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FIELD REPORTS - FALL 1995

GENERAL TRENDS

Good shorebird habitat was not present at Cardinal Marsh. However, the Fort Atkinson sewage ponds attracted a few shorebirds during the first part of the season. Warblers moved through the area during the last 10 days of August and the first ten days of September; they were noted even on hot days. However, no waves were observed.

SPECIES DATA

All Effigy Mounds National Monument records are from Allamakee County. General comments refer to Winnebago County including the following localities: Burr Oak, Cardinal Marsh, Decorah, Fort Atkinson sewage ponds, and Lake Meyer County Park.

- ✓ Tundra Swan: 100 were at Pool 9, north of Harpers Ferry on 16 Nov. However, on the same day several thousand were in the Reno bottoms, ^{MN} 7 to 9 miles N of the Iowa line.
- ✓ Osprey: 2 were seen at Effigy Mounds on 2 Sep.
- ✓ Red-shouldered Hawk: On 23 Sep, 1 was seen at Effigy Mounds, in an area where they breed.
- ✓ Golden Eagle: 1 adult and 2 immatures were seen west of New Albin, Allamakee County on 19 Nov.
- ✓ Sandhill Crane: 2 adults and 2 juveniles were seen at Sweet Marsh on 4 Sep., probably the ones that reportedly nested there.

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- American Avocet: 1 was found at Fort Atkinson sewage ponds, Winneshiek Co. on 4 Sep. - the second consecutive Labor Day record for this locality.
- ✓ Baird's Sandpiper: 2 were seen at Fort Atkinson on 30 Aug and 9 Sep
- ✓ Wilson's Phalarope: 1 was at Fort Atkinson on 2 Aug.
- ✓ Caspian Tern: 2 flew over Cardinal Marsh on 18 Sep.
- ✓ Black-billed Cuckoo: 1 was seen at Cardinal M. on 23 Aug.
- ✓ Ruby-throated Hummingbird: Numerous in early fall. High count was 9 at Sweet Marsh on 4 Sep.
- ✓ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker: 5, including juveniles, at Effigy Mounds on 5 Aug were breeding birds.
- ✓ Olive-sided Flycatcher: 1 was at Effigy Mounds on 2 Sep.
- ✓ Red-breasted Nuthatch: First was 1 at " " on 2 Sep., many later records and still present at feeders at the end of the period.
- ✓ Winter Wren: First were 3 at Decorah on 21 Sep, also
- ✓ 2 at Effigy Mounds on 23 Sep. Three other records of 4 individuals were obtained in Winneshiek County.
- ✓ Sedge Wren: 1 was seen at Cardinal M. on 18 Sep.
- Golden-crowned Kinglet: more than usual
- ✓ Northern Shrike: First was 1 at Burr Oak ^{Winneshiek Co.} (Willow Glen Nursery) on 31 Oct, reported by Lee Z. and Lindsay Lee.
- ✓ Solitary Vireo: 1 was found at Burr Oak on 8 Sep and
- ✓ another at Lake Meyer on 26 Sep.
- ✓ Yellow-throated Vireo: 3 were seen at Effigy Mounds on 2 Sep and 2 (singing) at Decorah on 6 Sep.
- ✓ Philadelphia Vireo: 1 was seen at Decorah on 21 Sep.

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- ✓ Golden-winged Warbler: A male was seen at Burr Oak (Willowgen Nursery) on 8 Sep.
- ✓ Tennessee Warbler: First were 3 at Lake Meyer on 21 Aug.
- ✓ Magnolia Warbler: Last was 1 at Decorah on 6 Oct.
- ✓ Cape May Warbler: A male was seen at Lake Meyer, Winneshiek County on 21 Aug.
- ✓ Black-throated Green Warbler: First were 2 at Cardinal M. on 23 Aug.
- Palm Warbler: My only records were 1 at Lake Meyer on 26 Sep and 1 at Decorah on 6 Oct.
- ✓ Connecticut Warbler: 1 was seen at Lake Meyer, Winneshiek Co. on ~~23 Aug~~^{9 Sep}. The brownish-gray hood and conspicuous complete eye-ring were noted.
- ✓ Canada Warbler: 1 was seen at Lake Meyer on 30 Aug.
- ✓ Fox Sparrow: First was 1 at Cardinal M. on 18 Sep.
- ✓ Lincoln's Sparrow: First was 1 at Cardinal M. on 18 Sep.; also 1 at Decorah on 21 Sep and 1 at Lake Meyer on 26 Sep.
- ✓ Bobolink: Most were 34 at Cardinal M. on 23 Aug.
- ✓ Rusty Blackbird: 6 were seen at Cardinal M. on 11 Oct.

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