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President's Message:

Dear Members,

I hope that your late Summer/early Fall has been a good one. This is a fun and dynamic time of the birding year. The highlight for me so far has been the influx of Swallow-tailed Kites, which have been reported in Eastern Oklahoma in the last week or so. Although they are a rare, but regular visitor to the state this time of year, this year seems above average. I had the good fortune to make the trip to Sequoyah County on Aug. 25th to look for the pair that had been reported there for several days. It was a success, although the views were distant and left more to be desired. I am thankful to be part of a birding community where people are so eager to share their sightings at a time when that information is so accessible. Thank you!

The OOS Fall Meeting is planned for November 16th, 2024. This is later than it has been historically, due to a scheduling conflict. I apologize for the inconvenience and appreciate your understanding. The birding will be good, and the comradery will be excellent. I encourage any and everyone to consider presenting or participating in the events of the meeting. Eli Bridge, from the University of Oklahoma, will be the keynote speaker on Saturday.

OOS is also interested in providing financial support to students who attend the Fall Meeting. If you are willing to help donate to student support, please contact me via email.

Be on the lookout for more details about the Fall Meeting in the future.

To all the students, educators, school administrators, and support staff, I wish you a safe and successful school year. If you are an educator, school administrator or support staff, thank you so much for your dedication and hard work.

Regards,



Zach Poland

8/28/24 Q3 OOS Scissortail Membership Update

Total members: 124

New Members: Neka Schultz (Oklahoma City), Sally Starling (Oklahoma City), Paul and Julie Wood (Lexington)

Contributions: Tim O'Connell

OOS Officers and Chairpersons as of 5/18/2024

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OOS Fall Meeting

As Zach mentioned in the President's Letter, the OOS Fall meeting will be held at the Oklahoma City Zoo on November 16th, 2024. Please see okbirds.org for more updates in the coming weeks. A rough schedule will be to hold field trips around the OKC metro area in the morning. The OOS Board meeting will be held at the Zoo after lunch (lunch on your own), followed by posters, talks, a catered dinner, and a keynote seminar by Dr. Eli Bridge (Associate Professor at the University of Oklahoma). The cost of the meeting, including field trips and dinner, is \$30pp. If you only want to attend a field trip, we ask for a \$10 donation to help

support student attendance at the meeting. Field trips are free for students and children.

Saturday November 16th, 2024
[Oklahoma City Zoo Education Center](#)
[2101 NE 50th St](#)
[Oklahoma City, OK 73111](#)

Morning Activities: Birding field trips (various) around OKC Metro (more details TBA)

Lunch: Of your choosing (OOS is not coordinating)

Afternoon Activities:

OOS Business Meeting (OKC Zoo Education Center)

Oral and Poster presentations

Dinner and Keynote Speaker Eli Bridge (OKC Zoo Education Center)

Meeting registration can be found at www.okbirds.org

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 per year. So, during the upcoming winter months you might think of a great Oklahoma bird project or need help in funding a research project involving Oklahoma birds. Well, now is the time to start writing a proposal for an OOS Special Project Grant. 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, feel free to contact me at the following email or phone number.

Thanks, and hopefully, you will consider submitting a proposal.



Don Glass

OOS Special Projects Chair

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OOS Fall 2024 Conservation Report

Whooping Crane Status Update

I was fortunate to attend a summer presentation by Kevin McAbee, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's lead biologist for the Whooping Crane's recovery. There are currently between 690 and 700 Whooping Cranes living in the wild and another 160 in captivity. The wild-living birds are distributed across three populations: 1) 530 to 540 birds in the original migratory population that moves between Wood Buffalo NP and Aransas NWR, 2) 75 birds in an experimental, introduced migratory population in the eastern U.S., and 83 in an experimental, introduced non-migratory population in southern Louisiana. All of the Whooping Cranes that exist today are the descendants of birds from the Wood Buffalo/Aransas population, which reached a population low-point of 16 to 19 birds in the early 1940s.

