SANDERLINGS AND A RED KNOT OFF CAMPGROUNDS 4+6.

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On the 29th, in updates, the BLACK-LEGGED KITTIWAKE was still at Lake Manawa, at least one SABINE'S GULL was still off of Jester Park, and the MARBLED GODWIT. along with five WESTERN SANDPIPERS, were at the Coralville Reservoir. And in the southwest in Adams County, a WESTERN GREBE was off the marina at Lake Icaria.

On the 28th, we have reports now of three juvenile SABINE'S GULLS, two updates, plus a YELLOW RAIL report. One of the SABINE'S GULLS was in the northwest at Black Hawk Lake in Sac County. The others were in the central in Polk County off of campground #4 at Jester County Park. One of those birds was probably one seen in the morning at the beach of the Sandpiper Recreation Area. Also at Jester were numerous shorebirds, including SANDERLING and AMERICAN GOLDEN PLOVER. Also in the central in Greene County, two YELLOW RAILS were flushed at Snake Creek Marsh, two miles north of Rippey, from a shorter grass area about 150 yards north and a little west of the parking lot. Also present at Snake Creek were an immature NORTHERN GOSHAWK and a MOURNING WARBLER. In the southwest, the BLACK-LEGGED KITTIWAKE was still present along the west side of Lake Manawa at Council Bluffs, and in the southeast, the MARBLED GODWIT, along with DUNLINS and AMERICAN GOLDEN PLOVERS, were along Greencastle Avenue at the Coralville Reservoir.

On the 27th in the northwest, one SNOWY EGRET was still at Union Slough NWR in Kossuth County, just west of the headquarters. There was also a SHARP-TAILED SPARROW there.

## IOWA RBA (319)338-9881 for 9/25/95

BIRDS MENTIONED: Black-legged Kittiwake Jaeger (Sp.) Dunlin American Golden Plover Marbled Godwit Red Phalarope Snowy Egret Northern Goshawk Peregrine Falcon Tree Swallow (Albino) Mississippi Kite Sharp-tailed Sparrow LeConte's Sparrow Merlin Virginia Rail Black-crowned Night Heron Great Egret Great-tailed Grackle

The best birds this week are BLACK-LEGGED KITTIWAKE and JAEGER (SP.) in Pottawattamie County, MARBLED GODWIT in Johnson County, RED PHALAROPE at Saylorville, and SNOWY EGRET in the northwest.

In the southwest in Pottawattamie County, a BLACK-LEGGED KITTIWAKE between first summer and second winter plumage was at Lake Manawa in Council Bluffs on the 24th. A JAEGER, unidentified as to species, was also seen briefly there on the 24th. At Hitchcock Nature Center, 118 hawks passed by on the 24th, and included a NORTHERN GOSHAWK.

In the southeast in Johnson County, DUNLINS, AMERICAN GOLDEN PLOVER, and a MARBLED GODWIT were along Greencastle Avenue at the Coralville Reservoir on the 24th.

In the central in Polk County, the last report for the RED PHALAROPE was on the 19th. It was found off of campground 4 at Jester County Park. The extensive mudflats in that area held 14 shorbird species, as well as two PEREGRINE FALCONS to harass them, on the 21rst. There was also an albino TREE SWALLOW there. The MISSISSIPPI KITES at the Olivet Baptist Church in Windsor Heights were last seen on the 13th. In Greene County, there have been SHARP-TAILED and LECONTE'S SPARROWS at Snake Creek Marsh, and a MERLIN was there on the 21rst. The sparrows were most easy to find around a pond which is on the north edge of a sorghum field, a half mile walk north from the parking lot. In Tama County a VIRGINIA RAIL and immature BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT HERON were at Otter Creek Marsh on the 23rd.

In the northwest in Kossuth County, a SNOWY EGRET was with GREAT EGRETS at Union Slough NWR. It was seen at various locations last week, but the last report

was from the 20th when it was on the north side of county road B-14 where it crosses the refuge. In Clay County, seven GREAT-TAILED GRACKLES were at Dan Green Slough on the 19th.

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IOWA RBA UPDATE: 9/19/95

BIRDS MENTIONED: Red Phalarope American Golden Plover Fox Sparrow Lincoln's Sparrow Broad-winged Hawk Sharp-shinned Hawk

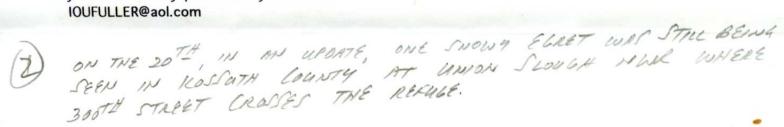


On the 19th in the central in Polk County, Steve Dinsmore discovered a RED PHALAROPE working nearby mudflats off of campground #4 at Jester County Park. In reports from the hawk watch at Grammer Grove Park in Marshall County, on the 15th, 100 hawks passed over with 68 BROAD-WINGS and on the 17th there were 75 total, with 30 BROAD-WINGS and 15 SHARP-SHINNEDS.

In the southeast in Scott County, a flock of 32 AMERICAN GOLDEN PLOVER were at the Seven Cities Sod Farm along I-80.

In the northeast, early arriving FOX and LINCOLN'S SPARROWS were at Cardinal Marsh in Winneshiek County.

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IN NEWS FROM THE 20 IN THE CENTRAL IN CREEKE COUNTY

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