

Underlined items indicate noteworthy factors.

F indicates first record for the year.

L indicates probable last record for the spring season.

B indicates netted and banded.

T = Town of

ph = photograph available through observer or eBird

NMWMA = Northern Montezuma Wildlife Management Area, Wayne County

HANA = High Acres Nature Area, T. of Perinton

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	10-year Average (2012-2021)
Species for June	187	202	190.9
New for the year	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>2.4</u>
Total for the year to date	279	273	269.7

**Notes:**

A first half of the month filled with heavy rainfall contrasted with abnormally dry conditions setting in by the months' end. Temperatures averaged 67.5°F, 1.5 degrees above average. Seven days had highs in the 80s F and three days were 90° F or above. Precipitation totaled 2.04 inches, 1.32 inches below average.

Weather conditions were generally good for birding despite some days of widespread precipitation towards the beginning of the month. Lots of birders were out atlasing and got to some underserved spots around the region; nice to see. The monthly eBird download came in at 63,203 lines raw and fell to 49,911 lines after removing excess data from western Orleans, Genesee, Wyoming, and eastern Ontario Counties, representing a shrinkage of 2.9% from 2021. Rarities felt slower than in recent years' past, but still made a decent list. Black-bellied Whistling Duck, Willet, two Laughing Gulls, two Least Terns, Snowy Egret, Swainson's Hawk, and Sedge Wren topped the list.

Expected breeders like Mallard and Wood Duck had high counts much lower than expected. Lingering waterfowl were scarcer than in recent years. These waterfowl were consistently found at places like Braddock Bay's East Spit, with Blue-winged Teal, American Wigeon, Greater Scaup, and Red-breasted Merganser seen periodically. A Green-winged Teal was reported through the month at the ever-productive Chandler Road section of the Genesee Valley Greenway Trail outside of Genesee. A Ring-necked Duck was found at Van Dyne Spoor Road in NMWMA most of the month.

Yellow-billed Cuckoo was reported strong with 174 lines. Common Nighthawk reports dried up earlier than last year with the last on June 3<sup>rd</sup> around the Greece ponds. Ruby-throated Hummingbird reports came in at 536 lines. The only consistent reports of Common Gallinule and American Coot came out of Van Dyne Spoor Road at NMWMA.

Observers in Monroe County continued their strong coverage of the East Spit Island, an actual island this year with Lake Ontario's water levels about average compared to last spring when it became a peninsula extension of the normal East Spit. Birders were rewarded with some lingering

shorebirds including a Black-bellied Plover on the 12<sup>th</sup> and several White-rumped Sandpipers towards the beginning of the month. A Willet was seen on the 1<sup>st</sup> at Sodus Point. Thirteen species of shorebird were seen in total, not the best but not horrible. For gulls, a Laughing Gull was seen at the East Spit on the 1<sup>st</sup> and at Sodus Point on the 10<sup>th</sup>. There were no reports of Lesser Black-backed Gull, a sharp contrast to last year, where they were consistent around Braddock Bay well into the month. Two Least Terns made a brief appearance on the morning of the 12<sup>th</sup> at the East Spit barrier island and were also picked up heading east past Charlotte Pier later.

Small movements of late-migrant raptors continued into the month with occasional volunteer staffing of the Braddock Bay Hawk Watch. June 14<sup>th</sup> was an excellent day with 140 Turkey Vultures, 47 Bald Eagles, 49 Broad-winged Hawks, and a Swainson's Hawk making for a pleasant surprise for the two observers present. There were 22 reports of Red-headed Woodpecker. American Kestrel came in at 75 lines. There were at least two pairs of breeding Merlin confirmed and 12 lines of Peregrine Falcon. Fish Crow had a high count of nine from downtown Rochester, where the bulk of the county's population now seems to reside.

