

*Harlequin Duck and two Common Goldeneye. North Avenue Beach, Chicago, Cook County. 3 January 2008.*  
Photo by Greg Neise.



#### **Blue-winged Teal**

female, Carl.L., 9 Dec (\*DMK); female, Winthrop H., 18 Dec (EWW).

#### **Northern Shoveler**

**MC:** 165, HL, 29 Dec (FRH); 120, Carl.L., 18 & 29 Dec, 1 Jan (KAM, DMK, MS); 75, HLCA, 28 Dec (KJM, CAT); 11, Port Louisa NWR, 21 Dec (KJM). **Others** (central & north): 8, L. Vermilion (Vermilion Co), 14 Dec (MJE); 2, Chau, 4 Jan (RGB, SNB); male, Evanston (Cook Co), 26 Dec< (EWW). Reduced numbers outside so. IL.

#### **Northern Pintail**

**MC:** 1000, Wayne & Richland Cos, 6 Feb (CLH); 600, Carl.L., 24 Feb (DMK); 400, Monroe Co, 6 Feb (DJJ); 400, Swan L (Calhoun Co), 9 Feb (EWW); 31, Lincoln (Logan Co), 22 Dec (EWW); 20, Whalon L FP (Will Co), 16 Dec (UWG). **Others** (central & north): 12, L Vermilion (Vermilion Co), 14 Dec (MPW, MJE); 7, Chau, 18 Jan (RGB, SNB); 2, La Salle L, 7 Jan (CKM, JDM); Rock R (Lee Co), 26 Dec (KJM, JDS). Rather low numbers, as last winter.

#### **Green-winged Teal**

**MC:** 430, Chau, 13 Dec (RGB, SNB); 352, Rend L, 30 Dec (KAM, MS, CJL); 69, UCCA, 29 Dec (KJM); 40, Carl.L., 8 Dec (DMK); 5 (3 male, 2 unk.), Winthrop H., 5 Dec (EWW); 3, Whalon L FP (Will Co), 27 Dec (UWG); 2, Windfall L (Vermilion Co), 12 Dec (SDB). Less widespread, but more plentiful in the south.

#### **Canvasback**

**MC:** 900, HL, 18 Feb (KAM); 400, Carl.L., 24 Feb (DMK); 85, Rend L, 30 Dec (KAM, CJL, MS); 38, Chau, 8 Feb (RGB, SNB); 34, Spfld, 3 Jan (HDB, et al.); 33, Miss. R (Rock Island Co), 20 Dec (KJM); 4, Whalon L FP (Will Co), 16 Dec (UWG).

#### **Redhead**

**MC:** 60, HL, 18 Feb (KAM); 50, Winthrop H, 26 Jan (RDH); 25, Rend L, 30 Dec (KAM, MS, CJL); 25, Chi, 6 Jan (GAW); 11 (10 male, 1 female), JP, 17 Feb (PRC); 8, East Fork L, 22 Feb (CLH). Continued low numbers.

#### **Ring-necked Duck**

**MC:** 3125, UCCA, 29 Dec (KJM); 1800, Ark., 27 Dec (JDC, JAS); 1500, HLCA, 28 Dec (KJM, CAT); 200, Whalon L FP (Will Co), 16 Dec (UWG); 68, Mason Co, 8 Feb (RGB, SNB). **Others** (central & north): 8, Port Louisa NWR, 21 Dec (KJM); 7, L&D #14 (Rock Island Co), 16 Dec (KJM, SBH); 2, Chi, 25 Dec (GAW); 2, Wauk., 1 Jan (GAW). Less common and widespread statewide.

#### **Greater Scaup**

**MC:** 410, IBSP, 1 Jan (GAW); 300, JP, 13 Jan (KMC); 60, Carl.L., 9 Dec (DMK); 6, Rend L, 30 Dec (DMK); 4, Rock Cut SP (Winnebago Co), 12 Jan (DTW, BCW). **Others** (away from L Michigan): 2, East Fork L, 13 Dec (CLH); HL, 15 Dec< (FRH); male, Miss. R (Rock Island Co), 20 Dec (\*KJM); Jasper Co, 21 Dec (CLH); 4, Spfld, 3 Jan (HDB, et al.); male, Bald.L., 16 Feb (TJD). Far less numerous this winter, especially on L Michigan.

