

LOUISIANA ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY

LOUISIANA BIRD RECORDS COMMITTEE

REPORT FORM

This form is intended as a convenience in reporting observations of species on the LBRC Review List. The LBRC recommends the use of this form or this format when submitting records for review (to assure that all information involving an observation is accounted for). Attach additional sheets if necessary. Please print or type. Attach drawings, photographs, or tape recordings, if available. Include all photos if an obscurely marked species. When completed, mail to: LBRC Secretary, c/o Museum of Natural Science, 119 Foster Hall, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803-3216.

1. English and scientific name: FERRUGINOUS HAWK (*Buteo regalis*)
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2ad. in breeding plumage): 1, imm
3. Locality: LOUISIANA state ACADIA parish
HIGHWAY 1115, N 3 MILES WEST OF HIGHWAY 13 SOUTH OF CROWLEY specific locality
4. Date(s) when seen: OCTOBER 28, 1989
5. Times of day when seen: 1:30 P.M. (CDT)
6. Reporting observer and address: J. P. KLEIMAN
 15913 MALVERN HILL
 BATON ROUGE, LA 70817
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also identified the bird: NONE
8. Other observers who independently identified the bird: NONE
9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): SUNNY, GOOD LIGHT, BIRD SEEN WITH LIGHT AT MY BACK
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): ZEISS 10X40 BINOC.
11. Distance to bird: 100 FT TO ABOUT 100 YDS
12. Duration of observation: ABOUT 0.5 HRS.
13. Habitat: DRY RICE FIELD
14. Behavior (flying, feeding, resting, etc. - include and stress any habits used in identification):
 BIRD WAS SOARING OVERHEAD WHILE A FARMER WAS HARVESTING HIS DRY RICE FIELD - BIRD HOVERED OCCASIONALLY WHILE HUNTING - SOARED WITH SLIGHT DIHEDRAL - SEEMED TO BE ATTRACTED TO THE FIELD BY THE HARVESTING

15. Description (Include only what was actually seen, not what "should" have been seen). Include if possible: total length or relative size compared to other species present or familiar species; body bulk; shape, bill, eye, leg and plumage characteristics. Stress features that separate it from similar species:

LARGE HAWK, RED-TAIL SIZE BUT WAS NOT AS BULKY (LONGER WINGED AND TAIL) UNDERNEATH BIRD WAS VERY WHITE WITH A HINT OF A DARK V FORMED BY LEGS - HAD DARK ~~BLACK~~ COMMA AT WRIST AND SOME DARK FEATHERS IN AXILLARY AREA - TAIL PALE UNDERNEATH, NO BANDS - FROM ABOVE THE BIRD HAD EXTENSIVE WHITE CRESCENT-SHAPED WING PATCHES, ENDS OF PRIMARIES DARK, WINGS BROWN, BODY BROWN MOTTLED WITH WHITE, TOP OF HEAD BROWN, WHITE TAIL WITH BROWN FEATHERING AT END OF TAIL

16. Voice:

17. Similar species (include how they are eliminated by your observations):

RED-TAILED ("KRIDER'S") HAWK - MY BIRD WAS MUCH PALER UNDERNEATH THAN THE "KRIDER'S" I HAVE SEEN AND DID NOT HAVE DARK LEADING EDGE ON UNDERWING NEAR BODY. ALSO THE LARGE, CRESCENT-SHAPED WHITE MARKINGS ON UPPER WING WERE MUCH BETTER DEFINED AND MORE EXTENSIVE THAN ON "KRIDER'S." ALSO BIRD'S SHAPE WAS LONGER, SLIMMER THAN RED-TAILS NEARBY.

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained (By whom? Attached?):

NONE

19. Previous experience with this species:

SEEN SEVERAL TIMES OUT WEST AND IN TEXAS (WINTER) (SUMMER)

20. Aids: List books, illustrations, birders, etc. used in identification:

a) at time of observation: NAT. GEOGRAPHIC - BIRDS OF N. AMERICA

b) after observation: SAME

21. This description written from: notes made during observation; notes made after observation (date: _____); memory.

22. Are you positive of your identification? YES. If not, explain:

23. Signature of reporter: Joseph P. Kleiman

24. Date and time of writing this account:

12/6/89 8:45 P.M.