

ON THE 3<sup>RD</sup>  
WE RECEIVED

A REPORT FROM THE NORTHWEST IN WOODBURY COUNTY,  
BIRDS SEEN AT THE MIDAMERICAN ENERGY PORT NEAR FLYING  
ON THE 29<sup>TH</sup>  
PITS, INCLUDED 10 ADULT PIPING PLOVERS AND 5 BRASS  
WITH 13 NESTINGS, 12 ADULT LEAST TERNS, WITH 5 ON  
NESTS, SNOW GOOSE, WHITE PELICAN, CASPIAN TERN,  
SEMI-PALMATED SANDPAPER AND WESTERN KINGBIRD.

ON THE 4<sup>TH</sup> IN THE CENTRAL IN HAMILTON COUNTY,  
A RED NECKED <sup>CRANE IN BASIC</sup> PLUMAGE WAS REPORTED AT ANDERSON  
LAKE. FROM THE TOWN OF JEWELL GO EAST ON HIGHWAY  
175, AND JUST AFTER GOING BY THE MARSH TURN NORTH  
PARK AND WALK WEST ALONG THE RAILROAD TRACKS AND  
AT THE MARSH, LOOK SOUTH. ~~THESE ARE THE~~ FOUR  
TRUMPETER SWANS <sup>AT ANDERSON LAKE</sup> ~~THAT~~ WERE RELEASED <sup>THEM</sup> LAST WEEK.

IOWA RBA (319)338-9881 for 7/1/96

BIRDS MENTIONED:

COMMON BLACK-HEADED GULL

Marbled Godwit  
Western Grebe  
Least Tern  
White-faced Ibis  
Little Blue Heron  
Snowy Egret  
Piping Plover  
Prairie Warbler  
Worm-eating Warbler  
Caspian Tern  
Common Tern  
Forster's Tern  
Black Tern  
Lesser Yellowlegs  
Hooded Merganser  
Bobolink  
Sedge Wren  
Common Moorhen  
Swainson's Hawk  
Cattle Egret  
Least Bittern  
Bald Eagle  
Short-billed Dowitcher  
Chuck-wills-widow  
Wilson's Phalarope  
Upland Sandpiper  
Cerulean Warbler  
Least Flycatcher  
Acadian Flycatcher  
Blue-winged Warbler  
Kentucky Warbler  
Red-shouldered Hawk

The week's highlights are the continued presence of COMMON BLACK-HEADED GULL, as well as MARBLED GODWIT, WESTERN GREBE, and LEAST TERN, in the northwest, WHITE-FACED IBIS, LITTLE BLUE HERON, SNOWY EGRET, LEAST TERN, and PIPING PLOVER in the southwest, PRAIRIE WARBLER in the southeast, and WORM-EATING WARBLER in the northeast.

In the northwest, the adult COMMON BLACK-HEADED GULL discovered by Harold White and Lee Schoenewe in Dickinson County on the 23rd, was still being seen at the same location through the 30th. Here are the directions: The bird has been on several of the ponds on a newly restored DNR wetland, which is on the north side of an east-west gravel road that roughly parallels hiway 9 a mile to the north. This road is named 140th Street on its west end, and 145th Street on the east. To reach the location from the west, take hiway 86 one mile north of hiway 9, and then go

east on 140th Street for 2.8 miles. From the east, leave 240th Avenue, and go west one mile on 145th Street. Look for the bird on the pond closest to the road, or with other gulls and terns on the pond farther north. Some of the other birds reported from there included CASPIAN, COMMON, FORSTER'S, and BLACK TERNS, <sup>MARBLED GULLS,</sup> MARBLED GODWIT, LESSER YELLOWLEGS, HOODED MERGANSER, BOBOLINK, and SEDGE WREN. At nearby Jemmeron Slough, a COMMON MOORHEN was spotted on the 30th. In Osceola County, the SWAINSON'S HAWK nest was still active on the 29th. From the town of Allendorf, go south 3.5 miles on hiway 59, and then east on 200th Street for a half mile, and look on the south side of the road. In Buena Vista County, a LEAST TERN and WESTERN GREBE were seen at Storm Lake on the 26th. In Sac County, six CATTLE EGRETS were a mile south of Tomahawk Marsh on the 28th.

In the southwest in Fremont County, there is a group of twelve WHITE-FACED IBIS roaming about, and last week they were reported from Forney Lake, Secret Lake, and Sheldon Basin, which is east of Percival. Also at Forney Lake on the 30th, there were 30 LITTLE BLUE HERONS, a SNOWY EGRET, LEAST BITTERN, and a BALD EAGLE. East of Nebraska City, twenty CATTLE EGRETS were seen on the 27th. At Secret Lake, three SHORT-BILLED DOWITCHERS were present on the 30th. CHUCK-WILLS-WIDOWS were still being heard at dusk on the 29th along the Spring Valley Loop Road, which leaves county road L-44 about a mile and a half north of hiway 2. At the Riverton Area, there were two WILSON'S PHALAROPES on the 30th. In Pottawattamie County, there were PIPING PLOVER and LEAST TERNS at the MidAmerican Energy settling ponds south of Council Bluffs on the 29th.

In the southeast in Johnson County, the PRAIRIE WARBLER was still being seen on the 28th. From North Liberty, take county road F-28 north, cross the Coralville Reservoir, and after another mile or so cross the causeway over the south arm of Lake MacBride. Immediately after that, go west on Cottage Reserve Road for 0.4 miles, and then go north 0.2 miles, and the bird was singing from a cottonwood tree on the east side of the road. UPLAND SANDPIPERS were seen in Iowa County, a mile south of Bill Zuber's Restaurant in Homestead on the 28th, and in Clarke County, along hiway 34, two miles east of Osceola on the 30th.

In the northeast in <sup>WINNEBAGO</sup> Allamakee County, Carl Bendorf heard a WORM-EATING WARBLER singing near his cabin on the 27th. This was in Bluffton Township, along Chimney Rock Road about three miles north of Pole Line Road. For further details, you can call Carl at (319)351-4958. He also reported a CERULEAN WARBLER near his cabin. <sup>IN ALLAMAKEE COUNTY</sup> Birds seen at Yellow River State Forest on the 25th, included LEAST and ACADIAN FLYCATCHERS, BLUE-WINGED and KENTUCKY WARBLERS, and RED-SHOULDERED HAWK.

Jim Fuller (319)338-3561  
jfuller@dentistry-po.dentistry.uiowa.edu  
ioufuller@aol.com

