

Nov. 25, 1991

Tom, Jim, and Carl,

Good luck sorting through all
the field reports and trying to
figure them out!

Have fun birding this winter!

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Season: Fall Year: 1991

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Common Loon	1	Oct. 16	Rock Creek S.P. - (Jasper Co.)
" "	5	Oct. 27	Pleasant Creek S.P. - (Linn Co.) - BP
Horned Grebe	1	Nov. 20	Pleasant Creek S.P. - BP
Eared Grebe	1	Nov. 20	Pleasant Creek S.P. - BP
Western Grebe	1	Nov. 13	Marshalltown - (Marshall Co.) - Gravel pits - BP
Great Egret	33+	Aug. 31	Red Rock - (Marion Co.) - Whiteoak Creek near Hwy. 14 - BP
Little Blue Heron	1	Aug. 13	immature - near Runnells overlook - (Marion Co.)
Tundra Swan	2	Nov. 13	Colfax gravel pit, S. of I-80 - (Jasper Co.) (adult immature) - BP
			Black facial skin on adult looks almost chopped off vertically in front of the eye as does the same effect on immature. Both the same size. Immature is light gray in color, has pink bill with black tip and pink base of bill, and not much bigger than some Canada geese in background with comparing body size. No collars or tags. Good close looks.
White-winged Scoter	1	Nov. 16, Nov. 20	Pleasant Creek S.P. - (BP on both days) (PA, RA on 16th)
			huge dark duck, 1 large white spot on head and one very faint white spot by bill, excellent looks at the white wing patch white bird swam and flew.
Osprey	1	Aug. 25	Saylorville - (sandpiper Beach area) - (Polk Co.) - BE, DT, CT
"	1	Oct. 14	(Union Grove S.P.) - (Adair Co.) - (standing in a little water by the sandy beach)
Northern Goshawk	1	Nov. 9	(Below Red Rock Dam) - (Marion Co.) - JS
			Something stirred all the gulls up. Jim + I looked around and spotted a large accipiter going by. It was a large bird with wide wings, a long accipiter tail, and bigger than a Cooper's hawk
Red-shouldered Hawk	1	Sept. 17	adult out in the open - (west of Union) - (Hardin Co.)
" " "	1	Nov. 9	immature - Red Rock area - near Felsing's - BP, CS, DC, RC, TJ, RW,
Swainson's Hawk	1	Sept. 22	(Grammer Grove Co. Park) - (Marshall Co.) - (only 1 seen this fall) - BP

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Harlan's (Redtailed) Hawk	1	Oct. 18	S.E. of Radcliffe - (Hardin Co.) I saw a very dark bird in a field that I wasn't sure if it was a crow or a hawk. As I was digging for binocs, it flew and was a dark-phase hawk with 2-toned underwings. I was startled to see a very white upper tail as it flew. It landed. I could see very vivid white streaks on its upper breast area which were in great contrast to its dark body and dark front. The 2-toned underwings were quite light and quite dark in coloration, gorgeous!
Rough-legged Hawk	1	Oct. 30	Grammer Grove G. Park - (Marshall Co.) - BP
" " "	3	Nov. 16	W. of Vinton - (Benton Co.) - (all immature light-phase) - BP
" " "	1	Nov. 16	immature light-phase - Tama Co. - BP
American Coot	1	Oct. 3	Union Grove S.P. - (Tama Co.)
Black-Bellied Plover	2	Oct. 26	Saylorville - (Polk Co.) - Oak Grove Beach - BP, RW, CS, RS, MJ, JC
" " "	1	Nov. 9	(Below Red Rock Dam) - (Marion Co.) - BP, RW, CS, RC, TJ, JS
Willet	1	Sept. 14	Runnells overlook area - (Marion Co.) - BP, JS, m. ob. (to)
Baird's Sandpiper	6+	Aug. 25	Saylorville - (Polk Co.) - Sandpiper Beach and Polk City W.A.
Dunlin	3	Oct. 26	Saylorville - Sandpiper Beach - BP, RW, CS
"	1	Oct. 29	Hubbard Sewage Ponds - (Hardin Co.)
"	3	Nov. 9	Below Red Rock Dam - BP, RW, CS, JS, TJ, RC
Buff-Breasted Sandpiper	2	Oct. 2	Saylorville - Sandpiper Beach - AJ, BB, JC
Red-Necked Phalarope	1	Aug. 13	Runnells overlook area - (in Warren Co.)
Common Tern	1	Sept. 25	Saylorville - Sandpiper Beach - with Bright Black (Shoulder Bar and Black on back of head and nape)
Black-Billed Cuckoo	1-2	Aug. 19	Grammer Grove G. Park - BP, RS
" " "	1	Aug. 26	Wolf Creek G. Park - (Grundy Co.)
Yellow-Billed Cuckoo	1	Aug. 24	Grammer Grove Park

