

from the 15th

(2) IN ARLINGTON CO. AT
IN NEW REPORTS ~~from~~, 2 CATTLE EGRETS WERE AT
FELIX FARM MARSH POND SOUTH OF NEW ALBANY. AND A
SNOWY EGRET WAS AT OTTER CREEK MARSH IN TAMA COUNTY.
TAKE THE WEST EXIT OFF HIGHWAY 30 AND GO TO WHERE
THERE IS WATER OVER THE ROAD JUST BEFORE RAILROAD
TRACKS. NEW ARRIVALS IN JOHNSON COUNTY TODAY WERE
BLACK TERNS AND BELL VIREO

(1) IN REPORTS FROM THE 11th, TOM SHIRES FOUND A
PRairie WARBLER AT CONE MARSH IN LOMA COUNTY.
THE BIRD WAS NOT SINGING HOWEVER. PARK ALONG
THE SOUTH ROAD BETWEEN THE CULVERT AND THE
SMALL DIKE, THEN WALK NORTH ALONG THE HEDGE
ROW ALMOST TO ITS END. IT IS A CONSIDERABLE
DISTANCE. THE BIRD WAS IN THE HEDGE ROW ALONG
WITH A YELLOW BREASTED CHAT AND 18 TOTAL
WARBLER SPECIES. A WHITE EYED VIREO WAS
ACROSS THE FIELD FROM THE EAST END OF THE
MAIN EAST-WEST DIKE.

A NICE ASSORTMENT OF WARBLERS, THRUWING, AND A
SCARLET TANGAR WERE SEEN AT THE BIRD BLOOD
AREA OF THE MACBRIDE NATURE CENTER IN JOHNSON
COUNTY

IN THE WEST

THE 8TH

(2)

IN NEWS FROM TODAY, THE WESTERN TOWHEE AT
 RED ROCK WAS SEEN AT THE SAME LOCATION AROUND
 NOON. A BLUE CRABBEAK HAS RETURNED TO
 ITS TERRITORY OF LAST YEAR IN SOUTHEAST IOWA
 AND CAN BE FOUND ALONG THE DES MOINES RIVER ROAD
 SOUTHEAST OF CRETON ABOUT A MILE NORTHWEST OF
 THE TURKEY RUN ACCESS NEAR A MAILBOX WITH THE
 NAME RAY PALMER JR. THE BENWICK'S WREN AT THE
 JUNKYARD COULD NOT BE FOUND TODAY. MARK PRAESCHER
 HAD A BLACK THROATED BLUE WARBLER AT UNION GRAVE
 STATE PARK IN TAMM COUNTY ON THE 6TH AND A RED
 BREASTED NUTHATCH WAS IN FAIRFAX ON THE 7TH.
 21 WARBLER SPECIES WERE SEEN AT HICKORY HILL
 PARK IN IOWA CITY THIS MORNING WITH CAPE MAY THE
 BEST, AND 13 WERE COUNTED AT DUNGLON WOODS
 NORTH OF VINTON WITH BLACK THROATED GREEN THE BEST
 AND A COMMON LOON WAS AT PLEASANT CREEK LAKE
 STATE PARK IN LINN COUNTY, AT GRAMMER GROVE
 PARK IN MARSHALL COUNTY 17 WARBLER
 SPECIES THIS MORNING AND A CAPE MAY AT
 LITTLE WALL LAKE. IN A POND AT THE EAST
 EDGE OF JEWELL IN HAMILTON COUNTY TODAY,
 THERE WAS AN IBIS SPECIES AND A BRAKE
 CINNAMON TEAL. THE POND IS ON THE NORTH SIDE
 OF HIGHWAY 175 JUST AFTER AN OVERPASS
 AND 5 RUSSIAN GOWNS WERE AT MICKLEY

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 (3)
 PEOPLE NORTH EAST OF PALK CITY
 A YELLOW SHOULDERED NIGHT HERON WAS AT BOALDEN SPRINGS IN MARION. PART
 IN LET OFF ROADS ROAD AND WALK OVER FOOTBRIDGE AND BIRD WAS ON THE RIGHT.
 AT ZIRBEL SLOUGH IN CERVO GORDO COUNTY
 A RED NECKED GREBE ON THE 7TH, BUT NOT ON THE
 8TH WHEN THERE WERE 9 EARLY GREBS + 2 MORE CINN TEAL

(6) DELATEDLY WE LEARNED OF ANOTHER WESTERN Tanager AT A WEST DES MOINES FEEDER ON THE 5TH ONLY.

