

(DTW). **MC:** 4200, Rend L (Franklin/Jefferson Cos), 19 Mar (KAM); 1442, Chau, 13 Apr (RGB, SNB); 800 (nesting colony), Carl.F, 30 Mar-end of season (DMK, TAM); 665 (roost), Riverdale (Cook Co), 31 Mar (WJM); 540, Kaskaskia R (St. Clair Co), 11 Apr (TJD); 24, UCCA, 5 May (VMK). **LD:** 30 May (6), JP (PRC).

MAGNIFICENT FRIGATEBIRD

23 Apr, Pulaski Co].

American Bittern

EA: 22 Mar, Oakwood Btms (Jackson Co) (KAM); 26 Mar, Montrose H (GAW); 26 Mar, Grassy Slough Prsv (Johnson Co) (KAM); 28 Mar, Linc. P (GAW); 31 Mar, PrRdg (RES); 11 Apr, Bloomington (McLean Co) (MEF). **MC:** 4 (calling), Spunky Bottoms (Brown Co), 10 May (VMK, RQR); 3, Oakwood Btms (Jackson Co), 28 Apr (TAM, SDB, CAT, DTW). **LD:** 19 May, Rollins Svna (KAM); 14 May (2), Montrose H (GAW); 12 May, HL (DMK, KAM); 8 May, JP (SLC, PRC); 5 May, L Decatur dredge ponds (TAM, MFD); 5 May, Rockfd (DTW); 29 Apr, Carl.C (DMK); 19 Apr, Flag Pond (Clay Co) (RES, CLH).

Least Bittern

EA: 26 Apr (2), Mermet L (KAM); 30 Apr, PrRdg (CLH); 5 May, L Decatur dredge ponds (TAM, MFD). **MC:** 5, Mermet L, 5 May (FKB); 4, Spring L (Carroll Co), 20 May (DTW, BCW, IOS); 3 (calling), Mermet L, 19-20 May (VMK, CLH et al.); 2, Spunky Btms (Brown Co), 28 Apr & 10 May (TW, VMK, RQR); 2, PrRdg, 31 May (RES). **LD:** 27 May, Montrose H (GAW); 18 May, IBSP (EWW).

Great Blue Heron

EA: 22 Mar, Montrose H (GAW). **MC:** 107 (at rookery), Hecker (Monroe Co), 5 May (TUM); 63, Monroe Co, 27 May (DJ et al.); 60, Carl.C, 15 Apr (DMK); 56, Chau, 25 May (RGB, SNB); 43 (at rookery), Vermont Reservoir (McDonough Co), 5 May (LLH).

Great Egret

EA: 14 Mar, L Renwick (Will Co) (SM:ph); 18 Mar, HL (FRH); 23 Mar (2), Thomson Causeway (Carroll Co) (AS); 26 Mar, Big Marsh, LCal (WJM); 14 Apr, L Decatur dredge ponds (TAM). **MC:** 245, Bakers L, Barrington (Cook Co), 5 May (GAW); 85, Bellrose Rsv, 26 Apr (KAM); 80, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 27 May (DMK); 17, Jake Wolf Memorial Fish Hatchery (Mason Co), 25 Apr (RGB, SNB). **LD:** 23 Apr, Montrose H (RDH).

Snowy Egret

EA: 14 Apr, Columbia (Monroe Co) (DJ); 22 Apr (3), Carl.F (DMK); 22 Apr (3), Bellrose Rsv (KAM). **MC:** 25, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 27 May (DMK); 20, HLCA, 11 May (KAM); 14, Bellrose Rsv, 26 Apr (KAM); 8, Fairmont City (St. Clair Co), 27 May (DMK, FRH). **LD:** 26 May (2), Carl.F (DMK); 11 May, Nason, Rend L (TJD).

Little Blue Heron

EA: 25 Mar, St. Clair Co (FRH); 1 Apr, Carl.C (DMK, KAM); 6-7 May, Middlefork Savanna FP (Lake Co) (EWW et al.). **MC:** 26, Monroe Co, 27 May (DJ et al.); 8, Bellrose Rsv, 26 Apr (KAM); 8, Alexander Co, 11 May (KAM); 6, Fairmont City (St. Clair Co), 27 May (DMK, FRH); 5 (4 ad., 1 imm.), Mermet L, 26 Apr (KAM); 2 (ad.), Burnham Pr Marsh, LCal, 19 & 27 May (WJM). **LD:** 29 May (5 ad.), PrRdg (RES); 28 May, LCal (WJM); 5 May (3 ad.), Chau (RGB, SNB). **Others:** 27 May (2), Levee Rd (Monroe Co) (DMK).

