

LOUISIANA ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY

BIRD RECORDS COMMITTEE

REPORT FORM

95-10

This form is intended as a convenience in reporting observations of unusual birds. It may be used flexibly and need not be used at all. Leave blank any details not observed. Attach additional sheets if necessary. Please print or type. Attach drawings, photographs, etc.; include all photos if an obscurely marked species. When completed, mail to the Secretary of the LOS Bird Records Committee.

1. Common and scientific name: Ash-throated Flycatcher (*Myiarchus cinerascens*)
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g. 2ad. in breeding plumage): 2 adults
3. Locality: Louisiana: Across Hwy 23 from Fort Jackson Parish: Plaquemines
4. Date(s) when seen: 8:30 on January 21, 1995 and 9:45 on same day
5. Times of day when seen:
6. Reporting observer and address: Phillip Wallace, 4515 S. Brier St.
New Orleans, LA 70125
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also identified the bird:
Curt Sorrells
8. Other observers who independently identified the bird:
9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): Good; clear
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Zeiss 10x40 binoculars
11. Distance to bird: 20-40 ft.
12. Duration of observation: 30 minutes
13. Habitat (general and specific):
Brush
14. Behavior (flying, feeding, resting, etc.; include and stress any habits used in identification):
Resting, flying, flycatching
15. Description (Include only what was actually seen, not what "should" have been seen. Include if possible: total length; body bulk; shape, bill, eye, and leg characteristics; color and pattern of plumage, etc. Stress field marks):

Brown head and back.

Dark brown wings with cinnamon outer primary streak.

Faint white wing bars

Tail brown with rufous; brown on one rectrix clearly crossed the vein of the feather at terminal end, showing J pattern (upper side of rectrix)



Pale gray throat, blending into pale yellow belly

All dark bill

16. Voice: "Whit" note; soft, but audible from a surprising distance

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

Brown-crested eliminated by tail pattern and call note.
Tail not seen on 2nd individual, but call heard.

18. Photographs (Was it photographed? By whom? Attached?):

Slides by Wallace accompanying report. (Slides of 1st individual)
Videotaped by Sorrells

19. Previous experience with this species:

Seen several times in Texas, Arizona, and Louisiana

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

a) at time of observation; None

b) after observation: NGS; American Birds, Vol. 36, no. 3, pp. 241-247

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

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

23. Signature of reporter:

Philly Wallace

24. Date and time of writing this account:

March 5, 1985

10:30 a.m.