

## DOCUMENTATION FORM for extraordinary bird sightings in Iowa

What species? Pine Warbler How many? 1Location? Wolf Creek Co. Park - (Grundy Co.)Type of habitat? Big Oak trees along a streamWhen? date(s): Oct. 4, 1993 time: 10:12 a.m. ~~to~~ for approximately 30-40 secondsWho? your name and address: Mark Proescholdt, Box 65, Liscomb, Iowa 50148others with you: Noneothers before or after you: None

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.

I was watching lots of Kinglets flitting around when I saw a warbler with them. I was looking up at this warbler as it flitted around in an oak tree. It had a light yellowish wash on its throat and upper breast. It had definite white ~~in~~ underparts and it was clear white to the undertail. It showed bright white wing bars and had a greenish-olive back which I saw once but not long enough to look for possible streaks on the back. It had light grayish legs and light black streaks on its flanks. There was no streaking on its breast or belly. It had a dark eye-line-look. It was definitely a warbler and not a Yellow-throated Vireo. It had a greenish side of its face with no spectacles. It was a nice surprise!

Similar species and how eliminated: Bay-Breasteds are buffy underneath and not clear white and lack the yellowish wash on throat and upper breast. Blackpolls are lightly streaked across breast and belly and lack the yellowish wash on throat and upper breast.

Did any one disagree or have reservations about identification? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Viewing conditions: give lighting, distance (how measured), and optical equipment:  
 Sunny with sun at my side or behind me. 25-30 feet away - estimated. 8X30 Binocs.

Previous experience with species and similar ones:  
 Have seen some Pines, quite a few Spring female Blackpolls, + lots of fall Bay-Breasteds.

References and persons consulted before writing description:  
 Natl. Geog. guide, Peterson's Eastern guide, Robbins' Birds of N. America.

How long before field notes made? Right away this form completed? Oct. 13, 1993