

King Rail

Nesting: PRSNA (2 broods of up to 3 yg.), June/July (JW, EK).
Others: GLPSP, 20 June (JnM) and 4 Aug. (SB fide MW); ICCA, 3 July (RC); e. Hancock County (pr.), 10 July (SB fide MW); Wabash County (ad.), 3 July (LH).

Virginia Rail

Stickney Run C.A. (McHenry Co) (pr.), thru June (MW); Moraine Hills S.P. (McHenry Co) (pr.), thru June (MW); Broberg Marsh (Lake Co) (3), thru June (MW); Lake Villa (Lake Co), thru May (MW); GLPSP, 23 June (JH, BG) and 4 Aug. (SB fide MW).

Sora

Moraine Hills S.P. (McHenry Co) (pr.), thru May (MW); Almond Marsh (Lake Co) (pr.), June (MW); GLPSP (2), 1 June (JH, BG) and (4), 5 Aug. (SB fide MW); c. La Salle County, 21 June (DSt); Jasper County (male calling), 9 June (LH); Lawrence County, 15 July (LH).

PURPLE GALLINULE

Nesting: Mermet L.C.A. (Massac Co) (4 ads., one nest located, 2 broods of 1-4 yg. observed), 11 July-9 Aug. + (*FB = video, m.ob.) See article in this issue. **Others:** Dow (Jersey Co) (ad. found injured), 28 June (died, 30 June) (FH); **specimen now at Illinois State Museum).

Common Moorhen

Nesting: Moraine Hills S.P. (McHenry Co) (ad. w/ 3 yg.), 17 July (SD, LK) and (pr. w/ 5yg.), 11 Aug. (EW); Stickney Run C.A. (McHenry Co) (pr. w/ yg.), June/July (MW); Almond Marsh (Lake Co) (2 pr. w/ 5 yg.), June/July (MW); Broberg Marsh (Lake Co) (2+ pr., w/ 4 yg.), June/July (MW); Lake Villa (Lake Co) (2 pr. w/ 16 yg.), June/July (MW); Wadsworth (Lake Co) (pr. w/ 8 yg.), June/July (MW); Deer L. F.P. (Lake Co) (5 broods = 28 yg.), 22-29 Aug. (EW); LCal (5 broods = 25 yg. + 1 nest) 17 June- early Aug. (WM, DSt); Chi (Eggers Woods) (2 broods = 5 yg.), 17 Aug. (DSt); Beardstown Marsh (Cass Co) (family), July-19 Aug. (MW, PW). **Others:** LCal (area) (3 supplemental sites with 1 or more ads.), June/July (WM); Arcola (Douglas Co), 18 July (RC).

American Coot

Nesting: McHenry/Lake County line (4 pr., w/ yg.), mid July (MW); Almond Marsh (Lake Co) (2 broods = 12 yg.), June/July (MW); Deer L. F.P. (Lake Co) (14 yg.), 22 Aug. (EW); Chi (Egger's Woods) (2 pr., 4 yg.), May/July (MW); LCal (Hegewisch Marsh) (2 broods = 9 yg.), 3 July (WM); Riverdale (Cook Co) (2 broods = 4 yg.), 9 July (WM); Decatur (dredge ponds) (20 ads. & 40 yg.), 17-31 July+ (MD). **Others:** McHenry/Lake County line (5 prs. with 20-25 yg.), 27 July (SD); Chi (Eggers Woods) (9 ads.), 1 July (WM); Heyworth (McLean Co), 7 June (MF); Sangamon County (+), June/July, with max. count (6), 3 June (DB); Arcola (Douglas Co) (4), 21 June and (1), thru 18 July (RC); Jasper County (2), 12 June (LH); Wabash County (2), 3 July (LH); HL, 20 June-2 July (FH); Fayetteville (St. Clair Co) (7), early June (SB fide MW).

Sandhill Crane

Nesting: Stickney Run C.A. (McHenry Co) (2+ pr.), thru May (MW); Almond Marsh (Lake Co) (nest: failed), 25 Apr. (MW); Broberg Marsh (Lake Co) (pr. w/ yg.), May/July (MW); Lake Villa (Lake Co) (nest, predated), May (MW); DPRWDP (2 ad. w/ yg.), 25 July (AS); Deer L. F.P. (Lake Co) (2 pr. = 3 yg.), 22 Aug. (EW); Wauk. (2 yg.), 11 May (RB). **Others:** Fulton N.P. (Carroll Co) (6), June/July (KMc); Winnebago County (2 prs.), June/July (DW); Lakewood F.P. (Lake Co) (pr.), 17 June (CF); Marshall County (pr), April/July (present since fall of 1997) (MSi, LR et al.).

