

**arrival;** 6 May, Arcola (Douglas Co) (EW); 8 May (3), Rockfd (DTW); 9 May, Hennepin L (UG). **MC:** 60, HL, 14 May (FH); 20, Arcola M (Douglas Co), 31 May (RJ); 13, Hennepin L, 15 May (EW:ph); 5, Chau, 28 May (R&SBj). **LD:** 31 May (20), Douglas Co, as above; 31 May (8), Nelson M (ES); 19 May, East Fork L (Richland Co) (LH).

#### Rock Pigeon

**MC:** 420, w. Cook Co, 2 Mar (DFS); 20, Carl.C, 4 Apr (DK).

#### Eurasian Collared-Dove

**MC:** 38, Montgomery Co, 8 May (RJ); 10, Carl.C, 2 May (DK); 8, Massac Co, 5 May (KAM, MkS, RH); 3, Steppig Road (Monroe Co), 6 Mar (JZ); 3, Bethany (Moultrie Co), 27 Mar (EW); 3, Granite City (Madison Co), 16 May (FH); 3, Thomson (Carroll Co), 22 May (EW)—the only report from n. IL. Widely reported in ones and twos over s. half of state (north to Saybrook (McLean Co)). New or evidently new locations from c. IL (fide TAM) include Harristown, Bethany, Lovington, and a new site in Decatur (Moultrie Co), and Mattoon (Coles Co). In south, one on 23 May, Clay City (Clay Co), provided a first Clay Co record for observer (LH). **Other:** 1 entirely leucistic bird (w normal plumaged bird, Karnak (Pulaski Co), 32 Apr (SB).

#### Mourning Dove

**EA:** 24 Mar, GrantP (DFS); 28 Mar (13), JP (PC). **MC:** 300, Ramsey L, 11 Apr (RJ)—**record high count for spring;** 114, Montgomery Co, 8 May (RJ); 78, e. Kankakee Co, 24 Apr (DFS); 75, Grundy Co, 27 Mar (DFS).

#### Monk Parakeet

**MC:** 41 (including at least 29 nests in use), Burnham (s. Cook Co), 10 Apr (AA); 27, JP, 8 May (JR, PC et al.); 15 (with 6 nests), Rainbow Beach, 3 Mar (CM); 4, Addison (Du Page Co), 27 Mar (UG). **Others** (evidently recent, unestablished escapes): 4, Carl.C, 3 Apr & 15-16 May (DK et al.).

#### Black-billed Cuckoo

**EA:** 11 May, Pratts Wayne Wds FP (Du Page Co) (ES); 13 May, Montrose H (GW); 13 May, JP (GLS). **MC:** 3, two forest preserves in Lake Co, 22 May (SB, SD); 3, Jo Daviess Co, 23 May (DFS); 2, Pratts Wayne Wds FP (Du Page Co), 20 May (ES). **LD:** 6 Jun, JP (PC); 31 May, Chiquapin Psv (MF)—the only report from c. IL; 16 May, Carl.C (DK, IOS)—one of only two reports from s. IL. **Other** (south): 15 Jun (migrant?), Old Ben 25-27 mines (Franklin Co) (LS).

#### Yellow-billed Cuckoo

**EA:** 24 Apr, se. Union Co (TAM et al.); 24 Apr (2), Mermet L (KAM, FB)—tying with 2002 and 1994 for record early date; 29 Apr, Montrose H (GW); 30 Apr, Coles Co (LBH, LD). **MC:** 46, Union County, 8 May (SB, AS); 15, Venedy (Washington Co), 20 May (SB); 5, Ryerson Woods FP (Lake Co) (SB, SD); 4, Chiquapin Psv, 22 May (MF). **LD:** 31 May, JP (KC); 21 May, Montrose H (GW). Singles only reported from n. IL. **Remarks:** "Came through this spring in the best numbers I have seen and heard in several years" at McDonough Co and vicinity (LLH).

#### Barn Owl

24 Apr (at known nest location), Union Co (KAM, FB). [**Others** (extralimital): 2 (photographed), Clinton Co, 8 May.]

#### Eastern Screech-Owl

**MC:** 5, Union County, 8 May (SB, AS); 4, Carl.C, 8 May (DK); 3, Ferne Clyffe SP (Johnson Co), 30 Apr (KAM, VM); 2, Franklin Co, 8 May (LS). **Others:** 9 May (road-killed, gray morph), Springfield (Sangamon Co) (RJ)—the only report outside s. IL.

