craig, Samantha Krause; 2016-018) – photos on file.
- one, definitive basic, 14 July, Dinorwic, *Kenora* (Ellen M. Riggins, found by Peter Brunner; 2016-035) – photos on file.
  - one, basic, 17-24 October, Geraldton, *Thunder Bay* (Karen I. Donio, Joseph F. Donio; 2016-037) – photos on file.
  - one, definitive basic, 23 October, Sioux Lookout, *Kenora* (Debra L. Carter, found by Lois B. Gray; 2016-023) – photos on file.
  - one, basic, 30 October-11 November, Dinorwic, *Kenora* (Carolyn Bowman; 2016-036) – photo on file.



- one, basic, 9-11 November, Moose Factory, *Cochrane* (John V. Turner, also found by Linda Turner; 2016-024) – photos on file.

With six records, 2016 eclipses the previous high of four records in “northern” Ontario set in 2003 (Crins 2004).

**Green Heron *Butorides virescens* Central and Lowlands only (12)**

- 2016** – one, definitive basic, 5 July, Latchford, *Timiskaming* (David E. Szmyr; 2016-086).

**Black-crowned Night-heron *Nycticorax nycticorax* Central and Lowlands only (12)**

- 2016** – one, definitive basic, 4 June-18 July, Thunder Bay, *Thunder Bay* (Glenn C. Stronks, found by Lindy Wagenaar; 2016-051).  
 – one, definitive basic, 8 October, Little Pigeon Bay, *Thunder Bay* (Allan G. Harris; 2016-021).

**Glossy Ibis *Plegadis falcinellus* Central and Lowlands only after 2016 (76)**

- 2011** – one, basic, 23 July-10 August, Lakeview Heights, *Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry* (Robert B. Scranton, Dawn Scranton, Jacques M. Bouvier, Paul R. O’Toole; 2016-144) – photos on file.  
**2016** – one, first basic, 13-16 October, New Liskeard, *Timiskaming* (Michael J. Werner; 2016-046) – photos on file.  
 – one, first basic, 26-29 November, Port Hope, *Northumberland* (Gary Little, Joshua D. Vandermeulen, found by Delaney Anderson, Debbie Anderson; 2016-048) – photos on file.

The *Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry* bird was originally considered by the 2011 committee as record number 2011-038; at the time, the photos provided were insufficient to rule out White-faced Ibis, so the Committee accepted the record as *Plegadis* sp. only (Cranford 2012). New photographs provided by J. Bouvier leave no doubt as to the identity of the bird.

The *Timiskaming* bird becomes the first record outside southern Ontario.

The committee no longer requests documentation of this species in the Southern Review Zone.

**Ibis species *Plegadis* sp. Central and Lowlands only after 2016 (76)**

- 2015** – one, basic, 28 April, Turkey Point, *Norfolk* (Erika K. Hentsch, also found by J. Brett Fried, Barbara N. Charlton; 2016-128).  
**2016** – one, basic, 26 August, Caledonia, *Haldimand* (George M. Naylor; 2016-124).  
 – one, juvenal, 15-18 September, Shirleys Bay, *Ottawa* (J. Michael Tate, Sue Milks, Jon P. Ruddy, found by unknown finder; 2016-127) – photos on file.  
 – one, basic, 17-22 October, Holiday Beach, *Essex* (Sean M. Jenniskens; 2016-125) – photos on file.  
 – one, basic, 12 November, Lindsay, *Kawartha Lakes* (Chris Ellingwood; 2016-126).



Figure 7: Glossy Ibis at New Liskeard, *Timiskaming* on 15 October 2016. Photo: Michael J. Werner.

**Turkey Vulture *Colaptes aura* Lowlands only (1)**

**2016** – one, definitive basic, 14 July, Moosonee, *Cochrane* (Ross W. Wood, also found by Ryan Burrell, Janine M. McManus; 2016-173).

**Mississippi Kite *Ictinia mississippiensis* (60)**

- 2016** – one, first basic, 13-15 May, Point Pelee National Park, *Essex* (Bruce M. Di Labio, Jon P. Ruddy, found by Jeremy M. Bensette, Tim R. Arthur; 2016-115)  
– photos on file.
- one, definitive basic, 13-15 May, Rondeau Provincial Park, *Chatham-Kent* (Ron Ridout, found by G. Tom Hince; 2016-117).
  - one, first basic, 19-23 May, Port Colborne, *Niagara* (Kayo J. Roy, Marcie L. Jacklin, Liz Peters-MacDonald, Winnie W.M. Poon, J. Kit Liew, Joshua D. Vandermeulen, found by Blayne E. Farnan, Jean M. Farnan; 2016-119)  
– photos on file.
  - one, first basic, 22 May, Rondeau Provincial Park, *Chatham-Kent* (Richard B. McArthur, found by unknown finder; 2016-118) – photo on file.
  - one, first basic, 28 May, Point Pelee National Park, *Essex* (Paul D. Pratt, Stephen T. Pike; 2016-116) – photo on file.

The five records in 2016 make for 16 in just the past three years, a remarkable run for this species in the province.

