

Winter 2012-2013 Field Notes

Greater White-fronted Goose

MC: 7275, HLCA, 28 Dec (KJM, DJA); 4500, Universal Mine (Edgar Co), 26 Jan (DG:ph et al.); 3500, ClintonL, 24 Feb (GSL, TvK); 2340, UCCA, 29 Dec (KJM, DJA, VMK); 1266, *e. Knox*, 14 Dec (fide DJM); 1130, 380 & 200, 14 Feb, 28 Jan, 23 Dec resp (present all winter (HDB); 1000, Fish Hook WA (ShelbyvilleL, Moultrie Co), 16 Feb (TZ); 190, GLPSNA, 13 Feb (REF, KDF, VS); 109, Kankakee, 2 Feb (JBH); 85, PineL Pk (Will Co), 17 Feb (JAS, MAM). **Others:** McLean (2000), 6 Feb (MEF, MM); BaileyWet (2000), 9-28 Feb (CLH); SpringL SFWA (Tazewell Co) (1500), 12 Feb (EC); CarlL-C (1500), 22 Feb (DMK); AndersonL (Fulton Co), 18 Feb (JF); RendL (850), 15 Dec (KAM); Rock Falls (Whiteside Co) (800), 16 Feb (DHH); KLMSNA (686), 24 Feb (C&PD); Emiquon (600), 19 Jan (KAM); Arcolam (Douglas Co) (400), 18 Feb (TDF); Lenzburg (St. Clair Co) (395), 24 Feb (TJD); Woodford Co CA (354), 20 Feb (TH); BannerM (350), 6 Feb (EC); Chau (300), 19 Jan (KAM); *Pulaski* (300), 1 Jan (KAM); KankakeeD (80), 26 Jan (JBH); *Massac* (80), 30 Dec (JAS, Thy, JIN); EvergreenL (McLean Co) (60), 30 Dec (BM); GooseL (Putnam Co) (55), 22 Dec (DFS); L&D 13 (50), 11 Jan (AST); Middlefork FP (Champaign Co) (40), 24 Feb (BSs); *Carroll* (38), 19 Dec (KJM, JLM); BraidwoodL (Will Co) (34), 14 Jan (JBH); LVerM (29), 1 Jan (JR); LRen (19), 13 Feb (PAM); Monee Res (Will Co) (15), 20 Feb (AFS); Oxville (Scott Co) (14), 20 Jan (EWW); *Mercer* (11), 31 Dec (KJM, SBH); QC (9), 16 Dec (BLB, CB, m.ob.); Rochelle (Ogle Co) (6), 19 Dec (DTW); Independence Grove FP (Lake Co) (5), 13 Feb (JRS, AFS); NPM (2), 16 Feb (KAM, DRD); HL, 26 Jan (FRH).

Snow Goose

MC: 300,000, CarlL-C, 21-24 Dec, 12 Jan, 23-24 Feb (DMK); 50,000, BaileyWet, 9-28 Feb (CLH); 21,000, Emiquon, 19 Jan (KAM); 700, *Coles*, 12 Jan (KAM); 85, PineL Pk (Will Co), 17 Feb (MAM, JAS); 70, Monee Res (Will Co), 20 Feb (AFS); 15, QC, 16 Dec (CDM, JLM, m.ob.). **Others:** HLCA (25,300), 28 Dec (KJM, DJA); RendL (15,000), 14 Dec (KAM); Chau (8000), 9 Jan (MI); LSpfld (6330, 5700, 5350), 17 Feb, 23 Dec & 28 Jan resp, & present all winter (HDB); UCCA (6138), 29 Dec (KJM, DJA, VMK); ClintonL (5000), 24 Feb (GSL, TvK); TwoRivers (5000), 2 Dec (EWW); *Pulaski* (2500), 6 Dec (KAM); BannerM (1000), 6 Feb (EC); FtMSP (225), 30 Dec (KJM, DJA, RSR, VLg); LRen (44), 13 Feb (PAM); Lake Bluff (Lake Co) (10), 11 Feb (EE); Gillson (8), 11 Feb (AFS); Rochelle (Ogle Co) (4), 19 Dec (DTW); Annawan (Henry Co) (3), 8 Dec (EWW); Winnebago (Winnebago Co) (2), 18 Feb (DTW); Oregon (Ogle Co) ("blue"), 5-8 Jan (DTW, AFS, DHH et al.); HL, 14 Feb (FRH); LCal, 15 Feb (AG, WJM); Chi (Columbus Pk), 3-6 Dec (DFS, EDG et al.); Chi, 23-24 Feb (PAM, DRD).

