

A.F.N. Fall 1969.

Looking back, I find this year's report to be practically a copy of last year's, except for the heavy snow last November. November this year was the driest of record with .03 of an inch precip.

The duck migration was late and poor. More canvasbacks than usual were seen. These have been very scarce for some time.

No migration of hawks was noticed, and only one Red-shouldered reported.

Shorebird migration was very poor. As usual, there were few suitable places in Polk Co. but few were seen where they might be expected. A late Golden Plover was noted by Mary E. Peck on 24 Nov. Coots were fairly numerous.

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There were large movements of Flickers.

Thrushes, other than Robins which were very numerous, were almost non-existent. The only hylocichla I saw was a Swainson's in our yard.

There was a good migration of both kinglets on 24 Oct. noted by Jeff Kern.

Very few vireos or warblers were seen with no noticeable waves.

Sparrow migration seemed poor.

* A nighthawk migration was noticed on 5 September by Mrs. Catherine Griffith and Jeff Kern.

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