

IOS Listers Corner 2012

Category Lists: Family Group Big Days

It can be hard to beat some of these record totals, and many of these big days have held on to their top positions for quite a few years. In 2012, the team of Bailey, Moxon and Smith did manage to set a new high count for owl species, for the state as well as for the Northern Illinois region (and their success with owls also gave them a decent total for overall raptors). Also worth noting, a long-standing record was threatened this year as Eric Secker came within one species of tying the record for winter finches.

(updated 3/1/13; compiled by Joe Lill & Jim Mountjoy)

LOONS/GREBES (8)

Southern

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| 7@ | Lake Carlyle | 11/04/06 | B.Fisher, R.Hughes, D.Jacobson, D.Kassebaum, D.Stotz |
| 5 | Baldwin Lake | 01/22/94 | J. DeNeal, T. Fink, C. Smout |

Central

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| 6 | Chautauqua N.W.R. | 11/14/89 | K. Richmond |
| 6 | Clinton Lake | 11/15/92 | R. Chapel |
| 6 | Clinton L./Moraine View S.P. | 11/17/96 | M. Retter |

Northern

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| 5 | Cook & Lake Co. | 11/08/75 | S. Mlodinow |
| 5 | Saganashkee Slough | 10/29/06 | C. Fields, C. Fields, P. Moxon |

Key: @ = all but Red-necked Grebe

HERONS/EGRETS/BITTERN/IBIS (13)

Southern

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| 11@ | East St. Louis/Arcola | 07/04/96 | R. Chapel |
| 10 | Madison & St. Clair Co. | 06/01/96 | F. Holmes |
| 9 | northwest St. Clair Co. | 07/16/96 | V. Kleen |
| 9 | Jasper & Lawrence Co. | ??/??/96 | T. Esker, L. Harrison, E. Kirshner, J. Walk |
| 9 | Horseshoe Lake | 08/02/98 | F. Holmes |
| 9 | Southern IL | 08/05/00 | M. Kutska, C. Taylor |
| 9 | Southern IL | 04/25/08 | S. Bailey, T. Mahan, C. Taylor, D. Williams |

Central

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| 8 | Peoria Co. (Bartonville) | 07/12/85 | K. Richmond |
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Northern

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| 8 | Lake Calumet's Big Marsh | 08/24/86 | M. Madsen |
| 7 | Illinois Beach/Lake Renwick | 08/23/86 | J. Greenberg, A. Stokie |

Key: @ = all but Glossy Ibis & Tricolored Heron

WATERFOWL (Ducks/Geese/Swans) (36)**Southern**

19 Southern IL (significant for Jan.) 01/29/00 unknown observers

Central

26 Central IL 03/23/08 M. Baum
26 Central IL 03/30/08 M. Baum, J. Mountjoy
25 Clinton Lake 03/09/96 R. Chapel
22 West-central IL 02/26/05 J. Mountjoy
21 DeWitt Co. 03/06/02 R. Chapel
21 Macon Co. 02/25/06 T. Mahan
20 Macon Co. (significant for Jan.) 01/21/06 T. Mahan
20 Central IL 03/08/97 C. Taylor
19 Central IL (significant for May) 05/09/94 D. Bohlen, V. Kleen, R. Randall, M. Ward, P. Ward

Northern

26 Bureau & Grundy Counties 03/02/08 M. Madsen, A. Sigler
26 Cook & Will Counties 03/09/08 R. Shonkwiler
26 Grundy Co. 03/14/09 R. Cohen, S. Cohen, B. Duman, J. Sanders
24 Cook & Du Page 03/12/95 J. Sanders, R. Seibert, A. Stokie
24 Lake Co. 03/19/00 C. Fields, J. Wittbold
23 Cook Co. 03/26/72 J. Sanders
23 Cook & Lake Counties 11/15/87 D. Hecklinger, A. Stokie
23 Northern IL 03/31/11 P. Moxon, E. Secker
22 Cook Co. 03/19/78 S. Mlodinow
21 Cook Co. 10/20/73 S. Mlodinow
21 Hennepin-Hopper Lake 04/04/02 D. Stotz
21 Hennepin-Hopper Lake 03/23/04 D. Stotz
20 Barrington/Palatine 04/02/96 C. Fields
17 Northern Il (significant for Jan.) 01/01/01 D. Johnson

