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birdcntr@listserv.arizona.edu; hologrambirds@worldnet.att.net; ia-bird@list.audubon.org; cfuller@lisco.net IOWA RBA Update 1/7/98

IOWA RBA (319)338-9881 Update for 1/7/98 @ 11:30 PM

Birds Mentioned: Spotted Towhee Prairie Falcon Northern Shrike Snow Bunting Oldsquaw White-winged Scoter Trumpeter Swan Brown Thrasher Eurasian Collared Dove

On the 7th, first from the northwest, with all reports from Sioux County, the SPOTTED TOWHEE was still being seen in John Van Dyk's yard at Sioux Center, a PRAIRIE FALCON ws spotted along county road B-40, about four miles west of Sioux Center, a NORTHERN SHRIKE was along county road K-18 about a mile north of Oak Grove Park, and numerous large flocks of SNOW BUNTINGS were present in Sioux and Lyon Counties.

In the southeast, in Lee County, an OLDSQUAW was among a mixed group of waterfowl on a small patch of open water on the Mississippi River near the elevator which is found by taking county road X-50 from hiway 61north of Wever to where it ends along the river. In Marion County, in updates the WHITE-WINGED SCOTER and TRUMPETER SWAN were still near the footbridge over the Des Moines River below the Red Rock Dam. In Jefferson County, another BROWN THRASHER has been reported, this one at the feeder of John Maguire at 1011 N. 12th in Fairfield.

In the central in Poweshiek County, in an update from Grinnell, three EURASIAN COLLARED DOVES were seen in small trees on the golf course just south of 16th Avenue, and in Polk County, Jane Clark still has the BROWN THRASHER in her yard at Clive.

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IOWA RBA (319)338-9881 Update for 1/6/98 @ 9PM

Birds Mentioned: Eurasian Collared Dove Cedar Waxwing Bohemian Waxwing Swamp Sparrow Trumpeter Swan White-winged Scoter Long-eared Owl Brown Thrasher Snow Bunting Horned Lark

In news from the 6th, in the central in Poweshiek County, at Grinnell two EURASIAN COLLARED DOVES were in an evergreen tree along the north side of 16th Avenue, across from the country club golf course, and near the clubhouse for the golf course, a flock of 15 CEDAR WAXWINGS contained one BOHEMIAN WAXWING. In Jasper County, a SWAMP SPARROW was located at Neal Smith NWR. To look for it, from the new entrance road to the Learning Center take 96th West, and then go right a quarter mile to a small bridge where the bird was seen.

In the southeast in Marion County, an adult TRUMPETER SWAN and an immature/female type WHITE-WINGED SCOTER were below the Red Rock Reservoir Dam, while 8 LONG-EARED OWLS were in the pine grove near the Red Rock Marina. In Johnson County, the BROWN THRASHER was still in the little woods just north of the east end of Swan Lake, and the BROWN THRASHER is still visiting Ray Davenport's feeder. Ray lives at Newport and Quincy Roads northeast of Iowa City.

In the northeast, a mixed flock of SNOW BUNTINGS and HORNED LARKS was seen along hiway 3 near the Delaware/Dubuque County line.

Jim Fuller (319)338-3561 ioufuller@aol.com james-fuller@uiowa.edu Subj: IOWA RBA: 1/4/98 Date: 1/3/99 9:39:58 PM Central Standard Time From: james-fuller@UIOWA.EDU (Fuller, Jim) Sender: IA-BIRD@LIST.AUDUBON.ORG (Bird discussion list for Iowa) Reply-to: IA-BIRD@LIST.AUDUBON.ORG (Bird discussion list for Iowa) To: IA-BIRD@LIST.AUDUBON.ORG

IOWA RBA (319)338-9881 for 1/4/98

Birds Mentioned: Spotted Towhee Thayer's Gull Oldsquaw Brown Thrasher Varied Thrush (Not Seen) Northern Shrike Snow Bunting Northern Saw-whet Owl Hermit Thrush Trumpeter Swan **Tundra Swan** Long-eared Owl Lapland Longspur **Rusty Blackbird** Yellow-bellied Sapsucker **Pileated Woodpecker** Carolina Wren Merlin Winter Wren

The best birds of the week include SPOTTED TOWHEE in the northwest, THAYER'S GULL and SPOTTED TOWHEE in the southeast, and OLDSQUAW in the central part of the state.

In the northwest in Sioux County, John Van Dyk has had a SPOTTED TOWHEE in his yard at Sioux Center for several weeks. The last report was from the 31rst. You can call John for updates at (712) 722-1572.

In the southeast in Johnson County at the Hawkeye Wildlife Area, the little woods north of the east end of Swan Lake still contained the SPOTTED TOWHEE plus a BROWN THRASHER on the 1rst, but the female VARIED THRUSH has not been seen there now since the 24th. Nearby along the Babcock Acess Road, a NORTHERN SHRIKE and a flock of SNOW BUNTINGS were sighted on the 1rst. Two SAW-WHET OWLS were found on the 1rst in cedars on the hillside north of the Amana Road (F-20), about three-quarters of a mile west of the headquarters. In Iowa City, the HERMIT THRUSH first seen in Cal and Bernie Knight's yard on the 17th, has not been seen since the big snow started on the 1rst. Still in Johnson County, 5 TRUMPETER SWANS and one TUNDRA SWAN were observed on the 3rd on the Iowa River, as seen from the Birdline's house at 6 Longview Knoll, north of Iowa City. In Appanoose County, two LONG-EARED OWLS and a SAW-WHET OWL were found in a pine grove near Lake Rathbun on the 3rd. To reach this area, from hiway 142 west of Moravia, take county road J5T south to the first gravel road to the right, which you take for 1.6 miles. The LONG-EAREDS were at the back of the grove, and the SAW-WHET was about 30 feet up in a White Pine with lots of tracks in the snow around it. In Marion

County at the Red Rock Reservoir, two adult and one first year THAYER'S GULLS were seen below the dam, and a TRUMPETER SWAN was in a comfield below the dam on the 28th.

There were also LAPLAND LONGSPURS and RUSTY BLACKBIRDS seen in the Rathbun area on the 3rd.

In the central in Polk County, the Des Moines CBC on the 2nd came in with 49 species, including OLDSQUAW, MERLIN, SNOW BUNTING, and BROWN THRASHER, which has been in Jane Clark's yard at Clive since November 28th. The Boone County CBC on the 1rst recorded 55 species with YELLOW-BELLIED SAPSUCKER, PILEATED WOODPECKER, CAROLINA WREN, and a female MERLIN, which was seen at the intersection of county road R-27 and 160th Street. Also in Boone Cunty, Mike Hovlik had a BROWN THRASHER at his feeder on the 2nd. In Story County, a WINTER WREN was seen on the 1rst along the Skunk River about a quarter mile west of McFarland Park.

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