FIELD REPORTS FORM for submitting seasonal observations of Iowa birds

Season: FALL Year: 1994

Other observers (name, city):

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Use first few lines to give weather and habitat conditions. Use line(s) below species data to give additional details, if needed. Mail to: T. H. Kent, 211 Richards St., Iowa City IA 52240 by 1 Mar, 1 Jun, 1 Aug, or 1 Dec.

SPECIES	NO.	DATE	LOCATION - COMMENT - OTHER OBSERVERS
General information, weather, etc: Autumn in NW Iowa was very extended and generally warm, making for drawn-out migrations and lower concentrations of species than normally seen. No significant "winter" weather until Nov. 27th. My observations were rather minimal again this season, but a few worth noting are listed below.			
Tundra Swan	4	10/25	Kettleson Hogsback WMA, Dickinson Co.
Osprey	1	8/7/94	Klondike, western Lyon Co. (Big Sioux River); was early (or possibly a resident nester somewhere on river?).
Osprey	1	9/2	Marble Lake, Dickinson Co.--this bird was more in the normal migration season, but for 2 years there have been public reports (undocumented) of osprey being seen around Marble Lake throughout summer. Again, could be nesting somewhere in area.
Upland Sandpiper	4	8/14	6 mi. SW of Sioux Center, Sioux County.
Yellow Rail	1	10/5	3 mi. SE of Lake Park, Dickinson Co. (see documentation attached).
Bluebird	1	10/19	Adult male was late; 4 mi. NW Inwood, Lyon Co.
N. Cardinal	4+	Aug-Nov	Larchwood; for past two years cadinals seem to be increasing in this prairie town (reports also from other residents who never recall seeing them previously, in several parts of city). Suspect they are spreading out from Big Sioux River (7 mi. west), where they have apparently been increasing quite a bit in last decade.