

NORTH OF BURLINGTON ON SAT MORNING DEC 9
6 EURASIAN TREE SWALLOWS WERE DISCOVERED
UNDER A FEEDER NEAR DUMBECK LAKE. FOR
DIRECTIONS CALL CHUCK KELLEY AT (319)
753-0710.

ALSO IN THAT AREA, A SNOWY OWL SOUTH
OF LEIGHTON. TO LOOK FOR THIS BIRD GO
NORTH FROM HIGHWAY #92 AT THE LERISTON
SIGN AND LOOK IN THE GRASSY FIELD. IT
HAS ALSO BEEN SEEN SOUTH OF HIGHWAY 92.
FOR UPDATES CALL MARILYN OBERMIRE AT
(515) 673-5687. ALSO MARILYN CHECKS THE
BADS EAGLE ROOST ON THE SOUTH SLOPE OF
THE DES MONEYS RIVER AND SAYS THERE
ARE ABOUT 40 BIRDS roosting THERE now.
FOR MORE INFO CALL HER. SHE ALSO
HAS A NORTHERN SHRIKE NEAR HER HOME

FOR THE FIRST TIME IN SEVERAL WEEKS, WE HAVE HAD NO WHITE-WINGED CROSSBILL REPORTS, BUT WE DO HAVE COMMON REDPOLE SIGHTINGS.

IN CENTRAL IOWA, 9 COMMON REDPOLES WERE OBSERVED IN WEED PATCHES ALONG A GRAVEL ROAD IN HAROLD COUNTY ON DECEMBER 1ST, AND I WAS IN A LSCOMB BACK YARD ON THE 2ND. ALSO IN HAROLD COUNTY, A PRAIRIE FALCON NORTHWEST OF HUBBARD ON NOV. 28TH. IN OTHER CENTRAL IOWA NEWS, SEVERAL RAPTORS: A NORTHERN GOSHAWK IN THE DAM AND LAKEVIEW RECREATION AREA AT Saylorville Reservoir on the 2ND, A DARK PHASE ROUGH-LEGGED HAWK AT CHEERY GLEN ON THE 3RD, A MERLIN NEAR MORNINGSTAR AIRFIELD NORTH OF DES MOINES, ON THE 3RD. IN WARREN COUNTY, A NORTHERN SHRIKE ON THE 1ST + COOPER'S HAWK ON THE 3RD. THE FIRST WINTER LESSER BLACK-BREasted GULL THAT HAS BEEN AROUND THE DAM AT RED ROCK RESERVOIR, ^{FOR SEVERAL MONTHS} WAS STILL PRESENT AS OF NOV. 30TH.

RED ROCK AND SAYERVILLE RESERVOIRS ARE GETTING ICED IN, AND THE WATERFOWL REMAINING ARE MOSTLY COMMON GOLDENEYE, COMMON MEGANDEZ, AND MALLARDS, WHILE HERDING GOOSE HAVE REPLACED RING-BILLED'S AS THE MOST PREDOMINANT GEESE, AND THERE ARE STILL SOME AMERICAN DIVERS PRESENT AT SAYERVILLE. ON THE ISU CAMPUS IN AMES, A WINTER WREN ON NOV 30TH.

IN SOUTHEAST IOWA, A NORTHERN SHRIKE AT HICKORY HILL PARK IN IOWA CITY ON THE 3RD AND

AT THE CORALVILLE RESERVOIR ON THE 2ND, A SAW WHET owl
IN CEDARS NORTHWEST OF THE JUNCTION OF COUNTY ROAD
E-20 AND THE DUPONT BRIDGE ROAD. A NUMBER OF
PEOPLE HAVE RED-BREASTED NUTHATCHES AT THEIR
FEEDERS, BUT BARBARA BOYCE WHO LIVES NORTH OF
OXFORD, HAS ONE THAT COMES WHEN SHE STEPS OUT THE DOOR
AND EATS OUT OF HER HAND, ^{ALSO} IN IOWA CITY
ANOTHER CASE OF THE DARK-EYED JUNCO. AT A FEEDER
AT (319) 628-4824

AND WE HAVE HAD NO FURTHER NEWS ABOUT THE
WINTER ADULT CALIFORNIA GULL, LAST REPORTED
FROM CREDIT ISLAND AT DAVENPORT ON NOV 25TH.

~~THESE
ARE
SOME
OF THE~~ 2 VARIED THRASHERS THAT ONLY STUCK AROUND
~~A FEW~~ ~~ONE OR TWO~~ DAYS, ONE IS IN PLEASANTVILLE, THE
OTHER IN AMES. ~~NOW IS THE TIME OR UP TO~~ WATCH FOR THESE REGULAR
MIGRANTS TO IOWA FROM THE WEST.

SG 17206 SF
Common Redpoll - MARK SWOPE ~~1960~~ 1960
338-7618

+ 3 COMMON LOONS @ W. OVERLOOK CORALVILLE
RES ON DEC 6TH

WE HAVE THE FIRST EVENING GRO-SPEAK REPORT TO THE
BIRDLINE IN 2 WINTERS - A FEMALE IS COMING TO A
FEEDER NEAR THE SOUTH END OF THE RED ROCK DAM IN
MARION COUNTY. IT IS AT THE PAUL-MARIE FELIX
RESIDENCE (515) 628-1495. ALSO IN MARION 100+14
3 MILES NE OF PLEASANTVILLE OVER A 1000 CANADA
GEESE AND MALLARDS AT A SMALL LAKE
AT BIRDCAGE'S FEEDER - 4TH SWOPE REPORT NO YARD AS MALLARD & GEESE

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