**Swainson's Hawk *Buteo swainsoni* (69)**

- 2016** – one, definitive basic, light morph, 30 May, Boulevard Lake, *Thunder Bay* (Allan G. Harris, also found by Brian D. Ratcliff; 2016-153) – photos on file.
- one, juvenal, 21 October, Holiday Beach, *Essex* (Paul D. Pratt, found by Scott Dickson; 2016-138) – photo on file.
  - one, juvenal, 22 October, Renwick, *Chatham-Kent* (Kenneth G.D. Burrell, also found by Brandon R. Holden, James G. Burrell; 2016-139).
  - one, juvenal, 22 October, Holiday Beach, *Essex* (Sean M. Jenniskens; 2016-140) – photos on file.

**Purple Gallinule *Porphyrio martinicus* (20)**

- 1973** – one, definitive basic, 5-9 May, Rattray Marsh, *Peel* (Luc S. Fazio, also found by Donald E. Perks, John G. Keenleyside; 2016-099) – specimen in Canadian Museum of Nature.
- 2016** – one, definitive basic, 5 November, North Oshawa, *Durham* (Tyler L. Hoar, found by Charlene Daniels; 2016-100) – photo on file, specimen at ROM.



Figure 8: Purple Gallinule at North Oshawa, *Durham* found dead on 5 November 2016.

Photo: Tyler L. Hoar.



Figure 9: Common Ringed Plover at Toronto (Tommy Thompson Park), *Toronto* on 20 August 2016.

Photo: Jean Iron.

**Black-necked Stilt** *Himantopus mexicanus* (19)

2016 – one, definitive basic female, 30 April-3 May, Hillman Marsh, *Essex* (Derek J. Lyon, Jeremy L. Hatt, Kenneth G.D. Burrell, Bruce M. Di Labio, J. Brett Fried, Erika K. Hentsch, also found by Jennifer L. Lyon; 2016-017) – photos on file.

**Common Ringed Plover** *Charadrius hiaticula* (1)

2016 – one, definitive alternate male, 20-25 August, Toronto (Tommy Thompson Park), *Toronto* (Paul N. Prior, Jean Iron, Gavin C. Platt, Luc S. Fazio, Dominic Halas, A. Geoffrey Carpentier; 2016-027) – photos, videos on file.

A first for the province, this individual was enjoyed by many during its stay and was well-documented with videos capturing its call, in addition to being in prime plumage for visual identification.

**Piping Plover** *Charadrius melodus* Central and Lowlands only after 2013 (90)

2015 – one, alternate male, 27 June, Windy Point, *Rainy River* (Joshua D. Vandermeulen; 2016-097).

**“White-rumped” Whimbrel** *Numenius phaeopus phaeopus/variegatus* (3)

1969 – one, basic, 24 May, Amherst Island, *Lennox and Addington* (Fred W. Cooke; 2016-161).



Figure 10: Ruff at Brighton, Northumberland on 11 May 2016. Photo: Joshua D. Vandermeulen.

**Ruff *Calidris pugnax* South after 2013 only (5)**

**2016** – one, definitive alternate male, 9-12 May, Brighton, *Northumberland* (Joshua D. Vandermeulen, found by William D. Gilmour, Mark Ansell; 2016-130) – photos on file.

- one, definitive alternate male, 17 May, Hillman Marsh, *Essex* (Robert J. Cermak, Lee Collins; 2016-131) – photo on file.

Historically this species was a rare but regular spring vagrant in southern Ontario; however, observations of this species have declined dramatically over the last decade and subsequently it was added to the review list in 2013. These records represent the first since its inclusion on the southern review list.

**Curlew Sandpiper *Calidris ferruginea* (32)**

**2016** – one, definitive alternate male, 11 August, Shegogau Creek, *Cochrane* (Ross W. Wood; 2016-133).

This is the first record for the province since 2012 (Cranford 2013) and only the second outside southern Ontario.

**Willet *Tringa semipalmata* Central and Lowlands only (23)**

**2015** – one, basic, 5 June, Thunder Bay, *Thunder Bay* (Brian J. Moore; 2016-166).

**2016** – one, definitive alternate, 13 May, New Liskeard, *Timiskaming* (Michael J. Werner, also found by Serge M. Gendron, Mark W. Milton; 2016-167) – photos on file.

- one, basic, 22 August, Longridge Point, *Cochrane* (R. Douglas McRae, Liam D. Curson; 2016-168).





Figure 11: Thick-billed Murre at Muskrat Lake, *Renfrew* on 26 November 2016. *Photo: Kevin C. Hannah.*

**Thick-billed Murre *Uria lomvia* (4)**

**2016** – one, first basic, 25-28 November, Muskrat Lake, *Renfrew* (J. Burke Korol, Bruce M. Di Labio, Jacques M. Bouvier, Kevin C. Hannah, Richard E. Lauzon; 2016-150) – photos on file.

This adds Thick-billed Murre to the already impressive list of ocean-going birds documented for *Renfrew* and neighbouring *Lanark* counties, which includes Dovekie (*Alle alle*), Razorbill (*Alca torda*), Atlantic Puffin (*Fratercula arctica*), Audubon's Shearwater (*Puffinus lherminieri*), Northern Gannet and Brown Pelican (*Pelecanus occidentalis*) – quite impressive when one considers the density of birders in the area!

