

## Turkey Vulture

EA: 18 Feb, Fayette Co (KAM); 22 Feb, Kankakee Co (JBH); 2 Mar, Decatur (TAM); 3 Mar, Argonne National Accelerator Laboratory (Du Page Co) (UWG); 4 Mar (4), Boone Co (AEB); 4 Mar, Rockfd (DTW). **MC:** 53, Johnson-Sauk Trail SP (Henry Co), 7 May (EWW); 47, I. Decatur, 30 Mar (EWW); 40, Ramsey L SP (Fayette Co), 13 Apr (DMK); 35, Vermilion Co, 15 Apr (SDB, IOS); 27, Union Co, 7 Apr (KAM); 25, Palos, 28 Mar (WSS); 23, Jasper Co, 6 May (RES, CLH). **LD:** 28 May (8), Linc.P (SJH); 23 May, JP (BWH); 20 May, Winduor H (EWW).

## Osprey

EA: **18 Mar**, Shabbona L SRA (DeKalb Co) (DJS)—ties for record early for n. IL; 26 Mar (male at nest box), Carl.C (DMK); 28 Mar, Ohio R (Massac Co) (FKB); 1 Apr-end of season (nesting pair), Powderhorn L, LCal (CAM, WJM); 2 Apr, Sgmn Co (HDB); 8 Apr, Rockfd Airport quarry (DTW); 16 Apr, JP (GAW, CLW). **MC:** 2, Champaign & Vermilion Cos, 14 Apr (SDB). **LD:** 18 May, Rosemont (Cook Co) (ABA); 9 May, Lake Forest Openlands (Lake Co) (JS); 5 May, Jonesboro (Union Co) (SDB). **Other:** 14 Apr (standing in the middle of an agricultural field), w. of Dalton City (Macon Co) (TAM, MFD).

## Mississippi Kite

EA: 27 Apr (3), Alexander Co (KAM, JVM); 29 Apr (2), UCCA (SDB, CAT, TAM et al.). **MC:** 55, Thebes (Alexander Co), 7 May (SDB); 8, Union Co, 6 May (VMK). **Other:** 21 May, Heron Pond SNA (Johnson Co) (VMK, CLH et al.). **Remarks:** Poor numbers in s. IL, perhaps delayed migration (KAM).

## Bald Eagle

EA: 30 Mar, HL (FRH); 14 Apr, Rockfd Airport quarry (DTW). **MC:** 86, Bureau, Putnam, Marshall Cos, 25 Feb (DJS); 15 (3 ad., 12 imm.), Chau, 3 Mar (RG&SNB); 8 (all imm.), Carl.F, 25 Mar (DMK); 8 (1 ad., 7 imm.), Carl.C, 6 May (DMK); 6 (1 ad., 5 imm.), Hennepin L, 12 Mar (WJM, JSA). **LD:** 26 May (2 imm.), Santa Fe Btms (DMK); 5-6 Apr (2—1st, 4th), Rollins Savanna FP (Lake Co) (JS).

## Northern Harrier

EA: 25 Feb (male), I. Decatur dredge ponds (TAM); 19 Mar, HL (FRH); 1 Apr, Pratt's Wayne Wds FP (Du Page Co) (UWG); 9 Apr (3), JP (PRC, JSM). **MC:** 5, Hennepin L, 4 Mar (DFS); 4, Carl.C, 9 Apr (DMK); 3, Rollins Savanna FP (Lake Co), 3 Mar (JS); 3, PrRdg, 8 Apr (KAM); 3, JP, as above. **LD:** 17 May, Chi (WJM); 13 May (female), Wauk. (EWW, PAM); 6 May, Midewin Pr (CMA, GJ); 2 May, Waterfall Glen FP (Du Page Co) (UWG); 28 Apr, Rockfd (DTW); 23 Apr, E. Cape Girardeau (Alexander Co) (KAM); 12 Apr (female), Spider Wds (TAM). **Other:** 3 Mar (2 juv.; overwintered), Chau (RG&SNB); 4 Mar, Busse Wds FP (Cook Co) (ABA).

## Sharp-shinned Hawk

EA: 9 Mar, JP (KMC); 19 Mar, Rockfd (DTW); 19 Mar (2), Carl.C (DMK); 22 Mar, Chinq. Bluffs (MEF). **MC:** 2, Lake Co, 5 Mar (SDB). **LD:** 22 May (imm.), IBSP (JIE, EWW); 17 May (imm.), JP (JG, PRC); 6 May, Carl.C (DMK); 3 Apr, Union Co (KAM). **Remarks:** Poor numbers in s. IL (KAM).

## Cooper's Hawk

**MC:** 6 (2 imm.), LeVasseur P, 7 Apr (JBH); 5, LCal, 1 Apr (WJM); 4, Clinton Co, 6 May (KAM, DMK, RSH); 3, Carl.C, 25 Mar (DMK); 2, JP, 3 May (PRC, CBA). **Other:** 18 Mar-1 Apr (imm.), I. Decatur dredge ponds (TAM); 2 May (imm.), Evanston (Cook Co) (EWW, JIE); 20 May (ad. male), Zion (EWW).

