

LESSER YELLOWLEGS

8 Dec., Sand L (Mason Co) (KR, LA); 17 Dec. (3), Rend L (MSe); 29 Dec. (3), Rend L (LS). IL's first winter records.

SANDERLING

24 Nov., Wauk (fide EW); 2-6 Dec & 9-12 Dec., Chi (JPU); 20-21 Dec., Evanston (EW) - all 3 records are of same bird with an injured leg. IL's 4th winter record.

WESTERN SANDPIPER

24 Nov.-11 Dec., Sand L (Mason Co) (KR); 27 Dec., LChau (KR). IL's first winter record.

Least Sandpiper

8 Dec. (3) & 12 Dec. (3) & 22 Dec. (2), Sand L (Mason Co) (KR); 17 Dec. (15) & **29 Dec. (10)**, Rend L (MSe & LS)).

PECTORAL SANDPIPER

23 Dec., Rend L (LS). IL's third winter record.

Dunlin

8-11 Dec. (6), Sand L (Mason Co) (KR); 27 Dec. (2), LChau (KR); 1 Jan., Rend L (LS).

RUFF

23 Nov.- 12 Dec. (*reeve*), Sand L (Mason Co) (KR et al). IL's first winter record.

LONG-BILLED DOWITCHER

24 Nov.- 11 Dec. (2), Sand L (Mason Co) (KR, m.ob.). IL's first winter record.

Common Snipe

MC: 14, UCCA, 8 Jan. (TF); **11**, Glenview (Air Station), 26 Dec. (LC). Others: 15 Jan. (2), Pratt Wayne Woods F.P. (Du Page Co) (m.ob.); a few wintered, Sangamon Co (DB).

Little Gull

30 Oct.- 4 Dec. (imm.), Clin.L (AS,*RC).

Bonaparte's Gull

MC: 1,000, La Salle L, 3 Dec. (JMc, CMc); 500, Spfld, 1 Dec. (DB); 400, L Decatur (Macon Co), 10 Dec. (MD); 175, Carl. L, 10 Dec. (KM); 53, Chi, 11 Dec. (WM). Others: 24 Dec. (11), IBSP (AS); 16 Jan. (2), JP (PC).

Mew Gull

23 Dec., Evanston (*CP).

Ring-billed Gull

MC: 10,100, Carl. L, 23 Jan. (KM); 10,000, L Decatur (Macon Co), 10 Dec. (MD); 8,000, Spfld, 5 Dec. (DB); 2,000, Greene Valley F.P. (Du Page Co), 17 Dec. (WM); 820, Evanston/Wilmette (Cook Co), 26 Dec. (EW, JE).

California Gull

25 Feb., Clin.L (*RC).

Herring Gull

MC: 4,500, LCal, 31 Dec. (WM); 1,000, Heidecke L (Grundy Co), 2 Jan. (JM); 300, HL, 9 Jan. (KM); 288, JP, 26 Feb. (PC); 50, Spfld, 3 Jan. (DB).

Thayer's Gull

MC: 7, Lake Co lakefront, 1 Jan. (LB). Others: 15 Dec.(ad.), Powerton L (Tazewell Co) (KR); 19 Dec. (ad.), Carl. L (KR); 24 Dec. (ad., imm.), HL (DKa, ASp); 26 Dec. (ad.), Techny (Cook Co) (LB); 1 Jan. (ad.), Spfld (DB); 2 Jan., LChau & Pekin (RC); 4 Jan. (ad.), Peoria Lock & Dam (KR); 5 Jan. (3), LCal (JL); 14-16 Jan. (3-1st winter, subadult, ad.), Clin.L (RC, MD); 16 Jan., Du Page Co (EW, JE); 3 Feb. (ad.), Spfld (DB); 18 Feb. (2 ad.), Alton (DKa, ASp); 18 Feb. (1st winter), Wauk (PSw).

Iceland Gull

5 Jan. (Kumliens), LCal (JL); 21 Jan., LCal (RC); 12 Feb. (1st winter), CONWR (BD).

Lesser Black-backed Gull

11 Dec. (ad., 2nd winter) & 31 Jan. (ad.), Spfld (DB); 16 Dec. (different ad.), Spfld (DB); 17 Dec. (4th-winter), Greene Valley F.P. (Du Page Co) (WM); 31 Dec. & 7 Jan. (2 ad. & ad.), LCal (WM & AS); 2 Jan. (2nd-winter), Pekin (RC); 8-14 Jan. (imm.), Clin.L (RC); 9-11 Jan. (3rd-winter), HL (KM, DKA); 21 Jan. (3rd winter), Wilmette (RC); 7 Feb. (2nd winter), Winthrop Harbor (DJ); 11 Feb. (ad.), Pekin (RC); 14 Feb. (ad.), **Fox R (Kane Co)** (DWt, RNe) - first Co record; 18 Feb. (ad.), Alton (DKa, ASp); 20 Feb. (2nd winter) & 26 Feb. (ad.), Clin.L (MD); 27-28 Feb. (1st winter), L Decatur (MD).



Sanderling, 20 Dec. 1994, Evanston boat launch, Cook County. Bird was present since November 1994. Leg was injured. This is a late northern Illinois sighting for this species. Photo by Eric Walters.

Glaucous Gull

MC: 6, LCal, 15-19 Feb. (JL); 3, Lake Co lakefront, 30 Dec.-1 Jan. (LB); 3, LCal, 7 Jan. (JSa, AS); 2 (ad.), Alton, 18 Feb. (DKa, ASp). Others: 11 & 14 Dec. (2nd-winter), Spfld (DB); 2 Jan. (ad.), Heidecke L (Grundy Co) (JM); 5 & 12 Jan. (1st winter), Powerton L (Tazewell Co) (KR); 29 Jan. (2nd winter), Carl L (MSe); 2 Feb. (ad.), HL (DKa, ASp); 12 Feb. (1st-winter), Kane Co (DS); 22-23 Feb. (ad.), Spfld (DB); 25 Feb. (2nd-winter), JP (PC); 28 Feb. (1st winter), Lake Co (DJ).

GLAUCOUS-WINGED GULL

31 Dec. Lake Springfield, Sangamon Co (DB) See seasonal highlights. 2nd state record if accepted by IORC.

Great Black-backed Gull

8-29 Jan. (ad.), Clin.L (RC, MD); 8 Jan.- 25 Feb. (imm.), Clin.L (MD, RC); 16 Jan. (1st-winter), Winthrop Harbor (PSw); 18 Jan. (ad.), LCal (LB); 14 Feb. (2nd-winter), Spfld (DB); 15-26 Feb. (2 ad.), LCal (JL, WM); 25 Feb. (ad.), IBSP (AS).

Black-legged Kittiwake 7 Dec. (ad.), **Powerton L** (Tazewell Co) (KR).

Mourning Dove

MC: 232, Pratt Wayne Woods F.P. (Du Page Co), 17 Jan. (JSu); 228, Sangamon Co, 18 Dec. (DB); 137, LCal, 31 Dec. (WM et al).