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Dear Vernon

Here are my Spring
records for the Topeka City
Area.

Best regards

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Highlights

grebes 1 horned 4/26 - 4/27 Coralv. Res.

herons 1 Common egret 4/6 I. River near Hills

ducks Surf Scoter - see details sheet

hawks Turkey vultures regular around west
end of Coralville Reservoir: 2 5/4,
1 5/5, 1 5/17, 2 5/24

accipiters

sharp-shinned 1 4/27, 1 5/5 Coralv. Res.

Cooper's 1 5/5 " "

osprey 2 4/12 Coralville Reservoir

shorebirds

Semipal. plover ~80 5/24 Coralville Res.

golden 6 5/17 Cone Marsh

black-b 1 5/17 Coralville Res.

turnstone, r 1 5/17 Cone Marsh

godwit, Hrd. 3 5/8 Iowa City

godwit, m. 1 5/17 Cone Marsh

avocet, Am 1 5/9 Iowa City

phalarope, W. 1 5/4 Coralv. Res.

owls

great horned

1 ad 2 imm 4/26 Coralv. Res.

2 ad 5/10 Cedar Bluffs

mimics mockingbird 1 5/25 Coralv. Res.

thrushes bluebird, e 1 5/24 Coralv. Res. (only n

warblers

Cerulean	1 ♂	5/10	Cedar Bluffs
bl-t blue	1 ♀	5/10	" "
cape may	1 ♂	5/11	Iowa City

icterids : invasion of yellowheaded blackbirds:

up to 80[♂], 3 ♀ at a pond in SE Iowa City (may be more than 3 ♀ but they stay mostly in Reed-beds and are hard to see); from 5/8 to 5/25 (last checked). Also 30[♂] 5/17 at Cone Marsh, 20[♂] 5/24 Coralville Reservoir area.

tanagers: few

Spizows

grasshopper at least 3 singing 5/17-5/25 in pasture 1 mi S. of Swan Lake.

Henslow's 1 singing 5/24-5 in weedy field n. of Swan Lake. (Reportedly in same area last year, fide N. Halmi, D. Peterson)

kunk 3 4/27, 1 5/4 Coralv. Res.

clay-c 2 5/5 Swan Lake

general: only big wave 5/10-11 (maybe 5/12 also, according to others but was not able to bird). The hot weather + SW winds of 5/13-5/17 pretty well cleared everything out. Compared to last year, I felt that there were fewer of the 'late' warblers (3 Blackburnians, 1 Baybreast, 3 Blackpolls total).

3-6 April: vast duck concentration at Cone marsh - probably dammed up by a late re-freeze which closed lakes to n. but left some open water in the IC area.

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Date → 4/6 4/12 4-13 4-26 4-27 5-4 5-5 5-8 5-9 5-10 5-11 5-12 5-13 5-14 5-20 5-22 5-24 5-25
 grebe h same bind 1
 p-b 7 5 1 2 1 2 1 1 1

heron, g. bl.

gr 1 2 8 1 1 2

egret, e.

heron, b-c.n.

goose, bl ~200

mallard ~25 ~10

gadwall ~40 ~6

pintail ~500 ~25

teal g-w 1 5

bl-w ~20 ~50

wigeon ~25 ~25

shoveller, N. ~500 ~50

duck, wood 2

redhead ~20 6

duck, t-m ~250 15

cinnamon ~500 n 100

scaly, f ~6000 ~75

goldeneye, C. 1♀

bufflehead ~10 2

scoter, S.

mengansen, h 2 4

, c 7

nb 52

duck, ruddy ~30 ~30

vulture, t

hawk, sh-sh

, Coop.

, n-t

, b-w

, marsh 1

Osprey

kestrel, gm 1 2

1 2

4-6 4-12 4-13 4-26 4-27 5-4 5-5 5-8 5-9 5-10 5-11 5-12 5-13 5-14 5-20 5-22 5-24 5-25

bobwhite		1	1	1		2		2		1	1		
pheasant r-w	1	2		1	1	+	2	1	1		+	1	4

rail, sona		1		1	2		2			1		
coot, Am	~ 500	~ 500	~ 40	~ 30	~ 50	~ 20	~ 20	~ 20	~ 6	~ 35	~ 35	~ 24

plover, semi			16	1				15	1	~ 80	
kildeen	2	2	1	2	4	6	2	3	2	3	1

plover, g								6			
, bl-b								1			
turnstone, R								1			

woodcock								1			
snipe, C	2		~ 20	2							

sandp. sp			1	5	5(ct)	2		1	8		
sol.			1	1							

yellowlegs, f		1(sp)	3	3		2		1	~ 1	~ 2	
sandp. pec		30				1			2	~ 1	

w-R								~ 25		2
leost								5	5	

dunlin			1				4	8		
dow., l-b (sp)							2(sp)	~ 3	~ 2	

sandp. semi				3	2	2		~ 50		12
gadwit, M										

, H				3						
avocet, Am						1				

phalarope, W			1							
gull, hen.	1	1								

, r-b	+2	10								
, Fr.	6		1							

dove, m	3	3	5	3	3	2	2	3	1	+6	3	2
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cuckoo yb.											
b-b.									2	1	

owl, g. h.			1 ad 2 imm	1 ad 1 imm			2 ad				
			(same birds)								

different from
birds 9/26-7

4-6 4-12 4-13 4-26 4-27 5-4 5-5 5-8 5-9 5-10 5-11 5-12 5-13 5-17 5-20 5-22 5-24 5-25

Nighthawk, c

3	1	1	2
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Swift, ch.

