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WINTER 1999 IOWA FIELD REPORT

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Species	No.	Date	Location	
Pied-billed Grebe Pied-billed Grebe	1 2	24 Jan 24 Jan	Iowa River, Iowa City, Johnson Co. Cedar Lake, Linn Co.	
Horned Grebe	1	24 Jan	Cedar Lake, Linn Co.	
Greater White-fronted Goose	50	15 Feb	Cone Marsh, Louisa Co.	First
Snow Goose	2	15 Feb	Cone Marsh, Louisa Co.	First
Wood Duck	6	27 Feb	Hawkeye Wildlife Area, Johnson Co.	First
Green-winged Teal	11	15 Feb	Cone Marsh, Louisa Co.	First
American Black Duck	8	28 Feb	Cone Marsh, Louisa Co.	High
Northern Pintail	50	15 Feb	Cone Marsh, Louisa Co.	First
Northern Shoveler	4	27 Feb	Swan Lake, Johnson Co.	First
Gadwall	5	6 Feb	Mississippi River, Scott Co.	First
Gadwall	8	15 Feb	Cone Marsh, Louisa Co.	
American Wigeon	30	15 Feb	Cone Marsh, Louisa Co.	First
Canvasback	1	6 Feb	Mississippi River, Scott Co.	First
Canvasback	1	15 Feb	Cone Marsh, Louisa Co.	de Hat
Ring-necked Duck	8	6 Feb	Pool 14, Mississippi River, Scott Co.	First
Lesser Scaup	6	6 Feb	Pool 14, Mississippi River, Scott Co.	First
Oldsquaw	1	13, 24 Jan	Iowa River, Iowa City, Johnson Co.	
Oldsquaw	1	24 Jan	Cedar Lake, Linn Co.	
Oldsquaw	2	6 Feb	Pool 14, Mississippi River, Scott Co.	
Hooded Merganser	9	24 Jan	Cedar Lake, Linn Co.	High
Bald Eagle	125	15 Feb	Cone Marsh, Louisa Co.	High
Northern Harrier	1	17 Jan	W. of Cone Marsh, Louisa Co.	
Northern Harrier	1	15 Feb	Cone Marsh, Louisa Co.	
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American Coot	2	15 Feb	Cone Marsh, Louisa Co.	First
Killdeer	1	15 Feb	Cone Marsh, Louisa Co.	First
Common Snipe	1	17 Jan	S. of Iowa City, Johnson County	
Common Snipe	4	17 Jan	Cone Marsh, Louisa Co.	
Franklin's Gull	1	27 Dec	Lake Red Rock, Marion Co.	Late

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Thayer's Gull	1	6 Feb	Mississippi River, Scott Co. 1st-year			
Northern Saw-whet Owl	1	24 Jan	Hawkeye Wildlife Area, Johnson Co.			
Northern Saw-whet Owl	1	28 Feb	Kent Park, Johnson Co.			
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	1	17 Jan	Cone Marsh, Louisa Co.			
Spotted Towhee	1	21 Dec	Hawkeye Wildlife Area, Johnson Co.			
Black upperparts with white spots on back and two white wingbars, rufous sides, white underparts.						
White-throated Sparrow	1	17 Jan	Cone Marsh, Louisa Co.			
White-crowned Sparrow	2	17 Jan	Cone Marsh, Louisa Co.			
Red-winged Blackbird	1	17 Jan	Cone Marsh, Louisa Co.			
Eastern Meadowlark	1	27 Dec	S. of Lake Red Rock, Marion Co. Last			
The bird gave the buzzy "dzzrrt" call of an Eastern Meadowlark while sitting on a fence. The call was very different from the sharp "chuck" of a Western Meadowlark, and after returning home I listened to several recordings of both species to confirm the identification.						
Eastern Meadowlark Singing typical Eastern Meadow	l /lark s	15 Feb ong.	Cone Marsh, Louisa Co. First			
Eurasian Tree Sparrow There may be a small population	3 1 estab	17 Jan lished just s	S. of Iowa City, Johnson County south of Iowa City. Birds have been seen throughout			

There may be a small population established just south of Iowa City. Birds have been seen throughout the past year at several locations separated by up to a mile. Mike Dooley observed 8 birds near the S&G Materials sandpit on one occasion this winter.