

Mar (RC); 50, Pulaski Co, 28 Feb (KM); 20, La Salle L, 1 Mar (C&JMc). LD: 26 May, Adams Co (KV); 11 Apr, Grassy L (Union Co)(KM).

Green-winged Teal

EA: 1 Feb (increased numbers), Sangamon Co (DB); 2 Feb (20), UCCA (KM); 16 Feb (2), LRen (DFS). MC: 3000, Carl.L (Fayette Co), 5 Apr (DK); 3000, Carl.L, 10 Apr (DK); 700, Jackson Co, 1 Apr (KM); 200, Clin.L, 8 Mar (MR); 200, Pike Co, 23 Mar (KV). LD: 30 May (pair), Arcola (Douglas Co)(RC); 1 May (12), CypCrk (KM); 17 May (male), Glacial Park (McHenry Co)(RBa).

Canvasback

EA: 15 Feb (4), Evanston (JE). MC: 1906, LChau, 19 Mar (R&SBj); 58, HL, 16 Mar (KM); 40, Sangamon Co, 18 Mar (DB); 15, Shabbona L SP (De Kalb Co), 7 Mar (DJS); 15, Loves Park (Winnebago Co), 24 Mar (DW). LD: 31 May, Monroe Co (FH); 19 Apr, Mendota (La Salle Co)(DJS); 7 Apr (female), L Spfld (DB); 5 Apr (3), Carl.L (DK).

Redhead

EA: 1 Feb, Sangamon Co (DB); 28 Feb, Barrington (Cook Co)(CF). MC: 659, LChau, 19 Mar (R&SBj); 400+, Clin.L, 24 Mar (RC); 162, HL, 6 Mar (KM); 80, Channahon (Will Co), 16 Mar (DFS). LD: 2 May (2), so. Clinton Co (KM); 19 Apr, Mendota (La Salle Co)(C&JMc); 6 Apr (5), ea. of Spfld (DB).

Ring-necked Duck

EA: 29 Jan, Sangamon Co (DB); 27 Feb (33), LCal (DFS). MC: 2959, LChau, 19 Mar (R&SBj); 2000, Clin.L and vicinity, 21 Mar (RC); 700, HL, 6 Mar (KM); 345, Vermilion Co, 15 Mar (DFS); 230, Sangamon Co, 18 Mar (DB); 156, Palos/Orland Park (Cook Co), 20 Mar (WS). LD: 26 May, Adams Co (KV); 9 May, Clinton Co (KM); 25 Apr, Riverdale (Cook Co)(KWy). Other: A resident female (present since Aug 1996) all season in vicinity of Evanston (EW).

Greater Scaup

EA: 1 Feb (23), Wilmette (IM). MC: 1950+ Scaup ("mainly Greater"), Mississippi R L&D #13 (Whiteside Co), 18 Apr (EW); 115+, Evanston, 25 Mar (EW); 15, Clin.L, 21 Mar (RC); 3, Sangamon Co, 15 Mar (DB); 3, Heyworth, 23 Mar (MF, TB). LD: 18 Apr (female), SLSP (DB).

Lesser Scaup

EA: 5 Jan (increased numbers), Sangamon Co (DB); 1 Feb (2 males), Wilmette (EW, IM). MC: 8000+, Clin.L, 24 Mar (RC); 1747, LChau, 5 Mar (R&SBj); 1500, Carl.L, 5 Apr (DK); 1220, La Salle L, 4 Apr (C&JMc). LD: 31 May (4), La Salle L (C&JMc); 17 May (male), LCal (WM); 13 May (2), HL (KM); 9 May (female), SLSP (DB); 9 May, Adams Co (KV).

Surf Scoter

EA: 14 Mar, Clin.L (RC); 31 Mar (male), L Spfld (DB). MC: 3, Winthrop Harbor (Lake Co), 14 Mar (DFS); 3, LCal, 17 Mar (DFS). LD: 17-22 May (1st spring female), Wauk (IM et al.); 9-11 May (male), La Salle L (C&JMc); 5-10 May (female), Mermet L (Massac Co)(FB); 7 May (female), SLSP (DB); 5 May (imm.), Decatur (Macon Co)(MD); 5 Apr (2), Carl.L (DK); 1 May (imm. male), Jasper Co (*EK, JTH).

White-winged Scoter

MC: 7, Wilmette, 22 Mar (JE). LD: 28-29 Mar (female), DelMonte plant ponds, Mendota (La Salle Co)(PB, C&JMc).

Black Scoter

MC: 2, Evanston, 22 Mar (IM, JE, m.ob.); 2, Evanston, 4 Apr (JE). LD: 7 May, GrantP (DFS); 24 Apr (ad. male), Evanston (IM, JE). No other reports.

Oldsquaw

LD: 1 May, Newton L (Jasper Co)(*EK, JTH); 3 Apr, Wilmette (JE); 13-14 Mar, Chi (JL); 29 Mar (male), La Salle L (C&JMc). No other reports.