The Wood Buffalo/Aransas population has been increasing at an average rate of 4% per year since the 1950s. During the summer of 2024, the Canadian Wildlife Service documented 92 Whooping Crane nests but due to a second year of drought conditions, nest success was only 35%, which is well below the long-term average of 50%. At the end of the nesting season (July), 30 fledglings were confirmed, a relatively small cohort. Although drought conditions persisted this year, the nesting area did not experience any wildfires; however, about 20% of the nesting area was affected by the 2023 wildfires. In July and August, 12 juvenile Whooping Cranes were captured, banded, and fitted with GPS transmitters. This is part of a long-term project between the Canadian Wildlife Service, the U.S. Fish and

Wildlife Service, the International Crane Trust, and the U.S. Geological Survey. Since the project began in 2009, 190 Whooping Cranes have been marked, and the number of cranes with active transmitters is between 55 and 60 birds (transmitters have a life span of approximately three years). The GPS transmitter project has provided insights into the migration pathways and habitats used by Whooping Cranes and their site fidelity on both the wintering and breeding grounds. As the population has grown, an increasing number of Whooping Cranes are over-wintering 25 to 30 miles inland from the Texas coast in rice fields and around man-made reservoirs. During the winter of '23-'24, 18 Whooping Cranes wintered inland, including several family groups that appear to have made this their traditional wintering area.

The two experimental, introduced populations are sustained by annual releases of captive-bred birds that are released in groups in soft-release pens at one or two years of age. The southern Louisiana population contains at least 15 nesting pairs, and from these, five chicks (one each from five pairs) were successfully reared to fledging by their parents. The most notable of the successful pairs is a 6-year-old male who is paired with a 26-year-old female who was once part of an experimental non-migratory population in Florida! She was captured in 2019, along with her youngest daughter, and both were translocated to Louisiana to join that population. In Florida, she hatched 16 chicks and fledged 10 of them, which makes her the most reproductively successful bird in any of the experimental populations. This year's chick was her first successfully-fledged chick since coming to Louisiana and the first chick for her relatively young mate. In addition to the five chicks fledged this year, another seven captive-reared chicks are being prepared for release into Louisiana this winter. In the eastern migratory population, 17 pairs of cranes nested and three of those pairs successfully fledged single chicks. After more than 16 years of releases, this experimental population has yet to approach a sustainable rate of reproduction and continues to be dependent upon releases of captive-reared birds

FY'25 Federal Funding Update for Some Conservation Programs

With this being an election year, it's unlikely that Congress will pass an FY'25 budget before Thanksgiving, but there has been some movement on the House side of the equation. The Federal Fiscal Year runs from October 1 through September 30 each year, and ideally, the federal budget is resolved in September prior to the new fiscal year. Typically, the process begins with the President releasing a budget request in February or March prior to the new fiscal year. Then, the House and the Senate pass budget bills, and if these don't align, they go to a conference committee to develop a compromise bill. This spring, the President's budget request was released, and on July 24, the House of Representatives passed their version of the FY'25 budget. This update drills down into several conservation programs that are line items in the federal budget. Most federal programs and federal employees are paid through the federal government's programmatic budget, which is somewhat buffered from the politics surrounding the federal budget; however, some programs are line items to the budget and can be zeroed out, cut, or increased substantially by Congress. From the perspective of bird conservation, these line-item programs attached to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's budget include the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Fund, the Multinational Species Conservation Fund (directed at foreign species), the Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund (a state-focused addition to the ESA's funding), the State and Tribal Wildlife Grants program, and the North American Wetlands Conservation Fund (focused on wetland conservation). The FY'25 House budget closely mirrors the President's budget request and holds most of these programs at level funding with FY'24. The North American Wetlands Conservation Fund would receive \$49 M, the Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund would receive \$23 M, and the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Fund would receive \$5 M. Two programs would receive slight increases. However, with the continuing rise in inflation, one could argue that

all of these are functionally decreases. The State and Tribal Wildlife Grants program would receive a 2% increase to \$73.8 million, and the Multinational Species Conservation Fund would receive a 2.4% increase to \$21 M. No word yet regarding the Senate's FY'25 budget, but it is expected sometime in September.

NOTEWORTHY RECORDS OF BIRDS IN OKLAHOMA: Fall 2023 PERIOD

The following is a listing of noteworthy records of birds for the Fall period—August through November 2023. 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). 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 and *italics* depict records for date or locality outside limits specified in the DATE GUIDE. m. ob. = multiple observers.

