

Broad-winged Hawk

EA: 9 Apr (ad.), Oak R (Sgmn Co) (HDB); 15 Apr, Deer G West (CSF); 16 Apr, Sannauk FP (De Kalb Co) (DJS). MC: 200 (flock), Spoon L (Knox Co), 20 Apr (MJB); 8, Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe (Cook Co), 23 Apr (AA); 4, Union Co, 9 Apr (KM). LD: 13 May (imm.), Sgmn Co (HDB).

Swainson's Hawk

One report: 1, McHenry Co (0.2 miles w of Kane/McHenry County line), 19 May (KM).

Red-tailed Hawk

MC: 21, Sgmn Co, 1 Apr (HDB); 15, Monroe Co, 18 Mar (KM); 10, Carl.L., 6 May (DK). LD: 22 Apr (6—two flocks of 3), Deerfield (Lake Co) & Evanston (EW). Apparently very little migration; none noted at JP. Others: **Partial albino**: 13 Mar, Pulaski Co (KM). "**Harlan's Hawk**": 5 Mar, Carl.L. (DK); 13 Mar, Pulaski Co (KM); 17 Mar, LSpfld (HDB); 25 Mar (ad.), HL (WCR). "**Krider's Hawk**": 23 Mar, Jackson Co (KM). **Western (rufous) morph**: 4 Mar, Aviston (Clinton Co) (DK). **Western (dark) morph**: 5 Mar, Stephen A. Forbes SP (Marion Co) (DK); 21 Mar, Sgmn Co (HDB).

Rough-legged Hawk

LD: 25 Mar, Piatt Co (RC); 2 Mar, Morgan Co (KV).

Golden Eagle

LD: 23 Apr (ad.), JP (*PC)—first record for site; 4 Mar (imm., overwintered), Lee Co (C&JMc). No other reports submitted.

American Kestrel

EA: 23 Feb (male), JP (PC, KC). MC: 14, Evanston, 20 Apr (JE); 13, Sgmn Co, 18 Mar (HDB); 6, Perry Co, 23 Mar (KM).

Merlin

EA: 9 Mar, Montrose (GW); 23 Mar (male), JP (KC); 1 Apr (*richardsonii*), w of Spfld (HDB)—**fourth IL report of this form**; 9 Apr, Urbana (RC). MC: 2, Sgmn Co, 20 Apr (HDB). LD: **30 May**, Bloomington (McLean Co) (MF)—**record IL late date** (the latest date from previous years is 17 May at two sites in 1998); **18 May**, IBSP (EW, JE); 5 May, Montrose (GW); 30 Apr, East Fork L (Richland Co) (LH). Eight additional reports of singles, 1 Apr - 1 May.

Peregrine Falcon

EA: 5 Mar, Arcola (RC); 25 Mar (2), Wauk (JM); 8 Apr, CypCrk (KM). LD: 21 May (ad.), Arcola (RC); 18 May, Pr.Rdg (LH). Few reports assignable to migrants, and only one report indicated a migratory subspecies: 22 Apr (ad., "appeared to be *tundrius*"), Mark Twain NWR (Calhoun Co) (WCR).

Ring-necked Pheasant

MC: 9, Sgmn Co, 26 Mar & 22 Apr (HDB).

Greater Prairie-Chicken

MC: 51 (males), Pr.Rdg, 5 Apr (JW); 12, Pr.Rdg (Marion Co), 25 Mar (MAH); 5, s Effingham Co, 25 Mar (MAH).

Wild Turkey

MC: 14, s Shelby Co, 2 Apr (KF); 9, Sgmn Co, 12 Apr (HDB); 4, Clinton Co, 6 May (KM).

Northern Bobwhite

MC: 11, Sgmn Co, 29 May (HDB); 10, Carl.L., 6 May (DK); 3, Massac Co, 28 Apr (KM).

BLACK RAIL

24-29+ May, Springbrook Prairie FP, Du Page Co (RF, JS and many others). Heard and seen.

Yellow Rail

EA: 15 Apr, Clin.L (RC)—the only report.

King Rail

EA: 21 Apr, Eggers Wds, LCal (DFS); 22 Apr, Pr.Rdg (FB); 29 Apr, Clin.L (RC); 29 Apr, Mermet L (KM). MC: 3, Mermet L and CypCrk, 29 Apr (FB et al.); 3,



Osprey, 13 April 2000. Horseshoe Lake, Madison Co. Photo by Frank Holmes.

Pulaski Co, 13 May (FB, DK, KM). LD: 18 May, Meigs Field, GrantP (TS, m.ob.). Other: 16 May, Goose L Pr. (AFS).

