



Forster's Terns at Redwing Slough, Lake County. 18 June 2005. Photo by Eric Walters.

m.ob.); Carl.L (ad), 5-7 Jun (DMK, m.ob.), (ad & second summer), 29 Jun (DMK), and (ad) 15-18 Jul (DMK, KAM). Hybrid: Laughing x Ring-billed Gull: Chi (KFC restaurant) (no details), 26 Jun (CAM).

Franklin's Gull

NBSO: Montrose H (1st summer), 14 Jun and (juv), 20 Jul (GAW); Chau (2), 10 Jun (RG&SNB).

Bonaparte's Gull

NBSO: Montrose H (ad, non-breeding plumage), 14 Jul and (ad, breeding plumage), 17 Jul (GAW).

Ring-billed Gull

Breeding: Des Plaines (Cook Co) (rooftop nesting attempted but nests and yg destroyed by building managers) (ABA); LCal (approx. 5000 prs), May – mid-Jul with first juvs, 12 Jun (WJM). **MC:** 1477, Chau & Clear L (Mason Co), 29 Jul (RG&SNB); 1295, Chi, 29 Jul (DFS); 600, Hennepin L, 28 Jul (DFS); 600, Sanganois CA, 17 & 20 Jul (RLJ); 400, Carl.L, 27-30 Jul (DMK); 145, Rend L, 23 Jul (KAM). **Others:** Jasper (4), 2 Jun (RES). **Note:** the number of these gulls at Carl.L reached a low of 12 on 5 Jun and then gradually increased from 25 on 18 Jun to 60 by 29 Jun, 200 by 13 Jul and then 400 by 27 Jul (DMK).

CALIFORNIA GULL

NBSO: Wauk (ad), 19 Jun (*AFS).

Herring Gull

Breeding: LCal (breeding suspected, but not confirmed), Apr – mid-Jul (WJM). **MC:** 27, Montrose H, 14 Jul (GAW). **Others:** Chau, 3 & 10 Jun (RG&SNB).

Lesser Black-backed Gull

NBSO: Montrose H (2nd year), 7 Jun – 21 Jul (GAW) then Wauk, 23 Jul (AFS).

Great Black-backed Gull

NBSO: Wauk (1st year), mid-May – 9 Jul then IBSP to 20 Jul (AFS, EWW).

Caspian Tern

MC: 16, LCal, 26 Jun (WJM); 14, La Salle, 19 Jul (DJS); 11 (incl. some juvs), Montrose H, 14 Jul (GAW). **Others:** DeKalb (5), 10 Jul (DJS); IBSP, 25 Jun (DFS); Chi (Wolf L) (3), 21 Jun (DFS); Chi (Rainbow Beach) (2), 14 Jun (DFS); Busse Wds FP (ad & yg-of-the-year), 15 Jul (ABA); Chi (Grant P), 22 Jun (DFS); McGinnis Slgh (2), 27 Jun (DFS); Songbird Slgh (4 ad & 2 yg-of-the-year), 15 Jul (ABA); Hennepin L (3), 7 Jun (DFS). **Note:** "On 8 Jun 2005, John Castrale of the Indiana DNR counted 248 Caspian Tern nests with eggs/chicks at Mittal Steel (formerly LTLV Steel) at Indiana Harbor (Lake Co) Indiana. On the same date, he also noted approx. 100 pre-fledged young Caspians (not associated with nests) at that site. The Mittal Steel colony is located on Lake Michigan and is very close to Cook County, Illinois. The juv. Caspians observed at LCal [and probably the other Chi area sites] during the summer of 2005 presumably came from the Mittal Steel, IN colony. I am not aware of any Caspian Tern nesting at LCal in 2005." (WJM).

Common Tern

Breeding: Great Lakes Naval Training Center (Lake Co) (96 birds, 23 nests, 67 eggs and 6 yg fledged—a family of minks killed most of the chicks), Jun/Jul (MPW, DRD); 3 ad; displaced Hurricane Dennis birds?). **NBSO:** Astoria (Fulton Co) (3 ad), 11 Jul (SDB).

Forster's Tern

Breeding: Chain-O-Lakes SP (Lake Co) and nearby areas (57 adults, 27 nests, 26 yg), Jun/Jul (MPW); Deer L FP (22 ad), 23 Jun (EWW).

BRIDLED TERN

NBSO: Mermet L (2 ad), 12 Jul (*FKB).

