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Iowa Birdline (319)338-9881 for 9/30/91

The best bird this past week was a RED PHALAROPE discovered by Mark Proescholdt at Saylorville Reservoir, a bird that ~~has~~ hung around so that many ~~have~~ had a chance to view it. Two SURF SCOTERS in Winneshiek Co. ~~have~~ also stayed put for almost a week ~~now~~.

In the central part of the state, a RED PHALAROPE was found at the beach of Sandpiper Recreation Area of the Saylorville Reservoir on the 25th, and was still present at least through ~~noon on the 29th~~....this despite having to elude a PEREGRINE FALCON in hot pursuit on the 28th. Other birds seen at Sandpiper included BLACK BELLIED PLOVERS, SANDERLINGS, BAIRD'S and BUFF BREASTED SANDPIPERS, a COMMON TERN, AMERICAN PIPITS, a MERLIN, FRANKLIN'S GULLS, and CASPIAN TERNS on the 26th, and two PEREGRINE FALCONS on the 28th. Two PEREGRINES were also seen at Waterworks Park in Des Moines on the 28th. A NORTHERN GOSHAWK was spotted by the Armstrongs near their place in Madison Co. on the 26th. There are hundreds of WHITE PELICANS in the Jester Park area of the Saylorville Reservoir.

In the northeast, the two female or immature SURF SCOTERS first found on a Winneshiek Co. farm pond on the 23rd, were still present at noon on the 29th. To look for these birds, from hiway 52 twelve miles north of Decorah, go west on county road A-18 for two and a half miles, and the pond is on the right. Also seen there on the 29th were a drake RING NECKED DUCK, AMERICAN PIPITS, and RUSTY BLACKBIRDS. *FORMORE INFORMATION, CALL DENNIS CARTER AT (319) 382-3754*

In the south central, at Red Rock Lake in Marion Co., below the dam there were 200 FRANKLIN'S GULLS, several CASPIAN TERNS, and an OSPREY on the 26th, and an early male RED BREASTED MERGANSER on the 29th. At the upper end of the lake there were several hundred WHITE PELICANS near the hiway 14 bridge, and just north of there near the intersection of hiway 14 and county road G-28 there was a large concentration of gulls and GREAT BLUE HERONS. The gulls were mostly RING BILLEDS, but there were a few HERRINGS and FRANKLIN'S. Also present were a GREAT EGRET, CASPIAN TERNS, and a BALD EAGLE.

*PEREGRINE FALCON, A*  
In the southeast on the 29th at the Coralville Reservoir, a MERLIN, and GOLDEN EAGLE were flyovers, and four SHARP TAILED SPARROWS were in the first cove east of the bathhouses at the campground beach of the Sugar Bottom Recreation Area. SHARP TAILED and LECONTE'S SPARROWS were also found around a pond which is about a mile northeast of Swan Lake at the reservoir. At Lacey-Keosauqua State Park in Van Buren Co., *ON THE 29TH* in the Ely Ford area, there were two SCARLET TANAGERS, a SANDERLING, both KINGLETS, and a OSPREY which was pursued by a BALD EAGLE until it dropped its catch of fish. A WILLET was at Cone Marsh in Louisa Co., where the south road crosses the marsh on the 26th. The adult male PEREGRINE FALCON was still being seen in the evenings in downtown Iowa

*A HAWK WATCH NEAR MENAFFEY BRIDGE AT*

*AN IMMATURE*

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