

Records Committee, Iowa Ornithologists' Union

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White-faced Ibis

5 May 1996

Snake Creek M., Greene Co., IA

*Pam & Reid Allen

20; IBL 66:101, 67:81, P-0508

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DOCUMENTATION

Pam and Reid Allen, 1601 Pleasant St., West Des Moines 50265
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PHOTOGRAPHS

Reid Allen, P-0508

REFERENCES

Field Reports: IBL 66:101

Records Committee: IBL 67:81

VOTE: 7 A-P

A-P, The observers' fervent hope that these birds were Glossies (I've been there!) and their decision for White-faced, along with the described facial characters, are convincing. Further, the photos clearly show significant white areas on the "faces" of the birds in flight.



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NOTE: TOM, EUGENE wanted us to include his (& ours) sighting of a Western Grebe at Little Wall Lake on May 27, 1996.

POLK COUNTY

APRIL 25, 1996 (4) CATTLE EGRETS - sitting on a mud/sand bar off
campsite 4 at Jester State Park

MAY 5, 1996 (20) WHITE-FACED IBIS - GREENE COUNTY
NO. END OF SNAKE CREEK MARSH

Four of these birds were first spotted & then
a harrier flew low over the marsh &
15 flew up in a small group flight.

Eugene & Eloise arrived & Reid & Eugene & I
walked out to the edge of the marsh
& the harrier flew by again & scared
the group up. This time there were 20
in the group. We kept hoping one of
them would be a Glossy Ibis but
all of the birds had the distinctive
"white face."

** (2) PHOTOS ENCLOSED.

MARCH 23, 1996 7-11 LONG-BILLED DOWITCHERS FREMONT CO.
SECRET LAKE

Tom, this could be an early date. It was windier
than ---- and about the only good details we
can give you are that the birds were dowitchers.
You couldn't hear any call when they got up
to fly. The wind was blowing so hard
you ~~could~~ couldn't hold the scope steady
enough to get good details and the birds
were all in winter plumage.

APRIL 23, 1996 GREEN HERON GUTHRIE COUNTY
BAY'S BRANCH

MAY 10, 1996 WESTERN KINGBIRD WEBSTER CO.
HWY 175 + DES MOINES RIVER

We pulled off the road to explore this river access & here
was this Western Kingbird fly catching.

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