**Black-legged Kittiwake *Rissa tridactyla* Central and Lowlands only (10)**

**2016** – one, definitive alternate, 31 August, Longridge Point, *Cochrane* (Liam D. Curson, also found by Greg Stuart; 2016-184).

**Sabine's Gull *Xema sabini* Central and Lowlands only (2)**

**2016** – one, definitive pre-basic molt, 11 November, Netitishi Point, *Cochrane* (Joshua D. Vandermeulen; 2016-132).

**Black-headed Gull *Chroicocephalus ridibundus* South after 2015 only (2)**

**2016/17** – one, definitive basic, 3 December-4 February, Niagara-on-the-Lake (3 December), Niagara Falls (4 December-14 January), Thorold (17 January), and Port Weller (2-4 February), *Niagara* (Edward B. Poropat, Jean Iron, Joshua D. Vandermeulen, William C. D'Anna, Dean DiTommaso, found by Alex Wiebe, Augie Kramer, Eric Sibbald, Jeremy Collison, Max Kirsch, Read Barbee and Sarah Toner; 2016-082) – photos on file.

**Little Gull *Hydrocoloeus minutus* Central only (3)**

**2016** – one, definitive basic, 16 October, New Liskeard, *Timiskaming* (Jonathan Frechette; 2016-047).



Figure 12: Franklin's Gull with Lesser Yellowlegs *Tringa flavipes* at Longridge Point, *Cochrane* on 31 July 2016. Photo: Barbara N. Charlton.

**Franklin's Gull *Leucophaeus pipixcan* Lowlands only (1)**

**2016** – one, second prebasic molt, 28 July-7 August, Longridge Point, *Cochrane* (Barbara N. Charlton, Jean Iron, found by Dan Froehlich; 2016-042) – photos, video on file.

**Lesser Black-backed Gull *Larus fuscus* Lowlands only after 2016 (21)**

**2014** – one, juvenal, 11 October, Kapuskasing, *Cochrane* (Jeremy M. Bensette, also found by Alan Wormington, Joshua D. Vandermeulen; 2016-111)  
– photo on file.

**2016** – one, definitive alternate, 22 April, Sharp Lake, *Timiskaming* (Michael J. Werner; 2016-113).

– one, definitive basic, 31 October, Netitishi Point, *Cochrane* (Joshua D. Vandermeulen, also found by Todd R. Hagedorn; 2016-112).

With the increasing frequency of sightings in the Central Review Zone, the OBRC no longer requests documentation within this zone.

**Least Tern *Sternula antillarum* (6)**

**2013** – one, first basic, 20 September, Point Pelee National Park, *Essex* (J. Michael Tate, also found by Alan Wormington, Michael J. Nelson; 2016-068).

**Arctic Tern *Sterna paradisaea* South and Central only (25)**

**2016** – one, second basic, 6 June, Ottawa (Britannia), *Ottawa* (J. Michael Tate; 2016-080).

– one, definitive alternate, 6 June, Ottawa (Britannia), *Ottawa* (Michelle A. Martin, also found by Mark A. Gawn, Paul A. Martin; 2016-081)  
– photo on file.

– one, definitive alternate, 23 June-2 July, Cobourg, *Northumberland* (Clive E. Goodwin, Luke H. Berg, David I. Pryor; 2016-005) – photos on file.

## Eurasian Collared-Dove *Streptopelia decaocto* (27)

- 2016** – one, definitive basic, 6 February–4 March, Earleton, *Timiskaming* (Serge M. Gendron, Donald A. Sutherland, Mike V.A. Burrell; 2016-034) – photos on file.
- one, definitive basic, 6 May, Peterborough, *Peterborough* (Donald A. Sutherland, also found by Lori Humphrey; 2016-059).
  - one, basic, 23 May–7 June, Niagara Falls, *Niagara* (Kayo J. Roy, found by Mark F. Doyle, Joan P. Doyle; 2016-003) – photos on file.
  - one, definitive basic male, 8 July–8 September, Guelph, *Wellington* (Mike Lepage, Dan J. MacNeal, Bonnie Kinder, Quinten Wieggersma, Charmaine Anderson, Barry Coombs, Erika K. Hentsch, J. Brett Fried; 2016-033) – photos on file.
  - one, basic, 9 September, Erie View, *Norfolk* (Kenneth G.D. Burrell; 2016-032).
  - two, definitive basic male and female, 10 October–17 November, Innisfil, *Simcoe* (Caleb H. Scholtens, David E. Szmyr, J. Burke Korol, also found by Peter Scholtens; 2016-031) – photos on file.

This species continues to increase in the province and confirmed nesting seems likely in the near future.

