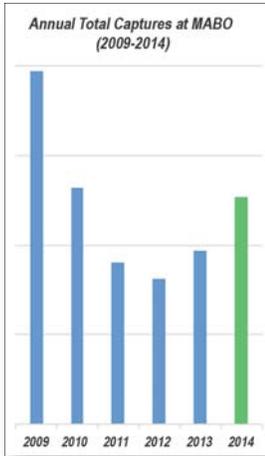


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## Recapping a busy 2014 and a look ahead to the spring and summer for Frontenac Bird Studies...

### A look back at the 2014 season



Our landbird monitoring and research efforts were in full swing in 2014. Here are a few of the highlights:

- Completed year two of Cerulean Warbler studies in the Frontenac Arch with Bird Studies Canada. FBS found 88 Cerulean Warbler territories in late May and June, 2014!
- We began assessing the Red-headed Woodpecker population in Frontenac Provincial Park. A fourth active nesting site was discovered in June, 2014. Red-headed have declined heavily in Ontario and is now a Species at Risk in Canada (threatened) and so it is remarkable to find them thriving here!
- After several “down” years at our Maplewood MAPS Station, we were ecstatic to see, hear and catch more breeding birds in 2014! Our capture total last season was just shy of that posted in 2010, a major increase in vital rates of forest avifauna compared to the last few years!
- Over 250 point count surveys were conducted in 2014 throughout the study area!

### 2015 - More of that!



*Magnolia Warbler - 1st confirmed breeding record for MABO in 2014!*

This season, our seventh, will be much like our last - heavily focused on our ongoing Species at Risk studies (Cerulean Warbler, Red-headed Woodpecker, Louisiana Waterthrush) and monitoring using Point Count and Mark-recapture (MAPS) techniques. Without exaggeration, it's safe to say there will be oodles and oodles of Point Counts again in 2015! As always, we'll also be nest searching, atlasing and documenting encounters with rare flora and fauna species of conservation concern.



*Ruffed Grouse nest, June 2014*

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### Frontenac Avian Atlas Day



The Frontenac Avian Atlas Day is a key fundraiser for Frontenac Bird Studies. This event is unique - a sponsored 24-hour assessment of breeding birds that raises important funds for our operations while contributing to science and conservation at the same time! Thank you to all of the event sponsors in 2014! We hope you'll consider supporting us again this year - the donations literally send us into the field studying birds!

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