



*Ruff (Reeve), western DuPage County, 29 April 1992.
2nd county record. Photo by Joe B. Milosevich.*

Others: 15-17 May (2), LCal (WS, JO); 17 May, Pulaski Co (TF); 19 May (2), Split Rock L (La Salle Co.) (JH); 31 May (4), LCal area (BA).

Baird's Sandpiper

EA: 22-23 Apr., North Chicago (Lake Co.) (DJ, m.ob.). MC: 3, North Chicago (Lake Co.), 1 May (DJ). LD: 25 May (2), Arcola (MD); 16 May, Clin.L (MD). Good number of reports considering the species is less frequently recorded in spring..

Pectoral Sandpiper

EA: 5 Mar. (8), Penfield (Champaign Co.) (RC, EC); 6 Mar., Spfld (DB); 7 Mar. (2), Palos (West School) (RHe, WS et al.). MC: 500, Bismarck, 11 Apr. (RC, RW); 340, Spfld, 1 May (DB); 300, Carl.L, 9 May (KM); 70+, West Chicago, 26 Apr. (EW). LD: 31 May (2), Spfld (DB).

Dunlin

EA: 18 Apr. (2), Pulaski Co. (TF, DR); 26 Apr. (2), West Chicago (EW, MS); 26 Apr., Penfield (Champaign Co.) (RC). MC: 80+, LCal, 31 May (BA); 28, Wauk, 21 May (JSO). LD: 31 May, as above; 31 May (2), Arcola (RW). Others: 7, M.Arb, 11 May (EW); 4, Spfld, 2 Ma (DB).

Stilt Sandpiper

EA: 18 Apr. (2), Pulaski Co (DR, TF); 26 Apr., LCal (CP); 29 Apr., Spfld (DB). LD: 12 May Sang.L (DB); 9 May, LCal (*WM et al.). Only records.

RUFF

25-30 Apr., West Chicago (Reeve, 2nd Du Page Co. record, *JP, MS, m.ob.).

Short-billed Dowitcher

EA: 1 May, CBG (LB); 1 May (2), Spfld (DB). MC: 31, Rend L, 15 May (TF); 21, Clin.L, 16 May (MD); 9, Spfld, 6 May (DB). LD: 25 May (3), Arcola (RC); 14 May (4), Sang.L (DB).

Others: 16 May, Chi (EW, RH).

Long-billed Dowitcher

EA: 18 Apr., Pulaski Co. (TF, DR); 24 Apr. (3), Spfld (DB). MC: 35, Spfld, 2 May (DB). LD: 6 May (10), Spfld (DB).

Common Snipe

EA: 17 Feb., Spfld (DB); 6-7 Mar., Palos (West School) (WS); 7 Mar., Evanston (EW); 7 Mar., Champaign (RC, RW). MC: 100+, Arcola, 15 Apr. (RC); 50, Lockport (Will Co.), 22 Apr. (JM). LD: 16 May, Arcola (RC); 9 May (3), Du Page Co. (fide DY); 9 May, LRSHNC (PD); 12 May (2) Beardstown (VK et al.).

American Woodcock

EA: 30 Jan., Ozark (TF); 20 Feb. (2 males), Urbana (RC); 2 Mar. (2 males), Tinley Park (WS). MC: 6, Evanston, 8 Mar. (EW et al.). LD: 7 May, JP (JRa); 2 May, Chi (**EW).

Wilson's Phalarope

EA: 10 May (2 males), Spfld (DB); 16 May, LCal (DM). LD: 31 May (male), Spfld (DB); 25-31 May (3--2 females), Arcola (RC, MD, RW).

Red-necked Phalarope

LD: 7 June (female), Spfld (DB).

Laughing Gull

EA: 11 Apr., Sang.L (DB); 15 Apr., Spfld (DB)--had orange bill/black tip; 9-12 May, Wauk (RH, LB). LD: 6 June, Spfld (DB); 24-26 May (ad.), Chi (RH, m.ob.); 23 May (2nd yr.), Rend L (TF, JD); 19-26 May (ad.), Spfld (DB).

Franklin's Gull

{ad.} EA: 21 Mar., Sang.L (DB); 3 Apr., Spfld (DB). MC: 3, L Decatur, 9 Apr. (MD). LD: 23 Apr., Spfld (DB); 18 Apr., Wauk (DD); 18 Apr., Chi (WS, JPU). Others: 17 May (late 2nd yr. bird), Spfld (DB). {1st-summer's} EA: 10 May, JP (WM); 19 May, JP (DM). LD: 25 May, JP (HR); 19 May, Spfld (DB).

Little Gull

EA: 26 Apr. (2 ad.), Wauk (DD). LD: 25 May (1st-summer), Wauk (DD).

Bonaparte's Gull

EA: 19 Mar., Spfld (DB); 27 Mar. (1st-summer), Evanston (EW); 4 Apr. (2 ad. summer), Evanston (EW). MC: 1450, Evanston, 21 Apr. (EW); 1000, Wauk, 6 May (DJ); 700, CONWR, 7 Apr. (KM); 200, Clin.L, 12 Apr. (RC). LD: 1 June (1st-summer), Spfld (DB).

MEW GULL

30 Apr. (ad.), Sang.L (near dam) (*Sangamon and Christian Cos.*) See Seasonal Highlights (*DB). 2nd IL spring record.

Ring-billed Gull

MC: 10,000+, LCal, 4 Apr. (WM); 2300, Carl.L, 22 Feb. (KM); 1800, Spfld, 3 Mar. (DB); 1745, JP, 18 May (HR).

Herring Gull

MC: 1500, LCal, 14 Mar. (WM). LD: 23 May (1st-summer), Clin.L (MD); 18 May (ad.), Spfld (DB). Lower numbers reported (outside LCal).