

IOS Listers Corner 2019

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

Site Life Lists

The largest increase occurred at Chicago's Park 566 where Dan Lory added 31 species to his previous total. Other large increases were recorded by Eric Walters at Zion's Hosah Park (+20), Mike Madsen at Waterfall Glen (+17), Walters at Horseshoe Lake (+11) and Andrew Aldrich at Lincoln Park (+10). Birders who added new locations to these lists include Chris Bowman (small – Peck Farm Park), and David Antieau (very small – Horner Park). Geoffrey Williamson topped 300 in Lincoln Park. With the additions of some special Montrose birds, Fran Morel moves to the top of the Small Sites list.

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

(updated 5/5/20)

Lake Michigan Ecosystem (east of I-94/US 41)			
(Large and Medium Sites only; 150 minimum)			
324	Chicago's Lincoln Park	R. Hughes	221 Skokie Lagoons
310	Chicago's Lincoln Park	J. Purcell	216 Illinois Beach State Park
304	Chicago's Lincoln Park	G. Williamson	207 Waukegan Beach & Harbor
<u>303</u>	Chicago's Lincoln Park	<i>O. McHugh</i>	203 Chicago's Jackson Park
299	Chicago's Lincoln Park	L. Muñoz	<u>203</u> Chicago's Lincoln Park
299	Chicago's Lincoln Park	G. Neise	198 Chicago's Lincoln Park
291	Illinois Beach State Park	E. Walters	195 Lake Calumet
290	Illinois Beach State Park	A. Stokie	195 Wadsworth Wetlands
288	Chicago's Lincoln Park	J. Lill	194 Lake Calumet
286	Chicago's Jackson Park	P. Clyne	193 Chicago's Jackson Park
286	Chicago's Lincoln Park	M. Cvetas	191 Lake Forest Nature Preserves
286	Chicago's Lincoln Park	J. Sanders	187 Illinois Beach State Park
284	Chicago's Lincoln Park	E. Walters	186 Skokie Lagoons
283	Chicago's Lincoln Park	D. Antieau	184 Chicago's Jackson Park
280	Chicago's Lincoln Park	A. Aldrich	184 Wadsworth Wetlands
280	Chicago's Lincoln Park	K. Hirabayashi	180 Chicago's Lincoln Park
280	Illinois Beach State Park	R. Erickson	178 Chicago's Jackson Park
278	Chicago's Lincoln Park	T. Kelly	175 Illinois Beach State Park
273	Chicago's Lincoln Park	M. Devlin	173 Chicago's Burnham Park
272	Chicago's Lincoln Park	J. Engel	173 Chicago's Jackson Park
267	Chicago's Lincoln Park	A. Meloy	170 Illinois Beach State Park
261	Chicago's Lincoln Park	B. Heimer	167 Wadsworth Wetlands
259	Chicago's Lincoln Park	<i>J. Norek</i>	151 Chicago's Jackson Park
258	Chicago's Burnham Park	D. Stotz	
256	Chicago's Lincoln Park	<i>W. Dreuth</i>	
256	Chicago's Lincoln Park	A. Stokie	
255	Chicago's Lincoln Park	T. Lally	
<u>253</u>	Chicago's Jackson Park	D. Anderson	
247	Chicago's Jackson Park	R. Shonkwiler	
244	Chicago's Lincoln Park	B. Fisher	
244	Chicago's Lincoln Park	<i>K. Fisher</i>	
243	Waukegan Beach & Harbor	E. Walters	
238	Chicago's Jackson Park	S. Carpenter	
236	Chicago's Lincoln Park	P. Moxon	
233	Chicago's Lincoln Park	I. O'Brien	
232	Illinois Beach State Park	<i>S. Hickman</i>	
230	Waukegan Beach & Harbor	A. Sell	
224	Chicago's Lincoln Park	C. Taylor	
224	Wolf L.-Eggers Forest Pres.	D. Stotz	
222	Waukegan Beach & Harbor	A. Stokie	
Large (greater than 3 sq. miles/1920 acres)			
(150 minimum)			
		<u>325</u>	Chautauqua N.W.R.
		299	Carlyle Lake
		294	Horseshoe Lake C.A.
		290	Rice Lake C.A.
		270	Fermilab
		268	Dixon Waterfowl Refuge
		268	Pratt's Wayne Woods F.P.
		259	Carlyle Lake
		257	Chautauqua N.W.R.
		257	Fermilab
		257	Mermet Lake C.A.
		256	Chautauqua N.W.R.
		252	Oak Run (Knox Co.)
		252	Rock Cut S.P.
		250	Sanganois C.A.
		<u>250</u>	Spunky Bottoms
			J. Sanders
			K. McMullen
			J. Solum
			J. Sanders
			S. Burckhardt
			J. Chapman
			D. Stotz
			<i>S. Hickman</i>
			E. Walters
			<i>K. Hanson</i>
			R. Peterson
			J. McDaniel
			E. Walters
			S. Friscia
			A. Stokie
			B. Dolgan
			A. Stokie
			J. Chapman
			E. Walters
			E. Walters
			C. Taylor
			J. Sanders
			C. Taylor
			K. Richmond
			K. McMullen
			F. Holmes
			K. Richmond
			P. Kasper
			D. Stotz
			P. Moxon
			T. Mahan
			P. Moxon
			P. Moxon
			F. Bennett
			C. Dobson
			M. Baum
			D. Williams
			K. Richmond
			C. Dobson

