

July (DS); Palos (McClaughry Springs), 27 June (DS); WaterfallGlen (ad), 29 July (UG); PereMar (2), 26 June (DE fide SB); Hurricane Creek (Williamson Co), 13 July (DK); Pomona (2), 28 June (RR); Pine Hills (3 calling ads), 30 June (DE fide SB); TrailofT (pr), May - July (SB).

Swallow's Hawk

Breeding: n.w. Kane (2 territories) and s.w. McHenry (2 territories), May-July - but no fledglings reported (JB fide RM). The birds were difficult to locate this year; reports were: Huntley (Kane Co), 27 June & 10 July (UG) and 17 July (DD).

Red-tailed Hawk

Breeding: Chestnut Mountain (Jo Daviess Co) (2 nests), 15 Apr. (RJ); LCal (3 active nests), 20 Mar. - 13 Apr. (WM); Palos (Cap Sauer Woods) (nest), 24 Mar. (SB); MidewinPr (4 nests), 23 Mar. (SB); Perdueville (nest w/ 2 yg), 13 June (SB); Rantoul (Champaign Co) (nest), 27 Mar. (SB); Potomac (Vermilion Co) (nest), 2 Apr. (SB); SangL (nest), 28 Mar. (RJ); Litchfield (Montgomery Co) (2 nestlings), 5 June (RJ); Kemp (Douglas Co) (2 fledglings), 29 June & 7 July (SB); Newton (Jasper Co) (nest), 21 Apr. (RJ); Ad. w/fledgling, near Marseilles (LaSalle Co.), 15 & 16 July (SB). **MC:** 13, Bureau, 2 July (DS); 11, Atkinson, 9 June (DS); 5, Monroe, 22 June (KM). **Others:** Monroe (3), 21 July (DK). **Others:** 1-2 at several locations in the ESTL to CarlL area, 1 June - 25 July (DK).

American Kestrel

Breeding: LostMound (22 yg in family groups), 17 July (AA, m.ob); Champaign (pr w/ 4 fledglings), 16 Aug. (RJ); Kemp (Douglas Co) (family group of 6), 29 June (SB); Coles airport (2 fledglings), 30 June (SB). **MC:** 16, Sangamon, 24 July (DS); 14, St. Clair, 6 June (TomM); 14 (4 family groups), Cisco (Macon/Piatt Co), 7 July (SB); 9, Quincy, 2 July (AD); 7, MidewinPr, 4 July (DS); 6, Jamestown, 2 June (DK); 5, St. Morgan, 19 June (KM). **Others:** 1-4 birds at several locations in the ESTL to CarlL area, 1 June - 25 July (DK).

Merlin

NBSO: Chau, 11 June (RBj, SBj).

Peregrine Falcon

Breeding: Successful nests as reported by MH: 1) Chicago (S. Wacker) (4 yg banded, failed to complete first flights, taken to rehab center, then released at Lockport on 5 Aug.); 2) Chicago (N. Broadway) (2 yg banded and fledged); 3) Chicago (Prison) (2 yg fledged, only one was banded); 4) Chicago (Univ. of Chicago) (3 yg banded and fledged); 5) Chicago (Uptown Theater) (4 yg banded and 3 successfully fledged); 6) Waukegan (4 yg banded and fledged); 7) Pilsen Park (Throop St) (3 yg banded, 2 successfully fledged, the third was in rehab to be released later); 8) Skyway (3 yg fledged—not banded); 9) Evanston Library (of four eggs laid, only one successful fledgling—banded); 10) River Birds (W. Wacker) (one unbanded fledgling). Unsuccessful nests were attempted at: Hyde Park and Lakeview and a pair of non-breeding birds was noted at Lawndale. In addition, 3 unbanded yg fledged from a power plant site in Madison (fide MH). **Others:** Rollins Savanna (Lake Co), 2 July (DD); LCal (ad), 7 July (WM); ESTL, 17 July (DK, TM et al.); Riverbend FP (Champaign Co), 17 June (fide EC); CarlL (Fayette), 26 July (DK).

King Rail

Breeding: Redwing Sl ("likely nesting"), June (BS fide SB); PrRidge (2 ad., 4 yg), 8 July (BS). **Others:** Almond Marsh (Lake Co) (pr), 31 May - 2 July (EW); Lockport Prairie (Will Co) (calling), 25 July (DS); Tri-County SP (DuPage Co), 21 June (ES).

Virginia Rail

Breeding: RedwingSl (3 prs, all calling), 26 June (SB); Broberg Marsh (Lake Co) (4, three territories), 22 June (SB); LCal (Heron Pond and Powderhorn Marsh - agitated prs), 5 & 12 June, resp. (WM) and (1), 22 & 27 June (CaM). **Others:** NelsonL, 12 June (ES); Matteson (Cook Co) (ad), 15 June (SB).

Sora

Breeding: RedwingSl (calling), 26 June (SB); Broberg Marsh (Lake Co) (calling), 22 June (SB); Palos (Buttonbush Slough) (2 territories), 17 June (SB). **Others:** Motorola Marsh (Lake Co) (pr), June (MW fide SB); Almond Marsh (Lake Co) (ad), 31 May (EW); Palatine (heard), 9 July (AA); MArb, 9 June (ES); Hidden L FP (DuPage Co), 31 July (G); Chau, 14 July (RBj, SBj).

