

White-winged Dove

28 Apr 1997

Le Grand, Marshall Co., IA

*M. Proescholdt, *****

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A-P, Seen well by many observers.



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coverts are typical of juvenile light-morph Ferruginous Hawk. A close view or view from a favorable angle is needed to confirm many of these field marks. The large size and long narrow wings typical of Ferruginous Hawk are useful to the experienced observer.

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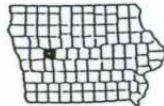
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BRANT IN CARROLL COUNTY

RUSS BEHRENS

On 29 November 1996, while viewing a large flock of Canada Geese at Swan Lake State Park in Carroll County, I noticed one bird perched on the ice that was quite different from the 1,500-2,000 Canada Geese that were present. Those geese were mostly intermediate-sized Canada Geese, smaller than the "Giant" Canada Geese that typically nest in Iowa. This bird was somewhat smaller than the other geese, about the size of the much smaller "Hutchins" subspecies of Canada Goose that migrates through Iowa. The bird was obviously some type of waterfowl but stayed away from the rest of the waterfowl that were present. The most obvious difference was its coloration. Its head, neck, and chest were all very dark, almost black, in color. There was a white ring around the neck, noticeable but not so pronounced as in a Canada Goose. The sides of the body were also dark colored but had some white bands or stripes on them. The rear of the body was pure white. Besides being smaller than the Canada Geese that were present, the bird's bill was shorter and blunter and the neck was also shorter in proportion to its body. In shape, it looked very much like a "Hutchins" Goose. Based on the bird's coloration, size, and shape, I identified it as a Brant, most likely of the western *nigricans* subspecies. Several other people who were with me also saw the bird and agreed that it was different from the Canada Geese. I talked to people at the park, and they told me that it was not a domestic bird that had been released at the park. There are four other reports of Brant from Iowa, all of them reported in fall (Kent and Dinsmore, *Birds in Iowa*, 1996).



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WHITE-WINGED DOVE AT LE GRAND IN MARSHALL COUNTY

MARK PROESCHOLDT

On 28 April 1997, I was at the high school parking lot in Le Grand. As I got out of my van, I heard the loud, distinctive call of a White-winged Dove. It was the loud "who cooks for you" call that I have heard and enjoyed on a number of trips to southeastern Arizona. I walked to the yard next to the parking lot and saw a White-winged Dove fly from one tree to another. In my initial look at it, it looked much like a Mourning Dove with bright white wing patches.

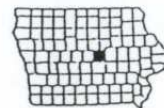


Fig 1. White-winged Dove at Le Grand, Marshall County, 28 April, 1997. Photo by Thomas H. Kent.



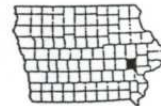
On 1 May 1997, I saw it perched on wires by a church near the school and saw the white slash on its wings. On 10 May I heard it calling and saw it flying around some. At that time, I first saw the white in its tail and the squared-off end of the tail. Many people saw this bird, and it stayed at least through 17 May. This is the second state record of a White-winged Dove following the first sighting on a White-winged Dove by Nelson Hoskins of Ottumwa on 8-14 April 1997 at his feeder during a snow storm.

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IMMATURE WHITE IBIS AT CORALVILLE RESERVOIR

THOMAS H. KENT

An immature White Ibis was found at Half-moon Lake on Greencastle Avenue in the Hawkeye Wildlife Area of the Coralville Reservoir in Johnson County on the afternoon of 5 September 1995 by James Huntington. James immediately notified many local birders who saw the bird that evening, and the word was spread so that many birders were able to see the ibis on their way to or from the I.O.U. meeting in Davenport the next weekend.



The bird was obviously an ibis with long legs and neck, and thick, down-turned bill. The upper parts were brown and the belly, under rump, and upper thighs white. The gray of the belly extended up around the leading edge of the wing. On the left side of the folded wing (but not on the right) there was a conspicuous white spot. The head, neck, and upper breast were streaked brown. The soft brown of the face was

What species? White-winged Dove How many? 1Location? in LeGrand - Marshall CountyType of habitat? Residential area by school and a churchWhen? date(s): April 28, 1997 ^{app.} time: 3:15 p.m. to 3:17 p.m.Who? your name and address: (also may 1 and may 10) Mark Proescholdt, Box 65, Liscumb, Iowa 50148others with you: Beth Proescholdt and Russ Widner on May 10others before or after you: many observers - Jim Fuller, Armstrongs, Aikens, Hank Zaletel,Describe the bird(s) including only what you observed. Include size, shape, details of all parts (bill, eye, head, neck, back, wing, tail, throat, breast, belly, under tail, legs, feet). Also mention voice and behavior.
Tom Kent, Ann Johnson, Pete Petersen

I heard its distinctive call from the school parking lot. It was a loud "who coeks for you" song. I walked to the yard nearby and saw it fly from one tree to another showing bright white wing patches in flight. It was like a Mourning Dove with bright white wing patches. I saw it with my eyes only then. I had heard this lovely, distinctive song often in southeast Arizona.