## White-winged Dove *Zenaida asiatica* (58)

- 2015** – one, basic, 22-23 October, Long Point, *Norfolk* (J. Brett Fried, Erika K. Hentsch, also found by Mark A. Conboy, Ross W. Wood; 2016-162).
- one, basic, 23 October–5 November, Thunder Bay, *Thunder Bay* (Clinton J. Kuschak, Brian D. Ratcliff, also found by Barbara J. Kuschak; 2016-179) – photos on file.
- 2016** – one, definitive basic male, 2 May–15 August, Rondeau Provincial Park, *Chatham-Kent* (Stephen R. Charbonneau, Bruce M. Di Labio, J. Brett Fried, Kenneth G.D. Burrell, Glenn Coady, Mark S. Field, Jeremy L. Hart; 2016-176) – photos, audio on file.
- one, definitive basic male, 22 May, Point Pelee National Park, *Essex* (Michael J. Nelson; 2016-169) – photo on file.
  - one, definitive basic, 25-30 May, Dorion, *Thunder Bay* (Norma J. Maurice, found by Jim Edmond, Dorothy Edmond; 2016-180) – photos on file.
  - one, definitive basic, 2 June, Schreiber, *Thunder Bay* (Peggy M.L. Campbell, Mark Campbell; 2016-177) – photo on file.
  - one, basic, 22 June, Atikokan, *Rainy River* (Darryl J. Warkentin; 2016-191) – photo on file.
  - one, definitive basic, 5 July, Ormond Beach, *Elgin* (Ron J. Kingswood; 2016-174) – photos on file.
  - one, definitive basic, 5-14 September, Dorion, *Thunder Bay* (Brian D. Ratcliff, found by Jack A. Mertens, Maureen Mertens; 2016-178) – photos on file.
  - one, basic, 1 November, Mission Island, *Thunder Bay* (Brian J. Moore; 2016-175).
  - one, basic, 3 November, Toronto, *Toronto* (Andrew E. Keaveney, Iain D.M. Fleming, Hugh G. Currie, Elias J. Takacs, found by Tim McCarthy, Ian Malone; 2016-170) – photos on file.

This species continues to increase at an impressive rate and may soon reach numbers warranting its removal from either/both of the Southern and Central Review lists; something that would have seemed unthinkable just a few years ago.

**Black-billed Cuckoo** *Coccyzus erythrophthalmus* **Lowlands only (2)**

**2016** – one, basic male, 14 August, Moosonee, *Cochrane* (Donald A. Sutherland, also found by Barbara N. Charlton, Ron Ridout, Jean Iron; 2016-054).

**Chuck-will's-widow** *Antrostomus carolinensis* **(36)**

**2015** – one, male, 12 May, Point Pelee National Park, *Essex* (Kenneth G.D. Burrell, Timothy B. Lucas, found by Will Weber; 2016-019).

– one, male, 18 May-30 June, South Bay, *Prince Edward* (Kevin Empey, Aaron Hywarren, found by John Blaney; 2016-025) – audio on file.

The *Prince Edward* bird marks the fourth consecutive year a singing male has been observed at this location (Holden 2014, Burrell and Charlton 2015 and 2016), strongly suggesting it is the same bird returning each year.

**Rufous Hummingbird** *Selasphorus rufus* **(31)**

**2015** – one, first basic female, 30 September-9 December, Roseneath, *Northumberland* (Carolyn Smoke, M. Elizabeth Kellogg; 2016-002)  
– photos on file.

**Lewis's Woodpecker** *Melanerpes lewis* **(10)**

**2016** – one, basic, 9 June, Gravel, *Thunder Bay* (Malcom Boon, Shirley Boon; 2016-069) – photos on file.

**Crested Caracara** *Caracara cheriway* **(4)**

**2016** – one, definitive basic, 28 November-5 December, Michipicoten River, *Algoma* (Chris Eagles, Luc S. Fazio, Kai A. Millyard, Jeremy L. Hatt, Mark S. Field, Joshua D. Vandermeulen; 2016-057) – photos, video on file.

This species appears to be increasing in frequency in northeastern North America with records from Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec, Maine, Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin, and Michigan, all since 2014 (eBird 2017). The Michigan record likely pertains to the same individual observed in Ontario, due to details of feather wear and lack of overlap in dates. The same may be true of the Wisconsin record.

**Prairie Falcon** *Falco mexicanus* **(4)**

**2016** – one, juvenal, 26 July-11 August, Longridge Point (26 July and 6 August) and Little Piskwamish Point (1, 2, 10, 11 August), *Cochrane* (Barbara N. Charlton, Jean Iron, found by Dan Froehlich; 2016-098) – photos on file.

This follows another record at the same location and similar time of year (Holden 2014), suggesting that this species may be a somewhat regular vagrant to the area coinciding with fall shorebird migration.



Figure 13: Rufous Hummingbird at Roseneath, Northumberland on 24 November 2015. Photo: Carolyn Smoke.



Figure 14: Crested Caracara at Michipicoten River, Algoma on 30 November 2016. Photo: Joshua D. Vandermeulen.



Figure 15: Prairie Falcon at Longridge Point, Cochrane on 6 August 2016. Photo: Barbara N. Charlton.



**Say's Phoebe *Sayornis saya* (20)**

2014 – one, first basic, 22 September, Pays Plat, *Thunder Bay* (Alan Wormington; 2016-001) – photo on file.

