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This summer, my birding activities were confined to Effigy Mounds National Monument in Allamakee County and to Cardinal Marsh, Decorah, and other Winneshiek County localities.

SPECIES DATA

Pied-billed Grebe: A few nested at Cardinal Marsh, e.g. 4 juveniles seen there on 12 Jul.

Ring-necked Duck: A male was still at Cardinal M. on 6 June.

Turkey Vulture: Most were 17 at Effigy Mounds on 9 Jul.

Solitary Sandpiper: The first returnee was at Cardinal M. on 12 Jul.

Least Sandpiper: First were 3 at Cardinal M. on 12 Jul.

Black Tern: 5 were at Cardinal M. on 6 Jun, 2 on 12 Jul, and 7 on 21 Jul, but no evidence of nesting.

Yellow-billed Cuckoo: A few were found at Effigy Mounds and in Winneshiek Co.

Ruby-throated Hummingbird: A few were seen in the two counties that I covered.

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker: A few were at Effigy Mounds, as usual; also, 1 was found in Winneshiek Co. on 29 Jun. (Coon Creek)

Acadian Flycatcher: A few at Effigy Mounds, as usual.

Willow Flycatcher: Found at scattered Winneshiek Co. localities, also at Effigy Mounds.

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Least Flycatcher: A singing male was east of Highlandville, Winneshiek Co. on 15 Jun, also 1 singing at Cardinal M. on 21 Jul.

Cliff Swallow: Nested on Decorah bridges and many others in Winneshiek Co., e.g. 70 at a bridge N of Decorah on 15 Jul.

Carolina Wren: I've not found it at Effigy Mounds this year.

Sedge Wren: A few singing birds were at Cardinal M., throughout the period.

Wood Thrush: A few singing birds were found at Effigy Mounds and in Winneshiek Co.

Bell's Vireo: A singing male was found at Coon Creek, Winneshiek Co. on 29 Jun.

Yellow-throated Vireo: Singing males were present at Effigy Mounds and in wooded areas in Winneshiek Co., e.g. 3 throughout the period at Cardinal M.

Blue-winged Warbler: A singing male was at Coon Creek, Winneshiek Co. on 29 Jun, also 2 there on 26 Jul.

Cerulean Warbler: A few were at Effigy Mounds, as usual.

American Redstart: Common in woods throughout the area, e.g. 16 in one locality near Burr Oak, Winneshiek Co. on 10 Jun and 12 at Effigy Mounds on 11 Jun.

Ovenbird: A few at " " and in wooded areas in Winneshiek Co., e.g. 4 at Coon Creek on 29 Jun.

Scarlet Tanager: A few singing males were found at Effigy Mounds, e.g. 3 on 25 Jun, and in Winneshiek Co.

Dickcissel: Singing males were at several " " localities during June.

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Swamp Sparrow: At least 4 singing males were at Cardinal M. throughout the period.

Bobolink: A few singing males were at Cardinal M. and other Winneshiek Co. localities during Jun. However, 40 at Cardinal M. on 29 Jul were migrants.

Northern Oriole: They were surprisingly scarce in Winneshiek Co. this summer.

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P.S.: I'll arrange to pick up the back issues of Iowa Bird Life later, perhaps at the fall meeting.