

### **Rough-legged Hawk**

**MC:** 8, Woodford & McLean, 3 Mar (MEF); 3, see below. **LD:** 30 Apr, Winnebago (DTW, AFS); 13 Apr, McLean (BG); 12 Apr, DuPage (JAS); 7 Apr (3), IBSP (NT); 6 Apr, Almond Marsh FP (Lake Co) (NM, ASE).

### **Golden Eagle**

**EA:** 25 Feb, se. Illinois (CLH). **LD:** 28 Mar, WhalonL (JAS); 20 Mar, Chau (AGi); 18 Mar (ad), LostMound (AS); 17 Mar (imm), EForkL (CLH).

### **Yellow Rail**

**EA:** 6 May, Karl Bartel Grassland (Marion Co) (KAM, TAM, CLH, TDF).

### **Black Rail**

**LD:** 22 May, Chi (spec DSt, FMNH), window casualty.

### **King Rail**

**EA:** 16 Apr, PrRdg-J (CLH); 4 May, Pecatonica (DTW); 4 May, COLSP (EL et al.); 6 May, Karl Bartel Grassland (Marion Co) (KAM, TAM, CLH, TDF). **Others:** 12 May & 15 May (2), HennepinL (JIE & SDB, PAM resp); 20 May, PrRdg-J (CLH); 23 May, Ballard NC (Effingham Co) (CLH).

### **Virginia Rail**

**EA:** 16 Mar, MermetL (FKB); 16 Apr, se. Illinois (CLH); 16 Apr (2), Wilkinson-Renwick Marsh (DeKalb Co) (KML:ph); 20 Apr, see below; 21 Apr, Bartel Grasslands (Cook Co) (NG, JRRS); 21 Apr, Minonk (Woodford Co) (TH); 21 Apr, Winthrop (PWS); 21 Apr, IBSP (CAT). **MC:** 4, PrRdg-M, 20 Apr (CLH); 4, Wauk, 4 May (RB, GHn); 4, HennepinL, 12 May (JIE). **LD:** 14 May, Ballard NC (Effingham Co) (CLH).

### **Sora**

**EA:** 11 Apr, se. Illinois (CLH); 12 Apr, PaulDouglas (SSt); 13 Apr, Hickory Ridge NP (Douglas Co) (TDF); 14 Apr (2), CarlL-C (DMK). **MC:** 26, HennepinL, 4 May (DFS); 20+, PrRdg-M, 20 Apr (CLH). **LD:** 22 May, LSpfld (HDB).

### **Common Gallinule**

**EA:** 22 Mar, L Petersburg (Menard Co) (MB); 12 Apr (2), PaulDouglas (SSt); 21 Apr, Greenview Wetland (Woodford Co) (DHZ, TH); 4 May, DYNL (ASA, JL). **MC:** 10, HennepinL, 12 May (JIE).

### **American Coot**

**MC:** 11,643, Chau, 12 Apr (RG&SNB); 2000, HL, 2 Apr (KAM); 2000, Greenview Wetland (Woodford Co), 25 Apr (TH); 1320, HennepinL, 4 May (DFS); 1076, Monroe, 17 Apr (C&PD); 1100, Sangamon, 7 Apr (HDB). **LD:** 19 May, JP (PRC)

### **Sandhill Crane**

**EA:** 29 Jan, se. Illinois (CLH); 11 Feb (4), Westchester (Cook Co) (DFS); 13 Feb (13), LCal (JRRS); 17 Feb (2), Pecatonica (SM fide DTW); 25 Feb (110), Kankakee (JBH); 27 Feb (34), LCal (WJM). **MC:** 5250, McGinnisSl, 23 Mar (AG, EG); 4200, s. Cook, 14 Mar (WJM); 3128, Fermi, 17 Mar (GP et al.); 2313, Morton Arb, 29 Mar (JeZ, JoZ). **LD:** 10 May, ClinL (MEF). **Other:** StarvedRock (31), 16 Mar (SDB, SLD). **Remarks:** some back and forth (north and south) movements during February.

