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President's Message:

Dear Members,

It is hard to believe that 2024 is nearly over. I have been hard at work this Fall in the yard trying to establish a native plant and pollinator garden. I am excited to watch the transformation in the coming years. I am grateful to the many OOS Members who have coached me through this process.

It has not been all work for me this Fall, however. I have been fortunate to spend some time birding. I recently reached a birding milestone. Since my last letter in the OOS Scissortail, I have surpassed four hundred bird species observed in our great state. While it is a proud accomplishment, it is sobering to realize that it has almost nothing to do with aptitude and everything to do with longevity. Thank you to so many of you who have shared your observations and allowed me and so many others to enjoy "your" birds.

The OOS Fall 2024 meeting was a smashing success even though the birding during the field trips was admittedly slow. The attendance was good, and I enjoyed seeing so many of you there. I was impressed by the many excellent oral and poster presentations. This is always a highlight for me, personally. Thanks to Mark Howery for coordinating the meeting. The OKC Zoo Education Center proved to be an ideal venue. Also, many thanks to Joe Grzybowski for scheduling the Keynote Speaker. Dr. Eli Bridge's presentation on the history of monitoring nocturnal migration was fascinating.

The OOS Spring Meeting is planned for April 12th, 2025, at Lake Murray State Park. Please mark your calendars and plan on attending.

This is my final letter as OOS President. It has been a pleasure to serve this organization and our members. Cole Penning was elected as OOS President at the Fall 2024 Meeting. I am thankful he has agreed to serve, and I look forward to his leadership. I will continue to serve OOS as Membership Chair. On that note, with the start of 2025, it is time for membership renewals. Please consider continuing your support for OOS. You can renew online at okbirds.org or by mail with the flyer in this newsletter.

Regards,



Zach Poland

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President-Elect's Message:

Hi everyone! I'm Cole Penning, and I'm honored to serve as the next President of the Oklahoma Ornithological Society. Although I'm relatively new to birding and OOS, my passion for nature and wildlife has always run deep. I grew up as a military brat, moving around frequently, but I've called Oklahoma home since 2005.

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Over the past few years, birding has become my most meaningful and rewarding hobby, blending my love for animals, photography, travel, and science.

When I'm not out birding, I work as a database administrator and enjoy finding creative ways to merge technology with nature—like developing my own birding-themed video game. I also serve as the Secretary for the OKC Audubon Society, volunteer as a photographer for the Oklahoma City Zoo, and am part of the Bald Eagle Survey Team at the Sutton Center, supporting their efforts in bird conservation and rehabilitation.

As President, I'm excited to help grow OOS by fostering community, engaging new members, and advancing our shared commitment to ornithological research and conservation in Oklahoma. I'd love to hear from you! If you have ideas or suggestions or want to get more involved, please don't hesitate to reach out. Together, we can make this an inspiring year for OOS!

Thanks,



Cole Penning

8/28/24 Q3 OOS Scissortail Membership Update

Total members: 139

New Members: Sydney Austin (Norman), Phillip Brown (Yukon), Jeannie Coley Family (Norman), Lena Haber (Lawton), Resa Pace (Edmond), Jean Setzer (Oklahoma City) and Evelyn Wilkins (Edmond)

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Fall 2024 Fall Meeting Field Trip Report

November 16, 2024

The Fall 2024 Meeting was held in Oklahoma City on November 16, 2024.

The meeting started with two field trips on Saturday morning, Lake Hefner and the Myriad Gardens. The morning temperatures were in the mid-50s, with partially cloudy skies and strong southern winds. The warmer temperature and high winds did result in some slower birding, but both groups had good turnouts and were able to find some quality birds.

