

BLACK RAIL

EA: 15 Apr, Fayette Co, pending IORC review. Two undocumented reports: 29 Apr, Massac Co; 18 May, Lake Co].

King Rail

EA: 22 Apr, Eckert Wds (Fayette Co) (DMK); 28 Apr (2 - 1 male), Grassy Slough Psv (Johnson Co) (TAM, DTW, SDB, CAT); 28 Apr, Tunnel Hill Bicycle Trail (Johnson Co) (KAM, DMK, MS); 5 May, Brown Co (MPW, TW); 9 May, L Decatur dredge ponds (MFD); 15 May, Montrose H (BH, GAW, m.ob.).

Virginia Rail

EA: **22 Mar**, PrRdg (RES); **24 Mar** (2), L Decatur dredge ponds (TAM); **27 Mar**, Collision Monitoring, Chi (*vide AP*) - record early for n. IL; 2 Apr, Tunnel Hill Bicycle Trail (Johnson Co) (KAM). **MC**: 6, Spunky Btms (Brown Co), 28 Apr (TW); 4, Pecatonica, 5 May (DTW); 3, IBSP, 18 May (EWW). **LD**: 22 May, Lenzburg (St. Clair Co) (TJD); 22 May, Montrose H (GAW). **Others**: 17 Apr (2), Karl Bartel Wildlife Sanctuary (Marion Co) (TAM, TDF, RES); 29 Apr & 5 May, Carl.C (DMK, MS); 5 May, Guzy Pr (Shelby Co) (TAM); 28 Apr, Grassy Slough Psv (TAM, SDB, DTW, CAT); 28 Apr, Harrisburg (Saline Co) (KAM, DMK, MS).

Sora

EA: 20 Mar, Massac Co (FKB); 22 Mar, Shelby Co (KAF); 22 Mar, PrRdg (RES); 24 Mar (2), L Decatur dredge ponds (TAM); 25 Mar, Carl.C (DMK); 25 Mar, Centralia (Marion Co) (EWW); 26 Mar, Montrose H (GAW); 7 Apr, Afton FP (DeKalb Co) (DJS); 22 Apr (2), IBSP (EWW). **MC**: 13, Pecatonica, 5 May (DTW); 7, Ford Co, 21 Apr (JDC); 7, Eckert Wds (Fayette Co), 22 Apr (DMK); 6, Lenzburg (St. Clair Co), 5 Apr (TJD); 6, Mermet L, 12 Apr (KAM). **LD**: 23 May, Linc. P (GAW); 22 May, Collision Monitoring, Chi (*vide AP*); 21 May (2), PrRdg (CLH, RES); 19 May (4), Rollins Svna (KAM); 5 May (4), Carl.C (DMK).

Purple Gallinule

EA: 5 May, Mermet L (FKB).

Common Moorhen

EA: 5 May, Chau (RGB, SNB); 8 May, Lenzburg (St. Clair Co) (TJD). **MC**: 5+, L&D#13 (Whiteside Co), 19 May (TAM, SDB, IOS); 4, Spring L (Carroll Co), 20 May (UWG, DTW, BCW, IOS); 4, Tri-County SP (Du Page Co), 28 May (UWG); 3, L Decatur dredge ponds, 5 May (TAM, MFD); 2, HL, 12 & 16 May (DMK, KAM, FRH). **Others**: 19 May, Rollins Svna (KAM); 20 May, Mermet L (CLH, VMK et al.); 27 May, Burnham Pr Marsh, LCal (WJM, JSA).

American Coot

EA: 21 Feb (3), JP (PRC); 17 Mar (2), Fermilab (UWG). **MC**: 3578, Chau, 22 Mar (RGB, SNB); 2100, HL, 11 Mar (KAM); 1800, Mermet L, 26 Apr (KAM); 1200, Carl.C, 30 Mar (DMK); 800, Shabbona L SP (DeKalb Co), 6 Apr (DJS); 579, Wolf L, 17 Mar (GAW); 450, L Decatur dredge ponds, 5 May (TAM, MFD); 350+, Boone Co, 22 Mar (AEB); 160, Union Co, 5 May (VMK). **LD**: 25 May, JP (PRC); 22 May, Montrose H (GAW).

