

Summer 1988

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Common Loon-1 on 16-18 Jun in Adair Co. (Bart Ballard fide SD)
Pied-billed Grebe-19 nests on 11 Jun(+EM) and 4 more nests on 2 Jul at Big Wall L.
Western Grebe-4 pairs and a nest with 1 egg on 12 Jun at Rush L. (+EM)
Am. White Pelican-up to 82 summered at Forney L. (+JJD); 1 on 9 Jun at Riverton W.A. (+JJD); 1 on 11 Jun at Mud L. (+EM); 17 on 20 Jun at South Twin L. (+JJD); 1 on 20 Jul at Keg L.
Double-crested Cormorant-up to 13 summered at Saylorville; up to 11 summered at Forney L.; 9 on 11 Jun at Mud L. (+EM); 14 on 17, 26 Jul at Union Slough NWR(+JJD, +BB, +MPr); 1-4 were seen at DeSoto NWR, Badger L., New L., Brown's L., IPL Ponds, Blue L.
Least Bittern-a nest with 1 egg on 12 Jun at Rush L. (+EM); 7 and a nest with 5 eggs on 2 Jul at Big Wall L.
Great Blue Heron-181 on 26 Jul at Union Slough NWR(+MPr)
Great Egret-1 on 8, 27 Jun at Blue L.; 4 on 9 Jun at Riverton W.A. (+JJD); 44 on 9 Jul at Fort Madison; 9 on 21 Jul at DeSoto NWR
Snowy Egret-1 ad. on 11 Jun at Big Wall L. (+EM); 1 ad. on 14 Jul at Willow Sl.; 1 ad. on 20 Jul at Keg L.
Little Blue Heron-1 ad. on 19 Jun at Big Creek(+BE); 1 ad. on 12 Jul at Forney L. (+LPa, +BPa); 1 ad. on 14 Jul at Willow Sl.; 1 ad. on 21 Jul n. of Modale; 1 imm. on 26 Jul at Union Slough NWR(+MPr)
Cattle Egret-1 on 11 Jun at Dan Green Sl. (+EM); 1 on 26 Jun at Big Creek; 1 on 4, 8 Jul at IPL Ponds(+JJD)
Black-crowned Night-Heron-42 birds and 13 nests on 11 Jun(+EM), 2 Jul at Big Wall L.; 120+ birds and 41 nests on 12 Jun at Rush L. (+EM); 1-14 birds were at Dan Green Sl., Forney L., Eagle L. (Hancock Co.), Union Slough NWR, w. of Lake Park, Smith's Sl., and Dewey's Pasture
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron-1 imm. on 17 Jul at Union Slough NWR(+JJD, +BB); 1 imm. on 21 Jul at Badger L. (had been present since 7/14; Eric Anderson fide SD)
Greater White-fronted Goose-2 on 27 Jun at New L. (+JP)
Snow Goose-1 on 1-6 Jun at IPL Ponds; 1 on 1 Jun e. of Snyder's Bend; 2 summered at Bays Branch; 6 on 8 Jun at DeSoto NWR; 1 on 8 Jun at Horseshoe L.; 2 on 9 Jun at Riverton W.A. (+JJD); 1 on 27 Jun at Blue L.; up to 35 summered at Badger L. (Eric Anderson fide SD)
Ross' Goose-1 summered at Bays Branch
Canada Goose-broods were at Blue L., Badger L., Finn Pond, McCord Pond, SW Hamilton Co., South Twin L.
Green-winged Teal-a pair on 1 Jun and a male on 21 Jul at Badger L.; 1 female on 9 Jun at Riverton W.A. (+JJD); a pair on 11 Jun at Smith's Sl. (+EM); 2 pairs on 12 Jun w. of Lake Park(+EM); 1 on 14 Jun and 14, 21 Jul at IPL Ponds; a pair on 27 Jun at Blue L.
Northern Pintail-a brood on 1 Jun at Lakin Sl. (Ken Herring fide SD); 1 on 12 Jun w. of Lake Park(+EM); 1 male summered at Bays Branch; 1 on 17 Jul at Rush L., Osceola Co. (+JJD, +BB); 1 female with 9 young on 17 Jul at Union Slough NWR(+JJD, +BB); 4 on 20 Jul at Willow Sl. (+BLW)
Northern Shoveler-1 on 9 Jun at Riverton W.A. (+JJD); 4 on 27 Jun and 1 on 21 Jul at Badger L.
Gadwall-4 on 9 Jun at Riverton W.A. (+JJD); 1 on 27 Jun at Blue L.; 1 on 1 Jul at Montrose; 1 on 2 Jul at Big Wall L.; 1 on 3 Jul at Oakland
American Wigeon-1 through early Jun in Adair Co. (Bart Ballard fide SD); 1 on 11 Jun at Dan Green Sl. (+EM); a pair on 28-29 Jun at IPL Ponds; 1 on 2 Jul at Big Wall L.; 2 on 16 Jul at Bays Branch(+BB); 1 on 17 Jul at Rush L., Osceola Co. (+JJD, +BB)

