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Subject:

IOWA RBA 8/20/99

IOWA RBA (319) 338-9881 update for 8/20/99 @ 11 PM

Birds Mentioned:
ARCTIC TERN
American Avocet
Western Sandpiper
Eurasian Collared Dove
Snowy Egret
Sanderling
Summer Tanager
Worm-eating Warbler
Blue-winged Warbler
Cerulean Warbler
Brewster's Warbler

On the 20th, in the central, Ann Johnson saw the adult ARCTIC TERN at the Sandpiper Recreation Area beach of the Saylorville Reservoir on her lunch hour today. A number of other searchers came up empty-handed, except for FORSTER'S and BLACK TERNS in the evening. There were also two AMERICAN AVOCETS at the Sandpiper beach. On the 19th, a WESTERN SANDPIPER was seen off campground 4 at Jester Park. In Ankeny, a EURASIAN COLLARED DOVE was found on the 19th near the new Casey's about a half mile west of the hiway 160 exit to I-35.

In the northeast in Mason City, another EURASIAN COLLARED DOVE is being seen in the northwest part of town. The address is 1121 12th Street, NW. This is across from the Genral Foods plant. You can drive through the alley behind the residence and look on the utility wire near a Chinese Elm tree.

In the southeast in Johnson County, birds seen at the Hawkeye WA on the evening of the 20th included 2 SNOWY EGRETS, 2 AMERICAN AVOCETS, and 5 SANDERLINGS. On the 18th in Lee County, a SUMMER TANAGER, 3 WORM-EATING WARBLERS, 2 BLUE-WINGED WARBLERS, a CERULEAN WARBLER, and a BREWSTER'S hybrid WARBLER were all spotted at the Croton unit of Shimek State Forest.

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IOWA RBA (319) 338-9881 Update for 8/19/99 @ 10 PM

Birds Mentioned:
ARCTIC TERN
Forster's Tern
Blackburnian Warbler
Tufted Titmouse
Red-breasted Nuthatch
American Avocet

On the 19th in the central at the Saylorville Reservoir in Polk County, the bad news is that the adult ARCTIC TERN discovered on the 18th was never relocated on the 19th. The good news is that about 6:20 PM, two juvenile terns, one a FORSTER'S and the other an ARCTIC were found on the beach south of the Cherry Glen Recreation Area. The Cherry Glen Area is reached from hiway 415 along the east side of the reservoir.

In the northwest in Ida County, 8 warbler species, including BLACKBURNIAN, were found at Moorehead Park north of Ida Grove, and a TUFTED TITMOUSE, very unusual for that far northwest in the state, was also seen there.

In the northeast in Cerro Gordo County, a RED-BREASTED NUTHATCH was reportedly visiting a feeder at Swaledale.

In a belated report from the southeast in Louisa County, AMERICAN AVOCETS have been seen in the Horsehoe Bend Area of the Mark Twain NWR. This area is northwest of Oakville.

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IOWA RBA 8/18/88

IOWA RBA (319) 338-9881 Addition to Update for 8/18/99 @ 9 PM

Birds Mentioned: Marbled Godwit Piping Plover Snowy Egret

In an addition to the update of 8/18, at the Hawkeye WA in Johnson County, from the north side about 200 yards south of the intersection of the Blaine Cemetery Road and the Amana Road, a MARBLED GODWIT, a PIPING PLOVER, and two SNOWY EGRETS were seen.

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IOWA RBA 8/18/99

IOWA RBA (319) 338-9881 Update for 8/18/99 @ 8 PM

Birds Mentioned:
ARCTIC TERN
Forster's Tern
Black Tern
MACGILLIVRAY'S WARBLER
Sabine's Gull
American Avocet
Willet
American Golden Plover
Sanderling
Buff-breasted Sand[iper
Ruddy Turnstone
Bonaparte's Gull

On the 18th in the central in Polk County, Steve and Jim Dinsmore discovered an adult ARCTIC TERN at the Saylorville Reservoir. The bird was seen late in the afternoon with a small flock of FORSTER'S and BLACK TERNS to the east of the beach at Sandpiper Recreation Area. This area can be found aff hiway 415 south of Polk City. The bird was just beginning to molt. This is a potential first state record.

In the southeast in Des Moines County, a juvenile MACGILLIVRAY'S WARBLER was seen at Starr's Cave Preserve, which is off Irish Ridge Road just north of Burlington. The bird was found in late morning along the entrance road to the Nature Center. In Johnson County at the Hawkeye WA, a juvenile SABINE'S GULL was found off the end of the Babcock Access. There were also 15 shorebird species there, including 2 AMERICAN AVOCETS, WILLET, GOLDEN PLOVER, SANDERLING, and BUFF-BREASTED SANDPIPER. In Appanoose County, two AMERICAN AVOCETS were seen at the Sedan Bottoms. In Marion County at the Red Rock Reservoir, a RUDDY TURNSTONE was spotted at the north end of Roberts Creek Lake, and a BONAPARTE'S GULL was below the Red Rock Dam.

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IOWA RBA 8/16/99

IOWA RBA (319) 338-9881 Update for 8/16/99 @ 10 PM

Birds Mentioned: Piping Plover Connecticut Warbler Canada Warbler

On the 16th in the central in Boone County, a PIPING PLOVER was on the east pond at Harrier Marsh south of Ogden. On the 15th in Marshall County, among the warblers seen at Grammer Grove Park were a CONNECTICUT and four CANADAS.