

Albert - Seard

Questionnaire For a New Birds of Iowa

During the past several months I have been assembling information for a revised list of the Birds of Iowa. This list will incorporate the recent changes in nomenclature as given in the new A. O. U. Check-List (1931). The status and distribution of all species occurring in the state at the present time will be given, and rather full details of the occurrence of rare or accidental species.

A species (or subspecies) to be included in the state list must be represented by a specimen, unless the bird is one which is unmistakable and the conditions under which the observation was made appears satisfactory.

The enclosed list is one generously supplied by the Museum of Natural History, University of Minnesota, and while it was primarily for recording migration and near-visitors for that it will serve equally well, with the following notes—First nest. WINTER VISITANTS—When first seen in the fall or winter and last seen in the spring. Use separate sheets for reporting spring and fall observations.

Name of Species	First seen	Common	Last seen	First nest	Name of Species	First seen	Common	Last seen	First nest
Loon, Great Northern Diver (two races):					Shoveler, Spoon-bill.	SEE NOTE			
* Common Loon.	COM.T.V.				Wood Duck.	SEE NOTE			
Lesser Loon.					Redhead.				
* [Red-throated Loon.]					Ring-necked Duck, "Blue-bill," "Black Duck."	COM.T.V.			
* Holboell's Grebe, Red-necked Grebe.	SEE NOTE				Canvas-back.	SEE NOTE			
Horned Grebe.	COM.T.V.				*[Greater Scaup Duck, Big Blue-bill.]	VERY COM.T.V.			
Eared Grebe.					Lesser Scaup Duck, Little Blue-bill.	SEE NOTE			
* Western Grebe, Swan-necked Grebe.					American Golden-eye, Whistler.	COM.T.V.			
Pied-billed Grebe, Hell-diver.					*[Barrow's Golden-eye.]				
White Pelican.	U.C. T.V.				Buffle-head, Butter-ball.	UNCOM.T.V.			
Double-crested Cormorant, Black "Loon."	VERY COM.T.V.				Old-squaw.	RARE IN LATE FALL			
Great Blue Heron, Blue "Crane."	COM.				White-winged Scoter.	UN.COM.T.V.			
[American Egret.]	Several records last fall				Surf Scoter.				
* [Snowy Egret.]					*American Scoter.				
Eastern Green Heron.	COM. S.R.				Ruddy Duck.	VERY UNCOM.T.V.			
Black-crowned Night Heron.	TOL. COM.S.R.				Hooded Merganser, Little Saw-bill.	TOL.COM.T.V.			
American Bittern.	COM.S.R.				American Merganser, Big Saw-bill.	TOL.COM.T.V.			SEE NOTE
Eastern Least Bittern.					Red-breasted Merganser.	SEE NOTE			
* [White-faced Glossy Ibis.]	SEE NOTE				Turkey Vulture.	SEE NOTE			
Whistling Swan.	UC. MIG. SEE NOTE				* [Swallow-tailed Kite.]				
* Trumpeter Swan.					Eastern Goshawk.	SEE NOTE			
Canada Goose, Honker (three races):					Sharp-shinned Hawk.	COM.T.V. SEE NOTE			
Common Canada Goose.	COM.T.V.				Cooper's Hawk.	COM.T.V.			
* [Lesser Canada Goose.]					Red-tailed Hawk, (four forms):				
[Hutchins's Goose.]					Eastern Red-tailed Hawk.	COM.T.V. TOL.COM.S.R. SEE NOTE			
White-fronted Goose, Speckle-belly.	UNCOM.T.V.				Krider's Hawk.	SEE NOTE			
Lesser Snow Goose, White Brant.	UNCOM.T.V.				[Western Red-tailed Hawk.]	SEE NOTE			
Blue Goose, Blue Wavey.	UNCOM.T.V.				[Harlan's Hawk.]				
* [Fulvous Tree-Duck.]					Northern Red-shouldered Hawk.	SEE NOTE			
Common Mallard.	C.MIG. SEE NOTE				Broad-winged Hawk.				
Red-legged Black Duck, "Dusky Mallard."	TOL.COM.T.V.				Swainson's Hawk.				
Gadwall, Gray Duck.	Fairly com. T.V.				American Rough-legged Hawk.	SEE NOTE			
* [European Widgeon.]					* [Ferruginous Rough-leg.]				
Baldpate, Widgeon.	TOL.COM.T.V.				Golden Eagle.	SEE NOTE			
American Pintail.	COM.T.V.				Southern Bald Eagle.	SEE NOTE			
Green-winged Teal.	COM.T.V.				Marsh Hawk.	COM.T.V. UNCOM.S.R.			
Blue-winged Teal.	COM.T.V. FEW BREED				Osprey, Fish Hawk.	SEE NOTE			
* [Cinnamon Teal.]					Gyr Falcon (two races):				

Additional Notes.