246	Emiquon N.W.R.	P. Moxon	165	Des Plaines Cons. Area	J. Chapman
245	Spring Lake C.A.	K. Richmond	161	Horseshoe Lake S.P.	E. Walters
239	Chautauqua N.W.R.	A. Gilbert	161	Jubilee College S.P.	E. Carlson
239	Emiquon N.W.R.	A. Gilbert	161	Mermet Lake C.A.	E. Walters
237	Union County C.A.	V. Kleen	160	Palos Forest Preserves	M. Cvetas
236	Prairie Ridge S.N.A.	J. Walk	160	Rend Lake	D. Miller
234	Carlyle Lake	E. Walters	159	Crab Orchard N.W.R.	E. Walters
232	Horseshoe Lake C.A.	K. McMullen	159	Fermilab	D. Lafkas
230	Carlyle Lake	C. Taylor	157	Mississippi Palisades S.P.	E. Walters
228	Rock Cut S.P.	J. Donaldson	157	Waterfall Glen F.P.	J. Chapman
227	Lake Shelbyville	T. & K. Forcum	156	Meredosia N.W.R.	E. Walters
222	Elden Hazlet S.P.	K. McMullen	155	Jubilee College S.P.	M. Brucker
221	Fermilab	E. Secker	150	Pratt's Wayne Woods F.P.	E. Walters
220	Dixon Waterfowl Refuge	T. Hartzler			
219	Waterfall Glen F.P.	B. Fisher			
217	Fermilab	U. Geiser			
212	Fermilab	B. Fisher	261	Crabtree Nature Center	C. Westcott
211	Waterfall Glen F.P.	M. Madsen	257	McGinnis Slough	W. Serafin
210	Chautauqua N.W.R.	K. McMullen	252	Greene Valley F.P.	M. Madsen
210	Rock Cut State Park	B. Grover	250	Max McGraw Wildlife Fed.	R. Montgomery
210	Sand Ridge S.F.	K. Richmond	242	Greene Valley F.P.	Je. Smith
209	Fermilab	E. Walters	238	Springbrook Prairie	J. Suchecki
206	Crab Orchard N.W.R.	L. Wright	237	Morton Arboretum	E. Walters
206	Starved Rock S.P.	C. McKee	235	Herrick Lake F.P.	P. Moxon
205	Dixon Waterfowl Refuge	B. Fisher	234	Shabbona Lake S.P.	D. Shambaugh
205	Fermilab	K. Fisher	233	Edgewood Farms	Ja. Smith
205	Waterfall Glen F.P.	K. Fisher	231	Nelson Lake F.P.	J. Duerr
205	Waterfall Glen F.P.	U. Geiser	226	Morton Arboretum	P. Moxon
204	Lowden-Miller State Forest	P. Moxon	225	Kennekuk County Park	S. Bailey
204	Palos Forest Preserves	E. Walters	224	Crabtree Nature Center	J. Sanders
204	Pratt's Wayne Woods F.P.	E. Secker	223	Greene Valley F.P.	P. Moxon
200	Clear Lake	K. Richmond	220	Springbrook Prairie	P. Moxon
200	Deer Grove F.P.	C. Fields	218	Nygren Wetland Preserve	D. Williams
200	Illinois & Michigan Canal	D. Shambaugh	217	Greene Valley F.P.	J. Chapman
199	Dixon Waterfowl Refuge	K. Fisher	216	Blackwell F.P.	P. Moxon
198	Fermilab	J. Chapman	212	Nelson Lake F.P.	P. Moxon
198	Rock Cut State Park	J. Longhenry	211	Blackwell F.P.	E. Secker
192	Banner Marsh	E. Carlson	207	Greene Valley F.P.	U. Geiser
192	Des Plaines Cons. Area	D. Stotz	207	Shabbona Lake S.P.	R. Flemal
191	Chautauqua N.W.R.	T. Hartzler	205	Morton Arboretum	J. Sanders
188	Starved Rock State Park	D. Shambaugh	204	Morton Arboretum	J. Chapman
185	Fermilab	A. Aldrich	204	Morton Arboretum	J. Hardt
182	Emiquon Visitor's Center	T. Hartzler	202	Morton Arboretum	M. Madsen
182	Fermilab	A. Stokie	200	Morton Arboretum	T. Brown
180	Clinton Lake	E. Walters	196	Chicago Portage	J. Duran
179	Emiquon N.W.R.	K. McMullen	195	Burnidge F.P.	J. Wrinn
177	Two Rivers N.W.R.	E. Walters	194	Morton Arboretum	F. Swink
175	Pratt's Wayne Woods F.P.	U. Geiser	192	Morton Arboretum	M.B. Chapman
174	Midewin Tallgrass N.P.	D. Stotz	190	Severson Dells F.P.	J. Donaldson
172	Dixon Waterfowl Refuge	D. Shambaugh	189	Afton Forest Preserve	D. Shambaugh
171	Chautauqua N.W.R.	J. Sanders	188	Blackwell F.P.	E. Walters
171	Dixon Waterfowl Refuge	E. Walters	188	Goose Lake Prairie S.P.	J. Chapman
170	Lake Shelbyville	E. Walters	185	Sand Lake	K. Richmond
170	Rend Lake	E. Walters	184	Green Oaks Field Station	J. Mountjoy
167	Chautauqua N.W.R.	C. Taylor	184	Lake Renwick Preserve	A. Aldrich
167	Starved Rock S.P.	E. Walters	184	Nelson Lake F.P.	A. Aldrich
167	Union County C.A.	E. Walters	183	Morton Arboretum	E. Secker