Bufflehead

EA: 7 Feb, Sangamon Co (DB); 12 Feb (23), JP (PC). MC: 75, Carl.L, 5 Apr (DK); 51, M.View, 18 Mar (MR); 47, Sangamon Co, 28 Mar (DB); 47, MS, 23 Apr (WS). LD: 8 May (female), M.View (MR); 8 May (2 females), JP (SC); 1 May, Newton L (Jasper Co)(EK, JTH).

Common Goldeneye

MC: 183, JP, 21 Feb (PC); 150, La Salle L, 15 Mar (C&JMc); 40, Sangamon Co, 5 Mar & 15 Mar (DB); 12, HL, 13 Feb (KM). None (!) at LChau this spring (R&SBj). LD: 23 May (injured, unable to fly), Carl.L (DK); 16 Apr (7), Mendota (La Salle Co)(DW); 5 Apr (2), Carl.L (DK); 2 Apr, Jake Wolf Fish Hatchery (Mason Co)(R&SBj). Hybrid **Common Goldeneye x Hooded Merganser**: 14 Mar, Carl.L (DK).

Hooded Merganser

EA: 31 Jan, Sangamon Co (DB); 13 Feb, Powderhorn L FP, LCal (DFS). MC: 23, Sangamon Co, 18 Mar (DB); 12, Shabbona L SP (De Kalb Co), 14 Mar (DJS); 7, Union Co, 18 Apr (KM). LD: 31 May (female), Heyworth (MF, TB); 24 May (male), JP (DFS). See Common Goldeneye for hybrid.

Common Merganser

MC: 503, LChau and Clear L (Mason Co), 12 Mar (R&SBj); 350, HL, 13 Feb (KM); 8, Sangamon Co, 18 Mar (DB). LD: 24 May (female), SLSP (DB); 26 Apr (5), Heyworth (TB); 12 Apr, Riverdale (Cook Co)(KWy); 22 Mar, HL (FH). Few reports.

Red-breasted Merganser

EA: 28 Jan, Sangamon Co (DB); 28 Feb (20), CONWR (KM). MC: 1200+, Wilmette, 28 Apr (JE); 1000, Clin.L, 28 Mar (RC); 885, LCal, 1 May (DFS); 776 (migrating), Evanston, 9 May (EW, JE, IM). LD: 1 Jun, LCal (KWy); 25 May (female), L Spfld (DB); 9 May, Carl.L (DK).

Ruddy Duck

EA: 12-14 Feb, Wilmette (EW); 12 Feb, Sangamon Co (DB). MC: 4000, Carl.L, 14 Mar & 5 Apr (DK); 1883, LChau and Clear L (Mason Co), 2 Apr (R&SBj); 1200, La Salle L, 4 Apr (C&JMc); 800, Grassy L (Union Co), 4 Apr (KM); 720, Rend L (Franklin Co), 22 Mar (LS); 422, MS, 12 Apr (WS); 65, Decatur (Macon Co), 8 May—late passage (MD). LD: 5 Jun, Wolf L, LCal (DFS); 27 May (male), L Spfld (DB); 13 May, HL (KM).

Osprey

EA: 22 Mar, Embarras R (Coles Co)(KW); 10 Apr, Union Co (KM); 12 Apr (pr., returning to territory), Bergman's Slough (Cook Co)(KWy). LD: 29 May, JP (PC); 9 May, Adams Co (KV); 25 Apr (2), Mermet L (KM et al.). Maximum counts did not exceed two birds.

Mississippi Kite

EA: 26 Apr, Union Co (KM). Others: 8 May, East St. Louis (St. Clair Co)(KM); 8 May & 17 May, Fort Massac SP (Massac Co)(FB); 24 May, UCCA (DK).

Bald Eagle

EA: 3 Mar (ad.), M.View (MR). MC: 27 (15 ad., 12 imm.), LChau, 5 Mar (R&SBj); 8 (6 ad., 2 imm.), Union Co, 18 Apr (KM). LD: 2 May (ad.), so. Clinton Co (KM); 12 Apr (imm.), nw. of Spfld (DB). Few data outside nesting areas.

Northern Harrier

EA: 17 Jan, Sangamon Co (DB); 26 Mar (2), Eggers Woods, LCal (DFS). MC: 6, Pr.Rdg, 20 Apr (JW, EK). LD: 8-9 May (2 females), ea. McLean Co (MR, BW); 27 Apr, Kidd L (DK); 15 Apr (2), MidwinPr (DFS).

Sharp-shinned Hawk

EA: 1 Mar, Chi (JL); 4 Mar, Horseshoe Bottom Nature Preserve (Vermilion Co)(JOS). MC: 3, Sangamon Co, 27 Apr (DB). LD: 20 May, Urbana (RC); 16 May, JP (KC); 1 May, Union Co (KM). A poor spring.