5	3	3	3	10	8	+	+	+	+	+	2
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hummingbird, r.t.

1	1	1
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kingfisher, b.

flicker, "q-s"	1	8	15	1	2	2	1	3	1	2	1
wdpkn, n-b	1	1	3								
n-h				1	8	7	3	2	3	1	2
h											2
d	1	2	4	2	3	3	1	2	2	4	5
sepsucker, y-b	1	3	5								6

flycatcher, qc

kingbird, e

phoebe, e

2 2

flyc, y-b

, l

, alder

Empidonax sp.

peewee, e.w.

flyc. o-s.

lark, h

5 6

swallow tree

3

~50 ~500 ~20 ~10 ~5 ~10

bank

3

5

2

2

barn

n-w

~10

~5

1

2

2

1

1

1

2

2

6

~10

cl.

2

2

~40 ~15

2

1

martin, p.

1

1

2

1

jay, bl

1 2 2

~80 (single) 10 ~10

+

8

+

1

crow, c

2 3 2

1 2

+

1

6

+

1

	4-6	4-12	4-13	4-26	4-27	5-4	5-5	5-8	5-9	5-10	5-11	5-12	5-13	5-17	5-20	5-22	5-24	5-25	
chick. b-c	4	3	4		+	2	1			6	3			2		2			
titmouse, t.		2								2				1					
nuthatch, w.b.			1							1				1				1	
creepers, b.		2																	
wren, h , w h.m.					3	3			5	~10			~15			3	2		
Mockingbird																		1	
catbird, g.					2	3			4	12	10			6	~20		~5	2	3
thrasher, b.				7	4	5			3					~10		1	~5	1	
robin	12	~15	3		~10	~10	~5			+	4		3	~20		3	2	2	
thrush, hermit																			
thrush, wt.										1	1			3					
S.s.														2					
g-r-c										1				1					
Vireo																			
bluebird, e																		1	
gnatcatcher, bg					5														
Rught qc	6	~25																2(on nest)	
r-c										2									
waxwing, c.					1											3			
starling	+	+		1	+	3				9			+			+		3	
Vireo, B's																	2		
4-t										2				3					
sol.										2	9								
r-e										2	4		1	1				1	
Phil.										1			1	1					
Wrb.					1	2				1			1	2			7	1	

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warbler bw

g-w

bl-w

Tenn.

2

2

1

2

3

1

4

1

2

Nash.

3

~30

4

2

O-C

3

2

3

Parul.

2

yellow magnolia

3 4

1

Gp. May

4

bl-t. bl.

10

y-r

~50 ~30 ~30

5

8

3

bl-t. gr.

4

2

cerul.

1

blkbb.

1

ch-s

1

bay-br

4

blkpoll

1

palm

1

2

creubind

6

+

1

~3

waterthr., N.

2 ~5 1

1

yellowthroat

2 ~10 ~10

~10 ~20

4

~20

5 2 +

warbler, Wilson's

6

1

resistant, Am

2

3

4

4

2 2

house sparrow

+

5 3 2 2 2

2

+

1

+ +

bluebirds

meadowl. e

1

+

3

3

2

+

+

2

2

~10

3

1

5

blackbird y-h

(sp)

(4) (5)

g-w

+

~20

2

+

+

~30

5

3

+

~10

1

+

3

5

~20

+

oriole, N.

12

6

5

3

2

2

2

3

2

grackle, C

+

~20

6

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~20

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13

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~15

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cowbird bh

3

2

~30

~20

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4

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6

1

tanager, scarlet

10°

30°

1

4-6 4-12 4-13 4-26 4-27 5-4 5-5 5-8 5-9 5-10 5-11 5-12 5-13 5-17 5-20 5-22 5-24 5-25

cardinal	3	4	3	3	3	4	6	2	5	~5	4
grosbk, n-b.			1	~10		~10		1		4	~10
bunting, ind							2		~20	1	~5
dickcissel						3			3		1 ~20
finch, p.							1 ~20		~10	1	2 ~5
goldfinch, Am.	2		2	5	2			1	1	2	
towhee, n-s.			1					1	1		2
sparrow, sav.			2		2				2		2
, grassh.									3		3
, Hensl.										1---1	
, vesper	1										2
, dark			3	1							
junco, s-c	7	3	3		2						
sparrow, tree	1	1				1	1			1	
, chip.						1	1				
, cl-c					2						
, field				1	1	2		6	2	2	3
, w-c	4				2				1		
, w-t				~15	~20	~25		3	~10	~5	1
, fox	3	3	6						2	2	
, Linic					1	3					
, Sw.		1			~15	1	2	1	1		3
, song.	3	2	2	+ ~5	3	1	1	1		2	1 2 1 2

hours afield 6 6 4 2 6 $5\frac{1}{2}$ 5 1 2 3 7 1 $1\frac{1}{2}$ 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ $1\frac{1}{2}$ 6 3