

winter and early spring, primarily in ne. IL, probably due to local movement after melting of ice.

Greater White-fronted Goose

EA: 22 Feb (6), near Pecat (DW); 22 Feb (25), Heyworth (MF); 22 Feb (600+), Clin.L (RC). MC: 1200, Clin.L, 1 Mar (MD); 251, Miss.R (Rock Island Co), 20 Mar (PP, KMy); 212, Glacial Park (McHenry Co), 14 Mar (RBa); 48, so. Clinton Co, 20 Mar (KM); 25, Fermi, 2 Mar (JPo); 24, Wildwood (Lake Co), 4-5 Mar (SH,DJ). LD: 25-28 May (amid flock of lingering Snow Geese), Carl.L (DK); 10 May (2), Heyworth (MF, TB). **Widely reported in large numbers.** New record high count and 2nd latest spring date, following trend of recent years.

Snow Goose

EA: 22 Feb (8), near Pecat (DW); 22 Feb, Heyworth (MF, TB); 22 Feb, Clin.L (RC); 4 Mar (2), Wildwood (Lake Co) (EW); 4 Mar (4), Kane Co (DS). MC: 3000, Carl.L, 19 Mar (DK); 2000, Adams Co, 27 Feb (KV); 68, near Pecat, 2 Mar (DW). INHS census, 3-4 Mar: 8040 (5000, Swan Lake (St. Charles Co); 1400, HL). LD: 28 Apr-28 May (10), Carl.L/FAY (DK, KM) - a flock of possibly injured birds.

Ross' Goose

EA: 13 Feb, Moline (Rock Island Co) (CL); 22 Feb, Clin.L (RC); 2 Mar, near Pecat (DW). MC: 9, Santa Fe, 27 Mar (DK). LD: 2 Apr-10 May (ad.), Schaumburg (Cook Co) (MM, GW, *DBr, m.ob, ph.) - 2nd Cook Co record; 26 Mar, Rantoul (BP, *RC, EC); 22 Mar, Clin.L (MD). Others: 2 Mar, Urbana (RC) - first Champaign Co record; 9 Mar (2), LaSalle (C&JMc); 11 Mar (ad.), Winnebago Co (BG); 14 Mar, College of Lake Co (SH) - 2nd Lake Co record.

BRANT

One report: 5 Apr, JP (RMe, *CA, m.ob). Fifth IL spring record, 2nd for JP.

Canada Goose

EA: 18 Feb (104), JP (PC); 22 Feb (700), Heyworth (MF). MC: 900, Miss.R (Rock Island Co), 20 Mar (PP, KMy); 700, Heyworth, 22 Feb (MF). INHS census, 3-4 Mar: 8,920. LD: 27 Apr (small race), JP (PC).

Wood Duck

EA: 19 Feb (2), Washington Co (KM); 22 Feb, M.View (RC); 23 Feb (5), De Kalb Co (DS). MC: 45, Monroe Co, 25 Mar (KM); 40, LChau, 10 Apr (RBj, SBj); 30, JP, 9 Apr and 25 Apr (PC). LD: 22 May, Evanston (EW).

Green-winged Teal

EA: 15 Feb, Carl.L (KM); 22 Feb, M.View (RC); 12 Mar, La Salle Co (JH). MC: 10,000, Carl.L, 29 Mar (DK) - record spring high count; 1500, Stump Lake (Calhoun Co), 25 Mar (DB, VK); 300, Miss.R (Rock Island Co), 25 Mar (PP). INHS census, 3-4 Mar: 2220 (1500, Spoon River Bottoms/Emiquon (Fulton Co)). LD: 25 May, Carl.L (DK); 20 May, Antioch (Lake Co) (DJ). Hybrid Green-winged Teal x Northern Pintail: 4-5 Apr, Carl.L (DK, ph. - ASe).

American Black Duck

EA: 15 Feb (8), Carl.L (KM); 22 Feb, Clin.L (RC); 5 Mar (4), Lake Co (SH). INHS census, 3-4 Mar: 1020 (1000, CCNWR). LD: 15-17 May (male), Fremont (EW, m.ob); 14 Apr, Union Co (KM).

Mallard

EA: 18 Feb (32), JP (PC). MC: 11,290, Miss.R (Rock Island Co), 20 Mar (PP, KMy); 1400, Clinton Co, 20 Mar (KM). INHS census, 3-4 Mar: 92,970 (33,000, Spoon River Bottoms/Emiquon (Fulton Co)).

Northern Pintail

EA: 1 Feb (150), UCCA (KM); 22 Feb, Clin.L (RC); 25 Feb, De Kalb Co (DS). MC: 1800, Miss.R (Rock Island Co), 20 Mar (PP, KMy); 500, Carl.L, 19 Mar (DK). INHS census, 3-4 Mar: 8,555 (2800, Sanganois SWA (Mason Co)). LD: 10 May (pair), Middlefork (GL, RC et al.). Hybrids: See Green-winged Teal and Northern Shoveler.

Blue-winged Teal

EA: 10 Mar, Carl.L (DK); 20 Mar, Adams Co (KV); 21 Mar (3), JP

(PC). MC: 300, CCNWR, 1 Apr (KM); 300, Carl.L, 9 Apr (DK). LD: 6 Jun (3), JP (PC); 24 May (3), CCNWR (KM).

