

Birds : Verifying Documentation

1. Species - Mississippi Kite 2. Number - 1
3. Location: George Wyth State Park
4. Date: Apr. 12 5. Time Bird Seen: 4:20 Pm to 4:35 Pm
6. Description - Body Small ~~Wings~~ <sup>about</sup> about 14 inches long Wingspread about 40" Body Grayish ~~with~~ with Black Primaries and Black Tail band - a siliceous Gray color tail ~~is~~ notched
7. Voice - ~~~~~
8. Behavior - ~~It~~ Was Diving and Swooping like a swallow along cedar River. lifted head in air and catching insects
9. Habitat - Lowland river bottoms with Pecidious Woodland.
10. Similar appearing species - Pile Marsh Hawk which has a ~~all~~ white rump patch
11. Distance - an estimated 40 feet at the closest
12. Optical equipment - 10x50 binoculars wide angle
13. Light - Good to Poor Sunny then Poor when first watching bird sun was behind ~~me~~ <sup>us</sup> while watching bird and then clouds moved in.
14. Previous experience with species - I seen at Osasco by many observers.
15. Observers - Tom Stone Jr and Tom Stone
16. Agreement on Identification - ~~My~~ My father agreed on the ident.
17. Books - Birds of North America by Robinson and Singer gives good ~~simple~~ description
18. How long after seeing bird did you first write this description - soon as I get home.

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