Canvasback-1 female on 11 Jun at Dan Green Sl. (+EM); 2 pairs and a nest with 11 eggs on 12 Jun at Rush L. (+EM); 4 males on 1,9 Jul at Montrose

Redhead-a nest with 5 Redhead eggs and 2 Ruddy Duck eggs was at Rush L. on 12 Jun (+EM); 1 male on 27 Jun at New L. (+JP); 3 males on 1,9 Jul at Montrose; 3 broods on 17 Jul at Union Slough NWR (+JJD, +BB); 1 male on 20 Jul at Forney L.

Ring-necked Duck-1 male summered at IPL Ponds; 1 male on 1-10 Jun at Oakland; 1 male on 12 Jun at Rush L. (+EM); 1 male on 27 Jun at Blue L.; 3 males on 1,9 Jul at Montrose; 1 male on 20 Jul at Willow Sl. (+BLW)

Greater Scaup-1 female on 9-15 Jun at IPL Ponds (white wing stripe and rounded head seen well); 1 female on 1,9 Jul at Montrose (larger than Lesser Scaup, larger bill, rounder head, pale auricular patch, and white wing stripe extending into the primaries seen well)

Lesser Scaup-1 on 15-18 Jun and 21-23 Jul at IPL Ponds; 5 on 27 Jun at New L. (+JP); 7 on 1 Jul and 5 on 9 Jul at Montrose; 2 on 9 Jul at Green Bay; 1 on 17 Jul at Union Slough NWR (+JJD, +BB)

Hooded Merganser-2 females on 6 Jun at Oakland; 1 female on 20 Jun at South Twin L. (+JJD); 1 female on 27 Jun at Badger L.; 3 broods on 26 Jul at Union Slough NWR (+MPr)

Ruddy Duck-1 on 1 Jun at Blue L.; up to 8 on 15-23 Jun and 4 on 28 Jul at IPL Ponds; 3 on 27 Jun at New L. (+JP); 1 on 28 Jul at Oakland

Osprey-1 on 5 Jun at Big Creek

Northern Harrier-a deserted nest with 1 egg was found on 5 Jun at Hendrickson M. (+EM); a pair at Rathbun Res. in Jun (Marty Eby fide SD)

Broad-winged Hawk-1 imm. on 30 Jul at Big Creek (+JSi)

Virginia Rail-4 on 2 Jul at Big Wall L.; 1 ad. with 2 chicks on 17 Jul w. of Lake Park (+JJD, +BB); 2 ad. with 1 chick on 26 Jul at Union Slough NWR (+MPr)

Sora-1 on 25 Jun at Eagle L., Hancock Co. (+JJD, +EM); 2 on 2 Jul at Big Wall L.; 1 on 16 Jul at Big Creek (+BB); 1 ad. with 2 chicks on 26 Jul at Union Slough NWR (+MPr)

Common Moorhen-1 on 1 Jun at Badger L.; 8 on 4 Jun at Big Wall L.; 1 on 8 Jun at Blue L.; 1 on 25 Jun at Eagle L., Hancock Co. (+JJD, +EM); 1 on 1 Jul at Montrose; 1 ad. and 2 young on 17 Jul (+JJD, +BB) and 4 on 26 Jul (+MPr) at Union Slough NWR

Purple Gallinule-*1 on 1 Jul n. of Burlington (+m.ob.)

