General Arrival Dates for Selected Neo-tropical Migrant Songbirds that breed at OAEC

These are just opportunistic observations by Brock Dolman with no specific survey rigor. In my experience, as I have become more attentive to this process, the pattern of the latter years has become more consistent than the early years. Enjoy and track your own list for your home!!

For those more interested in tracking the seasonality of birds in the county, I would recommend you purchase the books: Birds of Sonoma County by Ben Parmeter, et al., and The Sonoma County Breeding Bird Atlas by Madrone Audubon. I have seen these for sale at Copperfields or just call Madrone Audubon.

Allen’s Hummingbird (Selasphorus sasin)
3/10/97; 3/16/00; 3/12/01; 2/18/03; 2/11/05, 3/11/07, 3/15/08, 3/18/09, 2/23,12, 3/5/13. 3/6/14.

Violet-green Swallow (Tachycineta thalassina)

Orange-crowned Warbler (Vermivora celata)

Wilson’s Warbler (Wilsonia pusilla)

Pacific-slope Flycatcher (Empidonax difficilis)

Black-headed Grosbeak (Pheucticus melanocephalus)
4/18/00; 4/14/01; on 4/12/02; 4/11/03; 4/12/04. 4/15/05. 4/15/07, 4/15/08, 4/10/09, 4/10/10, 4/13/12, 4/6/13, 4/4/14.

Warbling Vireo (Vireo gilvus)
3/20/95; 3/19/96; 3/27/00; 3/25/01; 4/1/02; 3/30/03; 4/2/04. 4/6/05, 4/20/06. 4/08/07, 4/16/08, 4/4/09, 4/12/12, 4/13/13, 4/6/14.

Ash-throated Flycatcher (Myiarchus cinerascens)
4/22/95; 4/25/01; 5/6/03; 4/24/04. 4/16/05, 4/27/08, 4/26/09, 4/22/13, 5/12/14.

Olive-sided Flycatcher (Contopus borealis)
4/26/96, 6/1/97, 6/2/99, 5/1/04, 6/2/05, 5/6/08.
Hermit Thrush (*Catharus guttatus*)

Western Tanager (*Piranga ludoviciana*)
4/18/95; 4/19/96; 4/13/00; 4/12/01; 4/14/02; 4/11/03; 4/22/04. 4/13/05, 4/17/06. 4/19/07, 4/20/08, 4/26/09, 5/2/13, 4/29/14.


Swainson’s Thrush

Tree Swallow
3/21/12. 3/12/14.

Fall arrival dates of over-winter migrants:

Golden-crowned Sparrow (*Zonotrichia atricapilla*)