Passerine numbers contained nothing excited. Reports of late migrants were very few to almost nonexistent, perhaps more of a consequence of reduced effort now that June arrived, and spring migration is "over" (the noteworthy table was dominated by too few names). There were notable misses such as Olive-sided Flycatcher, Philadelphia Vireo, and Lincoln's Sparrow. There was only one report of Swainson's Thrush on the 14<sup>th</sup> and no reports of Gray-cheeked Thrush, which was surprising given that these two species' nocturnal flight calls are reliably detected with passive acoustic monitoring well into or sometimes past the second week of the month. The rarest passerines were a Sedge Wren found at Burger Park in Greece, the Clay-colored Sparrows on Cook Road in Hamlin, and a Prairie Warbler in northern Letchworth State Park. An additional Clay-colored Sparrow showed up in Caledonia, seen only on one day.

Please submit reports to eBird, post them on GeneseeBirds, and/or email in by the 5<sup>th</sup> of the month to Nick Kachala, nicholaskach@gmail.com

### **Observers:**

Jim Adams, Janet Akin, Osvaldo Araya, Ted Barnett, Mitchell Barry, BBBO (Andrea Patterson), Doug Beattie, Betty Beckham, Don Bemont, Linda Clark Benedict & Steve Benedict, Mike Bergin, Lynn Bergmeyer, Barry Bermudez, Linda Birkel, John Boettcher, Terry Bohling, Lynn Braband, Joe Brin, Kyle Brock, David Brown, Mark Brown, Logan Brunner, Robert Buckert, Sara Burch, Ken Burdick, Bruce Cady, Brad Carlson, Nancy Casper, Denis & Judy Caysinger, Chris Chappell, Robert Cicotta, Roger Clark, Kelly Close, Jeremy Collison, Andrew Consler, Kathleen Dalton, Doug Daniels, Gordon Dutter, Diane Egan, Joe Fell, Debra Florio, George Ford, Jim Fry, Kyle Gage, Andrew Garland, Janis George, Jessica George, Michelle Gianvecchio, Candy Giles, Christopher Goetz, James Goetz, John Gordinier, Sheryl Gracewski, Kate Graham, Jane Graves, Jay Greenberg, Kevin Griffith, Ralph & Georgia Guenther, Michael Gullo, Andrew Guthrie, Chris Guthrie, Danny Guthrie, Richard Guthrie, Bill Haake, Meena Haribal, Helen & Chris Haller, Kim Hartquist, Christina Hoh, Dick Horsey, Bill Howe, Linda Howes, IBA Monitoring, Pam Inzinna, Carolyn Jacobs, Alyssa Johnson, Nick Kachala, Amy Kahn, Laura & Paul Kammermeier, Jacob Kearney, Jim Kimball, Evelyn Kirkwood, Kathy Kirsch, Renee Kittleman, Michael Laird, Chris Lajewski, Tom Lathrop, Leona Lauster, Greg Lawrence, Gayle Lazoration,

Tim Lenz, Joan & Vern Lindberg, Peggy Mabb, Melissa Mance-Coniglio, Cindy Marino, Pat Martin, Donna Mason-Spier, Lauri Mattle, Kenneth McCarthy, Jacob McCartney, Jay McGowan, Ann McMican, Scott & Sophie Meagher, Steve Melcher, Jim Miles, Mark Miller, Kent Millham, Phil Mills, Randi Minetor, Adrielle Mitchell, Ann Mitchell, Celeste Morien, Brian & Brooke Morse, Linda Mott, Leah Mould, Sheila Mumpton, Allen Nash, Ann Nash, Tom Nash, Rivka Noll, David Odell, Michael Palermo, Gary Palmer, Andrea Patterson, Michael Peter, Steven Pitt, Norma Platt, Jo Popma, Doug & Elizabeth Rabjohns, Carolyn Ragan, Stacy Robinson, RBA Field Trips, Neal Reilly, Rosemary Reilly, Susan Roberts, Brian Rohrs, Victoria Rothman, Wade & Melissa Rowley, Robert Ryan, Kevin Rybczynski, Jackie Salisbury, Karl Schmidt, Shirley Shaw, Dominic Sherony, Judy Slein, Dee Smith, Roger Smith, Tom & Pat Smith, Robert & Susan Spahn, Dave Spier, Kim Sucey, June Summers, Stephen Taylor, Mike & Joann Tetlow, Eunice Thein, Nathan Ukens, Alison Van Keuren, Jeanne & Tom Verhulst, Matthew Voelker, Jules Wagner, Mike Wasilco, Bridget Watts, Joe Wing, Jim Wood. (There were greater than 450 observers in the filtered eBird download.)

