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**Field Reports Form for Submitting Seasonal Observations of Iowa Birds**

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same

<u>Species</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Location-Comment-Other- Observers</u>
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Season was unusually wet and cool.

King Rail	1	19 July	Wapello County. CAA & RMA Heard at dusk in marshy area of drained Lake Wapello from approximately 40 yards. Call sounded like castenets clicking at a frequency of about 2 clicks per second. Consisted of approximately 10 clicks. First few were evenly spaced. The next few were slightly more rapid. The last few slowed down slightly. Familiar with rail calls from past study of Roger Tory Peterson's tape of birds east of the Rockies, I wrote down description on location. I then checked it in both National Geographic's BIRDS OF NORTH AMERICA and Audubon Society's FIELD GUIDE TO NORTH AMERICAN BIRDS. Upon returning home, Richard and I listened to Roger Tory Peterson's tape together and agreed on verification.
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Carolina Wren	1	10 June- 11 July	Here in Fairfield.
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Kentucky Warbler	1	27 June	Lamson Woods, Fairfield. Made repeated single note call with warning snakelike quality.
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Kentucky Warbler	1	10 July	Lamson Woods, Fairfield. Curious, dove straight down to ground as if to nest. I saw black sideburn.
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House Sparrow	3	16 July	Fairfield. RMA On pavement eating spilled antifreeze.
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