One of the field trips was held at Lake Hefner's Prairie Dog Point and was led by Joe Grzybowski. Around ten participants joined this trip, including a mix of OOS members and local birders. The group moved around the point and observed 34 species, which included nine

different species of ducks: Northern Shoveler, American Wigeon, Mallard, Mallard (Domestic type), Northern Pintail, Redhead, Lesser Scaup, Red-breasted Merganser, and Ruddy Duck. Lake Hefner has been one of the better lakes in the state for gulls, and five different types were observed, including Bonapart's Gull, Franklin's Gull, Ring-billed Gull, American Herring Gull, and Lesser Black-backed Gull. Other water species included American Coots, Pied-billed Grebe, Double-crested Cormorants, Great Blue Heron, and American White Pelican. Many expected winter passerines were found, including Ruby-crowned Kinglet and American Goldfinches. The field trip then moved to Bluff Creek Trails, which is just north of Lake Hefner Dam. The group spent around an hour and a half walking 1.3 miles of the trails and thirty-three species of birds were found. Some of the highlights were five different woodpecker species, including a Yellow-bellied Sapsucker and a Hairy Woodpecker. The first winter sparrows of the day were also found here and included Field Sparrow, Fox Sparrow, Song Sparrow and Spotted Towhee. House Finches and American Goldfinches were seen, but the best bird of the day was a female Purple Finch found by Jeff Tibbits. In all, fifty-six species were observed for both sites combined.



The other Field Trip was held at the Myriad Gardens and Crystal Lake and was led by Zach Poland. There were ten participants for this trip as well. The group spent around two hours walking around the Myriad Gardens, a good oasis and popular birding spot in downtown Oklahoma City. Twenty-five species were observed, which included a few different water birds and other expected winter species. The

gardens are a good sparrow location, and the group found six different types, including House, Field, Dark-eyed Junco, White-throated, Song, and Lincoln's. Some other notable birds included a Cooper's Hawk, a Red-tailed Hawk, an American Kestrel, and Orange-crowned Warblers. The group then moved to Crystal Lake, a small fishing lake with several miles of walking and biking trails on the west side of town. At this location, thirty-two species were seen in about an hour and a half with .75 miles of travel. The lake did not yield many water birds, but the group did observe American Wigeons. Several raptors were observed, including a Sharp-shinned Hawk, Bald Eagle, Red-tailed Hawk, and American Kestrel. Many of the expected winter birds were present, including five different sparrows, and one of the better birds of the day was the American Pipit. The group also found two warbler species, Common Yellowthroat, and a Myrtle Yellow-rumped Warbler. For both locations combined, this group observed a total of forty-three different species.



By Steve Stone

Special Project Grants

Hello Fellow Birders,

Special Projects has exciting news. Due to generous donations from the Jerome Westheimer Family Foundation and Janis Blanton, grant awards have increased. The OOS executive board has approved that Special Projects can now award \$4000 worth of grants annually. During the upcoming winter months, you might think of a great Oklahoma bird project or need help funding a research project involving Oklahoma birds. Now is the time to start writing an OOS Special Project Grant proposal. Students, researchers, individuals, or civic groups proposing to do work that promotes the "observation, study, and conservation" of Oklahoma birds may apply. The requirements and criteria for the special project grants can be found on the OOS website, www.okbirds.org, under the [awards and grants](#) tab.

OOS Special Project proposals are due on March 1, 2025. The projects are judged by a committee of OOS members, and recipients will be notified by April 15, 2025. If you have questions, please contact me using the following email or phone number.

Thanks, and I hope you will consider submitting a proposal.



Don Glass

OOS Special Projects Chair

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NOTEWORTHY RECORDS OF BIRDS IN OKLAHOMA: Winter 2023 PERIOD

The following is a listing of noteworthy records of birds for the Winter period—December 2023 through February 2024. It incorporates records outside or near limits of expected occurrence delimited by the *DATE GUIDE to the Occurrences of Birds in Oklahoma, Seventh Edition* (Oklahoma Bird Records Committee (OBRC), 2019, Oklahoma Ornithological Society, Norman, OK.). Also included are noteworthy high counts. Exceptional records reviewed and found acceptable by the Oklahoma Bird Records Committee are given in **bold**. Species whose names are followed by an (R) are expected, but RARE in very low frequencies. Underscores for date or locality depict records outside limits specified for the species in the DATE GUIDE. High counts are also underscored. m. ob. = multiple observers.

