

In SOUTHEAST Iowa at Burlington, THE 2nd STATE RECORD FOR EUROPEAN TREE SPARROW FIRST FOUND DEC 9TH, ARE STILL PRESENT AS OF THE 20TH. THERE HAVE BEEN AS MANY AS 11 WHEN THAT MANY WERE SEEN. BIRD PRESENT, TO LOOK FOR THESE BIRDS, EXIT HIGHWAY 99 LESS THAN A MILE NORTH OF BURLINGTON AND GO EAST ON TAMA ROAD. PROCEED FOR 3-2 MILES AND LOOK AT THE FEEDER ON A SMALL FIR TREE IN THE YARD OF THE STRATTON RESIDENCE, WHICH IS A BROWN HOUSE ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE ROAD. AT LEAST 1 HAS ALSO BEEN SEEN AT A FEEDER A QUARTER MILE SOUTH BACK TOWARDS HIGHWAY 99.

THE BIRDLINE TOOK THE PAST COUPLE DAYS TO BIRD AROUND DULUTH, AND THE FOLLOWING REPORTS CAME IN DURING THAT TIME.

In Southeast Iowa, on THE 26TH, 11 EUR. TREE SPARROWS WERE STILL PRESENT, N OF BURLINGTON - LISTEN TO MESSAGE FOR DIRECTIONS. AT LTD #18, 1 RED SHOULDLED HAWK, 50 BALD EAGLES AND 30 GREAT BLUE HERONS AND 35 EAGLES AT LTD #16. ON THE AMANDA XMAS COUNT ON THE 30TH, A SWN. WHET OWL, & COMMON REDPOW. AT CEDAR RAPIDS, A FEMALE ACOSOGAWE AND MALE HOODED MEGASSEUR ON THE 26TH AND EASTERN BLUEBIRD AT INDIAN CREEK NATURE CENTER AND ON THE 23RD A BALD EAGLE SOUTH OF KIRKVILLE IN WADENO COUNT

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL. THE RECENT FRIGID TEMPERATURES COUPLED WITH THE HOLIDAY SEASON HAS BROUGHT ABOUT A LIMITED AMOUNT OF BIRD NEWS.

In Harrison County, on THE 20TH, A PRAIRIE FALCON WAS SEEN ALONG COUNTY ROAD D-65, 5 MILES WEST OF UNION.

In MARION COUNTY, A NORTHERN CO-SHAWK WAS OBSERVED NEAR THE PEAK COUNTRY CLUB, AND A SNOWY OWL SIGHTED SITTING ON A FENCEPOST NEAR THE NORTH OVERLOOK AT THE RED ROCK DAM, BOTH REPORTS FROM THE 21ST.

AND AT CORAL LAKE IN CEDAR RAPIDS, AMONG THE MANY MALLARD AND CANADA GEESE, 2 HOOSEN + 1 RED BREASTED MERGANSER, PIG BILLED GRISE + LUSIONS ON THE 23RD.

IN NORTHWEST IOWA,

1 ADULT & 2 TOWNSEND'S SOLITAIRES WERE STILL PRESENT IN WOODBURY COUNTY SOUTH OF SIOUX CITY AT BROWN'S LAKE AT LEAST THROUGH THE 28TH. FOR UPDATES OR QUESTIONS CALL BILL HESKAT (402) 494-1657 OR BOB HUERMORE AT (712) 239-3954.

XMAS
THE DES MOINES COUNT ON THE 23RD HAD 58 SPECIES WITH A PRAIRIE FALCON IN THE AREA OF E 26TH + MAURICE, AND A BROWN THRASHER

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