

THE 17<sup>TH</sup>

IN NEWS TODAY, AT DAVENPORT, THE ADULT MALE WHITE WINGED SCOTER WAS STILL BEING SEEN BELOW LOCK 8 DAM #15 IN DOWNTOWN DAVENPORT; TODAY IT WAS NEAR THE CENTENNIAL BRIDGE, BUT HAS ALSO BEEN SEEN FROM THE SEASIDE AT THE RUSTIC PEACOCK RESTAURANT. AND THE DARK MANTLED GULL ON THE MISSISSIPPI WAS SEEN BY SEVERAL OBSERVERS SINCE ~~MONDAY~~ <sup>MONDAY</sup> ~~THE 14<sup>TH</sup>~~ <sup>THE 14<sup>TH</sup></sup> FROM MOLINE, ILLINOIS BY LOOKING TOWARD THE TOWN SHORE FROM THE PARKWAY JUST UPSTREAM FROM THE JUBILEE RESTAURANT, <sup>ALONG RIVER DRIVE.</sup> IT HAS BEEN SUGGESTED AS A ~~Possible~~ <sup>2ND WINTER</sup> GREAT BLACK BACKED ~~A WINTER~~ GULL. \$

IF YOU LIKE TO IDENTIFY PUZZLING GULLS THIS <sup>MAY BE</sup> YEAR AND IN CLARKE COUNTY IN THE SOUTH-CENTRAL, AT LEAST 20 LONG EARED OWLS WERE KILLED FROM EVERGREENS AT TETNER'S TREE FARM. FOR MORE INFO CALL BETH BROWN AT (515) 342-2783 ON THE 15<sup>TH</sup>

④ IN THE NORTHWEST, A SNOWY OWL WAS SEEN TWICE TODAY 4 MILES EAST AND A QUARTER MILE NORTH OF POCAHONTAS, SITTING IN A FIELD AND ON A DRAINAGE DITCH BRIDGE. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL STACEY NEWBROUGH, THE POCAHONTAS COUNTY NATURALIST AT (712) 335-4395

③ ON THE 16<sup>TH</sup> IN THE SOUTHWEST UP TO 6 SHORT EARED OWLS HAVE <sup>FOR SOME TIME</sup> BEEN PRESENT IN LOUISA COUNTY ABOUT 4 MILES SOUTHWEST OF COLUMBUS CITY. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL DICK PETERSON AT (319) 728-3732

IN HANCOCK COUNTY, THE RED SHOULDERED HAWK THAT <sup>WAS</sup> ~~HAS BEEN~~ OBSERVED LAST YEAR WAS SEEN AT THE SAME LOCATION ON THE 15<sup>TH</sup>, ALONG A WOODED CREEK 3 1/2 MILES WEST OF UNION ALONG HANCOCK COUNTY ROAD D-65.

~~IN NEWS FROM TODAY AT Davenport, THE ADULT MALE  
WHITE WINGED SCOTER WAS STILL BEHIND LOCK DAM #15 AS  
SEEN FROM THE SEAWALL BY THE RUSTY PELICAN RESTAURANT.  
AND A SUBADULT DARK MANTLED GULL, PROBABLY A  
LESSER BLACK BACKED WAS SEEN ON THE IOWA SIDE OF  
THE MISSISSIPPI BY LOOKING FROM THE MOBILE, ILL  
PARKWAY, <sup>ALONG RIVER DRIVE</sup> JUST UPSTREAM FROM THE JUBILEE  
RESTAURANT.~~

AND <sup>ON THE ILL</sup> IN THE SOUTHEAST,

(4) IN THE IOWA CITY AREA, THE ADULT TUNDRA SWAN  
WAS STIL BEHIND THE DAM AT THE IOWA RIVER POWER  
COMPANY RESTAURANT IN CAROLVILLE AND THE TWO  
TRUMPETER SWANS WERE IN THE RIVER BEHIND HOMES  
ALONG EDGEWATER DRIVE IN CAROLVILLE ABOUT A HALF  
MILE DOWNSTREAM FROM THE I-80 BRIDGE. AND ONE  
~~OBSERVER REPORTED NUMEROUS FLOCKS OF THOUSANDS  
LOTS EACH WITH SOME SNOW BUNTINGS WEST OF  
IOWA CITY IN THE JOHNSON COUNTY ROAD F 46  
AND ROBERT ROAD AREA, ON THE 13<sup>TH</sup>. AND AT  
BURLINGTON A SECOND LOCATION WITH EURASIAN TREE SWALLOW  
7 MILES FROM THE ORIGINAL SITE WAS FOUND ON THE 13<sup>TH</sup>. FOR DIRECTION  
CALL ENRICH FULLER AT (319) 753-0710~~  
AT CEDAR LAKE IN CEDAR RAPIDS ON THE 13<sup>TH</sup>,

