

Field Reports Aug 1 - Nov 30 1977

Common Loon 7 seen Oct 23, 4 at George Wyth St. Park, 3 at Green Belt Lake. 1-4 indiv. seen at George Wyth Lake Oct 23 - Nov 15.

LEAST BITTERN Aug 6 4 seen By wading AT Sweet MARSH

GOLDEN EYE Nov 23, 17 at George Wyth Lake

NOTE

SWAINSON'S HAWK - Nested at HARTMAN'S Reserve, Cedar Falls, 1 immature lived, observed through september

SEPARATE PAPER

2 adults seen at Sweet MARSH Aug 6

Many spotted in flight Sept 28 (13)

Ospreys - MANY seen Between Aug 15 - Sept 28 Sweet MARSH, George Wyth State Park

NOTE - None observed FALL season 76

BALD EAGLE (1) Sweet MARSH, Nov 26

Ruffed Grouse 6 seen at Yellow River Forest Aug 9

Woodcock - 2 Oct 16 George Wyth St. Park

Franklin's Gull (2) Oct 7 George Wyth
State Park

Caspian Tern 28 at G.W.S.P. and 7 at
Sweet Marsh both on SEPT 12

Sceech Owl 4 Heard Aug 11 + 128 at Yellow
River Forest and at White Pine Hollow

See

Note → Ruby-Throated Hummingbird Except LATE
NOV 25. WATERLOO
SEPARATE PAPER

Bewick's Wren (1) SEPT 28 G.W.S.P.
(MARKINGS CLEARLY SEEN)

Blue Gray Gnat-catcher Many observed at Yellow
River Forest, Sweet Marsh, George Wyth State Park
White Pine Hollow

Northern Shrike - (1), Nov 12 LA Porte City

Note → Logger Head Shrike Nested 7 miles North of
Waterloo observed through Aug.

White-eyed Vireo (1) Aug 6 Sweet Marsh
(1) SEPT 6 Union Grove ST. Park

Solitary Vireo Many observed last of Aug and
first of Sept.

Golden winged Warbler 1-3 seen everyday Aug 14-31
George Wyth State Park

Canada Warbler 1-10 seen everyday from
Aug 10 to Sept 2 G.W.S.P.

Scarlet Tanager (4) White Pine Hollow Aug 10

Evening Grosbeak (30) at McFarland Park (La Porte)
Nov 12, (23) at George Wyth Nov 23

White winged Crossbill 8 seen 3 mile south
of Waterloo on Hi-Way 21 in Douglas Firs
on Nov 27

Snow Buntings seen Nov. 5-12 in
flock of 8-30 birds G.W.S.P.
(4) seen on Hiway 3 ~~west~~ west of Olwein Nov 26

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Waterloo

George Wyth STATE PARK WAS VISITED every DAY.

General Notes

SWAINSON'S HAWK NESTS IN EASTERN IOWA IN the SPRING AND Summer OF 1977, I HAD the OPPORTUNITY TO see AN OBSERVE the NESTING OF A PAIR OF SWAINSON'S HAWKS AT HARTMAN'S Reserve, BETWEEN WATERLOO AND CEDAR FALLS. Referring TO Woody Brown's Book, I FOUND THAT THIS MIGHT BE THE FIRST NESTING IN EASTERN IOWA SINCE 1962.

THE SWAINSON'S HAWK ARRIVED AT the Reserve the LAST OF APRIL. They TOUCHED UP A Red-TAILED HAWK'S NEST IN A dead elm tree. MARY DURITSE, ENVIRONMENT EDUCATIONAL SPECIALIST at the Reserve SAID three young HATCHED in the second week OF June. By the end OF July ONLY one FLEDGLING WAS STILL ALIVE AND FLYING.

DEAN ROOSA CONFIRMED the Report and MANY PROFESSORS FROM UNI CAME OUT TO OBSERVE, PLUS MANY FROM the WATERLOO Audubon Society. WHAT A TREAT IT WAS TO GO TO HARTMAN'S Reserve AND see Two ADULTS AND one IMMATURE PATROLLING THE WATERLOO AND CEDAR FALLS SKYLINE. The three Birds LEFT the Reserve the SEPT 28.

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more?

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General Notes

Humming Bird seen Very LATE IN WATERLOO

ON November 25, I Received A CALL ABOUT A LATE Ruby-Throated Humming-Bird. IT WAS STILL HANGING AROUND THE Residence OF Helen and James Gordon, My brother's FATHER and Mother-in-law. THE Temperature on the 25th WAS 0°, with Seven inches OF SNOW on the Ground. Helen Gordon SAID THAT she HAD AS MANY AS SIX individuals Feeding on Her SUGAR Feeders. since the LAST OF AUGUST, ALL LEFT in Sept. except this one individual. His MIGRATION INSTINCTS MUST NOT Be the SAME AS THE others.

WHEN I ARRIVED AT THE Gordon's, THE Bird WAS ALL ready in the House. I WAS disappointed BECAUSE I WANTED TO Take Pictures with snow in the Back Ground. MRS Gordon HAD TO thaw Her Feeders OUT the LAST couple OF weeks BECAUSE the Bird would NOT LEAVE.

AS OF NOV 27, the Bird is very weak, seldom FLIES, AND IS BEING fed By A eye dropper every 20 MINUTES. MRS Gordon IS currently trying TO Figure away TO GET IT south when it GETS STRONGER.

Previous case:

Oct.
12

THE LATEST OBSERVATIONS OF THE Ruby-Throated Humming Bird IN IOWA.

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