

Common Merganser

MC: 800, MissR (Whiteside & Rock Island Cos), 13 Jan (KJM); 600, Chi (BurnhamH), 27 Jan (DFS); 540, ClearL, 3 Feb (RGB, SNB); 421, MissR (Carroll & Whiteside Cos), 20 Dec (KJM, DA, MBr, m.ob.); 400, Emiquon, 7 Jan (KAM); 200, CarlL-C, 14 Jan (DMK); 70, PRKWA, 29 Jan (TJD). **Others:** HennepinL (540), 29 Dec (DFS); LRen (400), 26 Feb (JAS); LCal (294), 1 Feb (WJM); LaSalle (240), 4 Feb (BC); ClintonL (232), 27 Jan (MEF); WinthropH (230), 27 Jan (EWW); Saganashkee SI (Cook Co) (211 & 180), 6 Feb & 18 Dec (AFS & WJM m.ob. resp); MissR (Rock Island Co) (80), 14 Jan (KJM); Heidecke Lk (Grundy Co) (40), 22 Dec (AFS, APS); MissR (Mercer Co) (30), 15 Jan (KJM); LostMound (29), 16 Dec (SDB, DTW); Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co) (21), 24 Dec (WSG, DP); ShabbonaL SP (DeKalb Co) (20), 26 Feb (NB); Jasper (12), 8 Dec (CLH); LVerm (3♀), 1 Jan (SDB, PAM); EForkL (2), 11 Dec (CLH); HL, 19 Feb (FRH).

Red-breasted Merganser

MC: 499, Chi, 25 Dec (KJM, JRG, m.ob.); 130, IBSP, 2 Feb (EWW); 61, ClintonL, 2 Dec (MEF); 40, Charleston (Coles Co), 4 Dec (EWW); 37, RendL-F, 11 Dec (KAM); 12, CarlL-C, 18 Dec (DMK); **Others:** LCal (112), 3 Jan (WJM); Montrose (38), 2 Jan (ND); WinthropH (20), 28 Jan (KAM); Emiquon (20), 7 Jan (KAM); CBG (15), 15 Dec (AFS); NWU (15), 23 Dec (AFS); Chau (8), 9 Dec (RGB, SNB); EForkL (7♂), 21 Feb (CLH); ShabbonaL SP (DeKalb Co) (4), 26 Feb (NB); StarvedRock (2), 22 Jan (BC); MissR (Adams Co) (2), 28 Feb (AGD); QC (ad ♂), 18 Dec (*BLB, CB, MBr); MissR (Whiteside Co) (ad ♂), 20 Dec (*KJM, DA, MBr); BraidwoodL (Will Co) (♀), 26 Jan (JHM); LShel-M, 2 Jan (SDB, GSL, PAM, RK); NewtonL (Jasper Co), 23 Dec (fide JWW); Ark (♀), 27 Dec (KJM).

Ruddy Duck

MC: 1,200, CarlL-C, 20 Feb (DMK); 1,038, Chau, 9 Dec (RGB, SNB); 250, MissR (Carroll & Whiteside Cos), 20 Dec (KJM, DA, MBr); 170, Lebanon (St. Clair Co), 4 Dec (EWW); 86, Emiquon, 8 Jan (LLH). **Others:** Rendl (80), 11 Dec (KAM); ClintonL (56), 9 Dec (MEF); HL (50), 8 Jan (KAM); Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co) (37; 8♂), 24 Dec (WSG, DP); MissR, LostMound (18), 16 Dec (SDB, DTW); BangsL, Wauconda (Lake Co) (12), 7 Dec (BJS, NM, PP); MissR (Rock Island Co) (5), 18 Dec (KJM, SBH, CDM, JLM, m.ob.); MissR (Adams Co) (5), 28 Feb (AGD); ShabbonaL SP (DeKalb Co) (4), 14 Jan (DJS); RockCut (3), 12 Dec (DTW); LCal (3), 12 Feb (WJM); Ark, 27 Dec (KJM); WinthropH (♀), 25-30 Jan (EWW).