#### **Lesser Scaup**

**MC:** 500, LCal, 19 Feb (WJM); 400, Carl.L., 1 Dec (DMK); 97, UCCA, 29 Dec (KJM); 17, Miss. R (Rock Island Co), 16 Dec (KJM, SBH, m.ob.); 14, Chau, 8 Feb (RGB, SNB). **Others:** 45, HL, 18 Feb (KAM); 40, Rend L, 30 Dec (DMK); 10, Winthrop H., 9 Feb (KAM). Wintering population has greatly declined.

#### **HARLEQUIN DUCK**

Fem., Chi (Burnham H), 6 Dec (DFS); ad. male, Chi, 8 Dec – 5 Jan (MAM, GAW, m.ob.).

#### **Surf Scoter**

L Spfld (Sangamon Co), 2-22 Dec (HDB); 3, L Shel (Moultrie Co), 8 Dec (TAM); 14, Montrose H, 28 Feb (DA).

#### **White-winged Scoter**

**MC:** 18, East Fork L, 29 Feb (CLH); 15, Montrose H, 28 Feb (DA); 9, L Charleston (Coles Co), 23 Feb (LBH, m.ob.); 3, L Arlington, Arlington Heights (Cook Co), 1-3 Dec (DBJ, KAM, m.ob.); 3, Wilmette (Gillson Pk) (Cook Co), 8 Dec (JRS, et al.); 3, North Point Marina (Lake Co), 23 Feb (DTW, BCW); 2, Highland Park (Lake Co), 10 Dec (DRD); . **Others:** 1st yr, LCal, 17 & 23 Feb (\*WJM, RLS, BS, FS); male, Carl.L., 22-26 Feb (\*DMK); L Spfld (Sangamon Co), 28 Feb (HDB). Larger numbers overall after impressive numbers and distribution earlier in the fall season throughout the state.

#### **Black Scoter**

L Spfld (Sangamon Co), 2-9 Dec (HDB); 2 (female), Carl.L., 26 Dec (DMK, JDC); East Fork L, 15 Dec (CLH).

#### **Long-tailed Duck**

**MC:** 3 (2 male, 1 unk.), IBSP, 31 Dec (EWW); 3, Montrose H, 31 Dec (LM). **Others:** female, Edgar Co, 7 Dec-23 Feb (\*EWW); female, West Branch FP (Du Page Co), 9 & 15 Dec (UWG, MAM); female, L & D 14 Miss. R (Rock Island Co), 10 Dec & 10 Feb (SMF); ad. male, Bloomington (McLean Co), 11-19 Dec (MJW); male, Carl.L., 15-31 Dec (KAM, \*DMK, MS); female, East Fork L, 6-7 Jan (CLH). Lower numbers this winter, but with wide distribution.

#### **Bufflehead**

**MC:** 72 (33 male, 39 unk.), Winthrop H., 5 Dec (EWW); 60, Carl.L., 1 Dec (DMK); 39, JP, 12 Dec (PRC); 23, Chi, 25 Dec (GAW); 22, Chau, 7 Dec (RGB, SNB); 14, Rend L, 30 Dec (KAM); 5 (1 male, 4 female), Miss. R (Rock Island Co), 22 Dec (KJM, SBH). Up to five birds at scattered sites elsewhere.

#### **Common Goldeneye**

**MC:** 787, Miss. R (Rock Island Co), 16 Dec (KJM, SBH); 600, Carl.L., 26 & 29 Dec (DMK, MS); 560, Chi, 25 Dec (GAW); 500, Rend L, 2 Jan (KAM, CJL); 194, Chau, 11 Jan (RGB, SNB). **Others:** 106, Rock R (Lee Co), 26 Dec (KJM, JDS, m.ob.); 102, Miss. R (Whiteside Co), 18 Dec (KJM, LB); 91, LCal, 3 Feb (WJM); 80, HL, 18 Feb (KAM). Low numbers this winter.

#### **Hooded Merganser**

**MC:** 200, Carl.L., 1-2 Dec (DMK); 167, Spfld, 3 Jan (HDB, et al.); 152, Chau, 8 Feb (RGB, SNB); 60, Rend L, 30 Dec (KAM, MS, CJL); 28, L Vermilion (Vermilion Co), 14 Dec (MPW, SDB, SLD); 20, Evanston (Cook Co), 16 Dec (EWW); 20 (7 male, 13 unk.), Winthrop H., 20 Dec (EWW); 6, Seneca (La Salle Co), 3 Feb (CKM, JDM).