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THE CRAWFORD COUNTY NATURALIST

IN NEWS FROM THE 28TH IN THE WEST, DAN EITEN REPORTED A GYRFALCON IN CRAWFORD COUNTY. THE WHITE PHASE BIRD WAS ^{SEEN SITTING ON A FENCEPOST} ABOUT 5 MILES NORTH AND WEST OF DENISON. FOR MORE INFORMATION, YOU CAN CALL DAN EITEN AT (712) 263-6634

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ON THE 29TH IN THE NORTHWEST, IN KANSAS COUNTY, ^{LATE IN THE DAY} A PRAIRIE FALCON WAS SITTING IN A BIG COTTONWOOD TREE SOUTH OF THE ROAD NEAR THE HEADQUARTERS AT UNION LEAGUE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE. ^{IN PAID ALTO COUNTY} ELSEWHERE, AN EARLY COMMON GOLDENEYE WAS ON THE ^{ROUTHER} SEWAGE POND AND IN DICKINSON COUNTY A SMALL FLOCK OF LAPLAND LONGBOURS WAS SEEN

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EXCITING NEWS FROM THE SOUTH CENTRAL. THE MORNING OF THE 31ST JIM FULLER & PETE WICKHAM DISCOVERED AN ADULT ROSS GULL BELOW THE RED ROCK DAM IN MARION COUNTY. THE BIRD WAS SITTING ON A SMALL ROCK ISLAND WITH OTHER GULLS AND WAS SEEN FROM THE HOWELL STATION CAMPGROUND. IT ALSO ~~FLIES~~ FLEW UP TO THE DAM TO FEED. OTHER BIRDS THERE WERE WHITE PELICAN, DUNLIN, LESSER SANDS PLOVER AND BONAPARTE'S GULLS

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Iowa Birdline (319)338-9881 for 10/25/93

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PURPLE FINCH
SABINE'S GULL
WESTERN GREBE
WHITE-FACED IBIS
SANDHILL CRANE
COMMON LOON
BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER
CATTLE EGRET
RED-TAILED HAWK (HARLAN'S)
LESSER GOLDEN PLOVER
AMERICAN PIPIT
DUNLIN

Some winter finches, namely PINE SISKIN and PURPLE FINCH, have been widely reported the past week or two. This week's highlights are WHITE-FACED IBIS and SANDHILL CRANE in the west, and SABINE'S GULL and WESTERN GREBE at Red Rock.

In the west in Monona County, three WHITE-FACED IBIS and eight BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER were in a small wet area in a field which is along hiway 175 a quarter mile west of I-29 on the 23rd. A mile west of I-29 on the south side of hiway 175 at Blue Lake, a SANDHILL CRANE was present on the 22nd, but was not seen on the 23rd.

In the south-central in Marion County, the juvenile SABINE'S GULL discovered on the 21st was still there on the 22nd. The location is reached by going north on county road S-71 toward the Whitebreast Recreation Area. At the Coalport Church turn right and at Lakeview veer left. The bird was 200 yards off the point there. There were also three WESTERN GREBES and eight COMMON LOONS at that location on the 22nd. Below the Red Rock dam on the way to the Dollar Bridge in a wet field at the Van Dusseldorp Quarry, there were 17 BLACK-BELLIED PLOVERS on the 23rd.

In the central in Marshall County, five CATTLE EGRETS were at the gravel pit along E. Main Street just east of Marshalltown on the 24th, and a HARLAN'S RED-TAILED HAWK has been seen for a week now near the intersection of hiway 330 and county road E-35 west of Marshalltown. In Jasper County in the Oswolt Bridge area west of Colfax, there were fifteen LESSER GOLDEN PLOVER, and two AMERICAN PIPITS on the 23rd.

In the southeast in Johnson County, 100 shorebirds of six species, the majority of which were DUNLIN, were at the Coralville Reservoir on the north side of the Swan Lake Road, a half mile west of its intersection with the Greencastle Road on the 22nd.

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