

# IOS Listers Corner 2016

## Site, Area and Local Patch Lists: Life Lists, Big Days & Big Years

### Site Life Lists

Bruce Heimer added 15 species to his Lincoln Park total to move well past the 250 mark. The largest increase occurred at Chicago's Northerly Island where Doug Stotz add 51 species to his previous total. Doug had two other sites with double-digit gains and Eric Walters posted double-digit increases at five sites. Eric added a new location to this list (large – Zion's Shiloh Park) as did Ted Hartzler (small – Minonk Nature Trail). Four of the impressive numbers that lead the "Small" category (the top eight are all at Montrose) are new this year.

**Italics** = an inactive Illinois birder (i.e. deceased or lives out-of-state)

(updated 3/1/17)

<b>Lake Michigan Ecosystem (east of I-94/US 41)</b>		208	Chicago's Lincoln Park	C. Taylor	
(Large and Medium Sites only; 150 minimum)		207	Waukegan Beach & Harbor	J. Solum	
324	Chicago's Lincoln Park	R. Hughes	203	Chicago's Jackson Park	J. Sanders
310	Chicago's Lincoln Park	J. Purcell	<u>203</u>	Chicago's Lincoln Park	S. Burckhardt
<u>303</u>	Chicago's Lincoln Park	<i>O. McHugh</i>	198	Chicago's Lincoln Park	J. Chapman
299	Chicago's Lincoln Park	G. Neise	195	Lake Calumet	D. Stotz
298	Chicago's Lincoln Park	G. Williamson	195	Wadsworth Wetlands	<i>S. Hickman</i>
293	Chicago's Lincoln Park	L. Muñoz	194	Lake Calumet	E. Walters
290	Illinois Beach State Park	A. Stokie	193	Chicago's Jackson Park	<i>K. Hanson</i>
287	Illinois Beach State Park	E. Walters	191	Lake Forest Nature Preserves	R. Peterson
286	Chicago's Jackson Park	P. Clyne	187	Illinois Beach State Park	J. McDaniel
284	Chicago's Lincoln Park	J. Sanders	186	Skokie Lagoons	E. Walters
283	Chicago's Lincoln Park	E. Walters	184	Chicago's Jackson Park	S. Friscia
281	Chicago's Lincoln Park	D. Antieau	184	Wadsworth Wetlands	A. Stokie
280	Chicago's Lincoln Park	K. Hirabayashi	178	Chicago's Jackson Park	A. Stokie
280	Chicago's Lincoln Park	J. Lill	175	Illinois Beach State Park	J. Chapman
280	Illinois Beach State Park	R. Erickson	173	Chicago's Jackson Park	E. Walters
278	Chicago's Lincoln Park	T. Kelly	171	Chicago's Burnham Park	E. Walters
274	Chicago's Lincoln Park	M. Devlin	167	Wadsworth Wetlands	J. Sanders
272	Chicago's Lincoln Park	J. Engel	157	Illinois Beach State Park	C. Taylor
270	Chicago's Lincoln Park	M. Cvetas			
267	Chicago's Lincoln Park	A. Meloy			
265	Chicago's Lincoln Park	F. Morel			
259	Chicago's Lincoln Park	<i>J. Norek</i>			
258	Chicago's Lincoln Park	B. Heimer	<u>325</u>	Chautauqua N.W.R.	K. Richmond
257	Chicago's Burnham Park	D. Stotz	299	Carlyle Lake	K. McMullen
256	Chicago's Lincoln Park	<i>W. Dreuth</i>	294	Horseshoe Lake C.A.	F. Holmes
256	Chicago's Lincoln Park	A. Stokie	290	Rice Lake C.A.	K. Richmond
<u>253</u>	Chicago's Jackson Park	D. Anderson	270	Fermilab	P. Kasper
248	Chicago's Lincoln Park	A. Aldrich	268	Pratt's Wayne Woods F.P.	P. Moxon
244	Chicago's Lincoln Park	B. Fisher	265	Dixon Waterfowl Refuge	D. Stotz
244	Chicago's Lincoln Park	K. Fisher	259	Carlyle Lake	T. Mahan
243	Waukegan Beach & Harbor	E. Walters	257	Chautauqua N.W.R.	P. Moxon
241	Chicago's Jackson Park	R. Shonkwiler	257	Fermilab	P. Moxon
240	Chicago's Lincoln Park	T. Lally	257	Mermet Lake C.A.	F. Bennett
238	Chicago's Jackson Park	S. Carpenter	256	Chautauqua N.W.R.	C. Dobson
236	Chicago's Lincoln Park	P. Moxon	253	Oak Run (Knox Co.)	M. Baum
232	Illinois Beach State Park	<i>S. Hickman</i>	250	Rock Cut S.P.	D. Williams
225	Wolf L.-Eggers Forest Pres.	D. Stotz	250	Sanganois C.A.	K. Richmond
222	Waukegan Beach & Harbor	A. Stokie	<u>250</u>	Spunky Bottoms	C. Dobson
219	Skokie Lagoons	J. Sanders	246	Emiquon N.W.R.	P. Moxon
216	Illinois Beach State Park	K. McMullen	245	Spring Lake C.A.	K. Richmond

