



Fall Warbler Challenge Series 2020

‘Wrap - Up’

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Saturday, November 14, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. (EST)

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- **FALL WARBLER CHALLENGE**
 - September 1 - October 31, 2020
- **FALL WARBLER CHALLENGE Wrap Up**
 - Saturday, November 14, 2020 at 3:00 PM
- **SPRING WARBLER CHALLENGE 2021**
 - April 1 through May 31, 2021

Mark Your Calendar! Just what everyone has been waiting for. The birds are in their breeding plumage, singing, and concentrated in areas so finding and identifying them is simple. This should be fun and exciting!



Photo: Lake Isaac in the early morning of September 12, 2020 by Tom Fishburn.

Fall Warbler Challenge Rules



- Dates of Challenge - **September 1 through October 31, 2020** the height of fall warbler migration in NE Ohio. We will use the honor system for your sightings.
- Bird on your own or with a couple of others. Limit your “group” to 3 people maximum.
- Always follow COVID-19 gathering guidelines - wear masks, remain at least 6 feet apart, do not gather in groups of more than a couple of people, wash hands frequently, avoid larger groups and people not wearing masks even when outdoors, and use hand sanitizer.
- Remain in the county in which the participant lives. Participants may travel anywhere in that county to locate the warblers
- Use the checklist tracking sheet WCAS provided. Information needed is the date and place the participant was birding and mark “X’s” on the list of the species sighted that day.

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1. Add an “X” to indicate which species was seen.

2. Fill in sighting date and location at the top of that column.

3. WCAS Fall Warbler Checklist PDF
https://www.wcaudubon.org/uploads/5/6/0/1/56016295/fall_warbler_sightings_sheet_2020.pdf



Photo: Great Egret (*Ardea alba*), Lake Isaac, Middleburg Heights, OH by Tom Fishburn.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N
1		Date & Location Example: 9/24/2020, Lake Isaac	Sept. 24, 2020 - Lake Abram	Sept. 27, 2020 - CLNP	Sept. 30, 2020 - Lake Isaac	Oct. 5, 2020 - CLNP	Oct. 7, 2020 - Lake Isaac	Oct. 8, 2020 - CLNP	Oct. 11, 2020 - CLNP	Oct. 13, 2020 - Lake Abram	Oct. 18, 2020 - CLNP	Oct. 21, 2020 - CLNP	Oct. 23, 2020 - Lake Isaac	
2	Warbler Species													
3	American Redstart (AMRE)	X	X	X		X		X						
4	Bay-breasted Warbler (BBWA)		X	X		X			X					
5	Black-and-white Warbler (BAWW)													
6	Blackburnian Warbler (BLBW)		X	X		X								
7	Blackpoll Warbler (BLPW)		X	X										
8	Black-throated Blue Warbler (BTBW)	X												
9	Black-throated Green Warbler (BTNW)		X	X	X	X			X	X		X		
10	Blue-winged Warbler (BWWA)													
11	Canada Warbler (CAWA)													
12	Cape May Warbler (CMWA)			X										
13	Cerulean Warbler (CERW)													
14	Chestnut-sided Warbler (CSWA)													
15	Common Yellowthroat (COYE)		X	X		X		X	X		X			
16	Connecticut Warbler (COWA)													
17	Golden-winged Warbler (GWWA)													
18	Hooded Warbler (HOWA)													
19	Kentucky Warbler (KEWA)													
20	Kirtland's Warbler (KIWA)													



Fall Warbler Challenge Checklist (*upper*)

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Trip 2 - 1/2




Fall Warbler Challenge Checklist *(lower)*

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Trip 2 - 2/2

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N
19	Kentucky Warbler (KEWA)													
20	Kirtland's Warbler (KIWA)													
21	Louisiana Waterthrush (LOWA)													
22	Magnolia Warbler (MAWA)		X	X	X	X			X					
23	Mourning Warbler (MOWA)													
24	Myrtle Warbler (MYWA) eastern birds are Yellow-rumped Warbler													
25	Nashville Warbler (NAWA)	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X		
26	Northern Parula (NOPA)		X	X		X								
27	Northern Waterthrush (NOWA)													
28	Orange-crowned Warbler (OCWA)					X		X				X		
29	Ovenbird (OVEN)			X										
30	Palm Warbler (PAWA)		X	X	X	X		X	X			X		
31	Pine Warbler (PIWA)									X				
32	Prairie Warbler (PRAW)													
33	Prothonotary Warbler (PROW)													
34	Tennessee Warbler (TEWA)		X			X			X			X		
35	Wilson's Warbler (WIWA)		X	X		X		X				X		
36	Worm-eating Warbler (WEWA)													
37	Yellow-rumped Warbler – eastern birds are Myrtle Warbler (MYWA)		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
38	Yellow-throated Warbler (YTWA)													
39	Yellow Warbler (YEWA)					X								



Photo: Cedar Falls, Hocking County, OH by Tom Fishburn.

