

IN UPDATES FROM THE 28TH, THE PACIFIC LOON WAS
STILL AT ANDERSON LAKE WITH 2 IMMATURE LITTLE
BLUE HERONS, ~~ON THE 27TH 6 IMMATURE LITTLE BLUE HERONS~~
~~WERE AT OTTER CREEK MARSH IN TAMM COUNTY AND~~
THE MUTE SWAN WAS STILL AT NERON BEND IN LEE
COUNTY. IN SAC COUNTY AT TOMAHAWK MARSH
NORTH OF LAKE VIEW THERE WERE A GREATER
WHITE FRONTED GOOSE AND A COMMON NODDY

IN IOWA COUNTY
ON THE 27TH THERE WAS AN IMMATURE YELLOW
CROWNED NIGHT HERON AT CASEY-BARROW PUBLIC
ACCESS 10 MILES NORTH OF BURLINGTON. IN PICK
COUNTY THERE IS STILL AN ACTIVE WESTERN
KINGBIRD NEST ON THE STATE CAPITAL GROUNDS ^{SE OF THE CAPITAL BLDG} IN
DES MOINES.

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Birds Mentioned:

FULVOUS WHISTLING DUCK
Pacific Loon
Black Rail
King Rail
Sandhill Crane
Common Moorhen
American Bittern
Least Bittern
Little Blue Heron
Yellow-crowned Night Heron
Stilt Sandpiper
Short-billed Dowitcher
Yellow-billed Cuckoo
Black-billed Cuckoo
Pileated Woodpecker
Acadian Flycatcher
White-eyed Vireo
Northern Parula
Louisiana Waterthrush
Blue-winged Warbler
Black-crowned Night Heron
White Pelican
Great Egret
Mute Swan
Snowy Egret
Piping Plover
Willet
American Avocet
Common Loon
Wilson's Phalarope
Western Sandpiper

The highlights this week are the continued presence of the FULVOUS WHISTLING DUCK in Clinton County, and the PACIFIC LOON in Hamilton County. We have had no news this week of the BLACK and KING RAILS at Stateline Marsh in Kossuth County.

In the east-central in Clinton County, the FULVOUS WHISTLING DUCK discovered on the 17th at Goose Lake was still being seen on the 24th. From highway 136 about a mile west of the town of Goose Lake, go north on 350th Avenue for a half mile, and then turn east into the lane to the marsh. The bird has consistently been seen south of the dike near its east end. Also there this past week were up to six SANDHILL CRANES, at least three families of COMMON MOORHENS, and AMERICAN and LEAST BITTERNS.

In the central in Hamilton County, the PACIFIC LOON was still at Anderson Lake just east of Jewell on the 24th. Walk the railroad tracks along the south side of the lake, and look north. In Tama County at Otter Creek Marsh, eight white immature LITTLE BLUE HERONS and an immature

YELLOW-CROWNED NIGHT HERON were along the north dike near its east end on the 24th, and a family of four SANDHILL CRANES has been seen in a hay field south of county road E-66. In Story County, there were ten shorebird species, including STILT SANDPIPER and SHORT-BILLED DOWITCHER at Hickory Grove Park on the 24th. Look near the boat ramp by the beach, and walk into the wildlife area along the east side. In Polk County, Sharon Stillwell has both YELLOW and BLACK-BILLED CUCKOOS nesting near her home at 218 S. 33rd in West Des Moines.

In the southeast in Lee County, birds seen at the Croton Unit of Shimek State Forest on the 23rd were PILEATED WOODPECKER, ACADIAN FLYCATCHER, WHITE-EYED VIREO, NORTHERN PARULA, LOUISIANA WATERTHRUSH, and BLUE-WINGED WARBLER. In Mississippi River backwater near Montrose, there was an immature BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT HERON on the 23rd, and at Heron Bend Conservation Area off of highway 61 three miles north of Montrose, there were 260 WHITE PELICANS, 100 GREAT EGRETS, and a MUTE SWAN on the 24th. Across the Mississippi, a SNOWY EGRET was at the Nauvoo Flats Wildlife Area, along highway 96 south of Nauvoo, Illinois, on the 24th. In Des Moines County at Casey-Barrow Public Access about ten miles north of Burlington, there were three PIPING PLOVER, three WILLETS, and two DOWITCHER (Sp.) on the 19th, and an AMERICAN AVOCET on the 24th, *AND ALONG THE ROAD FROM HIGHWAY 99 INTO CASEY-BARROW THERE WERE 10 SHOREBIRD SPECIES AND 3 CATTLE EGRETS IN A DRYING UP SMALL POND ON THE 24TH*
In the west in Ida County, a COMMON LOON in basic plumage has been at Crawford Creek Park for over a week. In Monona County, COMMON MOORHENS can be seen at South Blue Lake, and in flooded field near there on the 23rd, there were twelve species of shorebirds, with WILSON'S PHALROPE, STILT SANDPIPER, WESTERN SANDPIPER, and SHORT-BILLED DOWITCHER.
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