

JP (PC). MC: 290, Chi, 4 May (JL); 38, LShel, 4 May (KF); 18, LChau, 10 May (RBj, SBj). LD: 10 June, Chi (RH); 2 June, LChau (RC).

Least Tern

MC: 20+, Jackson Co, 23 May (BD). LD: 2 June(2), LChau (RC). Others: 18 May, **Knox Co** (MB)-1st Knox Co record.

Black Tern

EA: 2 May, Spfld (DB); 4 May (5), Evanston (JE, EW). MC: 100, LChau, 11 May (KR); 80, HL, 10 May (KM); 70, Spfld, 12 May (DB, MD). LD: 2 June (20), LChau (RC); 28 May (3), Spfld (DB).

Mourning Dove

Others: 36, Evanston, 11 Apr. (EW).

Black-billed Cuckoo

EA: 6 May, SLSP (DB); 10 May, PMSP (MW); 10 May, Chi (DSt). MC: 3, Urbana, 26 May (RC); 2, Chi, 16 & 19 May (EW & JL). LD: 13 June, JP (PC); 10 June, Chi (RH). Many observers noted scarcity and late arrival of both cuckoos.

Yellow-billed Cuckoo

EA: 2 May, Mode (Shelby Co) (KF); 6 May, Saline Co (DK, KM); 19 May, Chi (JE, EW). MC: 5, Mackinaw Valley FWA (Tazewell Co), 16 May (MF); 5, Allerton Park (Piatt Co) 30 May (MD). LD: 12 June, JP (KC); 10 June, Chi (RH).

Barn Owl

1 May, **Durand** (Winnebago Co) (LJ fide DW); two other reports from known So. IL sites.

Long-eared Owl

LD: 25 Apr., Chi (Grant Park) (DSt); 23 Apr., Chi (**LHo); 12 Apr., Chi (Montrose) (EW-ph); 3 Apr., Orland Park (MGU).

Short-eared Owl

MC: 20+, Franklin Co, 11 Mar. (LS). LD: 10 May, Chi (Montrose) (fide RB); 27 Apr., Fermi (PK); 26 Apr. (2), Chi (RH, EW); 26 Apr., Palatine (CF); 24 Apr., Wauk (EW, DJ); 23 Apr., Clinton Co (MSe). Others: 1 Apr. (3), Glenview (EW)-last day of overwintering birds.

Barred Owl

21 April, Mermet Conservation Area (EW).

Northern Saw-whet Owl

9 Mar., Allerton Park (Piatt Co) (DK)-overwintered; 9-30 Mar., Clinton Co (MSe); 5 Apr., Chi (Water Tower) (CW).

Common Nighthawk

EA: 27 Apr., CONWR (DK, KM); 3 May, Tazewell Co (SBj); 4 May, Joliet (CA). MC: 100, MS, 28 May (WS); 60, Spfld, 12 May (DB); 15, Madison Co, 16 May (KM).

Chuck-will's-widow

EA: 20 Apr., GCSP (RC); 2 May, SRSF (RBj, SBj). MC: 4, Saline Co, May 6, (KM, DK). LD: 31 May, Quiver Creek (Mason Co) (KR); 18 May, **Sugar River FP** (Winnebago Co) (ABr, JDo fide DW); 12 May, **Spfld** (DB)-seen flying over lake at dusk

Whip-poor-will

EA: 17 Apr.(15), CONWR (KM); 21 Apr., JP (PC); 21 Apr., Spfld (DB). MC: 15, CONWR, 27 Apr. (KM, DK);



Long-eared Owl. Cook Co. 12 April 1996. Photo by Eric Walters.

14, Shelby Co, 4 May (KF); 5, Winnebago Co, 29 May (DW). Others: 10 May (2), Chi (m.ob.)

Chimney Swift

EA: 8 Apr., Pulaski Co (KM); 13 Apr., Spfld (DB); 15 Apr., Lockport (WS). MC: 480, Decatur, 4 May (MD); 250, Peoria, 22 Mar. (SBj); 150, HL, 29 Apr. (KM).

Ruby-throated Hummingbird

EA: 10 Apr., Pomona (KM); 2 May, SRSP (CMc, JMc); 2 May, Knox Co (MB); 8 May, Chi (PC). MC: 22, Shelby Co, 20 May (KF)-coming to feeders; 11, Murphysboro, 11 May (BD). LD: 1 June (2), Evanston/Wilmette (EW, JE). Others: 4, Palatine, 13 May (CF); 4, IBSP, 17 May (EW et al); 4, ne. Cook Co lakefront, 31 May (EW).

Belted Kingfisher

EA: 11 Apr., Evanston (EW). LD: 2 June (2 females), Evanston (EW).

Red-headed Woodpecker

EA: 27 Apr., Chi (EW). LD: 2 June, JP (KC). Others: 16, JP, 9 May (PC).



Barred Owl, Mermet Lake Conservation Area, 21 April 1996. Photo by Eric Walters.