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**FOR NORTH CENTRAL AND NORTHEAST WISCONSIN**

**BROWN**

**MENOMINEE**

**CALUMET**

**OCONTO**

**DOOR**

**ONEIDA**

**FOREST**

**OUTAGAMIE**

**FLORENCE**

**PORTAGE**

**KEWAUNEE**

**SHAWANO**

**LANGLADE**

**VILAS**

**LINCOLN**

**WAUPACA**

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**MARATHON**

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**MARINETTE**

**WOOD**

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Event	F	Date			Time		TOR in GRB Service Area
#	Rank	Month	Day	Year	(CST)	Start / End Location	County or Counties
1	1	4	24	1960	16:00	7 SW Valders	Manitowoc
2	1	5	21	1960	17:30	15 W Oshkosh	Winnebago
3	2	11	15	1960	14:25	2 NE Chili - near Rib Mountain	Marathon
4	2	9	3	1961	00:10	Fenwood	Marathon
5	1	9	3	1961	01:00	Athens	Marathon
6	1	9	3	1961	17:00	12 W Merrill	Lincoln
7	1	6	23	1962	16:30-16:35	2 W Champion	Brown
8	0	6	23	1962	19:00	15 E Stevens Point	Portage
9	2	7	24	1962	17:00	Corning	Lincoln
10	1	9	19	1963	18:00	Laona	Forest
11	1	5	4	1964	18:00-18:10	10 SW St. Germain - near St. Germain	Oneida - Vilas
12	2	5	7	1964	18:00	Wisconsin Rapids	Wood
13	2	5	8	1964	17:00	5 N Iola - 1 W Clintonville	Waupaca
14	2	5	8	1964	17:50	7 ESE Knowlton - 5 W Elderon	Marathon
15	2	5	8	1964	18:30-19:06	Winneconne - Wrightstown	Brown - Calumet - Winnebago -Outagamie
16	0	5	30	1964	13:28	Green Bay - Bellevue	Brown
17	1	6	9	1964	14:55	Belle Plaine	Shawano
18	2	6	9	1964	15:00	Pound	Marinette
19	2	8	22	1964	14:00	6 W Bancroft - Grant	Portage
20	2	7	8	1965	17:00	1 W - 1 N Sherwood	Calumet
21	2	6	4	1966	19:00	Gillett - 2 NE Oconto Falls	Oconto
22	2	6	4	1966	19:00	Suring	Oconto
23	1	7	10	1966	22:00	Plainfield - Wautoma	Waushara
24	0	7	25	1966	18:20	0.5 E Maplewood	Door
25	2	3	31	1967	23:49	Marshfield	Wood
26	2	6	30	1967	23:49-23:59	Chilton - 7 E Chilton	Calumet - Manitowoc
27	1	7	1	1967	00:45	3 E Kiel	Manitowoc
28	1	7	2	1967	14:00	Brillion	Calumet
29	2	7	22	1967	23:00-23:18	2 S Loyal - 5 E Marshfield	Wood
30	2	6	30	1968	04:00	3 NW Cavour	Forest
31	1	6	30	1968	04:45	3 S Pembine	Marinette
32	1	8	5	1968	14:00	3 NW Seymour	Outagamie
33	2	8	16	1968	12:30	Kaukauna	Outagamie
34	2	8	16	1968	21:20	5 SE Hofa Park - 4 S Pulaski	Brown
35	4	8	19	1968	16:10	3 SW Pound - Marinette	Marinette
36	2	8	19	1968	17:30	4 W Fenwood - 11 E Fenwood	Marathon
37	3	6	26	1969	11:15-11:30	Black Creek - 8 W Sobieski	Outagamie - Shawano - Oconto
38	1	6	26	1969	16:30	2 W Manitowish Waters - 3 SW Presque Is.	Vilas
39	2	6	26	1969	17:00	Lac Du Flambeau - 9 NW Land O Lakes	Vilas

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40	1	6	26	1969	17:00	Skawawank - Pelican Lake	Lincoln
41	0	7	2	1969	16:00	Symco	Waupaca
42	1	7	2	1969	16:20	3 SW Luxemburg - Ellisville	Kewaunee

### Event 1: April 24, 1960

The F1 tornado touched down 7 miles southwest of Valders in Manitowoc County around 4 PM CST. The tornado was less than 50 yards wide and traveled about a mile before dissipating.

### Event 2: May 21, 1960

The F1 tornado touched down fifteen miles west of Oshkosh in Winnebago County around 5:30 PM CST.