## Northern Goshawk

EA: 6 Mar (imm.), School House Rd (Madison Co) (JPZ:video).

## Red-shouldered Hawk

EA: 7 Mar, L Storey (Knox Co) (PR); 8 Apr, Sugar R FP (Winnebago Co) (DTW). **MC:** 4, Ft Massac, 23 Mar (KAM); 4, Carl.C, 8 Apr (DMK); 3 (ad. with 2 young), Crawford Co, 16 May (CLH); 2, Fabyan FP (Kane Co), 1 Apr (SAC); 2 (pair), Sugar R FP (Winnebago Co), 7 May (DTW). **Other:** 17 Mar, MiddleforkFP (Champaign Co) (SR); 25 Mar, Waterfall Glen FP (Du Page Co) (UWG); 7 & 15 Apr, LeVasseur P (JBH); 15-20 Apr, Eckert Wds, Carl.F (DMK, TAM, CLH); 22 Apr, Allertou P (Piatt Co) (LN,TR); 3 May, Edwards Co (RES); 13 May, Beall Wds NPsW (Wabash Co) (CLH); 20 May, Forest Glen Co P (Vermilion Co) (GL); 21 May, M.Arb (UWG).

## Broad-winged Hawk

EA: 7 Apr (2), Atwood Ridge (Union Co) (KAM); 11 Apr, near Flora (Clay Co) (CLH); 12 Apr, Long Grove (Lake Co) (EWW); 14 Apr, Lockport Pr (Will Co) (CMA); 15 Apr, Pecatonica (DTW). **MC:** 6, Salt Crk Wds, 21 May (DFS); 3, Palos, 6 May (WSS). **LD:** 23 May, McHenry Co (KAM); 20 May, Ramsey L SP (Fayette Co) (DMK); 19 May, Long Grove (Lake Co) (EWW); 4 May, Waterfall Glen FP (Du Page Co) (UWG). **Other:** 23 Apr (dark morph), McHenry Co (MJF:ph).

## Swainson's Hawk

EA: 18-19 Apr (very pale ad.), Huntley (Kane Co) (ADF, DTW).

## Red-tailed Hawk

EA: 8 Mar, JP (PRC). **MC:** 14, Chau, 25 Mar (RG&SNB); 14, Clinton Co, 29 Mar (KAM); 13, Chinq. Bluffs, 6 May (MEF); 12, LeVasseur P, 12 Apr (JBH); 12, Ford Co,

22 Apr (DFS); 12, Kane Co, 23 May (KAM); 10, Palos, 11 Mar (GAW); 10, McDonough Co, 6 May (LLH). **LD:** 13 May, Linc.P (GAW); 22 Apr, IBSP (EWW). **Other:** 1 Mar (ad. *B.j. barlani*), Sgmn Co (HDB); 5 Mar (*B.j. calurus*, intermediate morph), Macon Co (TAM); 14 Apr (albino), Pomona (Jackson Co) (KAM:ph).

## Rough-legged Hawk

**LD:** 18 Apr, Goose L Pr (DFS); 19 Mar (dark morph), Perry Co (WSS); 7 Apr, Leaf River (Ogle Co) (SDB); 6 Apr, Gridley Twp (McLean Co) (SDB); 18 Mar, Pembroke Twp (Kankakee Co) (JBH); 7 Mar (dark morph), e. of Checkrow (Fultou Co) (LLH); 4 Mar, Songbird Slough FP (Du Page Co) (ABA).

## Golden Eagle

EA: 20 Feb (imm.), Sgmn Co (HDB:ph); 24 Feb (ad.), Crab Or. (KAM); 15 Mar (subad.), Lost Mound NWR (Jo Daviess Co) (ADF); 19 Mar (imm.), ne. of Paris (Edgar Co) (MP, DIT). **LD:** 30 Mar, LeVasseur P (JBH); 30 Mar (1st spring), Northbrook (Cook Co); 26 Mar (imm.), Carl.F (DMK:ph).

## CRESTED CARACARA

15 Apr, Kankakee Co—origin unclear; see forthcoming IORC report].

## American Kestrel

EA: 31 Mar, JP (PRC). **MC:** 7, Perry Co, 28 Mar (KAM); 6, Carl.C, 12 & 25 Mar (DMK); 4, Jasper Co, 6 May (RES, CLH). **LD:** 24 May (male), JP (PRC).

## Merlin

EA: 5 Mar (female), Rollins Savanna FP (Lake Co) (SDB); 11 Mar, IBSP (EWW); 11 Mar, Aurora West FP (Kane Co) (SAC); 20 Mar, Cook Co (JSA); 25 Mar, HL (MST); 12 Apr, Douglas P, Chi (ABA et al.); 17 Apr (male), Crab Or. (KAM, DMK); 26 Apr, AMAX Wabash Mine (CLH). **LD:** 23 May, Wabash Co (CLH)—record late date for s. IL; 13 May (male), Carl.C (DMK); 27 Apr, Montrose H (RDDH).

