

Apr (DMK); 525, Bellrose Rsv, 6 May (SDB); 300, Sangamon Co, 28 Apr (HDB); 175, Rockfd Airport quarry, 7 May (DTW); 68, O'Hare Airport ponds (Cook Co), 7 May (GAW). **LD:** 6 Jun, Sangamon Co (HDB); 5 Jun (6), Carl.F (DMK); 31 May, LCal (WJM); 22 May (3), Rockfd Airport quarry (DTW).

Dunlin

EA: 16 Apr (30+), Carl.F (TAM); 17 Apr (2), Montrose H (AFS); 21 Apr, Sangamon Co (HDB:ph). **MC:** 500, Carl.F, 29 May (KAM)—**second highest spring count**; 128, Chau, 29 May (LLH); 60, LCal, 24 May (WJM); 26, L Decatur dredge ponds, 19 May (TAM). **LD:** 2 Jun (8), Carl.F (DMK); 31 May (8), LCal (WJM); 30 May, L Decatur dredge ponds (TAM); 29 May (3), Rockfd Airport quarry (DTW).

Stilt Sandpiper

EA: 16-19 Apr (3), Carl.F (TAM, KAM); 6 May, Greene Valley FP (EES); 7 May, O'Hare Airport ponds (Cook Co) (GAW); 7 May, L Decatur dredge ponds (TAM, MFD). **MC:** 12, Carl.F, 14 May (KAM, DMK). **LD:** 30 May, Carl.F (DMK); 26 May, Bellrose Rsv (SDB). **Others:** 30 Apr (2—1 retaining 1st winter plumage), Gorham Fish Ponds (Jackson Co) (TAM, SDB, MFD, CAT); 6 May, Wabash Co (CLH).

RUFF

EA: 26 Apr, Grassy Slough Psv (Johnson Co) (PEL, DMK:ph, KAM et al.).

Short-billed Dowitcher

EA: 3 May (4), PrRdg (RES); 6 May, Spring Valley (Bureau Co) (DFS); 7 May (4), Carl.C (DMK); 9 May, Champaign Co (RLJ); 11 May, Chau (RG&SNB). **MC:** 60, Whalon I. (Will Co), 15 May (UWG); 30, Carl.F, 20 May (DMK); 25, L Decatur dredge ponds, 19 May (TAM); 25, Rockfd Airport quarry, 20 May (DTW). **LD:** 2 Jun, Carl.F (DMK); 29 May, LCal (WJM); 27 May (2), Rockfd Airport quarry (DTW); 24 May (5), Chau (LLH).

Long-billed Dowitcher

EA: 16 Apr, Coal City (Grundy Co) (DFS); 16 Apr (22), Carl.F (TAM). **MC:** 75, Carl.F, 1 May (DMK)—**ties previous spring high count** from 1991; 30, Sangamon Co, 3 May (HDB); 25+, Bellrose Rsv, 29 Apr (TAM, MFD, CAT, SDB). **LD:** 15-18 May (2), O'Hare Airport ponds (Cook Co) (JWL, JRS, GAW et al.); 7 May, Wabash Co (CLH, RES); 6 May (8), Chau (RG&SNB); 4 May (4), Crab Or. (KAM).

Wilson's Snipe

EA: 9 Mar (2), Marion Co (RES); 20 Mar, LCal (WJM); 5 Apr, Montrose H (GAW). **MC:** 120, Carl.C, 19-20 Mar (DMK); 47, LShel., 20 Mar (RLJ); 34, Johnson Co, 6 Mar (KAM); 30+, Clin.L., 9 Apr (SDB, IOS); 18, Gibson City (Forc Co), 1 Apr (SDB); 13, Afton FP (DeKalb Co), 10 Apr (DJS); 9, Bergman Slough, Palos, 17 Apr (KRW). **LD:** 7 May (8), McDonough Co (LLH); 7 May, O'Hare Airport ponds (Cook Co) (GAW); 26 Apr, Pulaski Co (PEL, KAM, DMK). **Remarks:** Came through [McDonough Co] in the best numbers I have seen in years (LLH).

