



*Mew Gull, possible 'Kamchatka' Gull, Carlyle Lake, Clinton County. Photos above and right taken 24 February 2008 by Bill Rudden.*

the evidence was generally supportive of that identification. Size, structure and details of plumage pattern favored kamchatschensis, but many of these characteristics, especially plumage characteristics, are not 100% diagnostic at this age.

**Slaty-backed Gull** (*Larus schistosagus*) One adult at Carlyle Lake, CLI on 16-18 Dec (2007.057; DKM\*, JU\*). This is the third accepted record of this species from Illinois. All of the accepted records have been adults.

**Glaucous-winged Gull** (*Larus glaucescens*) One adult at Carlyle Lake, CLI from 8 Sep (2007.034; MS; DMK\*; TAM\*, EWW\*) to 12 Apr 2008. Although this bird was present for a number of months, there



*Slaty-backed Gull. Carlyle Lake, Clinton County. 16-18 December 2007. Photo by Joshua Uffman.*

*Glaucous-winged Gull. Carlyle Lake, Clinton County. This bird was here from 7 September 2007 through 12 April 2008. Photo by Travis A. Mahan.*



were lengthy periods during the overall period of occurrence when the bird was not seen for a period of weeks, including more than two months between mid September and late November 2007, and a month between late February and late March 2008. Its whereabouts during these lengthy absences are not known. See <http://www.htc.net/~kdan/glaucouswingedgull.htm> for details of dates of observations.



*Arctic Tern. Carlyle Lake, Clinton County. 9 September 2007. Photo by Mike Thelen.*

**Arctic Tern** (*Sterna paradisaea*) One adult at Carlyle Lake, CLI on 9 Sep (2007.056; MTh\*) A secondhand report that was not documented indicates that this bird was present on 8 September 2007 as well.

**Parasitic Jaeger** (*Stercorarius parasiticus*) One at Carlyle Lake, CLI on 8-12 Sep (2007.031; DMK, TAM)

**Long-tailed Jaeger** (*Stercorarius longicaudus*) One at Carlyle Lake, CLI on 6-8 Oct (2007.026; DMK). Most of the handful of records of this species in Illinois come from the month of September.

**Barn Owl** (*Tyto alba*) One at Carlyle Lake, FAY on 12 Jan-2 Mar (2008.001; DMK).

**Fork-tailed Flycatcher** (*Tyrannus savana*) One at IBSP, LAK on 7 Jun (2007.022; PWS). This is the second record of this species for the state.



*Clark's Nutcracker. Illinois Beach State Park, Lake County. 3 November 2007. Photo by Eric Walters.*

**Clark's Nutcracker** (*Nucifraga columbiana*) One at IBSP, LAK on 3-7 Nov (2007.044; EWW\*; DBJ). IORC has accepted one previous record for the state, Hancock County, winter 1996-7, saved as a specimen at the Illinois State Museum (Johnson et al 1999). Bohlen (1989) mentions three other records including

a specimen collected in 1894 that is apparently lost. A report from DeWitt Co. in Oct 2001 has never been considered by the Committee, as documentation has not been submitted.

**Common Raven** (*Corvus corax*) One at IBSP, LAK on 13 Oct (2007.020; PWS, SJH\*). The photos taken of this bird were not considered sufficient by the Committee to fully document this record, and it was accepted by the Committee based on the written documentation. Until the late 1800s, this species was resident and moderately widespread in Illinois. It vanished from the state and has