(5) BESIDES THE NUMEROUS MALLARDS AND CANADA GESE,  
THERE WERE ALSO 7 OTHER WATERFOWL SPECIES,  
INCLUDING WOOD DUCK, GREEN WINGED TEAL, AND PIED  
BILLED GREBE.

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Iowa Birdline (319)338-9881 for 1/14/91

The highlights this week are the continued presence of two SNOWY OWLS, in the central and south parts of the state, VARIED THRUSH in the northwest, and RED CROSSBILLS in the southwest. And the YELLOW GROSBEAK has not been seen now for six days. *SINCE MONDAY JANUARY 7<sup>TH</sup>*

~~In the central part of the state, in Polk County, the YELLOW GROSBEAK was last seen on Monday, January 7th. Dean Mosman assures us that he will keep us informed if it returns to their feeder. Also in Polk County, a NORTHERN GOSHAWK was sighted at the west end of the mile long bridge over the Saylorville Reservoir on the 12th. In Story County, the SNOWY OWL there has been difficult to find, but was seen about 5PM on the 12th. The location of that sighting was three miles east of Colo on new hiway 30 and north on gravel less than a mile where the bird was sitting on a utility pole just south of the railroad tracks. On the 11th, a PRARIE FALCON was spotted about two miles north of that location. For updates on the owl, call Hank Zalatel at (515)377-2889. We have had no reported sightings of the TOWNSEND'S SOLITAIRE near Big Creek State Park this past week.~~

In the extreme south in Wayne County a SNOWY OWL which was first reported December 27th, has been much easier to find than the Colo bird, and was observed both the 12th and 13th. It is best looked for by going east of Clio a quarter mile on Wayne County Road J-54, then north on gravel, where the bird is usually encountered in the first half mile, most often in a solitary tree along the east side of the road. On the 13th, it was in the bare field west of the road, and only about a hundred yards from homes in the northeast part of Clio. There are SHORT-EARED OWLS at several locations in the area also, as 3 were a mile north of J-54 on the 12th, and a PRARIE FALCON was seen three quarters of a mile north of J-54 on the 13th. MEADOWLARKS are also abundant, and a ~~LOGGERHEAD SHRIKE~~ *A HALF MILE* was along hiway 65 near mile marker 16 on the 13th. ~~Just west of Allerton, a SNOW BUNTING was with a flock of HORNED LARKS on the 12th.~~

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~~In southeast Iowa, the two TRUMPETER SWANS were seen again at Iowa City on the 12th, just downstream from the Butler Bridge, which crosses the Iowa River just north of exit 244 of I-80. An adult male WHITE-WINGED SCOTER was just below Lock & Dam #15 in downtown Davenport, and 205 BALD EAGLES were counted in the vicinity of Lock & Dam #14 on the 12th. A report of a GRAY JAY at a Main Amana feeder on the 8th turned out to be a NORTHERN MOCKINGBIRD, a bit unusual in itself. Florence Slycord of Pella reported a FOX SPARROW under her feeder on the 10th, and Barbara Beaumont who lives just south of North Liberty in Johnson County had a RUFOUS SIDED TOWHEE at her feeder on the 12th. And near Fairfield, Diane Porter reports seeing EASTERN BLUEBIRDS, ROUGH LEGGED HAWKS, and NORTHERN HARRIERS on the 12th.~~

In the southwest, three RED CROSSBILLS were still at an Atlantic feeder on the 13th. For updates call Donna Rourick at (712)243-4687.

In the northwest the VARIED THRUSH continues to visit the feeder at the home of Jim Bock, 814 W. 10th St. in Spencer through the 13th. He also reports that a neighbor has COMMON REDPOLLS. For updates, call Jim at (712)262-6578.

In northeast Iowa, a PILEATED WOODPECKER was near the feeding station in Palisades-Kepler State Park in Linn County on the 13th.

And, plan to participate in the Feeder Survey on the weekend of January 25th to 27th. If you need a form, please leave your name and address after the report.

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