

FROM THE 8<sup>TH</sup>

IN NEW REPORTS TODAY, IN NORTHWEST IOWA, AN IMMATURE GOLDEN EAGLE WAS SEEN TWICE IN THE LAST THREE DAYS IN THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF POLK-CANTON COUNTY, THE LATEST SIGHTING BEING IN THE MUD LAKE AREA NORTHWEST OF LAURENS.

AND THE FIRST SAW-WHET OWL REPORT OF THE SEASON CAME FROM THE MACBRIDE FIELD CAMPUS IN JOHNSON COUNTY, TODAY ON NOV 8<sup>TH</sup>, AND WAS SEEN AGAIN ON THE 9<sup>TH</sup>.

AND 2 FLICKERS OF THE RED SHIRTED, RACE WERE SEEN IN BOONE COUNTY NEAR RIDGEMAN ON THE 5<sup>TH</sup>

~~FROM SOUTHWEST IOWA, A FIRST WINTER BLACK-LEGGED KITTIWAKE WAS OBSERVED AT CARTER LAKE IN POTTAWATTOMIE COUNTY ON NOVEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup> BUT WAS NOT SEEN AFTER THAT DATE.~~

THE HOT SPOT TODAY WAS Saylorville Reservoir in Polk County, as a first winter black legged kittiwake, pacific loon, and Song Sparrow were <sup>all</sup> seen in the area of the Jester Park Boat Ramp. Elsewhere on the lake, 350 Bonaparte's Gulls, 4 Great Grebes, and Common Loons

and in the southwest a pacific loon was seen at Carter Lake in Pottawattomie County, the location where a first winter black legged kittiwake was observed on the 4<sup>th</sup>

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In new sightings since the week's report, on the 6th in southeast Iowa, a first winter THAYER'S GULL was reported from below Mississippi River Lock & Dam #19 at the Keokuk Waterfront Park. At Red Rock Reservoir in Marion County on the 6th, there were 3 SNOW BUNTINGS and 4 AMERICAN PIPITS at the beach of the Whitebreast Recreation Area, and a large number of waterfowl could still be seen from Whitebreast Point, including 3 COMMON GOLDENEYE, and 20 COMMON LOONS. There has been some question about the first winter LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL below the Red Rock Dam. It does have many features of a lesser black-backed, but some observers feel it is some sort of hybrid.

In a report from the 5th, eight TUNDRA SWANS were seen from the West Overlook Campground at the Coralville Reservoir in Johnson County.



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Iowa Birdline (319) 338-9881 for 11/5/90

The weekend weather was certainly for the ducks. It seemed like overnight they poured into the state following the strong frontal passage. The best of the waterfowl were PACIFIC LOON at Red Rock and RED-THROATED LOON at Coralville. The first winter CALIFORNIA GULL and the first winter LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL were still being seen, and a VARIED THRUSH was found in Johnson County.

The RED-THROATED LOON was first found the morning of November 4th from the West Overlook Campground of the Coralville Reservoir, and was rediscovered and still present until dark north of the Mehaffey Bridge, where Johnson County road F-28 crosses the reservoir. Three WHITE-WINGED SCOTERS were in a large raft of ducks at the Mehaffey bridge in the morning of the 4th, and they were rediscovered in the afternoon at the Jolly Roger area. There were also 210 COMMON LOONS at the Jolly Roger area, as well as HORNED GREBES, all three MERGANSERS, RUDDY DUCKS, BUFFLEHEAD, and the fall's first COMMON GOLDENEYE among the large number of other more common diving ducks. Nearby, a ~~male~~ VARIED THRUSH was found at the MacBride Field Campus of the University of Iowa, the entrance to which is off of F-28 a little over a half mile northeast of the Mehaffey Bridge. The bird was discovered the morning of the 4th, and was relocated in the late afternoon across the road from the entrance to Picnic Area #1. At the end of the Babcock access road, on the 4th, there were still nine shorebird species, including DUNLIN, ~~LESSER GOLDEN~~ PLOVER, and LONG-BILLED DOWITCHER. There were also about 50 WHITE PELICANS, and AMERICAN PIPITS. The first winter CALIFORNIA GULL first reported from that location last weekend was still present, at least through November 3rd. And a flock of eight RED CROSSBILLS, accompanied by RED-BREASTED NUTHATCHES was in a group of pine trees at the west end of the Coralville Dam near the spillway on October 31st.

In south-central Iowa, at the Red Rock reservoir in Marion County, the best location for observing the large waterfowl raft has been at Whitebreast Point. On November 3rd, PACIFIC LOON, WHITE-WINGED SCOTER, EARED and HORNED GREBES, and COMMON LOONS were seen there, and a WESTERN GREBE was present on the 2nd. The first winter LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL was still being reported from below the Red Rock Dam on the 3rd.

In central Iowa, at the Saylorville Reservoir on the 3rd, a late OSPREY, and at Sandpiper Recreation Area beach, LESSER GOLDEN and SEMIPALMATED PLOVER, LEAST SANDPIPER, and AMERICAN PIPITS. Three SANDERLINGS were at the beach of Oak Grove Recreation Area on the 3rd, and a WHITE-WINGED CROSSBILL was at Campground 4 at Jester Park, on the 31st. A NORTHERN SHRIKE was at the end of 100th Street at Big Creek State Park on the 31st. And the RED-SHOULDERED HAWK has returned for its 4th winter in the area along hiway 415

between the Polk City Casey's store and the entrance to  
Sandpiper Recreation Area. Jim Fuller (319) 338-3561

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