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Pleasant weather greeted the 70 people who attended part or all of the 1985 Fall Field Day, at the 4-H Camp at Halsey National Forest, 5 and 6 October. There was a slide show Friday night and the official tally Sunday noon, but other than the scheduled meals, the rest of the time was free for individual birding. The committee on a records committee completed its work and presented its report to the directors. The report was accepted and Tanya Bray, Ruth Green, and Wayne Mollhoff were appointed to 3 year terms on the committee, Alice Kenitz and Barbara Padelford for 2 year terms, and R. G. Cortelyou and Gary Lingle to 1 year terms. The Red-necked Grebe reported by Bill Garthright and the Eurasian Wigeons reported by Alice Kenitz were selected as the best birds reported for the period. It was decided that a discount of \$.50 be given for memberships and subscriptions for subsequent years paid for with the current year's payment.

The number of species seen on the Forest or immediately adjacent was 72 (it was 81 last year), but 17 (marked *) were recorded off the Forest, but in its general vicinity by parties coming in from the east, or by a couple of parties that went up toward Purdham, one of which went up to the lakes in Brown County. The low count on the Forest may have been due to a snowfall the previous weekend. The snow had disappeared before the Field Day. The species recorded were: Pied-billed Grebe*, Double-crested Cormorant*, Great Blue Heron, Canada Goose*, Wood Duck, Green-winged Teal, Mallard, Northern Pintail, Northern Shoveler*, Ruddy Duck, Northern Harrier; Sharp-shinned, Swainson's, Red-tailed, and Ferruginous Hawks; Golden Eagle*, American Kestrel, Prairie Falcon*, Ring-necked Pheasant, Greater Prairie-Chicken*, Sharp-tailed Grouse, American Coot*, Sandhill Crane, Killdeer, Greater Yellowlegs*, Ring-billed Gull*; Rock* and Mourning Doves; Eastern Screech-Owl, Great Horned Owl, Common Poorwill, Belted Kingfisher; Red-headed, Red-bellied, Downy, and Hairy Woodpeckers; Northern Flicker, Say's Phoebe, Horned Lark, Blue Jay, Black-billed Magpie, American Crow, Black-capped Chickadee; Red-breasted and White-breasted Nuthatches; Brown Creeper, House Wren; Golden-crowned and Ruby-crowned Kinglets; Eastern Bluebird, Townsend's Solitaire, Hermit Thrush, American Robin, Gray Catbird, Brown Thrasher, Water Pipit*, Cedar Waxwing, European Starling; Orange-crowned, Yellow-rumped, Bay-breasted, and Wilson's Warblers; Northern Cardinal, Indigo Bunting, Rufous-sided Towhee; American Tree, Chipping, Clay-colored, Field, Grasshopper, Le Conte's*, Sharp-tailed*, Fox, Song, Lincoln's, Swamp*, White-throated, White-crowned, and Harris' Sparrows; Dark-eyed Junco, Red-winged Blackbird*, Western Meadowlark, Brewer's Blackbird*, Common Grackle, Brown-headed Cowbird, Red Crossbill, Pine Siskin, American Goldfinch, Evening Grosbeak, and House Sparrow.