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

182	Morton Arboretum	<i>R. Wason</i>	234	Chicago Botanic Garden	<i>L. Binford</i>
179	Johnson-Sauk Trail S.P.	E. Walters	230	Montrose	B. Fisher
179	Morton Arboretum	U. Geiser	223	Montrose	I. O'Brien
177	Springbrook Prairie	U. Geiser	222	Montrose	<i>K. Fisher</i>
176	Nelson Lake F.P.	E. Secker	219	Whalon Lake F.P.	Je. Smith
175	McGinnis Slough	E. Walters	217	Whalon Lake F.P.	M. Madsen
175	Rockford's Anna Page Park	D. Williams	214	Montrose	C. Taylor
175	Silver Springs S.P.	D. Shambaugh	213	Colored Sands F.P.	J. Longhenry
173	Nelson Lake Marsh	N. Bent	211	Chicago Botanic Garden	A. Stokie
170	Nelson Lake Marsh	R. Reason	211	Coal Miner's Trail (Minonk)	T. Hartzler
167	Herrick Lake F.P.	U. Geiser	210	Fraker Farm	M. Fraker
166	Crabtree Nature Center	<i>J. McDaniel</i>	210	Montrose	B. Sanders
165	Woodford County C.A	<i>J. Rink</i>	207	Whalon Lake F.P.	P. Moxon
164	Blackwell F.P.	A. Stokie	204	Glen Ellyn's Lake Ellyn	<i>B.T. Gault</i>
164	Moraine Hills State Park	A. Stokie	<u>200</u>	Great Lakes N.T.C.	E. Walters
163	Lake Decatur Dredge Ponds	T. Mahan	198	Chicago's Humboldt Park	S. Burckhardt
162	Moraine View S.P.	M. Retter	196	Chicago's Rainbow Beach Pk.	D. Stotz
161	Nachusa Grasslands	E. Walters	192	Hidden Lake F.P.	E. Walters
159	Blackwell F.P.	U. Geiser	192	Montrose	A. Tedesco
158	Goose Lake Prairie S.P.	D. Stotz	188	Greenview Wetland	T. Hartzler
158	Greene Valley F.P.	M.B. Chapman	184	Chicago Botanic Garden	E. Walters
158	Herrick Lake F.P.	P. Quagliana	182	Springbrook Golf Club	J. Smith
157	Canton's Lakeland Park	<i>K. Wright</i>	180	Clayton Smith Preserves	T. Lally
156	LaSalle Lake	D. Shambaugh	180	Northwestern University	J. Sanders
153	Lake Renwick Preserve	D. Stotz	179	Chicago Botanic Garden	A. Anderson
152	Johnson-Sauk Trail S.P.	C. Taylor	179	Hidden Lake F.P.	U. Geiser
<u>151</u>	Goose Lake Prairie S.P.	D. Shambaugh	179	Salt Creek Woods	D. Stotz
148	McGinnis Slough	J. Sanders	179	West DuPage Woods	E. Secker
147	Green River Cons. Area	D. Shambaugh	178	Oakhurst F.P.	A. Aldrich
144	Nelson Lake F.P.	D. Shambaugh	178	Spring Bluff F.P.	E. Walters
