

## Newport Forest

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A UWO graduate student, Ho-Chu (correct spelling to come) has begun work on Savanna Sparrows in the Newport Forest wet meadows under the direction of Paul Handford (UWO Zoology). This morning, he spotted the following birds, including his specialty:

Svanna Sparrow:	6 males, two females (paired with two males)
Wild Turkey:	2 in meadow
Turkey Vulture:	3-4 overhead
Chipping Sparrow:	at least 3, all heard, but not seen
Crow:	1
Red-breasted Nuthatch:	1 (near trailer)
Tree Swallows:	3

Ho Chu thinks this is the best property he has yet encountered for the study of Savanna Sparrows. He needs to move into the Wardsville area for about 3 months to complete his study on a daily basis.

### New species:

Red-breasted Nuthatch                      *Sitta canadensis*                      trailer

### Butterflies

Red Admiral (creek bluffs); Mourning Cloak (FCF, BCF)

### Birds

Red-bellied Woodpecker, (trailer), Common Flicker (FCF), Robin (trailer, BCF), Blue Jay (FCF), Downy Woodpecker (FCF), Towhee (Eva's Woods), White-throated Sparrow (Edgar's Trail), Crows (heard), 2 Mourning Doves (in scrub meadow beside BCF), Chickadees (BCF), Cardinal (BCF), 5 Turkey Vultures (upper meadow)