

Crossley

Field Reports from Dubuque June 1977
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Have heard only two or three cuckoos and not identified any yet.

Saw a red-shouldered hawk and yellow-breasted chat on Wisconsin side of river across from Dubuque May 19, also prothonotary warbler. First chat is 3 or 4 years, other two about normal.

Yellow-headed blackbirds are trying to set up territories vs. redwings at Mud Lake County Conservation Park north of Dubuque & quite a few males (had report of say 50; on May 30 I'd guess a dozen but they stayed in reeds.)
Short-billed ^(sedge) marsh wrens there as usual.
A lone whistling swan there some 3/4 miles down river on May 30.

Veery singing full song at Pine Hollow Forest Preserve May 30. ^{? which?}

Bell's vireo and alder (willow) flycatcher seen north of Maquoketa on breeding-bird survey June 3. Did not see a mockingbird as we usually do. No cuckoos. Meadowlarks (E + W) have dropped 50% in last two years.

Yellow warblers doing well. Several pairs nesting at Swiss Valley Nature Center.