

~~HANDY TRAILS~~ ~~APP~~ ~~FROM~~ ~~SOUTHWEST~~ ~~DISCOVERED~~ ~~ON~~ ~~THE~~ ~~18~~ ~~TH~~
IN REPORTS RECEIVED ON ^{16/10/11} ^{ON THE 18TH} THE SCOTERS WERE STILL
PRESENT, ^{ON THE 21ST} AT LAKE ANITA STATE PARK, AN IMMATURE WHITE
WINGED AND A FEMALE OR FIRST YEAR SULK SCOTER. IN
THE PARK AT THE FIRST FORK, GO LEFT, THEN LEFT
AGAIN AT A SIGN TO THE DAM, THEN LOOK FOR THE
BIRDS WHERE YOU CROSS A SMALL DAM WITH WATER ON
BOTH SIDES OF THE ROAD. THERE WAS ALSO A WASTEWATER
LARGE FARTHER OUT ON THE LAKE.

IN THE NORTHWEST, HAROLD WHITE OF ESTHERVILLE REPORTS
THE SIGHTING OF A SNOWY OWL IN EASTERN EMMETT COUNTY
NEAR RINGBROOK EARLIER THIS WEEK.

IN JOHN SON COUNTY TODAY 2 SNOW BUNTINGS AND TWO
^{LATE} BLACK-BELLIED PLOVERS WERE IN THE FIELD TO THE WEST OF THE
BABLOCK ACCESS ROAD AT THE CONROVILLE RESERVOIR

TODAY THE 23RD, IN THE NORTHWEST, A FIRST YEAR
BLACK LEGGED KITTIWAKE WAS IDENTIFIED AT THE SOUTH
PIT SOUTH OF HAWARDEN IN SIOUX COUNTY, AND
A PRAIRIE FALCON WAS SEEN 5 MILES EAST OF
HAWARDEN IN SOUTH CENTRAL SIOUX COUNTY. FOR
MORE INFORMATION, CALL JOHN VAN DYK AT (712) 722-1572

AND 2 SAW-WHET OWLS IN BOOSE COUNTY, BOTH IN CEDAR
1, ALONG THE INTERPRETIVE TRAIL OPPOSITE THE POND AT LEWIS
STATE PARK, THE OTHER IN THE PUBLIC HUNTING AREA
BELOW LEWIS

RECEIVED
THE NEW INFORMATION, THE 21ST FROM RED ROCK RESERVOIR
IN MARION COUNTY, AN ALL-WHITE FIRST WINTER GLAUCOUS
GULL AND A FIRST WINTER TRIMMER'S GULL BELOW THE DAM
~~AND~~ A FLOCK OF ABOUT 15 SNOW BUNTINGS AT THE BEACH
OF JUNTEBEST RECREATION AREA, AND ABOUT 20
COMMON LOONS ON THE LAKE.

THE LEON RAPIDS RUDOLPH FIELD TRIP TO BURLINGTON
ON THE 17TH LOCATED WINTER AND CAROLINA WRENS,
NORTHERN MOCKINGBIRD, AND ONE EURASIAN TREE SPARROW.
THE TREE SPARROW WAS AT THE FEEDER ~~AT THE~~
~~STATION RESIDENCE~~ ^{NORTH OF TOWN} WHICH IS REACHED BY EXIT 16 HIGHWAY
99 ^{ONTO TRMA ROAD} ABOUT A MILE NORTH OF TOWN. TRMA FOLLOWS
TRMA ROAD FOR ^{2.3/4} ~~2~~ MILES. ~~TO THE STATION RESIDENCE~~
~~ON THE LEFT SIDE OF THE ROAD.~~ FOR MORE INFO
CALL CHUCK FULLERTON (319) 753-0710

THE GOOD NEWS FIRST
AND TWO REPORTS FROM ADJACENT STATES A GYRFALCON
WAS SEEN IN JACKSON COUNTY, MINNESOTA, JUST 40
MILES NORTH OF THE IOWA BORDER ON THE 15TH
AND THE BAD NEWS A SHINY COWBIRD WAS
DISCOVERED IN CENTRAL MISSOURI A FEW DAYS AGO.
~~THIS IS A BIRD I WOULD LOVE TO~~ ^{WANT TO} ~~SEE IN IOWA.~~
IM NOT SO SURE

GLAUCOUS TRIMMER

SNOWY OWL

BLACK-LEGGED KITTIWAKE

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Iowa Birdline (319)338-9881 for 11/19/90

Most of the reports this week came from northeast Iowa, but two scoter species were reported from the southwest. Both SURF SCOTER and WHITE-WINGED SCOTER were sighted at Lake Anita State Park in Cass County on November 18th.

In the northeast, in Allamakee County, about 500 TUNDRA SWANS, but very few ducks, were on the pool above Mississippi River Lock & Dam #9 above Harper's Ferry. One GOLDEN EAGLE was spotted in that area, and 3 other GOLDEN EAGLES were seen along Allamakee County Road A-26 about 3-4 miles southwest of New Albin. This area over the Upper Iowa River bluffs is closest to their winter roost in Minnesota, and is where they are most likely to be seen in Iowa. Thirty BALD EAGLES were counted along the Mississippi from Harper's Ferry to the Minnesota border. A NORTHERN SHRIKE was seen near Rossville. Northeast Iowa is RUFFED GROUSE country, and 2 were seen at the Marching Bear unit of Effigy Mounds Nat'l Monument, and 2 more were near the sawmill at Yellow River State Forest. All these reports were from the 17th and 18th. At Cardinal Marsh in Winneshiek County, an immature NORTHERN GOSHAWK and a spotted race of the RUFIOUS-SIDED TOWHEE on the 13th. And a pure white albino RED-TAILED HAWK was reported by Larry Stone in the St. Olaf area, in Clayton County.

In the central, two WHITE-WINGED SCOTERS were at Little Wall Lake in Hamilton County on the 14th.

In southeast Iowa, a LONG-EARED OWL was seen in a cedar tree at the Macbride Nature and Recreation Area in Johnson County on the 15th, a late GRAY CATBIRD was at Lake MacBride on the 17th. PILEATED WOODPECKER was seen at Credit Island Park in Davenport on the 18th, a very reliable place to see these birds over the years.

And Iowa birders should be aware of what appears to be an invasion of GYRFALCONS, with a number of sightings in Minnesota and Southern Ontario recently. Gyrfalcon is a bird with no accepted record in the state.

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