### Large (greater than 3 sq. miles/1920 acres) (150 minimum)

237	Union County C.A.	V. Kleen	156	Waterfall Glen F.P.	J. Chapman
236	Prairie Ridge S.N.A.	J. Walk	155	Jubilee College S.P.	M. Brucker
234	Carlyle Lake	E. Walters	150	Horseshoe Lake S.P.	E. Walters
232	Chautauqua N.W.R.	A. Gilbert	150	Pratt's Wayne Woods F.P.	E. Walters
232	Horseshoe Lake C.A.	K. McMullen			
228	Rock Cut S.P.	J. Donaldson			
227	Lake Shelbyville	T. & K. Forcum			
222	Elden Hazlet S.P.	K. McMullen			
221	Fermilab	E. Secker	261	Crabtree Nature Center	C. Westcott
220	Carlyle Lake	C. Taylor	257	McGinnis Slough	<i>W. Serafin</i>
218	Fermilab	U. Geiser	<u>250</u>	Max McGraw Wildlife Fed.	R. Montgomery
218	Waterfall Glen F.P.	B. Fisher	245	Greene Valley F.P.	M. Madsen
217	Dixon Waterfowl Refuge	T. Hartzler	236	Morton Arboretum	E. Walters
213	Fermilab	B. Fisher	235	Greene Valley F.P.	Je. Smith
210	Chautauqua N.W.R.	K. McMullen	235	Herrick Lake F.P.	P. Moxon
210	Rock Cut State Park	B. Grover	233	Edgewood Farms	Ja. Smith
210	Sand Ridge S.F.	K. Richmond	233	Shabbona Lake S.P.	D. Shambaugh
208	Fermilab	E. Walters	231	Nelson Lake F.P.	J. Duerr
206	Crab Orchard N.W.R.	L. Wright	231	Springbrook Prairie	J. Suchecki
206	Fermilab	K. Fisher	226	Morton Arboretum	P. Moxon
206	Starved Rock S.P.	C. McKee	225	Kennekuk County Park	S. Bailey
204	Lowden-Miller State Forest	P. Moxon	224	Crabtree Nature Center	J. Sanders
204	Palos Forest Preserves	E. Walters	223	Greene Valley F.P.	P. Moxon
204	Pratt's Wayne Woods F.P.	E. Secker	220	Springbrook Prairie	P. Moxon
204	Waterfall Glen F.P.	K. Fisher	216	Blackwell F.P.	P. Moxon
204	Waterfall Glen F.P.	U. Geiser	212	Nelson Lake F.P.	P. Moxon
201	Dixon Waterfowl Refuge	B. Fisher	211	Blackwell F.P.	E. Secker
200	Clear Lake	K. Richmond	210	Greene Valley F.P.	J. Chapman
200	Deer Grove F.P.	C. Fields	207	Shabbona Lake S.P.	R. Flemal
<u>200</u>	Illinois & Michigan Canal	D. Shambaugh	205	Greene Valley F.P.	U. Geiser
198	Rock Cut State Park	J. Longhenry	205	Morton Arboretum	J. Sanders
196	Fermilab	J. Chapman	204	Morton Arboretum	<i>J. Hardt</i>
193	Dixon Waterfowl Refuge	K. Fisher	200	Morton Arboretum	<i>T. Brown</i>
192	Des Plaines Cons. Area	D. Stotz	<u>200</u>	Morton Arboretum	M. Madsen
188	Banner Marsh	E. Carlson	199	Morton Arboretum	J. Chapman
188	Starved Rock State Park	D. Shambaugh	196	Chicago Portage	J. Duran
188	Waterfall Glen F.P.	M. Madsen	195	Burnidge F.P.	J. Wrinn
185	Fermilab	A. Aldrich	194	Morton Arboretum	<i>F. Swink</i>
182	Fermilab	A. Stokie	192	Morton Arboretum	M.B. Chapman
179	Emiquon N.W.R.	K. McMullen	190	Severson Dells F.P.	J. Donaldson
178	Clinton Lake	E. Walters	189	Afton Forest Preserve	D. Shambaugh
176	Two Rivers N.W.R.	E. Walters	188	Blackwell F.P.	E. Walters
175	Pratt's Wayne Woods F.P.	U. Geiser	188	Goose Lake Prairie S.P.	J. Chapman
174	Midewin Tallgrass N.P.	D. Stotz	185	Sand Lake	K. Richmond
171	Chautauqua N.W.R.	J. Sanders	184	Lake Renwick Preserve	A. Aldrich
170	Dixon Waterfowl Refuge	E. Walters	184	Nelson Lake F.P.	A. Aldrich
170	Lake Shelbyville	E. Walters	183	Morton Arboretum	E. Secker
169	Rend Lake	E. Walters	182	Morton Arboretum	<i>R. Wason</i>
167	Dixon Waterfowl Refuge	D. Shambaugh	181	Green Oaks Field Station	J. Mountjoy
167	Starved Rock S.P.	E. Walters	179	Morton Arboretum	U. Geiser
165	Des Plaines Cons. Area	J. Chapman	177	Johnson-Sauk Trail S.P.	E. Walters
164	Union County C.A.	E. Walters	176	Nelson Lake F.P.	E. Secker
160	Mermet Lake C.A.	E. Walters	175	McGinnis Slough	E. Walters
160	Rend Lake	D. Miller	175	Silver Springs S.P.	D. Shambaugh
157	Mississippi Palisades S.P.	E. Walters	175	Springbrook Prairie	U. Geiser
156	Crab Orchard N.W.R.	E. Walters	173	Nelson Lake Marsh	N. Bent
156	Meredosia N.W.R.	E. Walters	170	Nelson Lake Marsh	R. Reason