Tricolored Heron

LD: 27 May, Montrose H (*GAW).

REDDISH EGRET

19-23 May (ad. dark morph), Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe (Cook Co) (TE, CSF:ph, *UWG:ph, DMK:ph, KW:ph, FA:ph, m.ob.); 23 May, GrtLakes (BS); 24-25 May, Wauk. (JOS, RB, EWW, JSS). Presumably only one individual. **Third IL record.**

Cattle Egret

EA: 26 Mar, Mermet L (KAM); 6-13 Apr, Chau (RGB, SNB); 12 Apr (4), Millstadt (St. Clair Co) (TJD); 20 Apr, Shelby Co (KAF). **MC:** 80, EstL, 16 Apr (DMK); 21, Jonesboro (Union Co), 27 Apr (GAW); 4, Monroe Co, 23 May (DJ); 3, Gallatin Co, 6 May (JDC). **LD:** 26 May, Carl.C (DMK); 20 May (2), Montrose H (RDH); 17 May, Beckman P (Kankakee Co) (JBH); 8 May, LeVasseur P (JBH); 5 May, Wabash Co (CLH); 26 Apr, Ward Branch, Rend L (TJD).

Green Heron

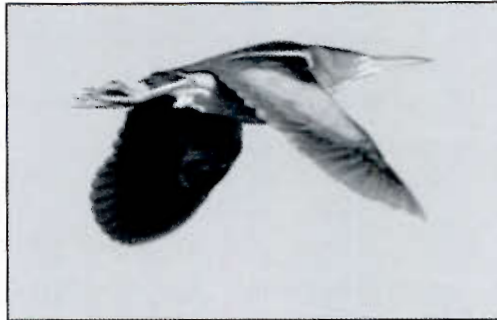
EA: 24 Mar, Shelby Co (KAF) - other than a vague datum from ne. IL ("District C") on 23 Apr 1986, this is the **earliest IL arrival date** in the corpus of reviewed records; 12 Apr, e. of Anna (Union Co) (KAM); 22 Apr (2), JP (PRC); 24 Apr, Riverside P (Kane Co) (DJS); 24 Apr, Mackinaw Bluffs (MEF). **MC:** 6, Mason Co, 11 & 18 May (RGB, SNB); 6, IBSP, 15 May (EWW); 6, Montrose H, 15 May (GAW); 6, L Decatur dredge ponds, 28 May (TAM); 5, LeVasseur P, 30 Apr (JBH); 3, Rockfd, 4 May (DTW); 3, Rend L, 28 May (DMK, TJD). **LD:** 27 May, JP (PRC).

Black-crowned Night-Heron

EA: 14 Mar, Linc. P (GAW); 21 Mar (ad.) JP (PRC, KMC); 25 Mar (5), LCal (WJM); 26 Mar, Frank Holten SP (St. Clair Co) (KAM). **MC:** 14, Linc. P, 25 Apr & 22 May (GAW); 10 (ad.), JP, 23 Apr (PRC); 10, HL, 12 May (KAM); 9, JP, 18 May (KAM); 7, EstL, 6 May (DMK); 7, Chau, 18 May (RGB, SNB); 6, L Decatur dredge ponds, 1 May (TAM). **LD:** 28 May (3 - 1 ad., 2 imm.), L Decatur dredge ponds (TAM). **Others:** 21 May (ad.), PrRdg (RES, CLH); 5 May, Guzy Pr (Shelby Co) (TAM); 5 May, Carl.C (DMK).

Yellow-crowned Night-Heron

EA: 22 Mar, Granite City (Madison Co) (FRH:ph); 26 Mar, Oakwood Btms (Jackson Co) (KAM). **MC:** 14, Madison Co, 24 Apr (FRH); 3 (1 at nest), Oakwood Btms (Jackson Co), 28 Apr (KAM, DMK, MS); 2, Oakwood Btms (Jackson Co), 18 May (VMK, CLH et al.). **Others:** 24 May, LCal (JRS); 10 May, Saugert (St. Clair Co) (KAM); 28 Apr, Mermet L (TAM, DTW, SDB, CAT).