The winter period in Oklahoma is generally a good time for waterfowl, gulls, and sparrows. While the noteworthy records of geographic rarities, some seasonal, do not focus broadly on population dynamics, the assemblage can depict some patterns of occurrences within season and between years.

As last year, there were no significant irruptions of boreal or montane species. However, groups of Red Crossbills were found at scattered locations in the eastern to west-central strips of the State. Those identified to type were either the Ponderosa Pine--Type 2 or Douglas Fir—Type 4. Also, part of a trend was the increasing number and scatter of winter Lesser Goldfinch reports across the state. Lesser Goldfinches were historically considered local summer residents in southwestern Oklahoma and the far northwestern Panhandle. Only two **Evening Grosbeaks** (a species maintained on the OBRC Review List) were reported. Both in western Cimarron County.

Among the patterns: If one looks at the italic notations for the records, one can notice a preponderance of those out-of-date, lingering later, or even over-wintering farther north—49 of the 124 records listed (~40%). Some of these species were present in high numbers into December, as with Black-bellied Whistling-Ducks, White Ibises, and American Avocets, but even double-digit numbers are exceptional for Western Cattle Egrets and White-face Ibises. Several **Limpkins** from this past summer's incursion stayed into January. While a few neotropical summer-resident and migrant surprises can normally occur, this winter was an almost no-show, although the Yellow Warbler in Payne County was exceptional. Also exceptional for date and location were three **Vermilion Flycatchers** in McCurtain County and an easterly Brewer's Sparrow in Alfalfa County, the latter among very few in the main body of the State.

Conversely, more northerly species are appearing later and in lower numbers, and not as far south. This has been the pattern for over a decade or more with species such as Common Mergansers, Lapland Longspur, and American Tree Sparrows. While Trumpeter and Tundra swans normally appear in the Tallgrass Prairies areas of northeastern Oklahoma, there were few December reports; a weak surge appeared in mid-January with the unusually cold temperatures but faded back by mid-February. Common Mergansers appeared in triple-digit numbers in northern Oklahoma also after the mid-January cold snap (see eBird records). Only one Glaucous Gull was reported, a species that was more regular 30- 50 years ago.

Among significant rarities, this season was a **Brant**, the first in almost 20 years. **Short-billed Gull**, a West Coast species, is about a one-in-5-year event. And **Harris's Hawk**, a Southwestern species, is also an exceptional rarity. Other OBRC review species noted this season were **Black-legged Kittiwake**, **Williamson's Sapsucker**, and **Redpoll** (formerly recognized as Common Redpoll).