## Peregrine Falcon

EA: 3 Mar, LeVasseur P (JBH); 11 Mar, IBSP (EWW); 12 Mar, Saganshkee Slough (Cook Co) (UWG); 25 Mar, Songbird Slough FP (Du Page Co) (ABA); 15 Apr, AMAX Wabash Mine (RES:ph, CLH); 19 Apr, Wagon L (St. Clair Co) (TJD); 21 Apr (ad.), Rockfd Airport quarry (DTW); 22 Apr, IBSP (EWW); 26 Apr, Union Co (KAM, JVM); 30 Apr (male *F.p. tundrius*), Santa Fe Btms (DMK). **MC:** 2 (ad.), LCal, 6 May (WJM, MLB); 2 (pair), E. St. Louis (St. Clair Co), 16 May (DMK). **LD:** 13 May (male *F.p. anatum*), Carl.C (DMK); 12 May, Arcola Marsh (Douglas Co) (JSS); 6 May (ad.), w. of Dalton City (Macon Co) (TAM); 6 May (imm.), Pembroke Twp (Kankakee Co) (JBH); 2 May, Wabash Co (CLH); 29 Apr, Bellrose Rsv (KAM, FKB, JDC). **Other:** 18 Mar, late date for dark (Peales?), banded, wintering bird, Champaign/Urbana (Champaign Co) (RD).

## Yellow Rail

EA: **22 Mar**, Karl Bartel Wildlife Sanctuary (Marion Co) (TE, SAS)—**record early IL arrival** by three days; 13-15 Apr (calling male), Eckert Wds, Carl.F (DMK, TAM); 20 Apr, Marion Co (RES, CLH); 22 Apr, Clinton L (DeWitt Co) (IOS). **MC:** 5, Eckert Wds, Carl.F, 17-18 Apr (TAM:ph & video, SDB)—**record IL high count**, tying a vague mention of Spring Bird Count maxima to 5 birds cited in Bohlen's 1989 *Birds of Illinois*; 2, Eckert Wds, Carl.F, 20-21 Apr (SDB, PSW); 2, Karl Bartel Wildlife Sanctuary, PrRdg (Marion Co), 21 Apr (JWW, DIT). **LD:** 23 Apr (2), Eckert Wds, Carl.F (DMK).

## BLACK RAIL

EA: 17 Apr (calling male), Eckert Wds, Carl.F (\*DMK, KAM).

## King Rail

EA: 14 Apr, Pulaski Co (FKB); 15 Apr (female), Eckert Wds, Carl.F (DMK, TAM, KAM); 22 Apr, Pecatonica (DTW); 23 Apr, Crab Or. (KAM); 25 Apr, PrRdg (RES); 5 May (pair), I. Decatur dredge ponds (TAM, EWW, MFD). **MC:** 6, IBSP, 6 May (JS); 4 (pair, 2 males), I. Decatur dredge ponds, 6 May (TAM, MFD)—the only spring counts in excess of three in the recent IL journal seasonal summaries; 2, Eckert Wds, Carl.F, 17-21 Apr (SDB, TAM, PSW); 2 (pair), Grassy Slough Psv (Johnson Co), 27 Apr-1 Jun (SDB, SLD, m.ob). **LD:** 29 May, I. Decatur dredge ponds (TAM); 22 May, Redwing Slough SNA (Lake Co) (EWW, JIE); 21 May, Telegraph Rd Marsh (Winnebago Co) (DTW); ~15 May, HennepinL (fide SDB); 7 May, Eckert Wds, Carl.F (DMK); 26-29 Apr, Oakwood Btms (Jackson Co) (KAM, in.ob.). A notable increase in reports this season.

## Virginia Rail

EA: 26 Mar, PrRdg (CLH); 1 Apr, Mermet I. (FKB); 17 Apr, Eckert Wds, Carl.F (DMK, KAM); 17 Apr, Linc.P (MP); 18 Apr, Hegewich Marsh, LCal (WJM). **MC:** 15, Eckert Wds, Carl.F, 20-21 Apr (SDB, PSW)—record high count outside n. IL, and highest statewide since 1993; 13, IBSP, 9 May (EWW); 5, ClinL, 22 Apr (IOS fide JSS); 4, Pecatonica, 6 May (DTW); 4, Rollins Savanna FP (Lake Co), 21 Apr (JS); 3, Exner Marsh (McHenry Co), 3 May (ADF). **LD:** 26 May, Rollins Savanna FP (Lake Co) (JS); 18 May (calling), Fischer Wds FP (Du Page Co) (ABA); 6 May, Carl.C (DMK); 29 Apr, Grassy Slough Psv (Johnson Co) (SDB, TAM, CAT); 29 Apr, Oakwood Btms (Jackson Co) (KAM, SDB, m.ob.); 27 Apr (2), PrRdg (CLH).