143	Lincoln Trails State Park	E. Walters	177	Montrose	B. Dolgan
140	Johnson-Sauk Trail S.P.	D. Shambaugh	175	Chicago Botanic Garden	J. Sundberg
140	Shabbona Lake State Park	E. Walters	175	Lock & Dam #13	J. Chapman
137	Illini State Park	D. Shambaugh	175	N. Galesburg Dog Walk Area	J. Mountjoy
135	Port Louisa N.W.R.	E. Walters	173	Milford Treatment Plant	E. Schunke
135	Washington County C.A.	E. Walters	173	Northwestern University	I. O'Brien
129	Crabtree Nature Center	M. Perkowitz	172	Beaubien Woods F.P.	D. Stotz
129	Decatur's Rock Springs N.C.	E. Walters	172	Fox River Shores F.P.	E. Secker
			165	Chicago's Calumet Park	D. Stotz
			165	Lyons Woods F.P.	E. Walters
			162	Chicago's Rosehill Cemetery	M. Devlin
			162	Hidden Lake F.P.	J. Chapman
			161	Lock & Dam #13	E. Walters
			160	Whalon Lake F.P.	A. Aldrich
			157	Upper Spring Lake	E. Walters
			155	Bemis Woods F.P.	D. Stotz
			154	Redwing Slough S.N.A.	E. Walters
			152	Chicago's Grant Park	E. Walters
			152	Hidden Lake F.P.	E. Secker
			151	Chicago's Rosehill Cemetery	C. Nelson
			150	LaBagh Woods F.P.	L. Muñoz
<u>252</u>	Chicago Botanic Garden	M. Hogg	<u>150</u>	Universal-Peabody Strip Mine	E. Walters
248	West DuPage Woods	P. Moxon	148	Ryerson Conservation Area	J. Sanders
241	Geneva's Peck Farm Park	C. Bowman	147	LaBagh Woods F.P.	J. Lill
240	Chicago Botanic Garden	J. Sanders	145	Chicago's Rosehill Cemetery	J. Lill
240	North Point Marina	E. Walters	145	Ryerson Conservation Area	E. Walters
238	Chicago's Grant Park	D. Stotz	142	Chicago's Calumet Park	E. Walters
Small (between .25-1 sq.mile/160-640 acres)					
	(125 minimum)				
282	Montrose	F. Morel			
279	Montrose	J. Lill			
278	Montrose	G. Neise			
274	Montrose	M. Cvetas			
274	Northwestern University	E. Walters			
272	Montrose	A. Aldrich			
270	Montrose	R. DeCoster			
269	Montrose	M. Devlin			
267	Montrose	J. Sanders			
263	Montrose	J. Engel			
<u>252</u>	Chicago Botanic Garden	M. Hogg			
248	West DuPage Woods	P. Moxon			
241	Geneva's Peck Farm Park	C. Bowman			
240	Chicago Botanic Garden	J. Sanders			
240	North Point Marina	E. Walters			
238	Chicago's Grant Park	D. Stotz			

