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Birds Mentioned:
Red-throated Loon

On the 25th in the southeast in Johnson County, a winter plumaged
RED-THROATED LOON was seen on the north arm of Lake MacBride.

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Birds Mentioned:

CLARK'S GREBE (Possible)

Western Grebe

In news from the 23rd, in the northwest in Palo Alto County, the possible CLARK'S GREBE was still present on Lost Island Lake, but the ID could not be confirmed because of high waves and distance. If you see this bird, your views on its ID are invited.

In the southeast in Des Moines County, the WESTERN GREBE was still on the Mississippi River just above Lock & Dam #18 on the 22nd. Remember, even though most of the birds here are on the Iowa side of the river, viewing is only from the Illinois side.

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CLARK'S GREBE
White-winged Scoter
Bohemian Waxwing
Black Scoter
Black-legged Kittiwake
Black-crowned Night Heron
Northern Shrike
Red-throated Loon
Red Crossbill
Western Grebe
California Gull
Thayer's Gull
Pacific Loon
Cedar Waxwing
Loggerhead Shrike
Merlin
Ross's Goose
Amazilia Hummingbird
Ruby-throated Hummingbird
Northern Shrike
Trumpeter Swan
Tundra Swan
Northern Saw-whet Owl
Long-billed Dowitcher
Dunlin
Pectoral Sandpiper
Horned Grebe
Mute Swan
Turkey Vulture
Golden Eagle

The highlight birds this week are **CLARK'S GREBE**, **WHITE-WINGED SCOTER**, **BOHEMIAN WAXWING** **BLACK-LEGGED KITTIWAKE**, and **BLACK SCOTER** in the northwest part of the state, **BLACK-LEGGED KITTIWAKE** and **RED-THROATED LOON** in the southwest, **RED CROSSBILL** and **WESTERN GREBE** in the central, and **CALIFORNIA GULL**, **THAYER'S GULL** and **PACIFIC LOON** in the southeast.

In the northwest in Palo Alto County, a possible **CLARK'S GREBE** was found on the 22nd at Lost Island Lake, as seen from Huston Park along the east shoreline. For more informatioun, call Lee Schoenewe at (712) 262-8194. In Dickinson County on the 21rst, an immature **WHITE-WINGED SCOTER** was observed on the south part of Big Spirit Lake, and a **BOHEMIAN WAXWING** was with a flock of **CEDAR WAXWINGS** in the Marble Beach area of Big Spirit Lake. In Woodbury County at the Port Neal generating station south of Sioux City, birds reported on the 22nd included an immature **BLACK-LEGGED KITTIWAKE**, two

WHITE-WINGED SCOTERS, an immature BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT HERON, and a NORTHERN SHRIKE. On the 22nd, ^{in O'Brien County} a NORTHERN SHRIKE was seen along the Little Sioux River, and a LOGGERHEAD SHRIKE was at the Waterman Creek Area in O'Brien County. In Ida County, an immature/female type BLACK SCOTER was found on a farm pond just north of Ida Grove on the 21st. In Sioux County, two NORTHERN SHRIKES were found a mile apart on the 20th, about five miles southwest of Rock Valley.

In the southwest in Adams County, a winter adult BLACK-LEGGED KITTIWAKE was at Lake Icaria on the 21st, and in Pottawattamie County, the RED-THROATED LOON was still being seen at the south settling pond of the Mid American Energy Co. south of Council Bluffs ^{ON THE 21ST}. In Union County on the 22nd, a MERLIN was at the north end of Twelve Mile Lake, and four species of goose, including ROSS'S GOOSE were seen at Green Valley State Park.

In central Iowa in Poweshiek County, eight RED CROSSBILLS were seen at the north edge of Grinnell on the 19th. From hiway 146 go east on 16th Avenue, cross the RR tracks, and at the first place on the north side of the road with fire #15333, the birds were in a line of pine trees west of the house. In Polk County, a WESTERN GREBE was sighted just above the Saylorville Reservoir dam on the 17th. In Des Moines, the AMAZILIA HUMMINGBIRD and the immature male RUBY-THROATED HUMMINGBIRD were atill visiting the feeder of Don and Carole Stolz, 512 SW 60th St. as of the 21st.

In the southeast in Marion County, sightings at the Red Rock Reservoir on the 19th included first year CALIFORNIA and THAYER'S GULLS below the dam, and along the south shore, a PACIFIC LOON was spotted from the water access at the Lakeview Heights area. In Iowa County, three TRUMPETER SWANS and a TUNDRA SWAN were still present on the 19th at the Lily Lake along hiway 220 between Main and Middle Amana, and on the 16th a SAW-WHET OWL was found in the old ice pond area, which is on the north side of hiway 6 about a mile west of Homestead. A permit from the Amana Society is required to enter this area. In Johnson County at the Hawkeye Wildlife Area, 3 LONG-BILLED DOWITCHERS, 4 DUNLIN, and a PECTORAL SANDPIPER were along the Babcock Access Road on the 19th, and HORNED GREBES were seen on the 20th at Lake MacBride and the S & G Quarry south of Iowa City. In Louisa County, a MUTE SWAN was observed on the 22nd along hiway 61 north of Wapello, about a mile south of the Iowa River bridge.

In the northeast in Allamakee County, 400 TUNDRA SWANS were present on the Mississippi River in the Heytman's Landing area on the 20th, and on the 21st a NORTHERN SHRIKE was found and three GOLDEN EAGLES were seen over the Upper Iowa River bluffs along county road A-26 southwest of New Albin. On the 20th, a very late TURKEY VULTURE was seen in northern Delaware County.

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