

(AFS); Banner M (Fulton Co) (4), 9 Jun (DE fide SDB); *Macon* Dredge Ponds (female), 26 Jun (TAM); Carl.L., 29 Jul (DMK); Pr Rdg (2), 4 Jun (CLH, RES); *Perry* (6), 14 Jul (DMK); Mermet L (6), 11 Jun (AFS) and (5), 18 Jun (DTW).

#### Great Blue Heron

**Breeding:** Almond M (Lake Co) (55 nests), 25 Jun (DFS); Busse Wds FP (26 nests), 9 Jun (ABA); Midlothian Meadows (Cook Co) (8 nests), 12 Jun (ABA, SP); Nesson Farm (Kendall Co) (155 nests in 18 sycamore trees), Jun (DR); *Champaign* (6 nests), May/Jun (EJC); Funk's Grove (3 nests), 21-22 Jun (SDB); Allerton P (Piatt Co) (growing colony), Jun (EJC); Newman (Douglas Co) (nest w/ yg), 6 Jul (SDB). **MC:** 1301, Chau, 22 Jul (RG&SNB); 250, Sanganois CA, 9 Jul (RLJ); 143, Naples (Scott Co), 29 Jul (LLH); 110, Carl.L., 8 Jul (DMK); 50, Pere Marq., 3 Jul (KAM et al.); 44 & 40, HL, 27 Jul (KAM) & 19 Jun (DMK), resp.

#### Great Egret

**Breeding:** Bakers L, Barrington (Cook Co) (hundreds: ad & yg), 20 Jul (ABA, RH); LCal (15-20 prs attempted nesting in phragmites; no success this year); 4 Apr – 7 May (WJM); Alorton (St. Clair Co) (200 nests, 5 yg banded), 22 Jun (VMK et al.). **MC:** 1475, Chau & Clear L (Mason Co), 29 Jul (RG&SNB); 441, McGinnis Slgh, 30 Jul (WSS); 435, Hennepin L, 28 Jul (DFS); 300, Sanganois CA, 17 Jul (RLJ); 250, Pere Marq., 3 Jul (KAM et al.); 125, Naples (Scott Co), 29 Jul (LLH); 122, Rend L, 23 Jul (KAM); 100, *St. Clair*, 17 Jun (KAM); 96, Quincy, 18 Jul (AGD); 91, Emiquon NWR (Fulton Co), 15 Jul (LLH); 75 & 45, Carl.L., 8 Jul (KAM) & 27 Jul (DMK), resp.; 60, HL, 29 Jun (DMK); 28, Chinq. Bluffs, 27 Jul (MF); 28, *Perry*, 14 Jul (DMK). **Others:** Busse Wds FP (ad), 9 Jun (ABA); Mermet L (3 ad), 1 Jun (FKB).

#### Snowy Egret

**Breeding:** Alorton (St. Clair Co) (25 nests, 2 yg banded), 22 Jun (VMK et al.). **MC:** 35, East Cape Girardeau (Alexander Co), 17 Jun (VMK); 17, Chau, 29 Jul (RG&SNB); 15 & 10, HL, 3 Jul (KAM) & 19 Jun (DMK), resp.; 3, Carl.L., 27 Jul (DMK). **Others:** LCal (Big M), 31 Jul (WJM); Sanganois CA, 17 Jul (RLJ); *Macon* Dredge Ponds, 20 Jul (TAM); Carl.L., 7 Jun (CLH).

#### Little Blue Heron

**Breeding:** LCal (Heron Pond phragmites) (3 fledglings), 23 Jul (WJM); Alorton (St. Clair Co) (200 nests, 13 yg banded), 22 Jun (VMK et al.). **MC:** 100 & 75, HL, 27 Jul (KAM) & 19 Jun (DMK), resp.; 25 (ads), East Cape Girardeau (Alexander Co), 17 Jun (VMK); 22 (all imm), Hennepin L, 28 Jul (DFS); 17, Columbia B, 12 Jun (KAM); 7 (ad), LCal, 10 Jul (WJM). **Others:** Wadsworth Wetlands (Lake Co) (imm), 7 Jul (DRD) and 30 Jul (AFS); Montrose H (ad), 14 Jun (GAW); Chinq. Bluffs (imm), 27 Jul (MF); Chau (9 ad), 1 Jul (RG&SNB); Emiquon NWR (Fulton Co) (ad), 7 Jul (LLH); *Macon* Dredge Ponds (8 imm), 31 Jul (TAM). **Note:** Ad bird found dead that had been banded as a nestling in the colony on 15 Jun 2001 (VMK et al.).

#### Cattle Egret

**Breeding:** Alorton (St. Clair Co) (300 nests, 39 yg banded), 18 Jun (VMK et al.). **MC:** 300+ (see breeding record); 26, Moline Airport (Rock Island Co), 26 Jun (SMF); 6, Cahokia Mounds (St. Clair Co), 19 Jun (DMK); 4, Columbia B, 12 Jun (KAM). **Others:** Hennepin L (ad), 28 Jul (DFS); *Macon* Dredge Ponds, 11 Jun (TAM).

