



Adult Lark Sparrow tending to its Brown-headed Cowbird young. Eggers Woods, Lake Calumet. 8 July 2012. Photo by Josh Engel. The Lark Sparrow also produced at least one young of its kind.

build the nest at ~ the last few days of Mar (SDB). MC: 26, CONWR (Devil's KitchenL), 16-27 Jun (LWS). **Others:** GlacialPk, 12 Jul (D&MC); MoraineHills (McHenryD) (5), 7 Jul (JIE, NRG, MMC); Grant Wds FP (No. Unit, Lake Co) (4), 23 Jun (S. Fotland); McDonald Wds FP (Lake Co), 8 Jun (BJS); Lyons Wds FP (Lake Co) (♂), 24 May – 24 Jun (EWW); MissPalis, 22 Jun (DFS); Waterfall Glen FP (DuPage Co) (♂♂), 9 Jun (CH); LowdMil (4), 6 Jun (DTW); Ramsey Lake SP (Fayette Co) (4), 23 Jul (KAM); CarlL-C (3), 14 Jul (DMK:ph); This is another species that is showing up as a breeding bird in many new locations statewide as its favored nesting/foraging trees (mature pines) become lg/old enough (SDB).

Yellow-throated Warbler

Breeding: Marb (ad feeding 2 begging juvs), **10 Sep** (PAM). MC: 37, CONWR (Devil's KitchenL), 16-27 Jun (LWS); 10, LowdMil, 9 Jun (ASA); 5, HutchinsCrk BBC, 28 May (RSR); 5, SoRipHlw BBC, 26 May (RSR). **Others:** RockCut (2-3 ♂♂), 16 Jun – 10 Jul (DTW); MoraineHills (McHenryD) (♂♂ & 3), 4 Jun & 7 Jul (BSr & JIE, NRG, MMC resp); MissPalis (3), 3 Jun – 6 Jul (JIE, BDn); Sannauk FP (DeKalb Co), 24 Jun (ASA); Marb, 21 Jun (ASA); Loud Thunder FP (Rock Island Co) (2), 9 Jul (BDn); StarvedRock (2), 17 Jun (NBr); Hoover FP (Kendall Co), 6-23 Jun (ASA); McKinley Wds FP (Will Co) (♂♂), 28 Jul (DFS); KRSP (5), 23 Jun (RDH); Singing Wds FP (Peoria Co) (2), 16 Jun (EC); LOWFP (♂♂), 9 Jun (EJC).

Prairie Warbler

MC: 8, *SE Franklin*, 31 May (LWS). **Others:** Waterfall Glen FP (DuPage Co) (2nd year for this ♂ @ this far northern location), 9 Jun (CH); PlumCrk (♂♂), 9 Jun – Jul (JIE:ph, FRM, MD, SBB); Montrose, 30 Jun (JIE:ph); Hennepin Twp (Putnam Co), 16 Jun (JAS); Maz/Braid (“a few”), 2 Jun (DBa:ph). At least 3rd year breeding at this northern location.; Fox Ridge SP (Coles Co), 4 Jul (AFS, RE, APS); ShelbyvilleL (Shelby Co), 15 Jun (TAM); Hardin (Calhoun Co), 3 Jun (MSS); The Glades SFWA (Jersey Co), 3 & 16 Jun (MSS, SZ). This species is making a fairly dramatic push of occurrence northward & westward in its breeding range in Illinois (SDB).

