

Tundra Swan

EA: 1 Mar (through 19 Apr), Crump Pond (Woodford Co) (MF); 13 Mar, Evergreen L (McLean Co) (MLR); 14 Mar (2), Hennepin L (DFS, PCK). **MC:** 3, Chau, winter - 3 Apr (R&SBj). **LD:** 25 Apr (imm.), Clin.L (TAM); 15 Apr, L. Dupue (Bureau Co) (DFS, PCK); 8 Mar, Mermet L (KM).

Wood Duck

EA: 4 Mar (12), Lks Riverbend (EC); 8 Mar (5), St. Charles (Kane Co) (ES); 16 Mar (male), JP (SLC, PC). **MC:** 143, Chau, 20 Mar (R&SBj); 59, sw. Union Co, 10 May (VK, MTB); 50, Marshall Co, 26 Apr (DFS); 25, Pecatonica, 10 May (DTW); 23, Montrose H, 3 Apr (GAW).

Gadwall

EA: 21 Feb (2 pairs), JP (PC, KC); 22 Feb (6), Mermet L (KM, FB, DMK); 18 Mar (6), Kaneville (Kane Co) (DJS); 24 Mar (9), Boone Co (AB, MAR). **MC:** 2150, HL, 26 Mar (KM); 1430, Hennepin L, 3 Apr (DFS); 796, Chau, 1 May (R&SBj). **LD:** 17 May (4), Putnam Co (KM); 14 May (male), LCal (EW); 10 May, HL (FH); 2 May, near Victoria (Knox Co) (DJM).

American Wigeon

EA: 22 Feb (25), Pulaski Co (KM, DMK, FB); 12 Mar (12), Lks Riverbend (EC); 14 Mar (2), Tekakwitha Wds FP (Kane Co) (ES); 25 Mar (pair), JP (PC, DC). **MC:** 705, Hennepin L, 3 Apr (DFS); 548, Chau, 10 Apr (R&SBj); 100, Grassy L (Union Co), 4 Apr (KM, CT). **LD:** 17 May, Carl.C (DMK); 14 May (male), LCal (EW); 1 May (3), Knox Co (DJM).

American Black Duck

EA: 26 Feb, Lks Riverbend (EC); 8 Mar (2), St. Charles (Kane Co) (ES); 14 Mar (8), Wolf L, LCal (CM). **MC:** 154, Chau, 13 Mar (R&SBj); 52, Heidecke L (Grundy Co), 1 Mar (GAW); 30, Carl.L, 2 Feb (KM); 30, Roy C. Blackwell FP (Du Page Co), 21 May (JC). **LD:** 11 May, Evanston (GAW); 9 Apr (3), Crab Or. (KM); 23 Mar (2), Carl.C (DMK).

Mallard

MC: 48,482, Chau, 15 Mar (R&SBj); 6500, Carl.L, 2 Feb (KM); 950, Putnam Co, 14 Mar (DFS, PCK); 500, Carl.C, 12 Apr (DMK); 130, Evanston, 16 Mar (EW). **LD:** (far south): 4 Apr (1200), Grassy L (Union Co) (KM, CT).

Blue-winged Teal

EA: 8 Mar (2 males), Bruce WMA (TAM); 8 Mar (2), Johnson Co (KM); 9 Mar, HL (FH); 16 Mar (pair), Evanston (EW); 22 Mar (2), Pecatonica (DTW). **MC:** 1096, Chau, 17 Apr (R&SBj); 1000, Carl.C, 30 Mar (DMK); 900, Frank Bellrose Refuge (Pulaski Co), 21 Apr (RSR, DK); 305, Hennepin L, 15 Apr (DFS, PCK); 2004+ (“...most ever here”), McGinnis Slough, Palos area, early Apr (WS). **LD:** 15 May (male), JP (KC). See next for hybrid.



Cinnamon Teal (left) with Blue-winged Teal (right) at Horseshoe Lake, Madison County. 28 April 2003. Photo by Frank Holmes.

CINNAMON TEAL

LD: 28 Apr (male), HL (SC, FH, DMK). **Hybrid: Cinnamon x Blue-winged Teal:** 6 Apr (male), Carl.C (DMK).

