

Jun (WJM); GLPSNA (♀), 10 Jul (SBB, OHM); Whispering Willows Pk (Kankakee Co) (♂), 15 Jun (JHH); Emiquon, 17 Jun (GN, APS); *Mason*, 18 Jun (CAT); Levee Rd (Monroe Co) (♂), 25 Jun (DMK); *Pope*, 17 Jul (KAM, MSS).

#### Canvasback

HennepinL (♂), 3 Jun (REF, KDF); Emiquon (ThompsonL), 10 & 17 Jun (KBR & GN, APS resp); AmnBot (Monroe Co, next to St. Clair Co line) (♂), 5 Jul (EWW).

#### Redhead

NBSO: McGinnis (pr), 10 Jun (DFS); SandL (Havana, Mason Co), 17 Jun (GN, APS), w/2 there, 27 Jun (TW et al.); Sang (♂), 16-31 Jul (HDB).

#### Ring-necked Duck

RollinsSav (3 ♂), 27 Jun (BJS); Coal City Wetlands (Grundy Co), 14 Jun (4) & 20 Jul (3) (JHH); SandL (Havana, Mason Co) (♂), 17- 19 Jun-30 Jul (GN, APS, KAM, CAT), w/2-3 there, 27 Jun (TW et al.); Levee Rd (Monroe Co) (♂), 19 Jun (DMK ph); Levee Rd (Union Co) (♂), 7 Jul (DMK ph).

#### Lesser Scaup

Chi, 13 Jun (CAT); Emiquon, 17 Jun (GN, APS); Sang (♂), 2&12 Jun (HDB); Levee Rd (Monroe Co) (♂), 20 Jun (DMK, MSS).

#### Bufflehead

NBSO: Whalon Lakes FP (Will Co) (♂), 4 Jun (JAS); Emiquon (Wilder Tract) (♀), 31 Jul (KBR).

#### Hooded Merganser

**Breeding:** McHenry L&D (McHenry Co) (♀ w/ yg), 6 Jun (M&LF); Sang (several locations, some w/fledged juv), Jun (HDB); ConnerL (12 imm), 13 Jun (C&PD); KLMSNA (11 imm), 1 Jul (C&PD). **MC:** 30, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 19 Jun (DMK); 7, TwoRivers, 18 Jun (DMK). **Others:** RollinsSav, 12 Jun (BJS); LCal (Deadstick Pond) (2), 14 Jun (WJM); LCal (Burnham Pra M) (5), 6 Jun (CAT); LCal (Indian Ridge M), 15 Jun (WJM); NoP (♀), 9 Jun (GAW); Orland Grasslands (Cook Co) (♀), 10 Jun (WSS); Coal City Wetlands (Grundy Co), 20 Jul (JHH); BraidwoodL (♀), 12 Jul (JHH); Whispering Willows Pk (Kankakee Co), 8 Jun & 8 Jul (JHH); Jake Wolf Fish Hatchery (Mason Co) (4 ♀), 18 Jun (RGB, SNB); Champaign (♀ in shopping mall pond), 27 Jun (EJC); Dudleyville, 5 Jun (DMK, MSS); CarlL-C (2), 17 Jun (DMK).

#### Ruddy Duck

**MC:** 9 (3♂) & 8, SandL (Mason Co), 9 Aug & 26 Jun (MHB & CAT, TLK resp); 4 & 2, Coal City Wetlands (Grundy Co), 14 Jun & 20 Jul resp (JHH). **Others:** RollinsSav (♀), 9 Jun (BJS); BraidwoodL (2), 29 Jun (JHH); Sang (♀ molting w/no primaries), 21 Jun (HDB ph).

#### Ring-necked Pheasant

**Breeding:** Otter Crk FP (Kane Co) (♀ w/6 small yg), 10 Jun (SDB); GLPSNA (pr w/3 chicks), 7 Jul (DRD); *Champaign* (2♂ in territorial disput), 28 Apr (CKA); MeadbrkPk (♀ w/4 juv), 9 Jul (CKA). **MC:** 24, Sherburnville, 6 Jun (JHH); 14, Fairbury, 3 Jun (VMK); 7, Pontiac, 4 Jun (VMK); 6♂, Shannon Twp (Carroll Co), 12 Jun (SDB); 6, Waynesville, 22 Jun (VMK); 6♂, Elmira Twp (Ford Twp), 3 Jun (SDB); 6, Milford, 19 Jun (SDB). **Edge of range:** IBSP (North Unit) (3♂), 15 Jun (EWW); Otter Crk FP (Kane Co) (3 calling ♂s), 10 Jun (SDB); CWRP (calling ♂), 4 Jun (WJM); CarlL-F, 21 Jun (DMK). **Note:** Numbers have experienced a dramatic, continual decline on the Milford BBS route from 69 birds in 2003, 33 in 2006, 16 in 2008 & 2009 to 6 in 2010. Similar declines have likely occurred throughout the species range in Illinois due to recent severe winters and continued loss of necessary nesting, feeding & roosting, grassland habitat (SDB).



#### Greater Prairie-Chicken

**Breeding:** PrRdg-J (ad w/4 juv), 30 Jun (RES); PrRdg-J (6 ads w/6 broods of 26 yg @ 6 separate tracts), 26 Jul-5 Aug (CLH). **MC:** 15 (♂s displaying on lek), PrRdg-J, 3 Apr (GSL, RK); 5, PrRdg-M, 16 Jun (JWW, RES, CLH, SSn); 3, PrRdg-J, 15 Jun (JWW, RES, SSn).

