

SOUTHWEST IOWA FIELD NOTES AUG.--NOV., 1976

Common Goldeneye -- several on Viking Lake, Nov. 8 Jean Braley and Ruth Phipps. This is the second time I've seen goldeneye in this area; so I would say they are uncommon.

Common Flicker, Red-shafted race. I saw a red-s. flicker at the same location twice, and Jean Braley saw one with-in a mile of this place. These flickers are reported occasionally but they are not common. Manti, Sept. 21

Hairy Woodpecker -- This bird appeared at my suet feeder and is the only one I saw through this period. Nov.-21

Brewer's Blackbird -- Riverton area, 11-27 Marie Spears & Ruth Phipps I consider the Brewer's an uncommon migrant.

Rufous-sided Towhee, (spotted race). I banded two and saw another one. *@ Manti* One bird banded 9-29 the other 10-12.

Henslow's Sparrow -- Marie Spears and I saw this bird on the Riverton refuge on 11-27. It was surprising to see this sparrow at such a late date, and I consider it rare in this area. Marie and I checked and double checked all identifying marks - the rufous wings, shape of the head, etc, and we kept coming out Henslow's. The stripped head was another important identifying mark.

White-crowned Sparrow -- Marie Spears and I saw a flock of at least 27 birds on 11-27 on the Riverton refuge. It's an uncommon migrant.

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