**Medium (from 1-3 sq.miles/640-1920 acres)**  
(125 minimum)

170	Rockford's Anna Page Park	D. Williams	<u>200</u>	Great Lakes N.T.C.	E. Walters
167	Herrick Lake F.P.	U. Geiser	198	Chicago's Humboldt Park	S. Burckhardt
166	Crabtree Nature Center	<i>J. McDaniel</i>	192	Chicago's Rainbow Beach Pk.	D. Stotz
165	Woodford County C.A	<i>J. Rink</i>	192	Hidden Lake F.P.	E. Walters
164	Blackwell F.P.	A. Stokie	192	Montrose	A. Tedesco
164	Moraine Hills State Park	A. Stokie	184	Chicago Botanic Garden	E. Walters
163	Lake Decatur Dredge Ponds	T. Mahan	182	Springbrook Golf Club	J. Smith
162	Moraine View S.P.	M. Retter	179	Chicago Botanic Garden	A. Anderson
159	Blackwell F.P.	U. Geiser	179	Hidden Lake F.P.	U. Geiser
158	Goose Lake Prairie S.P.	D. Stotz	179	Salt Creek Woods	D. Stotz
158	Greene Valley F.P.	M.B. Chapman	178	Oakhurst F.P.	A. Aldrich
158	Herrick Lake F.P.	P. Quagliana	177	West DuPage Woods	E. Secker
157	Canton's Lakeland Park	<i>K. Wright</i>	176	Clayton Smith Preserves	T. Lally
157	Nachusa Grasslands	E. Walters	175	Chicago Botanic Garden	J. Sundberg
156	LaSalle Lake	D. Shambaugh	175	Lock & Dam #13	J. Chapman
<u>152</u>	Lake Renwick Preserve	D. Stotz	175	Spring Bluff F.P.	E. Walters
149	Goose Lake Prairie S.P.	D. Shambaugh	173	Milford Treatment Plant	E. Schunke
149	Johnson-Sauk Trail S.P.	C. Taylor	172	Beaubien Woods F.P.	D. Stotz
148	McGinnis Slough	J. Sanders	169	N. Galesburg Dog Walk Area	J. Mountjoy
145	Green River Cons. Area	D. Shambaugh	167	Chicago Botanic Garden	A. Stokie
144	Nelson Lake F.P.	D. Shambaugh	165	Chicago's Calumet Park	D. Stotz
140	Johnson-Sauk Trail S.P.	D. Shambaugh	162	Chicago's Rosehill Cemetery	M. Devlin
140	Shabbona Lake State Park	E. Walters	162	Hidden Lake F.P.	J. Chapman
137	Illini State Park	D. Shambaugh	160	Whalon Lake F.P..	A. Aldrich
135	Lincoln Trails State Park	E. Walters	159	Lock & Dam #13	E. Walters
135	Port Louisa N.W.R.	E. Walters	157	Fox River Shores F.P.	E. Secker
129	Crabtree Nature Center	M. Perkowitz	157	Lyons Woods F.P.	E. Walters
129	Decatur's Rock Springs N.C.	E. Walters	156	Upper Spring Lake	E. Walters
129	Washington County C.A.	E. Walters	154	Redwing Slough S.N.A.	E. Walters

**Small (between .25-1 sq.mile/160-640 acres)**  
(125 minimum)

278	Montrose	G. Neise
270	Montrose	M. Devlin
270	Montrose	F. Morel
268	Montrose	R. DeCoster
268	Montrose	J. Lill
265	Montrose	J. Sanders
263	Montrose	J. Engel
258	Montrose	M. Cvetas
<u>252</u>	Chicago Botanic Garden	M. Hogg
248	West DuPage Woods	P. Moxon
240	Chicago Botanic Garden	J. Sanders
238	Chicago's Grant Park	D. Stotz
234	Chicago Botanic Garden	<i>L. Binford</i>
234	Montrose	A. Aldrich
230	Montrose	B. Fisher
224	Northpoint Marina	E. Walters
223	Montrose	K. Fisher
215	Whalon Lake F.P.	Je. Smith
213	Colored Sands F.P.	J. Longhenry
213	Whalon Lake F.P.	M. Madsen
209	Minonk Nature Trail	T. Hartzler
207	Fraker Farm	M. Fraker
207	Whalon Lake F.P.	P. Moxon
204	Glen Ellyn's Lake Ellyn	<i>B.T. Gault</i>

<u>151</u>	Chicago's Rosehill Cemetery	C. Nelson
145	Ryerson Conservation Area	E. Walters
143	Chicago's Rosehill Cemetery	J. Lill
142	Chicago's Calumet Park	E. Walters
141	Chicago's North Park Village	J. Lill
130	Ryerson Conservation Area	M. Perkowitz
130	Ryerson Conservation Area	J. Solum
129	Plum Creek F.P.	E. Walters
128	Ryerson Conservation Area	J. Sanders
127	Clayton Smith Preserves	J. Lill
127	LaBagh Woods F.P.	J. Lill
125	Naperville's Knoch Knolls Pk.	M. Madsen

**Very Small (less than .25 sq.mile/160 acres)**  
(100 minimum)

<u>257</u>	Wilmette's Gillson Park	E. Walters
235	Wilmette's Gillson Park	J. Sanders
208	Chicago's Northerly Island	D. Stotz
<u>201</u>	Judson University	E. Secker
194	North Shore Chan.-Evanston	E. Walters
165	Chicago's Navy Pier	R. Eiseman
163	Oak Bluff Savanna	M. Brucker
162	Sannauk F.P.	D. Shambaugh
162	Zion's Hosah Park	E. Walters
161	Chicago's Navy Pier	E. Walters

