

SEASON REPORT FOR JUNE-JULY, 1989

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Extens

Solitary Sandpiper (3)	Harrison Co. July 29	Wilson Island State Park Boyer River (1) with Babs & Loren Padelford
Upland Sandpiper	1 Adult, 1 fledging July 29	Near Wilson Island Harrison Co. with Babs & Loren P.
Sanderling (1)	IPL Ponds, Pottawattamie County July 20	with Babs P.
Pectoral Sandpiper (1)	IPL Ponds, Pottawattamie County July 20	with Babs P.
Least Tern (4)	IPL Ponds, Pottawattamie County July 20	
Western Kingbird (2)	Near Crescent Hills Ski Resort Pottawattamie County July 29	with Babs & Loren P.
Loggerhead Shrike (1)	Near Forneys Lake, Fremont County July 26	with Babs P.
Bell's Vireo (2)	Forneys Lake, Fremont County July 26	with Babs P.
Summer Tanager (1)	Waubonsie St. Pk, Fremont County July 26	with Babs P.
Blue Grosbeak (3 males)	Near Wilson Island, Harrison County July 29	with Babs & Loren P.

July 31, 1989

Dear Jim,

Am enclosing a very short summer report. I spent most of June visiting my son in West Virginia and taking a short vacation in South Dakota. Then in July, didn't get out much. When I did, there were not many birds to see!

As I'm sure you know, Forneys Lake is completely dry; even the recent rains have had little effect. So we had have no Least Bittern or Yellow-headed Blackbirds, and no herons or egrets so far. In all, a pretty dismal summer.

Ross, Doug Rose, and I went to southwest Nebraska early in June, and found several Cassin's Sparrows in the sand-sage there. I suppose he told you about it. It was a nice trip; we also saw a Barn-Owl in a hole in a road cut.

Near Watertown, South Dakota in late June and early July, Jan Greer & I had many, many Black-crowned Night Heron, Snowy Egrets, White-faced Ibis, and lots of Cattle Egrets, even a couple Little Blue Herons. I don't understand why these things never show up in the Omaha area--we are just about straight south of Watertown!

I guess all this is not adding anything to the Iowa report which as I said is very sparce this year. Hope for better things in the fall report.

Sincerely,

Tanya