On May 1, I saw it perched on wires by the church and saw the white slash on its wings.

On May 10, we saw it well and heard it calling. It was flying around some. I saw the white in its tail for the first time and the squared-off tail look.

Similar species and how eliminated:

No other dove looks like this one.

Did any one disagree or have reservations about identification? NO

If yes, explain:

Viewing conditions: give lighting, distance (how measured), and optical equipment:

April 28 - Sunny with sun behind me, 20-25 yards estimated. Eyes only
Later - 8x30 Binocs.

Previous experience with species and similar ones:

Have seen this bird and heard it on my trips to southeast Arizona.
References and persons consulted before writing description: None

How long before field notes made? 5:30 a.m. this form completed? May 31, 1997
on April 29th

DOCUMENTATION OF RARE BIRD

SPECIES: White-winged Dove

LOCATION: Residential neighborhood in LeGrand (Marshall County)

DATE & TIME: 28 April, 1997 (6:15-50 PM)

OBSERVER: Jim Fuller, 6 Longview Knoll NE, Iowa City, Iowa, 52240

OTHERS: Discovered by Mark Proescholdt. With me were Tom Kent and Dick Tetrault

DESCRIPTION: A White-winged Dove was reported at a location just east of the high school in LeGrand by Mark Proescholdt at mid-afternoon. We arrived shortly after 6 PM, and immediately heard a cooing, but looked in the wrong direction. After hearing the cooing again, we soon spotted the bird as it flew into a tree directly in front of us. For the next 35 minutes we watched the bird at various locations in a one block square area. In general, the bird was about the size of and looked very similar to a Mourning Dove. It was generally gray, but with an obviously shorter and unpointed tail. The most noticable features were a conspicuous white area on the wing, which included the secondaries, and a relatively short, squared off (with rounded outer edges) tail. The underparts were gray and not scaled. The undertail showed a broad white terminal band, and a narrower black band. The head showed a prominent dark line on the sides of the neck, a red eye surrounded by blue which extended forward to the base of the bill. The bill was black and short. The legs and feet were a dull red. In flight, the large white patches on the upperwing included the inner portions of the secondaries. The underwing was a solid light gray. The flared tail was rounded and the wide white terminal band, and inner black band, were easily seen. The bird appeared to be very nervous, and flew often, sometimes half a block away. It also cooed almost constantly, in a rolling series of coos.

SIMILAR SPECIES: Mourning Dove lacks white wing patches, red eye, and the large amount of blue surrounding the eye. It also has a long and pointed tail, has a shorter black line on the neck, and makes a different sound.

OPTICS & VIEWING CONDITIONS: It was evening of a clear day. Viewing was most often east, south, or north at distances of 100-200 feet. Swift Audubon (8.5 X 44) binoculars and KOWA TSN4 (20X) telescope were used.

PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE: I am familiar with this species, and have seen it often in the southwest US.

REFERENCES & FIELD NOTES: Looked at National Geographic guide in car after viewing. Wrote notes that night after returning home, and typed this form on 29 April.

DOCUMENTATION OF EXTRAORDINARY BIRD SIGHTING

Species: White-winged Dove; **Number:** 1

Location: Le Grande, Iowa

Date: 28 April 1997; **Time:** 6:15 to 6:50 p.m.

Name and address: Thomas H. Kent, 211 Richards St., Iowa City, IA 52246.

Others before/with/after: found by Mark Proescholdt earlier in afternoon; Jim Fuller and Dick Tetrault with me.

Habitat and circumstances: small town, near school, church, and houses with tall trees.

Description of bird: Appeared slightly larger and bulkier than Mourning Dove, although none were seen for direct comparison. The white patch on the folded wing was at the lower edge of the wing and was always evident. It was also seen as a diagonal patch along the secondary coverts in flight. The tail was long and rounded with white patches at the corners in flight. From below on the sitting bird there were big white patches at the tip and white under tail coverts. The proximal rectrices were nearly black from below in sitting and flying. The eye was red and facial area blue. There was a nearly straight oblique black line on the lower face. The overall color of the bird was soft tan with the flight feathers darker. The shape of the bird was that of a dove. The bird flew back and forth from several trees and the church many times while we were there. Photos taken.

Voice: We heard the bird before we saw it, and, in fact, we thought the sound came from the school so that we wasted some time looking behind the school first. The bird called much of the time that we were there. Its whoo call was quite different from Mourning Dove that could be heard in the area. Recordings made.

Similar species: The visual features and call easily separate this species from Mourning Dove, the resident species of dove.

Any one have reservations?: no

Light: low sun, direction variable by walking around the bird; **Distance:** as close as 50 feet; **Optics:** 10x binocular, 20x scope, 540mm lens.

Previous experience: I have seen many in Texas and Arizona.

References before/after viewing: none

Time of notes: none; **Final typing:** 14 hours.