Yellow-breasted Chat

Breeding: IBSP (Sand Pond) (pr bringing food to nest site), 24 Jun (JRS, RC, BD); Sang (fledged yg), 27 Jun (HDB). MC: 19, *SE Franklin*, 28&31 May (LWS); 12, BeaverdamL, 6 Jun (VMK); 9, BigMudWet BBC, 27 May (RSR); 9, HutchinsCrk BBC, 28 May (RSR); 7, BraidwoodL, 3-5 Jul (JBH); 5, GLPSNA, 17 Jun (ASA:ph). **Others:** NygrenWet (2), 11 Jul (JRY); SugarR (♂♂), 31 May - 1 Jul (DTW); IBSP (No. Unit) (3), 17 Jun (AFS); CubaM FP (Lake Co) (♂♂), 17 Jun (BJS); MidSav, 6-27 Jun (REP); LowdMil (2), 6 Jun (DTW); Nachusa (2), 9 Jun (ASA); Burnidge FP (Kane Co), 11 Jun (JSI); Hickory Knolls NA (Kane Co) (2), 13 Jun – 10 Jul (KCA, KS:ph, MM, PM); Campton FP (Kane Co) (♂♂), 6 – 13 Jun (ABH); GreeneVal, 29 Jun (ASA); Waterfall Glen FP (DuPage Co) (2), 22 Jun – 11 Jul (ASA et al.); John J. Duffy FP (Cook Co) (2♂♂), 8-12 Jun (RLS); PlumCrk (3), 9 Jul (JWL); McCunePra (2 ♂♂), 25 Jun (DTW, BCW); Hennepin Twp (Putnam Co), 8 Jul (DHR); DPCA, 4 Jul (DFS); Midewin (2), 7 & 23 Jun (JAS); Sweet Fern Savanna LWR (Kankakee Co) (3), 19 Jun (DFS); Mskoda LWR (Kankakee Co) (2), 19 Jun (DFS); Pembroke (2), 9 Jun (RDH); Emiquon (2), 25 Jun (TH); Sang (4 & 3), 27 Jun & 11 Jul resp (HDB); Middle ForkR FP (Champaign Co) (2), 7 Jun (TH); Dudleyville, (3), 3 Jun (DMK).

Eastern Towhee

MC: 21, Pembroke, 9 Jun (RDH); 15, LowdMil, 9 Jun (ASA); 15, Waterfall Glen FP (DuPage Co), 13 Jul (VS); 12, Kinnikinnick, 24

Jun (DTW); 12, Marb, 1 Jun (JSr); 12, McCunePra, 23 Jun (BC); 12, Matthiessen SP (LaSalle Co), 22 Jun (BC); 12, Mazonia-Braidwood SFWA (Grundy Co), 9 Jun (JBH); 11, SwallowCliff, 16 Jun (DFS); 10, SugarR, 1 Jul (DTW, MAM); 10, ClinL-C, 15 & 29 Jul (DMK); 10, Belknap, 7 Jun (VMK); 9, Sang, 14 Jun (HDB); 9, Martinsville, 15 Jun (SDB); 8, LostMound BBC, 21 Jun (DB et al.); 8, Big Rock FP (Kane Co), 5 Jun (SF); 8, GreeneVal, 14 Jun (ASA); 8, PlumCrk, 15 Jun (SBB); 8, Jubilee College SP (Peoria Co), 6 Jul (EC).

Chipping Sparrow

Breeding: Fermi (feeding juv BHCO), 10 Jul (LP, MN); Homewood (Cook Co) (ad w/juv BHCO), 23 & 29 Jun & 2 Jul (PL); JP (ad feeding lg fledgling), 9 Jul (PRC); SangamonR FP (Champaign Co) (ad w/ fledgling), 25 Jun (EJC); Sang (juv), 4 Jul (HDB). MC: 59, Union, 29 Jun (SDB); 53, Sheffield, 17 Jun (DFS); 31, Atkinson, 13 Jun (DFS); 30, BloomingtonL (McLean Co), 9 Jul (BG); 22, Columbia, 2 Jun (KAM); 20, Martinsville, 15 Jun (SDB); 18, St. Morgan, 3 Jun (KAM); 16, Milford, 14 Jun (SDB); 15, Midewin, 22 Jul (MD); 14, LowdMil, 6 Jun (DTW); 14, StarvedRock, 15 Jul (BC); 14, Stark, 30 Jun (CAT); 14, Streator, 9 Jun (JAS); 13, SugarR, 1 Jun (JRY); 12, Geneseo (Henry Co), 29 Jun (SH); 12, Matthiessen SP (LaSalle Co), 20 Jun (KAM); 12, MomenceWet, 15 Jun (JBH); 11, Kinnikinnick, 24 Jun (DTW); 11, Chi (Rosehill Cem), 27 Jun (MD); 10, *sw Jo Daviess*, 23 Jun (DFS); 10, MissPalis, 22 Jun (DFS); 10, Zuma Twp (Rock Island Co), 13 Jun (DFS); 10, Hoover FP (Kendall Co), 30 Jun (ASA); 10, BraidwoodL, 8 Jul (JBH); 10, Emiquon, 21 Jun (CD); 10, Jamestown, 2 Jun (DMK); 10, Dudleyville, 3 Jun (DMK); 10, CarlL-C, 14 Jul (DMK).

