

Baird's Sandpiper

EA: 8 Mar, Sgmn Co (HDB:ph)—record early arrival by eleven days; 14 Apr, Carl.C (DMK); 27 Apr, Hennepin L (DFS); 13 May, Wauk. (RDH); 23 May (2), Kaneville (Kane Co) (SAC, MAM). MC: 3, Kaneville (Kane Co), 29 May (SS). LD: 1 Jun (2), Kaneville (Kane Co) (SS); 24 May, Monmouth sewage lagoons (Warren Co) (PR, DJM).

Pectoral Sandpiper

EA: 6 Mar, Sgmn Co (HDB)—ties for second earliest arrival date; 18 Mar (4), Two Rivers NWR (Calhoun Co) (DR); 19 Mar (3), Santa Fe Btms (DMK); 22 Mar, Massac Co (FKB); 9 Apr, Harborside International Golf Course, ICal (WJM); 16 Apr (2), Whalon I. FP (Will Co) (LWG). MC: 5000, Vandalia Btms (Fayette Co), 9 Apr (DMK); 2500, w. of Dalton City (Macon Co), 15 Apr (TAM); 1285, Ford Co, 22 Apr (DFS); 280, PrRdg, 8 Apr (KAM); 250, Crab Or., 14 Apr (KAM); 250, Tolono (Champaign Co), 15 Apr (SDB, IOS); 127, nw. Winnebago Co, 6 May (DTW). LD: 24 May, Kaneville (Kane Co) (KAM); 21 May (4), Santa Fe Btms (DMK); 6 May (22), Kankakee Co (JBH); 29 Apr (21), Chau (RG&SNB).

Dunlin

EA: 18 Mar (1st winter), I. Decatur dredge ponds (TAM:ph)—record early IL arrival by three days; 27 Mar (2), Fayette Co (CLH); 31 Mar, Linc.P (RDH)—record early for n. IL by seven days; 17 Apr, Bellrose Rsv (KAM, DMK). MC: 99, Lake Co, 22 May (EWW, JIE); 65, Hennepin L, 20 May (SDB, m.ob); 38, Wing



Pectoral Sandpiper, Macon County. 14 April 2006. Photo by Travis A. Mahan.

Wilson's Snipe, Macon County. 15 April 2006. Photo by Travis A. Mahan.



Wilson's Snipe

EA: 27 Feb (5), n. of New Athens (St. Clair Co) (TJD); 2 Mar, Sgmn Co (HDB); 3 Mar, Jasper Co (RES); 7 Mar (4), I. Decatur dredge ponds (TAM, MFD); 25 Mar (5), Songbird Slough FP (Du Page Co) (ABA). MC: 85, w. of Dalton City (Macon Co), 14 Apr (MFD, TAM); 75, Clin L., 15 Apr (GSL); 70, Two Rivers NWR (Calhoun Co), 18 Mar (DR); 61, Mermet L., 8 Mar (CLH); 47, Kane Co, 9 Apr (DFS); 47, Rollins Savanna FP (Lake Co), 12 Apr (JS); 41, Nygren Wetland (Winnebago Co), 7 Apr (LGB); 20, Johnson Co, 28 Mar (KAM). LD: 6 May (2), n. of Prairie Du Rocher (Randolph Co) (TJD); 6 May, Carl.C (DMK); 6 May (3), Chinq. Bluffs (MEF); 6 May (3), Pembroke Twp (Kankakee Co) (JBH); 6 May, Heron Pond, ICal (WJM). Remarks: Good numbers this year (DTW).

American Woodcock

EA: 3 Feb, Sgmn Co (HDB); 13 Feb (several displaying), Massac Co (FKB); 28 Feb (3), HL (KAM); 1 Mar, Wedron (La Salle Co) (SDB); 9 Mar, JP (PRC). MC: 7+, Grassy Slough Psv (Johnson Co), 29 Apr (TAM, CAT, SDB); 6, Chinq. Bluffs, 10 Mar (MEF); 6, Iroquois Co, 19 Mar (JBH); 6, KCP, 14 Apr (SDB, IOS); 4, IBSP, 8 Apr (JS). LD: 28 May, Montrose H (KH); 16 Apr, JP (CBA).

