

IN UPDATES ABOUT BIRDS IN THE WEEK'S REPORT,
THE SNOWY OWL IN WARREN COUNTY WAS SEEN NORTH-
EAST OF CLIO AT 11AM TODAY. THE 2 TRUMPETER SWANS
AND TUNDRA SWAN WERE ON THE TOWN RIVER IN THE
CORAVILLE AREA ON THE 1ST. THE 4 MUTE SWANS
AND THE TUNDRA SWAN BELOW LOCK + DAM #19 AT
KEOKUK WERE STILL PRESENT THROUGH JANUARY 30TH.
2 LONG EARED OWLS WERE SEEN AT TETWELL TREE
FARM SOUTHEAST OF OSCEOLA ON THE 1ST AND THE
VARIED THRUSH AT PENCIL, PRESENT DAILY SINCE NOV.
20TH HAS NOT BEEN SEEN NOW FOR 3 DAYS.

IN NEW REPORTS FROM TODAY, A SANDWICH OWL WAS
FOUND IN CEDARS ALONG THE NORTH SIDE OF JOHNSON
COUNTY ROAD F-20. .8 MILE WEST OF THE HAWKEYE
WILDLIFE AREA HEADQUARTERS, AND 2 LONG EARED
OWLS WERE FLUSHED FROM A PINE GROVE A HALF
MILE NORTHEAST OF SWAN LAKE. ANOTHER SANDWICH
OWL WAS LOCATED AT THE ANIMALS JUST WEST OF
HOMESTEAD. FOR DIRECTIONS CALL TOM SCHEIB AT
(319) 337-5206.

AND IN SOUTH CENTRAL IOWA, 14 BALD EAGLES
WERE BAWD THE RED ROCK DAM, WHILE 104
WERE COUNTED ALONG THE DES MOINES RIVER
FROM A GRAVEL ROAD THAT FOLLOWS THE RIVER
FROM THE HIGHWAY 92 BRIDGE. ALSO SNOW BUNT
SNOW BUNTINGS + A LOGGERSHEAD SPEIKE WERE ALSO
PRESENT. THERE

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Iowa Birdline (319)338-9881 for 1/28/91

In a long weekend foray in eastern Iowa, a group of Iowa birders started at New Albin on the Minnesota border and followed the Mississippi River to Keokuk on the Missouri border, then up the Des Moines River to Keosauqua. Despite almost no open water, 684 BALD EAGLES were counted, with 203 at Keokuk, 140 at the Lansing power plant, 109 at the ISU generating station south of Burlington, and 90 at New Boston. 154 RED TAILED HAWKS were also counted. Other highlights were 2 GOLDEN EAGLES, 3 RUFFED GROUSE, and a WINTER WREN in Allamakee County, a NORTHERN SHRIKE 3 miles south of Rossville, a RED SHOULDERED HAWK 10 miles south of Bellevue, 8 EURASIAN TREE SPARROWS north of Burlington, WINTER WREN and RED BREASTED NUTHATCH at Burlington, 4 MUTE SWANS and a TUNDRA SWAN, as well as a DOUBLE CRESTED CORMORANT below Lock & Dam #19 at Keokuk, 3 YELLOW RUMPED WARBLERS a mile east of Bonaparte along the north side of the Des Moines River, and large numbers of berry eating birds, ROBINS, EASTERN BLUEBIRDS, PURPLE FINCHES, and CEDAR WAXWINGS in the Bentonsport and Bonaparte areas.

In other reports, from the southeast, the 2 TRUMPETER SWANS, and the TUNDRA SWAN were still below the dam at the Iowa River Power Co. restaurant in Coralville, which is a mile south of exit 242 of I-80, through the 27th.

In the central, 7 RED CROSSBILLS have been regular through at least the 26th at the feeder of Lester Bridell, 3347 Sims Dr. in Des Moines. This location is just south of University Avenue, at the east edge of the state fairgrounds, and is reached by taking 35th St. off of University. The Bridell's phone number is (515) 266-3627. The COMMON REDPOLL was at the feeder of Scott Dennis, 3404 70th in Urbandale through the 23rd. The phone number there is (515) 276-9490. In Hardin County, the RED SHOULDERED HAWK was seen on the 25th and 26th where county road D-65 crosses a wooded creek 3 and a half miles west of Union. And the SNOWY OWL in Grundy County northeast of Whitten has not been seen for a week. There are large flocks of SNOW BUNTINGS in Hardin and Grundy Counties. A NORTHERN SHRIKE was at the northwest corner of the I-80 and I-35 interchange in Polk County on the 26th.

In south central Iowa, the SNOWY OWL in Wayne County, first reported December 27th is regular, and was seen again on the 26th at the northeast edge of Clio. Take Wayne County Road J-54 a quarter mile east of Clio, then north on gravel and look for the owl in the first three-quarters of a mile. Late afternoons are best. There are SHORT EARED OWLS in that area also. Three other SHORT EARED OWLS were in Appanoose County along hiway 5 a mile south of Moravia on the 26th. In Clarke County, LONG EARED OWLS were at Tetner's Tree Farm southeast of Osceola on the 26th. For more information, call Beth Brown at (515) 342-2783.

In northwest Iowa, the VARIED THRUSH continues through the 27th at the feeder of Jim Bock, 814 10th St. in Spencer. You can call for updates at (712)262-6578. Of the 3 SNOWY OWL reports in Pochahontas County, the latest was of a very white bird along the Rush Lake Road 3 and three-quarters miles north of Laurens.

In north central Iowa, a WHITE WINGED CROSSBILL was frequenting feeders in a northwest Mason City neighborhood through the 24th. Also in that area were YELLOW BELLIED SAPSUCKER and RED BREASTED NUTHATCH, and a NORTHERN SAW WHET OWL was there on the 25th. For more information, call Carolyn Fischer at (515) 423-9909.

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