

Louisiana Ornithological Society's
LOUISIANA BIRD RECORDS COMMITTEE

Rare Bird Report Form

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

1. English and Scientific names: Brown-crested Flycatcher
Myiarchus tyrannulus
2. Number of individuals, age, sex, general plumage (e. g., "2 adult males in alternate <breeding> plumage"): 1 adult
3. Locality: LOUISIANA: Jeff. Davis
LaCassine WLR (parish) (see map)
(specific locality)
4. Date(s) when observed: 12-29-78
5. Time(s) of day when observed: approx 8:00
6. Reporting observer and address: C. FOIL
1180 Stanford Ave
B. R.
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also identified the bird(s): Ø
8. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s): Ø
9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): excellent. Understory when first observed; worked bird along bank
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): 10x40 Leica excellent
11. Distance to bird(s): 8' - 30'
12. Duration of observation: 10 minutes

13. Habitat: Spoil bank + small cypress
14. Behavior of bird/circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding the observation): Perched quietly + flying
15. Description (include only what was actually seen, not what "should" have been seen; if possible, give details on total length/relative size compared to other familiar species, body bulk, shape, proportions, bill, eye, leg, and plumage characteristics. Stress features that separate it from similar species. Attach additional pages as necessary):
First observation was from underneath + I first thought it was a trogon-type bird. It had thick black bill + peachy throat + upper breast merging into bright lemon yellow upper belly. When I saw it as a Myiarchus, we worked the bird to get a tail view. Tail was showing vertical stripes, more brown than rufous. End of tail rounded well. Face was pale tan-gray + Bird was very cresty with rounded grey-brown crest contrasting well with face.
16. Voice: Silent
17. Similar species (and how are they eliminated by your description?): Gr. Crested
Bill too large, crest too round. Ashthroated. Bill much too large
18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): + tail pattern
19. Previous experience with this species: no, sorry
2 times > 15 years ago
lots of Gr. Crested tho!
20. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification):
a. at time of observation: Ø
b. after observation: NGS
21. This description is written from: X notes made during the observation; notes made after the observation (date:); X memory. (re crest description)
22. Are you positive of your identification (if not, then explain?): Yes
23. Signature of reporter: CB. J. J. 12-29-98
(date)