Fall is generally a period of high population numbers after the breeding season, so also an exciting time to bird, with more noteworthy records among all taxonomic groups. However, as in the previous year, waterfowl like swans and scoters, and northern gulls are remaining northward longer, fewer arriving, and later in the fall period. However, there was a modest array of Sabine's Gulls, a normal fall migrant typically reported in small numbers, and Little Gulls were found at three separate locations. Swallow-tailed Kites have become more regular, with five at four locations this fall. Part of the recent pattern is an increasing number of lingering neotropical migrants. Also part of a recent pattern were fewer migrants of western *Empidonax* flycatchers and warblers species, possibly due to broad scale drought and fires in the West. No special irruptions of montane or fringillid species occurred, although there was again (as in 2022) a small scatter of records for Red Crossbills. Mountain Plovers are becoming exceptionally rare in the western Oklahoma Panhandle.

Among exceptional rarities this season was the first clearly documented State record of **Black-chinned Sparrow**. The **Zone-tailed Hawks**, first noted during spring 2021 (as a first State record), continued their presence in the Wichita Mountains W.R. producing young again this year. The **Limpkin** story also continues with birds in eight Oklahoma counties this season. Among rare western species, the **White-throated Swifts** in Greer County were clearly an exceptional find, the second report for Oklahoma this year. This season also saw several **Long-tailed**, and **Parasitic jaegers**, as well as a jaeger not clearly identified to species. And who can figure the presence of a **Brown Booby**, a pelagic species of the Gulf of Mexico, or a random (and surprising) occurrence of a **Black-legged Kittiwake**, a species normally wintering along the coasts and oceans, or the **White-tailed Kite** in Payne County.

Included in this report are 2023 spring and summer records of **Chihuahuan Meadowlarks** accepted by the OBRC. With the recent decision to split the *lilliana* subspecies group from Eastern Meadowlark, searches have found them in an area of yucca-sand sage grasslands west of Boise City in Cimarron County, and they likely occur in pockets more broadly. However, there are still elements to be learned in the range and field identification of Chihuahuan and Eastern meadowlarks in the Oklahoma Panhandle. Because (1) Eastern Meadowlarks are known to breed as close as eastern Texas County with vagrants possible westward, (2) the two species can learn and mimic (approach mimicking) each other's song at least part of the time, and (3) juveniles of both Chihuahuan and Eastern Meadowlarks can have white in as many as five outer tail feathers, identification of all "Eastern" type (Chihuahuan/Eastern) meadowlarks in Cimarron County and western Texas County remains an issue for closer scrutiny. Birders are cautioned in making identifications based on the amount of white in the tail and fall plumages of meadowlarks, all of which will show buff tips obscuring what will become spring-plumaged birds, adding to considerations and concerns for specific species IDs.