Virginia Rail

EA: 25 Mar, OakwdBtms (KM, FB, DK); 7 Apr, Black Tern Marsh, Island L (McHenry Co) (CSF); 22 Apr, LSpfld (HDB); 22 Apr, Arcola (RC). MC: 8, OakwdBtms, 29 Mar (KM); 6, Harrisburg area (Saline Co) and OakwdBtms, 29 Apr (FB et al.); 5, Hyde L Wetland, LCal, 30 Apr (WM). LD: 6 May, Carl.L (DK); 4 May (3), Pulaski Co (FB et al.).

Sora

EA: 25 Mar, Clin.L (RC); 30 Mar, Pr.Rdg (JW); 21 Apr, Eggers Wds, LCal (DFS). MC: 9, far s IL (Saline through Pulaski Cos), 29 Apr (FB et al.); 6, Massac Co, 6 May (FB). LD: **6 Jun**, JP (SC); 13 May (4), Pulaski Co (FB, KM, DK); 3 May,

Chau (R&SBj); 29 Apr (3), Sang.L (HDB). Worst numbers ever at Sgmn Co (HDB).

Common Moorhen

EA: 15 Apr, Indian Ridge Marsh, LCal (WM); 6 May, Spoon L (Knox Co) (MJB); 11 May, e of Victoria (Knox Co) (MJB); 13 May, Mermet L (KM, DK, FB). MC: 6, LCal, 6 May (WM, RH); 4, Eggers Wds, LCal, 17 May (DFS); 4, Black Tern Marsh, Island L (McHenry Co), 23 May (CSF). LD: 25 May, GrdnPr. (DTW).

American Coot

EA: 3 Feb (increase to 70), Sgmn Co (HDB); 26 Feb (5 migrants), JP (PC). MC: 4497, Chau, 6 Apr (R&SBj); 4000, Spring L SFWA (Tazewell Co), 23 Mar (VK); 3000+, Carl.L., 1 Apr (DK); 2500, HL, 27 Mar (KM); 2500, Senachwine L (Putnam Co), 11 Apr (DFS). LD: 17 Jun, JP (KC); 5 Jun (20), Carl.L (Co?) (KM); 10 May (30), Sgmn Co, but stragglers there into Jun (HDB).

Sandhill Crane

EA: **9 Feb**, Carl.L (Co?) (KM); 20 Feb, Urbana (RC) see photo. MC: 1965, LCal, 8 Mar (DFS); 12+, Wbgo Co, 15 Apr (DTW); 5, Clin.L, 25 Mar (RC); 2, Pulaski Co, 19 Feb (KM, FB). LD: 25 Apr, Vermilion Co near Homer (JOS); 22 Apr (2), Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe (Cook Co) (m.ob. fide AA); 5 Apr, Pr.Rdg (JW, EK).

Black-bellied Plover

EA: **22 Apr**, Carl.L (DK); 29 Apr (10), CypCrk (KM, FB et al.); 4 May (ad.), Lick Creek (Sgmn Co) (HDB); 7 May (2), JP (PC). MC: 36, Wauk, 18 May (EW, JE, DBJ); 20, Earlville (La Salle Co), 20 May (DFS); 10, CypCrk, 29 Apr (KM, FB et al.); 4, Sgmn Co, 16 May (HDB). LD: 29 May, GrdnPr. (DJS); 27 May, Arcola (RC); 20 May (2), Effingham Co (MAH).

American Golden-Plover

EA: **8 Mar**, Clin.L (RC); 12 Mar, HL (FH); 12 Mar, Randolph Co (*TD); 23 Apr, fields near Somonauk (De Kalb Co) (DJS). MC: "**10,000s**," Pr.Rdg, 1 Apr (m.ob. fide JW)—"Wave after wave moving by—unreal numbers" (JW); 3000+, near Pr.Rdg

(Marion Co), 14 Apr (MAH); 2400, se Champaign Co, 2 Apr (RC); 2000+, Bellflower (McLean Co), 21 Apr (MR). LD: 29 May, GrdnPr. (DTW); 20 May, Earlville (La Salle Co) (DFS); 29 Apr (2), CypCrk (KM, FB et al.); 22 Apr (75+), w of Bushnell (McDonough Co) (LLH).

Semipalmated Plover

EA: 13 Apr, CypCrk (KM); 21 Apr (2), Lick Creek (Sgmn Co) (HDB); 3 May, Del Monte ponds (JH); 6 May, Evanston (EW). MC: 135, Arcola, 20 May (GL fide RC); 86, Carl.L., 6 May (KM, DK); 72, Wauk, 18 May (EW, DBJ). LD: 4 Jun, n Lee Co (DJS); 3 Jun (4), Arcola (RC); into Jun, Sgmn Co (HDB); 21 May (15), Rend L (DK). **Remarks**: "By far the most I've ever seen in spring." (836 encounters over 33 dates at Sgmn Co—HDB).



An immature Sandhill Crane showed up in front of a shopping mall in Champaign County in February 2000. Photos by Robert Chapel.