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Ruby-throated Hummingbird	2-3	Aug. 19	Grammer Grove Park - (Marshall Co.) - BP, RS
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	1	Sept. 24	Pine Lake S.P. - (Hardin Co.)
Pileated Woodpecker	1	Sept. 5	(Marshall Co.) - along Iowa River - N. of LeGrand
" "	1	Nov. 20	Pleasant Creek S.P. - (Linn Co.)
Olive-sided Flycatcher	1-3	Aug. 18	Grammer Grove
" " "	2	Sept. 15	Lake Anquabi S.P. - (Warren Co.) - (m.ob. - IOW)
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	1	Aug. 18	Grammer Grove
" " "	2-3	Aug. 24	Grammer Grove
Eastern Phoebe	1	Oct. 31	Union Grove S.P. - (Tama Co.)
Brown Creeper	1	Oct. 6	Grammer Grove
Carolina Wren	1	Aug. 15 to Oct. 11	Our Liscomb yard - (Marshall Co.) - BP
Winter Wren	3	Oct. 6	Grammer Grove
" "	5	Oct. 9	Grammer Grove - (What lovelies!)
Golden-crowned Kinglet	2	Sept. 26	Wolf Creek G. Park - (Grundy Co.)
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	1	Sept. 4	Rock Creek S.P. - (Jasper Co.) - BP
Blue-Gray Gnatcatcher	2	Aug. 31	Red Rock - Field Area - (Marion Co.) - BP
" " "	1	Sept. 24	Pine Lake S.P.
Veery	1	Aug. 24	Grammer Grove
" "	3-4	Sept. 2	Grammer Grove - BP
Swainson's Thrush	2	Sept. 7	Grammer Grove - BP, RS
Hermit Thrush	3	Oct. 6	Grammer Grove
" "	1	Nov. 9	at Felsing's at Red Rock - (Marion Co.) - BP, RW, CS, TJ, RC
Varied Thrush	1	Nov. 6	at Betty and Ed Savage's yard in Marshalltown - (Marshall Co.) Gorgeous male with dark blue back, orange breast and throat with large black breastband, orange eyebrow and wingbars, Robin-size, dark crown, dark through its eye, eating hawthorn berries. Savages alerted others. (BP, RS)

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American Pipit	6	Oct. 2	Sandpiper Beach - (Saylorville) - (Pik Co.) - AJ, BB
" "	30-40+	Oct. 26	Saylorville - Oak Grove Beach - BP, RW, CS, MJ, RS, JC
Bell's Vireo	2	Aug. 31	Red Rock - N. Elk Rock S.P. - (Marion Co.) - BP
Solitary Vireo	1	Sept. 7	Grammer Grove Park - (Marshall Co.) - BP, RS
Yellow-throated Vireo	2	Aug. 18	Grammer Grove
Philadelphia Vireo	1	Aug. 31	Red Rock
" "	3	Sept. 3	Pine Lake S.P. - (Hardin Co.)
" "	1	Sept. 21	Grammer Grove
Red-eyed Vireo	3+	Aug. 18	Grammer Grove
Golden-winged Warbler	1	Aug. 18	Grammer Grove
" " "	2-3	Aug. 25	Saylorville - (Oak Grove Woods)
" " "	1	Sept. 2	Grammer Grove
Tennessee Warbler	2	Aug. 18	Grammer Grove
" "	5+	Aug. 24	Grammer Grove
Orange-crowned Warbler	1	Sept. 21	Grammer Grove
" " "	4-6	Sept. 23	Wolf Creek Co. Park - (Grundy Co.)
" " "	5-6	Oct. 2	Rock Creek S.P. - (Jasper Co.)
" " "	1	Oct. 9	Grammer Grove
Nashville Warbler	1	Aug. 19	Grammer Grove - BP, RS
" "	3-4	Oct. 2	Rock Creek S.P.
" "	1	Oct. 7	Wolf Creek Co. Park
Northern Parula	2	Aug. 31	Red Rock - (Fifield Area) - BP
" "	1	Sept. 15	Lake Ahquabi S.P. - (Warren Co.) - BP, EA, EA
Chestnut-sided Warbler	4	Aug. 18	Grammer Grove

