Common Ground-Dove

(Columbina passerina) One near Rockford, WIN in Oct (1977.005). Photos of a dove at a feeder were found in a collection of bird photos from near Rockford. IORC was asked to review the photos as a Common Ground-Dove. The committee unanimously agreed that the photo instead represented a juvenile Mourning Dove. Although October is a late date for birds still in scaly juvenile plumage, such plumage at this date is not uncommon in Illinois.

Great Tit

(*Parus major*) Two at a feeder in Harvard McH 23 May (2003.010). Excellent photos were obtained of these birds, and there is no doubt as to their identity. Fiske (2004) discusses this occurrence in detail. Birds were seen at this feeder though at least April 2004, and the birds apparently nested in the area. Fiske (2004) sug-

gests a source from which these birds may have escaped. There are no confirmed natural occurrences in North American, although a sight record exists for Alaska (AOU 1998). Other records at feeders elsewhere in eastern North America have been treated as escapes from captivity. IORC considers this record as most likely to fall within this category as well.

Corrigenda:

The Gyrfalcon (2003.001) at LaSalle Lake in January 2003 was first found and identified by Cindy Alberico, who provided the committee with written documentation. The mention of this record in the ninth IORC report (Stotz and Johnson 2003) failed to credit her. Dennis Oehmke was left off the list of Documentors in the ninth report.

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