

only *Larus* of note. Sabine's Gulls were present as usual on downstate reservoirs in September and well into October. One in Grundy Co. was a bit more unexpected. Even more unexpected was a Black-legged Kittiwake at the same site and time in mid-September. Another kittiwake was at Clinton Lake in late November. Tern migration was poor with only moderate high counts. Short-eared Owls were in somewhat lower numbers than in recent years, especially along the Lake Michigan lakefront. Long-eared Owls had appeared in small numbers by the end of the period; however, I received no reports of Saw-whet Owls. The Common Nighthawk migration was unimpressive, but small numbers lingered until late October. A record count of 3340 Chimney Swifts came from Evanston in late October; once again this species was recorded into November. Ruby-throated Hummingbirds had a fairly typical migration, but no Rufous or other *Selasphorus* hummingbirds were reported. Migrations of both Yellow-shafted Flicker and Yellow-bellied Sapsucker were pretty ordinary, without good high counts.

Passerines

Migration was generally slow this fall. Flycatcher counts were generally poor, but the Fork-tailed Flycatcher and two Scissor-tailed Flycatchers were the highlight of the fall. Vireo counts and timing were pretty typical. Good swallow concentrations were reported for most species, and impressive Tree Swallow counts came from Carlyle Lake, and along the Mississippi River in Hancock County. Other than some pre-dawn counts of migrating Swainson's Thrushes, thrush counts were poor. Again, Gray Catbirds lingered into December along the Chicago lakefront, but in smaller numbers than last year. The waxwing migration had only moderate high counts. Warbler migration was poor, with few high counts and few early dates. Most species did not arrive until the end of August, but a number of species lingered well into October and there were reports of at least thirteen species into November. With few fallouts, there were no notable counts of sparrows. The rarer grassland sparrows were in good numbers, but with few high counts. Harris's Sparrow reports were concentrated in the last week of October, with at least seven birds reported during that period. I received no other reports of the species. There was a single Smith's Longspur report at Lake Shelbyville. Lapland Longspurs arrived along the Lake Michigan lakefront in the latter half of September, and there were good counts in inland agricultural areas in November. Snow Buntings on the other hand were poorly reported.

Irruptive Species

The hawk watches at Illinois Beach and Greene Valley both had ordinary to low numbers of Rough-legged Hawks and Northern Goshawks. There were few reports of either species away from the hawk watches. After two consecutive outstanding seasons, Northern Shrikes were poorly reported this fall; observers reported only a handful away from the Lake County lakefront. Red-breasted Nuthatches occurred in moderate numbers in good conifer areas where they winter; few migrants were reported from other areas, beginning in early September. After last year's record invasion of winter

finches, unsurprisingly there were few reports of any irruptive species. Pine Siskins were poorly represented. They arrived late and in small numbers. No redpoll reports were received, and only a single Red Crossbill was reported. Purple Finches arrived early in small numbers; counts were generally unimpressive, but compared to the other winter finches, they were in moderate numbers and moderately widespread.

Organizations and Institutions:

CAS	Chicago Audubon Society (field trips)
CBCM	Chicago Bird Collision Monitors (data largely involving window-strikes at high rises in downtown Chicago)
COS	Chicago Ornithological Society (field trips)
DBC	DuPage Birding Club (field trips)
ENSBC	Evanston-North Shore Bird Club (field trips)
FMNH	Field Museum of Natural History
GVHW	Greene Valley Hawk Watch (data from Greene Valley FP, compiled by Bob Fisher)
IAS	Illinois Audubon Society (field trips)
IBHW	Illinois Beach Hawk Watch (data from IBSP, compiled by Vic Berardi)
IORC	Illinois Ornithological Records Committee
IOS	Illinois Ornithological Society (field trips)
NPBW	North Pond Bird Walk (weekly surveys at North Pond in Linc.P, led and compiled by Geoffrey A. Williamson)
SRAS	Starved Rock Audubon Society (field trips)
WGNSS	Webster Grove Nature Study Society (field trips)

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