

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> .

1. English and Scientific names: Townsend's warbler *Setophaga townsendi*
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):
One bird seen, not sure as to age and sex
3. Parish: Orleans
Specific Locality: Wisner tract of Old East Golf Course of New Orleans City Park
4. Date(s) when observed: 9/26/2017
5. Time(s) of day when observed: 9:29 and 9:38 a.m.
6. Reporting observer and address: Joan Garvey 1320 New York St., New Orleans, LA 70122
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s): Cathy DiSalvo, Glenn Oussett, Joelle Finley, Ken Harris, Aelita Pinter, Giovanni Ortiz
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): Good light and in full sun
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Canon EOS 7D Mark II with a Canon EF300mm f/4L IS USM + 1.4x teleconverter
11. Distance to bird(s): 25 feet
12. Duration of observation: 2 minutes total
13. Habitat: A mowed field with mature live oaks along pathways and in groups in an area which was a former golf course.
14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): The bird was foraging at the top of the oak in a mixed flock.

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*): The warbler-sized bird had a bright yellow face and throat with dark blackish streaks on its flanks and sides of its breast. There was a dark ear patch and yellow undereye arc. Underparts were white and the bird had white wing bars. It had a greenish back.

16. Voice: none

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): Blackburnian came to mind at first but the eye patch wasn't triangular and the bird was yellow, not orange. It had us puzzled after we took a few photos and looked in the National Geographic field guide so we went back and relocated the bird and took more photos.

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): Joan Garvey and Glenn Oussett

19. Previous experience with this species: none

20. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification):

a. at time of observation: National Geographic Field Guide and ibirdpro

b. after observation: the Warbler Guide by Stephenson and Whittle

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

23. Date: 9/26/2017

Time: 9:29 and 9:38 a.m.

24. May the LBRC have permission to display in whole or in part this report and accompanying photos on the LOS-LBRC website and LBRC Facebook page?

_____yes_____

If yes, may we include your name with the report? _____yes_____







