

**Beaverhill Bird Observatory Weekly Update**  
**May 31st to June 6<sup>th</sup> , 2019**



*Canada Warbler*

This week at the BBO some of the exciting birds that passed through the area and got caught in our nets include; a couple Magnolia Warblers, American Redstarts, Warbling Vireos, our first Red-eyed Vireos, Canada Warbler, MacGillivray's Warbler and Yellow-bellied Flycatchers! It was a nice diversity for staff and visitors to see.

We hosted our annual Big Birding Breakfast event and over the course of 2 mornings, 87 visitors came out to the BBO to enjoy a large delicious crepe breakfast, watch bird banding up close and personal, experience a guided nature walk through our trails and the kids got to play many games and crafts with our staff and volunteers. A BIG thank you to Janos, Joan, and Zoltan for being crepe chef and su-chef for both mornings. As well, thank you to

Helen and Geoff, for coming out both mornings to help host visitors, plus all our other volunteers and board members who made this annual event possible!

Sonia finished her two week stay with us at the BBO and has gone on to continue her adventures southward, heading to a birding station in Mexico. She was a great help to staff, assisting us with banding birds in the morning, and the many maintenance tasks in the afternoon. She will be missed but we wish her well with wherever her life takes her next!

This week staff continued to spend many an afternoon installing our new parks signs as well as mowing our migration net lanes and our MAPS net lanes in preparation for starting out MAPS (Monitoring Avian Productivity and Survivorship) program which will begin next week on June 10<sup>th</sup>.

The BBO would not be able to continue to thrive and grow if it weren't for our regular volunteers who assist us in the many tasks it requires to keep this research station and natural area running. So a BIG Thank you to the following folks who put in the extra time this week to come out to the lab and assist staff: Geoff Holroyd, Helen Trefry, Steve Anderson, Janos, Joan, Zoltan, Silas and Deanne, as well as all our interns. THANK YOU!

Thank you as well to all the people who visited the natural area this week including; Natasha, Julia, a mother and her 2 kids, Andrew and Beth, as well as the 87 participants in our Big Birding Breakfast event! Thanks for coming out and enjoying our natural area!



*Female MacGillivray's Warbler*

Species	Banded	Repeat <sup>1</sup>	Return <sup>2</sup>	Foreign <sup>3</sup>	Other <sup>4</sup>	Total
American Goldfinch	3					3
American Redstart	4					4
American Robin	2					2
Baltimore Oriole	7	4			1	12
Black-capped Chickadee	1					1
Brown-headed Cowbird	1	1	1			3
Canada Warbler	1					1
Clay-coloured Sparrow	10	5				15
Grey Catbird	1				1	2
House Wren	7	1			4	12
Least Flycatcher	28	8	1		1	38
MacGillivray's Warbler	1					1
Magnolia Warbler	2					2
Mourning Warbler	1					1
Ovenbird	3					3
Red-eyed Vireo	2					2
Swainson's Thrush	5					5
Trail's Flycatcher	3					3
Warbling Vireo	3	1	1			5
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	1					1
Yellow Warbler	12	11	4		1	28
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>144</b>

Net Hours: 496.5 hrs
Capture Rate: 29.0 birds/100hrs

1 Banded recently (within 90 days) at the BBO

2 Banded at the BBO >90 days prior to recapture (e.g. in a previous year).

3 Banded at a location other than the BBO

4 Caught in a mist-net but not banded (e.g. escaped net).