American Coot-400+ on 16-17 Jul at Rush L., Osceola Co. (+JJD, +BB)

Lesser Golden-Plover-1 on 13 Jun at Bays Branch; 2 on 26 Jul at Union Slough NWR (+MPr)

Semipalmated Plover-1 on 1-2 Jun in Woodbury Co.; 19 on 26 Jul at Union Slough NWR (+MPr)

Piping Plover-of 2 nests at IPL Ponds, 1 hatched 4 young and the other was deserted; 1-4 adults were seen there through the period

Killdeer-282 on 8 Jul at Bays Branch

American Avocet-1 on 25 Jul at Saylorville

Greater Yellowlegs-1 on 21 Jun at Oakland; 1 on 22-23 Jun at IPL Ponds; 58 on 26 Jul at Union Slough NWR (+MPr)

Lesser Yellowlegs-1 on 3 Jun at Oakland; 2 on 20 Jun at South Twin L. (+JJD); 14 on 22 Jun at IPL Ponds; 27 on 27 Jun at Blue L.; 4500 on 26 Jul at Union Slough NWR (+MPr)

Solitary Sandpiper-2 on 2 Jul at Big Wall L.; 129 on 26 Jul at Union Slough NWR (+MPr)

Willet-1 on 22,29 Jun, 5 on 6 Jul, and 3 on 7 Jul at IPL Ponds

Spotted Sandpiper-a nest with 4 eggs on 7 Jun at IPL Ponds hatched

around 25 Jun

Ruddy Turnstone-1 on 16 Jun at IPL Ponds; 13 on 29 Jul at Hendrickson M.

Sanderling-1 on 3,7 Jun at IPL Ponds; 1 on 22-23 Jul at IPL Ponds; 2 on 29 Jul at Hendrickson M.

Semipalmated Sandpiper-48 on 1 Jun and 18 on 8 Jun at Blue L.; 34 on 9 Jun at Riverton W.A.(+JJD); 1 on 22 Jun and 2 on 29 Jun at IPL Ponds

Western Sandpiper-3 ad. on 8 Jul at Oakland; 1 ad. on 14 Jul at IPL Ponds; 1 ad. on 17 Jul w. of Lake Park(+JJD,+BB)

Least Sandpiper-1 on 23-24 Jun and 3 on 28-29 Jun at IPL Ponds; 1 on 30 Jun at Oakland

White-rumped Sandpiper-241 on 1 Jun at Blue L.; 102 on 9 Jun at Riverton W.A.(+JJD); 16 on 11 Jun at Ruthven(+EM); 1 on 16 Jun at IPL Ponds; 1 on 27 Jun at Blue L.

Baird's Sandpiper-2 on 19 Jul at IPL Ponds; 31 on 26 Jul at Union Slough NWR(+MPr)

Pectoral Sandpiper-15 on 6 Jun at Bays Branch; 7 on 9 Jun at Riverton W.A.(+JJD); 4 on 21 Jun at Bays Branch; 1 on 23 Jun at IPL Ponds; 3 on 27 Jun at Blue L.; 5086 on 26 Jul at Union Slough NWR(+MPr)

Dunlin-1 on 22 Jun at IPL Ponds

Stilt Sandpiper-136 on 26 Jul at Union Slough NWR(+MPr)

Buff-breasted Sandpiper-1 on 29 Jul at Hendrickson M.