142	Chicago's North Park Village	J. Lill	141	Wilkinson-Renwick Marsh	R. Flemal
137	Clayton Smith Preserves	J. Lill	140	Klehm Arboretum	D. Williams
130	Ryerson Conservation Area	M. Perkowitz	138	Thomson Causeway R.A.	E. Walters
130	Ryerson Conservation Area	J. Solum	137	Zion's Edina Park	E. Walters
129	Plum Creek F.P.	E. Walters	134	Wolf Road Prairie	D. Stotz
127	Naperville's Knoch Knolls Pk.	M. Madsen	132	Peoria's Iris Park	E. Carlson
Very Small (less than .25 sq.mile/160 acres)			129	Chief Shabbona F.P.	D. Shambaugh
(100 minimum)			129	Woodstock's Ryder's Woods	<i>R. Baade</i>
<u>259</u>	Wilmette's Gillson Park	E. Walters	126	Carpentersville Dam	O. Burrus
235	Wilmette's Gillson Park	J. Sanders	126	Waukegan's Bowen Park	E. Walters
219	Chicago's Park No. 566	D. Lory	125	Wolf Road Prairie	C. Taylor
209	Chicago's Northerly Island	D. Stotz	125	Zion's Shiloh Park	E. Walters
<u>205</u>	Judson University	E. Secker	118	Glen Ellyn's Goer's Woods	E. Walters
194	North Shore Chan.-Evanston	E. Walters	117	Evanston's Perkins Woods	A. Meloy
182	Zion's Hosah Park	E. Walters	117	Wilmette's Gillson Park	J. Lill
165	Chicago's Navy Pier	R. Eiseman	116	Evanston's James Park	E. Walters
163	Oak Bluff Savanna	M. Brucker	114	Waukegan's Bowen Park	J. Solum
163	Sannauk F.P.	D. Shambaugh	111	Chicago's Richard Clark Park	D. Antieau
161	Chicago's Navy Pier	E. Walters	109	Bartonville's Mendenhall Park	E. Carlson
160	North Shore Chan.-Evanston	M. Cvetas	106	Saw Wee Kee Park	D. Shambaugh
<u>158</u>	Evanston's James Park	M. Cvetas	106	Shuh Shuh Gah Canoe Launch	D. Shambaugh
146	Evanston's Calvary Cemetery	E. Walters	103	Mendota's Lake Kakusha	D. Shambaugh
146	Evanston's Perkins Woods	E. Walters	100	Chicago's Horner Park	D. Antieau
146	Wilkinson-Renwick Marsh	D. Shambaugh	100	West Ridge Nature Preserve	M. Devlin
143	Glenview's The Grove	J. Sanders			

Area Life Lists (150 minimum)

Joe Lill became the first birder to report more than 300 species in Chicago's Lakefront Parks.

