FIELD REPORTS FORM for submitting seasonal observations of Iowa birds

Season: Fall Year: 1989

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SPECIES	NO.	DATE	LOCATION - COMMENT - OTHER OBSERVERS
Climate and habitat conditions: fall in extreme NW Iowa continued extremely dry, with less than 2" moisture in four month period over all except isolated spots. Weather was generally warmer than normal until mid-November, except for one or two short cold spells in October. Wetland habitat conditions very poor, with most marshes dry and larger lakes down three feet or more. Upland and woodland habitat generally fair to good. Waterfowl migrations were among the smallest in memory, save for Canada Geese.			
SIGHTINGS:			
Common Loon	2	10/18	Big Spirit Lake
Horned Grebe	1	10/11	Big Spirit Lake
Sandhill Crane	1	10/25	Rush Lake, Osceola Co.--immature
Black-bellied Plover	110	10/11	Hales Slough WMA (Big Spirit Lake)
"	13	10/11	Little Spirit Lake
Dowitcher species	80	10/11	Hales Slough WMA (Little Spirit Lake)
Eastern Bluebird	5	10/20	4 mi. NW of Inwood, Iowa (Lyon County)--latest I've ever seen in this area

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Tim Waltz (TW), Spirit Lake

Rory Martinson (RM), Spirit Lake

LaVonne Foote (LF), Spirit Lake

Lee Schoeneway (LS), Spencer

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Osprey (TW)	1	9/21	Camp Foster YMCA, East Okoboji Lake
Bald Eagle (LF)	1-ad.	10/30	Big Spirit Lake
Sandhill Crane (LS)	1	11/14	Big Spirit Lake
Sandhill Crane (TW & RM)	1	11/19	1 mi. W. of Big Spirit Lake (same bird as above?)
Tundra Swan (LF)	1	11/18	Big Spirit Lake
Tundra Swan (TW & RM)	1	11/27	Found ill or injured on East Okoboji Lake, taken to rehabilitator (same bird as above?)

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