

Mottled Duck (*Anas fulvigula*)

One photographed at Santa Fe Bottoms, Clinton Co., 30 Jul - 6 Sep (2009.036; DMK:p). Dates listed for this individual in Stotz (2009a) are incomplete.

King Eider (*Somateria spectabilis*) One first winter male photographed on the Little Calumet River, Chicago, Cook Co. on 17 Feb (2010.001; SBB:p).

Neotropic Cormorant (*Phalacrocorax brasilianus*) One was photographed and stayed at Carlyle Lake, Clinton Co. from 30 Jul to 5 Sep (2009.079; DMK). One was present near Lake Calumet during the period 28 May to 31 July (2010.018; WJM:p, APS; RDH:p, SBB:p, ESc:p). This bird was originally found as a fly-over among large numbers of Double-crested Cormorants southwest of Lake Calumet. Beginning on 6 June, the bird was found regularly during the day at Burnham Prairie southeast of Lake Calumet. It clearly did not roost at that site and typically seemed to arrive mid-morning, usually with small numbers of Double-crested Cormorants.

Anhinga (*Anhinga anhinga*) Up to six adults, Lower Cache River, Pulaski Co., and 5 active nests, Little Black Slough, Johnson Co., 3 of which were confirmed to contain nestlings, 23 May to 14 Jul (2009.070; MML:p). The committee already accepted a photographic record of one of these birds from May in Pulaski Co. (IORC2009.029; Stotz 2009b). This is the first confirmed nesting record for Illinois of this species. The AOU checklist (1998) states that it formerly bred in southern Illinois, but there appear to be no specific records of such breeding (Bohlen 1989). It bred until the late 1800s in far southeastern Missouri (Robbins 1992), and in southwestern Kentucky until the 1950s (Palmer-Ball 2003). Currently the nearest breeding colony is in extreme western Tennessee (Nicholson 1997).



Mottled Duck. Private property in Santa Fe Township, Clinton County. 5 August 2009. Photo by Dan Kassebaum.



Roseate Spoonbill with Great Egrets. Vandalia, Fayette County. 23 September 2009. Photo by Greg Neise.



Swallow-tailed Kite. Southwest McHenry County. 16 August 2010. Photo by Robert Morgan.



Little Gull in basic plumage. Carlyle Lake, Clinton County. 31 October 2009. Photo by Dan Kassebaum.

Roseate Spoonbill (*Platalea ajaja*) One was photographed at Carlyle Lake, Clinton Co. on 30 July (2009.037; DMK).

White Ibis (*Eudocimus albus*) One immature was at Wabash Bottoms, Wabash Co. on 12-18 Jul (2009.038; CLH, RES; DMK:p). Four to 5 immatures along the Mississippi River levee in Monroe Co., 19-27 Jul (2009.060; CPA; WMR:p, JRRS:p, KAM:p). One immature photographed at Mitchie, Monroe Co. on 29 Jun-1 Jul (2010.006; DMK:p); another immature was photographed at Fountain, Monroe Co. on 21-24 Jul (2010.005; DMK:p). While currently this species seems to have increased in numbers Illinois with multiple records from 2008 to 2010, there have been previous periods of increased abundance in Illinois, such as 1976-8 when there were five records for the state.

Swallow-tailed Kite (*Elanoides forficatus*) One photographed in SW McHenry Co on 16 Aug (2010.017; RAM:p). After decades of near complete absence from the upper Midwest, this species is beginning to appear with increasing frequency. This is at least the fifth record in the past decade in Illinois.

Prairie Falcon (*Falco mexicanus*) One seen at Lake Shelbyville, Moultrie Co. on 22 Sep (2009.053; KAM).

Little Gull (*Hydrocoloeus minutus*) One adult seen at Alton, Madison Co. on 11 May (2009.051; KAM); one basic adult photographed at Carlyle L, Clinton Co. on 31 Oct (2009.078; DMK); one seen at the same site on 21 Nov was thought to represent the same individual.