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Iowa Birds - Spring 1995 Report

Common Loon - 1 -3/25- Manawa, Pottawattamie; 2 -3/27-  
Manawa; 8 -4/12- Manawa

✓ Pied-billed Grebe - 1 -3/10- Manawa; 80 -4/9- Manawa;  
282 -4/12- Manawa (largest #s we've ever seen here)

✓ Horned Grebe - 1 -3/27- Manawa; 1 -4/9- Manawa

✓ Eared Grebe - 2 -5/23- Midwest Power Plant pond, Potta-  
wattamie

Am. White Pelican - 24 -3/21- Waubonsie, Fremont; 500 -4/13-  
Folsom Lake, Mills

✓ Dbl.-crested Cormorant - 1 -3/25- Manawa; 44 -4/9- Manawa;  
128 -4/13- Waubonsie; 70 -5/23- Manawa

✓ Am. Bittern - 1 -4/15- Riverton (LP)

✓ Grt. Blue Heron -2 -3/21- Waubonsie

Great Egret - 1 -4/12- Manawa; 1 -4/13- Forney I-29 exit,  
Fremont; 2 -4/15- Fremont; 1 -5/31- Sheldon Pond, Fremont

✓ Snowy Egret - 1 -5/31- old Nebr. City road, Fremont (black  
bill, black legs with bright yellow feet) - (BP)

Cattle Egret - 10 -4/15- Riverton; 8 -5/16- Forney Lake  
12 -5/31- old Nebr. City road

✓ White-faced Ibis - 1 -4/15- Riverton (breeding plumage)  
2 -5/18- west of Riverton

✓ Glossy Ibis - 2 -5/18- west of Riverton \*

White-fronted Goose - 6 -3/15- Forney Lake; 50 -3/21-  
Riverton; 6 -4/15- Riverton; 3 -4/15- Sheldon Pond, Fremont

✓ Snow Goose - 500 -3/10- Manawa; 2000 -3/15- Waubonsie; aprx.  
50,000 -3/15- Hamburg; 20 -4/15- Riverton

✓ Woodduck - 2 -3/11- Manawa

Green-winged Teal - 3 -3/10- Midwest Power; 43 -3/15- Forney;  
100 -3/21- Riverton

✓ Black Duck - 1 -3/10- Midwest Power

No. Pintail - 20 -3/10- Manawa

✓ Blue-winged Teal - 4 -3/14- Manawa

No. Shoveler - 6 -3/11- Manawa;

Gadwall - 2 -3/10- Manawa; 125 -3/27- Manawa;

Amer. Wigeon - 1 -3/8- Manawa; 12 -3/21- Riverton;  
50 -4/15- Sheldon Pond, Fremont

Ring-necked Duck - 20 -3/8- Manawa; 200 -3/10- Manawa;

Redhead - 10 -3/8- Manawa; 8 -3/8- Midwest Power;  
25 -3/10- Manawa

Canvasback - 55 -3/8- Manawa

Lesser Scaup - 50 -3/8- Manawa

✓✓ Greater Scaup - 3 -3/11- Manawa; 4 -3/25- Manawa

Bufflehead - 2 -3/8- Manawa; 10 -3/27- Manawa

Com. Goldeneye - 4 -3/8- Manawa; 2 -3/25- Manawa

Hooded Merganser - 2 -3/8- Manawa; 2 -4/15- Riverton

Red-br. Merganser -1 -3/14- Manawa; 37 -4/12 - Manawa;  
10 -4/12- Midwest Power; 1 -5/29- Midwest Power

Com. Merganser - 80 -3/8- Manawa; 70 -3/14- Manawa

Ruddy Duck - 15 -3/14- Manawa; aprx. 440 -3/27- Manawa;  
aprx. 525 -4/12- Manawa

Turkey Vulture - 1 -3/15- Waubonsie; 4 -3/21- Waubonsie

✓ Osprey - 1 -4/15- Manawa

Bald Eagle - 3 ad, 2 im -3/10- Manawa; 22 ✓-(5 ad, 17 im)-  
3/13- Waubonsie; 1 im -4/12- Manawa;

Northern Harrier - 5 -3/15- Waubonsie

Cooper's Hawk - 1 -4/13- Waubonsie; 1 -4/15- Waubonsie

Sharp-shinned Hawk - 3 -3/15- Waubonsie; 1 -4/7- Waubonsie;  
1 -4/15- Waubonsie

✓ Red-shouldered Hawk - 1 -3/21- Waubonsie

✓ Swainson's Hawk - 8 -4/13- Fremont along I-29; 1 -4/13-  
Mills Co.

