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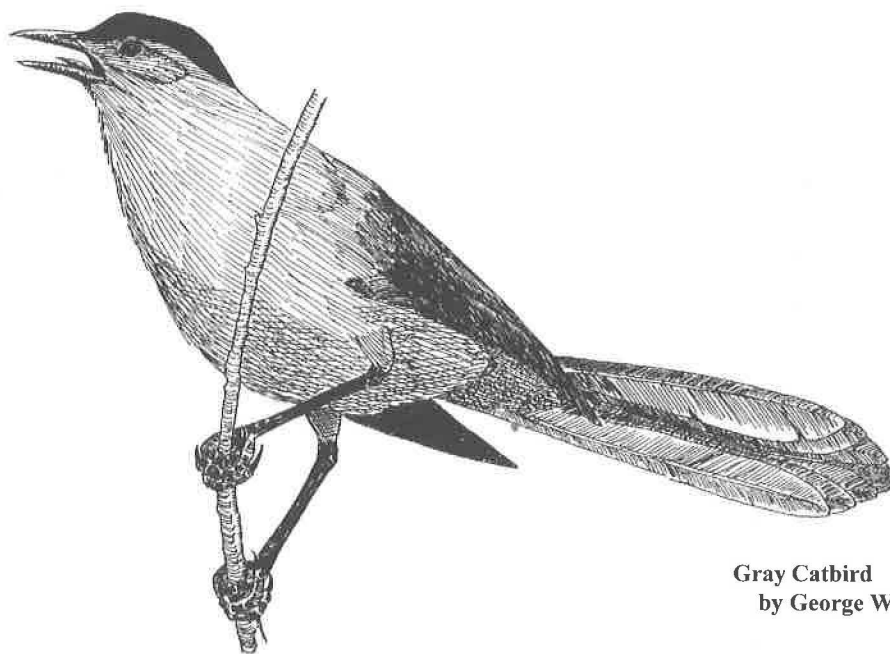
Banding totals at all but Rock Point were down again this year. Weather was cited as a negative factor at several stations, both in the migration period but also possibly in the breeding season prior to migration. Gray Catbird made the top ten list at every station but Allegheny Front. But Allegheny Front was the only station where a long-distance migrant (Black-throated Blue Warbler) was number one on the top ten list. Date of the biggest daily total ranged from 24 Aug at Bedford Valley to 27 Oct at Powdermill.

The narratives are always interesting reading. An American Goldfinch banded at Ruthven in Jun 2007 was recovered 1700 mi SSW in Lacombe, LA, in Mar 2008. Rock Point also had an interesting

goldfinch recovery in Montgomery County, AL. An HY Blackpoll Warbler banded at Allegheny Front in Sep 2006 was recaptured and released alive in Oct 2008 at Magdalena University, in Santa Marta, Colombia! This is the only record of a Blackpoll Warbler banded in North America and recaptured in South America!

Once again, Allegheny Front and Powdermill Avian Research Center collaborated on the nocturnal vocalization recording research being undertaken by Mike Lanzone.

As always, thank you to everyone who contributes to the AFR Region III report!