Common Moorhen

Breeding: UMRNWR (37; 2 broods = 3 yg each), 7 July (DE fide SB); RedwingSl (nest w/ 11 eggs), 26 June (SB); Broberg Marsh (Lake Co) (2 territories incl. 6 yg), 22 June (SB); LCal (brood of 8 at Deadstick Pond), 3 July (WM); LCal (Burnham Prairie) (juv), 17 July (DS); LCal (Eggers Woods) (pr), June (MW fide SB) and (juv), 27 June (CaM); Palos (McGinnis Slough) (brood of 6), 8 June (WS) and (brood of 3), 1 Aug. (UG); Tri-County SP (DuPage Co) (brood of 4), 7 Aug. (ES); HennepinL (33 incl 2 yg.), 3 July (DE fide SB). **MC:** 33 (see breeding notes); 27, HL, 22 June (DE fide SB); 13 (ad), RedwingSl, 26 June (SB). **Others:** Fulton Dam (Whiteside Co) (2), 17 July (AA et al.); Erie (Whiteside Co) (2), 24 June (BR fide SB); Moraine Hills (Black Tern Marsh) (pr), June (MW fide SB); Rollins Savanna (Lake Co) (pr), June (MW fide SB); LCal (Indian Ridge Marsh N) (2 ads), 11 July (WM); Palos (McGinnis Slough) (3), 1 Aug. (CT); Chau, 11 June - 14 July (RBj, SBj); Spunky Bottoms (Brown Co) (ad), 5 July (*TH); Arcola (Douglas Co) (4), 2 June (DE fide SB); HL, 18-21 June (FH, JZ); MermelL (calling), 5 June (DK, TM) and 27 June (KM et al.).

American Coot

Breeding: UMRNWR (20 incl. 3 yg), 7 July (DE fide SB); LCal (2 broods of 4 & 1), 13 June (WM, AA et al.); HennepinL (26 broods, 1-4/brood), June-July (DS); Chau (60 birds incl. 19 juvs), 8 July (RBj, SBj); Decatur (dredge ponds) (several broods), 20 Aug. (TM); HL (Eagle Park) (brood of 4), 18 June (FH) and (36 birds incl. yg), 1 Aug. (KM). **MC:** 230, HennepinL (ads & yg), 3 June (DS); 22, HL, 22 June (DE fide SB). **Others:** RedwingSl (ad), 26 June (SB); Almond Marsh (Lake Co) (pr), June (MW fide SB); Moraine Hills (Black Tern Marsh) (pr), June (MW fide SB); Broberg Marsh (Lake Co) (2 pr), June (MW fide SB); Woodstock (Tony's Pond) (10 pr), June (MW fide SB); LCal (Egger's Woods) (pr), June (MW fide SB); LCal (Hegewisch) (3 pr), June (MW fide SB); Antioch (3 pr), June (MW fide SB); Paul Douglas FP (Cook Co) (8 pr), June (MW fide SB); Rollins Savanna (Lake Co) (3 pr), June (MW fide SB); Arcola Marsh (Douglas Co) (3), 2 June (DE fide SB); Spunky Bottoms (Brown Co) (ad), 8 June (DE fide SB); Spfld, 24 July (KM); CarlL, 27 July (DK).

Sandhill Crane

Breeding: Lock & Dam 13 (Whiteside Co) (pr w/ fledgling), 10 July (EW); GardenPrSl (nested), 15 July (DW); RedwingSl (Pr. w/downy yg), 3 May & 2 ad., 26 June (SB); GLPSP (pr w/ yg), 12 June (DE fide SB); NelsonL (pr w/ 2 fledglings), 10 Aug. (AA et al.). **Others:** LostMound (pr), 12 June (SB); McHenryDam (2), 3 July (DW); LCal (3 fly-overs), 5 June (WM); GLPSP (pr), 17 July (EW).

Killdeer

Breeding: Ogle (2 yg), 15 July (DS); GardenPrSl (3 yg), 10 June (DS); Chi (Meigs Field) (2 yg), 2 June (DS); SongBird (2 broods = 4 yg), 24 June (AA et al.); Ridgway (Gallatin Co) (pr w/ 3 chicks), 4 May (RJ). **MC:** 800, CarlL, 15-24 July (but 1500), 16 July (DK); 700, CarlL (Fayette), 22 July (DK); 125, Boone, 11 July (DS); 122, n.w. Will, 25 July (DS); 100, Chau, 23 July (RBj, SBj); 100, RendL, 29 July (KM); 63, PrRidge (Jasper Co), 13-15 June (JW, SS); 50, LCal (golf course), 24 June (WM); 50, KiddL, 4 July (DK); 48, Columbia, 18 June (KM); 44, Milford, 13 June (SB); 41, Jamestown, 2 June (DK); 34, St. Morgan, 19 June (KM); 28 (in a flock), Vermont (Fulton Co), 11 July (LHo); 25, Martinsville, 6 June (SB); 24, MidewinPr, 4 July (DS); 23, Atkinson, 19 June (DS); 23, Beaupou, 1 June (DK).

Black-necked Stilt

MC: 11, w. Alexander, 18 June (KM) and smaller numbers through 17 July (DK, m.ob.); 6, Chau (attempted nesting but destroyed by high water), 3 June (RBj, SBj). **Others:** GardenPrSl (pr), 19-22 June (DW); KiddL (2), 4 July (DK).



Peregrine Falcon and chicks. 19 May 2004. Evanston, Cook County. Photo by Eric Walters.



Black-necked Stilt at rice fields at East Cape Girardeau, Alexander County. 17 July 2004. Photo by Travis A. Mahan.