2016 – one, first basic, 19 September, Sibley Bay, *Thunder Bay* (Jennifer A. Lane, also found by Brian J. Moore; 2016-141) – photos, video on file.

**Vermilion Flycatcher *Pyrocephalus rubinus* (7)**

2016 – one, alternate male, 11 July, New Carlow, *Hastings* (Judy I. Robinson, also found by Eduard Hovinga; 2016-158).

**Ash-throated Flycatcher *Myiarchus cinerascens* (13)**

2016 – one, alternate, 8 May, Thunder Bay (McKellar Island), *Thunder Bay* (John M. Woodcock, also found by Maureen E. Woodcock; 2016-006) – photos on file.

This is just the second record outside Southern Ontario, the first being at Thunder Cape, *Thunder Bay* on 26 April 2006 (Crins 2007).

**Scissor-tailed Flycatcher *Tyrannus forficatus* (76)**

2016 – one, definitive alternate, 7 May, north of Point Pelee National Park, *Essex* (Gordon J. Atkins, also found by Marie Ostrander, Ruben Marchena; 2016-143) – photos on file.

**Loggerhead Shrike *Lanius ludovicianus* Central and Lowlands only (13)**

2016 – one, first alternate, 19 May, Thunder Bay, *Thunder Bay* (A. Gregg Kendall; 2016-090) – photo on file.

**Cave Swallow *Petrochelidon fulva* South pre 2010 and post 2015 only (65)**

2016 – one, basic, 20 November, Holiday Beach, *Essex* (Jeremy L. Hatt, Marianne B. Balkwill; 2016-043).

– one, first basic, 1-2 December, Long Point (Tip), *Norfolk* (Mark A. Conboy, Eric Giles; 2016-055) – photo on file.

This species continues to be irregular in the province. As such, the OBRC has adopted a special policy for dealing with records of this species whereby documentation will not be required during irruption years (see OBRC operating guidelines on the OFO website for details).

**Carolina Wren *Thryothorus ludovicianus* Central and Lowlands only (7)**

2016 – one, basic, 8 October-8 December, New Liskeard, *Timiskaming* (Joanne C. Goddard, Michael J. Werner; 2016-022) – photos on file.

**Mountain Bluebird *Sialia currucoides* (43)**

2016 – one, first basic male, 8 November, Dyer's Bay, *Bruce* (Michael T. Butler; 2016-074) – photos on file.

– one, basic female, 14 November, Moosonee, *Cochrane* (Todd R. Hagedorn, Joshua D. Vandermeulen; 2016-073).

**Townsend's Solitaire *Myadestes townsendi* Lowlands only after 2016 (86)**

- 2015/16** – one, basic, 30 December-6 January, Leaside, *Toronto* (Owen Strickland, David D. Beadle, David I. Pryor, Greg Stuart, Howard S. Shapiro, Noam Markus; 2016-187) – photos on file.
- 2016** – one, basic, 21 January, Ottawa, *Ottawa* (Mario Botros; 2016-079).  
– one, first basic, 6 February, Long Mountain, *Leeds and Grenville* (Justin F.B. Peter; 2016-155) – photo on file.  
– one, first basic, 26 April, Rattray Marsh, *Peel* (Sophie Matta; 2016-156) – photos on file.

The species has a long and well-documented pattern of occurrence in southern Ontario and as such, the Committee has voted to remove it from the South Review List, effective 1 January 2017.

**Smith's Longspur *Calcarius pictus* Central and South only (6)**

- 2016/17** – one, first basic female, 17 December-9 January, Port Royal, *Norfolk* (Ron Ridout, A. Geoffrey Carpentier, also found by Adam P. Timpf, Matt T. Timpf; 2016-148) – photos on file.

**Swainson's Warbler *Limnithlypis swainsonii* (11)**

- 2016** – one, basic, 14 May, Cambridge, *Waterloo* (William G. Wilson, Jerry Guenther, J. Brett Fried; 2016-154).

Amazingly, this is the second record for *Waterloo*. Even more amazing — the first record was found at the same location by the same observer — on 6 May 1982 (Cranford 2012).

**Kirtland's Warbler *Setophaga kirtlandii* Central and Lowlands only after 2016 (75)**

- 2016** – one, first alternate male, 9 May, Point Pelee National Park, *Essex* (Timothy B. Lucas, found by Michael P.J. Bouman; 2016-106) – photos on file.  
– one, first alternate male, 9 May, Point Pelee National Park, *Essex* (John R. Carley, Victoria L. Carley, Garth V. Riley, Nancy L. Barrett, Bruce M. Di Labio; 2016-107) – photos on file.  
– one, definitive alternate male, 11-12 May, Point Pelee National Park, *Essex* (Marvin C. Medelko, Kenneth G.D. Burrell, also found by Janet M. Medelko; 2016-104) – photo on file.  
– one, alternate male, 12 May, Oakville, *Halton* (Dominik Halas; 2016-103) – audio on file.  
– one, alternate female, 12 May, Point Pelee National Park, *Essex* (Robert L. Waldhuber, Sarah Lamond, Bruce M. Di Labio; 2016-105) – photos on file.  
– one, alternate male, 17 May, Inverhuron Provincial Park, *Bruce* (Robert N. Taylor, also found by Anne-Marie Benedict; 2016-102).  
– one, first alternate female, 24 May, Point Pelee National Park, *Essex* (Cory Chiappone, found by Alan Wormington; 2016-108) – photos on file.

