

BIRDS: VERIFYING DOCUMENTATION OF  
AN EXTRAORDINARY SIGHT RECORD

1. Species Peregrine Falcon 2. Number 1  
3. Location Cedar Falls  
4. Date: Dec 27 5. Time Bird Seen: 11:10 to 11:12

6. Description of size, shape and color-pattern (describe in great detail all parts of the plumage, and beak and feet coloration, in addition, to the diagnostic characteristics, but include only what actually was seen in the field):

Crow size. Bird was close enough to see black cap and facial marks. Long wings, curvature of wing were noted, pointed wings, rounded tail

7. Description of voice, if heard:

8. Description of behavior:

9. Habitat - general:

specific:

near stream with open field nearby, Cedar River + George with park 1/4 mile away

10. Similarly appearing species which are eliminated by questions 6, 7 & 8. Explain:

Cooper Hawk - I saw the facial marks, long wings, did not have Cooper's Hawk's tail

11. Distance (how measured)?

50 ft to 200 yards

fly height of telephone poles

12. Optical equipment:

7-50 BINOX.

13. Light (sky, light on bird, position of sun in relation to bird and you):

COMPLETE OVERCAST,

14. Previous experience with this species and similarly appearing species:

seen two other occasions

15. Other observers:

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16. Did the others agree with your identification?

yes

17. Other observers who independently identified this bird:

18. Books, illustrations and advice consulted, and how did these influence this description:

Birds of North America, facial feature were exactly like the book

19. How long after observing this bird did you first write this description? Same day

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