Species	Number	Date (2023)	County	Locality	Observer
Black-bellied Whistling-Duck (R)	2-5	1, 4, 20 Aug 2023	Alfalfa	multiple locations	Mathew Daffern, Aaron Short, Matt Ratcliffe
Black-bellied Whistling-Duck (R)	1, 19	5, 21 Aug 2023	<u>Woods</u>	<u>Alva Sewage Ponds</u>	Aaron Short
Black-bellied Whistling-Duck (R)	1	5 Aug 2023	<u>Custer</u>	<u>Acme Brick Park Pond</u>	Amanda Boyle
Black-bellied Whistling-Duck (R)	1	10 Aug 2023	Payne	Boomer Lake Park	Riley Lawson
Black-bellied Whistling-Duck (R)	1	19 Oct 2023	<u>Le Flore</u>	<u>Wister Lake</u>	Anthony & Sheri Hewetson
Surf Scoter (R)	1	12 Nov 2023	Oklahoma	Crystal Lake	Brian Marra, Grace Huffman
Surf Scoter (R)	1	20 Nov 2023	Payne	Boomer Lake Park	Scott & Sara Loss, m. ob.
Surf Scoter (R)	1	22 Nov 2023	Noble	Sooner Lake--Bank Fishing Area	Jesse Pline
Black Scoter (R)	1	<u>3-17 Nov 2023</u>	<u>Oklahoma</u>	<u>Arcadia Lake</u>	Braden Farris, m. ob.
Black Scoter (R)	1-2	12-27 Nov 2023	<u>Oklahoma</u>	<u>Lake Hefner</u>	Jerry Vanbebber, m. ob.
Long-tailed Duck (R)	1,4	26, 27 Nov 2023	Woods	Alva Sewage Ponds	Aaron Short
Inca Dove (R)	1	19 Nov 2023	<u>Woodward</u>	<u>Woodward</u>	Terri Jo Littau
Black-billed Cuckoo (R)	1	30 Aug 2023	Sequoyah	Sequoyah NWR	Jesse Pline
Black-billed Cuckoo (R)	1	3 Sep 2023	Wagoner	Bixhoma Lake	Bill Carrell
Common Nighthawk	1	<u>5 Nov 2023</u>	Payne	Tantara Rd.	Scott Loss
Common Poorwill	1	<u>15-16 Oct 2023</u>	Payne	OSU--Ag Hall	Riley Lawson, Scott Loss, m. ob.
Common Poorwill	1	<u>30 Oct 2023</u>	Oklahoma	sw. Oklahoma City	<i>fide</i> Jesse Pline
Common Poorwill	1	<u>1 Nov 2023</u>	Cleveland	unspecified	<i>fide</i> Jesse Pline
Ruby-throated Hummingbd.	1F/imm.	<u>30 Oct-3 Nov 2023</u>	Oklahoma	Oklahoma City	Marion Homier
Black-chinned Hummingbd.	1M	6 Aug 2023	<u>Payne</u>	<u>Stillwater</u>	Scott Loss
White-throated Swift	2	10 Nov 2023	Greer	Quartz Mountain SP	Damian & Nancy Martinez
Yellow Rail	1	6 Oct 2023	<u>Tulsa</u>	<u>Oxley Nature Center</u>	Josh Smith
Limpkin	1-2	thru 8 Oct 2023	McCurtain	Red Slough WMA	David Arbour, m. ob.
Limpkin	1-2	thru period	Tulsa	Oxley Nature Center	m. ob.
Limpkin	1	15 Aug 2023	Le Flore	Black Fork Creek	Gene Blackwell
Limpkin	1-2	22 Aug-20 Nov 2023	Washington	Copan Lake Dam	Josh Engelbert, Melinda Droege, m. ob.
Limpkin	1-2	10-20 Sep 2023	Alfalfa	Salt Plains NWR-Eagle Roost trail	Curtis Stewart, m. ob.
Limpkin	1-2	13 Sep-25 Oct 2023	Choctaw	Lake Raymond Gary	Chris Lynch, Stephen Lynch, Jesse Pline
Limpkin	1	30 Sep-8 Oct 2023	Comanche	Wichita Mountains WR	Cindy McIntyre, m. ob.
Limpkin	1	2 Nov 2023	Johnston	Tishomingo NWR, Headquarters area	Justin Roach
Black-necked Stilt	1-2	<u>2-26 Nov 2023</u>	Alfalfa	Salt Plains NWR-Eagle Roost trail	Grace Hoffman, Brian Marra, m. ob.
Piping Plover (R)	2	4 Aug 2023	Washington	Copan Lake	Jesse Pline
Piping Plover (R)	1	14 Aug 2023	Tulsa	56th St. N sod farms	Jana Singletary

