

Paradise Point, Perry Lake, Jefferson Co., Kansas

Oct 28, 1974.

Made census of birds on Paradise Point. Left Lawrence 9:00 at mileage 92800. Sky overcast and wind from south. Average temp 60°F. Looks like rain. Enroute will keep list of total birds observed. Route via LeCompton Rd (parallels Turnpike on the north side). 2 Starling, meadowlark, starling, 2 Eng sparrows, 4 starling, opossum rd. hill, Eng. sparrow, starling, 05.6 sparrow hawk, 50 starling. 07.9 near N to LeCompton, 18 starling, 3 Eng sparrow. 11.0 Kaw River. 8 Eng sparrow. 12.4 redtail, 4 killdeer, starling. 13.8 Highway 24. Opossum rd. hill. 3 gold finches, 4 Eng sparrows, shrike. 16.5 SE corner Perry Lake area. Will continue N along Ferguson Rd. and keep complete list of birds. 18.6 Big Slough Bridge. 15 Coot, bluejay. 20.1 Big Slough Comp area turnoff. bluejay, slate-colored junco, 2 bluebirds, goldfinch, 7 bluebirds, meadowlark, 2 starling, starling, 4 Eng. sparrows, 14 starling. 24.5 Little Slough Creek Bridge. 5 gulls, 5 bluejays. 25.3 4 corners intersection on Ozarkie - Oskaloosa Rd., crow, 4 robins, 2 goldfinch, 18 robins, bluejay, 30 robins, 4 starling, 8 robins, 2 marsh hawks, 28.8 redtail. 28.9 Entrance to Paradise Point. Continued S to turn-around near lake where I started the census of birds around the shoreline of Paradise Point. 29.3 is at Turnaround. (9:45 A.M.). marsh hawk, 5 redwing blackbirds, meadowlark, ring-billed gull, 50 ring-billed gulls, 200 roots in bay to S resting. Catfish 34 inches long (2 main feelers on each side), ring-bill, Cormorant, redwing, deer tracks to edge of water across mud beach. They measured. 82 mm. Distance from point of track to dew claw 120 mm. 9:58 passing E-W fence row, ringbill, song sparrow. 10:02 first N-S fence row of willow now yellowish-green. 10:04 point beyond. ring-bill. There is a round concretion measuring on the average 1/4 of an inch in diameter that has eroded out of bank and soils and is redistributed in masses on the beach. 3 Bonaparte Gulls flying E, corp. Coyote tracks in mud and soft soils. Shad overaging 1 per yard, some places 15 per yard. The unmonid *Leptodea laevisima* overaging 1 per 20 feet. The ones above water are dead & opened and of various sizes. The ones in water are alive and are either imbedded foot down on on side in very shallow water. These are not as round as the ones in Lake view. Ring-bill, ringbill, 2 killdeer, mourning dove, 2 ring-bills, 10:17 second major drainage. 5 Bonaparte bull, ringbill, few grasshoppers. Wind from S & overcast. a few white-cops. There are more dead shad here than to E. Ringbill, roccoon & coyote tracks along beach. 10:25 Point. 60 Coot resting, one cormorant. A fence line enters here.