#### Great Horned Owl

**MC:** 5, Carl.C, 8 May (DK). **Remarks:** Poor numbers (singles only at several spots) in s. IL; still not back to previous numbers (KAM). Ones and twos reported from Kane, Du Page, Piatt, Moultrie, and Marion Cos.

#### Barred Owl

**MC:** 23, Union County, 8 May (SB, AS); 9, Jackson Co, 8 May (RMR); 5, Montgomery Co, 8 May (RJ); 3, Chiquapin Psv, 13 Mar (MF). **Others** (north): 6 Mar-22 May+ (on territory), Thompson (Carroll Co) (EW); 12 May, Severson Dells FP (Winnebago Co) (SB); 17 Apr, Waterfall Glen (UG); 24 Apr, Peru (La Salle Co) (UG); 24 Apr, along Il-26 spur (Bureau Co) (UG).

#### Long-eared Owl

**LD:** 23 Mar (7), Midewin National Tallgrass Prairie (Will Co) (RHn, GJ, SB)—the only report.

#### Short-eared Owl

**MC:** 4, Pr.Rdg, 4 Apr (MAH). **LD:** 24 Apr, Johnson Co (KAM, FB); 9 Apr, Ridgetop Prairie NPsv (Woodford Co) (MF); 9 Apr, Ferrin (Clinton Co) (DK). **Other:** 1 Apr (dead on street), Bushnell (McDonough Co) (LLH).

#### Northern Saw-whet Owl

**LD:** 17 & 25 Mar, Green R (Franklin Co) (LS); 13 Mar (pellet with no evidence of roost—assumed as migrant), Shelbyville FWA (Moultrie Co) (TAM); 7 Mar (present since 27 Feb), Forestry Plantation (Champaign Co) (RJ). No other reports.

#### Common Nighthawk

**EA:** 20 Apr, Belleville (St. Clair Co) (DK); 21 Apr, Williamson Co (KAM); 3 May, Decatur (TAM); 5 May, Bushnell (McDonough Co) (LLH); 8 May, Durand (Winnebago Co) (DTW); 8 May (3), Elsen's Hill (ES); 8 May (2), LCal (WM). **MC:** 13, sw. Saline Co, 8 May (EW); 6, Clinton Co, 8 May (KAM, RH); 6, Freeport (Stephenson Co), 22 May (EW).

#### Chuck-will's-widow

**EA:** 21 Apr (2), Ferne Clyffe SP (Johnson Co) (KAM); 6 May, Fox Ridge SP (**Coles Co**) (LJ)—only the second Coles Co record in past 16 years (LBH). **MC:** 3, Ferne Clyffe SP (Johnson Co), 30 Apr (KAM, VM); 3, Pomona (Jackson Co), 8 May (RMR); 2, e. Franklin Co, 8 May (LS). **LD:** 8 May (calling male—probably a migrant), Ramsey L (TAM). **Other:** 21 May, Alexander Co (DRD).

#### Whip-poor-will

**EA:** 7 Apr (2), Ferne Clyffe SP (Johnson Co) (KAM); 9 Apr, Carl.C (DK); 21 Apr (female), JP (PC, SC, JC); 22 Apr, GrantP (DEW). **MC:** 49, n. Fayette Co, 8 May (TAM); 47, Union County, 8 May (SB, AS); 9, Putnam Co, 8 May (DFS). **LD:** 17 May, GrantP (DFS); 9 May (female), JP (SC); 8 May, Montgomery Co (RJ)—the only report from c. IL.

#### Chimney Swift

**EA:** 4 Apr (3), Pulaski Co (KAM); 5 Apr, Granite City (Madison Co) (FH); 10 Apr, Piatt Co (ES); 16 Apr, Westchester (Cook Co) (DFS). **MC:** 1770 (mostly north-bound over I. Michigan), GrantP, 2 Jun (DFS)—second highest spring count on record, and one of the few records suggesting a spring departure date; 220, 31st St. to Rainbow Beach, Chi, 29 May (DFS); 150, Carl.C, 2 May (DK); 95, sw. Saline Co, 8 May (EW); 51, Montgomery Co, 8 May (RJ).