Northern Shoveler

EA: 8 Mar (3), Roy C. Blackwell FP (Du Page Co) (ES, UG); 12 Mar (12), Lks Riverbend (EC); 16 Mar (10), JP (PC, SLC). **MC:** 6570, Chau, 3 Apr (R&SBj); 4660, Clear L (Mason Co), 20 Apr (R&SBj); 1650, Hennepin L, 15 Apr (DFS, PCK); 1600 (800 at each of two sites), Carl.C & O'Fallon (St. Clair Co), 30 Mar (DMK). **LD:** 18 May (male), LCal (WM); 17 May (8), Putnam Co (KM); 10 May, HL (FH).

Northern Pintail

EA: 8 Mar (5), Wolf L, LCal (WM); 15 Mar (2), Riverside P, St. Charles (Kane Co) (ES); 15 Mar (20), Arcola marsh (DeWitt Co) (EC). **MC:** 1694, Chau, 13 Mar (R&SBj); 1012, Clear L (Mason Co), 20 Mar (R&SBj); 1000, Carl.L, 2 Feb (KM); 150, Hennepin L, 14 Mar (DFS); 71 (“highest ever for me in this area”), McGinnis Slough, Palos area, 21 Mar (WS). **LD:** 10 May, Carl.C (DMK); 10 May (2), HL (FH); 26 Apr (male), LCal (EW).

Green-winged Teal

EA: 22 Feb (100), Johnson Co (KM, DMK, FB); 12 Mar (4), Lks Riverbend (EC); 14 Mar, Tekakwitha Wds FP (Kane Co) (ES); 16 Mar (male), JP (SLC). **MC:** 5050, Clear L (Mason Co), 27 Mar (R&SBj); 1258, Chau, 3 Apr (R&SBj); 800, Carl.C, 30 Mar (DMK); 460, Hennepin L, 3 Apr (DFS); 100, Pr.Rdg, 21 Mar (KM, CL). **LD:** 18 May (male), LCal (WM); 17 May (6), Putnam Co (KM); 10 May (5), Carl.C (DMK).

Canvasback

EA: 4 Mar (12), Lks Riverbend (EC). **MC:** 10,000, Carl.C, 6 Mar (DMK); “1000s,” Mississippi R (Henderson & Hancock Cos), 16 Mar (DJM); 154, Hennepin L, 14 Mar (DFS, PCK); 150, Spring L (Carroll Co), 10 Apr (DTW). **LD:** 24 May, sewage lagoons at Monmouth (Warren Co) (PR); 10 May, HL (FH); 26 Apr, Hennepin L (DFS); 5 Apr, Grassy L (Union Co) (KM, FB, CT); 3 Apr (4), Montrose H (GAW).

Redhead

EA: 19 Feb (9), JP (KC); 8 Mar, Blackhawk FP (Kane Co) (ES); 12 Mar (4), Lks Riverbend (EC). **MC:** 120, Hennepin L, 14 Mar (DFS, PCK); 55, Calumet P, LCal, 8 Mar (CM); 30, Carl.C, 15 Mar (DMK); 13, Chau, 13 Mar (R&SBj). **LD:** 22 Apr (2), McGinnis Slough, Palos area (WS); 4 Apr, Grassy L (Union Co) (KM, CT).

Ring-necked Duck

EA: 20 Feb (male), JP (EW); 23 Feb (2), Batavia (Kane Co) (UG); 26 Feb (10), Lks Riverbend (EC). **MC:** 1900, Hennepin L, 14 Mar (DFS, PCK); 850, HL, 16 Mar (FH); 621, Chau, 20 Mar (R&SBj). **LD:** 16 May (3), McGinnis Slough, Palos area (EW); 15 May (2), Hennepin L (DFS); 10 May (2), Carl.C (DMK); 2 May, Spoon L (DJM).

Greater Scaup

EA: 8 Mar, Fabyan FP (Kane Co) (ES); 9 Mar (3), Oswego (Kendall Co) (DJS); 29 Mar (3), Rock Cut (DTW). **MC:** 25, Calumet P, LCal, 8 Mar (CM). **LD:** 10 May (2), HL (FH); 25 Apr, Montrose H (GAW); 12 Apr (6), Heyworth (McLean Co) (DTW); 27 Mar (male), Jake Wolf Fish Hatchery (Mason Co) (R&SBj); 23 Mar (3), Carl.C (DMK). Poor numbers reported from L. Michigan suggest continued decline.