Clay-colored Sparrow

Breeding: Lakewood FP (Lake Co) (3♂♂ incl a pr feeding 2 newly fledged yg. Used nest found nearby), 24 Jun (SDB, SLD). **Other:** Lost Mound (♂♂), 21 Jun (DTW, FH); Libertyville (near Lake Co Fairgrounds) (♂♂), 30 Jun (AS); Burnidge FP (Kane Co) (♂♂), 11 Jun & 20 Jul (JSI & EES resp); NelsonL (2 & 1), 2 & 16 Jun resp (MM); Springbrook Pra FP (DuPage Co), 22 Jun (MN); Poplar Crk FP (Cook Co), 1-11 Jun (JV); Montrose (♂♂), 6 Jun (RDH); Chi (Northerlyl) (♂♂), 7 Jun (ASA:ph).

Field Sparrow

Breeding: IBSP (No. Unit) (2 ad & 2 juv), 22 Jun (REP); Spring Crk FP (Cook Co) (pr cop), 4 Jun (WP); 179th/Central FP (Cook Co) (family of 3), 28 Jul (ABA); Mazonia Lks (Kankakee Co) (pr @ nest w/ yg & eggs), 19 Jun (JBH); LOWFP (ad w/fledged yg), 24 Jun (CKA); SangamonR FP (Champaign Co) (ad w/fledged yg), 25 Jun (EJC); Sang (juv), 20 Jul (HDB). MC: 101, Midewin, 23 Jun (JAS); 53, LostMound BBS, 21 Jun (DB et al.); 53, Pembroke, 9 Jun (RDH); 45, Marb, 15 Jul (JZ, JSr); 34, Kell, 3 Jun (SDB); 33, Fermi, 7 Jun (DS); 28, Midewin, 2 Jun (ASA); 25, GlacialPk, 10 Jul (RG); 17, Martinsville, 15 Jun (SDB); 16, SugarR, 1 Jul (DTW, MAM); 16, PlumCrk, 15-20 Jun (SBB); 13, CubaM FP (Lake Co), 22 Jun (DW); 13, Hoover FP (Kendall Co), 30 Jun (ASA); 12, Kinnikinnick, 24 Jun (DTW); 12, MoraineHills, 3 Jun (JSI); 12, Evans-Judge FP (Will Co), 30 Jun (DFS); 12, BraidwoodL, 8 Jul (JBH); 12, PrRdg-M (Karl Bartel Pr), 11 Jun (JWW); 11, Spring Crk FP (Cook Co), 7 Jun (WP); 10, Grant Wds FP (Lake Co), 17 Jun (B. Fotland); 10, Oakhurst FP (Kane Co), 16 Jun (ASA); 10, Campton FP (Kane Co), 7 Jun (ABH); 10, PaulDouglas, 10 Jun (FRM); 10, 179th/Central FP (Cook Co), 28 Jul (ABA); 10, Matthiessen SP (LaSalle Co), 20 Jun (BC); 10, DPCA, 4 Jul (DFS); 10, McCunePra, 23-25 Jun (BC, BTW); 10, Weldon Springs SP (DeWitt Co), 15 Jun (EW); 10, Sang, 11 Jun (HDB); 10, Dudleyville, 3 Jun (DMK).