

Season: Fall Year: 1988 Name and address (print or type) Douglas Harr  
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Other observers (name, city):

Use first few lines to give weather and habitat conditions. Use line(s) below species data to give additional details, if needed. Mail to: T. H. Kent, 211 Richards St., Iowa City IA 52240 by 1 Mar, 1 Jun, 1 Aug, or 1 Dec.

use initials of obsv. on species line

SPECIES	NO.	DATE	LOCATION - COMMENT - OTHER OBSERVERS
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General weather & habitat comments: August in NW Iowa continued extremely hot and dry. Sept. and October were generally a little warmer than normal and continued dry. November was about normal for temperatures and precipitation, with about 7-8" snowfall through last 2 weeks of month. Most smaller marshes dry throughout period, but mudflats did provide some fair shorebird migration habitat. All but largest lakes frozen by Nov. 20-22.

Common Loon	4	10/26	Big Spirit Lake, Dickinson Co.--all immatures
American Bittern	1	9/28	Little Swan Lake, Dickinson Co.
Osprey	1	9/21	Mill Creek State Park, Paullina, O'Brien Co--adult
Bald Eagle	1	11/2	East Hottes Lake, Dickinson Co.--immature
Cooper's Hawk	1	9/21	Mill Creek State Park, Paullina, O'Brien Co.
Krider's Red-tailed Hawk	1	10/18	SW corner of Lyon County, hills along Big Sioux R.
Rough-legged Hawk	3	10/18	SW corner of Lyon County, hills along Big Sioux R.
Merlin	1	11/6	N. of Larchwood, Lyon County, near Minn. boundary.
Black-bellied Plover	20	8/15	W. of Ocheyedan, Osceola County; on migration
Short-eared Owl	1	10/19	NW. of Ocheyedan, Osceola County--hunting grasslands. Good habitat in area, possibly resident??
Golden-crowned Kinglet	(many)	10/26	Ft. Defiance State Park, Estherville, Emmet Co.--Wood "full" of G.-cr. Kinglets!

(for species reported to me by other observers, see p. 2)