Multi-region

23 Multi-region 03/30/02 B. Fisher, K. Fisher, U. Geiser, E. Secker, J. Simms

GEESE (6)

6 Horseshoe Lake C.A. 12/29/98 S. Bailey
5 Multiple locations Multiple observers

DUCKS (27)**Southern**

19 Southern IL 01/29/00 F. Bennett, D. Kassebaum, K. McMullen

Central

21@ Clinton Lake 03/09/96 R. Chapel
18 West-central IL 02/26/05 J. Mountjoy
17 Central IL 03/08/97 C. Taylor
16 Central IL 05/09/94 D. Bohlen, V. Kleen, R. Randall, M. Ward, P. Ward

Northern

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| 21 | Northern IL | 03/31/11 | P. Moxon, E. Secker |
| 20 | Cook & Lake Counties | 11/15/87 | D. Hecklinger, A. Stokie |
| 20 | Lake Co. | 03/19/00 | C. Fields, J. Wittbold |
| 20 | Grundy Co. | 03/14/09 | R. Cohen, S. Cohen, B. Duman, J. Sanders |
| 19 | Cook Co. | 03/19/78 | S. Mlodinow |
| 19 | Cook & Du Page Counties | 03/12/95 | J. Sanders, R. Seibert, A. Stokie |
| 19 | Cook Co. | 11/08/97 | W. Serafin |
| 19 | Hennepin-Hopper Lake | 04/03/03 | D. Stotz |
| 19 | Bureau & Grundy Counties | 03/02/08 | M. Madsen, A. Sigler |

Key: @ = Barrow's Goldeneye

RAPTORS: All but Owls (18)SouthernCentral

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| 11 | Rice Lake Conservation Area | 09/26/85 | K. Richmond |
| 11 | DeWitt & Champaign Counties | 10/21/95 | R. Chapel |

Northern

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| 14* | Illinois Beach S.P. | 11/03/01 | P. Sweet |
| 13 | Illinois Beach S.P. | 10/14/95 | E. Walters, J. Engel |
| 12 | Wilmette to northeast Chicago | 11/02/91 | E. Walters |
| 10 | Illinois Beach S.P. | 09/22/90 | A. Stokie |
| 8 | Winnebago Co. (significant date) | 11/26/94 | J. Donaldson, E. Walters |

Key: * = both eagles, three accipters, three falcons, Red-shoulderd Hawk, Osprey

Of note were 4 falcon species seen by numerous observers on various days during January 1991 in LaSalle County.

RAPTORS: Owls (8)Southern

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| 7 | Clinton/Fayette Co. | 12/18/07 | T. Mahan |
| 6 | Southern IL | 01/29/00 | F. Bennett, D. Kassebaum, K. McMullen |

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| 7* | Central IL | 01/15/95 | R. Chapel |
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Northern

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| 8 | Northern IL | 02/12/12 | S. Bailey, P. Moxon, J. Smith |
| 7* | Northeast IL | 01/01/94 | A. Welby |

Key: ^ = all but Snowy Owl (tally recorded on multiple dates during those months) * = all but Barn Owl

RAPTORS: All (26)Southern

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| 12^ | Cypress Creek area | 02/19/99 | B. Holliday |
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Central

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| 11 | Rice Lake Conservation Area | 09/26/85 | K. Richmond |
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Northern

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| 15* | Illinois Beach S.P. | 10/14/95 | E. Walters, J. Engel |
| 14 | Illinois Beach S.P. | 11/03/01 | P. Sweet |
| 13 | Wilmette to northeast Chicago | 11/02/91 | E. Walters |
| 12# | Northern IL | 02/12/12 | S. Bailey, P. Moxon, J. Smith |
| 11 | Illinois Beach S.P. | 09/22/90 | A. Stokie |
| 11 | Ogle and Lee County | 12/23/00 | D. Shambaugh, E. Walters |

Key: * = both eagles, 3 accipters, 3 falcons, BW/RS Hawks, SE Owl ^ = Barn Owl # = all 8 owls

