

PROBABLY THE BEST BIRD OF SOME TIME ESCAPED WITHIN BUT ONLY ONE PERSON SEEING IT. FOR SEVERAL WEEKS A GREEN-TAILED TOWHEE WAS SCRATCHING AROUND IN A WEST DES MOINES BACKYARD, BUT HAS NOT BEEN SEEN SINCE JUNE 22.

ALSO IN CENTRAL IOWA, A COMMON LOON IN BASIC PLUMAGE HAS BEEN PRESENT AT DACE MAFFETT RES-  
ERVOIR SOUTHWEST OF DES MOINES. IN STORY COUNTY AT

COLORADO POND, A FIRST YEAR BLACK CROWNED NIGHT HERON AND BROOD OF BLUE WINGED TEAL ON THE 1<sup>ST</sup> AND TWO BROODS OF BLUE WINGED TEAL AT AND NEAR HERRICKSON M.

IN SOUTHWEST IOWA, AT OR NEAR THE IPL GENER-  
ATING STATION SOUTH OF COUNCIL BLUFFS PIPING  
PLOVER, WESTERN KINGBIRD, BLUE GROSBEAK, BEND'S  
WING, ORCHARD ORIOLE, RUFFY DUCK, AND SNOW  
GOOSE ON JUNE 30<sup>TH</sup>. IN FOOT THE KINGBIRDS,  
GROSBEAKS, AND ORCHARD ORIOLE AND LULLBERRYHEAD  
SHRIKE WERE SEEN AT A NUMBER OF LOCATIONS  
IN THE MISSOURI RIVER PLAIN ON THE 30<sup>TH</sup>.

IN SOUTHEAST IOWA, DESPITE A HEAVY RAIN MOST  
OF THE SPECIALTIES WERE SEEN ON JULY 11<sup>TH</sup>. THE  
BENJICK'S WRENS WERE STILL PRESENT ON BOTH  
SIDES OF THE ROAD AT THE JUNKYARD. TO REACH  
THIS LOCATION, FROM THE VILLAGE OF ARLOW IN  
LEE COUNTY GO WEST 1.8 MILES TO A Y, THEN  
RIGHT LEFT THAN A HALF MILE TO THE JUNKYARD  
ALSO SEEN THERE WERE ORCHARD ORIOLE AND BLUE  
WINGED WARBLER. FARTHER DOWN THE SAME ROAD, ON 1.3  
MILES FROM THE Y AT THE BOTTOM OF THE HILL  
JUST BEFORE A SMALL BRIDGE AND INTO THE WOODS

ON THE RIGHT 3 WORM EATING WARBLERS, (2  
SINGING) WHITE EYED VIREO, HOODED, BLUE WINGED  
AND PARULA WARBLERS, YELLOW BREASTED CUNT  
AND CAROLINA WREN. FARTHER ALONG THE ROAD  
ABOUT .9 MILE PAST THE TURKEY RUN ACCESS,  
THE BLUE GRASSBEAK WAS SINGING NEAR THE  
MAILBOX WITH THE NAME RAY PALMOK, JUNIOR  
ALSO OCCASIONALLY THERE  
AT LOCEY RECREATION STATE PARK IN UP  
BURGEN COUNTY, <sup>OF IOWA</sup> AT THE ELY FORD STONE BRIDGE  
AREA. YELLOW THROATED, PARULA, AND KENTUCKY  
WARBLER, LOUISIANA WATERTHRUSH, AND ACADIAN  
FLYCATHER, AND COOPER'S WREN. AND ON THE  
ROAD TO ELY FORD SUMMER TRAIL. IN ADDITION,  
NEAR THE PARK, THE AREA WITH THE NEWSLOW'S  
SPARROWS AND SHORT-EARED OWLS IS UNDERGOING  
HEAVY CONSTRUCTION AND ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO  
REACH. THAT'S THE BAD NEWS. THE GOOD NEWS IS  
THAT TIM SANDROCK LOCATED ANOTHER FIELD  
ON THE 1<sup>ST</sup> WHERE YOU CAN SEE NEWSLOW'S  
SPARROWS AND <sup>ANOTHER</sup> 3 SHORT-EARED OWLS. <sup>ARE RELIABLE EXITHWAYS</sup>  
IN RECREATION AND GO WEST ON UP BURGEN COUNTY ROAD J-40 FOR  
4.8 MILES AND LOOK FOR NEWSLOW'S SPARROWS ON THE SOUTH SIDE  
OF THE ROAD AND THEN GO .8 MILE FARTHER AND TURN SOUTH  
ON GRAVEL - GO .6-.7 MILE AND LOOK FOR THE OWLS TO THE EAST  
FLYING OVER THE FIELD - ALSO LOOK FOR UPLAND SANDPIPER IN THE AREA.  
IN IOWA COUNTY, A HOODED WARBLER WAS DIS-  
COVERED AT THE AMANA WOODS ON THE FIRST.  
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FINALLY ONE NORTHEAST IOWA OBSERVER REMINDS  
ME OF HOW MANY BIRDS COME TO MULBERRY TREES

THIS TIME OF YEAR, AND THAT HIS FAMILY WAS  
COUNTED TEN SPECIES IN A COUPLE OF HOURS  
INCLUDING CATBIRD, ROSE BREASTED GROUSE,  
EASTERN KINGBIRD, <sup>AND</sup> BROWN THROAT.

IN JOHNSON COUNTY, ~~AT~~ <sup>RETURNING</sup> SHORELANDS, SEEN  
IN A FLOODED POND AT THE COALVILLE RESERVE  
ON THE 4TH, PECTORAL AND SOLITARY SANDPIPERS AND LESSER  
YELLOWLEGS. AND 5 GREAT EGRETS AND 22  
CATTLE EGRETS AT SWAMP LAKE AND ALONG THE  
WEST END OF JOHNSON COUNTY ROAD F-28, NEAR  
NORTHERN MOCKINGBIRD NORTH OF OXFORD

AT RIPPEN IN BOONE COUNTY, A WESTERN KINGBIRD  
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SHORELANDS ARE RETURNING. AN VERY UNUSUAL  
SHORELAND FOR JOHN, <sup>A LONG BILLED CURLEW</sup> MADE A BRIEF 1 HOUR  
APPEARANCE AT THE 2ND SETTING POND SOUTH  
OF COALVILLE THIS EVENING OF JULY 9. IT  
WAS ON THE SOUTH POND. ON THE NORTH POND WERE  
5 PIPING PLOVER, WILLET, LESSER YELLOWLEGS AND  
LEAST SANDPIPER.

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