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Iowa Birdline (319)338-9881 for 4/29/91

Weekend news seems to indicate that the warbler season is upon us, as one group saw 12 species in southeast Iowa on April 28th. The week's highlights are BLACK NECKED STILT in the west, ^{WOODS} HOODED WARBLER and BEWICK'S WRENS at two locations in the southeast, CINNAMON TEAL, OLDSQUAW, EARED GREBE, and GREAT TAILED GRACKLE in the central, and YELLOW RAIL and FERRUGINOUS HAWK in the north central.

The second BLACK NECKED STILT in about three weeks in the state was discovered in Harrison County on the 27th. From the Mondamin exit of I-29, go east a half mile, then north on a paved road and in a mile and a half take the second gravel road to the west. This road crosses the interstate, and then take the first gravel to the north and look ^{IN A HOODED AREA} on the east side of the road.

In the opposite corner of the state, Chuck Fuller found his second pair of BEWICK'S WRENS in a week and they were still present on the 27th. This pair was at Aspen Grove Cemtery in Burlington. To reach this location, enter the cemetery from the Corse Street or east entrance. In the cemetery, ^{TAKE THE FIRST} go left ^{AND GO} or south until the road makes a right angled curve to the west, where you park and look in the ravine to the east. A tape is helpful. For more help, call Chuck Fuller at (319)753-0710. There are also numerous PINE SISKINS still in the cemetery. The other pair of BEWICK'S WRENS was discovered at a junkyard in Lee County, at the same location they were seen last spring. These birds were still present on the 28th. From the stop sign in the village of Argyle, go west on gravel 2 miles to a Y. Take the right fork, and you will encounter the junkyard in less than a mile. A little farther along the same road and past the sign announcing Croton Unit of Shimek State Forest, a WHITE EYED VIREO has been singing for a week now. Continue along the road and down a hill where you should park at a pullout on the right, and just before a small bridge. Just into the woods here, a singing HOODED WARBLER was found on both the 27th and 28th, along with a YELLOW BREASTED CHAT. Farther into the woods there, were ^{WILSON'S PHALAROPE} BLUE WINGED, ^{WILSON'S PHALAROPE} BLACK and WHITE, and PARULA WARBLERS, both WATERTHRUSHES, and CAROLINA WRENS. At Lacey Keosauqua State Park in Van Buren County, warblers located at the Ely Ford area on the 28th included YELLOW THROATED, PARULA and KENTUCKY WARBLERS, both WATERTHRUSHES, and CAROLINA WREN plus a flyover immature GOLDEN EAGLE. In grassland habitat near the park, ORCHARD ORIOLES, UPLAND SANDPIPERS, and GRASSHOPPER SPARROWS. In Johnson County, the COMMON MOORHEN was still at Swan Lake on the 27th, and a NORTHERN MOCKINGBIRD was at the north parking lot of Hickory Hill Park in Iowa City on the 25th. A CAROLINA WREN was at the Baptist Camp south of Ottumwa on the 25th, and a WILSON'S PHALAROPE was along the south road at Cone Marsh on the 28th. ^{ALTHOUGH NO ONE HAS SPECIALLY FOR PHALAROPE, VELESIAN TREE SPARROW WERE STILL AT THEIR USUAL LOCATION NORTH OF BURLINGTON ON THE 28TH. EXIT HIGHWAY 99 1 MILE NORTH OF TOWN EAST ON TO TRAMP ROAD. UNICN YOU FOLLOW FOR 3 MILES AND}
In the north central, in Cerro Gordo County, Curt Nelson ^{LOOK IN GRASS IN THAT AREA.}

TOP¹, MAY 2 THE BENTLEY WOODS, PURSON
OF THE BIRD ~~IN THE WOODS~~ ^{IN THE WOODS} AT SHIMMER AND LOOPY
KOSJANOVIC WERE SEEN. THERE WERE 15 WOODPECKERS
SPECIES, PLUS A GREAT BLUESTEEDS WARDEN AT
SHIMMER. A PAIR OF NORTHERN MOCKINGBIRDS
WAS SEEN AND NEW SPARKS FOR THE BENTON
WOUND WOOD AND SPARKS'S THORPE, WOULD
BENTON, DISCIPLES, AND SAINT THOMAS

