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Subject: IOWA RBA Update 3/13/99

IOWA RBA (319)338-9881 Update for 3/13/99 @ 9:30 PM

Birds Mentioned:

Golden Eagle
Tundra Swan
Trumpeter Swan
Northern Saw-whet Owl
Merlin
Long-eared Owl
Horned Grebe
Greater Scaup

On the 13th in the Central in Tama County, an immature GOLDEN EAGLE was seen at Otter Creek Marsh. In the southeast in Louisa County, seven adult TUNDRA SWANS were seen from the east side, and an adult TRUMPETER SWAN was in the northwest corner at Cone Marsh. In Johnson County, a SAW-WHET OWL was at Hickory Hill Park in Iowa City, in a small cedar down the hill 250 yards straight east of the shelter at the Dodge Street entrance. A MERLIN was spotted in Pleasant Valley Township.

On the 12th in the northeast in Jones County, a LONG-EARED OWL was in a small wooded area at the northeast corner of Muskrat Slough. In Linn County, two HORNED GREBES were at Cedar Lake in Cedar Rapids, and a female GREATER SCAUP was at Pleasant Creek Recreation Area north of Palo. In the central, seven TRUMPETER SWANS were flyovers at Anderson lake near Jewell.

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Birds Mentioned:
COMMON CRANE (Nebraska)
Short-eared owl
Trumpeter Swan
Northern Shrike
Loggerhead Shrike
Northern Flicker (Hybrid)
Tundra Swan

The COMMON CRANE in Buffalo County Nebraska was seen again on the 11th.

In news received the 11th, from the northwest in Emmet County, a SHORT-EARED OWL was seen in a field which is four miles north of Gruver. In Monona County, a TRUMPETER SWAN was observed in a borrow pit at exit 105 of I-29 on the 7th. In Palo Alto County, a NORTHERN SHRIKE was spotted at Dewey's Pasture, while an early LOGGERHEAD SHRIKE was seen about ten miles away.

In the northeast in Butler County, the NORTHERN FLICKER hybrid between RED and YELLOW-SHAFTED varieties is still being seen at the Nature Center in Heery Woods near Clarksville.

In the southeast in Louisa County, there were eight adult SWANS, of which seven were TUNDRA, and the other was possibly a TRUMPETER, seen from the east side of Cone Marsh.

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Birds Mentioned:
COMMON CRANE (Nebraska)
Ross's Goose
Red-shouldered Hawk

On the 10th, the COMMON CRANE was still being seen in Buffalo County, Nebraska.

In belated reports, from the southeast in Lee County, a ROSS'S GOOSE was seen on the 7th on the Mississippi River near the Linger-Longer Rest Area along hiway 61 just north of Montrose. In the northeast in Linn County, the immature RED-SHOULDERED HAWK is still putting in appearances in the backyard of Jim and Joyce Durbin, 1460 Douglas Court in Marion.

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Subject: IOWA RBA 3/8/99

IOWA RBA (319)338-9881 Week's Report of 3/8/99

Birds Mentioned:

Oldsquaw
Thayer's Gull
Common Crane (Nebraska)
Pileated Woodpecker
Tundra Swan
Ross's Goose
Hooded Merganser
Red-shouldered Hawk
Pine Siskin
Peregrine Falcon
Golden Eagle

The winter-like weather has pretty much brought migration to a standstill, but there are some pretty impressive numbers of waterfowl in the state, especially in the south. Highlight birds this week are OLDSQUAW and THAYER'S GULL in the southeast. Neighbor Nebraska reports a COMMON CRANE on the 6th and 7th. Call the Nebraska RBA for updates at (402) 292-5325.

In the southeast in Johnson County, the female OLDSQUAW continues on the Iowa River at Iowa City. The bird which is molting into alternate plumage has been most recently reported on the 5th in the area of the Iowa Memorial Union and the UI Art Museum. On the 7th, a first year THAYER'S GULL was seen where hiway 965 and I-380 cross the Iowa River. At Twin View Heights, a development west of Solon, Terry Klein reports a PILEATED WOODPECKER at his feeder and in the nearby woods last week. In Louisa County, 7 TUNDRA SWANS and a ROSS'S GOOSE were sighted at Cone Marsh on the 7th. In Scott County, 6 HOODED MERGANSERS were in the backwater area at Credit Island Park in Davenport on the 7th.

In the central in Story County, a RED-SHOULDERED HAWK was spotted on the 6th flying along the edge of woods on the west side of I-35 between one and two miles north of hiway 210. PINE SISKINS have been rare this winter, but three were reported on the 2nd at the Y Camp north of Boone.

In the northeast in Linn County, at least one PEREGRINE FALCON has returned to downtown Cedar Rapids, where it was seen on the 2nd on an upper story window ledge on the south side of the Roosevelt Hotel. In Allamakee County, two GOLDEN EAGLES, one adult and one immature, were observed on the 7th soaring over the Upper Iowa River bluffs north of Waukon, along the Iverson Bridge Road about five miles west of hiway 76.

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