

FIELD REPORT FORM

SEASON Summer YEAR 1983

NAME Bob Howe

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Des Moines, IA 50319

OTHER OBSERVERS —

SPECIES	NO.	DATE	LOCATION - HABITAT - COMMENTS
Kestrel	2	5-29-83	One of pair flew into crevice of large "cliff" of loess cut - Probable breeding. - <u>Mills Co. Sec. 17, Oak Twp.</u>
X White-eyed Vireo	1	5-30 to 6-3	Singing male in same territory for several days. - <u>Fremont Co. T70N R43W Sec. 12.</u>
Least Flycatcher	1	5-30	1 individual singing. - <u>Same location as above</u>
X Common Loon	1	6-1	<u>Willow Slough, Mills Co.</u>
X Lark Sparrow	10+	6-1 to 6-4	Several localities in <u>Fremont and Mills Co.</u>
Eastern Meadowlark	10+	5-29 to 6-4	Heard rather frequently in <u>Mills and Fremont Co's.</u> during Foray. Seemed to be more abundant in loess hills region than W. meadowlark.
X Swainson's Thrush	1	6-1-83	<u>Mills Co., T73N R43W Sec. 10.</u> - Singing
X Swainson's Thrush	1	6-2-83	<u>Pottawattamie Co. - Crescent Ski Area</u> - good view
X Bell's Vireo	2	5-30 to 6-4	<u>Fremont Co. T70N R43W Sec 12.</u> Singing in same area as White-eyed Vireo.
Ovenbird	2+	6-1	<u>Fremont Co. T69N R43W Sec 24 + 13</u> - Also heard at <u>Waubesaie S.P.</u>
X Loggerhead Shrike	1	6-2	<u>Ringgold Co. T68N R30W Sec 21.</u> - on wire over pasture along county road.
Bobolink	1	6-2	♂ along county road in <u>W Decatur Co.</u> (this species was seen very rarely this year)
X Loggerhead Shrike	1	6-2	<u>Madison Co., 1.5 mi W intersection of Hwys 92 and 169 W of Winterset.</u> - Bird on wire over bromo field.
X Bell's Vireo	1	6-2	<u>Madison Co. T75N R29W Sec 8.</u> - Singing male in patch of trees at native prairie.

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* Tom: I assume Barb Wilson has reported records from Forney's Lake, Willow Slough and elsewhere in SW Iowa, including piping plovers and least terns near Council Bluffs.

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* Loggerhead Shrike	1	6-3	Fremont Co. $\frac{1}{2}$ mi W intersection of Hwys 184 and 275 (on 184). Perching on wire over ditch of alfalfa + brame.
* Bell's Vireo	1	6-4	Fremont Co. S of Thurman - singing Other foray birds - Pottawattamie, Mills, Fremont Co's. Red-eyed Vireo. - uncommon but regular in loess hills forests. Grasshopper Sparrow - common in all 3 counties. Wood Thrush - heard several times in Mills, Fremont Co., but not commonly.
* Mourning Warbler	1 ♂	6-9	Clayton Co. Bloody Run Creek, 1 mi W Marquette. - 1 singing male heard and seen from very close range in willows near creek.
* Loggerhead Shrike	1	6-11	Van Buren Co. - 8 mi W Keosauqua.
* Yellow-throated Warbler	3	6-12	Lee Co. - 3 mi W Argyle (≥ 3)
"	4+	6-11	Van Buren Co. - Lacey Keosauqua State Park (incl. observations by David Bowler)
"	2 ♂	6-14	Van Buren Co. - ~1 mi W Mt. Zion along Des Moines River.