Lesser Scaup

EA: 21 Feb (14), JP (PC, KC); 4 Mar (20), Lks Riverbend (EC); 8 Mar (19), Batavia (Kane Co) (ES). **MC:** 4131 (3017 at Chau, 1114 at Clear L), Mason Co (R&SBj); 2190, Hennepin L, 14 Mar (DFS, PCK); 1000, Carl.C, 6 Mar (DMK); 331, Montrose H, 3 Apr (GAW). **LD:** 28-29 May (male), Burnham Harbor (Cook Co) (DFS); 25 May, Crump Pond (Woodford Co) (MF); 23 May, Steward Habitat Area (Lee Co) (DJS); 4 May, HL (FH).

Harlequin Duck

EA: 1-2 Mar, North Branch of Chicago R, Chi (AS, GAW, m.ob.). **LD:** 2-3 Jun (male), Wauk (*JL.ph., JSm, m.ob.)—**record II late date.**

Surf Scoter

EA: 20 Feb (2), JP (EW); 8 Mar, South Shore Cultural Center, Chi (GM). **MC:** 12, Winthrop H, 5 Apr (AS)—ties for record spring high count; 3, JP, 28 Feb - 11 Mar (WS, PC et al.). **LD:** 18 Apr (female), Rainbow Beach, Chi (DFS); 30 Mar (male), JP (PC). The three birds at JP likely accounted for all sightings except those at Winthrop H.

White-winged Scoter

EA: 4 Mar (ad. female), Clin.L (TAM); 8-9 Mar (female), Winthrop H (AS); 13 Mar, Wilmette (Cook Co) (EW). **MC/LD:** 6, Winthrop H, 5 Apr (DTW, AS).

Black Scoter

LD: 24 Apr (female), Rock Island Co (SfD)—the only report.

Long-tailed Duck

EA: 23 Mar (male in transitional plumage), Saganashkee Slough, Palos area (Cook Co) (ES, WS, m.ob.). **MC:** 7, Winthrop H, 5 Apr (DTW); 4 (male + 3 females), Rend L, 26 Mar (KM, CL). **LD:** 1 May, IBSP (JC); 5 Apr (7), as above; 29 Mar (male in molt), Rend L (Franklin Co) (TAM).

Bufflehead

EA: 22 Feb (16), JP (KC); 12 Mar (3), Lks Riverbend (EC); 16 Mar, McKinley Wds FP (Will Co) (UG). **MC:** 106, Hennepin L, 3 Apr (DFS); 105, Chau, 10 Apr (R&SBj); 86, McGinnis Slough, Palos area, 22 Apr (WS); 30, HL, 16 Mar (FH). **LD:** 15 May (4), Hennepin L (DFS); 15 May, Wauk (KM); 12 Apr (10), Carl.C (DMK).

Common Goldeneye

EA: 4 Mar, Lks Riverbend (EC). **MC:** 1000, Carl.C, 6 Mar (DMK); 150, Rend L, 22 Feb (KM, DMK, FB); 135, Fox R (Kane Co), 8 Mar (ES); 117, Mississippi R near Port Byron (Rock Island Co), 8 Mar (GAW); 84, Hennepin L, 14 Mar (DFS, PCK); 27, Chau, 13 Mar (R&SBj). **LD:** 15 Apr, L. Rawson (Bureau Co) (DFS, PCK); 13 Apr, Hennepin L (DJS, UG); 12 Apr (ad. female), near Towanda (McLean Co) (TAM); 1 Apr (male), JP (PC); 23 Mar (3), Carl.C (DMK).

[BARROW'S GOLDENEYE

LD: 2 Mar (male), Lake Co.]

Hooded Merganser

EA: 5 Mar (2), Clin.L (EC); 7 Mar (12), Quincy Bay SFWA (Adams Co) (AD); 8 Mar (2), Blackhawk FP (Kane Co) (ES); 14 Mar (2), Wolf L, LCal (CM). **MC:** 120, Hennepin L, 14 Mar (DFS, PCK); 42 (21 at Chau, 21 at Clear L), Mason Co, 13 Mar (R&SBj); 35, Rock Cut, 29 Mar (DTW); 34, Adams Co, 14 Mar (AD); 10, Carl.C, 15 Mar (DMK). **LD:** 10 May (2 males), JP (PC, SLC); 1 May, Spoon L (DJM); 12 Apr (4), Carl.C (DMK).