

Banding 2016

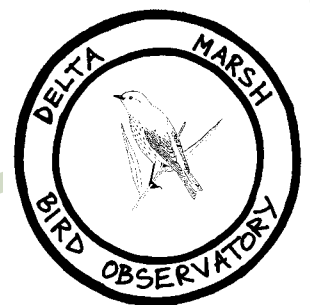
The Delta Marsh Bird Observatory set up at Oak Hammock Marsh Interpretive Centre again this year, expanding their on-going program.

Highlights included:

- Hiring Jeff Costa to be the BIC.
- Banding daily from July 18th to October 8th, which was 70 days of banding.
- Supplementing with a great number of volunteers.
- Volunteers response was phenomenal.
- Running no more than 6 nets most often only 4 nets.
- Trying to do a daily census but only succeeding if there were volunteers.
- Birds banded: 2494 (includes retraps)
- Total species: 64
- Total mist net hours: 1816
- Birds per mist net hour: 1.37
- Visitors: 520
- Volunteers: 30
- Volunteer hours: 886
- Species caught for the first time:
 - Alder & Willow Flycatchers
 - Cliff Swallow
 - Common Nighthawk
 - Red-breasted Nuthatch
 - Northern Saw-whet Owl
 - Sedge Wren
- Facebook views: 8824
- Hosted a CWS banding workshop in September.
- Tried Saw-whet owl banding for four nights and caught 5 birds.
- We did 6 media interviews
- We gave the Minister of Sustainable Development a demonstration.



THANK YOU TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS!



What we caught!

Species	May 6 - Oct 9
Northern Saw-whet Owl	5
Downy Woodpecker	9
Yellow-shafted Flicker	3
Common Nighthawk	1
Eastern Kingbird	14
Willow Flycatcher	1
Eastern Phoebe	2
Alder Flycatcher	2
Traill's Flycatcher	7
Least Flycatcher	19
Blue Jay	1
European Starling	1
Brown-headed Cowbird	2
Yellow-headed Blackbird	26
Red-winged Blackbird	14
Orchard Oriole	1
Baltimore Oriole	1
Rusty Blackbird	1
Common Grackle	6
American Goldfinch	22
Savannah Sparrow	28
Nelson's Sparrow	1
Harris's Sparrow	7
White-crowned Sparrow	21
White-throated Sparrow	59
American Tree Sparrow	7
Clay-colored Sparrow	40
Slate-colored Junco	37
Song Sparrow	179
Lincoln's Sparrow	29
Swamp Sparrow	371
Fox Sparrow	17
Cliff Swallow	14
Barn Swallow	108
Tree Swallow	15
Bank Swallow	28

Species	May 6 - Oct 9
Cedar Waxwing	9
Philadelphia Vireo	4
Nashville Warbler	15
Orange-crowned Warbler	6
Tennessee Warbler	146
Cape May Warbler	1
Yellow Warbler	321
Myrtle Warbler	280
Magnolia Warbler	4
Bay-breasted Warbler	1
Blackpoll Warbler	11
Western Palm Warbler	44
Northern Waterthrush	5
Mourning Warbler	1
Common Yellowthroat	457
Wilson's Warbler	2
American Redstart	20
Gray Catbird	11
Winter Wren	8
Sedge Wren	1
Marsh Wren	117
Brown Creeper	1
Red-breasted Nuthatch	2
Black-capped Chickadee	4
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	35
Swainson's Thrush	4
Hermit Thrush	1
American Robin	4
Total birds	2614
Total Species	64
Total Mist net hours	1886.5
Birds/mist net hour	1.39
* includes retraps	



Volunteers!

We had a great group of volunteers this year who helped out with all aspects of the station: banding, extraction, census and even a volunteer who analyzed the Oak Hammock data! We couldn't run the station without you.

THANK YOU EVERYONE!!

