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14 THRU, LEAS  
2ND ICHM ABOUT LTD #15

ON THE 6<sup>TH</sup>, IN THE SOUTHWEST, WERE SEEN ALONG THE  
MILLSIDE IN SCOTT COUNTY WERE ADULT LEDGER BLACK  
RACKED AT LTD #14 AND FIRST-YEAR THAYERS AND 2<sup>ND</sup>  
YEAR ICELAND AT LTD #15. IN MUSCATINE COUNTY  
30 EURASIAN TREE SPARROWS WERE AT A FEEDER  
NEAR MUSCATINE. TAKE HIGHWAY 61 BYPASS SOUTH, AND  
AT SIMPSON STREET GO WEST A HALF MILE TO THE  
BANKS RESIDENCE AT 2393 MITCHELL ROAD

IN THE NORTHEAST IN LINN COUNTY, AMONG THE  
HUNDREDS OF MALLARDS AND CANADA GEESE AT  
CEDAR LAKE IN CEDAR RAPIDS WERE AN OLDQUAN,  
A NUMBER OF HOVED MERGANSERS, PIED BILLED GREYS,  
AMERICAN COOT AND WOOD DUCK

UNUSUAL  
IF YOU ENJOY IDENTIFYING GULLS, THE MISSISSIPPI  
RIVER IN SCOTT COUNTY SHOULD APPEAR. ON THE 5<sup>TH</sup>  
FROM JUST ABOVE LAD #14 <sup>SOUTH OF THE I-80 BRIDGE</sup> ~~NEAR~~ ~~LOCATED~~ TO  
JUST BELOW LAD #15 IN <sup>DOWNTOWN</sup> DAVENPORT, THERE WERE  
SEVEN GULL SPECIES OBSERVED, AS WELL AS SEVERAL  
HUNDRED BALD EAGLES. ~~THESE~~ <sup>UNUSUAL</sup> GULLS INCLUDED AN  
ADULT GREAT BLACK-BACKED, 2 ADULT LESSER BLACK  
BACKED, ADULT AND FIRST YEAR LUNAWINGS, 2  
FIRST-YEAR TRAYEY'S, FIRST YEAR ICELAND, AND  
AN ADULT OF THE ICELAND-TRAYEY'S COMPLEX.  
~~FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, CALL TIM FOLEY~~  
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IOWA RBA UPDATE: 1/4/95

Birds Mentioned:

Lesser Black-backed Gull  
Great Black-backed Gull  
Glaucous Gull  
Thayer's Gull  
Yellow-rumped Warbler  
Northern Saw-whet Owl  
Mountain Bluebird  
Townsend's Solitaire  
Northern Mockingbird  
Long-eared Owl  
Short-eared Owl  
Common Redpoll  
Spotted Towhee  
Northern Shrike  
Lapland Longspur  
Snow Bunting  
Wood Duck  
Northern Pintail  
American Wigeon  
Northern Shoveler  
Prairie Falcon

~~In news received the 3rd and 4th, in the southeast, GULLS seen in Scott County on the Mississippi River at Lock & Dams #14 and 15, and at the Bettendorf-Moline waterfront, were adult LESSER BLACK-BACKED, adult GREAT BLACK-BACKED, first-year and adult GLAUCOUS, and first-year THAYER'S. In Lee County on the 1st, a first-year GLAUCOUS GULL was on the Mississippi at Montrose, and two YELLOW-RUMPED WARBLERS were along the river road south of Montrose near the entrance to the Orba Johnson facility.~~

*IN NEWS FROM*

On the 4th, in an update, the NORTHERN SAW-WHET OWL was still at the same location in Johnson County. In Iowa County, the Amana Christmas Count held on the 30th recorded 49 species, with a MOUNTAIN BLUEBIRD along Price Creek straight east of the visitor's center, two TOWNSEND'S SOLITAIRES along a creeek about a mile southeast of East Amana, two NORTHERN MOCKINGBIRDS in the valley just north of the East Amana cemetery, five NORTHERN SAW-WHET OWLS in cedar trees in the old ice pond area, which is about a mile northwest of Homestead, four LONG-EARED and SHORT-EARED OWLS in a pine grove near the visitor's center, and flocks of COMMON REDPOLLS a half mile north of High Amana, and along railroad tracks south of the refrigeration plant.

On the 2nd in the southeast at Lake Rathbun, a flock of thirty COMMON REDPOLLS was observed in the Island View area, along the road to Dedication Point. And in the central, we have news of the Boone County CBC, which counted 57 species, with six owl species, including two NORTHERN SAW-WHET OWLS at Camp Hantesa, a SPOTTED TOWHEE, a NORTHERN SHRIKE, and 75 COMMON REDPOLLS. In the northwest in Sioux County, large flocks of up to a thousand LAPLAND LONGSPURS and SNOW BUNTINGS were northwest of Sioux Center, and at Winterfeld Park in

Rock Valley, waterfowl that are unusual in winter included WOOD DUCK, NORTHERN PINTAIL, AMERICAN WIGEON, and NORTHERN SHOVELER.

