

THE SOUTHEASTERN IOWA SPECIALTIES WERE BIRDIED EXTENSIVELY THIS PAST WEEK IN LEE AND VAN BUREN COUNTIES, AND THE BENCK'S WREN'S WERE REPORTED AS PRESENT ALMOST EACH DAY INCLUDING ~~THE~~ JUNE 24<sup>TH</sup>. THE FOLLOWING IS A TOUR OF THIS AREA. FROM THE STOP SIGN AT THE VILLAGE OF ALWAY, GO WEST 1.8 MILES AND THEN RIGHT AT A Y LASS ~~THAN~~ 1/2 MILE TO THE FAR END OF A JUNK YARD WHERE THE BENCK'S WREN'S HAVE BEEN SEEN DAILY. ONE BIRD WENT <sup>AS A SINGING PERCH</sup> EITHER OF 2 SMALL DEAD ELM TREES ABOUT 50-75 YARDS FROM THE ROAD ON THE WEST SIDE. ORCHARD ORIOLES ARE PRESENT THERE AS WELL. A LITTLE FARTHER ALONG THE ROAD LOOK FOR SUMMER Tanager NEAR THE ENTERING CURTAIN CURT OF SHIMMER STATE FOREST SIGN. STILL FARTHER, IN FACT 1.3 MILES FROM THE Y AT THE BOTTOM OF THE HILL JUST BEFORE A SMALL BRIDGE, LOOK FOR YELLOW BREASTED CHAT AROUND THE CREEK AND HOODED WARBLER JUST INTO THE WOODS ON THE RIGHT. FARTHER INTO THE WOODS, LOOK FOR <sup>WHITE EYED VIREO,</sup> LOUCHEA WATER THRUSH, ACADIAN FLYCATCHER, SCARLET AND SUMMER Tanager, WORM EATING WARBLERS FEEDING YOUNG, CERULEAN, KENTUCKY, <sup>BLUE WINGED</sup> AND PARULA WARBLERS. SEVERAL MILES FARTHER UP THE RIVER ROAD LOOK FOR LARK SPARROWS, AND .9 MILE PAST THE TURNPIKE RUN ACCESS LOOK FOR BLUE GRASS WREN NEAR A MAILBOX WITH THE NAME ROY PALMER, JR. CONTINUE ON THE RIVER ROAD TO FARMINGTON, THEN HIGHWAY 2 TO HIGHWAY 1 AND GO NORTH

TO LOCEY KEN SAUNDRA STATE PARK, WHERE AT THE  
519 FORD AND STONE BRIDGE AREAS LOOK FOR  
YELLOW-THROATED, CORNUS, KENTUCKY, AND PACIFIC  
WABBLERS, LOUISIANA WATER TROUSERS, SCADIAN FLY-  
CATCHER. THEN RETURN TO HIGHWAY 1 AND FROM  
KEN SAUNDRA GO WEST ON VAN BUREN COUNTY ROAD  
J-46 FOR 4.7 MILES, THEN SOUTH ON GRAVEL  
1.3 MILES THEN WEST AND LOOK IN THE  
FIELDS ON EITHER SIDE OF ROAD THAT BEGIN  
AFTER 1 1/2 MILE. LOOK FOR HADLOW'S AND  
CARSHOPPEN'S SPARROW, ORCHARD ORIOLE, UPLAND  
SANDPIPER AND SHORT EARED OWL. FOLLOW HIGHWAY  
1 TO 1 1/2 MILES NORTH OF FAIRFIELD, TURN  
EAST OF HO STREET BY THE SIGN SOIL TECHNOLOGY  
AND LOOK FOR A CATTLE EGRET AROUND THE  
FIRST FARMSTEAD. IT WAS PRESENT ON THE 24<sup>TH</sup>

STILL IN SOUTHEAST IOWA, A MISSISSIPPI KITE WAS  
FOUND ON THE 24<sup>TH</sup> SITTING IN A DEAD TREE  
ABOUT A HUNDRED YARDS NORTH OF THE  
BLOOMINGTON STREET PARKING LOT OF NICKORY HILL  
PARK IN IOWA CITY

IN THE NORTHEAST A PILEATED WOODPECKER  
2 1/2 MILES SOUTHWEST OF ANIMASA IN JONES  
COUNTY ON THE 21<sup>ST</sup>. AT CARDINAL <sup>MARSH</sup> IN WASHINGTON  
COUNTY A FEMALE GOLDENEYE, 6 RUDDY DUCKS  
AND A GREEN-WINGED TEAL ON THE 20<sup>TH</sup>. IN  
ALLAMAKEE COUNTY ALONG A TRAIL THAT RUNS  
FROM HIGHWAY 76 ALONG THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE

YELLOW RIVER, CERULEAN AND KENTUCKY WARBLERS  
BLACK-BILLED CUCKOO AND AN OGDONIAN FLYCATCHER  
NEST. ON THE 22<sup>ND</sup> AND ALONG PAINT CREEK  
IN THE YELLOW RIVER FIRST YELLOW BELLED SPP-  
SICKER AND CERULEAN WARBLERS ON THE 23<sup>RD</sup>

AND IN SOUTHWEST IOWA, PIDING PLOVER AND  
LEAST TERN WERE REPORTED FROM THEIR USUAL  
NESTING LOCATIONS AT THE IPL SETTING  
POND SOUTH OF COUNCIL BLUFFS.

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