

### Surf Scoter

MC: 2, Montrose, 14 Apr (GAW, CLW); 2, see below. LD: 5 May (ad ♂), Livingston (DBJ et al.); 26-28 Apr (2♀), Chau (KBR et al.); 22 Apr, Montrose (KH); 6 Apr, MermetL (KAM); 25 Mar (♀), Spfld (HDB).

### White-winged Scoter

EA: 1 Mar, Saganashkee SI (Cook Co) (WSS). MC: 3, JP, 26 Feb (PRC); 2, WinthropH, 11 Mar (BJS). LD: 13 Apr (♀), GLNTC (DRD); 11 Mar (2), see above; 11 Mar, Montrose (GAW, CLW, JIE).

### Long-tailed Duck

EA: 2 Feb (95), IBSP (EWW). MC: 275, WinthropH, 18 Feb (IOS); 120+, IBSP, 4 Mar (EWW). LD: 27-31 Mar (2), Spoon L (Knox Co) (MJB, DJM); 28 Mar (♀), Spfld (HDB); 11 Mar, Morris (Grundy Co) (JAS, PAM); 10 Mar (♀), EForkL (CLH).

### Bufflehead

MC: 165, McGinnisSI, 20 Mar (WSS); 80, CarlL-C, 8, 10, & 25 Mar (DMK); 70, SpringL (Carroll Co), 17 Mar (JAS et al.); 24, Chau, 13 Apr (RG&SNB); 20, JP, 18 Mar (PRC). LD: 15 May, GrantP (JIE, JDW); 15 May, Eggers Wds FP (Chi) (DFS); 6 May (♀ w/injured eye), Urbana (Weaver P) (GSL:ph et al.); 5 May (2), JP (RLS); 1 May (♀), Sangamon (HDB); 22 Apr, CarlL-C (DMK); 21 Apr, HL (FRH).

### Common Goldeneye

MC: 350, Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co), 3 Mar (MD); 81, JP, 26 Feb (PRC); 51, Chau, 2 Mar (RG&SNB). LD: 8 May (♂), Sangamon (HDB); 23 Apr, CarlL-F (CAT, MSS); 9 Apr, ArcolaM (Douglas Co) (MM-L et al.); 28 Mar (2), JP (PRC); 24 Mar, Montrose (JIE).

### BARROW'S GOLDENEYE

LD: 6 Mar, Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co) (♂) (AFS), continuing from winter season.

### Hooded Merganser

EA: 4 Mar, Emiquon (LLH); 12 Mar, Quincy Bay (AGD). MC: 40, Palos, 4 Mar (JAS); 27, KLMSNA, 20 Apr (C&PD); 25, Saganashkee SI (Cook Co), 1 Mar (WSS); 9, RockCut, 4 Mar (DTW). LD: 4 Jun, Montrose (RDH); 26 May (2♀), Hancock (AMR, PJR).

### Common Merganser

MC: 670, LRen, 4 Mar (DFS); 600, Saganashkee SI (Cook Co), 1 Mar (WSS); 128, ClinL, 2 Mar (MEF); 80, ShabbonaL, 4 Mar (DJS). LD: 27 May (♂), Spfld (HDB); 6 May (3), Des Plaines CA (Will Co) (JAS); 4 May (♀), CIPS L (CLH); 27 Apr (3), Fermi (BD); 10 Mar (2), CarlL-C (DMK).

### Red-breasted Merganser

MC: 800, CarlL-C, 11 Mar (DMK); 350, Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co), 13 Mar (MC); 250, NortherlyI (Chi), 19 Mar (JDW); 141, Palos, 3 Mar (CAT); 90, JP, 29 Feb (PRC); 55, HL, 8 Mar (FRH); 38, ClinL, 2 Mar (MEF). LD: 29 May (2), LCal (CAM); 26 May (12), Rainbow P (Chi) (DFS); 22 May, CarlL-C (DMK); 20 May, Metropolis (Massac Co) (CLH, VMK, et al.); 20 May, MendotaL (LaSalle Co) (JEH); 20 May (6♀), IBSP (EWW); 17 May (♀), Sangamon (HDB).



Greater Prairie-Chickens. Prairie Ridge State Natural Area, Jasper County. 30 March 2012.  
Photo by Jackie Bowman.



Common Loon. Montrose, Chicago, Cook County. 14 April 2012.  
Photo by Steve Spitzer.