Gray Catbird
by George West

Table 1. AFR III Fall 2009 Summary

	Lewiston, NY	Ruthven Park, ON	Rock Point, ON	Long Point, ON	Presque Isle, PA	Powdermill, PA	Bedford Valley, PA	Mt Nebo, MD	Allegheny Front, WV
First Day/Last Day	9/2 to 10/14	9/1 to 11/8	7/20 to 11/6	8/15 to 11/15	8/17 to 10/29	8/1 to 11/20	8/21 to 10/13	8/16 to 11/9	8/15 to 10/14
Days Operated	8	42	78	107	53	88	29	46	13
No. Nets Used	15	16	12 to 16.5	0 to 53	7 to 12	4 to 63	1 to 7	19 to 20	11 to 30
Total Net Hours	563	3641	5834	12,700	3424	19,263	435	4310	6629
% Caught in Traps	0	2.5%	0	9.8%	0	0	0	0	0
Largest Daily Catch	35 on 10/14	117 on 10/4	155 on 10/10	1408 on 10/10	108 on 10/11	204 on 10/27	11 on 8/24	58 on 10/5	360 on 9/15
Most Common Best Day	• 29% HETH	57% AMGO	12% AMGO	33% RCKI	50% MYWA	20.5% WTSP	30% SOSP	21% GRCA	46% BLPW
Most Species Diversity	12 on 9/2,6,12	28 on 9/6	31 on 9/30	47 on 10/10	18 on 9/25	44 on 9/25	8 on 8/24	22 on 10/5	31 on 9/15
No. Banded 2008	288	2436	2320	9663	1604	7279	239	1363	5653
No. Banded 2009	136	2408	3067	13,195	1231	6947	88	1084	4428
No. Forms 2008	43	88	84	151	72	107	45	74	81
No. Forms 2009	34	79	89	132	71	101	30	66	80
Birds/100nh 2008	30.4	41.1	46.0	63.0	38.2	-	31.0	36	72
Birds/100nh 2009	24.2	63.1	53.0	103.0	36.0	34.7	24.0	25	67
% HY 2008	72%	NA	78%	82.5%	NA	73%	74%	78%	81.70%
% HY 2009	80%	83.6%	70%	82%	-	-	80%	73%	72%

Table 2. Most Commonly Banded Species, AFR Region III, Fall 2009

	Lewiston, NY		Ruthven Park, ON		Rock Point, ON		Long Point, ON		Presque Isle, PA	
		% HY		% HY		% HY		% HY		% HY
1.	14 BCCH(8)	64%	745 AMGO(1)	89%	305 WTSP(3)	76%	1866 GCKI(4)	86%	176 MYWA(1)	86%
2.	11 SWTH(3)	73	198 WTSP(3)	94	282 GRCA(1)	93	1450 RCKI(2)	81	133 GRCA(2)	93
3.	11 GCKI(2)	100	144 MYWA(2)	90	259 AMGO(2)	62	798 MYWA(1)	85	97 GCKI(6)	97
4.	10 HETH(1)	100	131 RCKI(5)	72	185 RCKI(5)	72	747 WTSP(3)	88	87 WTSP(3)	87
5.	8 GRCA(7)	100	128 SCJU(4)	58	139 MAWA(7)	58	696 AMGO(9)	78	80 MAWA	80
6.	7 AMRE	57	105 GCKI	82	133 CEDW(8)	26	473 MAWA(6)	89	59 RCKI	54
7.	7 MAWA(4)	86	74 SOSP(6)	74	120 REVI	96	461 BRCR	73	47 SWTH	87
8.	7 WOTH	86	73 CHSP	78	113 GCKI(9)	80	443 SCJU(5)	74	42 COYE(8)	90
9.	6 NOCA	100	56 GRCA(8)	95	88 SOSP(6)	78	417 NSW(10)	58	36 SCJU(10)	86
10.	6 AMRO(10)	83	54 SWTH	93	87 NAWA	66	410 SWTH(8)	76	2 HETH(4)	84

Table 2 (continued). Most Commonly Banded Species, AFR Region III, Fall 2009

	Powdermill, PA		Bedford Valley, PA		Mt Nebo, MD		Allegheny Front, WV	
		% HY		% HY		% HY		% HY
1.	541 MAWA(2)	60%	16 GRCA(4)	80%	142 GRCA(3)	85%	1048 BTBW(1)	63%
2.	352 WTSP(3)	52%	11 SOSP(2)	100	79 WTSP(1)	39	894 BLPW(3)	73
3.	324 SWTH	94%	9 CHSP(1)	80	77 COYE(7)	84	492 BTNW(2)	84
4.	309 AMGO(8)	51%			75 MAWA(6)	68	182 CMWA	46
5.	306 GRCA(7)	82%			67 PUFI(10)	52	171 SWTH(8)	72
6.	243 SOSP(4)	53%			55 SOSP(4)	73	167 TEWA(4)	66
7.	229 COYE(9)	70%			41 RCKI	*	141 MAWA(7)	71
8.	229 SCJU(5)	33%			39 BTBW(5)	87	130 SCJU(5)	92
9.	194 AMRE	73%			33 BCCH	97	126 BLJA	65
10.	183 CEDW	51%			30 GCKI	*	109 RCKI(9)	83

* too many Unknowns