SPECIES	NUMBER	DATE (2023-24)	COUNTY	LOCALITY	OBSERVER
Black-bellied Whistling-Duck	113	<u>11 Dec 2023</u>	McCurtain	Red Slough WMA	David Arbour
Brant	1	22, 25 Jan 2024	Garfield	Meadowlake Park, Enid	Curtis Stewart
Ross's x Cackling Goose (R)	1	9 Dec 2023	Garfield	Meadowlake Park, Enid	Curtis Stewart
Trumpeter Swan (R)	1	26 Jan 2024	Muskogee	Fort Gibson	Robert Brown
Trumpeter Swan (R)	9	3 Feb 2024	Alfalfa	Salt Plains NWR	Steve Davis, Jimmy Woodward, Steve Stone
Trumpeter Swan (R)	3	10 Feb 2024	Sequoyah	Sequoyah NWR	Mathew Matlock, Sandy Berger, Michelle Deihl
Trumpeter Swan (R)	12	12 Feb 2024	Alfalfa	Salt Plains NWR	Aaron Short, Bryan Box
Tundra Swan (R)	6-7	16-18 Jan 2024	Oklahoma	Lake Hefner	Terry Mitchell, Josh Smith, m.ob.
Tundra Swan (R)	1	17 Jan 2024	Carter	Healdton Lake	Don Pearson
Tundra Swan (R)	8-9	18-25 Jan 2024	Noble	Lake McMurtry	George Zimmer, m.ob.
Tundra Swan (R)	5	20 Jan 2024	Creek	Stroud Lake	Logan & Sarah Carter
Tundra Swan (R)	4	21 Jan 2024	Noble	Sooner Lake--Sooner Recreation Area	Lucas Bobay
Tundra Swan (R)	3	21 Jan 2024	Woods	Alva	Aaron Short
Tundra Swan (R)	2	26-29 Jan 2024	Washington	Adams Ranch	Melinda Droege, Josh Engelbert
Tundra Swan (R)	9	30 Jan, 3, 20 Feb 2024	<u>Alfalfa</u>	<u>Salt Plains NWR</u>	Kevin Shufan, Aaron Short, Trina Arnold
Blue-winged Teal	1-5	<u>thru 13 Jan 2024</u>	Tulsa	Mohawk Park	Terry Mitchell, m.ob.
Blue-winged Teal	5	<u>14 Dec 2023</u>	Alfalfa	Great Salt Plains SP spillway	Scott Loss, Maria Bleitz
Surf Scoter (R)	2	2 Dec 2023	Oklahoma	Arcadia Lake	Braden Farris
Surf Scoter (R)	2	3 Dec 2023	Kay	Kaw Reservoir, McFadden Cove	Lucas Bobay
Surf Scoter (R)	1	9 Dec 2023	Oklahoma	Lake Hefner	Jay Rand
White-winged Scoter (R)	1	11-18 Jan 2024	Oklahoma	Lake Hefner	Jimmy Woodard, m.ob.
White-winged Scoter (R)	2	21 Feb 2024	Oklahoma	Lake Hefner	Devin Bosler
White-winged Scoter (R)	1	19 Feb 2024	Pawnee	Sooner Lake	Brian Marra, Grace Huffman
Black Scoter (R)	1	11 Dec 2023	<u>Payne</u>	<u>Lake Carl Blackwell</u>	Scott Loss
Black Scoter (R)	1	27 Feb 2024	<u>Blaine</u>	<u>Canton Lake Dam</u>	Aaron Short
Long-tailed Duck (R)	1	2 Dec 2023	Woods	Alva Sewage Ponds	Laurel Barnhill
Long-tailed Duck (R)	1	9 Dec 2023	Woodward	Fort Supply Reservoir	Tony Leukering, Kathy Mihm Dunning
Long-tailed Duck (R)	2	3 Jan 2024	Custer	Washita NWR	Tony Leukering, Kathy Mihm Dunning
Long-tailed Duck (R)	1	6-15 Jan 2024	Oklahoma	Lake Overholser	Trina Arnold, m. ob.
Long-tailed Duck (R)	1	16 Jan-18 Feb 2024	Oklahoma	Lake Hefner	Josh Smith, Terry Mitchell, m.ob.