SHOREBIRDS (36)Southern

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| 25** | Rend Lake | 08/??/?? | T. Fink |
| 23 | Rend Lake | 09/??/?? | J. De Neal, T. Fink |
| 21 | Carlyle Lake | 09/09/00 | D. Kassebaum, K. McMullen |
| 18 | Clinton/Fayette Cos. (sig. for Oct) | 10/08/11 | D. Kassebaum, T. Mahan |

Central

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| 25# | Lake Chautauqua | 08/28/00 | R. Chapel, K. Richmond |
| 25 | Central IL | 08/30/10 | D. Johnson, A. Sigler |
| 24 | Mason & Macon Counties | 08/21/04 | T. Mahan |
| 23 | Lake Chautauqua/Clinton Lake | 09/04/00 | R. Chapel |
| 23 | Macon & Mason Counties | 09/05/11 | T. Funk, T. Mahan |
| 22 | Lake Chautauqua | 08/26/04 | M. Deaton, T. Mahan |
| 21 | Lake Chautauqua | 08/18/00 | L. Augustine |
| 21 | Fulton & Macon Counties | 08/27/06 | S. Bailey, T. Mahan |
| 20 | Central IL | 09/03/88 | M. Baum |
| 20 | Macon Co. | 08/23/07 | T. Mahan |
| 20 | Brown & Fulton Counties | 08/29/10 | T. Kuesel, C. Taylor |
| 16 | Central IL (significant for May) | 05/09/94 | D. Bohlen, V. Kleen, R. Randall, M. Ward, P. Ward |
| 16 | Sangamon Co. (sig. for May) | 05/01/00 | D. Bohlen |

Northern

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| 21 | Lake Calumet Region | 08/17/75 | J. Sanders |
| 21* | Montrose/Lake Calumet | 08/22/92 | D. Hecklinger, D. Mandell, J. Sanders, A. Stokie |
| 20^ | Waukegan/Lake Calumet | 09/07/68 | C. Clark, J. Greenberg |
| 20 | Lake Calumet | 08/17/75 | S. Mlodinow |
| 19 | Cook & Will Counties | 09/02/89 | A. Sigler, A. Stokie |
| 19 | n.e.Lake Co. (IL spring record) | 05/17/96 | R. Baade, S. DeVore, D. Johnson, E. Walters |
| 18 | Tinley Cr. Wetlands (sig. for May) | 05/13/10 | A. Ayyash |
| 16 | Waukegan Beach (sig. for May) | 05/18/01 | J. Engel, D. Johnson, E. Walters |

Key: # = 2 Godwits, 5 'peeps', Avocet, RN Phalarope * = Upland, White-rumped, Buff-breasted, Red Knot
 ** = Red Phalarope ^ = 2 Godwits, Whimbrel, Black-necked Stilt, Piping Plover

GULLS (13)Southern

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| 7# | Carlyle Lake | 10/20/91 | J. De Neal, T. Fink |
| 7 | Carlyle Lake | 09/23/06 | D. Kassebaum, T. Mahan, M. Retter, et al |

Central

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| 8 | Peoria Lock & Dam | 02/02/94 | T. Pucelik, K. Richmond |
| 8 | Peoria Lock & Dam | 01/07/99 | M. Retter |

Northern

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| 9** | Zion and vicinity | 01/02/88 | D. Williams |
| 9* | Chicago/Lake Calumet | 11/26/92 | J. Landing, C. Monday |
| 9* | Chicago lakefront | 11/26/92 | R. Biss |
| 8 | Zion & vicinity | 12/23/83 | M. Biss, R. Biss, D. Johnson |
| 8* | Chicago/Lake Calumet | 11/26/92 | R. Hughes, A. Sigler |
| 8 | Lake Calumet area | 03/12/94 | C. Alberico, S. Friscia, A. Stokie, G. Williamson |
| 8 | Montrose Harbor | 04/05/96 | R. Hughes |
| 8 | Cook & Lake County | 04/06/96 | D. Hecklinger, A. Stokie |
| 8 | Evanston to Waukegan | 11/08/98 | M. Retter |

Key: * = 10 species present that day; California, Little, Franklin's, Kittiwake

** = Iceland, Great Black-backed, Kittiwake, Little # = Little, Sabine's, Kittiwake

FLYCATCHERS (12)Southern

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| 10 | Southern IL/E. St.Louis | 05/19/95 | T. Fink |
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| 10 | Knox Co. | 05/28/96 | M. Baum |
| 10 | Central IL | 05/29/96 | K. Richmond |