157	Evanston's James Park	M. Cvetas	129	Woodstock's Ryder's Woods	R. Baade
157	North Shore Chan.-Evanston	M. Cvetas	124	Waukegan's Bowen Park	E. Walters
146	Evanston's Calvary Cemetery	E. Walters	124	Wolf Road Prairie	C. Taylor
146	Wilkinson-Renwick Marsh	D. Shambaugh	117	Evanston's Perkins Woods	A. Meloy
144	Evanston's Perkins Woods	E. Walters	117	Wilmette's Gillson Park	J. Lill
143	Glenview's The Grove	J. Sanders	117	Zion's Shiloh Park	E. Walters
141	Wilkinson-Renwick Marsh	R. Flemal	116	Evanston's James Park	E. Walters
140	Klehm Arboretum	D. Williams	114	Waukegan's Bowen Park	J. Solum
138	Thomson Causeway R.A.	E. Walters	109	Bartonville's Mendenhall Park	E. Carlson
135	Zion's Edina Park	E. Walters	106	Saw Wee Kee Park	D. Shambaugh
132	Wolf Road Prairie	D. Stotz	103	Glen Ellyn's Goer's Woods	E. Walters
129	Chief Shabbona F.P.	D. Shambaugh	100	Shuh Shuh Gah Canoe Launch	D. Shambaugh
129	Peoria's Iris Park	E. Carlson	100	West Ridge Nature Preserve	M. Devlin

### Area Life Lists

(150 minimum)

Doug Stotz added one new area to the list (Bemis Woods/Salt Creek). Eric Walters picked up eight new species at the Palisades Region, and also at the Two Rivers Region, surpassing 200 at that site. Josh Engel increased his Greater Grant Park Ecosystem total by seven species.

336	Illinois River N.F.W.R	K. Richmond	250	Ill. Beach State Park (area)	J. Solum
308	Ill. Beach State Park (area)	E. Walters	250	Univ. of Ill. (Champaign)	R. Chapel
304	Chicago Park District Parks	J. Lill	249	Cook Co. Forest Preserves	J. Sanders
303	Ill. Beach State Park (area)	A. Stokie	248	Cook Co. Forest Preserves	E. Walters
297	Chicago's Lakefront Parks	E. Walters	247	Ill. Beach State Park (area)	D. Williams
295	Chicago's Lakefront Parks	J. Lill	244	Cook Co. Forest Preserves	J. Lill
295	DuPage Co. Forest Preserves	B. Fisher	244	Ill. Beach State Park (area)	D. Johnson
289	DuPage Co. Forest Preserves	K. Fisher	244	Waukegan Parks/Lakefront	E. Walters
287	Chicago's Lakefront Parks	J. Sanders	242	Ill. Beach State Park (area)	P. Sweet
285	Evanston/Gillson Park	E. Walters	236	Cook Co. Forest Preserves	A. Stokie
283	Chicago's Lakefront Parks	D. Stotz	236	DeKalb Co. Forest Preserves	D. Shambaugh
282	Ill. Beach State Park (area)	R. Erickson	236	Starved Rock/Mattheissen	J. McKee
281	Chicago's Lakefront Parks	M. Cvetas	235	Evanston/Gillson Park	M. Cvetas
279	Lake Co. Forest Preserves	E. Walters	234	Du Page Co. Forest Preserves	E. Walters
278	Evanston/Gillson Park	J. Sanders	233	Morton Arb./Hidden Lake	P. Moxon
278	Ill. Beach State Park (area)	J. Sanders	232	Fox River (Kane Co.)	E. Secker
277	Evanston Lakefront	E. Walters	230	Palisades Region	E. Walters
275	Chicago's Lakefront Parks	M. Devlin	229	McGinnis/Palos F. Preserves	J. Sanders
274	Chicago's Lakefront Parks	A. Stokie	226	Greater Grant Pk. Ecosystem	J. Engel
273	Emiquon/Thompson Lake	C. Dobson	224	McGinnis/Palos F. Preserves	S. Friscia
271	L. Calumet/Egger's Woods	J. Sanders	222	Cook Co. Forest Preserves	M. Cvetas
270	Illinois State Parks	C. Taylor	219	Greater Grant Pk. Ecosystem	T. Schulenberg
268	McGinnis/Palos F. Preserves	W. Serafin	219	Zion Parks/Preserves	E. Walters
269	Greater Grant Pk. Ecosystem	D. Stotz	218	McGinnis/Palos F. Preserves	K. Wysocki
264	Du Page Co. For. Preserves	E. Secker	217	Cook Co. Forest Preserves	B. Fisher
264	L. Calumet/Egger's Woods	D. Stotz	216	Cook Co. Forest Preserves	K. Fisher
264	Meredosia/Four Corners	C. Dobson	213	Morton Arb./Hidden Lake	J. Chapman
262	Kane Co. Forest Preserves	E. Secker	213	Morton Arb./Hidden Lake	U. Geiser
259	Evanston/Gillson Park	J. Engel	212	Kane Co. Forest Preserves	J. Sanders
258	Du Page Co. For. Preserves	J. Smith	212	Kane Co. Forest Preserves	D. Shambaugh
258	Mississippi River	E. Walters	211	L. Calumet/Egger's Woods	E. Walters
257	Cook Co. Forest Preserves	D. Stotz	210	McGinnis/Palos F. Preserves	P. Dring
256	Du Page Co. For. Preserves	J. Chapman	209	McGinnis/Palos F. Preserves	E. Walters
253	Lake Mauvaisterre (area)	C. Dobson	206	McGinnis/Palos F. Preserves	A. Stokie
250	Evanston Lakefront	J. Engel	205	Lake Forest Parks/Preserves	R. Peterson

