FIELD REPORTS of seasonal observations of Iowa Birds

Jefferson Co.

| Season: Spring | Year: | 1988 | Name and Address |
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| SPECIES | NO. | DATE | LOCATION - COMMENT - OTHER OBSERVORS |
| | | | FAIRFIELD, JEFFERSON CO., OR STATED OTHERWISE |
| Great Blue Heron | 2 | | Walton Lake, 1/2 mile east of Fairfield |
| Green-backed Heron | 1 | | Round Pairie Park, Jeff. Co. |
| Bufflehead, m. and f. | 2 | | Sludge Lagoons, Fairfield |
| Turkey Vulture | 1 | | Walton Lake, Fairfield |
| Sharpshinned Hawk, female | 1 | 3/14/88 | in my yard, Fairfield. I can't guarantee this wasn't a male Coopers. Notched tail at rest; some white streaks on back of head. |
| Cooper's Hawk, female | 1 | | Lacey Keosauqua SP, Van Buren Co. Big or bigger than a crow. Long narrow tail, which when spread was very rounded. Tail broadly barred. Bird soared high over forest. I say Coopers; could be wrong |
| Greater Yellowlegs | 1 | 3/27/88 | Walton Lake. This and the 5 Lessers were together for |
| Lesser Yellowlegs | 5 | 3/27/88 | careful comparison. |
| White-rumped Sandpiper more complete details available. | 2 | 5/24/88 | Walton Lake. Barely smaller than the Dunlins. White rumps seen in preening and flight. Fine streaky specks on breast & flanks. |
| Pectoral Sandpiper | 1 | 3/27/88 | Walton Lake. I saw remarkably few of these this spring. |
| Dunlin. 1st I saw in breeding plumage. | 2 | | Walton Lake. |
| Stilt Sandpiper | 1 | | Walton Lake. Heavy bars on flanks. Rusty cheek and crown. White eyebrow. Down-drooping bill. Sewing-machine feeding. Bigger than Pectoral Sandpiper which was nearby for comparison. |
| Common Snipe | 6 | 4/2/88 | Walton Lake. There were probably more, but I counted 6. |
| Wilson's Phalarope | 1 | | Walton Lake. |
| Wilson's Phalarope | 4 | | Walton Lake. |
| Chimney Swift | 10 | | Lacen Keosangona |
| Ruby-throated Hummingbird | 1 | | Fairfield |
| Belted Kingfisher | 2 | | Fairfield |
| Tree Swallows | 6 | | Walton Lake |
| Roughwinged Swallow | 5 | | Walton Lake |
| Barn Swallow | 1 | | Walton Lake |
| Brown Creeper | 1 | | Fairfield |
| Carolina Wren | 1 | | Lacey Keosauqua SP, Van Buren Co. |
| Golden-crowned Kinglet | 0 | | None seen. |
| | 1 | | Jefferson County Park, Fairfield |
| American Robin | | | |
| Brown Thrasher | 2 | | Fairfield |
| Bell's Vireo | 100 | | Railroad tracks 1/4 mile east of Chautauqua Park, Fairfield. |
| Bell's Vireo | 2 | 5/30/88 | Jefferson Co. Park, Fairfield. A nest with 4th egg laid on 5/30/88 I'll write up documentation. It may take an extra day to reach you. |
| Solitary Vireo | 1 | | Waterworks Park, Fairfield |
| Yellow-throated Vireo | 1 | | Lacey Keosauqua SP, Van Buren Co. |
| Golden-winged Warbler | 1 | | Waterworks Park, Fairfield |
| Northern Parula, m. and f. | 2 | | Lacey Keosauqua SP, Van Buren Co. |
| Magnolia Warbler | 1 | 5/15/88 | In my yard in town, Fairfield |
| Black-throated Green Warbler | 1 | | In my yard in town, Fairfield |
| Yellow-throated Warbler | 1 | 5/1/88 | Lacey Keosauqua SP, Van Buren Co. |
| Louisiana Waterthrush | 1 | | |
| Louisiana Waterthrush | 2 | | Lacey Keosauqua SP. I watched one line a nest in stream bank! |
| Fox Sparrow | 1 | | Walton Lake |
| Dark-eyed Junco | 1 | | Jefferson Co. Park. Last one I saw. |
| Bobolink | 3 | | Fairfield |
| Orchard Oriole, m. and f. | 2 | | Fairfield |
| Orchard Oriole, m. and I. | 1 | | Fairfield |
| HOUSE Finch | 2m, 2f | | At my feeder. Documentation available if needed. |
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Here are a few more items I missed on the report I sent off hurriedly yesterday.

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| Black-billed Cuckoo | 1 | | Jefferson Co. Park, Fairfield. Seen by Dr. John Goodman, who was visiting Fairfield for his 50th high school reunion. He also located the Bell's Vireos reported on my main report. |
| Yellow-billed Cuckoo | 1 | 5/31/88 | Shimek State Forest, Van Buren Co., Croton Unit |
| Louisiana Waterthrush | 1 | | Lacey Keosauqua. Waded, picking up floating dead leaves in bill and flipping them over like flapjacks, then foraging on undersides. |
| Purple Finch | 1 f. | 4/30/88 | At my feeder. Last I saw. |
| Pine Siskin | 1 | 4/30/88 | At my feeder. Last I saw. |