

Acknowledgments

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The Spring Bird Count

2004 = 8 May

2005 = 7 May

2006 = 6 May

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TABLE 7: 2003 County Statistics

N/R = No Report

County	Area	Number of		Number of		TIME Start-End	Miles W/D	Hours W/D	County Compiler
		Sp.	Birds	Obs.	Ptys				
Adams	3	136	8,211	21	8	*0300-2200*	19/484	20/59	Al Dierkes
Alexander	1	136	4,674	6	3	*0425-1625	9/180	8/21	Ida Domazlicky
Bond	2	92	1,964	3	1	0600-1930	4/148	3/11	Charley Marbut
Boone	4	139	10,661	25	15	0530-2015	62/362	75/21	Arlene Brie
Brown	3	157	2,086	2	1	*0330-1730	5/150	7/5	Michael Ward
Bureau	4	135	4,711	3	2	*0330-1715	5/140	5/14	Doug Stotz
Calhoun	2	103	5,859	12	6	*0500-1815	4/336	6/36	Wilda Sutherland
Carroll	4	179	8,533	3	3	*0130-2015	9/249	13/25	Jeffrey Baughman
Cass	3	122	2,464	3	1	*0500-1730	3/117	1/10	Robert Randall
Champaign	3	162	8,560	37	18	*0400-2000	51/313	74/21	Beth Chato
Christian	2	112	2,226	8	5	*0400-1930	19/334	22/17	Clark Olson
Clark	2	74	3,141	9	5	0730-2130*	2/98	6/13	Donna Clem
Clay	2	74	661	2	1	0520-1730	2/121	3/7	Terry Esker
Clinton	2	167	4,249	9	5	*0000-1900	22/400	28/42	Dan Kassebaum
Coles	2	111	1,228	11	5	*0230-1720	8/65	14/3	Tyler Funk
Cook	4	192	51,253	110	51	*0410-2025	191/477	307/38	Duane Heaton
Crawford	2	103	4,421	22	7	0515-2030	6/306	8/51	Patricia Neighbors
Cumberland	2	90	821	4	2	*0345-1930	3/32	6/6	Larry Thorsen
De Kalb	4	132	9,943	15	7	*0300-2045	37/308	48/21	Darrell Shambaugh
De Witt	3	120	2,123	9	6	0600-2100*	7/160	16/8	L. Miller-Ishmael
Douglas	2	97	768	2	1	*0430-1230	2/78	3/4	Ted Funk
Du Page	4	165	23,926	101	38	*0450-2100*	178/264	216/19	Bob Fisher
Edgar	2	84	5,273	21	8	0530-2245*	7/292	20/33	Mary Ida Riedell
Edwards	1	80	3,791	4	4	0540-2020	4/114	6/19	Elaine Michels
Effingham	2	117	4,055	9	5	*0430-2015	16/185	32/10	Mary Ann Hoeffliger
Fayette	2	89	1,061	10	7	*0100-2230*	6/97	13/21	Arthur W. Jones
Ford	3	66	572	2	1	*0515-1730	2/20	6/2	Larry David
Franklin	1	105	1,492	2	1	*0200-1900	3/60	6/4	Leonard Stanley
Fulton	3	117	4,109	12	5	0530-1830	10/369	9/40	Helen Gasdorf
Gallatin	1	93	838	1	1	*0300-2030	6/1151	7/7	Ron Bradley
Greene	2	107	1,405	4	2	*0510-1910	1/83	1/13	Dan Martin
Grundy	4	----	-----	---	---	-----	-----	-----	N/R
Hamilton	1	116	3,839	14	14	0520-2200*	28/467	41/34	Hazel Clark
Hancock	3	101	3,334	11	5	*0430-2145*	10/242	9/27	J. Michael Sallee
Hardin	1	95	701	17	4	0610-1845	1/90	1/9	Elizabeth Raikes
Henderson	3	127	2,713	8	6	*0415-1925	14/237	17/23	Chuck Leib
Henry	4	107	1,455	2	1	*0400-1700	3/151	4/7	Randy Nyboer
Iroquois	3	97	2,651	10	5	0630-2100*	16/155	17/17	Robert Dannehl
Jackson	1	131	4,004	7	3	*0305-1935	11/250	13/18	Rhonda Rothrock
Jasper	2	91	1,142	2	1	*0500-1700	5/60	4/6	Scott Simpson

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