**NOTEWORTHY RECORDS**  
JUNE 2022

<u>Species</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Observers</u>
<b>Black-bellied Whistling-Duck</b>	1	15F	Scottsville, general loc.	anonymous, photo confirmed
Mute Swan	<u>max 65</u>		Braddock Bay--East Spit	M. Gianvecchio
Blue-winged Teal	1	4-14	Genesee Valley Greenway, Chandler Road	J. Kimball
Blue-winged Teal	1	26	Braddock Bay--East Spit	M. Bary
American Wigeon	2	10	Braddock Bay--East Spit	M. Gianvecchio
American Wigeon	1	4-6	<u>High Acres Nature Area, Fairport</u>	D. Sherony
American Black Duck only rep	1	6	Van Dyne Spoor Rd., Savannah	J. Wood
Green-winged Teal	1	4-29	Genesee Valley Greenway, Chandler Road	J. Kimball
Ring-necked Duck	1	6-30	Van Dyne Spoor Rd., Savannah	C. Curry + 3 others
Greater Scaup	1	5-15L	Braddock Bay	M. Bary + 5 others
Red-breasted Merganser	1	12	Alder Beach, Hilton	Ji. Miles
Red-breasted Merganser	1	14	Braddock Bay--East Spit	M. Gianvecchio
Red-breasted Merganser	1	6	Hamlin Beach SP--Parking Lot No. 4 (Lakewatch)	A. Guthrie
Pied-billed Grebe	<u>max 30</u>	11	NMWMA--Sandhill Crane Unit	A. Patterson
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	174 lines eBird	all month		mob
Common Nighthawk	3	10L	Grandview Heights, Greece	K. Griffith
Common Gallinule	<u>max 15</u>	11	NMWMA--Sandhill Crane Unit	A. Patterson
American Coot	<u>max 6, low</u>	1	NMWMA--Sandhill Crane Unit	D. Alix
Sandhill Crane	1	5	<u>Nations Road IBA, Avon</u>	R. Ryan; S. Ryan
Sandhill Crane	5	8	Armitage Rd., Savannah	D. Sherony
Sandhill Crane	3	23	Allens Hill Rd., Honeoye	L. Braband
Black-bellied Plover	1	12L	Braddock Bay--East Spit	M. Gianvecchio
Semipalmated Plover	1	14L	Braddock Bay--East Spit	M. Gianvecchio
Ruddy Turnstone	4	9L	Summerville Pier	Ji. Miles
Sanderling	3	21	Sodus Bay, Sodus Point	J. Wing
Dunlin	1	1-10L	Braddock Bay--East Spit	M. Gianvecchio + others
Least Sandpiper	1	29FF	Ontario Beach and Charlotte Pier	K. Millham
White-rumped Sandpiper	1	14L	Braddock Bay--East Spit	M. Gianvecchio
Semipalmated Sandpiper	19	2L	Braddock Bay--East Spit	M. Bary
Semipalmated Sandpiper	1	27FF	Braddock Bay--East Spit	Ji. Miles
Willet	1	1	Sodus Bay, Sodus Point	M. Gullo
Bonaparte's Gull	4	14L	Hamlin Beach SP	Ji. Miles, L. Mattle
Laughing Gull	1	1F	Braddock Bay--East Spit	M. Gianvecchio, S. Gracewski
Laughing Gull	1	10	Sodus Bay, Sodus Point	T. Lenz
Ring-billed Gull nesting	400	11	Hylan Dr., Henrietta	N. Kachala
Ring-billed Gull	<u>max 500</u>	2	Point Breeze	M. Gianvecchio
Least Tern ph	2, 3rd Reg sprg	12F 10:15	Braddock Bay--East Spit	M. Gianvecchio, Ji. Miles, L. Mattle
Least Tern ph	2, 3rd Reg sprg	12 11:46	Ontario Beach and Charlotte Pier	M. Gullo
Forster's Tern	1	1L	Braddock Bay--East Spit	S. Gracewski + 3 others
Common Loon	1	25	Hamlin Beach SP	A. Guthrie
Double-crested Cormorant	<u>max 165, low</u>	9	Point Breeze	A. Guthrie
American Bittern	<u>max 5</u>	11	NMWMA--Sandhill Crane Unit	A. Patterson
Great Blue Heron	<u>max 33</u>	27	Telephone Rd., Pavilion	D. Beattie
Snowy Egret	1	9	Point Breeze	C. Morien
Turkey Vulture	<u>max 140</u>	16	Braddock Bay--Hawkwatch	M. Tetlow
Northern Harrier	<u>max 3</u>	16	Braddock Bay--Hawkwatch	M. Tetlow
Sharp-shinned Hawk	<u>8 lines, low</u>	all month	many loc	mob
Bald Eagle	<u>max 47</u>	16	Braddock Bay--Hawkwatch	M. Tetlow
Red-shouldered Hawk	<u>total ~6 ind</u>	all month	many loc	mob
Broad-winged Hawk	<u>max 49</u>	16	Braddock Bay--Hawkwatch	M. Tetlow

