

FALL 1993 FIELD REPORTS

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Interesting is the only word that comes to mind in describing this fall. The number of extralimital species has been incredible, but some of the more common fall migrants have been difficult to find. As in the spring, shorebirds seemed to nearly by-pass Iowa and, even with an abundance of habitat, small numbers were obvious. Warbler and vireo migration was excellent with large numbers of Red-eyed Vireos noted. Usual locations for sparrows and pipits were devoid of vegetation and consequently were devoid of birds. The long-lasting flood waters certainly took a toll on the abundance of natural foods in the flood plains. Although there was a shortage of many common species, the unusual were prizes for the season. These included Reddish Egret, Laughing Gull, Sabine's Gull, Ross' Gull, and Red-necked Grebe.

SPECIES	DATE	NUMBER	LOCALITY	COUNTY	COMMENT
COMMON LOON	✓ 11/22/93	1	Maffitt Reservoir	Polk	
COMMON LOON	✓ 11/22/93	1	Saylorville Reservoir	Polk	
HORNED GREBE	✓ 11/22/93	2	Saylorville Reservoir	Polk	
RED-NECKED GREBE	✓ 11/22/93	1	Saylorville Reservoir	Polk	see documentation
WESTERN GREBE	✓ 11/22/93	1	Saylorville Reservoir	Polk	
REDDISH EGRET	✓ 9/6/93	1	near Colfax	Jasper	see documentation
CANVASBACK	✓ 11/22/93	1	Saylorville Reservoir	Polk	
HOODED Merganser	✓ 11/7/93	78	Polk City W.A.	Polk	
TURKEY VULTURE	✓ 11/7/93	1	Saylorville Reservoir	Polk	
OSPREY	✓ 9/18/93	1	Saylorville Reservoir	Polk	
MERLIN	✓ 11/22/93	1	Saylorville Reservoir	Polk	
PEREGRINE FALCON	✓ 9/18/93	1	Saylorville Reservoir	Polk	
BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER	✓ 9/6/93	2	near Red Rock Reservoir	Marion	
SANDERLING	✓ 9/6/93	3	near Red Rock Reservoir	Marion	
BAIRD'S SANDPIPER	✓ 9/6/93	2	near Red Rock Reservoir	Marion	
STILT SANDPIPER	✓ 9/6/93	24	near Red Rock Reservoir	Marion	
LAUGHING GULL	✓ 9/18/93	1	Saylorville Reservoir	Polk	see documentation
ROSS' GULL	✓ 10/31/93	1	Red Rock Reservoir	Marion	see documentation
YELLOW-BILLED CUCKOO	✓ 8/29/93	2	yard	Warren	
SNOWY OWL	✓ 11/6/93	1	SE of Lovilla	Monroe	
RUBY-THROATED HUMMINGBIRD	✓ 8/30/93	7	yard	Warren	
OLIVE-SIDED FLYCATCHER	✓ 8/28/93	1	yard	Warren	
OLIVE-SIDED FLYCATCHER	✓ 8/29/93	1	yard	Warren	
YELLOW-BELLIED FLYCATCHER	✓ 8/29/93	1	yard	Warren	
ALDER FLYCATCHER	✓ 8/29/93	1	yard	Warren	fee-bee-o call
RED-BREADED NUTHATCH	✓ 9/24/93	1	yard	Warren	in yard throughout fall
SWAINSON'S THRUSH	✓ 8/28/93	1	yard	Warren	
AMERICAN PIPIT	✓ 11/13/93	4	Roberts Creek Lake	Marion	
PHILADELPHIA VIREO	✓ 8/29/93	1	yard	Warren	
PHILADELPHIA VIREO	✓ 9/24/93	2	yard	Warren	
RED-EYED VIREO	✓ 8/28/93	11	yard	Warren	
TENNESSEE WARBLER	✓ 8/29/93	7	yard	Warren	
ORANGE-CROWNED WARBLER	✓ 8/29/93	2	yard	Warren	
YELLOW WARBLER	✓ 8/28/93	3	yard	Warren	
CHESTNUT-SIDED WARBLER	✓ 8/28/93	5	yard	Warren	
CAPE MAY WARBLER	✓ 9/6/93	1	near Colfax	Jasper	
BLACKBURNIAN WARBLER	✓ 8/29/93	5	yard	Warren	
PINE WARBLER	✓ 9/24/93	1	yard	Warren	unstreaked back noted
PALM WARBLER	✓ 8/28/93	1	yard	Warren	
BAY-BREADED WARBLER	✓ 8/29/93	7	yard	Warren	
BLACKPOLL WARBLER	✓ 8/29/93	2	yard	Warren	
BLACK-AND-WHITE WARBLER	✓ 8/28/93	2	yard	Warren	
NORTHERN WATERTHRUSH	✓ 8/29/93	3	yard	Warren	
MOURNING WARBLER	✓ 8/29/93	2	yard	Warren	
WILSON'S WARBLER	✓ 8/29/93	2	yard	Warren	
CANADA WARBLER	✓ 8/28/93	5	yard	Warren	
LARK SPARROW	✓ 8/29/93	1	yard	Warren	
RUSTY BLACKBIRD	✓ 11/25/93	75	yard	Warren	
ORCHARD ORIOLE	✓ 8/28/93	1	yard	Warren	
RED CROSSBILL	✓ 11/22/93	4	Polk City	Polk	