*IN NEWS RECEIVED THE 1ST IN THE SOUTHEAST IN LEE COUNTY*

On New Year's Day in the southeast in Scott County, on the Mississippi River, two first-year GLAUCOUS GULLS were at the Moline-Bettendorf waterfront, and an adult LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL was above Lock & Dam #14. In the northwest in Dickinson County, a PRAIRIE FALCON was found on the 31st in a grove of trees northwest of Superior at the intersection of hiway 71 and 140th Street. However, it could not be relocated later in the day or on the 1st. In Clay County, Judy Knight reports 2-3 dozen COMMON REDPOLLS at her feeder at 805 W. 9th in Spencer.

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BIRDS MENTIONED:

Great Black-backed Gull  
Lesser Black-backed Gull  
Glaucous Gull  
Thayer's Gull  
Snowy Owl  
Red-shouldered Hawk  
Northern Saw-whet Owl  
Common Redpoll  
Northern Shrike  
Merlin  
Black-billed Magpie  
Golden Eagle

~~Happy 1996, and welcome to the Birdline of the Iowa Ornithologist's Union for Monday, January 1, with news of GREAT BLACK-BACKED, LESSER BLACK-BACKED, GLAUCOUS, and THAYER'S GULLS in the southeast, and SNOWY OWL in the northwest.~~

In the southeast along the Mississippi River in Scott County, GULLS that were seen between the I-80 bridge and the Moline-Bettendorf waterfront on the 30th, included an adult GREAT BLACK-BACKED, at least two first-year THAYER'S, and a first-year GLAUCOUS. On the 28th, there was also an adult LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL at Lock & Dam #14 near LeClaire, and at Davenport, a RED-SHOULDERED HAWK was along Concord Drive near the foot of Credit Island. In Johnson County on the north side of the Coralville Reservoir, a NORTHERN SAW-WHET OWL was in cedar trees about a hundred yards northwest of the intersection of county road F-20 and Greencastle Avenue on the 26th, and near North Liberty, Paul and Teresa Shuff report COMMON REDPOLLS at their feeder on the 31st. In Marion County, a second-year THAYER'S GULL was observed about two miles downstream from the Red Rock Reservoir Dam on the 26th.

In the northwest in Dickinson County, a SNOWY OWL was discovered south of Superior on the 29th, but was not relocated the next day during the Spirit Lake Christmas Count, the highlights of which were NORTHERN SHRIKE, MERLIN, and 130 COMMON REDPOLLS. In Plymouth County, the BLACK-BILLED MAGPIE was not relocated last week, but in the area near Westfield, a GOLDEN EAGLE and NORTHERN SHRIKE were seen.

In the northeast in Allamakee County, an immature RED-SHOULDERED HAWK was sighted at Effigy Mounds National Monument on the 27th.

In the central in Hamilton County, Blaine Kloppenborg reported from Webster City that four COMMON REDPOLLS were still at his feeder late in the day, at 316 West Curve Drive, on the 28th.

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State Game (on the 58th)

that some COMMON REDWINGS were seen at the feeder site in the fall of 1981 west  
to the center in Hamilton County. Bruce Klobb reported rebound from Webster City

located at 11114 Northside Industrial Development on the 58th  
in the northwest in Dickinson County. An immature RED-WINGED BLACKBERRY was

NORTHERN SHRIKE were seen  
reported last week but in the area near Webster, a COMMON CUCKOO and  
130 COMMON REDWINGS in Hamilton County. The BLACK-BITTED KAWBIRD was not  
Crawfordsville County. The individuals of which were NORTHERN SHRIKE, WREATHEN and  
subsets on the 58th but was not reported the next day during the spring take  
in the northwest in Dickinson County. A SNOWY OWL was discovered south of

domestic from the Red Rock Reservoir Dam on the 58th  
Hamilton County. A second-year THAYER'S GULL was observed about two miles  
Paul and Teresa Shuff report COMMON REDWINGS at their feeder on the 31st in  
of county road F-50 and Greencastle Avenue on the 58th, and near North Liberty.  
WHEAT OWL was in cedar trees about a hundred yards northwest of the intersection  
Johnson County on the north side of the Cornville Reservoir. A NORTHERN SHRIKE  
DISCOVERED IN THE AREA OF THE RESERVOIR. A FOOT OF SNOW WAS  
BACKED GULL at Rock & Dam with near Webster and at Hamilton. A second-  
year GYALCON'S. On the 58th, there was also an adult LESSER BLACK-  
included an adult GREAT BLACK-BACKED, at least two first-year THAYER'S and a  
between the I-80 bridge and the Moine-Battendorf waterfront on the 30th  
in the southeast along the Mississippi River in Scott County. GULLS that were seen

northwest  
BACKED' GYALCON'S, and THAYER'S GULLS in the southeast and SNOWY OWL in the  
northwest. I will name of GREAT BLACK-BACKED, LESSER BLACK-  
HAPPY 1981 and welcome to the office of the Iowa Ornithologists Union.

- Common Eagle
- Black-billed Magpie
- Kestrel
- Northern Shrike
- Common Redwing
- Northern Saw-whet Owl
- Red-shouldered Hawk
- Snowy Owl
- Thayer's Gull
- Gyrfalcon
- Lesser Black-backed Gull
- Great Black-backed Gull
- BIRDS MENTIONED:

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