

FROM THE NORTHWEST

⑤ IN NEWS RECEIVED THE 23RD, 21 LESSER GOLDEN PLOVER WERE N/A PICKED BEANS FIELD ALONG HIGHWAY 175 JUST WEST OF ODESSA IN SAC COUNTY. AND IN JOHNSON COUNTY THE PAST 5 DAYS AS MANY AS 227 RAPTORS WERE COUNTED ^{IN A DAY} AND SOME WERE BANNED BY THE MACBRIDE RAPTOR CENTER. THE MAJORITY OF THIS BIRD WERE BROAD WINGED HAWKS. THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL REPORTS OF FALL ARRIVALS SUCH AS WHITE THROATED SPARROWS, DARK EYES JUNCO AND WINTER WREN'S THE PAST TWO DAYS

⑥ TODAY THE 24TH IN THE CENTRAL, LEONARD'S AND SHARP TRICO SPARROWS AT SNAKE CREEK MARSH IN GREEN COUNTY AND 8 SANDERLINGS AND A BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER AT THE BEACH OF SANDPIPER RECREATION AREA OF THE SAYLORVILLE RESERVOIR

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Iowa Birdline (319)338-9881 for 9/21/92

The late week cold front brought in kinglets and the late warblers (YELLOW-RUMPED, ORANGE-CROWNED, and PALM). BLUE JAYS, FLICKERS, and raptors were also conspicuous migrants. The best birds were RED PHALAROPE at Red Rock, YELLOW RAIL in Greene County, and a road-killed BURROWING OWL in the northwest.

In the central, on both the 19th and 20th a YELLOW RAIL was found at Snake Creek Marsh in Greene County. The bird was flushed about 200 yards northwest of the parking lot, which is reached by going north of Rippey 2 miles on county road P-46, and then east on gravel three-quarters of a mile to the parking lot that is on the north side of the road. SHARP-TAILED and LECONTE'S SPARROWS were also present. In Polk County, at the Saylorville Reservoir, a STILT SANDPIPER and AMERICAN PIPIT were at the beach of Sandpiper Recreation Area, and SANDERLINGS and a PEREGRINE FALCON were at the Oak Grove beach on the 19th. In Marshall County, the Proescholdts counted 360 raptors flying over Grammer Grove Park on the 18th and 19th, and included SWAINSON'S, SHARP-SHINNED, COOPER'S, and BROAD-WINGED HAWKS, and OSPREY. There were also ten warbler and three vireo species there.

In the south-central, Tim Schantz discovered a RED PHALAROPE at the Red Rock Reservoir near hiway 14 and the submerged bridge on the 19th, but it could not be relocated later in the day. This would be a fourth state record for this species.

In the northwest, a freshly road-killed BURROWING OWL was still attached to an auto grille when brought to the Pochahontas County naturalist on the 11th. This is the first report of this species we have had this year.

In the southwest, 90 raptors were observed from the Hitchcock Nature Area north of Crescent in Pottawattamie County on the 18th, and included SWAINSON'S, COOPER'S, and SHARP-SHINNED HAWKS, plus OSPREY and BALD EAGLE.

In the southeast, ten warbler species, including BLACKBURNIAN, were seen at Hickory Hill Park in Iowa City on the 19th.

The IOU field trip on Saturday, September 26th will be to Snake Creek Marsh in Greene County to look for Yellow Rail, and Sharp-tailed and LeConte's Sparrows. The leader is Bob Myers. Meet at 7 AM in the parking lot of the Super 8 Motel along hiway 141 in Perry. Jim Fuller (319)338-3561

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