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IOWA BIRDLINE (319)338-9881 for 3/27/95

BIRDS MENTIONED:

Fulvous Whistling Duck
Mountain Bluebird
Cinnamon Teal
Sandhill Crane
Townsend's Solitaire
Mute Swan
Great-tailed Grackle
Horned Grebe
Greater Yellowlegs
American White Pelican
Tundra Swan
Trumpeter Swan
Common Loon
Baird's Sandpiper
Lesser Golden Plover
American Pipit
Pectoral Sandpiper
Dowitcher (Sp.)
Bonaparte's Gull
Greater White Fronted Goose
Bar-headed Goose (Exotic)
Snow Bunting

ONE OF THE BIRDS WAS A DEFINITE
MALE CINNAMON. THE OTHER MAY BE A
HYBRID BLUE-WINGED AND CINNAMON.

Thanks to Jim Scheib for transcribing the Birdline last week. Most of the past week's new arrivals were shorebirds. The highlights were FULVOUS WHISTLING DUCK and MOUNTAIN BLUEBIRD in Dickinson County, CINNAMON TEAL at Runnells and in Woodbury County, and SANDHILL CRANES in Fremont and Bremer Counties. The TOWNSEND'S SOLITAIRE at Lake Anita State Park has not been reported now since the 18th.

In the northwest in Dickinson County, a FULVOUS WHISTLING DUCK has been reported from Pleasant Lake. There is some question as to the bird's wildness, but here are the directions. Go east from Spirit Lake on hiway 9 until you see a sign for Spring Run Chute on the south side of the road, then go south for two miles to a small lake on the east side of the road, which is Pleasant Lake. The two MOUNTAIN BLUEBIRDS were last reported from the Kettelson Hogsback Area on the 25th. The birds were in the area where the BLACK-HEADED GULLS were located last summer, and is reached from the west side of Big Spirit Lake by leaving hiway 276 and going west on 125th Street. Then look immediately to the south along fencelines in the area. In southern Woodbury County, two male CINNAMON TEAL were discovered on the 25th two miles west and a mile north of Sloan at the intersection of 310th and Calhoun. In Sioux County, a MUTE SWAN was at a gravel pit south of Hawarden on the 22nd. In Monona County at Blue Lake, eight GREAT-TAILED GRACKLES, a HORNED GREBE, and 24 GREATER YELLOWLEGS were seen on the 25th.

In the central in Marion County, the male CINNAMON TEAL was still at the Runnells Wildlife Area on the 26th. It was south from the overlook on a small pond on the south side of the railroad tracks and the west side of hiway 316. On the 25th, a flock of 100 AMERICAN WHITE PELICANS flew over this area. In

Guthrie County on the 25th, a TUNDRA SWAN was at McCord's Pond and GREAT-TAILED GRACKLES were at the south end of Long's Pond. In northwest Marshall County, a MUTE SWAN was on a gravel pit along county road S-57, five miles north of St. Anthony on the 21st. *In STORY COUNTY 3 TUNDRA SWANS AND A GREAT-TAILED GRACKLE WERE AT LADY LAKE (FORMERLY TELLS) MARSH ON THE 25TH AND IN HAMILTON COUNTY A HORNED GREBE WAS AT LITTLE WALL LAKE ON THE 25TH*
In the northeast in Bremer County on the 23rd, there were two SANDHILL CRANES and 28 SWAN SPECIES flyovers at Sweet Marsh. In Cerro Gordo County, the family of three TRUMPETER SWANS was still at East Park in Mason City on the 26th. In Linn County, a COMMON LOON and three HORNED GREBES were at Cedar Lake in Cedar Rapids on the 26th, *AND A MALE GREATER SCAUP WAS AT PLEASANT CREEK LAKE ON THE 26TH.*

In the southwest in Fremont County, a SANDHILL CRANE, BAIRD'S SANDPIPER, and both YELLOWLEG species were at the Riverton Area, and a LESSER GOLDEN PLOVER was in a plowed field just south of Forney Lake, all on the 25th.

In the southeast in Louisa County, WHITE PELICANS, AMERICAN PIPITS, PECTORAL SANDPIPERS, DOWITCHER (Sp.), and BONAPARTE'S GULLS were seen at Cone Marsh on the 25th, while four GOOSE species, including 15 WHITE-FRONTEDS and an exotix BAR-HEADED were in the northwest corner of the marsh on the 22nd.

In Johnson County, a SNOW BUNTING was at the Coralville Reservoir in the Sand Point area on the 24th.

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Public Area on the 31st

In downtown Chicago, a snow building was the destination for the 31st Street
Burb-Neville walk, a public walkway located on the 31st Street, near the
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(2) On the 30th in the northeast, the PEREGRINE FALCON pair in downtown Cedar Rapids has been quite easy to observe on downtown buildings, especially the Roosevelt Hotel, and of course when at the nest box, they can be viewed on TV in the Firststar lobby. In the southeast in Louisa County, a MERLIN was seen near Cone Marsh, and there were several hundred WHITE PELICANS at Cone Marsh. In Muscatine County, a NORTHERN MOCKINGBIRD was west of Nichols on the hillside along 180th Street a quarter mile south of hiway 22.

On the 29th in the southeast, at least four of the SHORT-EARED OWLS that wintered at the Amanas in Iowa County were still present. They were at the east end of a weedy field which is south of hiway 220 east of High Amana. In Johnson County, the EARED GREBE and a HORNEED GREBE were still at Lake MacBride.

On the 27th in Johnson County, there were two COMMON LOONS, an EARED GREBE, and an OSPREY at Lake MacBride State Park. In the central in Tama County, seven SANDHILL CRANES were at Otter Creek Marsh, as seen in corn stubble by looking south from the area where R and RR Avenues intersect county road E-66.

Jim Fuller

(1) ON THE 31ST IN THE SOUTHWEST IN FREMONT COUNTY
TOM SWANTZ DISCOVERED A REEVE IN THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE RIVERTON AREA. TO LOOK FOR THIS BIRD, FROM THE FAR NW CORNER OF RIVERTON, HEAD SOUTH ON GRAVEL TO THE PARKING AREA. TAKE THE DIKE EAST THROUGH THE GREEN GATE AND THE BIRD WAS ON THE FIRST BODY OF WATER ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE DIKE

ON THE 1ST IN THE SOUTHWEST IN FREMONT COUNTY, THE REEVE DISCOVERED BY TOM SWANTZ LATE IN THE DAY OF THE 31ST WAS STILL BEING SEEN AT THE RIVERTON AREA. TO LOOK FOR THIS BIRD, FROM THE EXTREME NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE AREA GO SOUTH UNTIL THE ROAD TURNS WEST. PARK IN THE PARKING LOT THERE AND WALK EAST THROUGH THE GREEN GATE. ON THE DIKE, LOOK ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE DIKE AFTER THE LINE OF WILLOWS. LOOK FOR A PLUMP, SHORT-TAILED BIRD THAT IS LARGER THAN THE PECTORAL SANDPIPER. IT IS ASSOCIATING WITH AND ALSO HAS DISTINCTIVE ORANGE-PINK LEGS. ALSO THERE ARE 8 OTHER SHOREBIRD SPECIES WITH WILSON'S PHALAROPE AND AMERICAN PHOENIX.