

Red-shouldered Hawk

EA: 5 Oct, IBSP (VB). MC: 6, IBSP, 1 Nov (VB); 3, Oakwood Bottoms (Jackson Co), 4 Oct (KM). LD: 25 Nov, IBSP (VB). Others: 7 Sep, Starved Rock SP (La Salle Co) (C&JMc).

Broad-winged Hawk

EA: 15 Aug, Evanston (EW); 18 Aug, Carl.C (DK). MC: 229, IBSP, 22 Sep (VB). LD: 2 Nov, Nelson L Marsh FP (Kane Co) (MBC).

Swainson's Hawk

LD: 16 Aug (imm.), McHenry Co (JLd).

Red-tailed Hawk

EA: 10 Aug, JP (PRC). MC: 256, IBSP, 1 Nov (VB).

Rough-legged Hawk

EA: 20 Oct, IBSP (VB). MC: 11, IBSP, 1 Nov (VB). LD: 1 Dec, IBSP (VB).

Golden Eagle

EA: 31 Oct, IBSP (VB). LD: 24 Nov, Clin.L (MR).

American Kestrel

EA: 11 Aug, JP (PRC). MC: 17, Kendall Co, 10 Aug (DFS); 12, southwest Franklin Co, 19 Nov (LS). LD: 25 Nov, IBSP (VB).

Merlin

EA: 3 Sep, IBSP (VB); 21 Sep, Carl.C (DK); 28 Sep, Bushnell (McDonough Co) (LLH). MC: 50, IBSP, 3 Oct (VB); 40, IBSP, 4 Oct (VB). LD: 7 Nov, IBSP (VB).

Peregrine Falcon

EA: 2 Sep, IBSP (VB); 21 Sep, JP (SC). MC: 18, IBSP, 4 Oct (VB); 3 (probably local breeders), Deadstick Pond, LCal (WM). LD: 30 Nov, IBSP (VB); 15 Nov, HL (FH).

Gray Partridge

MC: 13, De Kalb Co, 24 Aug (DJS)—the only report.

Ring-necked Pheasant

No data.

Greater Prairie-Chicken

No data.

Wild Turkey

MC: 18, Rockford, 6 Sep (DTW); 15, St. Clair Co, 31 Oct (KM). Others: leucistic, 19 Nov, Melvin Price Lock & Dam (Madison Co) (FH).

Northern Bobwhite

Others: 15 Oct (2), Herrick L FP (JC); poor numbers (KM).

Yellow Rail

EA: 9 Oct, Pr.Rdg (fide LH). MC: 2, Pr.Rdg, 21-26 Oct (fide LH). LD: 26 Oct, 18 Bottoms (Franklin Co) (LS).

Virginia Rail

EA: 18 Aug, Deadstick Pond, LCal (WM). MC: 2, Chau, 3 Oct (KR). LD: 12 Oct (found dead), HL (FH); 22 Sep, Cypress Creek NWR (Johnson Co) (FB).

Sora

EA: 12 Aug, Bolingbrook (Will Co) (UG). MC: 10, HL, 1 Oct (KM); 7, Chau, 19 & 26 Sep (R&SBj); 5, Springbrook Prairie FP (Du Page Co), 12 Oct (UG). LD: 16 Oct, HL (FH).

PURPLE GALLINULE

LD: Mermert L, 1 Sep. (FB).

Common Moorhen

MC: 17, LCal, 10 Aug (WM). LD: 15 Sep, Deadstick Pond, LCal (WM); 8 Sep, HL (FH). Others: 2 Aug, Fairmont City (St. Clair Co) (KM, IOS).

American Coot

EA: 15 Jul (4), HL (KM)—see remarks. MC: 28,000, Hennepin L, 3 Nov (C&JMc)—second highest Illinois count excluding aerial

surveys; 5400, HL, 19 Oct (KM); 3900, Clear L (Mason Co), 10 Oct (R&SBj); 3000, Chau, 3 Oct (KR); 790, Will Co, 23 Nov (DFS). The 15 Jul arrival date is the earliest available, although the published record on early fall migrants is limited. Moreover, it is questionable whether true migrants arrive in Illinois prior to mid- or late August.

Sandhill Crane

EA: 5 Oct, northeastern Illinois, numerous sites (m.ob.). MC: 1800, Downers Grove (Du Page Co), 22 Nov (R&KF); 1000+, Woodridge (Du Page Co), 17 Nov (MBC). Others: 16 Nov, Coles Co (RB)—third fall record for area.