Horned Grebe. Montrose, Chicago, Cook County. 14 April 2012.  
Photo by Steve Spitzer.

### Ruddy Duck

EA: 25 Mar, Aledo (Mercer Co) (BAB); 15 Apr (9), JP (PRC). MC: 3996, Chau, 16 Mar (RG&SNB); 1200, CarlL-C, 11 Mar (DMK); 42, McGinnisSI, 5 May (WSS). LD: 30 May, Lenzburg (St. Clair Co) (TJD); 25 May (12), Emiquon (KAM); 20 May, HL (FRH); 12 May, CarlL-C (DMK); 5 May, Aledo (Mercer Co) (BAB); 5 May (5), BakersL (GAW, CLW, JV).

### Northern Bobwhite

MC: 20, Hamilton, 5 May (CAT); 11, Mskoda, 5 May (JBH); 10, PrRdg (CLH, VMK, et al.); 6, Jackson, 19 May (VMK, CLH, et al.); 6, Johnson, 28 Apr (SDB, CAT); 4, CarlL-C, 12 May (DMK); 4, PrRdg-M, 30 May (DMK); 3, CarlL-C, 22 Apr (DMK); 3, McDonough, 5 May (LLH).

Remarks: "Numbers continue to decline (McDonough Co area); few calling males" (LLH).

### Ring-necked Pheasant

MC: 8, Mskoda, 15 Mar (JBH); 8, MBC, 6 May (MEF); 6, DYNL, 17 Apr (JAS); 3, GLPSNA, 22 May (KAM).

### Greater Prairie-Chicken

MC: 23, PrRdg-J, 9 Mar (RES); 6, PrRdg-M, 24 Apr (JWW, ELK, DJO, WEL).

### Wild Turkey

MC: 31, MermetL, 19 Mar (KAM); 27, Pecatonica, 5 Mar (DTW); 16, CarlL-C, 9 Apr (DMK); 13, Rckfd, 1 Mar (DTW); 4, LeVasseurP, 17 May (JBH).

### Common Loon

EA: 4 Mar, HL (FRH); 5 Mar, se. Illinois (CLH); 11 Mar (ad), Spfld (HDB); 16 Mar (2), ClinL (MEF); 21 Mar (3), LZurich (Lake Co) (SDB); 24 Mar, RockCut (DTW, BCW); 30 Mar, WhalonL (CMA). MC: 64, Lake, 24 Mar (DBJ); 16, Antioch (Lake Co), 16 Mar (BJS). LD: 26 May, ShabbonaL (DJS); 21 May (3), EForkL, one remaining into Jun (CLH); 12 May, Palos (NLB, JDW, JB, NG); 7 May, Spfld (HDB); 6 May (3), EvergreenL (Woodford Co) (MEF); 5 May, LVermon (Vermilion Co) (EJC, JSh); 4 May, MermetL (EWW).

### Pied-billed Grebe

EA: 8 Mar, HL (FRH); 8 Mar (2), CarlL-C (DMK); 8 Mar (3), IBSP (EWW); 10 Mar, JP (KMC). MC: 118, CONWR, 3 Mar (WDR); 42, PowderhornL FP (Cook Co), 3 Apr (DFS); 30, L&D 13, 17 Mar (JAS et al.); 24, MermetL, 6 Apr (KAM); 19, Chau, 27 Apr (RG&SNB). LD: 8 May, Spfld (HDB); 5 May, JP (PRC).

### Horned Grebe

EA: 10 Feb (8), Randolph (MSS); 14 Feb, BraidwoodL (JBH); 19 Feb (2), O'Fallon WTP (D&MAM); 24 Feb (2), Bloomington (BM); 24 Feb (3), Elgin (Kane Co) (SAC). MC: 27, Tazewell, 25 Mar (MJW, TH); 20, ClinL, 9 Mar (MEF); 18, PistakeeL (Lake Co), 18 Mar (DBJ); 10, Chau, 13 Apr (RG&SNB). LD: 26 May, LaSalleL (BC); 17-20 May (2), IBSP (EWW); 14 May, CarlL-C (KAM); 5-7 May, EForkL (CLH); 5 May, LVermon (Vermilion Co) (EJC, JSh); 2 May, JP (PRC); 2 May, LCal (WJM); 28 Apr (2), GlendaleL (Pope Co) (GAW, CLW).