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Johns 50131

8/1/50

Bery Engstrom

Dear Jim,

I was out of town a lot this summer, so my report is kind of brief. All reports are from the Sayreville area unless otherwise noted.

P.B. Grebe: 2 were at Mochly Prairie on 7/21

— Pelican: 4 near dam on 7/12

— G.B. Heron: at least 36 nests, most with young 7/11

— Cackling Egret: Twelve at Mochly on 7/14

— B.C. Night Heron: 9 at Polk City Refuge on 7/21

Y.C. Night Heron: could not find for 3<sup>rd</sup> summer in a row, though water was back to normal level in oxbows

B.W. Teal: 4 were at Mochly on 7/22

— Osprey: 2 appeared near the dam on 7/17

Cooper's Hawk: could not find on two trips in July

— Upland Sandpiper: 1 was still calling at Mochly on 7/22

L. Yellowlegs: 14 at Mochly on 7/22

Pectoral S.P.: 66 were at Mochly by 7/22

— R.B. Gull: at least 45 spent the summer on the lake, by 7/17

100 were present

Forster's tern: 8 returned on 7/17

Caspian Tern: 2 on 6/24; 3 on 7/11, 7/14

Black Tern: 1 at Mochly on 7/14, 22

Whip-poor-will: Regular in the wood near my house

R.T. Hummingbird: daily in my garden, most open noweries in the woods north of my home

Wood Thrush: Only 2 when I used to find 7. (1985 + prior)

Veery: could not locate in 2 trips

Brooklark: 5 on 7/15

Bell's Vireo: common in shelterbelts around Big Creek

Y.T. Vireo: 2 on 6/24 (different locations)

Prothonotary W.: 5 below dam

Carolin W.: 3 singing in colony on 6/30 (usually 5)

Ovenbird: 5 on 6/30 (average number)

Redstart: 2 males on 7/7 + 7/11 near sandpiper (regular  
for last 4 years there)

X.H. Blackbird: at least 6 in colony near Moeckly

Scarlet Tanager: 3 <sup>on</sup> ~~at~~ 7/15

The lake peaked at 871 on 6/24, still at  
859 today (8/1) Normal pool 836. Both  
beaches covered.