

Their movement of plump bodies and extraordinary thick legs remind me of chicken legs. Their movement is also a chicken walk as well as their running movement. When they left they uttered a low soft <sup>tidy</sup> peep. Occasionally a bird that had been preening itself would jump into the air and hover for 2-3 seconds and then alight again. When the oystercatchers alighted <sup>on sand</sup> for the first time a ring-billed gull left the water nearby and alighted in the middle of the flock. The gull raised its head and called several times. One glaucous-winged gull displaced 2 oystercatchers, one oystercatcher reacted and displaced the gull.

3 water pipit fed on gravel bar above the oystercatchers.

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at Chris & Steves,

Oct 18, 1984

Left Chris and Steves home. Chris drove her car and we drove the Barth to Shelton where we checked the new mobile home to be installed on their new property near Lost Lake. Route 302 and 3 are exceptionally beautiful routes. Chris and Mathew left and drove to Bremerton to ferry back to Seattle, we in turn drove to Hood Canal Preserve arriving about 9:00 P.M. No deer or wildlife enroute. Camped in 15A.

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Oct 19, 1984

Collected oysters along beach. Glaucous-winged gull, red-throated loon, horned grebe, western grebe, white-winged scoter, great blue heron, american robin, red-shafted flicker, rufous-sided towhee, winter wren, Bonaparte gull, common and northwestern crow.

In evening noted 33 robins on open grass cut field S of Camp.

Oct. 20, 1984

Collected oysters at low tide. There is no doubt that this is one of the greatest oyster beds in area. Best is to point W of Preserve near navigation light area. Bonaparte gull hover above water and look like white doves. Left for Port Townsend, via center road.