Short-billed Dowitcher-1 on 2 Jul at Big Wall L.; 21 on 26 Jul at Union Slough NWR(+MPr)

American Woodcock-1 on 4 Jul in NW Mills Co.; 1 on 16 Jul at Big Creek(+BB)

Wilson's Phalarope-1 female on 9 Jun at Riverton W.A.(+JJD); 1 male on 24 Jun at IPL Ponds; 7 on 26 Jul at Union Slough NWR(+MPr)

Red-necked Phalarope-*2 on 26 Jul at Union Slough NWR(+MPr)

Franklin's Gull-up to 19 were seen at Forney L., Willow Sl., IPL Ponds, Lake Manawa, Blue L., DeSoto NWR, Mud L., and Union Slough NWR; 6 on 1 Jul at Montrose; 1-3 after 16 Jul at Saylorville

Ring-billed Gull-264 on 1 Jul at Montrose; 392 on 9 Jul at Green Bay
Herring Gull-1 ad. on 29 Jun at IPL Ponds; 1 1st-summer bird on 1 Jul at Red Rock Res.; 1 ad. on 1 Jul at Montrose

Caspian Tern-6 on 16 Jul at Saylorville(+BB)

Common Tern-1 ad. on 8 Jun at DeSoto NWR(dark primaries seen well); 1 imm. on 30 Jul at Saylorville(dark cap, black shoulder bar, and dark primaries seen well)

Forster's Tern-birds nested at Rush L.(Osceola Co.) and Eagle L.(Hancock Co.); 62 on 30 Jul at Saylorville(+JSi)

Least Tern-11 nests at IPL Ponds fledged 6 young; 1 on 30 Jun at Forney L.

Black Tern-66+ birds and 22 nests at Big Wall L. this summer(+EM); 80 on 9 Jul at Green Bay

Chuck-will's-widow-6 on 9 Jun at three sites n. of Waubonsie S.P.(+JJD); 1 on 27 Jun in SW Pottawattamie Co.; 1 on 1 Jul at Shimek S.F. in Lee Co.; 1 on 1 Jul in Davis Co.

Whip-poor-will-53 on 9 Jun in Fremont Co.(+JJD); 64 on 1 Jul in Lee Co.; 19 on 1 Jul in Van Buren Co.; 11 on 1 Jul in Davis Co.; 29 on 7 Jul in NW Mills Co.(+JJD)

Yellow-bellied Flycatcher-1 calling on 1 Jun at Stone S.P.; 1 calling on 3 Jun at Longs Landing, Pottawattamie Co.

Scissor-tailed Flycatcher-1 male on 3 Jun e. of Treynor

Western Kingbird-birds were seen in Fremont(9), Mills(9), Pottawattamie(18), Harrison(4), Monona(5), Woodbury(4), and

Plymouth(2) counties.

Cliff Swallow-1000 on 26 Jul at Big Wall L. (+MPr)

Curve-billed Thrasher-1 was photographed on 13 May at Badger L.,
Monona Co. (Tom Sorenson, Dan Gifford fide SD)

Northern Mockingbird-3 on 9 Jul in Ringgold Co.

White-eyed Vireo-1 on 19 Jun at Saylorville

Tennessee Warbler-1 male singing on 16 Jul at Lakin Sl.

Kentucky Warbler-1 on 2 Jun at Stone S.P.

Yellow-breasted Chat-1 on 5,19 Jun at Saylorville; 2 on 26 Jun at Big
Creek

Blue Grosbeak-a nest was built on 8 Jun at IPL Ponds, but was deserted
on 16 Jun; birds were seen in Fremont(14), Mills(4),

Pottawattamie(12), Harrison(2), Monona(6), Woodbury(1), and

Plymouth(2) counties

Henslow's Sparrow-2 on 1 Jul near Agency, Wapello Co.; 1 on 9 Jul at
the Ringgold W.A.; 2 on 9 Jul in SE Ringgold Co.; 2 on 9 Jul near

Lamoni, Decatur Co.

Swamp Sparrow-a female was carrying food to young in a nest on 11 Jun
at Dewey's Pasture(+EM); another female was carrying food to young in
a nearby nest on 20 Jun at South Twin L. (+JJD)

Great-tailed Grackle-2 males on 9 Jun and 1 male on 8,14 Jul at Forney
L. (+JJD); a pair and a nest with 2 eggs on 25 Jun at Eagle L., Hancock
Co. (+JJD,+EM); 1 male on 2 Jul at Big Wall L.; 1 female on 20 Jul s.
of Keg L., Mills Co.