

ON THE 3RD IN THE SOUTHWEST, IN JOHNSON, SOME OF
THE BIRDS FOUND AT THE HAWKEYE WILDLIFE AREA
INCLUDED ^{6 SPECIES OF WIMBLEDERS} PEREGRINE FALCON, TAYLOR'S GULL, DUNLIN, AND
NALSON'S SHARP-TAILED SPARROW. THE PEREGRINE WAS
ALONG THE BABCOCK ACCESS ROAD AND THE OTHER BIRDS
WERE SEEN ALONG GREENCASTLE AVENUE NORTH OF THE
SWAN LAKE ROAD

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BIRDS MENTIONED:

Sabine's Gull

To skip the recording and leave a message, press the star at any time. Thanks to Tom Kent for handling the Birdline last week. On the 2nd, in the northwest in Dickinson County, an immature SABINE'S GULL was present all day at Orleans Beach on the south end of Big Spirit Lake. *FOR UPDATES CALL ED THOLEN @ (712) 336-2439*

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BIRDS MENTIONED:

White-winged Scoter

Red-necked Phalarope

Franklin's Gull

White-crowned Sparrow

Nelson's Sharp-tailed Sparrow

LeConte's Sparrow

Sora

Virginia Rail

Merlin

Ruddy Turnstone

Sanderling

American Bittern

Broad-winged Hawk

Peregrine Falcon

Red-tailed Hawk (Albino)

The week's best birds are WHITE-WINGED SCOTER at Clear Lake and RED-NECKED PHALAROPE in the central part of the state.

In the north-central in Cerro Gordo County on the 25th, up to 50 WHITE-WINGED SCOTERS were seen at Clear Lake, and thousands of FRANKLIN'S GULLS were gathering there. An early WHITE-CROWNED SPARROW was found at Mason City on the 29th.

In the central in Greene County, birds discovered at Snake Creek Marsh on the 29th included a RED-NECKED PHALAROPE, NELSON'S SHARP-TAILED SPARROW, LECONTE'S SPARROW, SORA, VIRGINIA RAIL, but no YELLOW RAIL. A MERLIN was observed in Boone County on the 29th.

In the northwest in Kossuth County, there were RUDDY TURNSTONE, SANDERLING, and AMERICAN BITTERN at Union Slough NWR on the 29th.

In the northeast in Allamakee County, at a hawk watch at Effigy Mounds National Monument on the 29th, a MERLIN was spotted along with 30 BROAD-WINGED HAWKS, which is a little late for that species.

In the southeast in Johnson County, another hawk watch at the Coralville Reservoir on the 29th spotted MERLIN and PEREGRINE FALCON, while an albino RED-TAILED

HAWK was seen south of Solon on the 28th in an area where one was present last year.

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