Least Bittern. Illinois Beach State Park, Lake County. 18 May 2007. Photo by Eric Walters

Glossy Ibis

EA: 28 Apr (2), Carl.C (LN *vide* DMK); 28 Apr, Lenzburg (St. Clair Co) (TJD); 16 May, near Farina (Fayette Co) (*JWW, TLE, SAS, RES). **MC:** 4, Lenzburg (St. Clair Co), 18 May (TJD) - **first IL count greater than 2**; 2, Lenzburg (St. Clair Co), 29 Apr (TJD). **LD:** 26-29 May, Fairmont City (St. Clair Co) (P, BJ, KAM, DMK, FRH, JDM, CKM et al.); 22 May, PrRdg (RES:ph, SAS). **Record number of reports.**

Black Vulture

MC: 25, Johnson Co, 2 Apr (KAM); 5, Massac Co, 19 Mar (KAM); 4, Pulaski Co, 19 Mar (KAM); 3, Jackson Co, 5 May (RMR). **Others:** 19 Mar (2), near Dongola (Union Co) (KAM); 24 Mar, n. of Golconda (Pope Co) (EWW); 14 Apr (2), Crab Or. (KAM); 29 Apr, Cave-In-Rock SP (Hardin Co) (EWW); 6 May, White Co (JDC); 20 May (2), Cedar Crk (Jackson Co) (RMR).

Turkey Vulture

EA: 26 Feb, Decatur (TAM); 3 Mar (4), Boone Co (AEB); 3 Mar, Ogle Co (KAM); 1 Apr, JP (PRC). **MC:** 64, Edwards Co, 2 Mar (RES); 63, near Depue (Bureau Co), 11 Mar (DJS); 35, Jersey Co, 10 Mar (GAW); 35, Saganashkee Slough, Palos, 23 Mar (REF); 32, Mackinaw Bluffs, 2 Apr (MEF); 26, Kaskaskia R (St. Clair Co), 2 Mar (TUM); 19, Rock Cut, 6 Apr (DTW). **LD:** 31 May, JP (JBH).

Osprey

EA: 24 Mar (male at nest), Carl.C (DMK); 26 Mar, LeVasseur P (JBH); 26 Mar, Edwards Co (RES); 26 Mar (at nest), Mermet L (KAM); 30 Mar, Jake Wolf Memorial Fish Hatchery (Mason Co) (RGB, SNB); 31 Mar (2), Powder Horn L FP, LCal (WJM); 6 Apr (2), Rock Cut (DTW). **MC:** 3, East Fork L (Richland Co), 27 Apr (EWW); 3, Carl.C, 12 May (KAM). **LD:** 28 May, Tri-County SP (Du Page Co) (UWG); 26 May, East Fork L (Richland Co) (CLH); 26 May, Evergreen L (McLean Co) (MJW); 13 May, Johnson Sauk Trail SP (Henry Co) (EWW). **Others:** 31 Mar-end of season (pair at nest), Carl.C (DMK); 4 Apr, Fulton Co (LLH); 20 Apr, Farview Heights (St. Clair Co) (TJD); 22 Apr, JP (PRC); 9 May (pair at nest), Powder Horn L FP, LCal (CAM).

[SWALLOW-TAILED KITE

9 May, Lake Co - no documentation received].

Mississippi Kite

EA: 26 Apr (2), Lyerla L (Union Co) (KAM); 28 Apr (4), Thebes (Alexander Co) (SDB, CAT, DTW, TAM); 5 May (ad.), **Waterfall Glen** (*JH et al.); 10 May (imm.), **LeVasseur P** (JBH); 14 May (imm.), **L Decatur dredge ponds** (MFD). **MC:** 6, Union Co, 5 May (VMK); 5, Hickory Ridge Rd (Jackson Co), 21 May (RMR). **LD:** 2 Jun (sub-ad.), Beall Wds (CLH); 23 May (ad.), s. of Mokena (**Will Co**) (ABH); 21 May (2), Madison Co (FRH); 20 May (ad.), Belleville (St. Clair Co)