

(Rock Island Co) (AS); 10 Mar, Newton L (Jasper Co) (CLH); 29 Jan-4 Mar, East Fork L (Richland Co) (CLH).

Bufflehead

EA: 15 Feb (female), Kankakee Dam (JBH). **MC:** 200+, Miss. R (Hancock Co), 7 Mar (AGD); 70, Chau, 9 Mar (RGB, SNB); 61, HL, 18 Mar (KAM); 44, Crab Or., 22 Mar (KAM); 34, JP, 25 Mar (PRC); 21, Boone Co, 22 Mar (AEB). **LD:** 5 May (2 females), L Decatur dredge ponds (TAM, MFD); 5 May, JP (SLC, PRC); 28 Apr (female), McClure (Alexander Co) (TAM, DTW, SDB, CAT); 28 Apr (3), Crab Or. (KAM, DMK, MS).

Common Goldeneye

MC: 3000+, Miss. R (Hancock Co), 7 Mar (AGD); 163, Chau, 1 Mar (RGB, SNB); 120, Morris (Grundy Co), 10 Mar (DFS). **LD:** 25 May (female), Richard Clark P, Chi (SGS:ph); 20 May (male), Miss. Pal. (UWG, REF, IOS); 27 Apr (imm. male), McClure (Alexander Co) (TAM, DTW); 22 Apr, Carl.F (DMK); 21 Apr (6), Boone Co (AEB).

Hooded Merganser

EA: 14 Feb (4), Kankakee Dam (JBH); 4 Mar (4), e. Stephenson Co (DTW); 4 Mar (14), Quincy Bay (Adams Co) (AGD); 5 Mar (4), Crab Or. (KAM). **MC:** 40, Chau, 22 Mar (RGB, SNB); 22, Evergreen L (McLean Co), 6 Mar (MJW); 22, Rock Cut, 12 Mar (DTW); 7, Carl.F, 6 Apr (DMK). **LD:** 29 May (3 females), Lenzburg (St. Clair Co) (TJD); 28 May (2 females), L Decatur dredge ponds (TAM); 27 May (3), Fairmont City (St. Clair Co) (FRH, DMK); 5 May (3 females at nest holes), Pecatonica (DTW).

Common Merganser

MC: 570, Morris (Grundy Co), 10 Mar (DFS); 425, Chau, 1 Mar (RGB, SNB); 58, Oregon (Ogle Co), 3 Mar (DTW); 38, Crab Or., 5 Mar (KAM); 28, IBSP, 18 Mar (EWW). **LD:** 10 Apr (female), JP (PRC); 1 Apr (female), Nelson L Marsh (Kane Co) (UWG).

Red-breasted Merganser

EA: 25 Feb (male), East Fork L (Richland Co) (CLH); 3 Mar (10), Montrose H (KAM); 7 Mar (2), Miss. R. (Hancock Co) (AGD); 11 Mar (male), Cobb P (Kankakee Co) (JBH); 18 Mar (8), L&D#13 (Whiteside Co) (DTW). **MC:** 200, Carl.C, 8 Mar (DMK); 205, Crab Or., 22 Mar (KAM); 25, IBSP, 5 Mar (EWW); 8, Chau, 9 Mar (RGB, SNB). **LD:** 26 May (6), Evanston (Cook Co) (JIE et al.); 20 May, Carl.C (DMK); 19 May (2 females), Union Co (VMK, CLH et al.); 5 May (2), Durand (Winnebago Co) (DTW).

Ruddy Duck

EA: 11 Mar (5), Oregon (Ogle Co) (DTW). **MC:** 5001, Chau, 22 Mar (RGB, SNB); 1700, HL, 25 Mar (FRH); 600, O'Fallon sewage ponds (St. Clair Co), 11 Mar (DMK); 300+, Boone Co, 2 Apr (AEB); 300, Grassy L (Union Co), 5 Mar (KAM). **LD:** 28 May (10), L Decatur dredge ponds (TAM); 26 May (2), HL (KAM); 20 May, Carl.C (DMK); 4-5 May (10), UCCA (VMK); 5 May (11), Durand (Winnebago Co) (DTW).

Ring-necked Pheasant

MC: 28, Pecatonica (Winnebago Co), 5 May (DTW); 15+, Clin.L, 17 Mar (TAM, TDF); 9, Mackinaw Bluffs, 5 May (MEF, MJW); 8, LeVasseur P, 4 Mar (JBH); 6, Moultrie Co, 5 May (TAM).

Greater Prairie-Chicken

MC: 63, PrRdg (Marion Co), 12 Mar (RES); 7, PrRdg (Marion Co), 9 Apr (KAM).

Wild Turkey

MC: 39, Oregon (Ogle Co), 3 Mar (DTW); 38, Knox Co, 5 Mar (PR); 15, Monroe Co, 7 Apr (DJ); 14, Wayne Fitzgerald SP (Franklin Co), 19 Mar (KAM); 11, Crab Or., 13 Apr (KAM); 9, n. of Coulterville (Washington Co), 1 Apr (TJD); 8, Carl.F, 1 Apr (DMK, TAM).

Northern Bobwhite

MC: 15, Carl.C, 5 May (DMK); 13, Marion Co, 14 Mar (RES); 8, Union Co, 5 May (VMK); 4, e. of Maestown (Monroe Co), 7 Apr (DJ); 4, HL, 4 May (KAM); 2, Evergreen L (McLean Co), 1 May (MJW). **Other:** 22 Apr, Pembroke Twp (Kankakee Co) (JBH).

Loon sp?