DOCUMENTATION FORM

For Extraordinary Bird Sightings in Iowa

Species: White-winged Dove**Number:** 1**Location:** LeGrand, Marshall Co.**Habitat:** Residential neighborhood.**Date and time:** April 29, 1997, 6:05 p.m. - 6:40 p.m.**Name and address:** Chris Edwards, 85 Whitman Ave., North Liberty, IA 52317**Others with you:** Chris Caster, Jim Dinsmore.**Others before or after you:** Mark Proescholt, Jim Fuller (before).**Describe the bird(s) including only what you observed. Include size, shape, details of all parts (bill, eye, head, neck, back, wing, tail, throat, breast, belly, undertail, legs, feet). Also mention voice and behavior.**

The bird was very similar in size and shape to a Mourning Dove, but had a much shorter rounded tail. The bird was light brown overall, with a short black line behind and below the eye. While perched, the white wing patch appeared as a thin white crescent at the bottom of the folded wing. In flight, the upperside of the wing appeared mostly blackish with a large white patch near the base, and the underside of the wing appeared gray. The tail (upperside and underside) had a wide white terminal band, a black subterminal band, and a brown base, except for the central tail feathers which appeared entirely brown. The vent area had some whitish mottling. The bill was short, thin, black, and slightly downcurved. The eye appeared dark. The legs and feet were pale pink.

The bird flew repeatedly between several perches in a one-block area, primarily a large tree and a church roof. It called frequently, a cooing "who cooks for you".

Similar species eliminated: The white wing patch and tail shape are distinctive.**Did anyone disagree or have reservations about the identification?** No.**Viewing conditions:** 10 - 40 yards away with sunlight from the side; viewed with 8 x 40 binoculars.**Previous experience with species and similar ones:** Have seen this species several times in Arizona. Very familiar with Mourning Dove.**References and persons consulted before writing description:** National Geographic *Birds of North America*.**How long before field notes made:** During observation.**How long before this form completed:** Four hours.

DOCUMENTATION FORM
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What species? White-winged Dove How many? 1

Location? 1/2 block E of school in Le Grand, Marshall Co. + A

Type of Habitat? residential area of town

When? date(s): May 1, 1997 time: 9:20^{AM} to 9:26^{AM} CST

Who? your name and address: Peter C. Petersen, 235 McClellan Blvd, Davenport, IA 52603

Others with you: Kelly McKay

Others before or after you: Mark, Beth Proscholdt, Pam Reid, Allen, Jim Fuller + Kelly

Describe the bird(s) including only what you observed. Include size, shape, details of all parts (bill, eye, head, neck, back, wing, tail, throat, breast, belly, undertail, legs, feet). Also mention voice and behavior.

Head, neck & body tan, including back. Tail rounded like Rock Dove, white at corners (rear). Wing showed large area of white over secondaries, could be seen easily when bird was perched, very obvious in flight. In flight the dark secondaries white-tipped, primaries dark. Bird "Fut" like a Rock Dove. Call a loud series of hoo's - very distinctive. We saw the bird display by wing spreading to a Mourning Dove, then chase it. It sat on an antenna on church roof & flew briefly.

Similar species; how eliminated: M. Dove - no white on wings, long tail
White-c. Dove - no white on wings, less white on tail
Ringed Turtle Dove - it is paler, longer tail, no white on wings

Did any one disagree or have reservations about the identification? no
If yes, explain:

Viewing conditions: give lighting, distance (how measured), optical equipment.
sun behind obs, distance at closest obs. 30m.
10x40 Zeiss + Leica binocs

Previous experience with species and similar ones: PCP has seen many in SE US

References and persons consulted before writing description: none

How long before field notes made? 30 min this form completed? 4 hours

Send completed form to Field Reports or CBC editor (address on back cover of Iowa Bird Life).

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DOCUMENTATION FORM

Species: White-winged Dove (*Zenaida asiatica*)

Location: LeGrand, Marshall County, IA

Date: 3 May 1997 **Time:** 10:45 AM **Length of observation:** 20 minutes

Name and Address: Ann Johnson, 532 120th Avenue, Norwalk, IA 50211

Other observers: None at time

Background: This bird had been reported to the birdline by Mark Proescholdt. After arriving at the location, it took about 10 minutes to find it.

Viewing conditions (light, distance, optics): Sky was gray. Bird was observed through 7X42 binocs at varying distances but as close as 150 feet.

Description of bird: The bird was an overall brownish-gray color. It was a fairly good sized passerine with a fairly stocky body and smallish head. A red eye was surrounded by blue skin or feathers. A white stripe was visible along the edge of the bird's wing coverts when it was perched. The tail was shorter than that of a Mourning Dove and was more rounded. White corners were visible.

When the bird flew, the white in the wing appeared more extensive – big patches. I also appeared to have a broad tail band that was incomplete in the center, leaving broad white corners. It did considerable moving around in a one block neighborhood when I was there, stopping to perch on wires in the alley behind the church.

The bird did not call.

Similar species/discussion: Mourning Dove is similar in size but has a long pointed tail and no white in the wing. The only other dove to show white in both the wing and the tail is Zenaida Dove, where the white is restricted the trailing edge of the secondaries.

Previous experience: I had just returned from Texas where White-winged Doves were in abundance. I have seen many over the years.

References consulted:

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