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WITH THE HIGH WATER AT THE STATES RESERVOIRS, IT APPEARS THAT THERE IS EXCELLENT HABITAT FOR RETURNING SHOREBIRDS AND POST BREEDING DISPERSAL WADING BIRDS. IT IS NOT SURPRISING THAT ALMOST ^{MANY} ALL OF THE WEEK'S REPORTS INVOLVE WATER-RELATED BIRDS.

IN CENTRAL IOWA,

ONE GOOD AREA, WHICH IS GETTING BETTER IS THE AT RED ROCK RESERVOIR IN MARION AND POLK COUNTIES. LATEST REPORTS FROM THE WHITEHART RECREATION AREA AND SOUTH ECK ROCK STATE PARK ON JULY 21ST INCLUDE 9 SHOREBIRD SPECIES, HIGHLIGHTED BY UP TO 10 AVOCETS AND A PIPING PLOVER. ALSO CASPIAN, FORSTER'S AND BLACK TERNS, PLUS 1 COMMON TERN. IN ADDITION 8 CATTLE EGRETS AND A SNOWY EGRET. FOR UPDATES AND DIRECTIONS CALL TIM SCHWARTZ, MARION COUNTY CONSERVATION OFFICER AT WORK AT (515) 828-2213 OR ANN JOHNSON AT (515) 961-2002. ALSO IN CENTRAL IOWA A GOOD AREA FOR SHOREBIRDS AND WADING BIRDS IS ALONG HIGHWAY 5 BETWEEN HARTFORD AND THE RUNNELS TURNOFF AT THE COLO PONDS IN STORY COUNTY 7 SHOREBIRD SPECIES, INCLUDING SEMIPALMATED PLOVER ON THE 16TH AT THE SOUTHWILLE RESERVOIR, AN OSPREY HAS BEEN SEEN ALONG THE FACE OF THE DAM FOR ABOUT 2 WEEKS. AND SHARON LUB OF RIPPEY, ^{IN BOONE COUNTY} REPORTS A RED CRANBILL ON THE 16TH

IN THE SOUTHWEST AT RIVERTON WILDLIFE
AREA IN FREMONT COUNTY ON THE 20TH
7 WHITE PELICANS, 3 SNOW GEESE, 5 GREAT
BLUE HERONS, 19 GREAT EGRETS, 4 LITTLE BLUE
HERONS (2 OF WHICH WERE WHITE IMMATURES)
4 CATTLE EGRETS, AND A YELLOW CROWNED NIGHT
HERON. AT THE ^{SETTLING} POND SOUTH OF COUNCIL
BLUFFS ON THE 20TH A FEW SHOREBIRDS, IN-
CLUDING PIPING PLOVER. ALSO SOME LIGHT MAGNIF
HAVE BEEN SEEN ON THE DISAPPEARANCE OF THE
LEAST TENS THERE — IT IS SUSPECTED THAT
THEY HAVE BEEN FOOD FOR OMAHA'S PERDIANE
FALCON.

IN NORTHWEST IOWA AN UNUSUAL SUMMER REPORT
OF NORTHERN SHRIKE FROM ZIP COUNTY, FOR
MORE INFORMATION CALL DAWN PELUZZE AT
(712) 364-7300 - DAYS OR (712) 369-4331 EVE-
NINGS OR DON POGGENSEE AT (712) 364-3347
DAYS.

IN NORTHEAST IOWA, AN ADULT BALD EAGLE AT
EFFIGY MOUNDS NATIONAL MONUMENT, ^{IN ALLAMAKEE COUNTY} ON THE 21ST
AND IN DELAWARE COUNTY ON THE 15TH, WPLAND
SANDPIPERS, 2 MILES SOUTH OF RYAN ALONG HIGHWAY
13 AND AT BOCKBONE STATE PARK VERY SINGING
IN THE LOW AREA AND AN ORCHARD ORIOLE JUST
WEST OF THE PARK.

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IN A REPORT FROM LINN COUNTY AT THE MATSELL
BRIDGE COUNTY ^{CONSERVATION} AREA, 2 WHITE-EYED VIREOS
AND A BELL'S VIREO WERE SINGING ALONG THE
MAIN ACCESS PATH ABOUT 1/2 - 3/4 MILE
FROM THE PARKING LOT. AND FROM THE SAME AREA
A WEEK AGO A FAMILY OF RUFFED GROUSE,
THE FIRST MODERN RECORD FOR LINN COUNTY

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