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2017 REPORT OF THE KANSAS BIRD RECORD COMMITTEE

This report summarizes the activities of the Committee for the calendar year 2017. The Committee received 31 reports, of which 30 were evaluated, recording the occurrence of 27 different birds. All reports are archived in The University of Kansas Natural History Museum in Lawrence, Kansas.

Submissions are assigned a sequential number in the order in which they are received, with the year of receipt as a prefix. Submissions that are not on the review list, or not considered extraordinary, may not be circulated to the Committee. Birds are listed in phylogenetic order under each of two categories: Records Accepted and Records Not Accepted. Taxonomy and nomenclature follow the American Ornithological Society's (AOS) *Check-list of North American Birds*, Seventh Edition (American Ornithologists' Union. 1998. *Check-list of North American Birds: The Species of Birds of North America from the Arctic through Panama, Including the West Indies and Hawaiian Islands*. American Ornithologists' Union, Washington, D.C.), updated through the 58th Supplement (Chesser, R.T., K.J. Burns, C. Cicero, J.L. Dunn, A.W. Kratter, I.J. Lovette, P.C. Rasmussen, J.V. Remsen, Jr., J.D. Rising, D.F. Stotz, and K. Winkler. 2017. *Fifty-eighth Supplement to the American Ornithological Society's Check-list of North American Birds*. *The Auk*, *Ornithological Advances* 134:751-773.).

After the English and scientific name the following, if available, are provided: KBRC record number; the number of individuals seen, with sex, age or plumage notes; date(s) of observation; locality; observer(s), with those documenting the record listed first; supporting physical evidence; and finally, pertinent comments on changes to the species status on the Kansas Ornithological Society (KOS) checklist. Records that were not accepted by the Committee have observer(s) names omitted, with a brief explanation of the rationale behind that decision.

Authors, when citing KBRC records from this report, are encouraged to give credit to the observer(s) associated with the observation along with a full citation of this report.

RECORDS ACCEPTED

Eurasian Wigeon (*Mareca penelope*), 2017-25, adult male, 1 to 2 December 2017,

Lafarge Sandpit, Wichita, Sedgwick County, reported by Pete Janzen, also seen by Henry Armknecht, Kathy Carroll, and Malcolm Gold. **Ninth state record.**

Little Stint (*Calidris minuta*), 2017-10, unknown age, 30 April 2017, Quivira National Wildlife Refuge, Stafford County, reported by Eugene Young, documented with extensive field notes. **First state record for Kansas and will be added to the KOS Checklist with hypothetical status.**

Black-legged Kittiwake (*Rissa tridactyla*), 2017-01, immature, 10 November 2016, Pomona Lake, Osage County, reported by Danny Akers. **Nineteenth state record.**

Iceland Gull (*Larus glaucoides*), 2017-05, adult, 8 January 2017, John Redmond Reservoir, Coffey County, reported by Will Chatfield-Taylor, also seen by Matt Gearheart, documented with photographs. **Seventeenth state record.** *Thayer's Gull was lumped by the AOS with Iceland Gull in 2017 so all KBRC records of Thayer's Gull are now part of the Iceland Gull records database.*

Brown Booby (*Sula leucogaster*), 2017-13, adult, 31 July 2017, near Ensign, Gray County, reported by an anonymous observer, documented with photograph. **First state record for Kansas and will be added to the KOS Checklist.**

Reddish Egret (*Egretta rufescens*), 2017-11, immature, dark morph, 31 May 2017 to 5 October 2017, Quivira National Wildlife Refuge, Stafford County, reported by Jay Miller, also seen by Karole Erikson and many observers, documented with photographs. **Fourth state record.**

Roseate Spoonbill (*Platalea ajaja*), 2017-14, 2nd year bird, 26 August 2017, McPherson Valley Wetlands, McPherson County, reported by Jess Painter and Ethan Maynard, and seen by many observers, documented with photographs. **Eleventh state record.** *Bird was reported from 25 August to 21 September 2017.*

Roseate Spoonbill (*Platalea ajaja*), 2017-16, 2nd year bird, 1 September 2017, along US Highway 56 near Moscow, Stevens County, reported by Kathy Carroll, documented with photographs. Three Roseate Spoonbills had been reported by locals from this location four days earlier. **Twelfth state record.**

Swallow-tailed Kite (*Elanoides forficatus*), 2017-19, adult, 20 August 2017, east of Toronto Rest Area along US 54 Highway, Greenwood County, reported by Carolyn Schwab, also seen by Terry Schwab.

White-tailed Kite (*Elanus leucurus*), 2017-08, adult, 1 April 2017, south of Greensburg, Kiowa County, reported by Richard Hall, also seen by Mitchell Jarrett, documented with photographs. **Fifth state record.**

White-tailed Kite (*Elanus leucurus*), 2017-26, two adults, 15 to 18 December 2017, Ft. Riley training area E, Riley County, reported by Thomas Duckworth and Brian Monser, also seen by Mike Houck, Jeff Keating, Chuck Otte and Jaye Otte, documented with photographs. **Sixth state record.**

Northern Goshawk (*Accipiter gentilis*), 2017-17, immature, 2 September 2017, northwest of Hugoton, Stevens County, reported by Kevin Groeneweg, also seen by Henry Armknecht and Jeff Calhoun, documented with photographs.

