

11:28 A.M. 7 river otter swam SW past Bee House. Both fished and played in front of house in water for 5 minutes.

Feb. 6, 1988

8:00 A.M. a boat Paper Clipper, arrived from Orcas with a fisherman caught 2 silver Salmon approx. 150' SE of Bee House at 8:10 A.M. and 8:15 A.M. At 8:50 A.M. fisherman still trolling with down rigger in same general area. Left at 9:20 A.M.

8:40 A.M. Beginning of dive fishing of 4 mew gulls, 2 double-crested cormorant arrived seconds later and enhanced the diving action of the gulls.

8:41 A.M. Now 11 mew gulls and 4 glaucous-winged gulls making up fishing activity.

8:42 A.M. Now 16 mew gulls, 6 glaucous-winged gulls, 1 pelagic cormorant, 5 double-crested cormorants and 2 red-throated mergansers in fishing pod. All stickily diving birds realizing candlefish (average 2 1/2" long).

8:43 A.M. Gulls now resting on water but diving birds (not including gulls) still diving and catching fish.

8:45 A.M. An immature bald eagle circled Flower Island 6 times. There were no gulls on the island at the time of the arrival of the eagle, in fact there is seldom seen gulls on Flower Island during, at least, the daylight hours.

8:46 A.M. 2 ad. bald eagles on beacon of Leo Reef. Another adult bald eagle flew from Blakely Island (Thatcher area) to Lichen Point where it alighted in second high Douglas fir.

6:00 P.M. Ram, a mule deer ♂, at feeder at nw Bee House. Still has antler, height at shoulders 32 1/2". Also single tine (eye tine) at feeder, and antlers shed. measurements at shoulder 34 1/2". It is believed that both of these deer are progeny of Mamma Deer, a mule deer. Also at feeder were Buster, a mule deer, family of light colored doe and her two light colored young of the year and also 2 dark young of the year.

Feb. 7, 1988

9:40 A.M. 1 river otter swam NE in front of Bee House. It by-passed Spring Cove.