Northern Bobwhite

MC: 10, Mercer, 3 Jan (SBH); 10, Jasper, 23 Dec (fide JWW); 8, CarlL-C, 10 Dec-4 Feb (DMK); 7, Edwards, 24 Feb (RES). **Others:** Rock Island, 4 Jan (RRB, JSg, HA); Rendl-J, 25 Jan (KAM).

Gray Partridge

Once again, no reports and likely extirpated from Illinois.

Ring-necked Pheasant

MC: 59, Urbana (Champaign Co), 17 Dec (SDB, GSL, RK); 16, CarlL, 27 Dec (KAM); 12, Rendl, 25 Jan (KAM); 5, GreenR, 24 Dec (KJM); 3, LShel-S, 2 Jan (DMK). **Others:** KankakeePks (3), 7 Dec (JHM); ClintonL (3), 18 Dec (SDB, GSL, RK); Aurora West FP & Aurora (Kane Co), 17 Dec & 22 Jan (AA & YJ resp); Nachusa, 18 Dec (EWW); Mercer, 15 Dec (CDM, JLM); GLPSNA, 5 Feb (JIN, JAS, KML); Perry, 28 Feb (RES).

Greater Prairie-Chicken

28, PrRdg-M, 7 Feb (RES, CLH); 18, PrRdg-J, 22 Feb (RES).

Wild Turkey

MC: 128, LaSalle, 21 Jan (JAS); 54, Jasper, 23 Dec (fide JWW); 50, Richland, 16 Jan (CLH); 48, St. Clair, 29 Jan (TJD); 45, Erienna Twp (Grundy Co), 22 Dec (AFS, APS); 43, Knox, 6 Jan (LLH); 27, QC, 18 Dec (KJM, SBH, CDM, JLM, m.ob.). **Others:** Mercer (43), 15 Dec (KJM, SBH, MBr, LCM, m.ob.); UCCA (41), 29 Dec (KJM); Wabash (37), 7 Dec

(RES); Vermilion (30), 1 Jan (MPW, GSL, MML); Jo Daviess (25), 17 Dec (BJS); *Whiteside & Rock Island* (24), 22 Dec (EA, RN, m.ob.); CarlL (22), 27 Dec (KAM); Rckfd (21), 28 Feb (DTW); Erienna Twp (Grundy Co) (20), 17 Jan (REF et al.); Beaverville Twp (Iroquois Co) (19), 1 Jan (JHM); Edwards (19), 26 Jan (RES); Winnebago (17), 29 Feb (DTW); Adams (17), 28 Feb (AGD); Rendl (16), 11 Dec (KAM); HeideckeL (Grundy Co) (15), 11 Dec (EWW); *Rock Island* (13), 26 Dec (CDM, JLM, m.ob.); Carroll (12), 20 Dec (KJM, DA, MBr, m.ob.); Henry (12), 10 Dec (KJM); Bureau (6), 22 Jan (EWW); MiddleforkR areas (Vermilion Co) (5), 1 Jan (MML); Madison (5), 6 Jan (KAM).



*Red-throated Loon. Montrose, Cook County. 25 December 2011.
Photo by Robert Hughes.*

Red-throated Loon

MC: 4, Wauk, 18 Feb (NG et al.); 3 (ad, 2 unk) & 2, IBSP & IBSP (No. Unit), WinthropH & IBSP (No. Unit), 2 & 3 & 17 Feb (*EWW:ph & AFS & EG resp). **Others:** Montrose, 25 Dec (RDH:ph); LSpfldCarlL-C (imm), 27-31 Dec (*DMK:ph, KAM); EForkL (imm), 3-14 Dec (*CLH, MSS, EWW).

Pacific Loon

IBSP (imm), 31 Jan (*EWW); ClintonL, 18-22 Dec (SDB, GSL, RK, PAM).

Common Loon

MC: 11 & 6, ClintonL, 2 & 18 Dec (MEF & SDB, PAM resp); 6, RendL-F & 4, RendL-J, 17 Dec & 17 Feb (DMK & BD resp); 4, CarlL-C, 3 Dec (DMK); 4, Ark, 27 Dec (KJM).