Northern

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| 10^ | Northeast IL | 06/07/03 | A. Stokie, P. Sweet |
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Key: ^ = 9 species at Illinois Beach State Park

WRENS (6)Southern

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| 5 | Union Co. (significant date) | 12/29/09 | S. Bailey |
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WARBLERS (36)Southern

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| 33# | Southern IL | 05/12/95 | T. Fink |
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| 35* | Central IL | 05/12/01 | K. Richmond |
| 32 | Mason Co. | 05/08/93 | L. Augustine, K. Richmond |
| 32 | Piatt Co. | 05/08/93 | R. Chapel |
| 29 | Central IL | 05/14/96 | M. Baum, K. Richmond |
| 29 | Knox Co. | 05/08/02 | M. Baum |

Northern

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| 32 | Chicago's Jackson Park | 05/09/93 | S. Suter |
| 30 | Northeast IL | 05/13/89 | R. Hughes, A. Sigler |
| 30 | Elsen's Hill (West DuPage Woods) | 05/08/04 | E. Secker |
| 29 | Northeast IL | 05/19/84 | J. Greenberg, S. Mlodinow |
| 29 | Chicago Botanic Garden | 05/16/93 | A. Anderson, C. Lee, S. Lee, W. Marcisz |
| 29 | Cook Co. | 05/19/08 | S. Friscia |
| 28 | Cook Co. | 05/09/93 | A. Stokie |
| 28 | Elsen's Hill (West DuPage Woods) | 05/07/11 | E. Secker |

Multi-region

34^ Northern/Southern IL 05/19/86 D. Bohlen, J. Greenberg, V. Kleen, S. Robinson

Key: # = all in 3.5 hours * = all but Connecticut ^ = another 34 tally by R. Chapel is rumored

SPARROWS (21)

(includes towhees, Lark Bunting and Dark-eyed Junco; does not include longspurs, Snow Bunting, House Sparrow or Eurasian Tree Sparrow)

Southern

Central

15# Mason & Fulton Counties 05/03/96 K. Richmond
13 Knox Co. 05/12/96 M. Baum

Northern

17** Chicago's Lincoln Park 10/15/00 S. Bailey, S. De Vore, R. Hughes
16 Lake/Cook lakefront 10/09/10 T. Kuesel, C. Taylor
14# Northeast IL 05/06/72 J. Sanders
14+ Chicago's Grant Park 10/01/97 D. Stotz
14+ Chicago's Grant Park 10/06/97 D. Stotz
14 Chicago lakefront 10/18/08 T. Kuesel, C. Taylor
14 DeKalb & Henry Counties 10/09/10 E. Walters
13 Chicago lakefront 10/03/92 D. Mandell, J. O'Brien, A. Sigler, A. Stokie
13 Chicago lakefront 10/01/95 J. Sanders, R. Seibert, A. Stokie
13 Chicago's McCormick Place 10/20/95 J. O'Brien
13 Chicago lakefront 10/22/95 D. Lane, M. Madsen, R. Seibert, A. Stokie
13 North-central/Northeast IL 05/13/99 S. Bailey, D. Bohlen, M. Ward, P. Ward
13 Evanston 10/15/00 E. Walters
12 Henry Co. (significant for region) 05/05/07 T. Kuesel, C. Taylor

Multi-region

14# Northeast/East-central IL 05/17/97 S. Bailey, R. Hughes, D. Mandell, S. Mlodinow, J. O'Brien, S. Patti

Key: # = Clay-colored, Fox, Lark, Henslow's, Dark-eyed Junco

** = Clay-colored, Nelson's, Le Conte's & Harris's

+ = 17 species present in Grant Park between October 1-6, 1997

WINTER FINCHES (10)

Southern

Central

7 Central IL 01/25/96 M. Baum, K. Richmond

Northern

9* North-central IL 03/05/72 L. Balch, V. Kleen, G. Rosenband
8 McHenry Co. 11/04/12 E. Secker

Key: * = missed House Finch due to its lack of presence in the state at the time.

The Winter Finch category is noteworthy in that the all time record is now over 40 years old - one of the oldest existing records in Listers Corner.

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