204	Palisades Region	J. Chapman	191	McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves	K. Hanson
203	Morton Arb./Hidden Lake	E. Secker	190	Bemis Woods/Salt Creek	D. Stotz
201	McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves	K. Fisher	190	Evanston/Gillson Park	J. Cvetas
201	Two Rivers Region	E. Walters	188	McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves	C. Taylor
200	Kane Co. Forest Preserves	J. Wrinn	186	Evanston Lakefront	M. Cvetas
200	L. Calumet/Egger's Woods	J. Engel	186	Kane Co. Forest Preserves	E. Walters
200	L. Calumet/Egger's Woods	A. Stokie	165	Lake Calumet/Egger's Woods	B. Fisher
198	McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves	D. Stotz	165	North Shore Channel	J. Sanders
195	Chautauqua Region	E. Walters	162	Lake Calumet/Egger's Woods	K. Fisher
195	Morton Arb./Hidden Lake	M.B. Chapman	154	DeKalb Forest Preserves	J. Sanders
193	McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves	B. Fisher	151	Lake Calumet/Egger's Woods	K. Wysocki

### Site Big Years (100 minimum)

Eric Secker (Busse Woods F.P.) and Aerin Tedesco (Montrose) added two new sites to this category. Mike Madsen had a new site best for Whalon Lake F.P. Jeff Chapman makes his first appearance on this list (two sites).  
*Tallies are limited to a birder's top three totals for a given site.*

247	Chicago's Lincoln Park	Robert Hughes	1996
243	Chicago's Lincoln Park	John Purcell	1996
232	Chicago's Lincoln Park	Geoff Williamson	2007
227	Chicago's Lincoln Park	Michelle Devlin	2013
226	Chicago's Jackson Park	Paul Clyne	1996
226	Chicago's Lincoln Park	Kanae Hirabayashi	1996
225	Chicago's Lincoln Park	John Purcell	1995
224	Chicago's Lincoln Park	John Purcell	1994
224	Chicago's Lincoln Park	Geoff Williamson	2005
222	Chicago's Lincoln Park	Kanae Hirabayashi	1995
221	Chicago's Lincoln Park	Geoff Williamson	2006
220	Illinois Beach S.P.	Eric Walters	2007
217	Illinois Beach S.P.	Eric Walters	2009
216	Chicago's Lincoln Park	Kanae Hirabayashi	1994
214	Chicago's Lincoln Park	Jeff Sanders	1971
214	Fermi National Accelerator Lab	Peter Kasper	1994
213	Illinois Beach S.P.	Eric Walters	2006
210	Chicago's Lincoln Park	Michelle Devlin	2012
210	Fermi National Accelerator Lab	Peter Kasper	1996
208	Fermi National Accelerator Lab	Peter Kasper	1991
208	Chicago's Grant Park	Doug Stotz	1998
208	Horseshoe Lake C.A.	Frank Holmes	2006
208	Chicago's Lincoln Park	Dave Antieau	2015
206	Chicago's Lincoln Park	Michelle Devlin	2011
204	Chicago's Lincoln Park	Josh Engel	2012
200	Chautauqua N.W.R.	Kevin Richmond	1996
200	Chicago's Lincoln Park	Josh Engel	2011
199	Chicago's Lincoln Park	William Dreuth	1938
198	Chicago's Lincoln Park	Fran Morel	2012
197	Chicago's Jackson Park	Randy Shonkwiler	2013
195	Burnidge Forest Preserve	Justin Wrinn	2015
195	Horseshoe Lake C.A.	Frank Holmes	2003
194	Dixon Waterfowl Refuge	Doug Stotz	2005
190	Dixon Waterfowl Refuge	Doug Stotz	2004
190	Prairie Ridge State Natural Area	Jeff Walk	1996
190	Waukegan Beach & Harbor	Adam Sell	2013
188	Gillson Park	Eric Walters	1996
187	Chicago's Lincoln Park	Joan Norek	2013

186	Chicago's Lincoln Park	Joan Norek	2015
185	Carlyle Lake	Keith McMullen	1999
185	Skokie Lagoons	Jeff Sanders	1971
183	Gillson Park	Eric Walters	1990
182	Chicago Botanic Garden	Laurie Binford	1993
182	Chicago's Jackson Park	Scott Carpenter	2003
182	Dixon Waterfowl Refuge	Doug Stotz	2003
182	Morton Arboretum	Eric Walters	1988
181	Gillson Park	Eric Walters	1995
180	Busse Woods F.P.	Eric Secker	2016
180	Gillson Park	Eric Walters	1997
179	Morton Arboretum	Eric Secker	2003
179	Shabbona Lake S.P.	Ron Flemal	1996
179	Skokie Lagoons	Jeff Sanders	1972
177	Chicago's Lincoln Park	Eric Walters	1996
176	Skokie Lagoons	Jeff Sanders	1973
173	Blackwell F.P.	Eric Secker	2003
172	Midwin National Tallgrass Prairie	Doug Stotz	1998
171	Dixon Waterfowl Refuge	Doug Stotz	2010
170	Greene Valley F.P.	Mike Madsen	2007
169	Chicago's Lincoln Park	Sam Burckhardt	2011
169	Skokie Lagoons	Jeff Sanders	1965
168	Greene Valley F.P.	Mike Madsen	2016
168	Shabbona Lake S.P.	Darrell Shambaugh	1999
167	Shabbona Lake S.P.	Darrell Shambaugh	1998
164	Waukegan Beach & Harbor	Eric Walters	2009
163	Deer Grove F.P.	Carolyn Fields	1996
162	Illinois Beach S.P.	Paul Sweet	2001
161	Montrose	Aerin Tedesco	2016
160	Chicago's Humboldt Park	Sam Burckhardt	2012
160	Greene Valley F.P.	Mike Madsen	2005
156	Judson University	Eric Secker	2014
156	Woodford County Cons. Area	Justin Rink	1998
155	Springbrook Prairie	Joe Suchecki	2002
154	Johnson-Sauk Trail S.P.	Eric Walters	2007
154	Waukegan Beach & Harbor	Eric Walters	2007
153	Springbrook Prairie	Joe Suchecki	1995
152	Moraine View S.P.	Michael Retter	1998
152	Poplar Creek F.P.	Judy Mellin	2004
151	Springbrook Prairie	Joe Suchecki	1996
150	Chicago's Humboldt Park	Sam Burckhardt	2010
150	Waukegan Beach & Harbor	Eric Walters	2011
149	Clinton Lake	Michael Retter	1997
149	Johnson-Sauk Trail S.P.	Craig Taylor	2007
146	Poplar Creek F.P.	Judy Mellin	2003
146	Moraine Hills S.P.	Al Stokie	1989
145	Skokie Lagoons	Jeff Sanders	2005
142	Chautauqua N.W.R.	Jeff Sanders	1970
141	Shabbona Lake S.P.	Ron Flemal	1995
141	West DuPage Woods F.P.	Eric Secker	2004
140	Chicago's Rainbow Beach Park	Doug Stotz	2010
140	Judson University	Eric Secker	2012
140	Whalon Lake F.P.	Mike Madsen	2016
139	Greene Valley F.P.	Jeff Chapman	2016
135	Judson University	Eric Secker	2015
135	Whalon Lake F.P.	Mike Madsen	2013
133	Salt Creek Woods	Doug Stotz	2004

