

Iowa Field Reports-Summer 1994

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Pacific Loon-*1 adult in basic plumage on 13,21,29 July at Anderson L. (+J. Dinsmore, M. Proescholdt, B. Proescholdt, m.ob.)
 Western Grebe-1 on 12 July at Elm L.
 American White Pelican-1 on 1 June at Blackhawk L.; 31 on 9-10 July n. of Montrose; 125 on 16 July at Coralville Res.; 17 on 21 July at Big Wall L.; 7 on 29 July at Big M.; 42 on 24 July at Saylorville (+J. Sinclair)
 Least Bittern-3 on 5 June at Big Wall L. (+G. Brown); 2 on 29 July at Elm L.
 Great Egret-66 on 9 July n. of Montrose
 Snowy Egret-3 adults on 9 July n. of Montrose (I noted black legs with yellow feet, bill black and slimmer than the bill of a nearby Little Blue Heron)
 Little Blue Heron-1 imm. on 9 July n. of Montrose; 1 imm. on 18 July at Green Island; 10 imm. on 26 July at Otter Creek M.; 2 imm. on 29 July at Anderson L.
 Black-crowned Night-Heron-1 on 17 July at Goose L., Clinton Co.; 1 on 26 July at Otter Creek M.
 Fulvous Whistling-Duck-*1 probable female on 17 July at Goose L., Clinton Co. (+S. Grove)
 Green-winged Teal-1 male on 7 June at Gordon's M.; 3 males and 2 females on 13 July at Ventura M., Hancock Co.; 1 male on 17 July at Goose L., Clinton Co.; 2 males and 5 females on 18 July at Green Island (+S. Grove)
 American Black Duck-1 male on 13 July at Ventura M., Hancock Co.
 Northern Pintail-1 male on 7 June at Gordon's M.; 1 female on 18 July at Green Island (+S. Grove)
 Northern Shoveler-1 female on 5 June at Teig's M.
 Redhead-1 male on 7 June at Gordon's M.; 1 male on 24 July at Lakin Sl. (+J. Sinclair)
 Ring-necked Duck-a pair on 5 June at Big Wall L.; 1 male on 17 July at Goose L., Clinton Co. (+S. Grove)
 Hooded Merganser-3 females on 3 June at Teig's M.; 1 female on 7 July at Maskunku M., Mahaska Co.; broods were noted on 18 July at Green Island and 19 July at Pool Sl. near New Albin (+S. Grove)
 Osprey-1 on 28 July at Volga River State Rec. Area; 2 on 31 July at Saylorville (+G. Brown)
 Northern Harrier-1 female on 11 June at Rathbun Res. (+J. Sinclair); 3 (1 male, 1 female, 1 imm.) on 21 July near Whittenbreer M., Howard Co. may have bred locally (+S. Grove); 1 female on 21 July at Lylah's M., Howard Co. (+S. Grove); 1 female on 21 July in e. Mitchell Co. (+S. Grove); 1 imm. on 29 July near Elm L.; a nest was found at Volga River State Rec. Area (Darrin Siefken fide SJD)
 Cooper's Hawk-1 ad. on 16 July at Coralville Res. (+S. Grove); 1 imm. on 17 July at Goose L., Clinton Co.; 1 imm. on 20 July near Froelich, Clayton Co. (+S. Grove)
 Red-shouldered Hawk-1 adult calling on 7 June at Dolliver S.P.
 Virginia Rail-18 on 5 June at Big Wall L. (+G. Brown); others were at East Twin L., Eagle L. (Hancock Co.), Harmon L., and Silver L. (Worth Co.)
 Common Moorhen-1 on 12 June at Otter Creek M.; 1 on 12 July at East Twin L.; 1 on 12 July at Eagle L., Hancock Co.; 2 on 13 July at Ventura M., Hancock Co.; 5 and a brood of 4 yng on 17 July at Goose L., Clinton Co. (+S. Grove); 1 ad. w/2 yng on 24 July at Lakin Sl. (+J. Sinclair); 2 ad. w/3 yng on 27 July at Muskrat Sl.