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[White Gyrfalcon.]					Semipalmated Sandpiper.	COM. T.V.			
[Black Gyrfalcon.]					x [Western Sandpiper.]				
x [Prairie Falcon.]					x [Buff-breasted Sandpiper.]				
Duck Hawk.					x Marbled Godwit.				
Eastern Pigeon Hawk.					Hudsonian Godwit.				
Eastern Sparrow Hawk.	SEE NOTE				Sanderling.	RARE? JEE NOTE			
Canada Spruce Grouse.	TOL COM SA				x*Avocet.				
Ruffed Grouse, "Partridge" (two races):	TOL COM PR IN				*Black-necked Stilt.				
Eastern Ruffed Grouse.	SUITABLE TIMBER				Wilson's Phalarope.	?			
Canada Ruffed Grouse.					Northern Phalarope.				
[Willow Ptarmigan.]					x [Parasitic Jaeger.]				
Greater Prairie Chicken.	SEE NOTE				x [Long-tailed Jaeger.]				
x Prairie Sharp-tailed Grouse.					x [Glaucous Gull.]				
European Partridge, Hungarian Partridge (introduced).					x [Iceland Gull.]				
Eastern Bob-white, Quail.	SEE NOTE				Herring Gull.	COM. T.V.			
Ring-necked Pheasant (introduced).	SEE NOTE				Ring-billed Gull.	TOL COM T.V.			
x *Eastern Turkey, Wild Turkey (?)	SEE NOTE				Franklin's Gull.	UNCOM T.V.			
[Whooping Crane.]					Bonaparte's Gull.	COM. T.V.			
Sandhill Crane (two races):					Forster's Tern.				
[Little Brown Crane.]					Common Tern.				
Sandhill Crane.					Caspian Tern.				
King Rail.	?				Black Tern.	COM T.V.			
Virginia Rail.	?				[Dovekie, Little Auk.]				
Sora.	COM. S.R.				[Ancient Murrelet.]				
Yellow Rail.	RARE				Western Mourning Dove.	COM S.R.			
Florida Gallinule.					*Passenger Pigeon.				
American Coot, Mud Hen.	VERY COM T.V.				Yellow-billed Cuckoo.	COM S.R.			
x [Piping Plover.]					Black-billed Cuckoo.	COM S.R.			
x [Western Snowy Plover.]					[Groove-billed Ani.]				
Semipalmated Plover.	COM. T.V.				Barn Owl.	RARE 3 RECORDS			
Killdeer.	COM S.R.				Screech Owl (two races):				
American Golden Plover.	RARE MIA				Eastern Screech Owl.	COM P.R.			
Black-bellied Plover.	BATHER RARE MIA				? Aikin's Screech Owl.				
Ruddy Turnstone.					Great Horned Owl (three races):	COM P.R.			
American Woodcock.	RARE S.R.				x Arctic Horned Owl.				
Wilson's Snipe.	ART. T.V.				Great Horned Owl.				
*Long-billed Curlew.					Montana Horned Owl.				
x Hudsonian Curlew.					Snowy Owl.	RARE WINTER VIS			
x *Eskimo Curlew.					x American Hawk Owl.				
Upland Plover, Bartramian Sandpiper.	UNCOM S.R.				x Western Burrowing Owl.				
Spotted Sandpiper.	COM S.R.				Barred Owl (two races):	COM P.R.			
Eastern Solitary Sandpiper.	COM T.V.				Northern Barred Owl.				
Western Willet.					Minnesota Barred Owl.				
Greater Yellow-legs.	TOL COM T.V.				x Great Gray Owl.				
Lesser Yellow-legs.	COM. T.V.				Long-eared Owl.	SEE NOTE			
x [American Knot.]					Short-eared Owl.	SEE NOTE			
Pectoral Sandpiper.	COM T.V.				x Richardson's Owl.				
White-rumped Sandpiper.	SEE NOTE				Saw-whet Owl.	SEE NOTE			
Baird's Sandpiper.					Eastern Whip-poor-will.	COM S.R.			
Least Sandpiper.	COM T.V.				Nighthawk (three races):				
Red-backed Sandpiper.	SEE NOTE				Eastern Nighthawk.	SEE NOTE			
Long-billed Dowitcher.					x Howell's Nighthawk.				
x Stilt Sandpiper.					x Sennett's Nighthawk.				