Ross's Goose

MC: 14, ShabbonaL, 12 Feb (*ASA:ph); 14, CarlL, 23 Dec (KAM); 12, BaileyWet, 21 Feb (CLH); 7, PineL Pk (Will Co), 17 Feb (MAM, JAS); 6, 31 Jan - 14 Feb, w/a few all winter, LSpfld (HDB); 5, Spring Lk SF&WA (Tazewell Co), 24 Feb (KBR). **Others:** RendL-J (10), 8 Dec (KAM); UCCA (6), 1 Jan (KAM); Monee Res (Will Co) (5), 20 Feb (AFS); Kankakee (5), 1 Dec (DJM); ClintonL (4), 24 Feb (GSL, TvK); I-72 @ Jacksonville (Morgan Co) (4), 8 Dec (TW, CD); Annawan (Henry Co) (3), 8 Dec (EWW); Elburn (Kane Co) (2), 15-16 Feb (BL, MM); Emiquon (2), 19 Jan (KAM); HLCA (2), 28 Dec (SDB, PAM); Rckfd, 22 Dec-3 Jan (DTW, RCe); NPM, 16 Feb (KAM, DRD); Les Arends FP (Kane Co), 8 Jan (JJ:ph); Dixon & Kingdom (Lee Co), 4 & 29 Jan (PO & DHH resp); Yorkville (Kendall Co), 3 Dec (RM); Niles (St. Adalberts Cem) (Cook Co), 17-19 Dec (TLy, MDn, SBB); Montrose, 12-25 Feb (LGM, PAM m.ob.:ph); RRR, 17 Feb (JAS, MAM); LRen, 8 Feb (ASA); BraidwoodL (Will Co), 31 Jan (JBH);



*Snow Goose (left) and Ross's Goose (right).
Montrose, Chicago,
Cook County.
24 February 2013.
Photo by Ann Fisher.*

Mason, 10 Feb (KAM); CharlestonL (Coles Co), 23-24 Feb (RB); HL, 26 Feb (FRH).

Cackling Goose

MC: 650, Dekalb (Nestle ponds) (Dekalb Co), 9 Dec (CAT, TLK); 464, Rckfd, 22 Dec (DTW, RCe); 450, Rochelle (Ogle Co), 19 Dec (DTW); 330, Annawan (Henry Co), 8 Dec (EWW); 109, HLCA, 28 Dec (SDB, PAM); 100, Peabody, 5 Jan (TJD); 65, Danville (Vermilion Co), 1 Jan (MPW); 20, WCCA, 1 Jan (KAM). **Others:** QC (114), 16 Dec (BLB, CB, m.ob.); HomerL (Champaign Co) (50), 2 Dec (MPW); Dixon (Lee Co) (47), 5 Jan (DTW); LSpfld (44, 21, 12), 14 Feb, 27 Jan & 24 Dec resp (HDB); ShabbonaL (32), 12 Feb (ASA); MissR (Whiteside & Carroll Cos) (20), 19 Dec (*EA, RN, m.ob.); LBloom (20), 22 Dec (BM:ph); LRen (18), 13 Feb (PAM); Big Rock FP (Kane Co) (12), 2 Feb (ASA); Nachusa (10), 15 Dec (EWW); ShabbonaL (8), 1 Dec (VLM); *Rock Island* (6), 5 Jan (KJM); Penn Twp (Stark Co) (6), 6 Jan (DJM); Mundelein (St. Mary's Seminary, Lake Co) (5), 1 Jan (AFS et al.); PLNWR (5), 31 Dec (KJM, SBH); RendL (5), 15 Dec (KAM); KankakeeD (4), 25 Jan (JBH); BannerM (4), 6 Feb (EC); Jacksonville (I-72 barrow pit pond, Morgan Co) (4), 8 Dec (TW, CD); CarlL-C (4), 2 Jan (DMK); WilmingtonD (Will Co) (3), 15 Jan (JBH); UCCA (3), 29 Dec (KJM, DJA, VMK); Lost Nation (Ogle Co) (2), 16 Dec (EWW); EForkL (2), 8 Feb (CLH); *Kane* (2), 15 Feb (KAM); NPM, 28 Dec (KAM); Metropolis (Massac Co), 18 Jan (KAM).