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1		Date & Location Example: 9/24/2020, Lake Isaac	9/22/2020 - Huntington Reservation	9/25/2020 - Huntington Reservation	10/2/2020 - Huntington Reservation	10/2/2002 - Drina's yard, Bay Village	10/2/2020- Bradstreet Landing, Rocky River							
2	Warbler Species													
3	American Redstart (AMRE)	X												
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5	Black-and-white Warbler (BAWW)		X											
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Fall Warbler Challenge Checklist (*upper*)

Drina Nemes
Trip 1 - 1/2



Photo: New England Aster, Boston Heights, OH by Tom Fishburn.



Photo: Wallace Lake, Berea, OH by Tom Fishburn.

Fall Warbler Challenge Results



- 21 species of warblers sighted during the Challenge from all checklists
- Nancy birded Lake Isaac and Lake Abrams as well as Cleveland Lakefront Nature Preserve. Drina birded Huntington Reservation and yard and Gloria birded her yard.
- From Nancy's list the best days were September 16 and 27, and October 5 with 14 species on each of those days. September 19 and 24 had 13 species sighted.
- Most often sighted species - Common Yellowthroat and Yellow-rumped Warbler
- Species sighted by all participants - Yellow-rumped and Nashville Warblers

Warblers Sighted During Challenge



- American Redstart
- Bay-breasted Warbler
- Black and White Warbler
- Blackburnian Warbler
- Blackpoll Warbler
- Black-throated Blue Warbler
- Black-throated Green Warbler
- Cape May Warbler
- Chestnut-sided Warbler
- Common Yellowthroat
- Magnolia Warbler
- Nashville Warbler
- Northern Parula
- Orange-crowned Warbler
- Ovenbird
- Palm Warbler
- Pine Warbler
- Tennessee Warbler
- Wilson's Warbler
- Yellow-rumped Warbler
- Yellow Warbler



Above: American Redstart (*Setophaga ruticilla*)
by Chuck Slusarczyk Jr.



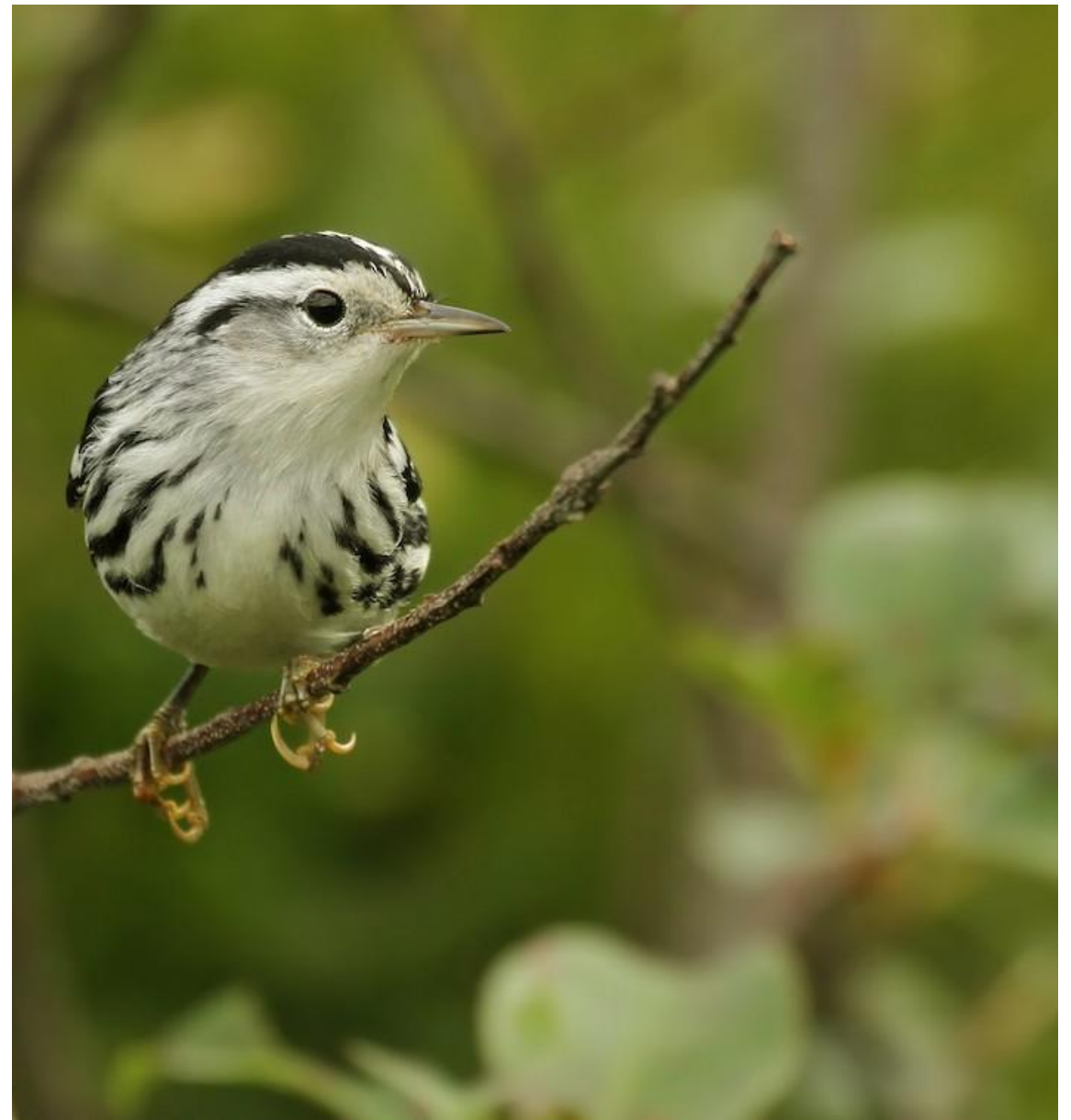
Above: American Redstart (*Setophaga ruticilla*)
by Allan Claybon