Cinnamon Teal

Two reports. EA: 29-30 Mar (male), Carl.L (*DK, photo - ASe). LD: 4 May (male), Swan Lake area (Calhoun Co) (*RR). **Hybrid Northern Shoveler x Cinnamon Teal:** 23 Mar (male), Santa Fe (DK): "an adult drake 'shoveler' with a green head and an all 'rust' colored body".

Northern Shoveler

EA: 7 Feb (24), HL (KM); 22 Feb, Clin.L (RC); 12 Mar, La Salle Co (JH). MC: 880, Pulaski Co, 1 Apr (KM); 630, Miss.R (Rock Island Co), 25 Mar (PP); 600, Massac Co, 22 Mar (KM). INHS census, 3-4 Mar: 1540 (1500, CCNWR). LD: 24 May (male), sw. Jackson Co (C&JMc); 20 May, Wauk (EW); 18 May (7), Carl.L (KM). Hybrid Northern Pintail x Northern Shoveler: 19-28 Apr, Carlyle Sewage Pond (Clinton Co) (DK, ph. - ASe). See also Cinnamon Teal.

Gadwall

EA: 15 Feb (4), Carl.L (KM); 22 Feb, M.View (RC); 24 Feb (3), Cherry Valley (Winnebago Co) (BG). MC: 680, Miss.R (Rock Island Co), 25 Mar (PP); 400, Carl.L, 10 Mar (DK). INHS census, 3-4 Mar: 2370 (1300, Spoon River Bottoms/Emiquon (Fulton Co)). LD: 23 May, Heyworth (MF); 18 May, Mendota (C&JMc). Others: 79, Palos/Orland Park (Cook Co), 29 Mar (WS).

American Wigeon

EA: 1 Feb (10), UCCA (KM); 22 Feb, M.View (RC); 6 Mar (2), Miss.R (Rock Island Co) (PP); 12 Mar (pair), JP (PC). MC: 385, Miss.R (Rock Island Co), 25 Mar (PP); 100, Carl.L, 19 Mar (DK). INHS census, 3-4 Mar: 1825 (1000, Spoon River Bottoms/Emiquon (Fulton Co)). LD: 17 May (male), Wildwood (Lake Co) (EW); 10 May, Heyworth (MF, TB); 10 May, Middlefork (RC, GL et al.); 5 May (2), CCNWR (KM, DK, JD).

Canvasback

EA: 7 Feb (100), L&D#26 (Madison Co) (KM); 22 Feb, Clin.L (RC); 28 Feb, L&D#14 (Rock Island Co) (CL); 5 Mar (3), Lake Co (SH, DJ). MC: 5066, Miss.R (Rock Island Co), 20 Mar (PP, KMy); 300, Carl.L, 16 Mar (DK); 230, HL, 28 Feb (KM); 200, La Salle, 16 Mar (VK, C&JMc, JH). INHS census, 3-4 Mar: 33,600 (29,100, Miss.R (Hancock Co)). LD: 27 May, L&D#14 (Rock Island Co) (CL); 11 May (male), MTNWR (VK); 19 Apr, Butler Lake (Lake Co) (DJ); 14 Apr, Union Co (KM).

Redhead

EA: 15 Feb (6), Carl.L (KM); 23 Feb (5), JP (PC); 1 Mar (20), Clin.L (RC). MC: 127, Miss.R (Rock Island Co), 20 Mar (PP, KMy); 120, HL, 28 Feb (KM). LD: 16-20 May (pr.), White Lake (Lake Co) (RHu, m.ob.); 10 May, Middlefork (HP, RC et al.); 1 Apr (2), Union Co (KM).

Ring-necked Duck

EA: 19 Feb (9), JP (PC); 19 Feb (205), HL (KM); 22 Feb, Clin.L (RC); 22 Feb (9), Heyworth (MF). MC: 2302, Miss.R (Rock Island Co), 20 Mar (PP, KMy); 1092, LChau, 29 Mar (RBj, SBj); 1000, HL, 28 Feb (KM). INHS census, 3-4 Mar: 14,395 (6800 (Hancock Co); 2800, Stump Lake (Calhoun Co); 2400, Rend L.). LD: 26-28 May (male), McGinnis Slough (EW, WS); 26 May (female), Middlefork (RC); 12 May (5), HL (KM, DK). Others: wintering female stayed thru spring, Wilmette (EW, m.ob.).

Greater Scaup

EA: 18 Feb (12), JP (PC); 22 Feb, Clin.L (RC). MC: 250, Evanston, 27 Mar (EW). LD: 20 May, IBSP (DJ, SD, RBa, EW); 10 May (3), Evanston (EW, IM); 19 Apr, Danville (DI et al.). Other: 10 Mar, Carlyle Sewage Pond (Clinton Co) (DK). Poor numbers at LMch.

Lesser Scaup

EA: 24 Jan (15), HL (KM); 18 Feb (male), JP (PC). MC: 8100, Miss.R (Rock Island Co), 20 Mar (PP, KMy); 1700, Clinton Co, 20 Mar (KM). LD: 27 May (3), Mendota (JH); 27 May, Heyworth (MF, TB); 8 May (8), Mermet L CA (VK, DMi).