This species shows no signs of decreasing in the province and the OBRC has accepted two records in the past five years (with additional reports undocumented), meeting the

threshold for removal from the South Review List. In addition to the numerous reports, recent research suggests that a large proportion of the Michigan population passes through and stops over in central Ontario during fall migration (Cooper *et al.* 2017).

**“Audubon’s” Yellow-rumped Warbler *Setophaga coronata auduboni* (21)**

**2015/16** – one, first basic, 28 November-12 March, East York, *Toronto* (Margaret J. Catto, John Catto; 2016-014) – photos on file.

**2016** – one, basic, 5 February-2 March, Point Pelee National Park, *Essex* (Jeremy L. Hatt, Blake A. Mann, found by Jeremy M. Bensette; 2016-011) – photos on file.

– one, alternate male, 16-22 April, Point Pelee National Park, *Essex* (Jeremy L. Hatt, Blake A. Mann, Mike D. Williamson, found by Emma Buck; 2016-012) – photos on file.

– one, alternate male, 16 April, Sarnia, *Lambton* (Deryl D. Nethercott; 2016-015) – photos on file.

– one, alternate female, 1 May, Point Pelee National Park, *Essex* (Dan J. MacNeal, also found by Paul K. MacNeal; 2016-013) – photos on file.

Prior to 2016, the most records in a single year was two, occurring in five different years.

**Grace’s Warbler *Setophaga graciae* (1)**

**2016** – one, first alternate male, 4 May, Point Pelee National Park, *Essex* (William C. D’Anna, Kenneth G.D. Burrell, Timothy B. Lucas, Joseph Minor; 2016-060) – photos on file.

This bird represents the first record for the province. The species was certainly on many birders’ radar but it was still rather unexpected as there are only two previous records in eastern North America (Illinois and New York) and none previously in Canada (eBird 2017).



Figure 16: “Audubon’s” Yellow-rumped Warbler at Sarnia, *Lambton* on 16 April 2016.

Photo: Deryl D. Nethercott.



Figure 17: Grace's Warbler at Point Pelee National Park, Essex on 4 May 2016. Photo: William C. D'Anna.



Figure 18: Black-throated Gray Warbler at Blenheim, Chatham-Kent on 12 December 2016. Photo: Stephen R. Charbonneau.



Figure 19: Townsend's Warbler at Rondeau Provincial Park, Chatham-Kent on 2 June 2016. Photo: Stephen R. Charbonneau.

**Black-throated Gray Warbler *Setophaga nigrescens* (20)**

2016 – one, basic male, 12 December, Blenheim, Chatham-Kent (Keith J. Burk, Stephen R. Charbonneau; 2016-072) – photos on file.

With six records, December is the most frequent month of occurrence for this species in the province.

**Townsend's Warbler *Setophaga townsendi* (10)**

2016 – one, definitive alternate male, 2 June, Rondeau Provincial Park, Chatham-Kent (Stephen R. Charbonneau, Kenneth G.D. Burrell; 2016-157) – photos on file.

**Henslow's Sparrow** *Ammodramus henslowii* (47)

- 2016 – one, definitive basic, 5-7 May, Point Pelee National Park, *Essex* (Kenneth G.D. Burrell, also found by James G. Burrell, G. Carol Gregory; 2016-121).  
– one, basic, 26 May, Point Pelee National Park, *Essex* (Michael Austin; 2016-065).



Figure 20: “Gray-headed” Dark-eyed Junco at Pinery Provincial Park, *Lambton* on 18 May 2016.  
*Photo: A. Beverley Rock.*

**“Gray-headed” Dark-eyed Junco**

*Junco hyemalis caniceps* (4)

- 2016 – one, definitive alternate male, 18 May, Pinery Provincial Park, *Lambton* (A. Beverley Rock, also found by B. Dennis Rock; 2016-061) – photo on file.

This is an extremely rare subspecies in the east, with only a single record outside Ontario, *per* eBird (2017), east of the Mississippi River, so it is somewhat surprising that Ontario now has four records. All of the Ontario records fall within the period of 9-25 May, indicative of spring migrants (versus overwintering individuals).

**Golden-crowned Sparrow** *Zonotrichia atricapilla* (15)

- 2016 – one, definitive alternate male, 26-27 April, Burlington, *Halton* (Benjamin G. Oldfield, Robert H. Curry, David R. Don; 2016-049) – photo on file.

This becomes the earliest date for a spring migrant for this species in the province. Spring dates now span 26 April to 19 May, with the majority occurring in early May.

**Spotted Towhee** *Pipilo maculata* (29)

- 2016 – one, basic male, 7-22 February, Thunder Bay, *Thunder Bay* (Connie M. Lamothe; 2016-186) – photos on file.