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Chestnut-Sided Warbler	4-6	Aug. 25	Saylorville - (^{Polk} Co.) - Woods around Oak Grove ^{area}
Magnolia Warbler	2-3	Aug. 18	Grammer Grove Co. Park - (Marshall Co.)
" "	4+	Aug. 24	Grammer Grove
" "	1	Sept. 19	Wolf Creek Co. Park - (Grundy Co.)
Yellow-Rumped Warbler	1	Aug. 13	Runnells Overlook area - (^{Warren} Co.) - (^{drab, but definitely a Yellow-Rumped})
" " "	1	Nov. 9	Below Red Rock Dam - (^{Marion} Co.) - BP, RW, CS, JS, RC, TJ
Black-throated Green Warbler	1	Aug. 19	Grammer Grove - BP, RS
" " " "	4	Aug. 31	Red Rock - (^{Field Area}) - BP
Blackburnian Warbler	2	Aug. 18	Grammer Grove
" "	1	Sept. 12	N. of Legend - (Marshall Co.)
Palm Warbler	1	Sept. 19	Wolf Creek Co. Park
Bay-Breasted Warbler	1-2	Aug. 18	Grammer Grove
" " "	6-8+	Aug. 25	Saylorville - Woods around Oak Grove
Black-and-White Warbler	2+	Aug. 18	Grammer Grove
" " " "	4+	Aug. 24	Grammer Grove
" " " "	1	Oct. 6	Grammer Grove
American Redstart	2	Aug. 18	Grammer Grove
Ovenbird	5	Aug. 24	Grammer Grove
Northern Waterthrush	1	Aug. 20	Brookside Park in Ames - (Story Co.)
" "	2-3	Aug. 25	Saylorville - (Polk City W. A.)
Connecticut Warbler	1	Sept. 21	Grammer Grove - immature Bright white complete eye-ring, Bright pink legs, long-looking bird, dark green back, yellow underneath, very partial gray hood barely showing + connecting below with a yellow throat, good close looks!
Mourning Warbler	1-2	Aug. 24	Grammer Grove

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Wilson's Warbler	1-2	Aug. 24	Grammer Grove Co. Park - (Marshall Co.)
Canada Warbler	1	Aug. 18	Grammer Grove
" "	3	Aug. 20	Grammer Grove
" "	1	Sept. 7	Grammer Grove
Scarlet Tanager	1	Aug. 31	Red Rock - (Marion Co.) - BP
" "	1	Sept. 15	Lake Ahquabi S.P. - (Warron Co.) - m. ob. - Fall 1991
LeConte's Sparrow	1	Oct. 2	Rock Creek S.P. - (Jasper Co.) - (N. end)
" "	4+	Oct. 26	Big Creek S.P. - (Polk Co.) - BP, RW, CS, RG
Sharp-tailed Sparrow	1	Oct. 2	Rock Creek S.P. - (N. end) - dark back, bright dull orange triangle around eye, grey crown stripe, white lightning stripes on back, buff breast with streaks on side, good looks
Fox Sparrow	2-3	Oct. 5	Grammer Grove
Lincoln's Sparrow	3	Sept. 19	Wolf Creek Co. Park - (Grundy Co.)
White-throated Sparrow	1	Aug. 31	Red Rock - BP - (early?)
White-crowned Sparrow	2	Oct. 12	Des Moines River area - (Marion Co.) - RW, CS
Harris' Sparrow	1	Sept. 26	Wolf Creek Co. Park
Dark-eyed Junco	1	Oct. 1	Grundy Co.
Lapland Longspur	30±	Oct. 22	N.W. of Wellsburg - (Grundy Co.)
Longspur sp.	1	Oct. 12	(Des Moines River area) - (Marion Co.) - (Seen Briefly - probably a ♀ Lapland - Longspur "rattle" call) CS
Snow Bunting	1	Nov. 1	Grundy Co.
Brewer's Blackbirds	7-8	Nov. 13	(Jasper Co.) - BP - (definitely Blackbirds and not Cowbirds) Females were dark-eyed, none of the birds had any rusty coloring like Rusty Blackbird
Pine Siskin	2	Nov. 6	Liscomb yard - (Marshall Co.)

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Surf Scoter	2	Oct. 27	Pleasant Creek S.P. - (Linn Co.) - BP Ducks were all dark with 2 white marks on head → I was a vertical mark near bill (like a teardrop almost) and the other was a round mark behind eye. Big bills; Saw one flap wings & the underwings were all dark.
Surf Scoter	1	Nov. 16, Nov. 20	Pleasant Creek S.P. - PA and RA on 16th - BP both days looked small - had 2 white marks on head and all dark wings in flight, a dark duck
Black-legged Kittiwake	1	Nov. 16	Pleasant Creek S.P. - BP - (documented)
Pacific Loon	1	Nov. 16, Nov. 20	Pleasant Creek S.P. - (PA and RA on 16th) - BP both days (documented)
Red Phalarope	1	Sept. 25	Saylorville - Sandpiper Beach - (Polk Co.) - EA, EA - (documented)
Red Phalarope	1	Oct. 26	Saylorville - Sandpiper Beach - BP, RW, CS, RF, JC, MJ (documented)
Common Ground Dove	1	Oct. 27	Cedar Rapids - (Linn Co.) - BP - (documented)

Reported to Beth Proescholdt (Liscomb) ~~from~~ by Betty Savage of Marshalltown - from her yard - (Marshall Co.)

Carolina Wren	1	Nov. 24	
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	2	Nov. 24	
Northern Mockingbird	1	Nov. 24	Eating hawthorn berries on a snowy day