Wilson's Phalarope

EA: 30 Apr, Santa Fe Btms (DMK); 3 May, Harborside International Golf Course, ICal (WJM); 4 May, Wagon I. (St. Clair Co) (TJD); 6 May, O'Hare Airport post office ponds (Cook Co) (GAW); 9 May (female), Spring I. (Tazewell Co) (VMK, RQR). MC: 4, Kaneville (Kane Co), 13 May (SAC). LD: 27 May (female), Freeport (Stephenson Co) (DFS); 23-24 May (pair), Kaneville (Kane Co) (KAM, SAC, MAM); 23 May, Huntley (Kane Co) (KAM); 19 May (2), Spring I. (Tazewell Co) (TRE).

Red-necked Phalarope

MC: 3 (females), s. of Sibley (Ford Co), 12-13 May (SIR, CAT, MEF et al.). Other: 13-17 May (female), Moorman Swine Research Unit, Urbana (Champaign Co) (GSL, SDB, m.ob).

Laughing Gull

EA: 25 Apr (ad.), GrtLakes (EWW); 8-30 May (ad.), Montrose H (PQ, RDH, KH:ph, JHP et al.); 12-14 May (ad.), Winthrop H & Wauk. (Lake Co) (GSE, EWW:ph, DTW). LD: 2 Jun (ad.—same as above?), Montrose H (GAW); 15 May (ad.), I. Decatur dredge ponds (TAM). Other (apparent Laughing Gull x Ring-billed Gull hybrid): 27 Mar-21 May (ad.), KFC restaurant at 106th St. & Indianapolis Blvd., ICal (CAM, *WJM, JGi:ph)—third consecutive year that this individual has been observed at the same KFC restaurant.

Franklin's Gull

EA: 25 Mar (ad.), HL (MST); 1 Apr (2 ad.), Butterworth P (Rock Island Co) (SMF); 13 May (3), GrtLakes (EWW, PAM). MC: 3, Carl.C, 13 May (DMK). LD: 25 May (7), Sgmn Co (HDB); 25 May, Wauk. (KAM); 14 May (2), Carl.C (DMK).



Laughing Gull, North Point Marina, Lake County. 13 May 2006.

Photo by Eric Walters.

Dunlin, Waukegan, Lake County. 14 May 2006. Photo by Eric Walters.

(Livingston Co) 19 May (SDB); 30, Santa Fe Btms, 13 May (DMK); 18, South Farms, 21 May (GSL); 8, w. of Victoria (Knox Co), 17 May (DJM, PR); 5, L. Shelbyville (Moultrie Co), 12 May (JSS); 5, Montrose H, 13 May (GAW). LD: 28 May (2), Wauk. (GAW); 28 May (4), Ridott (Stephenson Co) (DTW); 26 May, Santa Fe Btms (DMK); 26 May (4), Chau (RG&SNB).

Stilt Sandpiper

EA: 24 Apr, Bellrose Rsv (KAM); 19 May, Nason, Rend L. (Jefferson Co) (CLH). LD: 27-28 May, Freeport (Stephenson Co) (DFS, DTW); 26 May (2), Baldwin I. (TJD); 26 May, Santa Fe Btms (DMK); 24 May (alternate plumage), I. Decatur dredge ponds (TAM); 29 Apr (basic plumage), Bellrose Rsv (TAM, CAT, SDB).

Short-billed Dowitcher

EA: 29 Apr (8), near Gorham (Jackson Co) (TAM, SDB, CAT); 6 May, Clinton Co (KAM et al.); 10 May (4), Rollins Savanna FP (Lake Co) (JS). MC: 17, Wabash Co, 13 May (CLH); 12, n. of New Athens (St. Clair Co), 2 May (TJD); 10, Wauk., 14 May (DTW); 7, Carl.C, 14 May (DMK). LD: 2 Jun, I. Decatur dredge ponds (TAM); 22 May (6), Wauk. (JIE, EWW); 19 May (4), Hennepin L. (SDB); 14 May (7), Carl.C, as above.

Long-billed Dowitcher

EA: 23 Mar, Bellrose Rsv (KAM); 15 Apr (5), Clay Co (CLH, RES); 20 Apr, Sgmn Co (HDB); 22 Apr, Ford Co (DFS); 23 Apr (2), Santa Fe Btms (DMK). MC: 50+, Bellrose Rsv, 29 Apr (TAM, SDB, CAT); 11, Santa Fe Btms, 5 May (KAM); 5, Hennepin L., 27 Apr (DFS). LD: 11 May, Northerly I (SJH); 6 May (2), I. Decatur dredge ponds (TAM, MFD); 5 May as above; 5 May (23), Bellrose Rsv (SDB); 4 May (6), Tuscola (Douglas Co) (SDB).