Piping Plover (R)	1	14-15 Sep 2023	Carter	Healdton Lake	Don Pearson
Piping Plover (R)	1	<u>5 Oct 2023</u>	Oklahoma	Lake Hefner	Grace Huffman, Trina Arnold
Mountain Plover (R)	1	3 Sep 2023	Cimarron	NS 12 Road, Felt	Alex Harman, Holly Todaro
Whimbrel (R)	1	<u>24 Oct 2023</u>	Alfalfa	Salt Plains NWR	Dave Hanscom
Long-billed Curlew	1	<u>11 Nov 2023</u>	Alfalfa	south of Salt Plains Reservoir	Tim Roberts
Short-billed Dowitcher (R)	1	7-8 Aug 2023	Payne	Lake Carl Blackwell	Scott Loss, Alex Harman, Clay Billman
Short-billed Dowitcher (R)	1	<u>18 Sep 2023</u>	Alfalfa	Salt Plains NWR	Joe Grzybowski, Glen Hensley
Wilson's Snipe	1	<u>5 Aug 2023</u>	Alfalfa	Hiway 11 roadside	Curtis Stewart
Red Phalarope	1	8 Oct 2023	Woodward	Fort Supply Reservoir	Shawn Johnson
Red-necked Phalarope (R)	1	<u>24-25 Aug 2023</u>	Washington	Copan Lake	Josh Engelbert, Melinda Droege
Red-necked Phalarope	5, 6	6 Sep, 5 Oct 2023	Alfalfa	Salt Plains NWR	Glen Hensley, Joe Grzybowski
Red-necked Phalarope (R)	6	24 Sep 2023	Love	Madill	Greg Cook, Steve Glover
Red-necked Phalarope (R)	1	30 Sep 2023	Love	Madill	Don Pearson
Solitary Sandpiper	1	<u>22 Oct- 26 Nov 2023</u>	Wagoner	Northeastern State Univ. wetlands	Mathew & Levi Radford
Solitary Sandpiper	1	<u>25 Oct- 8 Nov 2023</u>	Tulsa	Oxley Nature Center	Josh Smith, m. ob.
Ruddy Turnstone	1	<u>5 Oct 2023</u>	Alfalfa	Salt Plains NWR	Glen Hensley, Joe Grzybowski
Long-tailed Jaeger	1	20-21 Aug 2023	Cleveland	Lake Thunderbird	Grace Huffman, Brian Maura, m. ob.
Long-tailed Jaeger	1	22 Sep, 1 Oct 2023	Woodward	Fort Supply Reservoir	Steve Metz, Aaron Short, Jesse Pline, Jim Bradford
Parasitic Jaeger	1	18 Sep 2023	Alfalfa	Salt Plains NWR	Joe Grzybowski, Glen Hensley
jaeger sp.	1	8-19 Oct 2023	Johnston	Tishomingo NWR	Don Pearson, Justin Roach, m. ob.
Little Gull (R)	1	11 Oct 2023	Oklahoma	Lake Hefner	Jimmy Woodard, Steve Stone
Little Gull (R)	1	22 Nov 2023	Payne	Lake Carl Blackwell	Scott Loss
Little Gull (R)	1	28 Nov 2023	Noble	Sooner Lake--Bank Fishing Area	Jesse Pline
Black-legged Kittiwake	1	25 Nov-11 Dec 2023	Noble	Sooner Lake--Bank Fishing Area	Mike Yough, Landon Neumann, m. ob.
Sabine's Gull (R)	1-3	<u>30 Sep-24 Oct 2023</u>	multiple	locations	m. ob.
Laughing Gull (R)	1	21 Aug 2023	Cleveland	Lake Thunderbird	Joe Grzybowski
Laughing Gull (R)	1	18 Sep 2023	Alfalfa	Salt Plains NWR	Joe Grzybowski
Laughing Gull (R)	1	24 Sep 2023	Cleveland	Lake Thunderbird	Jesse Pline
California Gull (R)	1	14 Aug 2023	Wagoner	Terry Ferry North	Don & Bo Verser
California Gull (R)	1	3 Nov 2023	Oklahoma	Arcadia Lake	Braden Farris
Iceland Gull (R)	1	<u>15 Oct 2023</u>	Oklahoma	Lake Hefner	Chase Moxley
Pacific Loon (R)	1	26 Nov 2023	Oklahoma	Lake Hefner	Grace Huffman, m. ob.
Brown Booby	1	14 Oct 2023	Atoka	McGee Creek	Tammy Wilson
Anhinga	1	8 Sep 2023	<u>Johnston</u>	<u>Whiskey Creek & Muel Lakes</u>	Justin Roach
Least Bittern (R)	1-3	27 Aug, 11 Sep 2023	Alfalfa	Salt Plains NWR, Eagle Roost trail	Aaron Short, Lucas Bobay
Little Blue Heron	1	<u>16, 19 Nov 2023</u>	Tulsa	Oxley Nature Center	Lara Sheppard, Josh Smith, Rebecca Koch

