## Redhead (Aythya Americana)

WINTER: Casual Visitant. See Remarks section for CBC data, Mid-Winter Aerial Survey data and high counts.

**SUMMER:** NO RECORDS.

#### **MIGRATION:**

**Spring:** Fairly Common to Very Common Migrant from mid-February to mid-March. Uncommon Migrant from late March to early May. Late dates, 26 May 1958 (Edeburn et al. 1960); one on 09 May 1977 at Gavin Power Plant (HS); two on 02 May 1987 (WA, AT, LW) See Remarks section for high counts.

Fall: Uncommon Migrant from late October to late December. Occasionally Fairly Common from mid-December to late December. Early dates, one on 20 September 1980 at Ona, Cabell Co., WV (GR); 23 October 1955 (Edeburn et al. 1960); one on 25 October 1976 at Barboursville, Cabell Co., WV (HS); two on 26 October 1975 at Kyger Creek Power Plant (HS); one on 28 October 1976 at Barboursville, Cabell Co., WV (HS) and 28 October 1990 at Cheshire, Gallia Co., OH (WA). See Remarks section for high counts.

#### **REMARKS:**

Winter High Counts: 50 on 27 February 2010 at Beech Fork Dam (KC); 40 on 29 February 1992 at Kyger Creek Power Plant and Cheshire, Gallia Co., OH (WA, MG); 35 on 15 February 1990 at Gavin Power Plant (WA, MG); 24 on 09 February 2007 at Harris River Front Park (JW); 23 on 17 February 1976 at Gavin Power Plant and Kyger Creek Power Plant (HS).

Spring High Counts: 200 on 06 March 1971 at Kyger Creek Power Plant (HS); 150 on 01 March 1970 at Kyger Creek Power Plant (HS); 126 on 19 March 1978 at Kyger Creek Power Plant (HS); 120 on 12 March 1972 at Kyger Creek Power Plant (HS); 114 (64 at Byrd Locks & Dam and 50 at McClintic WMA) on 12 March 2005 (MG, DP); 50 on 23 March 1996 at Kyger Creek Power Plant (WA, KP).

Fall High Counts: 35 on 30 November 1995 at Byrd Locks & Dam (WA); 6 on 07 November 1987 on the Ohio River at Huntington, WV (WA); 21 November 1971 at Kyger Creek Power Plant (HS).

Banding Data: 758 (8.4% of total Anatidae) were banded at McClintic WMA from 1953 to 1964. Of 8.0% (61) recovered, exclusive of WV and OH, 76.8% (43) and 23.2% (13), respectively, were recovered north and south of the banding station. 53.5% (23) of recoveries north of the banding station were from Michigan (8), Minnesota (8) and Ontario, Canada (7). 76.9% (10) of recoveries south of the banding station were from Florida (3), South Carolina (3), and 2 each from Alabama and North Carolina (Donnelly 1967).

### **CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT DATA**

Huntington, WV (1940 to 2001): Recorded on 10% of Counts. Total Birds: 14. Range: 1 to 4. Mason County, WV (1953 to 1976): Recorded on 56% of Counts. Total Birds: 91. Range: 1 to 50. Ona, WV (1962 to 2001): Recorded on 25% of Counts. Total Birds: 22. Range: 1 to 8.

 Huntington, WV (1940 to 2001):
 Total Counts: 61. Birds/Party Hr.: <1.0. Party Hr./Bird: 215.7.</td>

 Mason County, WV (1953 to 1976):
 Total Counts: 18. Birds/Party Hr.: <1.0. Party Hr./Bird: 3.9.</td>

 Ona, WV (1962 to 2001):
 Total Counts: 40. Birds/Party Hr.: <1.0. Party Hr./Bird: 82.5.</td>

# MID-WINTER AERIAL SURVEY (WVDNR) OHIO RIVER, POINT PLEASANT TO HUNTINGTON, WV

Recorded on 1 survey from 1989 to 2002: 02 January 2001: 4.