

Documentation Form  
Extraordinary Bird Sightings in Iowa

Species Peregrine Falcon - adult  
Location Runnells Game Area - Warren Co.  
Habitat Open floodplain  
Date(s) Sept. 30, 1984 Time 7:45 - 7:50 am  
Name and Address Jim Sinclair, 810 76 St. Indianola  
Other observers David Youngblut

Describe the bird

First observed flying low. Blue-black back, long swept back wings. Bird landed on ground affording more detailed look. Light belly, distinctive head and facial pattern.

Similar species - Coloration, size and most importantly head pattern confirmed bird as Peregrine Falcon.

Did anyone disagree or have reservations? No.

Viewing conditions: lighting, distance, optics, etc.  
Clear skies - early morning. Observed at approximately 150 - 175 yards. Bushnell 10x by 50 binoculars while bird was in flight and Discoverer 60 scope while bird was sitting.

References - none

How long before this form completed? Two months.