

July 3, 1987

9:40 A.M. To Friday Harbor. At Orcas ferry terminal noted an immature bald eagle fly ^{200'} over landing towards Shaw Island and at Blind Island turned SW to mainland at approx. 50' above trees, thence W just below trees on ridge to 200' W of navigation sign (large white) thence gaining altitude circled and soared for first time (wing beat constantly from Orcas to this point) and then circled W along ridge and gaining altitude and at 1/2 mi. W was over 400' above trees and still soaring without wing beat.

At Shaw ferry terminal. The 2 nests of wrapped piling on S side now have ^(one) 3 young approx size of or slightly smaller than head of adult. ^{and nest 3 eggs.} One gull arrived and replaced the brooding mate. All called. At Bee House an immature bald eagle flew by (40') to N at 9:21 P.M.

Bee Estate, Humphrey Head, Lopez Island, San Juan Co., Washington

July 4, 1987

10:00 A.M. 10 harbor seal on N Flower Rock and only seal in area. Heavy traffic of boats coming into Islands from Thatcher Pass. averaging 15 at any one moment (in sound from Thatcher Pass to Bee House).

Swallows (n. violet green) continuously active in front Bee House at nesting site on house.

Have not seen river otter in last week.

Dark-eyed juncos feeding young brown cowbirds but less frequently. Young cowbirds approaching a non parent junco are evade by the junco. One young cowbird fluttered in front of a song sparrow but was ignored.

Rufous hummingbirds average 5 (2-11) and are all females.

Raccoon roadkill 2/10 W Cross Road on Lopez Island.

Last 3 weeks the turkey vultures have been flying low over new cut meadow grass and other kinds of forage grasses.

mule deer feed more at night than day for last week & half.

Eastern gray squirrel feed (2-4) mainly in morning and evening.

4:20 P.M. Buster replaced Sister at feeder and chased her to Boundary Point and then into benchland of conifer trees at full speed. This also happened yesterday and is the first time I have witnessed such behaviorism between siblings. Sister is the runt sister of Bambam.