

# 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 as necessary. Please print or type. Attach xerox of field notes, drawings, photographs, or tape recordings, if available. Include all photos for more 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: Scaly-breasted Munia <i>Lonchura punctulata</i>
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage): 1 adult
3. Locality: <b>LOUISIANA</b> Parish: <u>St. Tammany</u> Specific locality: <u>(My backyard) 104 Penn Mill Lakes Blvd, Covington, LA (near Lake Ramsey)</u>
4. Date(s) when observed: <u>9/24/2020</u>
5. Time(s) of day when observed: <u>About 1:30PM</u>
6. Reporting observer and address: <b>Tom Trenchard, 104 Penn Mill Lakes Blvd, Covington, LA 70435-0573; email: trench19@hotmail.com</b>
7. <u>Other observers</u> accompanying reporter who also <i>identified</i> the bird(s): <u>N/A</u>
8. <u>Other observers who independently identified</u> the bird(s): <u>N/A</u>
9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): <u>Cloudy, but decent light.</u>
10. Optics: <b>Tom-10x42 Bushnell; Sony DSC-H50 Digital Camera</b>
11. Distance to bird(s): <u>About 10 feet.</u>
12. Duration of observation: <u>About 5 minutes</u>
13. Habitat: <u>Concrete patio feeding on bird seed mix consisting of a combo of millet, milo and black oil sunflower seed.</u>
14. Behavior of bird/circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): <u>Feeding.</u>
15. Description (include only what was actually seen, <i>not what "should" have been seen</i> ; 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): <u>Small (about 5"), finch-like passerine with black &amp; white scaled appearance on flanks, brown above, buffy under tail; heavy, black, conical bill. This is a new yard bird.</u>
16. Voice: <u>Not heard.</u>
17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): <u>There are no other finches, sparrows or grosbeak/bunting type species that are even closely similar to the color pattern of this bird.</u>
18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): <u>Yes, provided with this form.</u>
19. Previous experience with this species: <u>Only as a cage bird; and seen online.</u>
20. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification): <u>iBird Pro.</u>
a. at time of observation: <u>Yes</u>
b. after observation: <u>Yes</u>
21. This description is written from: <input type="checkbox"/> notes made during the observation ( <input type="checkbox"/> notes attached?) <input type="checkbox"/> notes made after the observation (date: _____); <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> memory: <u>same day as sighting.</u>
22. Are you positive of your identification if not, explain: <u>Absolutely 100% certain.</u>
23. Signature of reporter: <u>Thomas Trenchard</u> Date/Time: <u>9/24/2020 8PM</u>
24. May the LBRC have permission to display this report or portions of this report on its website? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, may we include your name with the report? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No