336	Illinois River N.F.W. Refuges	K. Richmond	264	L. Calumet/Egger's Woods	D. Stotz
313	Chicago Park District Parks	J. Lill	264	Meredosia/Four Corners	C. Dobson
304	Ill. Beach State Park (area)	E. Walters	260	Mississippi River	E. Walters
303	Ill. Beach State Park (area)	A. Stokie	259	Evanston/Gillson Park	J. Engel
<u>301</u>	Chicago's Lakefront Parks	J. Lill	258	Cook Co. Forest Preserves	D. Stotz
298	Chicago's Lakefront Parks	E. Walters	258	Du Page Co. For. Preserves	J. Smith
295	DuPage Co. Forest Preserves	B. Fisher	257	Du Page Co. For. Preserves	J. Chapman
294	Chicago's Lakefront Parks	M. Cvetas	256	Ill. Beach State Park (area)	D. Williams
290	Chicago's Lakefront Parks	J. Sanders	253	Cook Co. Forest Preserves	J. Lill
290	Illinois State Parks	C. Taylor	253	Lake Mauvaisterre (area)	C. Dobson
289	DuPage Co. Forest Preserves	<i>K. Fisher</i>	250	Evanston Lakefront	J. Engel
285	Evanston/Gillson Park	E. Walters	250	Ill. Beach State Park (area)	J. Solum
283	Chicago's Lakefront Parks	D. Stotz	<u>250</u>	Univ. of Ill. (Champaign)	<i>R. Chapel</i>
282	Ill. Beach State Park (area)	R. Erickson	249	Cook Co. Forest Preserves	J. Sanders
281	Lake Co. Forest Preserves	E. Walters	248	Cook Co. Forest Preserves	E. Walters
278	Evanston/Gillson Park	J. Sanders	245	Waukegan Parks/Lakefront	E. Walters
278	Ill. Beach State Park (area)	J. Sanders	244	Ill. Beach State Park (area)	D. Johnson
274	Chicago's Lakefront Parks	M. Devlin	242	Ill. Beach State Park (area)	P. Sweet
274	Chicago's Lakefront Parks	A. Stokie	238	Evanston/Gillson Park	M. Cvetas
273	Emiquon/Thompson Lake	C. Dobson	236	Cook Co. Forest Preserves	A. Stokie
271	L. Calumet/Egger's Woods	J. Sanders	236	DeKalb Co. Forest Preserves	D. Shambaugh
269	Greater Grant Pk. Ecosystem	D. Stotz	236	Starved Rock/Mattheissen	J. McKee
268	McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves	<i>W. Serafin</i>	234	Du Page Co. Forest Preserves	E. Walters
265	Kane Co. Forest Preserves	E. Secker	234	Fox River (Kane Co.)	E. Secker
264	Du Page Co. For. Preserves	E. Secker	234	Palisades Region	E. Walters