### Event 3: November 15, 1960

The F2 tornado developed near Chili in southeast Clark County. The tornado traveled for 36 miles into central Marathon County around 2:25 PM CST where the tornado dissipated near Rib Mountain. The tornado reached a maximum width of 100 yards. Main damage with the storm occurred near Chili and near the Town of Rib Mountain.

### Event 4: September 3, 1961

The F2 tornado touched down near Fenwood in Marathon County around 12:10 AM CST and traveled about 2 miles. The tornado was 35 yards wide. Damage was confined to farm buildings and crops in rural western Marathon County.

### Event 5: September 3, 1961

The F1 tornado touched down near Athens in Marathon County around 1 AM CST. The tornado was 35 yards wide and was on the ground for 2 miles.

### Event 6: September 3, 1961

The F1 tornado touched down 12 miles west of Merrill in Lincoln County around 5 PM CST. The tornado was 50 yards wide and was on the ground for a mile.

### Event 7: June 23, 1962

The F1 tornado touched down 2 miles west of Champion in eastern Brown County around 4:30 PM CST. According to the local storm report for June of 1962, the tornado became or originated as a waterspout near Point Sauble as the storm was picking up water at times. The tornado/waterspout had a maximum width of less than 50 yards and traveled 3 miles before dissipating at 4:35 PM CST.

### Event 8: June 23, 1962

The F0 tornado touched down 15 miles east of Stevens Point in Portage County around 7 PM CST.

### Event 9: July 24, 1962

The F2 tornado touched down briefly in the town of Corning in Lincoln County around 5 PM CST. The tornado traveled about a mile and had a maximum width of 50 yards. The tornado destroyed a barn and other buildings in the town of Corning.

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## Event 10: September 19, 1963

The F1 tornado tore through the village of Laona in Forest County around 6 PM CST. The tornado was less than 50 yards wide and traveled one mile before dissipating.

## Event 11: May 4, 1964

The F1 tornado was first reported 10 miles southwest of St. Germain in Oneida County around 6 PM CST. The tornado traveled just over 7 miles before dissipating near St. Germain at 6:10 PM CST in Vilas County. The tornado had a maximum width of 125 yards. The local storm report indicated the tornado touched down twice and crossed over the Big St. Germain drawing water to a height of 200 feet. There was considerable damage to resorts and woods in the path of the tornado.

## Event 12: May 7, 1964

The F2 tornado touched down in the city of Wisconsin Rapids in Wood County around 6 PM CST and traveled a half mile. The maximum width of the tornado was 100 yards. The tornado tore through the Suburban Heights trailer court. There were fourteen injuries, none of them serious. Ten of the trailer homes were ripped from their foundation and tossed up into the air. The body of one was torn off and the frame was left lying upside down 100 yards from its original base. Many of the trailers were occupied by the Wisconsin Rapids Twins ballplayers and their wives. Some damage to roofs and television antennas was reported within the city limits.

## Event 13: May 8, 1964

Several tornadoes were noted across the state on this date. In north central and northeast Wisconsin, the F2 tornado touched down from about five miles north of Iola in Waupaca County around 5 PM CST. The tornado traveled a little over 3 miles to one mile west of Clintonville. The tornado had a maximum width of 200 yards. At least five barns were reported down in the Clintonville area. Another tornado was noted across Marathon County from seven miles east southeast of Knowlton to five miles west of Elderon around 5:50 PM CST.

## Event 14: May 8, 1964

The F2 tornado touched down 7 miles east southeast of Knowlton in Marathon County around 5:50 PM CST. The tornado traveled about twelve miles to 5 miles west of Elderon. The tornado had a maximum width of five hundred yards.

## Event 15: May 8, 1964

Another long tracked F2 tornado was noted on May 8, 1964 across northeast Wisconsin. The tornado developed near Winneconne in Winnebago County around 6:30 PM CST. The tornado traveled northeast across Menasha, striking the John Strange Paper Company. The tornado continued into Neenah, near the Fox Point Shopping Center. The Fox Point Shopping Center suffered extensive damage where windows were blown in, and sections of the roof were blown off. The tornado continued into the southeast corner of Appleton near the Calumet Street power substation. The tornado finally dissipated in Wrightstown around 7:06 PM. At least ten barns were destroyed near Kaukauna.

## Event 16: May 30, 1964

The F0 tornado momentarily touched down in a field northeast of Bellevue in Brown County around 1:28 PM CST. The tornado was less than 50 yards wide and traveled about a mile before dissipating.

## Event 17: June 9, 1964

The F1 tornado was sighted in Belle Plaine in Shawano County around 2:55 PM CST. The Adams Beach area was hit the hardest according to newspaper reports.