#### Wild Turkey

**Breeding:** Rckfd (hen w/7 poults), 4 Aug (DTW); Midewin (♀ w/ yg), 3 Jul (JB et al.); Essex Twp (Kankakee Co) (ad w/2 chicks), 3 Jun (DRD); New Athens (St. Clair Co) (pr w/2 recently fledged yg), 27 Jun (TJD); Kinmundy Twp (Marion Co) (pr w/11 yg), 23 Jun (SDB). **MC:** 40 (ads w/ yg), CarlL-C, 20 Jul (DMK); 19, Freeport (Stephenson Co), 3 Jul (DTW); 29 (3 hens w/26 poults), Rckfd (Searls Pk), 14 Aug (DTW); 26 (3 ♀s w/23 poults), Shirland (Winnebago Co), 20 Aug (DTW); 10, MemmetL, 27 Jul (DMK). **Other:** *Stephenson* (9 ads), 19 Jul (DFS); Big Rock FP (Kane Co) (8), 6 Jun (SAC); Elmira Twp (Stark Co) (4), 17 Jun (SDB); TwoRivers (6), 24 Jul (DMK, MSS); *St. Clair* (8), 7 Jul (KAM); Kinmundy Twp (Marion Co) (16), 23 Jun (SDB); *Johnson* (5), 17 Jul (KAM, MSS).

#### Northern Bobwhite

**Breeding:** Harris Twp (Fulton Co) (5 half-grown yg), 16 Jul (LLH); *Edwards* (pr w/5 juv), 7 Jul (RES). **MC:** 151, PrRdg-J, 15 Jun (JWW, RES, SSn); 69, Kell, 23 Jun (SDB); 60, PrRdg-M, 16 Jun (JWW, RES, CLH, SSn); 34 (covey), 28 Jul (RES); 30, Columbia, 13 Jun (KAM); 29, Dudleyville, 5 Jun (DMK, MSS); 24, Stillwell, 15 Jun (VMK); 24, Logan (Franklin Co), 31 May - 5 Jun (LS); 21 (♂♂), *Washington*, 10 Jul (TRE); 17, Jamestown, 7 Jun (DMK); 16, Burnt Prairie, 8 Jun (VMK); 15, *Greene*, 9 Jun (TRE); 14, Hurst (Jackson Co), 20 Jul (LS); 14 (covey), *Williamson*, 28 Jul (LS); 13, BeaverdamL, 9 Jun (VMK); 12, *se. Franklin*, 2 Jul (LS); 12, Belknap, 10 Jun (VMK); 10, Mskota Sands (Kankakee Co), 12 Jun (JHH); 10, St. Morgan, 5 Jun (KAM). **Others:** Heideckel (Grundy Co) (2♂♂), 1 Jul (SDB); Sherburnville, 3 Jun (JHH); Pembroke (9), 17 Jul (DFS); Momence Twp (Kankakee Co) (3♂), 1-29 Jun (SDB); *Mason* (4), 26 Jun (CAT, TLK); MeadbrkPk (5), 21 Jul (RD); CampPoint (9), 14 Jun (VMK); *Calhoun* (9), 10 Jun (TRE); *Jersey* (7), 9 Jun (TRE); *Marion* (4), 13 Jun (CAT, TLK); *Clay* (3), 13 Jun (CAT, TLK); WagonL NP (St. Clair Co) (6 & 5), 24 Jun & 29 May resp (SDB); CarlL-C (6), 14 Jul (DMK); Levee Rd (Monroe Co) (4), 16 & 26 Jun (DMK); Beaucoup, (8), 6 Jun (DMK, MSS); HarrisL (Pinckneyville, Perry Co) (5♂♂), 25 Jun (SDB).

#### Common Loon

NBSO: Sang (2) 6 Jun - 6 Jul, w/one 31 Jul (basic plum) (HDB); EForkL, 8-9 Jun (CLH).

#### Pied-billed Grebe

**Breeding:** RollinsSav (2 broods), 9 Jun & brood of 8, 16 Jul (BJS); Orland Grasslands (Cook Co) (ad w/6 yg), 10 Jun (WSS); LCal (Deadstick Pond) (4 yg), 14 Jun (WJM); LCal (Hegewisch M) (2 yg), 3 Jul (WJM, FRM, BJS); LCal (Heron Pond) (1 yg), 3 Jul (WJM, FRM, BJS); Coal City Wetlands (Grundy Co) (9 incl/6 yg), 14 Jun (JHH); *Woodford* (Mercier Wetland) (ad w/3 chicks), 24 Jun (MJW); SandL (Mason Co) (28 & 20 ad w/2 broods of yg), 18 Jun & 9 Aug (CAT & MHB resp); Cahokia Mounds SHS (St. Clair Co) (ad w/4 yg); 25 Jun (KAM); KLMSNA (♀ w/5 chicks & ♀ w/7 chicks), 13 Jun & 1 Jul resp (C&PD). **MC:** 55 (incl many family groups & stripe-headed juv), McGinnis, 16 Jul (REF); 24, Coal City Wetlands (Grundy Co) (incl/ yg), 20 Jul (JHH ph); 28, SandL (Mason Co), 18 Jul (CAT, TLK); 17, RollinsSav, 27 Jul (BJS). **Others:** UMRNWR (SpringL) (4 ad), 4 Jun (VMK et al.); Chau, 11 Jun (RGB, SNB); Levee Rd (Monroe Co) (4), 19 Jun (DMK); CarlL-C (2), 20 Jul (DMK); ECapeGir, 27 Jul (DMK).

#### Eared Grebe

*Mason* (ad alt plum), 27 Jun & 1 Jul (TW et al. & KBR resp). Only four other Jun/Jul records since an isolated breeding record in 1981.

*Pied-billed Grebe with grebelets. Mercier Wetland, Woodford County. 24 June 2010. Photo by Matthew Winks.*