

CENTRAL IOWA

IN NEWS FROM TODAY, THE ADULT CALIFORNIA GULL FIRST DISCOVERED ON THE 8TH WAS STILL PRESENT AT SAILORVILLE RESERVOIR. THE PAST 5 DAYS, IT HAS BEEN SEEN AT 4 DIFFERENT LOCATIONS IN THE NORTH PART OF THE LAKE BETWEEN JESTER PARK AND THE MILE LONG BRIDGE, ON A SAND SPIT WITH RING BILGERS JUST NORTH OF THE JESTER PARK BOAT LAUNCH AND NEAR THE HIGHWAY 17 BRIDGE. ^{15 MAY REUNITE} BUT IT ~~HAS ALSO~~ SEEN IN THE ^{LATE AFTERNOON +} EVENINGS AT THE BEACH OF SANDPIPER RECREATION AREA, ^{17 MAY ROAD LAST 3 4 15 - PARK} WHERE A JUVENILE PEREGRINE FALCON WAS SEEN AT SANDPIPER ^{ON THE 18TH}. AT THE RUNNERS GAME AREA IN SOUTHERN POLK COUNTY, 500 WHITE PELICANS, BAIRD'S SANDPIPER, LESSER GOLDEN PLOVER ^{SANDPELINGS} AND AN ADULT PEREGRINE FALCON ON THE 15TH.

AT THE BEACH OF THE WHITEBREAST RECREATION AREA AT RED ROCK RESERVOIR IN MARION COUNTY 13 SANDPELINGS, 3 RUDDY TURNSTILES, 2 BAIRD'S SANDPIPES AND A BUFF BREASTED SANDPIPER ALONG WITH 50 CASPIAN AND A FEW FORSTER'S TERNS ON THE 19TH. AND AT MARION COUNTY PARK CAPE MAY WARBLER AND OLIVE-SIDED FLYCATCHER ON THE 19TH.

THE COLD FRONT ON FRIDAY THE 14TH BROKE THE HOT AND HUMID WEATHER PATTERN, PUSHING SOME BIRDS OUT OF THE AREA AND BRINGING NEW ONES IN. THE NIGHT-LIGHTS ARE CALIFORNIA GULL, RED KNOT, IN CENTRAL IOWA AND BLACK RAIL IN THE SOUTHEAST.

ALONG WITH THE ~~IN WINTER PLUMAGE~~
~~ON SEPT 8TH AN ADULT CALIFORNIA GULL WAS~~
~~FOUND AT THE Saylorville Reservoir in Polk County.~~
~~IT WAS NOT SEEN AGAIN UNTIL FRIDAY THE 14TH WHEN~~
~~IT WAS PRESENT AT THE BEACH OF SANDPIPER RECREA-~~
~~TION AREA UNTIL DARK THAT DAY, BUT WE HAVE HEARD~~
~~NOTHING ABOUT IT OVER THE WEEKEND. IT WAS WITH~~
~~A LARGE GROUP OF RING-BILLED GULLS, BUT THERE WERE~~
~~ALSO FRANKLIN'S AND BONAPARTE'S GULLS, FORSTER'S~~
~~CRISPIN AND COMMON TERN, AND BUFF-BREASTED~~
~~SANDPIPERS ^{AND A Ruddy turn stone on the 14th} BUFF-BREASTED SANDPIPER WITH~~
~~BAIRD'S SANDPIPERS AND SANDPELINGS WERE JUST NORTH~~
~~OF THE CNEER & GLEN RECREATION AREA PARKING LOT ON~~
~~THE 13TH. ONE RED KNOT WAS STILL BEING SEEN~~
~~ON THE 15TH IN A MARSHY AREA ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF STORY~~
~~COUNTY ROAD E-63, ABOUT ONE MILE WEST OF~~
~~HAYLEY. ALSO THERE WERE A TOTAL OF 16 SHORE-~~
~~BIRD SPECIES INCLUDING LESER GOLDENS AND~~
~~BLACK BELLED MOVERS. THE IBIS (SP) WAS LAST~~
~~SEEN THERE ON THE 11TH, AND THE RED-NECKED PHAL-~~
~~AROPE ON THE 13TH. AT Saylorville, A LARGE~~
~~NUMBER OF WHITE PELICANS CAME IN TO THE JESPER~~
~~PARK AREA OVER THE WEEKEND. THE COLD POND,~~
~~IN STORY COUNTY, WHICH HAD BEEN SO GOOD ALL~~

Summer are dried up now. In other news from Central Iowa, on the 9th, a meadow was seen south of LeSomb in Marshall County eating a song. At Grammer Grove Park in Marshall County, a Swainson's Thrush, Philadelphia Vireo and Cooper's Hawk on the 12th and 4 ^{shrikes} ^{on the 14th}. At Union Grove State Park in Tama County, a yellow bellied sapsucker on the 13th.

In the southwest, the laughing gull at Lake Manawa State Park at Council Bluffs, ^{since Sept 9th} has been declared an escapee from the Henry Doorly Zoo in Omaha, by the 12th, & plovers were seen flying over Lake Manawa.

In Southeast Iowa, a black rail was seen at Cone Marsh in Louisa County on the 16th. It was flushed while walking along the main east-west dike, at a point 5 feet beyond where the culvert goes under the dike. For more information call Ken Louder, at (319) 351-1207. Also seen at Cone Marsh, ^{on the 16th} on the east side were an adult Peregrine Falcon and lesser golden plover. At Hickory Pine Park in Iowa City, 14 warbler species including bay-breasted and parula on the 16th, and at the Cornville Reservoir, the wet area along the Babcock access so good in recent weeks has now pretty well dried up.

RED ROCK RESERVOIR IN THE

~~BY THE SOUTH-CENTRAL AT WHAT REMAINS OF THE
BEACH AT WATERBROOK RECREATION AREA, 2
RUFFY TURNSTONE & SANDPEPS, 4 RUFF BROWNED
SANDPIPES AND A BARN'S SANDPEEP ON THE 12TH~~

IN THE NORTHWEST

AND, THE BARN OWLS ARE STILL PRESENT IN AND AROUND THE TOWN OF ST OLAF, ^{AT LEAST THROUGH THE 15TH} FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL LARA STONE AT (319) 783-2454. AN OSPREY WAS

AT THE BIG SPRINGS TRAIT HATCHERY NEAR ELKADGE AND

THE FIRST ^{REPORTED} ROUGH LEGGED HAWK ^{OF THE FALL} WAS SEEN BETWEEN ELKADGE AND ST OLAF ON THE 16TH.

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