233	Morton Arb./Hidden Lake	P. Moxon	205	Lake Forest Parks/Preserves	R. Peterson
229	McGinnis/Palos F. Preserves	J. Sanders	204	Palisades Region	J. Chapman
228	Cook Co. Forest Preserves	M. Cvetas	203	Morton Arb./Hidden Lake	E. Secker
226	Greater Grant Pk. Ecosystem	J. Engel	202	Two Rivers Region	E. Walters
226	Zion Parks/Preserves	E. Walters	201	McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves	K. Fisher
224	McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves	S. Friscia	200	Chautauqua Region	C. Taylor
219	Greater Grant Pk. Ecosystem	T. <i>Schulenberg</i>	200	Kane Co. Forest Preserves	J. Wrinn
218	McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves	K. Wysocki	200	L. Calumet/Egger's Woods	J. Engel
218	Morton Arb./Hidden Lake	J. Chapman	200	L. Calumet/Egger's Woods	A. Stokie
216	Cook Co. Forest Preserves	B. Fisher	198	McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves	D. Stotz
216	Kane Co. Forest Preserves	J. Sanders	195	Evanston Lakefront	M. Cvetas
215	Cook Co. Forest Preserves	K. Fisher	195	Morton Arb./Hidden Lake	M.B. Chapman
214	Ill. Beach State Park (area)	C. Taylor	193	Bemis Woods/Salt Creek	D. Stotz
213	Morton Arb./Hidden Lake	U. Geiser	193	McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves	B. Fisher
212	Kane Co. Forest Preserves	D. Shambaugh	191	McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves	K. Hanson
212	McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves	C. Taylor	186	Kane Co. Forest Preserves	E. Walters
211	L. Calumet/Egger's Woods	E. Walters	165	Lake Calumet/Egger's Woods	B. Fisher
210	Evanston/Gillson Park	J. Cvetas	165	North Shore Channel	J. Sanders
210	McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves	P. Dring	162	Lake Calumet/Egger's Woods	K. Fisher
209	McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves	E. Walters	160	McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves	M. Cvetas
206	Evanston/Gillson Park	I. O'Brien	154	DeKalb Forest Preserves	J. Sanders
206	McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves	A. Stokie	151	Lake Calumet/Egger's Woods	K. Wysocki
205	Chautauqua Region	E. Walters			

Site Big Years (100 minimum)

Mike Madsen had the first Big Year for Waterfall Glen Forest Preserve.

Dan Lory's totals for Chicago's Park 566 are also new additions.

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
226	Emiquon N.W.R.	Andy Gilbert	2017
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	Chautauqua N.W.R.	Kevin Richmond	2018
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
192	Greene Valley F.P.	Mike Madsen	2017
192	Waterfall Glen F.P.	Mike Madsen	2019
191	Chicago's Park No. 566	Dan Lory	2019
190	Dixon Waterfowl Refuge	Doug Stotz	2004
190	Prairie Ridge State Natural Area	Jeff Walk	1996
190	Waukegan Beach & Harbor	Adam Sell	2013
188	Chicago's Park No. 566	Dan Lory	2018
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
180	Greene Valley F.P.	Mike Madsen	2018
179	Morton Arboretum	Eric Secker	2003
179	Shabbona Lake S.P.	Ron Flemal	1996
179	Skokie Lagoons	Jeff Sanders	1972
178	Greene Valley F.P.	Mike Madsen	2019
177	Chicago's Lincoln Park	Eric Walters	1996
176	Greene Valley F.P.	Jeff Smith	2014
176	Skokie Lagoons	Jeff Sanders	1973
173	Blackwell F.P.	Eric Secker	2003
172	Greene Valley F.P.	Jeff Smith	2017
172	Midewin National Tallgrass Prairie	Doug Stotz	1998
171	Dixon Waterfowl Refuge	Doug Stotz	2010
169	Chicago's Lincoln Park	Sam Burckhardt	2011
169	Skokie Lagoons	Jeff Sanders	1965
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
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
143	Whalon Lake F.P.	Jeff Smith	2014
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
141	Whalon Lake F.P.	Jeff Smith	2011
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	Jubilee College S.P.	Evan Carlson	2017
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
111	North Galesburg Dog Walk Area	Jim Mountjoy	2017
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)

No new additions in 2019.

