

Out from Anacortes ferry terminal.

In one fishing group:

- 6 common murrelets
- 19 glaucous-winged gulls
- 4 mew gulls
- 6 cormorant.

Arrived Anacortes ferry terminal 10:42 A.M. From here to Chris' on Lost Lake. Returned Lopez Island Oct 17, 1988.

Bee Estate, Humphrey Head, Lopez Island, San Juan Co., Washington.
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 Oct 18, 1988

Today foggy and rain.

9:00 A.M. 3♂ + 2♀ hooded mergansers entered Spring Cove by swimming from NE past Bee House. They fished until 10:05 A.M., mainly in shallow water. 70% of the time they fished from an organized front line. On four occasions they rushed onto the beach preceded with a wall of water in which small fish became stranded, and eaten. They kept together and never separated over 15'. A harbor entered the cove and to within 6' of the mergansers. The mergansers stopped feeding but did not leave their position in the cove. Eleven times, ^{one of the} mergansers would run across the water as if evading danger below. A glaucous-winged gull remained within 3' of the seal as it swam by (seal approx 3 1/2 feet long). A common merganser joined the 5 hooded mergansers but left after 2 minutes of feeding. When capturing a minnow it surfaced and immediately consumed the fish in less than 2 seconds. The harbor seal would rapidly swim around submerged rocks to dislodge fish.

10:45 A.M. a common merganser and a double-crested cormorant surfaced with each holding on to the same fish. The cormorant held on to it and finally consumed it.

2:30 P.M. An adult bald eagle alighted on top of supporting structure of Leo Reef. It remained for 1 hr + 20 min.

6:40 P.M. a small bat (Myotis?) was active and first observed this evening. It captured an insect which was fluttering on the glass window of the third story (40' high) of the Bee House.

Oct 19, 1988

9:20 A.M. a sharp-shinned hawk dove at a belted kingfisher who was perched on rock along the rocky shoreline below the Bee House. As it flew out over water the hawk returned to tree above bank.