



White-winged Scoter with Redhead and Lesser Scaup. Evergreen Lake, Bloomington, McLean County. 3 March 2013. Photo by Ben Murphy.

Lesser Scaup

MC: 7061, Chau, 15 Mar (RG&SNB); 2800, HL, 9 Mar (FRH); 1032, Wilmington (Will Co), 7 Apr (EH, KW); 749, ClinL, 8 Mar (MEF). **LD:** 31 May, LSpfld (HDB); 31 May (2 ad ♂), Little Calumet R (Cook Co) (WJM); 30 May, HL (KAM); 29 May (♂), Montrose (RDH); 26 May, NoP (JIN); 25 May, CarlL-C (DMK).

Harlequin Duck

LD: 14-21 Mar (♂), JP (KMC, JM, JRRS:ph, GAW:ph, m.ob.).

Surf Scoter

MC: 2, Tampier L FP (Cook Co), 4 Mar (SZ); 2, L Charleston (Coles Co), 14 Apr (TDF). **LD:** 26 May, River Bend FP (Champaign Co) (DWy); 4 May, Wauk (RB, DBJ, GHn); 4 May, Honey L (Lake Co) (DBJ). **Others:** 9 Mar, *Montgomery* (DJM); 23 Mar – 13 Apr (imm), CarlL-C (DMK, CD, GH); 7 Apr, LSpfld (HDB); 28 Apr, Barrington (Lake Co) (DBJ).

White-winged Scoter

EA: 25 Feb, WinthropH (EWW); 16 Mar, JP (RLS). **MC:** 37, LCal, 7 Mar (WJM); 16, GillsonP, 4 Mar (EG); 8, Tampier L (Cook Co) (JAS, JaP). **LD:** 25 May – 10 Jun (2 fems.), Little Calumet R (Cook Co) (*WJM); 4 May (2), Wauk (RB, DBJ, GHn); 27 Apr, IBSP (NC). **Others:** 1-6 Mar, Kankakee (JBH); 1-18 Mar, LSpfld (HDB); 3 Mar (2), Peoria (LS); 3 Mar (5), Evergreen L (McLean & Woodford Cos) (SA, LA, BM, TH); 3 Mar (2), Wilmington (Will Co) (JBH); 7 Mar (2), Peoria L (Tazewell Co) (DHZ); 9 Mar, *Champaign* (MM-L); 14-18 Mar (ad @ small library pond), Mundelein (Lake Co) (SDB et al.); 17 Mar (2), *Kendall* (DFS); 20-24 Mar, South Elgin (Kane Co) (BL, m.ob.); 21 Mar (2), Evergreen L (McLean Co) (ASA); 21 Mar, Oregon (Ogle Co) (DTW); 7 Apr (2), *Sangamon* (HDB); 13 Apr, RockCut (DTW). **Remarks:** Many reports from Lake Michigan and nearby areas, and unusually common statewide this spring.

Black Scoter

EA: 16 Mar, GillsonP (DA). **LD:** 4 May, Evanston (Cook Co) (JIE, JDW).

Surf/Black Scoter

MC: 14, Montrose, 11 Mar (JRRS).

Long-tailed Duck

MC: 13, WinthropH, 6 Apr (BJS); 5, Wauk, 1 Mar (ASe); 4, L&D 21, Quincy (Adams Co), 16 Apr (AMR). **LD:** 25 Apr, RockCut (DTW); 12 Apr, GrantP (DEW, CAT); 9 Apr (2), Kenilworth (Cook Co) (JRS); 6 Apr, see above; 28 Mar, LincP (LGM). **Others:** 3-4 Mar, *Tazewell* (MJW, DHZ, TH).

Bufflehead

MC: 380, Chau, 29 Mar (RG&SNB); 112, HL, 23 Mar (FRH); 85, HennepinL, 5 Apr (DFS); 80, Carl-C, 14 Apr (DMK). **LD:** 20 May, Guzy Prairie Pothole Wetlands (Shelby Co) (TAM); 18 May, Eggers Grove FP (Cook Co) (JB, NLB, JIE, JDW); 12 May, *Sangamon* (HDB).

Common Goldeneye

MC: 763, Diamond L (Lake Co) (DBJ); 250, Spfld, 2 Mar (JMq); 159, Spring Bay Fen NP (Woodford Co), 4 & 8 Mar (TH). **LD:** 20 May, Double T SFWA (Fulton Co) (KAM); 4 May, Diamond L (Lake Co) (DBJ); 4 May, LCal (WJM, MLB, CAM).