#### Ruby-throated Hummingbird

**EA:** 16 Apr, West Frankfort (Franklin Co) (LS); 25 Apr, Carl.C (DK); 2 May (2), Siloam Springs SP (Adams/Brown Cos) (AD); 6 May, Boone Co (AB); 6 May (male), Waterfall Glen (UG, ES); 6 May (male), JP (SC). **MC:** 17, Jackson Co, 8 May (RMR, RM); 12, Siloam Springs SP (Adams/Brown Cos), 11 May (EW); 7, Massac Co, 1 May (KAM, VM); 3, Montrose H, 18 May (GW). **LD:** 4 Jun, JP (DE); 29 May (female), Rainbow Beach (DFS). [**Other** (undocumented): 20 Mar (female), Jolinson Co.]

#### Belted Kingfisher

**EA:** 6 Mar, JP (KC et al.); 13 Mar, Kane Co (ES); 19 Mar, Chau (R&SBj). **MC:** 5, Bureau Co, 8 May (DFS); 4, Linc.P, 17 Apr (GW); 3, Massac Co, 7 Apr (KAM). **LD:** 28 May, GrantP (DFS); 26 Mar, Chau (R&SBj); 25 May, JP (PC).

#### Red-headed Woodpecker

**EA:** 11 Apr, M.Arb. (MBC); 24 Apr, Linc.P (GW); 25 Apr, JP (GW, CG). **MC:** 36, e. Kankakee Co, 24 Apr (DFS)—highest spring-season count since 1991; 12, Union Co, 1 Apr (KAM); 9, Lincoln Trail SP (Clark Co), 3 Apr (EW); 3, ArgLab, various dates (UG)—the only site in n. IL reporting counts greater than one. **LD:** 6 Jun, JP (PC); 23 May, GrantP (DEW); 19 May, Illinois Institute of Technology campus, Chi (GW).

#### Red-bellied Woodpecker

**EA:** 17 Apr (male), JP (SC); 27 Apr (male), Linc.P (EW). **MC:** 19, Deer Grove West FP, Palatine (Cook Co), 8 May (GW); 18, Forest Park NPsv (Peoria Co), 15 Apr (TVL); 17, Putnam Co, 19 May (DFS); 14, Clinton Co, 8 May (KAM, RH); 13, e. Kankakee Co, 24 Apr (DFS); 12, Lincoln Trail SP (Clark Co), 3 Apr (EW).

#### Yellow-bellied Sapsucker

**EA:** 11 Mar, Douglas-Hart Nature Center (Coles Co) (LBH); 16 Mar (2), Pecatonica FP (DTW); 20 Mar, Ft Massac (KAM); 23 Mar, ArgLab (UG); 24 Mar (male), JP (PC); 24 Mar (4), Decatur (TAM). **MC:** 12, GrantP, 20 Apr (DFS); 11, Thatcher Wds FP, River Forest (Cook Co), 7 Apr (JA); 6, Decatur, 2 Apr (TAM); 3, Jackson Co, 1 Apr (KAM); 3, Lincoln Trail SP (Clark Co), 3 Apr (EW). **LD:** 25 May, River Forest (Cook Co) (JA); 20 May (male), GrantP (DFS); 8 May, Effingham Co (MAH)—one of the few May dates available for s. IL; 5 May, Bushnell (McDonough Co) (LLH); 18 Apr, Pomona (Jackson Co) (KAM). **Other:** red-naped individual (immature in molt?), Rock Island Co, 7 May (SFD).

#### Downy Woodpecker

**MC:** 25, nw. Cook Co, 8 May (GW); 17, Union County, 8 May (SB, AS); 15, Salt Crk Wds, 25 Apr (DFS); 13, Fort Massac SP, 28 Mar (Massac Co) (KAM); 10, Forest Park NPsv (Peoria Co), 15 Apr (TVL).

#### Hairy Woodpecker

**MC:** 7, Salt Crk Wds, 25 Apr (DFS); 5, Putnam Co, 12 Mar (DFS); 5, Massac Co, 21 Apr (KAM); 3, Forest Park NPsv (Peoria Co), 15 Apr (TVL). **Others** (extralimital): 17 Feb-26 Mar, JP (SC); 17 Apr, Linc.P (GW); 2 May, LaBagh Wds FP, Chi (GW).

#### Northern Flicker

**EA:** 20 Mar (2), JP (PC); 28 Mar (2), M.Arb. (MBC). **MC:** 53, GrantP, 19 Apr (DFS); 28, Hennepin L, 6 Apr (DFS); 22, JP, 28 Mar (PC); 10, Carl.C, 27-28 Mar (DK); 8, Fort Massac SP, 28 Mar (Massac Co) (KAM). **LD:** 20 May, GrantP (DFS); 19 May (5), Montrose H (GW).