

AND THERE WERE 6 SHORT-EARED OWLS ALONG
CEMETERY ROAD NORTH OF OXFORD ON THE 10TH

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ON THE 9TH IN MARION COUNTY, A TUZARA SWAN HAS
ON THE DES MOINES RIVER
BEEN, AROUND THE DOLLAR BRIDGE, WHICH IS ABOUT 2 1/2
MILES DOWNSTREAM FROM THE RED ROCK DAM.

IN IOWA COUNTY, 5 LONG EARED AND 12 SHORT-EARED
OWLS WERE REPORTED IN THE AREA OF A WEEDY FIELD ON
THE SOUTH SIDE OF HIGHWAY 220 SOUTH AND EAST OF
HIGH AMANA

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IN NEWS RECEIVED THE 12TH, IN UPDATES, ^{THE CENTRAL} THE VARIED
THRESHOLD HAS NOT BEEN SINCE IN DES MOINES THE LAST TWO
DAYS, AND A CHIPPING SPARROW WAS AT TIM SULLIVAN'S
FEEDER IN INDIANOLA. IN THE SOUTHWEST, IN JOHNSON
COUNTY, AS MANY AS 15 LONG EARED OWLS WERE IN THE
CEDAR GROVE SOUTHWEST OF THE INTERSECTION OF
GREEN CATTLE AVENUE AND SWAMP LAKE ROAD. A NORTHERN
MCKENZIE BIRD WAS SOUTHWEST OF AMANA - DIRECTIONS. FROM
HIGHWAY SIX, GO NORTH ON THE JOHNSON-IOWA COUNTY
LINE ROAD AND WHERE IT TIES INTO GREEN GO WEST
LESS THAN A HALF MILE AND LOOK RIGHT, AFTER THAT
ROAD TURNS NORTH. IN LEE COUNTY, ^{ON THE 11TH} A FIRST WINTER
THAYER'S GULL WAS SEEN NEAR THE ELEVATOR ON THE
MISSISSIPPI AT THE END OF COUNTY ROAD Q-50 SOUTH
OF WEBER, AND A SHORT EARED OWL WAS ALONG X-50
IN DES MOINES COUNTY, A NORTHERN GO SWAMP WAS AT
ASPEN GROVE CEMETERY IN BURUNGTOWN

IN THE NORTHWEST IN STONE COUNTY, THE MARENS HAS NOT BEEN SEEN
CENTER FOR 6 DAYS, BUT PAINE SKINKS HAVE RETURNED TO FEEDER
THERE, AND FLOCKS OF LONG EARED OWLS, SWAMP BUSTARDS, AND NORTHERN
LARKS ARE COMMON, AND ALONG GREEN ROAD N AND E OF STONE CENTER

IN REPORTS FROM THE 14TH, IN THE NORTH CENTRAL, ^{IN CERRO GORDO CO}
THE BOHEMIAN WAXWING AS WELL AS BOTH LONG AND
SHORT-EARED OWLS, ^{AND PURPLE FINCHES} WERE STILL IN THE SNEAROCK RIVER
GREENBELT, AND THE 3 TRUMPETER SWANS WERE STILL AT
EAST PARK IN MASON CITY.

IN THE NORTHEAST IN ALLAMAKEE COUNTY, GOLDEN EGGS
WERE SEEN ON THE 13TH + 14TH ALONG ^{THE UNPAVED PORTION} COUNTY ROAD A-26
WEST OF HIGHWAY 76

IN THE CENTRAL, IN GUTHRIE COUNTY, 7 ADULT AND
4 IMMATURE TRUMPETER SWANS WERE AT BOYS BRANCH,
AND 7 MORE ^{TRUMPETER} SWANS WERE AT TERRO LAKE IN
JOHNSTON ON THE 11TH.