Above: Bay-breasted Warbler (*Setophaga castanea*)
by Chuck Slusarczyk Jr.



Above: Black-and-White Warbler (*Mniotilta varia*)
by Chuck Slusarczyk Jr.



Above: Black-and-White Warbler (*Mniotilta varia*)
by Ryan Schain, 09 Sep 2012, Massachusetts, US [Macaulay Library](#)
[ML63666501](#)



Above: Blackburnian Warbler (*Setophaga fusca*) by William Higgins, 15 Sep 2016, Virginia, US [Macaulay Library ML64801361](#)



Above: Blackburnian Warbler (*Setophaga fusca*) by Luke Seitz, 25 Nov 2015, Massachusetts, US [Macaulay Library ML64801381](#)



Above: Blackpoll Warbler (*Setophaga striata*)
by Allan Claybon 12 Sep 2016



Above: Blackpoll Warbler (*Setophaga striata*)
by Chuck Slusarczyk Jr.



Above: Black-throated Blue Warbler (*Setophaga caerulescens*)
by Chuck Slusarczyk Jr.



Above: Black-throated Blue Warbler (*Setophaga caerulescens*)
by Michael O'Brien 01 Oct 2012 New Jersey, NY US [Macaulay Library](#)
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Above: Black-throated Green Warbler (*Setophaga virens*)
by Chuck Slusarczyk Jr.



Above: Cape May Warbler (*Setophaga tigrina*)
by Chuck Slusarczyk Jr.



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by Chuck Slusarczyk Jr.



Above: Chestnut-sided Warbler (*Setophaga pensylvanica*)
by Tim Lenz 01 Sep 2013 New York, US [Macaulay Library ML64803501](#)



Above: Chestnut-sided Warbler (*Setophaga pensylvanica*)
by Jonathan Irons 11 Sep 2020 Maryland, US [Macaulay Library ML279495221](#)



Above: Common Yellowthroat (*Geothlypis trichas*)
by Tom Fishburn



Above: Common Yellowthroat (*Geothlypis trichas*)
by Chuck Slusarczyk Jr.



Above: Magnolia Warbler (*Setophaga magnolia*)
by Chuck Slusarczyk Jr.



Above: Magnolia Warbler (*Setophaga magnolia*)
by Tom Fishburn



Above: Nashville Warbler (*Leiothlypis ruficapilla*)
by Tom Fishburn



Above: Nashville Warbler (*Leiothlypis ruficapilla*)
by Tom Fishburn



Above and right: Northern Parula (*Setophaga americana*)
by Tom Fishburn



Above: Orange-crowned Warbler (*Leiothlypis celata*) by Ryan Schain 03
Nov 2010 Massachusetts, US [Macaulay Library ML64441231](#)



Above: Orange-crowned Warbler (*Leiothlypis celata*) by Ian Davies 21
Oct 2017 Arizona, US [Macaulay Library ML120747051](#)



Above: Ovenbird (*Seiurus aurocapillus*) by Tom Fishburn



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Above: Palm Warbler (*Setophaga palmarum*)
by Tom Fishburn



Above: Palm Warbler (*Setophaga palmarum*)
by Chuck Slusarczyk Jr.



Above: Pine Warbler (*Setophaga pinus*)
by Tom Fishburn



Above: Pine Warbler (*Setophaga pinus*)
by Luke Seitz 08 Oct 2016 Maine, US [Macaulay Library ML64893861](#)



Above: Tennessee Warbler (*Leiothlypis peregrina*)
by Tom Fishburn



Above: Tennessee Warbler (*Leiothlypis peregrina*)
by Tom Fishburn



Above: Wilson's Warbler (*Cardellina pusilla*)
by Chuck Slusarczyk Jr.



Above: Wilson's Warbler (*Cardellina pusilla*)
by Chuck Slusarczyk Jr.



Above: Yellow-rumped Warbler (*Setophaga coronata*)
by Tom Fishburn



Above: Yellow-rumped Warbler (*Setophaga coronata*)
by Tom Fishburn



Above: American Yellow Warbler (*Setophaga petechia*)
by Michael O'Brien 04 Sep 2016 New Jersey, US [Macaulay Library](#)
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Above: American Yellow Warbler (*Setophaga petechia*)
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