

Although the number of unusual birds this fall has been wonderful, migration of neotropic migrants was slow at best. This was the worst fall in some years for warbler migration in my yard, although this statement must be tempered somewhat by the available time for observation. Saylorville and Red Rock Reservoirs have been pretty "dead" this fall with high water levels affecting shorebirds and just a lack of waterfowl movement. The DNR, however, reported large duck populations scattered in the heavily vegetated Red Rock refuge areas. Water being released through the Red Rock Dam has covered the gravel bars normally used by roosting gulls and they are now scattered across the lake. It may take a few seasons of this higher level of the permanent pool to locate good areas for observation.

SPECIES	DATE	NUMBER	LOCALITY	COUNTY	STATE	
✓ RED-THROATED LOON	11/07-8/92	1	Red Rock Reservoir	Marion	IA	
✓ PACIFIC LOON	11/08/92	1	Red Rock Reservoir	Marion	IA	
✓ COMMON LOON	11/07/92	36	Red Rock Reservoir	Marion	IA	
✓ COMMON LOON	11/22/92	1	Red Rock Reservoir	Marion	IA	
✓ HORNED GREBE	11/22/92	1	Red Rock Reservoir	Marion	IA	
✓ AMERICAN WHITE PELICAN	11/22/92	1	Red Rock Reservoir	Marion	IA	last
✓ BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT-HERON	09/26/92	5	Saylorville Reservoir	Polk	IA	2 adults; 3 juveniles
✓ BLACK SCOTER	11/21/92	1	Johnston	Polk	IA	light cheek; round head
✓ HOODED Merganser	11/07/92	60	Red Rock Reservoir	Marion	IA	
✓ OSPREY	08/26/92	3	Saylorville Reservoir	Polk	IA	
✓ BALD EAGLE	08/05/92	1	Red Rock Reservoir	Marion	IA	third year bird
✓ NORTHERN GOSHAWK	10/04-5/92	1	yard	Warren	IA	
✓ ROUGH-LEGGED HAWK	10/11/92	1		Warren	IA	
✓ PEREGRINE FALCON	09/26/92	1	Saylorville Reservoir	Polk	IA	turned sky black with thousands of swallows
✓ YELLOW RAIL	09/26/92	1	Snake Creek Marsh	Greene	IA	
✓ SANDHILL CRANE	08/01/92	3	Otter Creek Marsh	Tama	IA	
✓ BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER	10/20/92	5	Saylorville Reservoir	Polk	IA	
✓ BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER	10/24/92	4	Rathbun Reservoir	Appanoose	IA	
✓ PIPING PLOVER	08/26/92	2	Saylorville Reservoir	Polk	IA	
✓ GREATER YELLOWLEGS	10/20/92	5	Saylorville Reservoir	Polk	IA	
✓ GREATER YELLOWLEGS	10/24/92	2	Rathbun Reservoir	Appanoose	IA	
✓ RUDDY TURNSTONE	10/11/92	1	Saylorville Reservoir	Polk	IA	
✓ SANDERLING	08/26/92	9	Saylorville Reservoir	Polk	IA	
✓ SANDERLING	09/07/92	14	Saylorville Lake	Polk	IA	
✓ SANDERLING	10/11/92	12	Saylorville Reservoir	Polk	IA	
✓ SANDERLING	10/23/92	4	Saylorville Reservoir	Polk	IA	last
<i>no det.</i> ✓ WHITE-RUMPED SANDPIPER	08/26/92	1	Saylorville Reservoir	Polk	IA	feeding w/ Sanderlings
✓ BAIRD'S SANDPIPER	10/13/92	9	Saylorville Reservoir	Polk	IA	
✓ DUNLIN	10/24/92	3	Rathbun Reservoir	Appanoose	IA	
✓ FRANKLIN'S GULL	09/26/92	3000	Saylorville Reservoir	Polk	IA	
✓ BONAPARTE'S GULL	11/22/92	8	Red Rock Reservoir	Marion	IA	seem to have left with snowstorm
✓ LONG-BARED OWL	11/29/92	2	near Badger Creek	Madison	IA	
✓ NORTHERN SAW-WHET OWL	11/15/92	1	Lake Ahquabi SP	Warren	IA	
✓ LEWIS' WOODPECKER	10/16/92	1	near Washta	Cherokee	IA	

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ALDER FLYCATCHER	09/18/92	1	yard	Warren	IA	calling from exposed branch; the "o" at the end of the "fee-bee" clearer than in spring
WESTERN FLYCATCHER	11/14-15/92	1	Lake Ahquabi SP	Warren	IA	see documentation
TREE SWALLOW	11/08/92	20	Red Rock Reservoir	Marion	IA	
SWAINSON'S THRUSH	08/27/92	1	yard	Warren	IA	
AMERICAN PIPIT	10/23/92	10	Saylorville Reservoir	Polk	IA	
NORTHERN SHRIKE	11/22/92	1	Red Rock Reservoir	Marion	IA	immature
NASHVILLE WARBLER	08/27/92	1	yard	Warren	IA	first
CHESTNUT-SIDED WARBLER	08/16/92	1	yard	Warren	IA	first
CHESTNUT-SIDED WARBLER	08/27/92	2	yard	Warren	IA	
MAGNOLIA WARBLER	08/27/92	2	yard	Warren	IA	first
BLACK-THROATED GREEN WARBLER	08/27/92	1	yard	Warren	IA	
BLACKBURNIAN WARBLER	08/16/92	3	yard	Warren	IA	first
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PALM WARBLER	10/17/92	1	yard	Warren	IA	
BAY-BREASTED WARBLER	08/27/92	1	yard	Warren	IA	first
BLACK-AND-WHITE WARBLER	08/27/92	1	yard	Warren	IA	first
MOURNING WARBLER	08/27/92	1	yard	Warren	IA	first
WILSON'S WARBLER	08/16/92	1	yard	Warren	IA	first
CANADA WARBLER	08/27/92	2	yard	Warren	IA	first
ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK	11/28/92	1	Atlantic	Cass	IA	pink wing linings
LE CONTE'S SPARROW	09/26/92	5	Snake Creek Marsh	Greene	IA	
SHARP-TAILED SPARROW	09/26/92	2	Snake Creek Marsh	Greene	IA	
SNOW BUNTING	11/07/92	1	Red Rock Reservoir	Marion	IA	
RED CROSSBILL	11/15/92	3+	Lake Ahquabi SP	Warren	IA	
COMMON REDPOLL	11/01/92	1	Red Rock Reservoir	Marion	IA	
PINE SISKIN	10/17/92	1	yard	Warren	IA	scarce