American Coot-a pair building a nest on 12 June at Otter Creek M.; very few this year in NC or NW Iowa
Sandhill Crane-1 imm. on 12 June at Otter Creek M.; 2 ad. on 17 July at Goose L., Clinton Co. (+S. Grove); 2 ad. on 18 July at Green Island (+S. Grove); 1 ad. on 19 July at Pool Sl. near New Albin (+S. Grove); 3, at least 2 of them immatures, summered at Sweet M. (Darrin Siefken fide SJD)
Black-bellied Plover-1 on 1 June at Tomahawk M.
American Golden-Plover-4 on 29 July in Butler Co.
Semipalmated Plover-singles on 12 July at Big Wall L. and Elk Creek M.
Killdeer-155 on 9 July n. of Montrose
American Avocet-1 male on 31 July at Saylorville (+G. Brown)
Willet-7 on 12 July at Meredith M.
Semipalmated Sandpiper-8 on 7 June at Gordon's M.
White-rumped Sandpiper-1 on 1 June at Kiowa M.
Stilt Sandpiper-1 on 7 July at Maskunkya M., Mahaska Co.
Short-billed Dowitcher-1 adult in basic plumage on 5 June at Big Wall L. (identified by tu-tu-tu call); 1 adult in alt. plumage on 9 July n. of Montrose (identified by salmon-colored belly, fine spots on flanks); 12 adults in alt. plumage on 12 July at Elk Creek M.
Laughing Gull-*1 1st-summer bird on 8-9 July at Keokuk
Franklin's Gull-14 on 1 June near Ulmer, Sac County; 7 on 5 June at Big Wall L.; 1 on 7 June at Gordon's M.; 1 on 22 July at Saylorville (+S. Grove)

Ring-billed Gull-22 on 8-9 July at Keokuk; 64 on 9 July n. of Montrose; 364 on 18 July at Sabula (+S. Grove); 163 on 19 July at Pool 9 above Harper's Ferry (+S. Grove); 1 on 21 July at Big Wall L. (+S. Grove)

Herring Gull-1 1st-summer bird on 9 July n. of Montrose; 1 2nd-summer bird on 19 July at Pool 9 above Harper's Ferry (+S. Grove)

Caspian Tern-1 on 5 June at Big Wall L. (+G. Brown); 1 on 11 June at Rathbun Res. (+J. Sinclair); 8 on 10 July at Mark Twain NWR; 2 on 18 July at Green Island (+S. Grove); 2 on 29 July at Hallett's Quarry

Common Tern-1 adult on 5 June at Big Wall L. (+G. Brown)(identified by darker primary shafts and higher-pitched call)

Forster's Tern-adults were feeding a young bird on 12 July at Big Wall L.

Black Tern-57 adults and 10 nests on 5 June at Big Wall L. (+G. Brown); 1 on 7 July at Maskunkya M., Mahaska Co.; also nested at Grover L. and Eagle L., Hancock Co.

Ruby-throated Hummingbird-1 female building a nest on 7 Jun at Dolliver S.P.; 8 at a feeder at Pikes Peak S.P. on 19-20 July (+S. Grove)

Least Flycatcher-1 calling on 21 July at Cardinal M. (+S. Grove, D. Carter)

Carolina Wren-1 on 10 July at Geode S.P.

Veery-3 on 11 June at Stephen's S.F., Lucas Co. (+J. Sinclair)

Northern Mockingbird-1 on 12 June in NE Mahaska Co.; 1 on 10 July n. of Burlington, Des Moines Co.; 1 on 31 July near Big Creek S.P. (+G. Brown)

White-eyed Vireo-4 on 9 July at Croton Unit, Shimek S.F.

Northern Parula-1 on 7 June at Dolliver S.P.; on 8-10 July, 1-2 were at Geode S.P., Shimek S.F. (Croton Unit), and Starr's Cave State Preserve; 1 male on 23 July in an Ames backyard (+J. Dinsmore)

Black-throated Green Warbler-1 singing male on 1 June at Blackhawk L.

Yellow-throated Warbler-3 on 9-10 July at Starr's Cave State Preserve

Prairie Warbler-1 male on 9 July at Croton Unit, Shimek S.F.

Cerulean Warbler-1 on 7 June at Deception Hollow, Webster Co.; 5 on 7 June at Dolliver S.P.; 5 on 19 July at Yellow River S.F. (+S. Grove); 2 on 20 July at Pikes Peak S.P. (+S. Grove)

Kentucky Warbler-I saw birds in Boone, Lucas, Clarke, Wapello (2+a brood), Van Buren, Jackson, and Lee counties; a brood was at Brown's Woods in early July (G. Brown fide SJD)

Hooded Warbler-1 male on 9 July at Croton Unit, Shimek S.F.; 1 male on territory on 13 July at Pilot Knob S.P., Hancock/Winnebago Co.'s; 1 male on 19 July at Yellow River S.F. (+S. Grove)

Canada Warbler-1 on 1 June at Kindelspire Park, Clay Co.

Yellow-breasted Chat-1 on 27 July at Muskrat Sl.

Henslow's Sparrow-16+ on 8 July at Lake Sugema W.A., Van Buren Co., including adults feeding young; 2 on 8 July w. of Lake Sugema; 10 on 8 July in extreme SE Van Buren Co.; 1 on 9 July s. of Donnellson, Lee Co.

Great-tailed Grackle-8 males and 2 females on 1 June at Goose L., Greene Co.; a pair nested at Teig's M., Story Co., where 3 females or imm. were seen on 21 July