

21231 E Lost Lake Rd, Snohomish, Washington

Jan. 23, 1986

Observed a sharp-shinned hawk fly into a hemlock tree near the house. Also a chickadee on property. Greatest concentration of deer scat at top hill. SE corner of Chris' property. * Left Chris' at 1:30 at 54743-1 miles. Routes 522, 405, 5 to Marysville, thence country road to La Conner. Mileage at La Conner Preserve (Thousand Trails) at mileage 54823.8 or 80.7 miles. Here catkins 3 inches long, other trees budding, one tree
 * Photo 860123-1 5 side house, at camp 163 in white inflorescence.
 Photo 860123-2 roof waterproofed.

La Conner Preserve (Thousand Trails), Skagit Co., Washington

Jan 24, 1986

at 7:15 A.M., temp 37°F, daybreak advanced but could not read newspaper (regular type). At this time, from site no. 163 (next camp site E of 164 where most observations have been made) there were no birds visible.

7:30 gull and 2 common goldeneye 30' out from shore of camp.

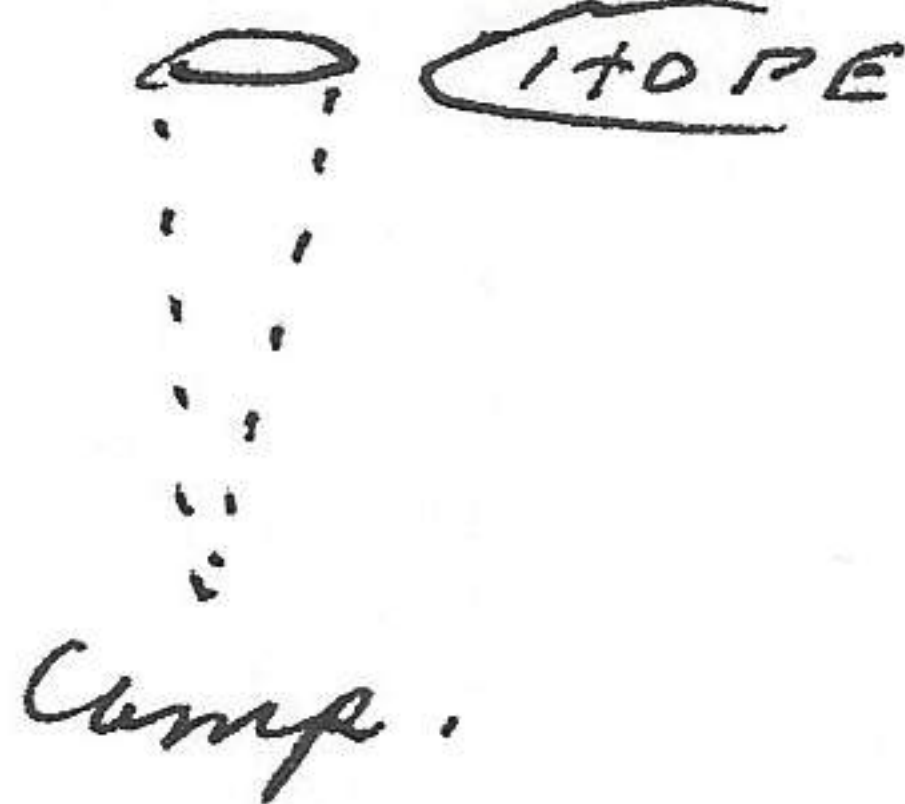
7:45 4 common goldeneye.

8:00

19 birds between S edge kelp beds and Hope Island (main channel between Seal Rocks & Hope Island).

5 birds N of kelp beds to camp 163

2 birds in corridor of outlier island SE Hope Island and camp site 163



8:30 channel (as above) 18 birds.

N kelp beds (as above) 4 birds

outlier corridor 3 birds

Surf scater glides on water with wings held 45° above body at high tide is an unusual line of green sedge-like material, dry rush-like material and small fragments of small limbs and branches (wood fragments). Second high tide of white sedge-like material.

Flock of approx. 3,000 dunder arrived from N (11:45 AM) and gyrated for 4 minutes along beach from point (True Tree) to 1/10 mi. E. They formed a close formation with 1"-3" separation of birds. This compact arrangement was maintained and movement was synchronized with perfection.