

Season: Spring Year: 1983Name and address
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1236 Sylvia Ave.Other observers (name, city):
usually with (FM)
Francis Moore - Waterlooor Russell Hays - WaterlooWaterloo, Iowa 50701

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✓ Least Bittern	1	5-28	Sweet Marsh
✓ Little Blue Heron	1	4-22	Riverton Wildlife Man. Area (FM)
✓ Cattle Egret	1	4-15	George Wyth State Park (FM) earlier
✓ Yellow-crowned Night-Heron	1	5-10	Sweet Marsh
✓ Cinnamon teal	1♂ 1♀?	4-22	west Riverton, Ia. along Hwy 2 (FM) mob
✓ Cooper's Hawk	4	4-16	Sweet Marsh - great hawk day
✓ Goshawk	1	4-16	Sweet Marsh (FM, RK, Mob)
✓ Merlin	1	4-16	Sweet Marsh (FM, RK, Mob)
✓ Merlin	1	4-29	Big Marsh
✓ Gray Partridge	1	5-6	Sweet Marsh (south of)
- Sandhill Crane	1	5-6	Sweet Marsh
- King Rail	1	5-6	Sweet Marsh
✓ Virginia Rail	1	4-29	Big Marsh
- Purple Gallinule	1	5-19	.7 mi. west + .5 mi. south of South Armana (Mob)
✓ Piping Plover	2	4-22	Riverton - FM, Ross Silcock, Roy Cummins
Hudsonian Godwits	Many	all spring	from late April thru May
✓ Common tern	2	5-4	Wyth state Park - told from Forster's by dark (blackish) primaries where the Forster's shows white.
Black Cuckoos			→ Where are they? I have only seen one black-billed
✓ Barn owl	1	4-23	Shenandoah (FM)
✓ Long-eared owl	1	3-25	Sweet Marsh (FM)
✓ Alder Flycatcher	2	5-28	Sweet Marsh - seen + heard see-BEE-oo call

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✓ White-eyed vireo	2	5-25	Wyth State Park
✓ Cape May warbler	many	5-12, 5-13 5-16, 5-19	Most at Sweet Marsh on 5-13 - est. 20 (FM)
✓ Pine warbler	1	5-18	Wyth dur
✓ Prothonotary Warbler	1	4-30	Sweet Marsh - FM + RH - seemed early
✓ Worm-eating Warbler	1	5-8	Wyth - FM - bird fed on ground in front
✓ Kentucky warbler			of us for at least 15 min.
	→ 1	5-18	Wyth
✓ Kentucky warbler	1	5-19	Amana Woods
✓ Kentucky warbler	3	5-28	Sweet Marsh - on ground singing at my feet
✓ Connecticut warbler	Many	from 5-13 on	- actually seemed common this year - on 5-22 FM + I had 8 in the A.M.
✓ Mourning warbler	1	5-7	This one was very early at Dudgeon Lake near Vinton - later in May they were very common - FM + I had 25-30 on May 22 in Waterloo area in A.M.
✓ Hooded warbler	2	5-7	Dudgeon Lake - FM
✓ Hooded warbler	1	5-19	Amana Woods
✓ Yellow-breasted Chat	1	5-13	Sweet Marsh - FM
✓ Prairie warbler	1	5-13	Sweet Marsh - FM dur
Warbler - in general			→ On 5-13 I had 25 sp. and from then until 5-20 I got between 20 and 24 sp. per day. I still got 17 sp. on 5-28 at Sweet Marsh - On 5-7 we had 24 sp. at Dudgeon -

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<u>General comments</u>			<u>I thought spring migration went very well this year. I like these cloudy, rainy, cold days - they are great for birding but not for the birders. As of the end of May I have 229 sp. in '83 compared to 244 at this time last year but the winter was my problem this year.</u>
			<u>Sweet Marsh was especially good to me this year producing 30 sp. of warblers plus FM got Blk-thrd Blue there. Sweet Marsh also had yellow-crowned night-heron, goshawk, merlin, king rail, sandhill crane, prairie warbler and summer tanager to name a few goodies.</u>
			<u>George Wyth State Park also produced 30 sp. of warbler.</u>
			<u>There was a definite lack of shore birds this spring in our area as well as gulls & terns. I still don't have a caspian tern this year. Maybe late summer + fall will make up the lack.</u>
			<u>late</u>