## Event 18: June 9, 1964

The F2 tornado touched down near Pound in Marinette County around 3 PM CST. The tornado traveled approximately 3 miles and had a maximum width of 50 yards.

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## Event 19: August 22, 1964

The F2 tornado touched down six miles west of Bancroft and traveled approximately 7 miles to the town of Grant around 3 PM CST in Portage County. The tornado had a maximum width of 300 yards.

## Event 20: July 8, 1965

The F2 tornado touched down one mile west of Sherwood in Calumet County and traveled approximately 3 miles to the northeast before dissipating one mile north of Sherwood around 5 PM CST. The tornado was 100 yards wide. The twister, striking in a narrow path northeast from High Cliff Park broke trees, power, and telephone poles, and leveled a barn at the farm of Mrs. Anna Goaz at Route 1 in Menasha. Several other farm properties were damaged. Two teenage girls received multiple cuts and bruises when they were picked up by the twister and thrown down on a road in the High Cliff Beach area.

## Event 21: June 4, 1966

There were two F2 tornadoes reported on this date in Oconto County. The F2 tornado touched down near Gillett and then traveled nearly 5 miles to two miles northeast of Oconto Falls in Oconto County around 7 PM CST. The tornado was 50 yards wide. Another F2 tornado was reported near Suring around 7 PM CST. There was a total of three tornadoes across Oconto County on this night. The tornadoes brought 37 barns and many trees and wires down across the county near Gillett and Suring.

## Event 22: June 4, 1966

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## Event 23: July 10, 1966

The F1 tornado was first reported to touch down in Plainfield in Waushara County around 10 PM CST. The tornado was 100 yards wide and traveled approximately fifteen and a half miles before dissipating at Wautoma.

## Event 24: July 25, 1966:

The F0 tornado touched down about a half mile east of Maplewood in Door County around 6:20 PM CST. The tornado was 20 yards wide and traveled approximately two miles. An interesting note to the local storm report from July 1966 indicated a strong waterspout was noted over the Bay of Green Bay. According to the local storm report, a waterspout lifted several boats out of the water dropping one on a car at Ephraim. It also dropped twelve large trees down at Gordon Lodge. This tornado/waterspout was not documented in this study.

## Event 25: March 31, 1967

The F2 tornado touched down in Marshfield around 11:49 PM CST. The tornado traveled approximately two miles and had a maximum width of 35 yards. The tornado destroyed or damaged several buildings including a mobile home plant.

## Event 26: June 30, 1967

The F2 tornado struck Chilton in Calumet County around 11:49 PM CST. The tornado then traveled to 7 miles east of Chilton before dissipating around 11:59 PM CST. The maximum width of the tornado was 100 yards. The city of Chilton took the brunt of the damage. At least five buildings were destroyed beyond repair. A trailer home tumbled end over end across a lot and a good share of trees were torn up.

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## Event 27: July 1, 1967

The F1 tornado struck 3 miles east of Kiel in Manitowoc County around 12:45 AM CST. The tornado was 50 yards wide and traveled a half mile before dissipating.

## Event 28: July 2, 1967

The city of Brillion in Calumet County was struck by the F1 tornado around 2 PM CST. The local storm report indicated a touchdown in the city of Brillion. The tornado was 35 yards wide and traveled a mile before dissipating.

## Event 29: July 22, 1967

The F2 tornado developed around 11 PM CST near Loyal in Clark County. The tornado then moved east southeast into Wood County. The tornado traveled nearly 21 miles before dissipating five miles east of Marshfield around 11:18 PM CST. The maximum width of the tornado was 100 yards. The tornado destroyed three barns and killed sixteen cattle near Loyal in Clark County. Several buildings and mobile homes were destroyed at Marshfield in Wood County.

## Event 30: June 30, 1968

The F2 tornado touched down 3 miles northwest of Cavour in Forest County around 4 AM CST. The tornado traveled east northeast approximately one mile and had a maximum width of 200 yards. Several buildings were damaged on the Aschenbrenner Farm near Cavour.

## Event 31: June 30, 1968

The F1 tornado touched down on the Zern property 3 miles south of Pembine in Marinette County around 4:45 AM CST. The tornado was 100 yards wide and traveled on the ground for a half mile. Trees and a garage were destroyed by the tornado.

## Event 32: August 5, 1968

The F1 tornado touched down 3 miles northwest of Seymour in Outagamie County around 2 PM CST. The tornado was 150 yards wide and was on the ground for two miles before dissipating. Nine barns and farm buildings were destroyed.