133	Poplar Creek F.P.	Judy Mellin	1996
131	Northpoint Marina	Eric Walters	2011
130	Des Plaines Conservation Area	Doug Stotz	2010
130	Morton Arboretum	Jeff Chapman	2016
128	Chicago's Beaubien Woods	Doug Stotz	2008
127	Chautauqua N.W.R.	Jeff Sanders	1974
127	Salt Creek Woods	Doug Stotz	2010
126	Jubilee College S.P.	Maury Brucker	2005
125	Spring Bluff F.P.	Eric Walters	2009
122	Evanston's Perkins Woods	Eric Walters	1995
122	Shabbona Lake S.P.	Darrell Shambaugh	1995
121	Chicago's Grant Park	Doug Stotz	2010
121	Great Lakes N.T.C.	Eric Walters	2006
120	Chicago's Museum Campus	Doug Stotz	2010
118	Evanston's Perkins Woods	Eric Walters	1996
117	Chicago's Rosehill Cemetery	Michelle Devlin	2013
117	Northpoint Marina	Eric Walters	2009
115	North Galesburg Dog Walk Area	Jim Mountjoy	2013
113	Chicago's Rosehill Cemetery	Michelle Devlin	2012
113	Evanston's Perkins Woods	Eric Walters	1997
113	Lyons Woods F.P.	Eric Walters	2006
112	Chicago's Northerly Island	Doug Stotz	2010
112	Woodstock's Ryder's Woods	Renee Baade	1995
110	Woodstock's Ryder's Woods	Renee Baade	1996
108	Lyons Woods F.P.	Eric Walters	2009
103	Northpoint Marina	Eric Walters	2010

### Area Big Years (150 minimum)

*Tallies are limited to a birder's top three totals for a given area.*

237	Illinois Beach S.P. (area)	Eric Walters	2009
230	Chicago's Lakefront Parks	Michelle Devlin	2013
230	Illinois Beach S.P./Northpoint	Al Stokie	1994
219	Chicago's Lakefront Parks	Michelle Devlin	2012
215	Evanston/Gillson Park	Josh Engel	1998
214	Lake Calumet/Eggers Woods	Doug Stotz	1998
211	Illinois Beach S.P. (area)	Eric Walters	2013
208	Illinois Beach S.P./Northpoint	Paul Sweet	2003
207	Evanston/Gillson Park	Eric Walters	1996
207	Palos Forest Preserves/McGinnis	Wes Serafin	1994
204	Evanston/Gillson Park	Eric Walters	1990
202	Illinois Beach S.P./Northpoint	Al Stokie	1990
201	LeVasseur Park/Perry Farm Trail	Jed Hertz	2003
200	Evanston Lakefront	Eric Walters	1990
196	Evanston/Gillson Park	Eric Walters	1995
193	Lake Calumet/Eggers Woods	Walter Marcisz	1994
192	Evanston Lakefront	Eric Walters	1996
186	Evanston Lakefront	Eric Walters	1997
175	Palatine	Carolyn Fields	1996
167	Greater Grant Park Ecosystem	Josh Engel	2011
164	Palatine	Carolyn Fields	1995

## Site Big Days

Eric Secker established a new record for a Single Observer Big Day at Busse Woods (a new Big Day location). Coincidentally, his total matches the record total for a Team Big Day at one site. Eric Walters turned in numbers for a new site (Northpoint Marina) and for an additional triple-digit day at IBSP.

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## Team Big Days

*(the 95% Rule applies; 80 minimum)*

126	Illinois Beach S.P.	05/18/00	J. Engel, E. Walters
126	Illinois Beach S.P. (South Unit)	05/09/15	D. Diaz, A. Sell, J. Solum
120	Carlyle Lake	09/09/00	D. Kassebaum, K. McMullen
115	West DuPage Woods/Elsen's Hill	05/07/11	A. Secker, E. Secker
112	Chicago's Jackson Park	05/04/00	S. Carpenter, P. Clyne
111	West DuPage Woods/Elsen's Hill	05/08/04	A. Secker, E. Secker
106	Morton Arboretum	05/06/89	T. Brown, R. Wagner, E. Walters
103	Chicago Botanic Garden	05/11/91	L. Binford, R. Biss, M. Hogg
102	Fermilab	05/06/00	P. Kasper, J. Pomatto, D. Kania
91	Chicago's Lincoln Park	05/13/12	C. Williamson, G. Williamson
91	Decatur's Rock Springs N.C.	05/05/06	T. Mahan, E. Walters
91	Iroquois County C.A.	05/16/10	T. Kelly, G. Williamson
89	Illinois Beach S.P.	10/14/95	J. Engel, E. Walters
88	Chain'O Lakes S.P.	05/08/93	L. Binford, B. O'Shea