**Summer Tanager** *Piranga rubra* **Central and Lowlands only** (23)

- 2016 – one, first basic, 11-15 October, Hurkett, *Thunder Bay* (Kristen J. Spence; 2016-181) – photos on file.  
– one, basic female, 31 October-7 November, Manitouwadge, *Thunder Bay* (Brian D. Ratcliff, found by Michel E. Begin, Kris Begin; 2016-136) – photo on file.  
– one, first basic female, 7 November-4 December, Rosspoint, *Thunder Bay* (Colleen M. Kenney; 2016-183) – photos on file.

**Western Tanager** *Piranga ludoviciana* (47)

- 2016 – one, first alternate male, 14-18 May, Thunder Bay (McKellar Island), *Thunder Bay* (Maureen E. Woodcock, also found by John M. Woodcock; 2016-190) – photos on file.



**Indigo Bunting** *Passerina cyanea* **Lowlands only (1)**

**2012** – one, basic female, 30 September, Moosonee, *Cochrane* (Joshua D. Vandermeulen, also found by Alan Wormington, Mark W. Jennings; 2016-067).

**Painted Bunting** *Passerina ciris* **(43)**

**2016** – one, definitive alternate male, 21-22 April, Horseshoe Bay, *Algoma* (Marguerite Waite; 2016-094) – photos on file.  
– one, definitive alternate male, 11 June, Golden City, *Cochrane* (Christina L. Rigney; 2016-096) – photos on file.  
– one, first basic, 12 September, Courtright Ridge, *Norfolk* (Kyle Cameron, also found by Sarah Bonnett, Bruce Harlow; 2016-095) – photos on file.

**Yellow-headed Blackbird** *Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus* **Lowlands only (2)**

**2015** – one, first basic male, 5 October, Fort Severn, *Kenora* (James Janzen; 2016-016) – photo on file.

**Orchard Oriole** *Icterus spurius* **Central and Lowlands only (13)**

**2015** – one, definitive alternate male, 23-24 May, Dryden, *Kenora* (Barbara A. Nickel, Angela Massey; 2016-078) – photos on file.

**Brambling** *Fringilla montifringilla* **(9)**

**2016/17** – one, first basic, 5 December-18 March 2017, Brockville, *Leeds and Grenville* (Brenda L. Evers, V. Paul Mackenzie, Joshua D. Vandermeulen, also found by Ronald W. Evers; 2016-052) – photos on file.

This bird was seen 5 December at the first location in Brockville and then was rediscovered at a second location 14 February, reappearing there again on 9-18 March.



Figure 21: Orchard Oriole at Dryden, *Kenora* on 23 May 2015. Photo: Barbara A. Nickel.



Figure 22: Brambling at Brockville, Leeds and Grenville on 12 March 2017. Photo: Paul Mackenzie.



Figure 23: Gray-crowned Rosy-Finch showing intermediate characteristics between *tephrocotis* and *littoralis* subspecies at Ear Falls, Kenora on 4 February 2016. Photo: Carolle D. Eady.

### Gray-crowned Rosy-Finch *Leucosticte tephrocotis* (26)

- 2015** – one, basic, *littoralis*, 17-20 December, Stepstone, *Thunder Bay* (James F. Brewer, also found by Lorena Brewer; 2016-185) – photos on file.
- 2016** – one, first basic male, *littoralis/tephrocotis* intergrade, 13 January-21 February, Ear Falls, *Kenora* (Carolle D. Eady, found by Kenneth A. Kay, Dorothy M. Kay; 2016-084) – photos on file.

### Not Accepted Records: Identification Accepted, Origin Questionable

Birds in this category are considered by the OBRC to be correctly identified but their origin is questionable. Over time, some instances involve birds that have a high certainty of previous captive origin, whereas some records placed in this category have caused considerable debate among past voting members. If new evidence suggesting wild origin becomes available, such reports may be reconsidered by the OBRC.

- 2016** – Whooping Crane (*Grus americana*), one, definitive basic, 26 October, Elsinore, *Bruce* (Cindy E.J. Cartwright; 2016-165).
- European Goldfinch (*Carduelis carduelis*), one, definitive alternate, 3-4 April, Chesterville, *Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry* (Jay Netherwood, also found by Elaine Smith; 2016-040) – photos on file.
  - European Goldfinch, one, basic, 16 December, Bailieboro, *Peterborough* (Cheryl L. Daniels; 2016-083) – photo.

### Not Accepted Records: Insufficient Evidence

The documentation received for the following reports generally was found not to be detailed enough to eliminate similar species unequivocally or simply lacking enough detail to properly describe the individual. In many cases, OBRC members felt that the species being described was likely correctly identified by the observer but the report received for voting was simply too limited for acceptance. These circumstances sometimes arise from unavoidable situations such as poor viewing conditions or brevity of observation.