Long-tailed Duck (R)	1	2-27 Feb 2024	Pottawatomie	Shawnee Reservoir	Michelle Spacek, m. ob.
Inca Dove (R)	2	29 Dec 2023	Cleveland	Norman	Cody Delano
Sora	1	<u>2 Jan 2024</u>	Ellis	Lake Loyd Vincent	Larry Mays
Sora	2	<u>3 Jan 2024</u>	Custer	Washita NWR	Tony Leukering, Kathy Mihm Dunning
Common Gallinule	1-4	<u>5 Dec 2023-10 Jan 2024</u>	McCurtain	Red Slough WMA	David Arbour, m. ob.
Common Gallinule	1	<u>24 Jan-13 Feb 2024</u>	McCurtain	Red Slough WMA	David Arbour, m. ob.
Limpkin	1-2	thru 18 Jan 2024	McCurtain	Red Slough WMA	David Arbour, m. ob.
Limpkin	1-2	thru 7 Jan 2024	Tulsa	Oxley Nature Center	m. ob.
Limpkin	1	thru 4 Jan 2024	Washington	Copan Lake dam	Josh Engelbert, Melinda Droege
Black-necked Stilt	1	<u>thru 19 Dec 2023</u>	Alfalfa	Salt Plains NWR	Curtis Stewart, Laura Lynn, Carmen Ricer
American Avocet	3	<u>1, 5, 16 Dec 2023</u>	Johnston	Tishomingo NWR	John Lemoux, Justin Roach
American Avocet	3	<u>1 Dec 2023</u>	Cherokee	Cherokee Landing SP	Betty Evans
American Avocet	100	<u>3 Dec 2023</u>	Alfalfa	Salt Plains NWR	Curtis Stewart
Spotted Sandpiper	1	<u>2 Dec 2023-13 Feb 2024</u>	Oklahoma	Lake Overholser	Brian Marra, Grace Huffman, m. ob.
Spotted Sandpiper	1	<u>16 Dec 2023</u>	McCurtain	Red Slough WMA	<i>vide</i> David Arbour
Spotted Sandpiper	1	<u>1 Jan 2024</u>	Carter	Dundee Rd.	Mary & Lou Truex
Spotted Sandpiper	1	<u>6 Jan 2024</u>	Bryan	Denison Dam spillway	Doug Wood
Spotted Sandpiper	1	<u>10 Jan 2024</u>	Payne	Lake Carl Blackwell	Clay Billman
Spotted Sandpiper	1	<u>13 Jan 2024</u>	Tulsa	Mohawk Park	Raman & Beth Singh
Spotted Sandpiper	1	<u>3 Feb 2024</u>	Hughes	Lake Holdenville	Ann Beddo, Heide Retherford
Lesser Yellowlegs	1	<u>9 Dec 2023</u>	Cleveland	Lake Thunderbird	Joe Grzybowski
Black-legged Kittiwake	1	thru 13 Dec 2023	Noble	Sooner Lake--Bank Fishing Area	m ob.
Little Gull (R)	1	thru 8, 13 Dec 2023	Noble	Sooner Lake--Bank Fishing Area	Lucas Bobay et al., Chris Brown
Franklin's Gull	1	<u>1 Jan 2024</u>	Tulsa	Lake Yahola	Jeff Cox
Franklin's Gull	1	<u>1 Jan 2024</u>	McClain	Goldsby	Joe Grzybowski
Short-billed Gull	1	9, 11 Dec 2023	Woodward	Fort Supply Reservoir	Tony Leukering, Kathy Mihm Dunning, Jesse Pline
California Gull (R)	1	5 Dec 2023	Oklahoma	East Oak Landfill	Jesse Pline
Iceland Gull (R)	1	9-10 Dec 2023 [only Dec record]	Woodward	Fort Supply Reservoir	Tony Leukering, Kathy Mihm Dunning, Jesse Pline
Glaucous Gull (R)	1	15 Jan 2024	Payne	Lake Carl Blackwell	Scott Loss
Red-throated Loon (R)	1	3-16 Dec 2023	Oklahoma	Lake Hefner	Grace Huffman, m. ob.
Red-throated Loon (R)	1	20 Jan, 17 Feb 2024	Pawnee/Noble	Sooner Lake	Landon Neumann, Scott Loss
Pacific Loon (R)	1	8-31 Dec 2023	Pawnee/Noble	Sooner Lake--Bank Fishing Area	Alex Harman, et al, m. b.