LD: 15 May, Montrose H (RDH).

Red-throated Loon

EA: 11 Mar, IBSP (EWW); 2 & 10 Apr, Montrose H (GAW). **MC:** 2, IBSP, 5 May (EWW et al.). **LD:** 10-12 May (imm.), Johnson Sauk Trail SP (Henry Co) (AFS, APS, DJM, MJB, CAT, TLK, DJS); 10 May (imm.), IBSP (EWW).



Common Loon. Rend Lake. 25 March 2007. Photo by Eric Walters.

Common Loon

EA: 11 Mar, East Fork L (Richland Co) (CLH); 17 Mar (alternate plumage), Clin.L (TDF, TAM); 22 Mar, Montrose H (GAW); 24 Mar, Boone Co (AEB); 24 Mar (2), Powder Horn L FR, LCal (WJM). **MC:** 6, Shabbona L SP (DeKalb Co), 15 Apr (DJS); 5, Rend L (Franklin/Jefferson Cos), 23 Mar & 2 Apr (EWW, KAM); 4, IBSP, 5 May (EWW); 3, Siloam Springs SP (Adams Co), 7 May (AGD). **LD:** 4 Jun, Newton L (Jasper Co) (CLH); 29 May, Rend L (Franklin Co) (DMK); 28 May (2), L Decatur dredge ponds (TAM); 10 May (subad.), Chau (VMK, RQR); 10 May (2), IBSP (EWW); 3 May (ad.), UCCA (VMK).

Pied-billed Grebe

EA: 14 Feb (2), Kankakee Dam (JBH); 3 Mar (2), n. Lake Co (EWW); 5 Mar (7), Crab Or. (KAM); 8 Mar, Carl.F (DMK); 11 Mar, Oregon (Ogle Co) (DTW); 14 Mar, Linc. P (GAW). **MC:** 63, Mermet L, 26 Mar (KAM); 47, Chau, 20 Apr (RGB, SNB); 35, L Decatur dredge ponds, 5 May (TAM, MFD); 19, Rock Cut, 3 Apr (DTW); 14, Rend L (Franklin/Jefferson Cos), 25 Mar (EWW); 8, Carl.C, 24 Mar (DMK). **Others:** 12 May (3), HL (DMK, KAM).

Horned Grebe

EA: 18 Feb, Baldwin L (Randolph/St. Clair Cos) (KAM); 28 Feb (basic plumage), L Decatur (TAM); 28 Feb, East Fork L (Richland Co) (CLH); 4 Mar, Montrose H

(JSA); 7 Mar (2), Kankakee Co (JBH); 18 Mar, L&D#13 (Whiteside Co) (DTW). **MC:** 183, IBSP, 20 Apr (CSF) - record spring high count; 37, Palos, 8 Apr (GAW); 12, HL, 11 Mar (KAM); 12, Bloomington (McLean Co), 23 Mar (MJW); 10, Carl.C, 17 Mar (DMK). **LD:** 9 May, Powder Horn L FR, LCal (CAM); 29 Apr, HL (FRH); 22 Apr, Mermet L (KAM); 18 Apr, Rock Cut (DTW).

Red-necked Grebe

EA: 19 Mar (transitional plumage), Fullerton Ave., Chi (SJH); 22 Mar (1st winter), L Zurich (Lake Co) (CSF). **LD:** 13 Apr, Carson's Slough (Cook Co) (*vide* CRBA).

Eared Grebe

EA: 7 Mar, Miss. R (Hancock Co) (AGD). **LD:** 15 Apr (alternate plumage), Lake Forest Beach (Lake Co) (JOS et al.); 2 Apr, Rend L (Franklin Co) (KAM).

Western Grebe

LD: 5 May, Carl.C (RSH, DMK:ph, KAM).

American White Pelican

EA: 16 Feb (6), Madison Co (KAM); 2 Mar (30), Shelby Co (KAF). **MC:** 7000, Miss. R (Jersey Co), 10 Mar (GAW) - record spring high count (previously 4525 at Putnam Co on 25 Mar 2000); 985, Will Co, 13 Apr (REF); 750+, Carl.C/E, 1 Apr (TAM, DMK); 700+, Quincy (Adams Co), 14 Mar (AGD); 236, Chau, 13 Apr (RGB, SNB); 150, Bellrose Rsv, 19 Mar (KAM); 100, L Shelb.M, 1 Apr (TAM); 91, East Fork L (Richland Co), 4 Apr (CLH); 90+, nw. Winnebago Co, 17 Apr (BR *vide* DTW); 50+, Newton L (Jasper Co), 5 Apr (CLH); 50, Knox Co, 28 Mar (PR). **LD:** 31 May (2), Miss. R at Quincy (Adams Co) (AGD); 28 May, L Decatur dredge ponds (TAM); 27 May (18), Moredock L (Monroe Co) (DJ); 26 May (10), Carl.C (DMK); 25 May (2), JP (PRC) - first JP record; 20 May, Montrose H (JD); 28 Apr-5 May (25+), Chain-O-Lakes SP (McHenry Co) (EWW et al.). **Others:** 11 Apr (14), Evergreen L (McLean Co) (MJW).

Double-crested Cormorant

EA: 23 Feb (3), Mazonia FWA (Grundy Co) (JBH); 5 Mar (20), Crab Or. (KAM); 13 Mar (125+), Quincy Bay (Adams Co) (AGD); 13 Mar (93), n. of New Athens (St. Clair Co) (TJD); 14 Mar (18), Rock Cut



American White Pelican. Whiteside County. 27 May 2007. Photo by Eric Walters.