

IT'S BEEN A QUIET WEEK AS THE ONLY NEWS
WE'VE HAD CAME FROM JOHNSON COUNTY, WHERE
SEVEN WINTER WRENS WERE AT NICKLARS HILL PARK
IN JOWA CITY, AND A PEGGAWISE FALLOD WAS AT
THE CORAULLE RESERVOIR.

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Iowa Birdline (319)338-9881 for 10/3/94

Birds Mentioned:

Black-throated Blue Warbler

Black-bellied Plover

Merlin

Red-breasted Nuthatch

Sharp-tailed Sparrow

LeConte's Sparrow

American Pipit

Indigo Bunting

Common Tern

American Golden Plover

Horned Grebe

American Avocet

Virginia Rail

The warbler migration is winding down, the sparrows are moving in, and a few waterfowl are back. The best bird is BLACK-THROATED BLUE WARBLER at three locations.

In the northeast in Linn County at Pleasant Creek Recreation Area north of Palo, there was a male BLACK-THROATED BLUE WARBLER along the nature trail, and a BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER on the beach on the 2nd, and a MERLIN was a flyover there on the 1st. In Cedar Rapids, Arlen Breiholz had nine warbler species in his yard last week, including a BLACK-THROATED BLUE on the 1st, and he also has RED-BREASTED NUTHATCHES. He can be reached at (319)363-4671.

In the central in Greene County, SHARP-TAILED and LECONTE'S SPARROWS, plus AMERICAN PIPITS were still being seen at Snake Creek Marsh on the 30th, and a MERLIN was there on the 28th. This location is found by going north from Rippey for 1 and 3/4 miles on county road P-46, and then east on gravel a half mile to the parking lot on the north side of the road. Ten sparrow species and a late INDIGO BUNTING were found in Greene and Polk Counties on the 30th. Also in Polk County, COMMON TERNS were on the beach at Big Creek State Park on the 30th. At the Saylorville Reservoir, an AMERICAN GOLDEN PLOVER was at Oak Grove beach on the 30th, and three HORNED GREBES were off Cherry Glen on the 28th.

In the southeast in Johnson County, James Huntington had a male BLACK-THROATED BLUE WARBLER in his yard in Iowa City on the 27th. In Iowa County, there were six shorebird species, including BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER, as well as a HORNED GREBE at the Lily Lake between Main and Middle Amana on the 30th. In Lee County, eight AMERICAN AVOCETS were at the Heron Bend Conservation Area, which is just east of hiway 61 about three miles north of Montrose, on the 28th.

In the west in Ida County, a MERLIN was seen at Moorehead Park on the 28th, while in Monona County, SHARP-TAILED SPARROWS and a VIRGINIA RAIL were found by walking along the east edge of South Blue Lake on the 29th

