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almost exclusively on data published in Bohlen's 1989 *Birds of Illinois* and the recent Illinois journals *Illinois Birds and Birding* (spanning data from summer 1984 through spring 1991) and its immediate successor, *Meadowlark*. Data from other sources may have bearing on the validity of these comments.

2002 Fall Season Field Notes

Red-throated Loon

EA: 26 Oct, Chau (KR); 3 Nov, Carl.C (DK); 3 Nov, Rend L (Franklin Co) (FB). LD: 16-20 Nov, L Decatur (Macon Co) (TM); 18 Nov, Rend L (KM).

Pacific Loon

EA: 2 Nov, Carl.C (KR). MC: 2, Chau, 10 Nov—one remaining to 16 Nov (KR, SB, IOS). Others: 4-5 Nov, L Decatur (Macon Co) (TM); 16 Nov, Clin.L. (GL, SB, IOS). This species has been removed from the IORC review list.

Common Loon

EA: 14 Oct, Carl.L (KM); 16 Oct (2), Wilmette (Cook Co) (EW); 25 Oct, L Charleston (Coles Co) (RB). MC: 114, L Charleston (Coles Co), 15 Nov (RB); 29, Rend L, 16 Nov (LS, KM); 18, East Fork L (Richland Co) (LH); 12, Wilmette (Cook Co), 15 Nov (JKo, EW) LD: into Dec.

Pied-billed Grebe

EA: 5 Jul, Charleston (Coles Co) (LBH). MC: 124, Hennepin L, 12 Nov (DFS); 105, East Fork L (Richland Co), 30 Oct (LH); 19, Wolf L, (Cook Co.) 20 Oct (GW).

Horned Grebe

EA: 12 Oct, Carl.L (KM); 16 Oct, L Charleston (Coles Co) (RB). MC: 120, L Springfield (Sangamon Co), 11 Nov (KM); 50, Clin.L, 10 Nov (KM, DK); 32, Chau, 1 Nov (R&SBj); 20, HL, 6 Nov (FH); 15, JP, 14 Nov (SC). LD: into Dec.

Red-necked Grebe

EA: 7 Oct (juv.), Chau (KR). MC: 3, Clin.L, 7 Nov (KR, KM, DK).

Eared Grebe

EA: 14 Oct (2), Carl.C (KM, DK). MC: 2, Carl.C, as above. LD: 3 Dec, L Decatur (Macon Co) (TM); 24 Nov, Clin.L (MR).

Western Grebe

EA: 11-12 Oct, HL (FH, KM); 1 Nov, East Fork L (Richland Co) (LH). LD: 29 Nov, IBSP (AS).

American White Pelican

EA: 15 Jul (40), Madison Co (KM); 27 Jul (50), Senachwine L (Putnam Co) (DJS). MC: 7200, Hennepin L, 13 Oct (C&JMc); 5000, Chau, 3 Sep (KR)—record Illinois high counts; 4200, Clear L (Mason Co), date? (R&SBj); 3000, HL, 31 Oct (KM); 2000, Senachwine L (Putnam Co), 15 Sep (UG); 1500, Carl.F, 27 Oct (DK). LD: 24 Nov (14), Chau (DJM); 20 Nov, HL (FH); 18 Nov, Baldwin L (St. Clair/Randolph Cos) (KM); 16 Nov, Spring L (Carroll Co) (DTW); 12 Nov (145), Hennepin L (DFS).

NEOTROPIC CORMORANT

MC: 2 (ad. & subadult), Carl.C, 17 Aug-5 Oct—ad. present 27 Jul-7 Oct—first Illinois count greater than one (DK:ph, IOS, TM).

Double-crested Cormorant

EA: 15 Aug (16), JP (KC). MC: 4500, Rend L, 18 Nov (KM); 541, Chau, 24 Oct (R&SBj); 225, Evanston, 27 Sep (EW). LD: into Dec.

American Bittern

EA: 21 Sep, JP (WS). LD: 1 Nov, Normal (McLean Co) (MF); 12 Oct, Springbrook Prairie FP (Du Page Co) (UG).