✓ Red-tailed Hawk - 413 -3/15- Waubonsie (2 3/4 hours of hawk watching; our largest day of fall hawk watching over a 3-yr period at Hitchcock has produced only 80 Red-tails.

✓ Golden Eagle - 1 immature - 4/15- Sheldon Pond, Fremont  
Thought at first glance to be a Bald Eagle, this bird flew around the pond & appeared to be chasing some ducks. It then landed on the dike for several minutes. The golden nape on the back of the head was clearly visible. It had white patches on the underside at the base of the primaries; the white base of the tail with dark terminal band was also noted.

✓ Merlin - 1 -4/15- east of Waubonsie

Am. Coot - 20 -3/10- Manawa; 500 -3/27- Manawa;  
aprx. 1000 -4/12- Manawa

✓ Sora - 1 -4/15- Riverton - (BP)

Less. Golden Plover - 10 -4/15- Riverton; 3 -4/15- Sheldon Pond

✓ Piping Plover -4- 5/12 - Midwest Power; 2 -5/16- Midwest P.  
2 -5/31- Midwest P.

Gr. Yellowlegs - 6 -4/15- Riverton; 6 -4/15- Sheldon Pond

Less. Yellowlegs - 50 -4/15- Riverton; 6 -5/18- field west of Riverton

✓ Whimbrel - 2 -5/16- flooded field 2 mi. north of the Bartlett exit, Mills. Large, long-legged birds with long decurved bills. Overall brownish-gray body; crowns had prominent black stripes; bills all black; legs gray; vents were buffy-white; observed with scope from 250 yds for about 10 minutes.

Hudsonian Godwit - 40 -4/15- Riverton; 6 -4/15- Sheldon Pond

✓ Marbled Godwit - 4 -4/13- Riverton;  
8 -5/31- Midwest Power - we were surprised to see so many on such a late date; most of them were preening at the water's edge. We were able to see the cinnamon wing linings & brown rumps of almost all of the birds. They were all the same size.

Sanderling - 1 -5/16- Midwest Power pond; 1 -5/23- Midwest

White-rumped Sandpiper - 2 -5/18- field west of Riverton

Baird's Sandpiper - 1 -4/15- Riverton; 4 -5/29- Midwest Power; 2 -5/31- Midwest Power

Babs Padelford 6-5-95

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Dear Tom,

I just discovered that I inadvertently sent you the wrong total for Red-tailed Hawks at Waubonsie on 3-15-95. The total should be 380.

Sorry for the inconvenience.

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✓ Pectoral - 1 -5/18- field west of Riverton (only one we saw all spring)

Common Snipe - 2 -4/13- west of Waubonsie

Wilson's Phalarope - 1 -4/15- Riverton; 6 -5/18- field west of Riverton

Franklin's Gull - 1 -3/27- Manawa; 37 -5/16- Forney Lake  
80 -5/23- flooded field south of Midwest Power  
210 -5/29- Midwest Power; 35 -5/31- Midwest Power

Bonaparte's Gull - 2 -3/25- Manawa; 20 -4/12- Midwest Power

Caspian Tern - 16 -5/23- Midwest Power; 1 -5/23- Manawa  
7 -5/29- Midwest Power

✓ Forster's Tern - 14 -5/23- Manawa

Least Tern - 4 -5/29- Midwest Power (south pond) - these were not seen on the 31st.

Black Tern - 23 -5/23- Manawa; 8 -5/23- Midwest Power  
7 -5/31- Midwest Power

✓ Eastern Phoebe - 1 -3/15- Waubonsie

✓ Tree Swallow - 3 -3/25- Manawa

✓ Purple Martin - 1 -4/13- Waubonsie

✓ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher - 1 -4/15- Waubonsie

Golden crowned Kinglet - 1 - 4/13 -Waubonsie

✓ Yellow-rumped Warbler - 4 -4/15- Waubonsie

✓ Blue Grosbeak - 1 (singing male) -5/31- Mills County

✓ Field Sparrow - 2 -4/13- Waubonsie

✓ Savannah Sparrow - 1 -4/15- Riverton

\* = documentation enclosed