ON THE 6TH MARION COUNTY

BELOW THE RED ROCK DAM THIS EVENING IN 2 HOURS 71 SPECIES WERE COUNTED, WITH MANY MIGRANT WARBLERS, THRUSHES, AND SPARROWS, BUT WITH A CASPIAN AND 46 FORSTERS TANS. A TEAL AND PELICAN ROOST IS VISIBLE FROM THE SOUTH TRAILWATER AREA

AT BOY'S BRANCH IN OUTHRIE COUNTY TODAY, 15 SAND CREEPS, AND AT LITTLE WALK LAKE IN HAMILTON COUNTY, THERE WERE ^{STILL} 14 WATERFOWL SPECIES INCLUDING THE DRAKE CINNAMON TEAL

NEW WARBLER SPECIES REPORTED TODAY FROM JOND CITY WAS WILSON'S

ON THE 7TH

(7)

THE BIG NEWS ~~TODAY~~ WAS AT RED ROCK RESERVOIR IN MARION COUNTY WHERE TIM SCHWARTZ DISCOVERED A MALE WESTERN Tanager WHICH WAS SEEN BY A NUMBER OF PEOPLE AND WAS STILL THERE LATE IN THE DAY. TO LOOK FOR THIS BIRD, EXIT HIGHWAY 14 1 1/4 MILES SOUTH OF THE MILE LONG BRIDGE OVER LAKE RED ROCK, AND GO EAST ON GRAVEL AT THE DENNIS LINDSBOOM BUILDING PROCEED 2.2 MILES AND THEN TAKE A ROAD THAT BRANCHES OFF TO THE RIGHT AND SHORT DISTANCE TO A T. PARK AND WALK TO THE LEFT TO WHERE THERE ARE RED AND WHITE STREAMS IN THE TREES ALONG SIDE THE ROAD. THIS IS WHERE THE BIRD WAS HANGING OUT. ALSO AT THAT LOCATION DAY LOLO AND SPARROWS WILLET, WILSON'S PHALAROPES, FRANKLIN'S GULL AND WHITE PELICANS. FOR REPORTS CALL TIM AT WORK AT (515) 828-2213 OR HOME (515) 828-7943

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Iowa Birdline (319)338-9881 for 5/6/91

The week's highlight is a TRICOLORED HERON, which was seen the afternoon of May 4th, at the IPL settling ponds south of Council Bluffs, but was not relocated. This would be a second state record. New arrivals reported in the past few days include BOBOLINK, BLACK-BILLED CUCKOO, DICKCISSEL, SWAINSON'S, GREY CHEEKED, and WOOD THRUSHES, SCARLET TANAGER, INDIGO BUNTING, CLAY-COLORED SPARROW, EASTERN WOOD PEEWEE, and several new warbler and vireo species.