Great Blue Heron

MC: 318, Chau, 5 Sep (R&SBj); 300, Swan L (Calhoun Co), 2

Aug (KM, DK); 246, McGinnis Slough, Palos, 10 Aug (GW). LD: into Dec.

Great Egret

MC: 7700, Swan L (Calhoun Co), 2 Aug (KM, DK)—unprecedented high count (previous Illinois maximum is 2500 individuals); 1500, Carl.L, 22 Aug (KM); 1046, Chau, 1 Aug (R&SBj); 426, Johnson Co, 8 Sep (FB); 386, McGinnis Slough, Palos, 10 Aug (GW). LD: 1 Dec, East Fork L (Richland Co) (LH); 29 Nov, HL (FH); 17 Nov, Tampier Slough, Palos (CTh); 16 Nov (9), Spring L (Carroll Co) (DTW).

Snowy Egret

EA: 2-5 Aug, Rockford (DTW); 3 Aug, Hennepin L (C&JMc). MC: 45, HL, 16 Jul (KM); 25, Meredosia (Morgan Co), 25 Aug (RJ); 21, Chau, 8-30 Aug (SB,R&SBj). LD: 25 Oct, Starved Rock SP (La Salle Co) (DJS); 20 Oct, HL (FH); 19 Oct (5), Chau (R&SBj); 19 Oct, Mermet L (FB); 11 Oct, Carl.C (DK).

Little Blue Heron

MC: 607, HL, 16 Jul (KM); 75, Johnson Co, 8 Sep (FB); 44, Chau, 1 Aug (R&SBj); 9, LCal, 2 Aug (WM). LD: 13 Oct, HL (FH); 5 Oct (4), Carl.F (DK); 12 Sep, L Charleston (Coles Co) (LBH); 1 Sep, Indian Ridge Marsh, LCal (GW).

Cattle Egret

MC: 78, St. Clair Co, 28 Aug (KM); 7, Chau, 12-19 Sep (R&SBj). LD: 10 Nov (9), JP (PRC).

Green Heron

MC: 8, Mason Co, 1 Aug (R&SBj); 7, Carl.L, 27 Jul (KM); 3, JP, 15 Aug (KC). LD: 17 Nov, L Decatur (Macon Co) (TM); 13 Nov, Carbondale (Jackson Co) (VL); 4 Nov, IBSP (KM); 15 Oct, JP (KC); 12 Oct, Hutton Township (Coles Co) (RB).

Black-crowned Night-Heron

MC: 230, HL, 16 Jul (KM); 110, Chau, 12 Sep (R&SBj). LD: 29 Nov, HL (FH); 28 Nov (imm.), JP (PRC).

Yellow-crowned Night-Heron

MC: 4, Fairmont City (St. Clair Co), 3 Aug (KM, IOS). LD: 7 Sep-10 Oct (imm.), JP (SC, KC). Others: 23 Aug, Carl.F (DK); 1 Sep (imm.), Big Marsh, LCal (AS, WM).

Plegadis, sp.

Hennepin L, 26 Oct (LC, PC).

Black Vulture

MC: 2, Pomona (Johnson Co), 17 Aug (RR).

Turkey Vulture

EA: 31 Aug, IBSP (VB). MC: 150, L Charleston (Coles Co), 6 Nov (RB); 48, IBSP, 13 Oct (VB); 30, Madison Co, 2 Sep (KM). LD: 27 Nov, Alton (Madison Co) (FH); 17 Nov, L Charleston (Coles Co) (RB); 2 Nov, IBSP (VB).

Greater White-fronted Goose

EA: 27 Oct, Carl.C (DK). MC: 153, Chau, 14 Nov (R&SBj); 13, Baldwin L (St. Clair/Randolph Cos), 18 Nov (KM); 9, L Renwick (Will Co), 2 Nov (CA).

Snow Goose

EA: 9 Oct (3), Rockford (DTW); 19 Oct (blue morph), Fermi (UG). MC: 8000, Baldwin L (St. Clair/Randolph Cos), 18 Nov; 200+, Rend L (Jefferson Co), 3 Nov (FB); 28, L Renwick (Will Co), 2 Nov (CA). LD: 1 Dec, Antioch (Lake Co) (DTW).