

Lawrence, Douglas Co., Kansas

Nov. 22, 1985

Closed home at 402 Yorkshire Dr at 12:30 P.M. (originally purchased Feb. 1970). Left at 51727.6 mi. in Barth. Will follow Interstate 70 to Manhattan, thence 24 to Colby, thence 70 to Cleaver. Will keep complete list of raptors and noteworthy observation of other things.

at Perry (highway 24) road kill opossum, small one. Two redtail hawks between Lawrence and Topeka (N side). 5 more redtails (Inter. 70) between Topeka and Manhattan. Camped below Tuttle Creek dam in State Park. no facilities open and we were the only ones there.

Tuttle Creek Reservoir, Manhattan, Kansas

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at camp below dam at 6:00 A.M. - 24°F. Wind from N. at 7:00 A.M. noted 34 crows chasing ^{adult} bald eagle circling above dam. at 7:10 A.M. 2 adult bald eagles flew from lake area S of camp. to reservoir beyond dam. Approx. 150 mallards in this lake below dam. Left 8:00 A.M. and drove to E end dam and then W across dam. In deciduous forests on road up to top of dam noted 18 robins, 2 red-bellied woodpeckers, 1 yellow-shafted flicker, 3 blue jays, 12 juncos (state colored), 2 black-capped chickadees and 1 titmouse. As we drove W across dam noted 6 crows chasing 2 bald eagles. These eagles were using updraft N winds above dam. Mallards were flying N over dam. (all told about 80 in small groups). at west end of dam, 120 American mergansers in SW corner of reservoir (20' from shore). From Tuttle Creek road continued W on highway 40.

839.5 marsh hawk

844.9 sparrow hawk

866.4 first pheasants (3♂) flew across road, 1 red-tailed hawk.

872.7 Red-tailed hawk,

878.3 sparrow hawk,

881.3 marsh hawk

889.4 rough-legged hawk.

Blasco. 2 horned larks.

917.1 first magpie, nests in area.

920.7 fresh badger digging

923.4 Plum Creek, one flock approx. 2000 horned larks.