American Woodcock

EA: 12 Feb, Carl.C (DMK); 20 Feb, LShel. (TAM); 6 Mar (2), LCal (WJM); 7 Mar (2), LeVasseur P (JBH); 16 Mar, JP (PRC, KMC). **MC:** 6+, Grassy Slough Psv (Johnson Co), 30 Apr (TAM, SDB, MFD, CAT); 4, Shelby Co, 1 May (KF); 4, Sugar R FP (Winnebago Co), 7 May (DTW); 2, JP, 19 Mar (PRC, KMC). **LD:** 5 Apr, JP (KMC).

Wilson's Phalarope

EA: 28 Apr (female), PrRdg (CLH); 28-30 Apr (2 females), Gorham Fish Ponds (Jackson Co) (TAM, SDB); 29 Apr (2 females), Urbana (Champaign Co) (RLJ); 11 May (2 females), Pratts Wayne Wds FP (Du Page Co) (EES). **MC:** 12 (mostly females), Carl.F, 1 May (TAM, DMK, SDB, MFD); 8, O'Hare Airport ponds (Cook Co), 16 May (JIE). **LD:** 4 Jun (female), O'Hare Airport ponds (JIE); 14 May (male), Rockfd Airport quarry (DTW); 14 May (female), Ethel Wds FP (Lake Co) (JSS, EWW); 3 May, PrRdg (RES); 2 May, Vermilion Co (KAM, CLW). **Others:** 30 Apr (female), Bellrose Rsv (DMK, KAM, CLW et al.); 1 May (2), Carl.C (DMK); 7 May (female), LCal (WJM); 7 May (female), Aledo (Mercer Co) (EWW); 14 May (2 in copula), O'Hare Airport ponds (Cook Co) (JIE). A good flight.

Red-necked Phalarope

EA: 12 May, Middle Fork FP (Champaign Co) (SDB et al.). **LD:** 29 May (2 females), Carl.F (KAM, DMK); 22-24 May (female), Sangamon Co (HDB:ph).

Laughing Gull

EA: 4 Apr-29 May (ad.), 106th St. and Indianapolis Blvd., LCal (CAM, *WJM, MLB, AFS)—9th consecutive year that this individual has returned to the same KFC parking lot; 9 May (ad.), Sangamon Co (HDB:ph). **Other** (apparent **Laughing Gull x Ring-billed Gull hybrid**): 7-8 May (ad.), KFC parking lot at 106th St. and Indianapolis Blvd., LCal (*WJM, MLB).

Franklin's Gull

EA: 2 Apr, Baldwin I. (Randolph Co) (MT); 23 Apr (ad.), Sangamon Co (HDB); 29 Apr (4), East Fork I. (Richland Co) (CLH); 29 Apr (5 ad.), Bellrose Rsv (TAM, MFD, SDB, CAT); 30 Apr, Crab Or. (KAM, DMK, CLW). **MC:** 5, Bellrose Rsv, as above. **LD:** 29 May, La Salle I. (La Salle Co) (DJS); 6 May, Evanston (JIE, BWH).

Bonaparte's Gull

EA: 13 Feb, Carl.C (DMK); 4 Mar, L Decatur (TAM); 27 Mar, Saganashkee Slough, Palos (GAW). **MC:** 5000, Carl.F, 10 Apr (DMK); 260, Putnam Co, 14 Apr (DFS); 235, Rock Cut, 13 Apr (DTW); 96, Montrose H, 14 Apr (GAW); 72, Chau, 14 Apr (RG&SNB). **LD:** 15 May (2—1st summer), Winthrop Harbor (Lake Co) (EWW); 7 May (18), Carl.C (DMK); 4 May (4), Crab Or. (KAM); 4 May (7), Rock Cut (DTW).

Ring-billed Gull

EA: 1 Mar (26 migrants), LeVasseur P (JBH). **MC:** 5000, Carl.C, 7 Mar (KAM); 1209, Chau, 24 Mar (RG&SNB); 617, JP, 14 Apr (PRC); 524, Saganashkee Slough, Palos, 27 Mar (GAW); 505, s. Chi lakefront, 28 Mar (DFS).