IN THE NORTHWEST IN MONROE COUNTY, 3
SHORT-EARED OWLS WERE JUST SOUTH OF DWAIN,
RING NECK DUCKS AND AMERICAN COTS WERE
AROUND THE DEPOT AT LEWIS & CLARK STATE
PARK AND IN CHEROKEE COUNTY, GOLDEN CROWNED
KINGLETS WERE AT THE SARGENT MUSEUM IN CHEROKEE.
AND AN AMERICAN COT WERE ALONG THE LITTLE STONY RIVER N. OF CHEROKEE
IN WOODBURY COUNTY, PINE SISKINS WERE AT
FEEDERS ADJACENT TO GRACELAND CEMETERY IN
STONY CITY.

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Iowa Birdline (319)338-9881 for 1/9/95

Birds Mentioned:

Varied Thrush
Gyr Falcon
Bohemian Waxwing
Trumpeter Swan
Golden-crowned Kinglet
Vesper Sparrow
Cedar Waxwing
Common Redpoll
Short-eared Owl
Northern Shrike
Long-eared Owl
Rufous-sided Towhee
Northern Mockingbird
Ruby-crowned Kinglet
Lapland Longspur
Thayer's Gull
Green-winged Teal
Northern Pintail
Wood Duck
American Coot
Red-breasted Merganser
Hooded Merganser
Greater White-fronted Goose

After we fell into the deep freeze last week, there have been no further waterfowl or gull reports from the reservoir areas. The best birds are VARIED THRUSH in Pocahontas and Polk Counties, GYRFALCON at Red Rock Reservoir, and BOHEMIAN WAXWING in Cerro Gordo County.

In the central, a VARIED THRUSH was reported from Des Moines on the 4th. It has been in the yard of Bill and Joyce Priebnow since around Thanksgiving. The Priebnows live at 4328 New York, which is just west of the Beaverdale shopping center in northwest Des Moines, and they can be reached at (515)277-1576. At Red Rock Reservoir in Marion County, a dark phase GYRFALCON was observed from Whitebreast Point flying across the lake on the 2nd.

In the northwest in Pocahontas County, the second VARIED THRUSH was at the feeder of Joe Stegge of Havelock. We have had no updates since the 3rd, but the number there is (712)776-2638. In Sac County on the 8th, the two TRUMPETER SWANS were still around the aerator at Black Hawk Lake at Lake View, GOLDEN-CROWNED KINGLETS were at the City Park in Lake View, and the cemetery in Wall Lake, and a VESPER SPARROW was seen at St. Mary's Cemetery in Auburn.

In the north-central in Cerro Gordo County, the family of three TRUMPETER SWANS, as well as a WHITE FRONTED GOOSE, continued at East Park in Mason City, at least through the 8th. In the Shell Rock River greenbelt area on the 8th, a BOHEMIAN WAXWING was relocated with the CEDAR WAXWINGS, and

there was also a COMMON REDPOLL. For more information, call Curt Nelson at (515)696-5600.

In the southeast in Johnson County, as many as four SHORT-EARED OWLS were being seen late in the day along Cemetery Road, about five miles north of Oxford, and a NORTHERN SHRIKE was at nearby Williams Prairie on the 4th. Seven LONG-EARED OWLS were found in conifers at the Coralville Reservoir southwest of the Greencastle Avenue and Swan Lake Road intersection on the 6th. A RUFOUS-SIDED TOWHEE of the spotted, or western race, was under a feeder north of Iowa City on the 3rd. In Des Moines County, a NORTHERN MOCKINGBIRD and RUBY-CROWNED KINGLET were along the Skunk River Road, and a WINTER WREN was at Dankwardt Park in Burlington, all on the 4th. In Henry County, two LONG-EARED OWLS were in conifers on the south side of the east entrance road to Geode State Park, just a tenth of a mile inside the park on the 4th. In Lee County, LAPLAND LONGSPURS have been along county road X-50 south of Wever. In Scott County, a first winter THAYER'S GULL was at Lock & Dam #15 in Davernport on the 3rd.

In the northeast at Cedar Lake in Cedar Rapids, unusual waterfowl for winter have included GREEN-WINGED TEAL, NORTHERN PINTAIL, WOOD DUCK, AMERICAN COOT, and HOODED and RED-BREASTED MERGANSERS.

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