



Dan Kassebaum took this photo of a Roseate Spoonbill on 5 September 2008 at Ware, Union County.

Up to four individuals were observed and one photographed between Ware, Union County and far southern Jackson County near Grand Tower in September 2008.

June (2009.016; KP; KL*, GAW*, CSF*). The latter bird may have been present for 2 to 3 days before birders became aware of it according to reports from residents of the area (fide KL). The Alton Brown Pelican moved between Illinois and Missouri waters. The last specific report from Illinois that I could locate was on 2 July.

Magnificent Frigatebird (*Fregata magnificens*) One adult male photographed near Forest Glen Preserve at Meeks, Vermilion Co. on 4 Sep (2008.021; MFC*). This record followed the passage of the remnants of Hurricane Gustav, which made landfall along the Gulf Coast of Louisiana, with its remnants traveling across Illinois. The photograph does not show any identifying features to distinguish Magnificent from Great Frigatebird (*Fregata minor*). However, given that Magnificent Frigatebird is a regular post-hurricane wanderer throughout the eastern United States, it is the only regular frigatebird in the Gulf of Mexico, and there are only two records of Great Frigatebird in continental North America, the committee unanimously agreed that this record was best treated as Magnificent Frigatebird.

Anhinga (*Anhinga anhinga*) One female photographed along Cache River, Pulaski Co. on 30 May (2009.029; CKM, JDM; DMK*). Anhingas (up to six) began to be reported from along the Cache River beginning on 1 May, although there were earlier secondhand reports. Birds continued into summer; further details on these birds will be

forthcoming. A soaring female photographed at the end of May was the only documentation received of these spring birds.

Roseate Spoonbill (*Platalea ajaja*) Up to four individuals observed (and one photographed) between Ware, Union Co. and Grand Tower, Jackson Co. on 5-28 Sep (2008.024; DKv; DMK*).

White Ibis (*Eudocimus albus*) One immature at E. Cape Girardeau on 6 Sep (2008.038; MSS*). One immature at Horseshoe Lake, Madison Co. on 3-10 Aug (2008.025; FH, JZ; BR*). After a hiatus of about fifteen years with no records of this species, there have been at least seven accepted records since 2003.

Black Vulture (*Coragyps atratus*) One photographed at Washington Co. CA on 20 May (2009.012; MSS*) This record is from approximately 35 miles north of the area of regular occurrence of this species in southern Illinois.

Swallow-tailed Kite (*Elanoides forficatus*) Two photographed south of Carbondale, Jackson Co. on 23-25 August (2008.023; RMR; TAM*). Swallow-tailed Kites occurred throughout much of Illinois until the very early part of the 20th century (Bohlen 1989). For much of the next century, there were essentially no records in Illinois. There have now been three accepted records in Illinois since 2005, and other records in the Upper Midwest. The species appears to be increasing on its southeastern US breeding grounds, and vagrant records should continue to increase.

Swainson's Hawk (*Buteo swainsoni*) An immature was photographed at Carlyle Lake, Clinton Co. on 25 Oct (2008.052; CLH; DMK*). This is the latest in the year report in the last two decades, although there are some November reports from the 1980s, and a late October specimen from 1917 (Ford et al. 1934). Although the breeding population centered on northwestern Kane County, seems to barely be hanging on, records of migrants in the fall appear to be on the increase.

Curlew Sandpiper (*Calidris ferruginea*) A bird in partial alternate plumage was seen and photographed at Greene Valley FP, DuPage Co. on 23 August (2008.022; MAM; NAL*). After some dozen reports in the 1960s though 1980s, this is only the second accepted record since 1987.

Pomarine Jaeger (*Stercorarius pomarinus*) One photographed at Horseshoe Lake, Madison Co. on 8-15 December (2007.064; FH*). This bird was seen on the Collinsville CBC on 15 December.

White-winged Dove (*Zenaida asiatica*) One at Montrose, Chicago, Cook Co. on 2 May (2009.022; LK; MMC, MTr*). Since the first state record in 1998, there have been at least 16 accepted records in Illinois of this expanding species. Most of these records fit the pattern shown here of a single bird seen in May for only a short period.

Burrowing Owl (*Athene cunicularia*) One photographed at Montrose, Chicago, Cook Co., on 29 Oct (2008.045; RDH, BV*). This bird