Herring Gull

MC: 167, Montrose H, 2 Mar (GAW); 51, Putnam Co, 23 Mar (DFS); 31, Chau, 11 Mar (RG&SNB). **LD:** 14 May, Rockfd Airport quarry (DTW); 7 May, Carl.C (DMK); 7 May (4th), L Decatur dredge ponds (TAM, MFD).



American Woodcock, Jackson Park, Cook County. 27 March 2005. Photo by Eric Walters.

Thayer's Gull

EA: 2 Mar (ad. basic), JP (PRC); 9 Mar (1st), Fermilab (REF). **MC:** 2, LCal, 6 Mar (DFS). **LD:** 23 May (1st summer), Winthrop Harbor (Lake Co) (EWW); 29 Apr (3rd), Montrose H (GAW); 23 Mar (1st), Hennepin I. (JDM). **Other:** 17-18 Mar (ad.), Montrose H (GAW).

Iceland Gull

EA: 3 Mar (ad.), JP (PRC). **MC:** 3 (2 ad., 1 1st), Winthrop Harbor (Lake Co), 12 Mar (DTW). **LD:** 26 May (2nd molting to 3rd), Wauk. (AFS)—**record late date** by five days; 11 May (ad.), Winthrop Harbor (Lake Co) (EWW); 24 Apr (ad. with unmarked wingtips), Wauk. (RDH). **Other:** 12 Mar (1st), Independence Grove FP (Lake Co) (AFS, DTW).

Lesser Black-backed Gull

EA: 2 Mar (ad.), Montrose H (GAW); 5 Mar (2nd), L Decatur (TAM); 12 Mar (3rd), Wauk. (DTW). **MC:** 5 (ad.), Lake Co, 5 Mar (AFS)—**second highest spring count**. **LD:** 31 May (3rd summer), GrtLakes (EWW); 12 May (2nd), JP (PRC); 29 Apr (1st), Montrose H (GAW). **Others:** 23 Mar (ad., present since 18 Feb), Rend I. (Franklin Co) (KAM); 12 Mar (2 ad.), Independence Grove FP (Lake Co) (AFS, DTW).

Glaucous Gull

EA: 5 Mar, Winthrop Harbor (Lake Co) (AFS); 8 Mar (ad.), Fermilab (REF); 26 Mar (2nd), JP (GAM). **MC:** 2 (ad.), Wauk., 16 Apr (AFS). **LD:** 23 Apr (1st), Wauk. (AFS); 20 Mar-23 Apr (2nd), IBSP (AFS); 21 Apr (2nd alternate), Montrose H (GAW). **Others:** 26 Mar, JP (CAM); 28 Mar (ad.), Montrose H (GAW); 14 Apr (2nd), Montrose H (GAW).

Great Black-backed Gull

EA: 5 Mar (ad.), Wauk. (AFS); 5 Mar (ad.), Independence Grove FP (Lake Co) (AFS); 6 Mar (4th), JP (DFS). **MC:** 3 (1 ad., 2 1st), Rainbow Beach, Chi, 11 Mar (DFS); 2 (ad.), Wauk., 20 & 27 Mar (AFS). **LD:** 18 May to end of season (1st summer), Illiana Heights (Kankakee Co) (EWW); 18 & 28 May (ad.), Wauk. (AFS, EWW); 23 Mar (2nd), JP (PRC).

Caspian Tern

EA: 30 Mar, JP (PRC)—**second earliest IL arrival date**; 2 Apr (3), LCal (WJM); 23 Apr (2), Carl.C (DMK); 30 Apr (5), Gorham Fish Ponds (Jackson Co) (TAM, SDB, MFD, CAT). **MC:** 587, GrtLakes (Lake Co), 11 May (DRD)—**second highest count**, following a high of 618 on 9 May 1998; 505±, Wauk. & Winthrop



Wilson's Phalaropes at Tamalco Access, Carlyle Lake, Bond County. 1 May 2005. Photo by Travis A. Mahan.