## Single Observer Big Days

*(60 minimum)*

126	Busse Woods F.P.	05/17/16	E. Secker
123	Illinois Beach S.P.	05/15/13	E. Walters
114	Rock Cut S.P.	05/15/15	E. Secker
113	Chicago's Jackson Park	05/09/96	P. Clyne
110	Dixon Waterfowl Refuge	05/06/03	D. Stotz
108	Chicago's Jackson Park	05/09/89	S. Suter
107	Chicago's Lincoln Park	05/10/96	K. Hirabayashi
105	Lake Chautauqua	08/14/99	S. Bailey
103	Montrose	05/08/14	R. Hughes
103	Montrose	05/21/14	R. Hughes
103	Nachusa Grasslands	05/15/10	E. Walters
102	Chicago's Lincoln Park	05/15/15	G. Williamson
101	Carlyle Lake	09/30/01	K. McMullen
101	Morton Arboretum	05/05/90	E. Walters
100	Carlyle Lake	09/01/01	K. McMullen
100	Illinois Beach S.P.	05/16/16	E. Walters
100	Port Louisa N.W.R.	05/07/05	E. Walters
97	Illinois Beach S.P.	05/18/94	A. Stokie
96	Siloam Springs S.P.	05/06/06	E. Walters
95	Dixon Waterfowl Refuge	08/25/05	D. Stotz
93	Illinois Beach S.P.	05/21/15	E. Walters
93	Morton Arboretum	05/10/96	E. Walters (in 2 hours)
91	Carlyle Lake	10/01/97	K. McMullen
91	Morton Arboretum	05/08/04	J. Chapman
90	Chicago's Lincoln Park	05/15/02	E. Walters
89	Northpoint Marina	05/11/16	E. Walters
89	Washington Co. C.A.	05/02/05	E. Walters
87	Nachusa Grasslands	05/08/06	E. Walters



82	Clinton Lake	10/02/04	E. Walters
81	Skokie Lagoons	05/15/65	J. Sanders
79	Skokie Lagoons	09/04/64	J. Sanders
74	Fort Massac S.P.	05/09/15	E. Walters
73	Clinton Lake	10/07/00	D. Thomas
73	Johnson-Sauk Trail S.P.	05/07/06	E. Walters
72	Clinton Lake	05/05/06	E. Walters
72	Johnson-Sauk Trail S.P.	05/11/07	C. Taylor
72	Lincoln Trails S.P.	05/10/15	E. Walters
72	Olympia Fields Country Club	05/08/99	M. Hahn
70	Dixon Waterfowl Refuge	11/20/01	D. Stotz
69	Northwestern University	05/21/78	J. Sanders
67	Meredosia N.W.R.	09/02/06	E. Walters
67	Two Rivers N.W.R.	10/18/08	E. Walters
65	Chicago's Jackson Park	03/31/05	P. Clyne
64	Johnson-Sauk Trail S.P.	05/05/07	C. Taylor
62	Plum Creek F.P. (Cook Co.)	06/24/02	E. Walters

### **Area Big Days**

Joe Lill and the late Wes Serafin set an Area Big Day record at the Palos/Orland Forest Preserves, breaking a 19-year-old mark!

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### **Team Big Days**

*(the 95% Rule applies; 80 minimum)*

127	Palos/Orland Forest Preserves	05/15/16	J. Lill, W. Serafin
124	Chicago's Lakefront Parks	05/19/97	J. Engel, E. Walters
121	Palos/Orland SBC Area	05/09/15	C. Hillegonds, W. Serafin
118	Palos/Orland SBC Area	05/01/12	C. Hillegonds, W. Serafin
118	Palos/Orland SBC Area	05/10/14	C. Hillegonds, W. Serafin, J. Skrentny
109	Evanston/Gillson Park	05/08/99	J. Engel, M. Sherer, E. Walters
104	Palos Forest Preserves/McGinnis	05/06/00	S. Friscia, W. Serafin
94	Chicago's Lakefront Parks	05/17/14	J. Anderson, J. Lill

### **Single Observer Big Days**

*(60 minimum)*

110	Palisades Region	05/12/06	J. Chapman
104	Chicago's Lakefront Parks	05/08/97	E. Walters
103	Lake Calumet/Egger's Woods	09/09/98	D. Stotz
102	Chicago's Lakefront Parks	05/20/02	E. Walters
102	Evanston Lakefront/Canal	05/10/03	E. Walters
98	McGinnis Slough/Palos F.P.	05/23/98	W. Serafin
70	Evanston/Gillson Park	09/21/98	J. Engel

## Local Patch Lists

*Here are the rules: draw a circle 7.5 miles in radius from your home. The resultant 15-mile wide circle is one's Local Patch. This is the same diameter used for Christmas Bird Counts. Any state-listed bird identified within your patch counts. If a portion of a site falls within your count circle you may count anything from the site as long as a considerable portion (over 50% is a suggested guideline) falls within your circle. If only a small portion of a site lies within your circle, you should not count species from the entire site, only from the part that falls within your circle.*

Four new life lists were added to the Local Patch lists. Andrew Aldrich had the most additions (+9) of those birders already on the list. The biggest increases in the Local Patch Big Year list (it's only our 2<sup>nd</sup> year) were by the three members of the Listers Corner Committee: Jim Mountjoy (+47), Joe Lill (+22) and Mike Madsen (+8).