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Jon Stravers

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David Bowler

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✓ Northern Parula Warbler	~20	6-11 to 6-14	at least 3 localities in Lee Co., 4 in Van Buren Co, 1 in Wapello County. - Seemed to occur wherever extensive areas of sycamores were present in SE Iowa. More common or at least more conspicuous than yellow-throated Warbler.
✓ Worm-eating Warbler	3	6-14	Lee Co. - Lick Creek Unit, Shimek State Forest. All individuals seen from close range after intensive search. - All occurred in oak ravines well w/in forest unit.
* " "	2	6-14	Van Buren Co. Lacey-Kearney State Park. - Heard by <u>David Bowler</u> along creeks bed in north central part of park. - Not near road or path.
✓ " "	≥1	6-15	Muscatine Co. Wildcat Den State Park. - reported by <u>Jon Stravers</u> , Pella, IA.
<p>Note: This bird was the focus of an intensive survey of large forest tracts near the Des Moines River in southeastern Iowa. - All sightings came from places where the species had been reported previously.</p>			
✓ Summer Tanager	1	6-12	Lee Co., 3 mi W Argyle. Singing male seen from about 40 ft. -

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Dave Ewert, Des Moines (Cerulean Blue-winged Warblers)

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† Louisiana Waterthrush	~10	6-11 to 6-14	seen commonly along creeks in Van Buren and Lee Counties.
Ovenbird	6	6-11 to 6-14	Observed in Lee and Van Buren Co's. Also common along N Fork Maguoketa River in Jones Co.
† Blue-winged Warbler	≥20	6-11 to 6-14 and 6-20	Seen frequently in Lee + Van Buren Co's; also encountered in Jones Co. (Esp. common at Lick Creek Unit, Shimek State Forest in Lee Co.) and Clayton Co. (via Dave Ewert).
† Cerulean Warbler	≥1	6-14	<u>Lick Creek Unit, Shimek State Forest</u>
† Cerulean Warbler	≥4	6-20	<u>N. Fork Maguoketa River NW of Canton, (Jones Co.)</u>
† Cerulean Warbler	1	6-09	<u>Clayton Co., ~2 mi E Garnaville</u>
† White-eyed Vireo	1	6-21	<u>Buchanan Co. near Quasqueton.</u> - Seen and heard by numerous individuals during meeting of State Preserves Board.
† Pland Sandpiper	2	6-20 and 6-21	<u>Buchanan Co., 4 mi E Winthrop, T88N R7W Sec 3</u> Pair seen twice at same spot along fence near large brome field.
† Prairie Warbler	1 ♂	6-13	<u>approx. 2 mi E of Bonaparte, Van Buren Co.</u> <u>T68N R8W Sec 10, SE ¼.</u> (See rare bird report)
† Kentucky Warbler	≥15	6-11 to 6-14	Fairly common in large forests of Van Buren and Lee Counties. Nest found in Van Buren Co. w/eggs

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* Piping Plover	2	7-21	Pottawattamie Co., ~1 mi S of Lake Manawa at Iowa Power & Light Co. ash ponds. (late sighting of well-known birds.)
* Common Loon (non-breeding)	1	"	"
* Forster's Tern	7	"	"
* Black Tern	20	"	"
→ * Long-billed Dowitcher	10	"	"

The following were reported to me by Gary Phillips and Curt Rector of Iowa Lakes Community College at Estherville.

* American Bittern	≥ 1	6-24	Smith's Slough Game Management Area, Clay Co
Black Tern	≥ 1	"	" " "
Redhead	≥ 1	"	" " "
* Black-crowned Night-Heron	≥ 1	7-7	" " "
* Black-crowned Night Heron	≥ 1	6-30 + 7-5	Dewey's Pasture GMA, Clay Co.
* American Bittern	≥ 1	7-7	" " " "
Black Tern	"	"	" " " "
Bobolink	"	"	" " " "
* Least Bittern	"	6-30	" " " "
Double-crested Cormorant	≥ 1	6-24	Smith's Slough GMA, Clay Co.
* Forster's Tern	≥ 1	7-6	Oppedahl State GMA - Clay, Palo Alto Co's.
Black Tern	≥ 1	"	" " " "
* American Bittern	≥ 1	"	" " " "
Redhead	≥ 1	"	" " " "
* Black-crowned Night Heron	≥ 1	"	" " " "

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* Black-crowned Night Heron	adults w/ young	7-8	Lost Island Marsh, Palo Alto Co.
* Black Tern	≥ 1	"	" "
* Forster's Tern	≥ 1	"	" "