Tricolored Heron (R)	1-2	21 Aug-17 Sep 2023	Alfalfa	Salt Plains NWR, Eagle Roost trail	Matt Ratcliffe, Aarno Short, m. ob.
Snowy Egret	1	<u>20-28 Nov 2023</u>	Oklahoma	Lake Overholser Dam	Steve Davis, m. ob.
Snowy Egret	1	<u>22 Nov 2023</u>	Payne	Boomer Lake Park	Jesse Pline
White Ibis (R)	1	5-26 Aug 2023	Carter	Healdton Lake	Don Pearson
White-tailed Kite	1	10 Nov 2023	Payne	Glencoe Cemetery	Scott Loss
Swallow-tailed Kite (R)	1	17 Aug 2023	<u>Canadian</u>	<u>I-40 west of Oklahoma City</u>	Bob Foehring
Swallow-tailed Kite (R)	1	2 Sep 2023	<u>Garvin</u>	<u>I-35 at Wynnewood</u>	Jacob Kirkland
Swallow-tailed Kite (R)	2	12 Sep 2023	McCurta in	Red Slough WMA	David Arbour
Swallow-tailed Kite (R)	1	24 Sep 2023	<u>Payne</u>	<u>Stillwater</u>	Landon Neumann
Golden Eagle (R)	1	<u>21 Sep 2023</u>	<u>Tulsa</u>	<u>Oxley Nature Center</u>	Jeff Cox
Sharp-shinned Hawk	1	<u>21 Aug 2023</u>	Cleveland	Norman	Joe Grzybowski
Zone-tailed Hawk	1-2	thru 4 Sep 2023	Comanc he	Wichita Mountains WR	m. ob.
Long-eared Owl (R)	1	23 Nov 2023	Grady	unspecified	<i>vide</i> WildCare Oklahoma
Long-eared Owl (R)	1	27 Nov 2023	Texas	Optima NWR	Laurel Barnhill
Northern Saw-whet Owl (R)	1-2	1-14 Nov 2023	Cherokee	J.T. Nickell Family Nature Reserve	Laura Hulbert
Ladder-backed Woodpecker	1	27 Sep 2023	Noble	Sooner Lake--Bank Fishing Area	Mike Yough, Landon Neumann, Lucas Bobay
Hammond's Flycatcher (R)	1	30 Aug 2023	Cimarron	Felt	Brandon Percival
Hammond's Flycatcher (R)	1-2	5-13 Sep 2023	Cimarron	Black Mesa SP	Brian Marra, Grace Huffman, Bill Carrell, m. ob.
Say's Phoebe (R)	1	5-27 Nov 2023	<u>Johnston</u>	<u>Tishomingo NWR, Headquarters area</u>	Justin Roach
Say's Phoebe (R)	1	3 Nov 2023	<u>Payne</u>	<u>Lake Carl Blackwell</u>	Lucas Bobay
Black x Eastern Phoebe	1	28 July, 16-17 Sep 2023	Cimarron	Black Mesa SP	Jesse Pline, Joe Grzybowski, Bill Carrell
Vermilion Flycatcher	2	29 Nov 2023	McCurta in	Red Slough WMA	David Arbour
Ash-throated Flycatcher	1	<u>12 Nov 2023</u>	Jackson	Eldorado area	John Ault
Cassin's Vireo (R)	1	<u>4-9 Sep 2023</u>	Cimarron	Black Mesa SP	Landon Neumann, Mike Yough, m. ob.
Cassin's Vireo (R)	1	<u>13 Sep 2023</u>	Cimarron	nw. part of county—private property	Joe Grzybowski
Plumbeous Vireo (R)	1-3	<u>31 Aug-18 Sep 2023</u>	Cimarron	Black Mesa SP	Brandon Percival, m. ob.
Steller's Jay (R)	1	2 Nov 2023	Cimarron	Kenton	Jesse Pline
Bank Swallow	1	<u>7 Oct 2023</u>	Love	Lake Texoma--Lone Oak Rd.	Steve Glover, Greg Cook et al.
Bank Swallow	1	<u>8 Oct 2023</u>	Johnston	Tishomingo NWR	Justin Roach, Don Pearson et al.
Rock Wren	1	21 Oct 2023	<u>Payne</u>	<u>Lake Carl Blackwell</u>	Michael Reichert, Hande Acar
Rock Wren	1	10 Nov 2023	<u>Washingt on</u>	<u>Copan Lake Dam</u>	Melinda Droege
Rock Wren	1	18 Nov 2023	<u>Cherokee</u>	<u>Lake Tenkiller--Snake Creek Cove</u>	Northwest Arkansas Audubon Society
Sage Thrasher (R)	1	12 Oct 2023	Comanc he	Wichita Mountains WR	Taylor Kirkland
Swainson's Thrush (R)	1	<u>15 Oct 2023</u>	Tulsa	Williams Green	Zach Poland
Red Crossbill (R)	1	<u>3 Aug 2023</u>	Payne	Oklahoma State Univ.	Alex Harman
Red Crossbill (R)	1	<u>11 Sep 2023</u>	Payne	Boomer Lake Park	Luca Bobay, Scott Loss
Red Crossbill (R)	8	<u>18 Oct 2023</u>	Washingt on	Bartlesville	Melinda Droege
Red Crossbill (R)	2	<u>20 Oct 2023</u>	Comanc he	east Lawton	Kurt Meisenzahl, Anthony Breise

