

MOSMAN

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SUMMER 1983

The first part of this period was cool and wet. We had over 8 inches of rain in 3 days last week of June. Then July was very hot and dry.

- ✓ Canada Goose: 27 seen very low over my house on June 23. Very unusual of this location.
- ✓ Tree Swallow: First nest ever here in Bluebird nest.
- ✓ Purple Martin: Numbers were sharply down. I checked 10 Colonies in this area, some down as many as 10 pair. Nesting success was good at my colony with over 190 Nestlings banded.
- ✓ Eastern Bluebird: With a couple weeks left in nesting period and 15 active nests now. This should be second best year ever on my trail. 25 nests so far, only 2 less than last year, which was my best year.

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