The hot spots continue to be in the extreme southeast part of the state. Try this tour, with all of the birds mentioned being seen over the weekend of the 4th and 5th. In Lee County, from the stop sign in the village of Argyle, go west on gravel 2 miles to a Y, where you take the right fork. In 0.3-4 mile you will find a junkyard on both sides of the road where up to 3 BEWICK'S WRENS have been found. Another quarter mile along the road is a good spot for WHITE-EYED VIREO and BLUE-WINGED WARBLER. A total of 1.3 miles from the Y, park in a small parking lot on the right, which is just before a small bridge. In that area, look and listen for HOODED, KENTUCKY, and NORTHERN PARULA WARBLERS, YELLOW BREASTED CHAT, and CAROLINA WREN. Follow the trail into the woods, and listen for WORM EATING WARBLER up the second ravine on the right. Also deeper into the woods are BLUE-WINGED and CERULEAN WARBLERS, LOUISIANA WATERTHRUSH, and SCARLET TANAGER, as well as a BREWSTER'S hybrid WARBLER, seen on both the 2nd and 4th. Follow the road to Croton, and on the way near the Turkey Run Des Moines River access, look for ORCHARD ORIOLE and CLAY-COLORED SPARROW, present on the 4th, and 20 AMERICAN AVOCETS were seen flying over the river. Continue on to Farmington, then take hiway 2 and then hiway 1 to Lacey Keosauqua State Park. At the Ely Ford and stone bridge area there, look for YELLOW-THROATED, NORTHERN PARULA, CERULEAN, and KENTUCKY WARBLERS, LOUISIANA WATERTHRUSH, and CAROLINA WREN. If you exit the park through the gravelled south entrance and keep making right turns, you will encounter more grassland type habitat, where there have been ORCHARD ORIOLE, UPLAND SANDPIPER, GRASSHOPPER and CLAY-COLORED SPARROWS, and NORTHERN MOCKINGBIRD. Elsewhere in the southeast, a YELLOW CROWNED NIGHT HERON and several PROTHONOTARY WARBLERS were at Sullivan's Slough south of Burlington on the 1st. In Henry County, 2 CERULEAN WARBLERS were at the stone bridge in Geode State Park on the 5th. In Johnson County, 6 YELLOW HEADED BLACKBIRDS have returned to Swan Lake, a HARRIS SPARROW was south of Williams Prarie, and Tom Kent had a CAPE MAY WARBLER in his Iowa City yard, all on the 4th. At Oakland Cemetery in Iowa City, 11 warbler species were seen, including GOLDEN WINGED, and YELLOW BREASTED CHAT, plus SCARLET TANAGER and RED BREASTED NUTHATCH on the 5th.

In the northwest, in Kossuth County, 11 warbler species, plus 2 EASTERN WOOD PEEWEES were present along the Des Moines River near Algona on the 4th. This group included

CHESTNUT SIDED, MAGNOLIA, NORTHERN PARULA, BLUE and GOLDEN WINGED, and early MOURNING WARBLERS.

In the central part of the state, a CINNAMON TEAL was found at Little Wall Lake in Hamilton County on the 1rst. It was in cattails near the southwest boat launch off hiway 69. In Story County, at the various Colo Ponds, there were 35 WILLETS, 2 HUDSONIAN GODWITS, 3 WILSON'S PHALAROPES, and 3 UPLAND SANDPIPERS on the 1rst, and a DUNLIN on the 4th. The area where the Iowa River has flooded farm fields along hiway 14 just north of Marshalltown has been good for shorebirds lately, and on the 2nd there was a GODWIT (Sp) and an EARED GREBE there. In woods near Liscomb in Marshall County, 11 warbler species, including GOLDEN-WINGED were seen on the 4th. In Guthrie County, 5 GREAT TAILED GRACKLES were at Long's Pond, which is located 2 and a half miles south and a half mile east of Jamaica.

In northeast Iowa, in Linn County, at Squaw Creek County Park northeast of Cedar Rapids, 14 warbler species, including BLACKBURNIAN, NORTHERN PARULA, and BLACK THROATED GREEN were spotted on the 4th, and 2 LOUISIANA WATERTHRUSHES were at Matsell Bridge County Park on the 1rst.

In the north central, in Cerro Gordo County, the YELLOW RAIL at White Marsh near Rock Falls was not seen again this week, but at Zirbel's Slough there were AMERICAN BITTERN and BLACK CROWNED NIGHT HERON, and at Nilard's Marsh, SORA and VIRGINIA RAILS on the 4th. Jim Fuller (319)338-3561