Sandhill Crane

EA: 23 Feb (200+), n. **Union Co** (*vide RMR*); 25 Feb, LeVasseur P (JBH); 28 Feb (7), Marengo (McHenry Co) (DTW); 1 Mar (16), McLean Co (GH *vide MEF*); 2 Mar (13), East Fork L (Richland Co) (CLH); 6 Mar (16), Jasper Co (RES); 26 Mar, Montrose H (JWL). **MC**: 2184, LCal, 11 Mar (WJM); 200+, n. Union Co, as above; 87, Garden Prairie (Boone Co), 16 Mar (DTW). **LD**: 17 May, JP (GD, SAD); 15 May (2), Montrose H (ESG); 18 Apr (19), Rockfd (DTW); 18 Mar, Madison Co (FRH).

WHOOPIING CRANE

EA: 3 Mar (3), Chi (EWW). **LD**: 23-24 Mar (2 banded ad.), New Lenox (Will Co) (CMA, TAM; video, m.ob.). As with other sightings subsequent to a remarkable record from Nov 1998, these demonstrably or presumably involved individuals from the Wisconsin/Florida reintroduction program.

Black-bellied Plover

EA: 30 Apr, Carl.C (EWW); 15 May, Montrose H (GAW); 17 May, IBSP (KAM); 19 May (3), Carl.F (DMK). **LD**: 26 May (2), Freeport (Stephenson Co) (EWW).



King Rail. Montrose Point, Chicago, Cook County. 15 May 2007. Photo by Kanae Hirabayashi.

Semipalmated Plover

EA: 22 Apr, Bellrose Rsv (KAM); 27 Apr, Cowling (Wabash Co) (EWW); 2 May (3), L Decatur dredge ponds (TAM); 3 May (5), Monroe Co (DJ); 7 May, Montrose H (JRS); 12 May (2), Hidden L FP (Du Page Co) (UWG). **MC**: 120, Carl.F, 26 May (DMK); 95+, Mendota (La Salle Co), 27 May (EWW); 39, Yorkville (Kane Co), 25 May (EWW); 38, Nason, Rend L, 11 May (TJD). **LD**: 5 Jun, LCal (WJM); 29 May (7), Ward Branch, Rend L (CLH, DMK); 28 May (4), L Decatur dredge ponds (TAM); 27 May, JP (PRC).



Piping Plover. Montrose Point, Chicago, Cook County. 3 May 2007. Photo by Kanae Hirabayashi.

American Golden-Plover

EA: **8 Mar** (3), Santa Fe Btms (DMK); 13 Mar (18), n. of New Athens (St. Clair Co) (TJD); 23 Mar (6), Shelby Co (KAF); 25 Mar (10), w. Kankakee Co (JBH, AFS, APS). **MC**: 3000, Edgar Co, 12 Apr (JDC); 2900, PrRdg, 7 Apr (KAM); 1500, Shelby Co, 10 Apr (KAF); 800, Carl.C, 25 Mar & 15 Apr (DMK); 509, nw. of New Athens (St. Clair Co), 28 Mar (TJD); 190, Effingham Co, 7 Apr (KAM); 120, n. McLean Co, 2 Apr (MJW). **LD**: 24 May, Campbells Airport (Lake Co) (JSS); 5 May, Carl.C (DMK); 1 May (2), L Decatur dredge ponds (TAM).

SNOWY PLOVER

EA: 30 Apr-2 May, L Decatur dredge ponds (MFD, *TAM:ph). **LD**: [4 Jun (photographed), Sangamon Co]; 28-29 May, Ward Branch, Rend L (*DMK:ph, TJD, KAM, CLH, MRK, KK).