Pacific Loon (R)	1	12 Dec 2023-13 Jan 2024	Oklahoma	Lake Hefner	Steve Stone, m. ob.
Pacific Loon (R)	1	21 Dec 2023	<u>Custer</u>	<u>Foss Reservoir</u>	Phil Chaon
Anhinga	1-2	<u>thru 10 Jan 2024</u>	McCurtain	Red Slough WMA	David Arbour, m. ob.
White Ibis	up to 260	<u>thru 30 Jan 2024</u>	McCurtain	Red Slough WMA	David Arbour, m. ob.
White-faced Ibis	1	<u>thru 9 Jan 2024</u>	Oklahoma	Lake Hefner	m. ob.
White-faced Ibis	7	<u>26 Dec 2023</u>	Wagoner	Vann's Marsh	Jimmy Woodard
White-faced Ibis	17	<u>26 Dec 2023</u>	Wagoner	McClellan-Kerr WMA	Jimmy Woodard
White-faced Ibis	2	<u>4 Jan 2024</u>	Tulsa	Oxley Nature Center	Jan Eckardt Butler
Western Cattle Egret	12-21	<u>12 Dec 2023-3 Jan 2024</u>	McCurtain	Red Slough WMA	David Arbour
Western Cattle Egret	1-3	<u>9 Jan-27 Feb 2024</u>	McCurtain	Red Slough WMA	David Arbour
Golden Eagle (R)	1	16 Dec 2023	<u>Payne</u>	<u>Stillwater</u>	Landon Neumann, Mike Yough
Golden Eagle (R)	1	17 Feb 2024	Noble	Sooner Lake	Steve Glover, Greg Cook
Harris's Hawk	1	19 Dec 2023	Jackson	Bryant's Corner	John Ault
Long-eared Owl (R)	1	29 Dec 2023	Texas	Optima NWR	Jesse Pline
Red-naped Sapsucker (R)	1	22 Dec 2023	Cimarron	Black Mesa SP	Jesse Pline
Williamson's Sapsucker	1	21 Feb 2024	Cimarron	mesa country	Steve Metz
Crested Caracara (R)	2	6, 16 Dec 2023	McCurtain	Red Slough WMA	David Arbour
Crested Caracara (R)	3	30-31 Dec 2023	Carter	Healdton	Don Pearson. Bob Ellis
Crested Caracara (R)	1	16 Jan 2024	Choctaw	south of Antlers	Khloe Campbell
Crested Caracara (R)	1	15 Feb 2024	Bryan	Durant Ecopark	Doug Wood et al.
Crested Caracara (R)	2	16 Feb 2024	Pontotoc	Highway 301	Kody & Sarah Wiggins
Crested Caracara (R)	1-2	17-29 Feb 2024	Coal	Tupelo	Steve Stone, Jimmy Woodard, m. ob.
Peregrine Falcon (R)	2	2 Dec 2023	Tulsa	Tulsa	Mathew Radford, Virginia Soukup
Peregrine Falcon (R)	1	4, 10 Jan, 22 Feb 2024	Tulsa	Tulsa	Bill Carrell, Peter Michael, Zach Poland
Say's Phoebe	1	<u>thru Season</u>	<u>Johnston</u>	<u>Tishomingo NWR</u>	Justin Roach, m. ob.
Say's Phoebe	1	<u>14 Dec 2023- 29 Feb 2024</u>	<u>McCurtain</u>	<u>Red Slough WMA</u>	David Arbour
Say's Phoebe	1	<u>6 Jan 2024</u>	<u>Washington</u>	<u>Tuxedo North</u>	Melinda Droege
Vermilion Flycatcher	2-3	thru 10 Jan 2024	McCurtain	Red Slough WMA	David Arbour, m. ob.
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	1	<u>16 Dec 2023</u>	Payne	Camp Redlands Rd.	Leslie Miller
Blue-headed Vireo	1	<u>22 Dec 2023</u>	Payne	Botanic Garden of OSU	Clay Billman
Northern Shrike (R)	1	25 Nov 2023-24 Feb 2024	<u>Noble</u>	<u>Sooner Lake--Bank Fishing Area</u>	Mike Yough, Landon Neumann
Northern Shrike (R)	1	30 Dec 2023	<u>Grant</u>	<u>NS 760 Rd.</u>	Joe Grzybowski, Randy Soto
Northern Shrike (R)	1	31 Dec 2023, 28 Jan 2024	<u>Garfield</u>	<u>Drummond Flats WMA</u>	Curtis Stewart, Chase Moxley
Steller's Jay (R)	1	30 Dec 2023	Cimarron	Black Mesa Rd.	Grace Huffman, Brian Marra