From
IN NEW REPORTS RECEIVED ~~FROM~~ THE 29TH, A PERUWIAN
FALCON WAS AT THE BABCOCK ACCESS OF THE CORNUMBE
RESERVOIR ~~FEEDING~~. IN BUTLER COUNTY, AN EARLY
GOLDEN WINGED WARBLER WAS IN THE CROON OF TREES AT
THE SOUTH END OF LAKES SLOUGH TODAY AND AT LONG'S
POND WHICH IS A MILE NORTH AND A HALF MILE EAST
OF LAKES SLOUGH, 5 GREAT TRICED GRACKLES WERE
PRESENT ON THE 27TH, AND AT THE RAMPERS UPLAND
AREA, 7 WILLETS WERE SOUTH OF SWAMP ON THE 27TH

~~IN NEWS FROM THE 30TH, THE CINNAMON TEAL WAS
STILL AT THE SAME LOCATION, AT THE COLO PONDS. OTHER
BIRDS THERE WERE 9 HUDSONIAN GOOSITS AND 4
WILSON'S PHALAROPES. AT HICKORY HILL PARK IN
TOWA CITY, 7 WARBLER SPECIES INCLUDING GOLDEN
WINGED, ALONG WITH SOLITARY VIREO AND RED BREASTED NUTHATCH~~

VARIOUS
IN NEWS FROM MAY 1, AT THE COLO PONDS THERE
WERE 35 WILLETS, 2 HUDSONIAN GOOSITS, 3
WILSON'S PHALAROPES. AND 3 UPLAND SANDPIPER.
THE CINNAMON TEAL COULD NOT BE FOUND, BUT
THE SAME OR ANOTHER WAS FOUND ^{30 MILES AWAY} AT LITTLE
WALL LAKE IN HAMILTON COUNTY IN THE CATALES
NEAR THE SOUTHWEST BOAT LAUNCH OFF OF HIGHWAY
19. AND AN ADULT LITTLE BLUE HERON WAS A
FLYOVER AT HICKORY HILL PARK IN TOWA CITY
WHERE ON APRIL 30TH THERE

flushed a YELLOW RAIL at White Marsh, which is at the north edge of Rock Falls, and can be reached either by walking through the Rock Falls Cemetery, or off county road S-62. You can call Curt at (515)696-5600. On the 23rd, a FERRUGINOUS HAWK was seen north of Thornton along Eagle Avenue between 140th and 150th Streets, but was never relocated, and a PEREGRINE FALCON was spotted a mile west of Plymouth on the 25th.

In the central, in Story County, the drake CINNAMON TEAL first reported the 13th, was still being seen on the 27th. From Colo, go east 3 miles on old hiway 30, then north on gravel a quarter to a half mile and look on the east side of the road. At Lakin Slough in northeast Guthrie County, two male GREAT TAILED GRACKLES were at the south end, while an EARED GREBE was at the north end on the 26th. The female OLDSQUAW at Little Wall Lake in Hamilton County was seen again on the 26th from the south rest area off hiway 69. At Otter Creek Marsh in Tama County, on the 27th, a MERLIN, a COMMON MOORHEN was 200 yards in from the east end of the north dike, and 3 AMERICAN BITTERNs. while on the 28th 2 AMERICAN BITTERNs, SORA, and VIRGINIA RAILS and a MARSH WREN. At Ledges State Park in Boone County, a yellow BREWSTER'S hybrid WARBLER, 4 YELLOW THROATED WARBLERS, PARULA WARBLERS, and a GRAY CHEEKED THRUSH on the 28th.

In northeast Iowa, an AMERICAN AVOCET was at the beach of Pleasant Creek Lake State Park in Linn County north of Palo on the 27th. SANDHILL CRANES were seen last week in Allamakee County east of New Albin in the Mississippi River bottoms, and at Green Island Wildlife Area in Jackson County. In Winneshiek County, WHITE PELICANS were at Cardinal Marsh on the 27th, and a COMMON LOON was there on the 28th. And two NORTHERN ORIOLES were ^{seen} at Effigy Mounds National Monument on the 27th. Jim Fuller (319)338-3561