Lesser Goldfinch (R)	1	8 Aug 2023	<u>Payne</u>	<u>Lake Carl Blackwell</u>	Clay Billman
Chestnut-collared Longspur	1	27 Oct 2023	<u>Tulsa</u>	<u>Lake Yahola--Monument Point</u>	Zach Poland
Clay-colored Sparrow	1	<u>28 Nov 2023</u>	Lincoln	nw. of Stroud	Megan Miguez
Black-chinned Sparrow FIRST STATE RECORD	1	10 Sep 2023	Cimarron	mesa country--private property	Joe Grzybowski
Brewer's Sparrow	1	<u>25 Oct 2023</u>	Cimarron	Keyes	Dave Hanscom
Green-tailed Towhee	1	<u>19 Oct 2023</u>	<u>Tulsa</u>	<u>Oxley Nature Center</u>	Josh Smith, Zach Poland, Steve Stone
Orchard Oriole	1	<u>8 Oct 2023</u>	Payne	Cushing WTP	Mike Yough
Ovenbird (R)	1	7 Sep 2023	Woodward	Boiling Springs SP	Mason Henry
Golden-winged Warbler (R)	1	<u>27 Aug 2023</u>	Tulsa	Oxley Nature Center	Cole Penning
Golden-winged Warbler (R)	1	<u>12 Sep 2023</u>	Tulsa	Oxley Nature Center	Lisa Miller
Blue-winged Warbler (R)	1	<u>13 Sep 2023</u>	<u>Tulsa</u>	<u>Oxley Nature Center</u>	Richard Hasegawa
Nashville Warbler	1	<u>5 Nov 2023</u>	Oklahoma	Lake Hefner	Braden Farris
Nashville Warbler	1	<u>7 Nov 2023</u>	Tulsa	Caney River bottom	Jana Singletary
Mourning Warbler	1	<u>12-18 Oct 2023</u>	Tulsa	Williams Green	Zach Poland
Northern Parula	1	<u>21 Nov 2023</u>	Oklahoma	Lake Hefner	Zachary Arnold
Magnolia Warbler (R)	1	<u>15 Sep 2023</u>	<u>Cimarron</u>	<u>Black Mesa SP</u>	Bill Carrell
Magnolia Warbler (R)	1	<u>18 Sep 2023</u>	Oklahoma	Martin Park Nature Cent.	Brian Marra
Chestnut-sided Warbler (R)	1	12 Sep 2023	Tulsa	Oxley Nature Center	Josh Smith
Pine Warbler	1	12 Sep 2023	<u>Woods</u>	<u>Hatfield Park</u>	Aaron Short
Yellow-throated Warbler	1	<u>13 Oct 2023</u>	Payne	Lake Carl Blackwell	Scott Loss, Lucas Bobay
Rose-breast. Grosbeak (R)	1	<u>14 Sep 2023</u>	Garfield	Enid	Curtis Stewart
Black-headed Grosbeak	1	24 Aug 2023	<u>Oklahoma</u>	<u>Edmond</u>	Michael McCoy
Black-headed Grosbeak	1	18 Sep 2023	<u>Payne</u>	<u>Sanborn Lake</u>	Landon Neumann
Dickcissel	1	<u>29 Oct-1 Nov 2023</u>	Comanche	east Lawton	Kurt Meisenzahl
Chihuahuan Meadowlark	2	11 May 2023	Cimarron	west of Wheelless	Alec Hopping
Chihuahuan Meadowlark	1-6	15, 22, 29 May 2023	Cimarron	west of Boise City	Daniel Horton, m. ob.
Chihuahuan Meadowlark	1-2	20 May-31 Jul 2023	Cimarron	Hiway 325 near Felt turnoff	Mary & Lou Truex, m. ob.



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