

DINSMORE

Field Reports--fall 1983

- Osprey 1 flying over Ames on 22 August JDinsmore
- Sanderling 8 seen at Saylorville Res on 2 October J Dinsmore
- Franklin's Gull 1 still at Saylorville Res on 25 November was late seen well and compared with Bonaparte's Gulls J Dinsmore
- Sabine's Gull-1 seen at Saylorville Res on 11 November, see attached documentation J Dinsmore
- Chimney Swift several were staying late in Ames 3 seen on 14 October and 1 still present on 15 October, also two seen in Des Moines on 14 October J Dinsmore
- Blue Jay good numbers migrating south along the loess hills on 28 September saw one flock of ca 40 and almost a steady stream of other smaller groups
- American Crow--the "Ames" roost had started to form by late Sep with 215 counted as early as 25 September J Dinsmore
- Brewer's Blackbird-flock of 100 seen near Saylorville Res on 11 November (with Joe Schaufenbuel) J Dinsmore

Birds reported to me by others

Common Loon--1 in winter plumage seen at Big Creek Lake in early August by Tim Huisman

Ross' Goose--several seen at DeSoto NWR on 20 November by Erv Klaas (he has been studying Snow Geese there for a number of years)

Northern Goshawk--one adult seen at Ames on 20 November by John Mayfield (in Dept of Zoology, an active birder here in Ames)

Broad-winged Hawk--600 seen along bluffs near Forney Lake on 2 October by Don Priebe, ICC biologist for that part of Iowa

Lesser Golden-Plover--3 seen in corn stubble field near DeSoto NWR on 12 Nov by Erv Klaas (he said he saw them well)

Scissor-tailed Flycatcher--one seen in Ames on 31 August by Phillip Mulder (see attached documentation) (Mulder is grad student in Entomology)

Also have a report of another Scissor-tailed Flycatcher from earlier this summer but I didn't hear of it until this fall. See documentation. Scott Felker is an undergrad in Fisheries and Wildlife Biology and a pretty good field observer.

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Short-eared Owl- 1 east of Ames on 16 Nov (Tom Wahl)