

This evening drove to a mall n of San Antonio. 3 mockingbird and one sparrow hawk were the only birds observed enroute. (from camp to 37 to 16 to 410 for approx. 1 mile (35.6 miles one way)).

Medina Lake Preserve, Thousand Trails, Bandera Co., Texas.
Dec. 25, 1983

min temp 12°F. 10:45 AM 20°F, slight wind, sky clear, at camp, 23 double-crested cormorant flew n., 8 ring-billed gulls, 3 eared grebes, 1 marsh hawk. 5 lesser scaup, 4 am. coot. At 3:00 P.M. a golden eagle circled S down lake at about 500' high. 12 white-tailed deer at camp, and 1 armadillo.

Dec. 26, 1983

min temp approx 16°F last night, (17 this A.M.). Cloudy this morning. On two hour trip to E bay thence W thru junipers. Observed 3 killdeer, 1 spotted sw. sparrow, 1 mockingbird, 5 deer, 1 coyote. hind foot of raccoon measured 91 mm, track through old mud channels of bay. Largest deer track (W. tailed) 82, smallest 41 mm. Dog tracks frequently follow deer tracks across mud exposure, I would say tracks are numerous and most of them cross at this point.



Along S side preserve tracks, trails lead N-S. At deer crossing area would indicate that the herd on preserve shares areas to S of here and to that extent that area (to S) should be protected. Oregon junco, scrub jay in camp.

This P.M. at 2:00 drove to San Antonio. Left 329.9 thru juniper forest, one scrub jay & one blacktailed jack-rabbit. 338.1 20 goldfinch. 343.3 highway 16 356.8 approx position of fault between Cretaceous & Tertiary. Sparrow 370.4 Sears in San Antonio at 4:00 P.M. 372.0 Tower of Americas. Returned to camp, 417.4 after dark, via longer route.

Summation of mileages.
Camp to highway 16 = 13.4
Camp to Tower of Americas = 42.1 Travel time 2 hrs.†

Dec 27, 1983

at 8:00 A.M. 58 cormorant flew n in small groups. min temp. 26°F
8:00 AM 28°F. 1 Brown towhee, black-crested titmouse.

Dec 28, 1983

73 cormorants flew n at 7:30 A.M. This morning they all flew just above water (1'). Wind started at about this time with white caps.