Additional Species Reported For Iowa

- x Pacific Loon
- x Brown Pelican
- * Anhinga
- * Man-o'-war-bird
- * Little Blue Heron - SEE NOTE
- * Yellow-crowned Night Heron
- * Wood Ibis
- * Eastern Glossy Ibis
- * Brant
- * Common Black Duck
- * Harlequin Duck
- x American Eider
- x King Eider
- x Mississippi Kite
- * Harris's Hawk
- x Richardson's Pigeon Hawk
- * Mexican Goshawk
- * Black Rail
- * Purple Gallinule
- * Red Phalarope
- * Laughing Gull
- x Sabine's Gull
- Least Tern
- x Brunnich's Murre
- * Louisiana Paroquet
- * Nuttall's Poor-will
- * Lewis's Woodpecker
- * Say's Phoebe
- x Acadian Flycatcher - Tol. Com. S. R.
- x Carolina Chickadee
- x Russet-backed Thrush
- x White-eyed Vireo
- x Worm-eating Warbler
- * Sycamore Warbler
- * Northern Prairie Warbler
- x Northern Water-Thrush
- x Kentucky Warbler - One collected by the Serv. T. Weeks near McDuga during
wild life school but can't find date.
- * Hooded Warbler
- * Gray-crowned Rosy Finch
- x Arctic Towhee
- * Bachman's Sparrow
- * Montana or Shufeldt's Junco

x = Rare, represented by at least one specimen.
 * = No Iowa specimen.

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Chestnut-sided Warbler.	COM	TV			× Canadian Pine Grosbeak.				
Bay-breasted Warbler.	UNCOM	TV			Alaska Pine Grosbeak.				
Black-poll Warbler.	COM	TV			[Hepburn's Rosy Finch.]				
Northern Pine Warbler.					× Hoary Redpoll.				
[Kirtland's Warbler.]					Redpoll (three races):				
Western Palm Warbler.	COM	TV			Common Redpoll.				
Oven-bird.	COM	SR			× [Holboell's Redpoll.]				
Grinnell's Water-Thrush.	COM	TV			× [Greater Redpoll.]				
Louisiana Water-Thrush.	SR	SEE NOTES			Northern Pine Siskin.	IRREG	WINTER	VIS	
Connecticut Warbler.	UNCOM	TV			Eastern Goldfinch, Wild "Canary."	COM	SR		RATHER COM IN WINTER
Mourning Warbler.	UNCOM	TV			Red Crossbill.	IRREG	WINTER	VIS	
Northern Yellow-throat.	COM	SR			× White-winged Crossbill.	RARE	SEE NOTE		
[Yellow-breasted Chat.]	SEE NOTE				Red-eyed Towhee, Chewink.	COM	SR		
Wilson's Warbler.	COM	TV			× Lark Bunting.				
Canada Warbler.	COM	TV			Savannah Sparrow (two races):	SEE NOTE			
American Redstart.	VERY COM	S.R.			Eastern Savannah Sparrow.				
English Sparrow (introduced).	VERY COM	RA			? Western Savannah Sparrow.				
Bobolink.	COM	SR			Western Grasshopper Sparrow.	TOL	COM	SR	
Eastern Meadowlark.	COM	SR			× Baird's Sparrow.				
Western Meadowlark.	COM	SR			Leconte's Sparrow.	? T.V.			
Yellow-headed Blackbird.	RARE	TV			× Western Henslow's Sparrow.				
Red-winged Blackbird (two races):					× Nelson's Sparrow.				
Giant Red-wing. ?	COM	SR			Eastern Vesper Sparrow.	COM.	SR		
[Thick-billed Red-wing.] ?					Eastern Lark Sparrow.				
Orchard Oriole.	UNCOM	SR			Slate-colored Junco.	VERY COM.	T.V.		
Baltimore Oriole.	COM	SR			Eastern Tree Sparrow.	VERY COM	W.V.		
Rusty Blackbird.	COM	TV			Eastern Chipping Sparrow.	COM.	SR		
Brewer's Blackbird.					Clay-colored Sparrow.	COM	TV		
Bronzed Grackle.	COM	SR			Eastern Field Sparrow.	COM	SR		
Cowbird (two races):					Harris's Sparrow.	COM	TV		
Eastern Cowbird. ?	COM	SR			White-crowned Sparrow (two races):				
Nevada Cowbird. ?	ONE	WINTER RECORD			White-crowned Sparrow.	TOL	COM	TV	
[Western Tanager.]					Gambel's Sparrow.	SEE NOTE			
Scarlet Tanager.	COM	SR			White-throated Sparrow.	VERY COM	T.V.		
[Summer Tanager.]					Eastern Fox Sparrow.	COM	TV		
Eastern Cardinal.	COM	PR			Lincoln's Sparrow.	COM	TV		
Rose-breasted Grosbeak.	COM	SR			Swamp Sparrow.	COM	TV		
Indigo Bunting.	COM	SR			Song Sparrow (two races):				
[Lazuli Bunting.]					Dakota Song Sparrow. 1	COM	SR		
[Painted Bunting.]					Eastern Song Sparrow. ?				
Dickcissel.	COM	S.R.			× McCown's Longspur.				
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Eastern Evening Grosbeak.	UNCOM	WINTER	VIS		[Smith's Longspur.]	COM.	IN	WINTER.	
Eastern Purple Finch.	COM.	T.V.			Chestnut-collared Longspur.				
[Common House Finch.]					Eastern Snow Bunting.	RATHER RARE AND	IRREG	WINTER	VIS
Pine Grosbeak (two races):									

Please state below the general weather conditions prevailing during the season for which the report is made and any other pertinent observations.