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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
206	Greene Valley/Whalon Lake	Jeff Smith	2017
205	Greene Valley/Whalon Lake	Jeff Smith	2014
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

Geoff Williamson started with 100 species at Montrose and ended up with 115 for Lincoln Park.

Tallies are limited to a birder's (or team's) top three totals for a given site.

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
120	Illinois Beach S.P.	05/17/17	E. Walters
115	Chicago's Lincoln Park	05/19/19	G. Williamson
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	Montrose	05/19/19	G. Williamson
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
88	Jubilee College S.P.	05/06/17	E. Carlson
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

Area Big Days again remained unchanged.

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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 – 5MR and 7.5 MR

Due to increased nationwide popularity we've added the 5MR (five-mile radius) version of the Local Patch lists. We plan to keep the 7.5MR version, too. Here are the rules: draw a circle 5 (and/or 7.5) miles in radius from your home. The resultant 10-mile wide (or 15-mile wide) circle is one's Local Patch. The 7.5 version 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. If you need help defining the circle there are apps that can help.

Andrew Aldrich and Dustin Holschuh submitted their first entries for the 5MR lists, and Urs Geiser and Jeff Chapman contributed their first numbers for the 7.5MR lists. Andrew Aldrich had a particularly large increase (+16) to one of the higher 7.5 MR lists (probably boosted by his excellent 7.5 MR Big Year).

Amanda Tichacek and Tamima Itani had the biggest yearly increases for both Local Patch Life Lists.

5MR Local Patch Life Lists

(150 minimum)

296	Matthew Cvetas
286	Andrew Aldrich
238	Eric Secker
200	Joe Lill
195	John P. Leonard
179	Amanda Tichacek
173	Tamima Itani

5MR Local Patch Big Years

(100 minimum)

(limited to a birder's top three years)

229	Andrew Aldrich	2019
223	Matthew Cvetas	2018
202	Matthew Cvetas	2019
162	Tamima Itani	2019
149	Tamima Itani	2018
139	Joe Lill	2018
129	Dustin Holschuh	2019
128	Joe Lill	2019

7.5MR Local Patch Life Lists

(150 minimum)

300	Josh Engel
299	Matthew Cvetas
294	Andrew Aldrich
293	Rich DeCoster
286	Mike Madsen
282	Michelle Devlin
277	Jeff Chapman
275	Urs Geiser
272	Jeff Smith
263	Eric Secker
262	<i>Joan Norek</i>
257	Beau Schaefer
250	Amanda Tichacek
249	<i>Andy Gilbert #1 (past residence)</i>
248	Joe Lill
241	Evan Carlson
239	Andy Gilbert #2
234	Jim Mountjoy
204	Justin Wrinn
187	Tamima Itani
184	Jeffrey Sanders

7.5MR Local Patch Big Years

(100 minimum)

(limited to a birder's top three years)

252	Colin Dobson	2015
234	Andrew Aldrich	2019
231	Matthew Cvetas	2017
230	Beau Schaefer	2015
229	Fran Morel	2015
226	Matthew Cvetas	2018
226	Beau Schaefer	2016
225	Andrew Aldrich	2015
225	Andrew Aldrich	2017
223	Mike Madsen	2019
222	Matthew Cvetas	2016
221	Mike Madsen	2016
219	Mike Madsen	2017
204	Justin Wrinn	2015
203	Michelle Devlin	2015
197	Eric Secker	2015
173	Evan Carlson	2016
170	Tamima Itani	2019
154	Tamima Itani	2018
152	Joe Lill	2018
151	Jim Mountjoy	2016
150	Jim Mountjoy	2019
147	Joe Lill	2019
146	Jim Mountjoy	2017
136	Joe Lill	2016

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 that 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, extends to McFetridge/Solidarity Drive on the north, and is 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 that 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 covers the portion of the Center that 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.

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.

Waukegan Beach and Harbor are east of Pershing Road.

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

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