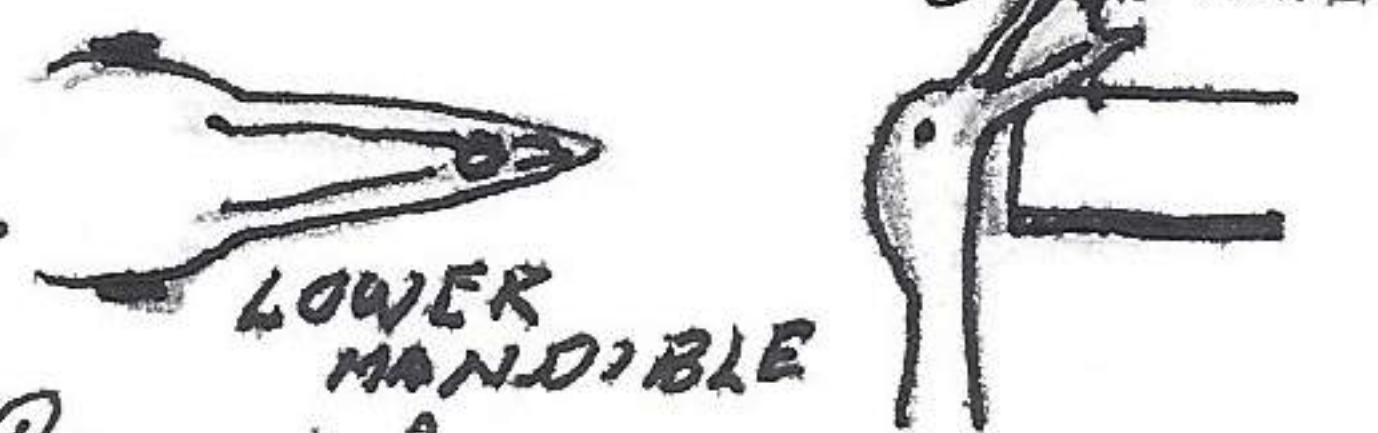


alive and occasional flapping wings and foot treading. Gulls now number 97, same number harbor seal. Light fading and animal difficult to see.

Jan. 30, 1992

11:12 A.M. Pelagic Cormorant caught on Leo Reef beacon platform still alive and flapping wings and foot treading. Reported to Wolfhollow Wildlife Rehabilitation Center in Friday Harbor. 11:40 A.M. pelagic cormorant released from Leo Reef Light beacon. Lower mandibles pierced by nail as bird fluttered down from rail.



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

Feb. 2, 1992

10:30 A.M. 2 river otters swam and fished 5 past Bee House. Ordinarily otter swim and fish together but in this case one followed 100'-150' behind leading otter. Waves 1 1/2 - 2' high and otter rode the contours of the waves rather than dip under each wave. In rough water, more of the head, body and tail are exposed.

at the same time 103 mew gulls (80 ad, 5 second year, 18 last year). hunted and fed on surface material into wind, creled to entrance of Spring Cove and then repeated operation. Occasionally they all rested on water at mouth ^{Spring} Cove. On three occasions while resting on water, they all left instantaneously, formed compact unit and flew NW 100'-200' and alighted again, then later returned to hunting out from cove. Tails of several mew gulls are:



10:45 A.M. First Townsend chipmunk this year. Fed one hour and did not see for rest of day. Appeared in good health and normal pelage. 5 bald eagle sightings today (2 im, 3 adult) 2 adults have been on Flower Island most of day.

Feb. 3, 1992

4:00 P.M. 31 harbor seal on Leo Reef and most observed this winter. Day 58°F and unusually calm and cloudless. First good day after about 2 weeks of rain and cloudy weather.

2 ad. bald eagles together Flower Island. 1 ad eagle 100' SW of nest on NE Frost Island. No Townsend chipmunks today.