

# LOUISIANA BIRD RECORDS COMMITTEE

## 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 assure that all pertinent information is accounted for. Attach additional pages or files as necessary. Please print or type for hard copy. For electronic copy, be sure to save this file to your computer before entering text. Attach field notes, drawings, photographs, or tape recordings, if available. Include all photos for more obscurely marked species. When completed (if hard copy), mail to Secretary, Louisiana Bird Records Committee, c/o Museum of Natural Science, 119 Foster Hall, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803-3216, or e-mail electronic copy as an attachment to Paul Edward Conover at <[zoiseaux@lusfiber.net](mailto:zoiseaux@lusfiber.net)> .

1. English and Scientific names: Black-headed Grosbeak
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):  
Male ?
3. Parish: EBRP  
Specific Locality: 6206 Destrehan Drive, Baton Rouge, La. 70820
4. Date(s) when observed: 1/29/2016

Hi Paul,

I've seen the Black Headed Grosbeak now four times:

1/29/16 - am at fruit and nut seed blend feeder (first sighting with pic)

2/6/16 - am at tray feeder (no pic)

2/20/16 -am at tray feeder (no pic)

3/21/16 - evening at tray feeder with sunflower seed (attaching pics)

5. Time(s) of day when observed: 9:00 am
6. Reporting observer and address: Bridget H. Mayo, 6206 Destrehan Drive, Baton Rouge, La. 70820
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s):
8. Other observers who *independently identified* the bird(s):
9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): At feeder facing East

10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Nikon D610, 300mm lens through kitchen window
11. Distance to bird(s): approx.. 30 feet
12. Duration of observation: 10 minutes
13. Habitat: Suburban neighborhood
14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): Feeding at feeder stocked with fruit and nut blend
15. Description (include only what was actually seen, *not what "should" have been seen*; include if possible: 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, *or for species that are known to hybridize frequently, stress features that help eliminate possible hybrids*): See photo attached.
16. Voice: Not heard
17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation):
18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): Photo obtained by reporter –emailed to Jane Patterson for ID
19. Previous experience with this species: None
20. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification): Jane Patterson ID'd
- a. at time of observation: Took photo for later ID –all I knew was that it was a new bird at my feeder.
- b. after observation: Jane Patterson
21. This description is written from:
- |                                     |                                    |                     |                          |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | notes made during the observation. | Are notes attached? | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | notes made after the observation.  | At what date?       | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | memory                             |                     |                          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | study of images                    |                     |                          |

22. Are you positive of your identification? If not, explain: Yes as to species –not sure of

sex – Jane initially thought female but Erik Johnson believes it may be young male

23. Date: 1/29/2016

Time: 9:00 a.m.

24. May the LBRC have permission to display this report or portions of this report on its website?  Yes \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, may we include your name with the report?  Yes \_\_\_\_\_