Harris's Hawk (*Parabuteo unicinctus*), 2017-24, adult, 27 to 29 November 2017, northeast of Gardener, Johnson County, reported by Rodney Wright, and seen by many observers, documented with photographs. **Eighth state record.**

Williamson's Sapsucker (*Sphyrapicus thyroideus*), 2017-06, adult male, 18 March 2017, Wilson State Park – Otoe Area, Russell County, reported by Malcolm Gold and John Mallery, also seen by Rodney Wright and Robert Trenton Reed, documented with photographs. **Fifth state record.**

Ladder-backed Woodpecker (*Picoides scalaris*), 2017-12, adult, unknown sex, 21 May 2017, along Bear Creek, two miles from Colorado border, Stanton County, reported by Jeff Calhoun, also seen by Henry Armknecht.

Vermilion Flycatcher (*Pyrocephalus rubinus*), 2017-07, adult male, 29 March 2017, county line road east of Spring Hill, Miami County, reported by Kelli Egbert and Rodney Wright, also seen by Micky Louis and Robert Trenton Reed, documented with photographs.

Clark's Nutcracker (*Nucifraga columbiana*), 2017-20, adult, 12 November 2017, west of Anthony, Harper County, reported by Corey Entriken, also seen by Theresa Entriken, documented with photographs.

Pygmy Nuthatch (*Sitta pygmaea*), 2017-27, at least 6 adults, 19 November 2017, Lake Scott State Park, Scott County, reported by Kevin Groeneweg, and seen by many observers, documented with photographs.

Pacific Wren (*Troglodytes pacificus*), 2017-23, unknown age, 19 November 2017, Lake Scott State Park, Scott County, reported by Kevin Groeneweg, also seen by Henry Armknecht, Jeff Calhoun, Tom Ewert, and Pete Janzen, documented with video and audio recording. **Second state record.**

Curve-billed Thrasher (*Toxostoma curvirostre*), 2017-02, adult, 16 November 2016, Logan Township, Decatur County, reported by Gisela Fisher, documented with photographs.

Cassin's Finch (*Haemorhous cassinii*), 2017-22, adult female, 25 to 26 November 2017, Tecumseh, Shawnee County, reported by Michelle Folster, documented with photographs. Easternmost record in Kansas.

Painted Redstart (*Myioborus pictus*), 2017-09, adult, 9 April 2017, north of Dodge City, Hodgeman County, reported by Graham Montgomery, documented with photographs. **Sixth state record.**

Painted Redstart (*Myioborus pictus*), 2017-21, adult, 10 to 12 November 2017, Lee

Richardson Zoo, Garden City, Finney County, reported by Sara Shane and seen by many observers, documented with photographs. **Seventh state record.**

RECORDS NOT ACCEPTED

Northern Goshawk (*Accipiter gentilis*), 2017-04, adult, 9 January 2017, Cheney State Park, Reno County. Insufficient details to separate from other accipiter species.

Ladder-backed Woodpecker (*Picoides scalaris*), 2017-03, adult male, 1 December 2016 to 8 January 2017, backyard feeder in Cawker City, Mitchell County. Photograph submitted with the record appeared to be of a different woodpecker species.

Gray Jay (*Perisoreus canadensis*), 2017-28, 30 December 2017, Rural residence near Lyons, Rice County. Insufficient details to confirm identification of a species strongly tied to coniferous forests and not prone to vagrancy.

Connecticut Warbler (*Oporornis agilis*), 2017-18, adult male, 12 September 2017, Residential area, Berryton, Shawnee County. Insufficient details to separate from similar warbler species.

Members of the KBRC voting on these records: Matt Gearheart; Malcolm Gold (Alternate); Kevin Groeneweg; Jon King; Terry Mannell; Cheryl Miller; Chuck Otte (Secretary); Max Thompson (Alternate); Eugene A. Young (Chair).

Submitted by Chuck Otte, KBRC Secretary.

Errata: The following errors occurred in the 2016 Report of the Kansas Bird Record Committee (2017. 2016 Report of the Kansas Bird Record Committee. Kansas Ornithological Society Bulletin 68[2]:29-36.):

Page 29 - 2nd paragraph, last sentence, citation and reference to the AOU Checklist from 1983 should be as follows: Taxonomy and nomenclature follow the American Ornithological Society's Check-list of North American Birds, Seventh Edition (AOU 1998), updated through the 57th Supplement (Chesser et al. 2016).

Page 31 - Vermillion should be Vermilion on the taglines for the photographs of records KBRC# 2016-25 and #2016-12.

Page 35 - Citation for reference of the AOU Check-list on page 29, should be as follows: American Ornithologists' Union. 1998. Check-list of North American Birds: The Species of Birds of North America from the Arctic through Panama, Including the West Indies and Hawaiian Islands. American Ornithologists' Union, Washington, D.C.