Common Merganser

EA: 24 Jan, se. Illinois (CLH). **MC:** 1100, Heidecke L SFWA, 9 Mar (DFS); 800, Saganashkee Slough (Palos), 28 Mar (AG, EG); 505, Pistakee L (Lake Co), 30 Mar (DBJ); 435, LCal, 15 Mar (WJM). **LD:** 4 May (7), *Lake* (DRD); 4 May, Wauk (RB, GHn, DBJ); 13 Apr (10), Banner Marsh SFWA (Fulton Co) (DH).

Red-breasted Merganser

EA: 1 Feb, se. Illinois (CLH). **MC:** 1500, CarlL-C, 7 Apr (DMK); 480, Wauk, 4 May (RB, GHn, DBJ); 350, Montrose, 7 Apr (GAW); 350, Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co), 6 Apr (FRM); 300, Saganashkee Slough (Palos), 28 Mar (AG, EG). **LD:** 1 Jun (12, 4 ♂ & 8 ♀), RainbowP (DFS); 30 May (2, ad ♂ & ♀), Wolf L/Powers FWA (Cook Co) (WJM); 25 May, BurnhamP (RLS); 19 May, Greenview Wetland (Woodford Co) (MJW, TH); 18 May, Mendota (LaSalle Co) (JEH); 17 May, LSpfld (HDB).

Ruddy Duck

EA: 12 Mar, Montrose (ABB). **MC:** 3358, Chau, 12 Apr (RG&SNB); 3000, CarlL-C, 7 Apr (DMK); 1000, HL, 7 Apr (GH); 750, *Sangamon*, 17 Mar (HDB); 550, Chau, 16 Mar (DHZ, TH); 500, Peoria L (Tazewell Co), 13 Apr (MJW). **LD:** into Jun, *Sangamon* (HDB); 31 May (4), Emiquon (VS); 27 May, *Champaign* (LB, PB); 26 May (3), CarlL-C (DMK).

Northern Bobwhite

MC: 9, *Jasper*, 10 Apr (RES); 8, Hickory Ridge (Douglas Co), 5 May (TDF, EGn); 7, Mskoda, 4 May (JBH); 6, CarlL-C, 7 Apr (DMK).

Gray Partridge

No reports.

Ring-necked Pheasant

MC: 20, ClinL, 1 Mar (MEF); 19, *Champaign*, 31 Mar (TDF); 12, Wayne Fitzgerald SP (Franklin Co), 4 Mar (KAM). **Others:** 25 Apr, LCal (WJM).

Greater Prairie-Chicken

MC: 22, PrRdg-J, 8 Apr (RES); 21, PrRdg-J, 20 Mar (CLH); 16, PrRdg-M, 2 Apr (RES).

Wild Turkey

MC: 80, Moraine View SP (McLean Co) (SA); 40, CONWR, 26 Mar (JGr); 30, HL, 13 Apr (FRH).

Red-throated Loon

EA: 13 Mar, Wauk (ASe). **MC:** 5, IBSP, 8 Apr (RDH, KKM); 4, Wauk, 4 May (RB, GHn, DBJ). **LD:** 4 May, see above. **Others:** 6 Apr, WinthropH (BJS); 6-7 Apr, Diamond L (Lake Co) (DBJ, DFS); 7 Apr, Montrose (LGM); 7-15 Apr, Big Bear L (Lake Co) (JOS, DBJ, m.ob.).

Common Loon

EA: 8 Mar, ClinL (MEF); 9 Mar, *Montgomery* (DJM); 10 Mar, EForkL (CLH); 11 Mar, HumboldtP (SBB). **MC:** 352, Pistakee L (Lake & McHenry Cos), 6 Apr (DBJ, KML); 104, Fox L (Lake Co), 6 Apr (DBJ, KML); 93, Long L (Lake Co), 13 Apr (DBJ); 35, Wauk, 4 May (RB, GHn, DBJ). **LD:** 29 May, Moraine View SP (McLean Co) (KS:ph); 27 May, *Lawrence* (JoP); 25 May (3), Montrose (EG); 23 May (2), WhalonL (JAS); 21 May, Fermi (JL); 18 May, WhalonL (MAM); 18 May, Wolf L/Powers FWA (Cook Co) (JB, NLB, JIE, JDW); 10 May (3),