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Swainson's Hawk	1	16F	Braddock Bay--Hawkwatch	M. Gullo, M. Tetlow
Swainson's Hawk	1	20	St. Paul & Cooper Rds., Irondequoit	J. Lang
Red-tailed Hawk	<u>max 18</u>	16	Braddock Bay--Hawkwatch	M. Tetlow
Red-headed Woodpecker	<u>22 reports</u>	all month	many loc	mob
American Kestrel	<u>total ~75 ind</u>	all month	many loc	mob
Merlin	<u>13 lines eBird</u>	all month	many loc	mob
Peregrine Falcon	total ~12 ind		many loc	mob
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	1B	10L	Manitou	BBBO
Least Flycatcher	5 lines eBird, lo	all month	many loc	mob
Fish Crow	<u>max 9</u>	20	E. Main St., Rochester	B. Rohrs, G. Lazoration
Bank Swallow	<u>max 230</u>	15	Hamlin Beach SP--Parking Lot No. 4	A. Guthrie
Barn Swallow	<u>max 74</u>	21	High Acres Nature Area, Fairport	B. Cady
Sedge Wren	1	14-28	Burger Park, Greece	N. Ukens + 13 others
Swainson's Thrush	1	14L	Webster Park	C. Gumina
Pine Siskin	1	1	Jacobs Rd., Hamlin	A. Guthrie
Pine Siskin	1	3L	Lake Rd., Webster	P. Mabb
Grasshopper Sparrow	<u>max 4</u>	29	Nations Road IBA	J. Kimball
Clay-colored Sparrow	1	18	Leicester Rd., T. Caledonia	M. Wasilco
Clay-colored Sparrow	1	<u>all month</u>	Cook Rd., Hamlin	5 observers
White-crowned Sparrow	1	1L	Burger Park, Greece	S. Gracewski
White-throated Sparrow	1	3L	Nations Road IBA	K. Schmidt
Orchard Oriole	<u>max 7</u>	26	Mumford	Ja. George
Prothonotary Warbler	1	24L	NMWMA--Armitage Rd.	K. Gage
Tennessee Warbler	1	2L	Beechwood SP	J. Wood
Nashville Warbler	1	2L	Beechwood SP	J. Wood
Nashville Warbler	1B	28	<u>Manitou</u>	BBBO