### Local Patch Life Lists

*(150 minimum)*

300	Josh Engel
292	Rich DeCoster
287	Matthew Cvetas
282	Michelle Devlin
282	Mike Madsen
272	Jeff Smith
262	Joan Norek
262	Eric Secker (Judson location)
260	Andrew Aldrich
257	Beau Schaefer
249	Andy Gilbert (past residence)
239	Andy Gilbert (current residence)
238	Joe Lill
236	Evan Carlson
223	Jim Mountjoy
204	Justin Wrinn
184	Jeffrey Sanders

### Local Patch Big Years

*(100 minimum)*

252	Colin Dobson	2015
230	Beau Schaefer	2015
229	Fran Morel	2015
226	Beau Schaefer	2016
225	Andrew Aldrich	2015
222	Matthew Cvetas	2016
221	Matthew Cvetas	2015
221	Mike Madsen	2016
220	Andrew Aldrich	2016
213	Mike Madsen	2015
204	Justin Wrinn	2015
203	Michelle Devlin	2015
197	Eric Secker	2015
173	Evan Carlson	2016
151	Jim Mountjoy	2016
136	Joe Lill	2016
112	Joe Lill	2015
104	Jim Mountjoy	2015

## Definitions

A 'Site' can be generally defined as a single entity with a known legal/political contiguous boundary.

An 'Area' can be generally defined as an entity made up of two or more similar legal/political or contiguous sites.

There are a few situations where a defined legal/political site is not contiguous. Locations such as Illinois Beach State Park (north and south units), Pyramid State Park (main and Denmark sections), Panther Creek and Bellrose National Wildlife Refuge have separate sections which are not attached. However, in these cases the separate territories are described under the same political/legal name, so we call them a 'site' for purposes of our listing. Over many years, there are a number of sites that have added territory or in a few examples have lost territory. Applying common sense, if new territory is added to a known site, then upon official addition, species found in the new additional territory can be added as part of the site list. In the same vein, if a site territory shrinks, then, moving forward, species can no longer be added from the old territory. Applying the definitions above, a few commonly birded sites can now be defined in terms of their boundaries.

**Chautauqua Region:** Chautauqua N.W.R., Emiquon N.W.R., Banner Marsh, Quiver, Rice, Clear, Spring Goose & Thompson Lakes, Sand Ridge S.F.

**Chicago's Burnham Park** starts from the 55th Street Promontory on the south and extends to McFetridge/Solidarity Drive on the north and east of Lake Shore Drive (taking in McCormick Place, Northerly Island and Burnham Harbor).

**Chicago's Calumet Park:** Please note that Illinois waters only extend to about 20 yards offshore; most of Lake Michigan viewable from this site is in Indiana. There is an obelisk near the former power station which marks the state line.

**Chicago's Grant Park** is north of McFetridge/Solidarity Drive northward to Randolph Street and east of Michigan Avenue (taking in the Field Museum campus, Monroe Harbor and Grant and Millennium Park).

**Chicago's Lincoln Park** is North Avenue on the south up to Hollywood Avenue on the north and east of Marine/Lake Shore Drive/Lakeview/Lincoln Park West (taking in North Avenue Beach, Lincoln Park Zoo, North Pond, Belmont Harbor, Jarvis Bird Sanctuary, Montrose Harbor, Beach and Point).

**Montrose** is technically a subsite within Chicago's Lincoln Park. However, as one of the most popular birding locations in the Midwest, many birders keep a separate Montrose list. For listing purposes, the site is bounded by Lake Shore Drive on the west, Wilson Drive/Lawrence-Wilson Drive on the north (with a line extending the angle of Lawrence Ave. out to the beach or Lake Michigan), and the base of the western breakwater of Montrose Harbor on the south, with a line westward to Lake Shore Drive. The land area of the point, all of the beach, the fishhook pier, the northernmost end of the golf course (including the pond), the harbor, and the harbor breakwaters are considered to be part of the site, and all birds seen on Lake Michigan while the observer is within the site boundaries are countable.

**Evanston Lakefront** covers the whole Evanston lakefront east of Sheridan Road.

**Great Lakes Naval Training Center** is that portion of the Center which is east of Sheridan Road.

**Illinois Beach State Park (site)** consists of the sum of the north and south units added together (but not including the territory separating them).

**Illinois Beach State Park (area)** includes both units of Illinois Beach S.P., Hosah Park, Spring Bluff F.P., Northpoint Marina, Waukegan Beach and Harbor **Navy Pier** includes the Pier, Olive Park and the harbor and breakwaters around the pier.

**N.F.W.R.** = National Fish & Wildlife Refuge(s)

**Northpoint Marina** is north of the north unit of Illinois Beach State Park and east of Spring Bluff Forest Preserve up to the Wisconsin state line **Waukegan Beach and Harbor** are east of Pershing Road.

**North Shore Channel:** The Chicago section of the Channel is between Howard St. and the waterfall south of Foster Ave. and includes Chicago, Lincolnwood and a small part of Skokie; the Evanston section is between Howard St. and Sheridan Rd. and includes Evanston, Skokie and Wilmette. Sheridan Road is the dividing point between the Channel and Gillson Park.

**Palisades Region:** The Illinois section of the Mississippi River area north of US Route 30. Includes Mississippi Palisades S.P., Lost Mound, Spring Lake, Lock & Dam 13 and all other sites west of Highway 84..

**Two Rivers Region:** Two Rivers N.W.R., Batchtown N.W.R., Gibert, Swan, Fuller, Upper & Lower Stump Lakes, Dabbs Road Marsh, Pere Marquette.

We welcome definitions of confusing sites/areas from around the state.

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