SOOTY TERN

NBSO: Carl.L (ad), 17-25 Jul (DMK, m.ob.); arrived after hurricane Dennis hit gulf coast.

Least Tern

Baldwin L (Randolph Co) (ad), 4 Jun (EWW); Grand Tower (Jackson Co) (6), 4 Jun (DMK) and (7), 12 Jun (AFS); Big Muddy R (Union Co), 4 Jun (DMK); Horseshoe L CA (Alexander Co) (2), 20 Jun (KAM); Miller City (Alexander Co) (2), 18 Jun (DTW); Black Bottoms (Massac Co), 25 May (SDB).

Black Tern

Breeding: Deer L FP (6 ad), 23 Jun (EWW). **MC:** 10 (probably late migrants), Hennepin L, 7 Jun (DFS).

Rock Pigeon

MC: 260, w. Cook, 4 Jul (DFS); 233, Montrose H, 22 Jun (GAW); 150, EstL, 17 Jun (DMK).

Eurasian Collared-Dove

MC: 12, Waltonville (Jefferson Co), 30 Jul (RES, CLH); 8, Quincy, 26 Jul (AGD); 8, Stillwell B, 3 Jun (VMK); 8 (5 ad, 3 imm), Metropolis (Massac Co), 9 Jul (FKB); 6, Beaucoup B, 2 Jun (DMK); 5, Jamestown B, 3 Jun (DMK); 4, Pontiac B, 7 Jun (VMK); 3, Havana (Mason Co), 13 Jul (SDB); 3, Perry, 20 Jun (KAM). **Others:** Montrose H, 20 Jul (GAW); Fairbury B, 6 Jun (VMK); Athens B, 30 Jun (VMK); Louisville (Clay Co), 21 Jun (RES); Albion (Edwards Co), 1 & 25 Jul (RES).

Mourning Dove

Nesting: Chi (Columbus P) (ad on nest), 14 Apr (ABA). **MC:** 360, St. Clair, 23 Jun (KAM); 250, Clay, 13 Jul (DFS); 218, Mascoutah B, 26 Jun (DMK); 119, Pembroke Twp, 4 Jul (DFS); 112, Columbia B, 12 Jun (KAM); 108, Martinsville B, 19 Jun (SDB); 89, Ogle, 10 Jul (DFS); 89, Stillwell B, 3 Jun (VMK); 81, Fairbury B, 6 Jun (VMK); 81, Athens B, 30 Jun (VMK); 74, Effingham, 13 Jul (DFS); 66, Atkinson B, 17 Jul (DFS); 65, Kell B, 18 Jun (SDB); 61, Grundy, 3 Jul (DFS); 60, Waynesville B, 24 Jun (VMK); 58, Camp Pt B, 2 Jun (VMK); 53, St. Morgan B, 18 Jun (KAM); 52, Pontiac B, 7 Jun (VMK); 52, Burnt Pr B, 14 Jun (VMK); 49, Jamestown B, 3 Jun (DMK).

Monk Parakeet

Breeding: Chi (Rainbow Beach) (10 nests), 29 Jul (DFS); Chi (Wolf L) (5 nests), 26 Jun (WJM); Chi (River P) (pr at nest), 25 Jul (ABA, SP); Burnham (Cook Co) (40 ads & 21 nests), 18 Jun (WJM). **MC:** 32, Chi (Rainbow Beach), 29 Jul (DFS); 25-30, Burbank (sw. Cook Co), Jun/Jul (WSS); 23, Chi (Wolf L), 31 Jul (DFS). **Others:** Montrose H (2), 9 Jun (GAW). **Note:** "At least 28 stick nests in beams under the Chi Skyway at the southeast side of Chi from Ewing & Indianapolis Blvd at 100th St going west to Avenue L, M and a railroad track. This section of the Skyway was rebuilt and finished no more than a year ago." (CAM). Several more pairs were actively constructing nests in other s. Chi cell towers (WJM).

Black-billed Cuckoo

MC: 2, IBSP, 2 Jul (TAM); 2, Palos (Swallow Cliff Wds FP), 13 Jun (DFS); 2, Adams, 27 Jul (AGD). **Others:** LdnMlr, 4 Jun (DFS et al.) and 18 Jun (ABA et al.); Oregon (Ogle Co), 10 Jul (DFS); LIB CA (Boone Co), 14 Aug (AEB); Wadsworth Wetlands (Lake Co), 9 Jul