Piping Plover

EA: 2 May (2), JP (PRC); 3 May (no bands), Montrose H (RDH). **LD**: 17 May, L Decatur dredge ponds (MFD).

Killdeer

EA: 24 Feb, LeVasseur P (JBH); 1 Mar, Montrose H (JSA); 3 Mar (14), LCal (WJM); 14 Mar (3), Boone Co (AEB). **MC**: 250, Carl.C, 30 Mar (DMK); 167 (large flocks), UCCA, 5 Mar (KAM); 68, Wauk., 3 Mar (EWW); 21, Monroe Co, 5 May (DJ). **LD**: 29 May, JP (PRC).

Black-necked Stilt

EA: **16 Apr** (5), Teague Hill Rd (Massac Co) (FKB); 22 Apr (3), East Cape Girardeau (Alexander Co) (KAM); 26 Apr (2), Bellrose Rsv (KAM); 5 May (2), AMAX (RES, CLH); 5 May, Monroe Co (DJ). **MC**: 8, East Cape Girardeau (Alexander Co), 25 Apr (KAM); 5, Teague Hill Rd, as above; 5, Wayne Co, 6 May (CLH); 3, sw. Jackson Co, 29 Apr (DM). **LD**: 10 May, near Wynooze (Wayne Co) (RES). **Others**: 19 May (2), Union Co (VMK, CLH et al.).

American Avocet

EA: 22-24 Apr (3), Carl.F, Patoka Access (DMK, KAM); 22 Apr, Carl.C (DMK:ph). **MC**: 14, Montrose H, 27 Apr (OHM); 9, Big L (Brown Co), 28 Apr (TW). **LD**: 28 Apr-7 May, Carl.C (LN, DMK, JDC); 5 May (2), Brown Co (MPW, TW); 22-28 Apr (alternate plumage), Bellrose Rsv (KAM, MPW, TAM, DTW, m.ob.).

Spotted Sandpiper

EA: 22 Apr, IBSP (EWW); 22 Apr, Iyerla L (Union Co) (KAM); 23 Apr (4), LeVasseur P (JBH); 25 Apr, Moredock L (Monroe Co) (DJ); 26 Apr (2), Shelby Co (KAF); 5 May, Timber Crk FP (Du Page Co) (UWG). **MC**: 34, Chau, 11 May (RGB, SNB); 12, L Decatur dredge ponds, 5 May (TAM, MFD); 12, Kendall Co, 27 May (DJS); 10, Mackinaw Bluffs, 5 May (MEF, MJW); 10, Carl.C, 5 May (DMK); 9, Mermet L, 28 Apr (KAM, DMK, MS); 9, Montrose H, 22 May (GAW). **LD**: 5 Jun (2), LeVasseur P (JBH); 28 May, L Decatur dredge ponds (TAM); 27 May, JP (PRC); 19 May (7), Rollins Svna (KAM).

Solitary Sandpiper

EA: 30 Mar (2), Wagon L (St. Clair Co) (TJD); 1 Apr, Shelby Co (KAF); 24 Apr, JP (PRC). **MC**: 58, Paradise L (Coles Co), 30 Apr (EWW); 45, Woodford Co CA, 8 May (DJS); 26, L. Shelb.M, 5 May (TAM); 17, Mermet L, 22 Apr (KAM); 15, Mackinaw Bluffs, 5 May (MEF, MJW); 11, Ward Branch, Rend L, 26 Apr (TJD); 10, Monroe Co, 25 Apr (DJ); 9, McDonough Co, 5 May (LLH). **LD**: 19 May (2), LeVasseur P (JBH); 19 May (2), Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe (Cook Co) (SJH, KRW); 19 May, Rollins Svna (KAM); 15 May (2), JP (PRC); 12 May, Carl.C (DMK, KAM, MS).

Greater Yellowlegs

EA: 8 Mar (2), Santa Fe Btms (DMK); 11 Mar, St. Clair Co (KAM); 17 Mar, AMAX (CLH); 1 Apr (4), Shelby Co (KAF); 3 Apr, Montrose H