WHOOPING CRANE

Glacial P, 13 Nov—an individual from the 2002 Wisconsin reintroduction attempt. See the lead article in the previous issue of *Meadowlark*.]

Black-bellied Plover

EA: 26 Jul (29), Montrose (JE, m.ob.); 2 Aug, Swan L (Calhoun Co) (KM, DK); 8 Aug (7), Chau (SB); 11 Aug, Heyworth (McLean Co) (MF). MC: 29, Montrose, as above; 12, McHenry Co, 16 Aug (KD); 12, Rockford, 15 Sep (DTW). LD: 3 Nov (4), Rend L (Jefferson Co) (FB); 15 Oct, IBSP (EW).

American Golden-Plover

EA: 21 Jun, Carl.C (DK)—record early for southern Illinois; 28 Jun, Wabash Co (LH); 5 Jul, Coles Co (LBH). MC: 19, Kendall Co, 15 Sep (UG); 16, Carl.L (DK). LD: 10 Nov, Chau (KM, DK); 2 Nov, Rockford (DTW).

Semipalmated Plover

EA: 6 Jul, Rockford (DTW); 20 Jul, Chau (RC, KR); 22 Jul, HL (KM); 23 Jul, Carl.C (DK). MC: 50+, Chau, 8 & 9 Aug (SB); 42, Deadstick Pond, LCal, 20 Aug (WM); 33, Chau, 22 Aug (R&SBj). LD: 19 Oct (8), Carl.C (DK); 12 Oct (3), Eggers Woods, LCal (CAM).

Piping Plover

EA: 7 Jul, Wauk. (SH); 22 Jul (2), HL (KM, DK, CM, m.ob.); 24 Jul, JP (PRC); 1-6 Aug, Carl.C (DK, KM). MC: 2, Rend L (Jefferson Co), 24 Aug (LH, BS). LD: 22 Sep, Chau (KR); 3 Sep, JP (BH).

Killdeer

EA: 4 Aug, JP (KC). MC: 6000, Carl.F, 4 Jul (DK)—twice the previous Illinois high count: 1332, Chau, 8 Aug (R&SBj); 400, Kendall Co, 10 Aug (DFS). LD: 1 Dec, Rockford (DTW); 30 Nov, Wauk. (AS).

Black-necked Stilt

MC: 14 (including 6 young), Alexander Co, 31 Jul (KM). LD: 3 Sep (2), Alexander Co (FB).

American Avocet

EA: 24 Jul, Rice L (RC); 26 Jul, Montrose (JE, m.ob.); 27 Jul (4), Chau (KR); 2 Aug, Swan L (Calhoun Co) (KM, DK); 8 Aug, Grassy Slough (Johnson Co) (FB); 14 Aug, Carl.C (DK). MC: 11, Clear L (Mason Co), 8 Aug-1 Nov (R&SBj); 10, Chau, 3 Sep (KR), 8, Montrose, 1 Oct (JLl); 6, Rice L, 30 Jul-25 Aug (KR). LD: 1 Nov, Clear L, as above; 27 Oct (2), Madison Co (FH, JZ); 27 Oct, Carl.C (DK); 19-26 Oct, LShel.M (TM).

Greater Yellowlegs

EA: 8 Jul (2), Carl.F (DK); 20 Jul, Chau (RC); 22 Jul, Greene Valley FP (Du Page Co) (UG); 22 Jul, HL (KM). MC: 90, Chau, 22 Aug (R&SBj). LD: 23 Nov, Tampier Slough, Palos (CTh); 16 Nov, IBSP (AS); 11 Nov, Chau (KM).

Lesser Yellowlegs

EA: 3 Jul (2), Carl.F (DK); 5 Jul, Charleston (Coles Co) (LBH); 6 Jul (3), Rockford (DTW); 6 Jul (3), De Kalb Co (DJS, IOS); 12 Jul, HL (FH). MC: 1628, Chau, 1 Aug (R&SBj); 760, Hennepin L, 15 Aug (DFS). LD: 7 Nov, Coles Co (LBH); 3 Nov, Rend L (Jefferson Co) (FB); 30 Oct, Madison Co (FH); 26 Oct, Batavia (Kane Co) (UG).