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SPRING 1980

I WILL FOLLOW THE NEW GUIDELINES AS SET OUT
IN VERNON KLEEN'S MEMORANDUM.

CUCKOOS: AS OF THIS WRITING I HAVE SEEN NONE, BUT
THEY SEEM TO SHOW UP IN MID JUNE.

HORNED OWL - COMMON.

SCREECH OWL - NOT FOUND OFTEN

✓ BARN OWL - NEST FOUND SOUTH OF CHEROKEE ON LITTLE SIoux RIVER
SUCCESSFULLY ~~FL~~ FLEDGED 2 YOUNG.

NIGHT HAWK - HARD TO FIND IN NW IOWA NOW THAT MIGRATION
IS OVER.

✓ HUMMINGBIRD - NONE SEEN.

KING FISHER - UNCOMMON NESTER IN N.W. IOWA

ALL WOODPECKERS DOING WELL IN N.W. IOWA

✓ * EASTERN KINGBIRD - THIS IS THE LOWEST NUMBER I'VE
SEEN IN YEARS VERY FEW BREEDING PAIRS TO BE FOUND.

GRAY CATBIRD - ALSO SEEMS LOW IN NUMBERS.

✓ THRUSHES - POOR MIGRATION, FEW SEEN. MOSTLY SURINSONS

✓ Bluebird - AS OF THIS WRITING I HAVE 11 BREEDING PAIR
IN CHEROKEE COUNTY WITH 3 NESTS ALREADY FLEDGED. I CAN
FIND NONE IN NATURAL NEST SITES. ALL ARE FROM
T. Bluebird boxes.

✓ Golden Winged Warbler - I OBSERVED 2 MALES
AT SPIRIT LAKE AT THE IOWA SPRING MEETING ON
MAY 10. MY FIRST SITING OF THIS WARBLE IN NW IOWA.

✓ YELLOW HEADED BLACKBIRD - NESTING IN MOST SLOUGHS
IN NW IOWA

✓ DICKCISSEL - NOT VERY COMMON. NUMBERS SEEM
ALARMINGLY LOW.

✓ LOONS - 1 SEEN AS LATE AS 25 MAY ON WEST LAKE

HORNED & EARED GREBES - NONE SEEN

PELICANS - NOT AS ABUNDANT AS SPRING OF 1979

✓ GREATER WHITE FRONTED GOOSE - 1,200 AT DESOTO
BEND N.W.R. ON MARCH 29

✓ ^{ONE} OSPREY - APRIL 22 BY THE LITTLE SIOUX RIVER
CHEROKEE IOWA.

NORTHERN HARRIER - ABOUT 15 SEEN BY ME THROUGH
THE MIGRATION

✓ REDTAIL HAWK - 3 ACTIVE NESTS IN CHEROKEE AREA.
GOOD NUMBERS DURING MIGRATION.

✓ BROADWINGED HAWK - MAY 1ST 9 OVER SPRING LAKE
PARK LHEROKEE IOWA. I SAW OTHERS DURING
THAT WEEK IN THE COUNTY.

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FOR THE THIRD YEAR IN A ROW AT THE SAME
FARM GROVE.

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NESTING IN THE SAME GROVE AS THE SWAINSON'S HAWKS,
AND HAS ALSO EVERY YEAR.

SORAS - COMMON



I have not been out actively binding
for 2 weeks, so rather than ^{guess} on the
situation of a given species I have ~~not~~
refrained from making any comments.

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CHEROKEE, IOWA

5/10/15

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