### **Black-necked Stilt**

**EA:** 5 Apr, Bailey Wetland (Richland & Wayne Cos) (CLH); 7 Apr, Monroe (C&PD); 10 Apr (2), Emiquon (AGi); 14 Apr (4), SpringL (MJW). **MC:** 64, Monroe, 19 May (C&PD); 24, CarlL-C, 21 May (DMK); 21, SantaFe, 21 May (GH, CH); 20, Morgan, 18 May (CD). **Others** (central and north): 21 Apr, Guzy Pr Pothole Wetlands (Shelby Co) (TDF); 30 Apr, Minonk (Woodford Co) (TH); 5 May (3), Arcola Marsh (Douglas Co) (TDF, EGn); 5 May (2), Moultrie (CS); 15 May (7), SpringL (DHZ); 20 May (4), Emiquon (KAM, MSS); 19 May (2), Greenview Wetland (Woodford Co) (TH, MJW); 19 May (2), Peoria

*Right: Banded Piping Plover.  
Lake Springfield,  
Sangamon County.  
20 April 2013.*

*Photo by H. David Bohlen,  
Illinois State Museum.*



*Left: Piping Plover. Montrose,  
Chicago, Cook County. 5 May 2013.  
Photo by Matthew Cvetas.*

(EC); 21 May (4), Banner Marsh SFWA (Peoria Co) (EC); 30 May (2), Vermont Pr NP (Will Co) (ASA).

### **American Avocet**

**EA:** 19 Apr (2), Bloomington (BM, m.ob.); 27 Apr, Livingston (BM, LA); 27 Apr, Tazewell (AGi); 28 Apr (2), SpringL (MJW); 28 Apr (12), WhalonL (MAM, VS, m.ob.). **MC:** 12, see above; 7, Big L (Brown Co), 19 Apr (BR). **LD:** 2 Jun, Alba Twp (Henry Co) (MAM); 2 Jun, Coles (TDF); 2 Jun, Henry (JAS); 18-31 May, Mineral Marsh NP (Henry Co) (EWW, EGn, WR, CAT); 26 May, CarlL-C (DMK); 24 May, WhisperingWillow (JBH); 24 May, SantaFe (KAM). **Others:** 1 May (2), Montrose (RDH, DKA, JNN); 11 May, se. St. Clair (TJD).

### **Black-bellied Plover**

**EA:** 15 Apr, Livingston (BM, SA); 24 Apr (2), Silver Crk Preserve (St. Clair Co) (GH); 10 May (3), Ridott (Stephenson Co) (DFS). **MC:** 16, Lawrence (JoP); 10, Montrose, 18 May (DKA, m.ob.). **LD:** 11 Jun, Coles (TDF); 2 Jun, WhisperingWillows (JBH); 2 Jun, SantaFe (DMK).

### **American Golden-Plover**

**EA:** 15 Mar (30), Jackson (KAM); 17 Mar, CarlL-F (DMK); 21 Mar (30), Clay (RES); 30 Mar (4), Midewin (Christopher Johnson); 1 Apr (12), Morgan (CD). **MC:** 20,000, CarlL-C, 7 Apr (DMK); 1000, McLean, 8 May (APC); 725, Coles, 22 Apr (TDF); 657, Champaign, 24 Apr (TDF). **LD:** 27 May, Lee (DTW); 20 May (20), McLean (SA); 20 May, PeacockM (ASA); 14 May (50+), PrRdg-M (CLH); 6 May, Farina Wetland (Fayette Co) (KAM, TAM, CLH, TDF).

### **Semipalmated Plover**

**EA:** 25 Apr (6), St. Clair (TJD); 26 Apr (11), Bellrose Rsv (CAT); 27 Apr, se. Illinois (CLH); 27 Apr (4), PeacockM (VS). **MC:** 100+, AMAX Wabash Mine, 19 May (CLH); 47, Greenview Wetland (Woodford Co), 19 May (TH, MJW); 40, CarlL-C, 18 May (DMK); 25, SantaFe, 21 May (GH, CH); 19, Montrose, 25 May (JRRS). **LD:** 21 Jun, AMAX Wabash Mine (CLH); 5 Jun (2), Montrose (MD); 2 Jun (3), Coles (TDF).

### **Piping Plover**

**EA:** 20 Apr, see below; 30 Apr – 1 May, Montrose (MD, SDB, SLD, FRM:ph, m.ob.:ph). **MC:** 2, Sangamon, 20 Apr (HDB). One bird banded on the Missouri River near Yankton, South Dakota in June, 2012. **LD:** 17-18 May, Wauk (PWS, BJS, ASE, m.ob.). **Others:** 10 May, Fermi (JL, BK); 15 May, Montrose (MC, m.ob.).

### **Killdeer**

**EA:** 29 Jan, BraidwoodL (JBH); 8 Feb (2), HennepinL (TH); 8 Mar (22), ClinL (MEF); 12 Mar (28), Montrose (MD). **MC:** 300, CarlL-C, 6 Apr (DMK); 200, St. Clair, 25 Mar (TJD); 85, Bellrose Rsv, 4 Mar (KAM); 40, DYNL, 7 Apr (NB). **Remarks:** Presence of small numbers throughout the state during winter obscures assessment of early arrival dates.