- 2006** – Swainson's Hawk, one, 15 July, McKerrow, *Sudbury* (2016-151).
- 2014** – Yellow-billed Loon (*Gavia adamsii*), one, 25 May, Thunder Cape Bird Observatory, *Thunder Bay* (2016-164).
- 2015** – Harlequin Duck, one, 5 June, Thunder Bay, *Thunder Bay* (2016-087).  
 – Neotropic Cormorant, one, 26 August, Long Point (Tip), *Norfolk* (2016-092) – photos on file.  
 – Eurasian Collared-Dove, one, 9 November, Fort Frances, *Rainy River* (2016-044) – photo on file.  
 – Fish Crow (*Corvus ossifragus*), one, 7 May, Hamilton, *Hamilton* (2016-041).  
 – Smith's Longspur, four, 16 October, Silver Islet, *Thunder Bay* (2016-149).
- 2016** – Anhinga, two, 20-21 May, Dundas, *Hamilton* (2016-004).  
 – Little Blue Heron, one, 9 June, Etobicoke, *Toronto* (2016-088).  
 – Swallow-tailed Kite (*Elanoides forficatus*), one, 5 June, Walsingham, *Norfolk* (2016-172).  
 – Swainson's Hawk, one, 14 September, Holiday Beach, *Essex* (2016-137).  
 – Swainson's Hawk, one, 18 September, Uttoxeter, *Lambton* (2016-152).  
 – Common Ringed Plover, one, 26 August, Port Burwell, *Elgin* (2016-056).  
 – Sharp-tailed Sandpiper (*Calidris acuminata*), one, 21 October, Stromness, *Haldimand* (2016-146) – photos on file.  
 – Western Sandpiper, one, 30 October, Netitishi Point, *Cochrane* (2016-160).  
 – Lesser Black-backed Gull, one, 7 October, Timmins, *Cochrane* (2016-114) – photos on file.  
 – Slaty-backed Gull (*Larus schistisagus*), one, 26 December, Thunder Bay, *Thunder Bay* (2016-147) – photos on file.  
 – Sandwich Tern (*Thalasseus sandvicensis*), one, 4 September, Long Point, *Norfolk* (2016-129) – photos on file.  
 – Eurasian Collared-Dove, one, 12-18 December, Kingston, *Frontenac* (2016-058) – photos on file.  
 – Chuck-will's-widow, one, 19 May, Mississauga, *Peel* (2016-038).  
 – Bell's Vireo (*Vireo bellii*), one, 18 May, Long Point, *Norfolk* (2016-171).  
 – Bell's Vireo, one, 27 May, Pinery Provincial Park, *Lambton* (2016-007).  
 – “Pink-sided” Dark-eyed Junco (*J. h. mearnsi*), one, 10 October, Devlin, *Rainy River* (2016-120) – photos on file.  
 – “White-winged” Dark-eyed Junco (*J. h. aikeni*), one, 27 September, Devlin, *Rainy River* (2016-163) – photos on file.  
 – Golden-crowned Sparrow, one, 10 October, Mackey, *Renfrew* (2016-050) – photos on file.  
 – Summer Tanager, one, 13-15 October, Marks Township, *Thunder Bay* (2016-182).  
 – Hooded Oriole (*Icterus cucullatus*), one, 17 May, Scarborough, *Toronto* (2016-066).

## Corrections/Updates to Previous OBRC Reports

### 2015 report (*Ontario Birds* 34:50-81)

**Under Pink-footed Goose** change “Jacques M. Bouvier, Christopher J. Escott, Jeremy L. Hatt, David I. Pryor, David E. Szmyr, J. Michael Tate, Bruce M. Di Labio” to “Jacques M. Bouvier, Christopher J. Escott, Jeremy L. Hatt, David I. Pryor, David E. Szmyr, J. Michael Tate, Bruce M. Di Labio, Mark S. Field”.

**Under Mottled Duck** change “Jeremy L. Hatt, Joshua D. Vandermeulen, Jarmo V. Jalava, also found by Alan Wormington, Jeremy M. Bensette, Rick Mayos” to “Jeremy L. Hatt, Joshua D. Vandermeulen, Jarmo V. Jalava, also found by Alan Wormington, Jeremy M. Bensette, Rick Mayos” and change year to 2015.

**Under “Eurasian” Green-winged Teal** change “*Anas fulvigula*” to “*Anas crecca crecca*”.

**Under Northern Gannet** change the year to 2014.

**Under Chuck-will’s-widow** (2015-087) change “David R. Don, Cheryl E. Edgecombe” to “David R. Don, Cheryl E. Edgecombe, Robert Z. Dobos”.

**Under Scissor-tailed Flycatcher** (2015-111) change “*Kenora*” to “*Rainy River*”.

**Under Western Kingbird** change the year to 2012.

**Under Vermilion Flycatcher** change “*West Becher*” to “*Wallaceburg*”.

**Under Fish Crow** (2015-142) change “Nathan G. Miller, Garth V. Riley” to “Nathan G. Miller, Garth V. Riley, David I. Pryor”.

**Under Kirtland’s Warbler** (2015-055) change the last date to 15 May.

**Under Henslow’s Sparrow** (2015-030) change “Bryan Teat, Dan Riley, found by Kenneth G.D. Burrell, Richard Pope” to “Kenneth G.D. Burrell, Bryan Teat, Dan Riley, also found by Richard Pope”.

**Under Painted Bunting** (2015-058) change last date to 14 May.

**Under Figure 17**, change “Eleanor Kee Wellman” to “Joshua D. Vandermeulen”.



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