Canada Goose

MC: 6500, LRen, 13 Feb (PAM); 6000, Dekalb (Nestle ponds) (Dekalb Co), 9 Dec (CAT, TLK); 4415, Lisle Arb CBC (DuPage Co), 16 Dec (GAW m.ob.); 3104, QC, 16 Dec (BLB, CB, m.ob.); 2000, LSpfld, 5 Jan (HDB); 2000, *Livingston*, 17 Feb (KAM); 2000, *Madison*, 6 Jan (KAM); 1347, *Mercer*, 31 Dec (KJM, SBH, m.ob.); 800, Peabody, 5 Jan (TJD). **Others:** Lake Villa (Lake Co) (3000 & 1675 migrating over), 21 Dec & 31 Jan resp (RBs); *Whiteside & Lee* (2628), 24 Dec (KJM, DJA, m.ob.); Wauk (2302), 1 Jan (DRD, EL); MissR (Carroll & Whiteside Cos) (2287), 19 Dec (EA, RN, m.ob.); Mundelein (St. Mary's Seminary, Lake Co) (1200), 1 Jan (AFS et al.); Monee Res (Will Co) (1000), 20 Feb (AFS); *Woodford* (1000), 19 Jan (KAM); *Grundy* (650), 1 Feb (KAM); *DeKalb* (640), 16 Feb (KAM); CarlL-C (600), 30 Dec (DMK); MissR (Rock Island Co) (554), 26 Dec (KJM, m.ob.); *Lake* (540), 26 Jan (SDB, BJS); Nachusa (505), 16 Dec (EWW); Emiquon (450), 19 Jan (KAM); HLCA (415), 28 Dec (SDB, PAM); Danville (Vermilion Co) (402), 1 Jan (SDB); Chau (400), 19 Jan (KAM); WCCA (325), 1 Jan (KAM); UCCA (310), 29 Dec (KJM, DJA, VMK); HLCA (415), 28 Dec (SDB, PAM); KankakeeD (250), 22 Jan (JBH); Urbana (159), 15 Dec (SDB, GSL, RK); O'Fallon (St. Clair Co) (100), 2 Jan (KAM); CBG (75), 5 Jan (KAM); FtMSP (59), 30 Dec (KJM, DJA, RSR, VLg). **Hybrid:** ClintonL (Canada Goose x Greater White-fronted Goose), 1 Feb (*MEF).

Mute Swan

MC: 75, LCal, 9 Feb (WJM, SBB, WSS, m.ob.); 66, CedarL (Lake Co), 25 Feb (SDB); 39, Chann, 6 Jan (JAS); 12, ThirdL (Lake Co), 5 Jan (DRD); 9, Schroeder Wildlife Sanctuary (Bloomington, McLean Co), 24 Dec (BM:ph). **Others:** DiamondL (Mundelein, Lake Co) (37), 25 Feb (JRS); LSpfld (7), 6 Jan (HDB); SullivanL (McHenry Co) (6), 6 Dec (AFS, APS); LoyolaB (Cook Co) (5), 10 Jan (SGS); MissR (Rock Island Co) (3), 21 Jan (EWW); Universl Mine (Edgar Co) (3), 26 Jan (DG et al.); Independence Grove FP (Lake Co) (2), 26 Jan (BJS, SDB);