Killdeer

Nesting: Jo Daviess County (newly hatched yg.), 24 July (DW); Sangamon County (11 broods), 1 May-31 July (DB). **M.C.:** 171, Spfld, 30 June (DB); 102, LCNP, 12 July (CM, JMc); 87, Livingston County, 21 July (DSt); 60 (max.), SAD, June/July (KMc); 55, Monroe County, 27 July (KM); 55, Buda B.B.S. (Bureau/Stark

Cos), 23 June (KMc); 37, Yale B.B.S. (Jasper/Effingham Cos), 6 June (RC); 29, Atkinson B.B.S. (Henry Co), 24 June (KMc); 22, Heyworth (McLean Co), 13 July (MF, TBu).

Black-necked Stilt

Nesting: n.e. Massac County (nest w/ 4 eggs; nest flooded out just prior to hatching), 1-5 June (FB, VK, CH - photo.); s.w. Jackson County (2), 28 July-2 Aug. (RhM, m.ob.) then (2 ad., 2 medium-sized yg.), 22-29 Aug. (RhM, LWr et al.). **Others:** E. Cape Girardeau (Alexander Co) (ad.), 19 July (MR et al.).

Spotted Sandpiper

Nesting: Deer Grove E.F.P. (Cook Co) (6 ads., 2 downy yg.), 6 July (CF); LCal (yg.), 7 June (CA); LCNP (2 ad., 3 yg.), 5 July (CM, JMc). **M.C.:** 16 (ads.), LCal, June/July (WM). **Others:** Palatine (Cook Co) (1-2 pr.), mid-May to Mid July (CF); LChau (6), 16 July (RBj).

Upland Sandpiper

Nesting: MNTP (50 prs.), May/July (BD); Decatur (airport) (pr. w/ 3 yg.), 12-31 July (MD); PRSNA (5 prs., 3 nests located), May/July (JW, EK et al.). **Others:** SAD (15 max.), June/July (KMc); Nachusa Grasslands (Lee/Ogle Cos) (2 ad.), thru 12 June (AH); Earlville (La Salle Co) (pr.), June/July (CM fide DS); Carthage (Hancock Co) (ad.), 10 June (VK); c. Hancock County (ad.), 17 June (AMo); Savoy (Champaign Co) (2 prs. distraction displays), 14 June, but only 2 males remained after flooding, 21 June (RC); Charleston (airport) (present through at least 28 May (BH); Sparta (Randolph Co), 19 July (*TD).

White-rumped Sandpiper

N.B.S.O.: Spfld, 30 June (DB).

Common Snipe

GLPSP (2 ad.), 20 June (AS) and (2), 4 Aug. (SB fide MW); c. La Salle County, 21 June (DSt).

American Woodcock

Nesting: IBSP (8 - incl. 3 yg.), 27 June (EW, JE); MNTP (ad. w/ 3 yg.), 8 June (DSt); Spfld (4 yg.), 1 May (DB); Newton L. (nest w/ 4 eggs), 7 Mar. (LH et al.); PRSNA (3 nests), April/May (JW, EK). **Others:** Lakewood F.P. (Lake Co) (3), 17 June (CF); Deer Grove E.F.P. (Cook Co), 5 July (CF) and (3), 23 July (MW); LCal (2), 8 July (WM); Chi (Powderhorn Marsh), 6 June (WM); Zander Woods (s. Cook Co), 13 June & 26 July (WM); Calumet City Prairie (Cook Co), 14 June (WM); Lone Grove F.P. (Kane Co), 26 June (DS); GLPSP, 23 June (JH, BG).

Parasitic Jaeger

N.B.S.O. Spfld (2nd/3rd-year bird chasing Forster's Terns and Ring-billed Gulls), 22-23 June (*DB).

Laughing Gull

N.B.S.O.: Evanston (ad.), 16 July (JB fide DSt); Chi (ad.), 28 May-5 July (MB fide WM); Spfld (subad.), 16 June, then (ad.), 20-23 June & 22 July and (imm.), 30 June (DB).

Bonaparte's Gull

N.B.S.O.: IBSP (ad. & imm.), 25 July+ (AS); LCNP (1st-year), 12 July (CM, JMc); Spfld (imm.), 17 & 21 June (DB).

Ring-billed Gull

Nesting: Wauk (est. 580 nests), 31 May (EW); LCal (colony estimated at around 12,000 nests; juveniles 1st noted, 27 June (JL), (72 road-killed along Stony Avenue), 28 June (WM); LCNP (1 unsuccessful nest, may attempt again in the future), 7 June (CM, JMc). **N.B.S.O.:** Hampton (Rock Island Co) (250), June/July (KMc); LCNP (72 -- 22 ad., 50 subad.), June/July (CM, JMc); LChau (est. 254), 16 July (RBj); Spfld (50+), June (DB); HL (185), 17 July (KM). **M.C.** (away from known colonies): 200, Spfld, 15 July (DB).

Meadowlark