Others: Lake Zurich (Lake Co) (3), 4 Dec (CSF); Lake Forest beach (Lake Co) (2), 4 Dec (BJS); EForkL (2), 5 Dec (CLH); Chau (2), 9 Dec (RGB, SNB); RockCut, 12 Dec (DTW); WinthropH, 24 Jan (BJS); IBSP, 1 Jan (BJS, JSS); SterlingL (Lake Co), 28 Dec (AFS); DiamondL Mundelein (Lake Co), 7-11 Dec (BJS, NM, PP, JRS); Heidecke Lk (Grundy Co), 22 Dec (AFS, APS); SpoonL (Knox Co), 11 Dec (MJB); AndersonL (Fulton Co), 29 Dec (TWD, CDM); Spfld, 18 Dec (HDB); HL, 1 Dec-26 Feb (FRH).

Pied-billed Grebe

MC: 86, CarlL, 4 Dec (EWW); 49 & 39 & 30, ClintonL, 2 & 18 Dec & 19 Feb (MEF & SDB, GSL, RK & GSL resp); 19, RendL, 17 Dec (KAM); 16, Ark, 27 Dec (KJM); 11, HennepinL, 8 Dec (DFS); 8, Chau, 23 Dec (RGB, SNB); 8, NewtonL (Paper Co), 23 Dec (JWW, SDB, PAM et al.); 6, LCal, 22 Jan (WJM, CDH). **Others:** KinkL (11), 1 Jan (KJM, VLg, SJ); HLCA (6; 3 & 3), 28 Dec (SDB, PAM & KJM resp); UCCA (6), 29 Dec (SDB, PAM); Goose Lake Twp (Grundy Co) (2), 1 Jan (JAS); BraidwoodL (Will Co) (3), 10 Dec, w/2 there 25 Feb (JHM); Emiquon (2), 26 Dec (LLH); LShel-M (2), 2 Jan (SDB, GSL, PAM, RK); SterlingL (Lake Co), 4 Dec (BJS); Wauk, 7 & 28 Dec (AFS); BangsL (Lake Co), 13 Dec (BJS); RockR (Whiteside Co), 24 Dec (KJM); Chi, 25 Dec (KJM, JRG, m.ob.); Rock Run Rookery FP (Will Co), 23 Dec - 1 Jan (JAS, DFS); KSRA, 1 Jan (SDB, PAM); HL, 8 Jan< (FRH).

Horned Grebe

MC: 60, CarlL-C, 26 Dec (DMK); 50, ClintonL, 2 Dec (MEF); 23, Charleston (Coles Co), 4 Dec (EWW); 5, EForkL, 8 Dec (CLH); 7, BangsL, Wauconda (Lake Co), 7 Dec (BJS, NM, PP); 5 & 4, Wauk, 3-7 Dec, but 2 there 20 & 28 Dec (AFS, BJS); 5, RendL-F, 17 Dec (KAM, DMK). **Others:** Spfld (5), 18 Dec (HDB); Chi (BelmontH) (4), 6 Jan (AFS); Jasper (4), 23 Dec (fide JWW); Ark (2), 27 Dec (KJM); LZurich (Lake Co) (2), 7 Dec (BJS, NM, PP); Independence Grove FP (Lake Co), 29 Feb (JSS); WhalonL, 23-24 Dec (JAS); LCal, 15-17 Dec (WJM); Chau, 1-23 Dec (RGB, SNB); LCharleston (Coles Co), 20 Jan (RB); HL, 8 Jan< (FRH, KAM).

Red-necked Grebe

Chi (MonroeH), 11-25 Dec (RDH:ph, KJM, JIE:ph, m.ob.); ClintonL, 9 Dec (MEF:ph); LCharleston (Coles Co), 20-23 Jan (RB:ph, DTW, SR et al.); HL, 8 Jan< (FRH, KAM); PRKWA, 12-18 Feb (TJD); CarlL-C, 10 Dec (DMK).

WESTERN GREBE

CarlL-C, 11-24 Dec (DMK).