

Eastern gray squirrel present. 32 american crows came straight from Swift Bay beach to Bee House feeder.

at Bee House: Towhee (rufous-sided), chestnut-sided chickadee, dark-eyed junco, song sparrow, winter wren

Dec. 12, 1986

To Mary and Don's (Babcock Place, approx 1.5 mi. S Spencer Spit). On beach below their rental home observed the purple jellyfish Pelagia noctiluca at approx. 5 per 100' of beach-water contact. Another moon jellyfish Aurelia aurita, largest 13 inches in diameter and 5" smallest along beach and another white jellyfish. A winter wren in same area as observed a week ago. Also Horned grebe, 4 glaucous-winged gulls only other birds in bay.

From level of beach counted 301 crab traps (11:00 A.M. looking N), from 200' out from shore to almost 1/2 way across Lopez Sound. Water calm. When on top of bank approx 48' high looking down could only see about 20 crab-trap buoys. The different angle of vision and slight disturbance of the previously smooth water made the difference.

On return home noted 34 mallards, 2 baldpates in Swift Lagoon. Red-tailed hawk 1/2 mi. N Sunset Hardware on Center Rd.

Mary and Don reported 1 buck mule deer, one doe and 3 young about 20" high at shoulders on clearing W of their house. (Babcock Place).

Dec 13, 1986

26 dark-eyed juncos at Bee feeder (Oregon race) and most I have observed at one time.

mammal collected from Bee House:

861213-1 Sorex vagrans vagrans 101-41-12-7-3.4 gms ♂

In last 5 days flock of crows 18 to 33 have arrived from Swift Bay and feed on chicken scratch of cracked corn and white at both Bee & Fralic homes. When feeding at Bee House and disturbed by our presence, they fly out over water at about 80' high and 200-300' out and then circle and return to general area of house. The same technique is used to gain altitude to reach Fralic home above use on ridge. This A.M. one crow left flock at one of these maneuvers and flew straight to Blakely Island.