

FIELD
REPORTS
FOR
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Other observers:

ICBC=various member of Iowa City Bird Club

- ✓ Cattle Egret. 11-20 on 20 April. Swan L. Johnson Co. ICBC
- ✓ Black-crowned Night-Heron. 1 on 6 April 1985. Bowling Alley Pond on Rt 6, Johnson Co. ICBC
- Swan sp. 1 on 2 March 1985. Cone Marsh, Louisa Co. Unfortunately I was unable to see the bird well enough to absolutely decide if it was Mute or Tundra, but I am including this for the date in case some one else sees the bird awake in better light. My best impression was of a Tundra.
- doc* ✓ Golden Eagle. 1 on 12 March 1985. Hawkeye Wildlife Area, Johnson Co. See enclosed documentation.
- doc* ✓ Greater Yellowlegs. 1 on 17 March 1985. Cone Marsh, Louisa Co. See enclosed documentation.
- ✓ Chimney Swift. 3 on 28 April 1985. Iowa City, Johnson Co.
- ✓ E. Phoebe. 2 on 6 April 1985. Cone M. Louisa Co. ICBC
- ✓ Cliff Swallow. ~10 on 25 April 1985. Iowa City, Johnson Co.
- ✓ Golden-crowned Kinglet. 12 on 6 April 1985. Cone M. Louisa Co. ICBC
- ✓ Warbling Vireo. 1 on 28 April 1985 Iowa City, Johnson Co.
- ✓ Wilson's Warbler. 1 on 27 May 1985. Hickory Hill Park, Johnson Co.
- ✓ Yellow-breasted Chat. Hickory Hill Park, Johnson Co. 1 on 5/27 and one on 5/28. I cannot prove that these were 2 different birds, but it(they) was(were) singing at two widely different locations. The bird on 5/27 was N of the Picnic Table, across the field in the scrubby, overgrown pasture which is outside the park. The 5/28 bird was singing near the beaver dam, E of the creek, just N of the retaining dam.
- ✓ Lincoln's Sparrow. 6-10 on 20 April 1985. Johnson Co. ICBC



30 May 1985

Dear Tom + Carl

You are to be commended for what you are doing with the Springfield Reports. Gathering information that will help track the populations of birds may in the long run be more valuable than early + late dates, or the rare records of very unusual species. I hope that other FR eds will follow your example. Some measure of hours spent in the field may help normalize this information (as it does for Xmas Count data).

I regret that my records for this Spring are worthless. I banded very rarely this Spring (and when I did I was often plagued by poor weather). For that reason, the species I failed to see

are more a reflection of when I bided (or didn't)
rather than representing some measure of true
abundance. For that reason, I am not including
that information.

Good Binding

Rick Nolte