## Event 33: August 16, 1968

The F2 tornado touched down near Kaukauna in Outagamie County and traveled 2 miles before dissipating around 12:30 PM CST. The maximum width of the tornado was 100 yards. The Mueleman farm near Kaukauna experienced severe damage. A barn was destroyed along with many trees. His home also suffered damage as the roof was torn off and windows were knocked out.

## Event 34: August 16, 1968

The F2 tornado first formed about 5 miles southeast of Hofa Park in extreme western Brown County on the Brown - Shawano County line. The tornado moved east about a mile and dissipated four miles south of Pulaski around 9:20 PM CST. The tornado reached a maximum width of 100 yards. A 40 year old dance hall on Highway 29 at the Shawano - Brown County line was destroyed. The building exploded and debris was scattered over nearby fields. The 73 year old owner was hospitalized.

## Event 35: August 19, 1968

The funnel was first observed at about 4 PM CST near Breed but remained aloft until three miles southwest of Pound in Marinette County. The F4 tornado developed 3 miles southwest of Pound around 4:10 PM CST and traveled nearly 22 miles before dissipating in Marinette. The tornado moved east about 3 miles south of Highway 53, destroying farms near Pound and again just south of Marinette. Large hail three inches in diameter fell north of the tornado track. Two elderly brothers, John and Cecil Maloney were fatally injured as their farmhouse near Pound blew apart. A third brother James, who was in bed when the winds struck was found on some bed springs in a nearby cornfield. He was hospitalized in satisfactory condition. Two more people were injured at Marinette when the tornado struck near the airport. Nearly twenty counties were included in a series of thunderstorm warnings issued by the Weather Bureau.

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## Event 36: August 19, 1968

The F2 tornado formed about 4 miles east of Fenwood in Marathon County near County Trunk P just west of Highway 97 around 5:30 PM CST. The tornado traveled just over fourteen miles to the east before dissipating about eleven miles east of Fenwood. The maximum width of the tornado was 75 yards. Twenty-five barns mostly on the north side of County Trunk P were flattened. Damage was estimated at more than one million dollars.

## Event 37: June 26, 1969

A rare morning tornado was reported across northeast Wisconsin. Around 11:15 AM CST, the F3 tornado was noted moving northeast between Black Creek and near Pulaski in Outagamie County. The tornado traveled across far southeast Shawano County before dissipating 8 miles west of Sobieski in Oconto County around 11:30 AM CST. The tornado caused extensive damage to trees and buildings in Black Creek, Seymour, Hofa Park, Elm Lawn and near Pulaski. A seven year old girl was hospitalized from injuries when a barn fell on her. The tornado traveled 18 miles and reached a maximum width of 100 yards.

## Event 38: June 26, 1969

According to the local storm report, the F1 tornado skipped northeast through the forests of Price, southeast Iron, and western Vilas Counties. The tornado struck Vilas County from 2 miles west of Manitowish Waters around 4:30 PM CST and moved to three miles southwest of Presque Isle. Most of the damage occurred around Manitowish Waters.

## Event 39: June 26, 1969

The F2 tornado formed near Lac Du Flambeau on the Vilas / Oneida County line around 5 PM CST and skipped northeast for nearly 29 miles. The tornado dissipated along the Michigan border 9 miles northwest of Land O' Lakes. Maximum width of the tornado was 35 yards. Resort areas from Fence Lake northeastward across Big Crooked and High Lakes suffered damage.

## Event 40: June 26, 1969

The F1 tornado traveled 22 miles across Clark, Taylor, and Lincoln Counties. The tornado did major damage from the Withee area in northern Clark County around 4:10 PM CST. Two persons were injured and about ten farms sustained damage. Major damage from the tornado was reported at the Taylor County Airport near Medford around 4:30 PM CST. Seven planes and one hangar suffered severe damage. The tornado entered western Lincoln County and traveled to near Pelican Lake around 5 PM CST before dissipating. Five more farms suffered serious damage in northeast Lincoln County. Tree and wire damage termed "worst ever" by utilities in the northern resort areas.

## Event 41: July 2, 1969

The F0 tornado touched down in Symco in Waupaca County around 4 PM CST. The tornado was 100 yards wide and traveled 4.3 miles before dissipating. The tornado produced extensive damage to buildings on the Howard Winter farm between Manawa and Big Falls. Utility wires were also damaged along Highway 22 near Symco.

## Event 42: July 2, 1969

The F1 tornado traveled just over 7 miles across Kewaunee County, from 3 miles southwest of Luxemburg through the Ellisville area around 4:20 PM CST. The tornado had a maximum width of 100 yards. Several farms were damaged by the tornado.