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	1	<u>31 Dec 2023</u>	Cimarron	Black Mesa SP	Jesse Pline
Rock Wren	1	12 Dec 2023	<u>Cherokee</u>	<u>Lake Tenkiller</u>	Joe Neal
Rock Wren	1	4 Jan 2024	<u>Washington</u>	<u>Copan Lake dam</u>	Melinda Droege
Gray Catbird	1	<u>31 Dec 2023, 1 Jan 2024</u>	Cimarron	Black Mesa SP	Jesse Pline, Steve Metz, Brian Marra, Grace Huffman
Sage Thrasher (R)	1	6 Jan 2024	Comanche	Com-Cross Rd.	Mary & Lou Truex
Evening Grosbeak	1	14, 16 Jan 2024	Cimarron	Kenton	Steve Metz
Evening Grosbeak	1	3 Feb 2024	Cimarron	Black Mesa SP	Jerry Vanbebber, Jacob Crissup, Josh Vaughn
Redpoll	1	10 Dec 2023-4 Jan 2024	Washington	Bartlesville	Josh Engelbert, Melinda Droege
Red Crossbill (R)	12-30	thru period	Woods, Payne,	Tulsa, Cleveland, Hughes and Bryan cos.	m. ob.
Lesser Goldfinch	1	<u>30 Dec 2023</u>	Cimarron	Black Mesa SP	Grace Huffman, Brian Marra
Lesser Goldfinch	2	<u>2 Jan 2024</u>	Cimarron	Cimarron River, Highway 325	Grace Huffman, Brian Marra
Lesser Goldfinch	1	<u>26 Jan-7 Feb 2024</u>	<u>Garfield</u>	<u>Enid</u>	Curtis Stewart
Lesser Goldfinch	1	<u>16 Feb 2024</u>	<u>Cherokee</u>	<u>Welling</u>	Ed Goss
Lesser Goldfinch (R)	1	<u>21-28 Feb 2024</u>	Comanche	Lawton	Carmen Ricer
Grasshopper Sparrow	1	<u>30 Dec 2023</u>	Grant	near Greer Rd EW 180	Joe Grzybowski, Randy Soto
Grasshopper Sparrow	1	<u>30 Dec 2023</u>	Grant	Jefferson Rd.	Curtis Stewart
Brewer's Sparrow	3	<u>22 Dec 2023</u>	Cimarron	Black Mesa SP	Jesse Pline
Brewer's Sparrow	1	<u>30 Dec 2023, 2 Jan 2024</u>	<u>Grant</u>	<u>Jefferson Rd.</u>	Joe Grzybowski, Randy Soto, Aaron Short
Lark Sparrow	1	<u>1 Jan 2024</u>	Payne	Botanic Garden of OSU	Alex Harman
Lark Sparrow	1	<u>7 Feb 2024</u>	McClain	Newcastle	Larry Mays
American Tree Sparrow	1	16-17 Feb 2024	<u>Stephens</u>	<u>Lake Humphreys</u>	Connie Southard
American Tree Sparrow	3	17 Feb 2024	<u>Johnston</u>	<u>Stonewall</u>	Jimmy Woodard, Steve Stone, Joel Stephens
Savannah Sparrow	3	<u>2 Jan 2024</u>	Texas	Highways 412 & 95 S	Bill Carrell
Lincoln's Sparrow	1	<u>1 Jan, 16 Feb 2024</u>	Cimarron	Black Mesa SP	Bill Carrell, Alan Moss
Yellow-headed Blackbird	1	<u>10 Feb 2024</u>	Washita	Rocky	Steve Glover, Greg Cook
Rusty Blackbird (R)	1	21 Dec 2023	Custer	near Clinton	Phil Chaon
Bullock's or hybrid oriole	1	17 Feb 2024	Comanche	Lawton	Kurt & Sharon Meisenzahl
Yellow Warbler	1	<u>18-21 Dec 2023</u>	Payne	Botanic Garden of OSU	Scott Loss, Clay Billman
Blue Grosbeak	1	<u>30 Dec 2023</u>	Cherokee	Tahlequah	Bill Holimon



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Dues are for January 1—December 31

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