#### Green Heron

**Breeding:** LCal (Indian Ridge M South) (fledgling), 16 Jul (WJM); Mermet L (ad & 1 yg), 15 Jun (FKB); n. *Massac* (ad on nest), 5 Jun (FKB). **MC:** 23, *Perry*, 14 Jul (DMK); 17, Fish Hatchery (Mason Co), 29 Jul (RG&SNB); 6, Freeman Kame FP (Kane Co), 15 Jul (DJS); 4, Carl.L., 8 Jul (DMK); 4, *Edwards*, 12 Jul (RES); 4, HL, 19 Jun (DMK); 4, Boskydell (Jackson Co), 14-15 Jun (SDB); 3, Busse Wds FP, 14 Jun (ABA); 3, Columbia B, 12 Jun (KAM); 3, Mermet L, 26 Jun (KAM et al.). **Others:** Deer L (2), 18 Jun (EWW); Songbird Slgh (ad w/ nesting material), 14 Jun (ABA).

#### Black-crowned Night-Heron

**Breeding:** LCal (Heron Pond phragmites) (200+ nests attempted; see Note), 17 Apr – mid-Jun, however, (27 fledglings), 16 Jul (WJM); Alorton (St. Clair Co) (200 nests, 6 yg banded), 22 Jun (VMK et al.). **MC:** 22, HL, 8 Jun (KAM); 15, Chau, 8 Jul (RG&SNB). **Others:**

Hennepin L, 22 Jun (DE fide SDB). **Note:** At LCal “successful nesting was hampered by fluctuating water levels (high at Indian Ridge M North early in the season, low at Heron Pond late in the season [which] apparently provided land-based predators with easy access to the nests. Many, perhaps most, of the nests were unsuccessful due to heavy predation.” All available evidence seemed to suggest that “feral dogs, coyotes, raccoons, etc. were responsible.” (WJM).

#### Yellow-crowned Night-Heron

**Breeding:** LCal (Deadstick Pond) (juv), 21-31 Jul (WJM). **Others:** Gladstone (Henderson Co) (4), 12 Jun (LM fide PR); Sauget (St. Clair Co) (3), 3 Jul (KAM); Mermet L (ad), 8 Jul (FKB).

#### Glossy Ibis

**NBSO:** Burnham Pr M (Cook Co) (ad), 4-5 Jun (RDH fide WJM, m.ob.).

#### WHITE IBIS

Homer L (Champaign Co), 30-31 Jul (EJC, AFS, m.ob.); Carl.L. (Fayette Co) (imm), 6–16 Jul (DMK, KAM, m.ob., RES:ph).

#### Black Vulture

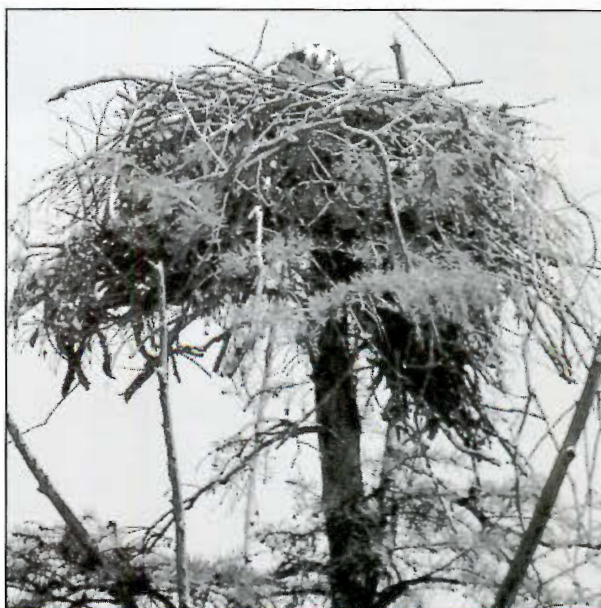
**MC:** 20+ (roosting), along Interstate 24 (Massac Co), Jun/Jul (FKB); 7, *Williamson*, 17 Jun (DTW); 6, Gorham (Jackson Co), 4 Jun (DMK). **Other:** Boskydell (Jackson Co) (2) 14 Jun (SDB).

#### Turkey Vulture

**Breeding:** Camp Sagawau (sw. Cook Co) (2 yg in same tree as in 2004), Apr – Jun (WSS); Midway (Massac Co) (nest w/2 yg in hayloft—4 of last 5 yrs), 25 May (SDB). **MC:** 47 (roost), Richfield (Adams Co), 24 Jun (RLJ); 27+, Carl.L., 23 Jul (TAM et al.); 22, Lost Mound, 18 Jun (ABA et al.); 21, *Edwards*, 5 Jun (RES); 17, *Jersey*, 3 Jul (KAM); 17, Boskydell (Jackson Co), 14 Jun (SDB); 14, *Jasper*, 13 Jul (DFS); 12, Rend L, 23 Jul (KAM); 10, Kell B, 18 Jun (SDB); 7, Le Aqua Na, 17 Jun (ABA, CAW). **Others:** Zion, 20 Jul (EWW); Hoffman Est., 13 Jun (ABA); Busse Wds FP (3), 14 Jun (ABA); Des Plaines (Cook Co), 26 Jun & 31 Jul (ABA).

#### Osprey

**Breeding:** LCal (Powderhorn M) (3 yg but apparently only 2 fledglings), early May – 31 Jul (WJM et al.); Banner M (Fulton Co) (pr nested and successfully fledged 3 yg), early Aug (RG&SNB); Mermet L (nest fledged 2 yg), Jul (FKB). **Others:** Goose L Pr, 18



*Osprey at nest at Mermet Lake, Massac County. 1 May 2005. Photo by Eric Walters. This species continues to breed at this spot, with another one seen tending to a nest the end of April 2006.*