

DOCUMENTATION FORM for extraordinary bird sightings in Iowa

What species? Varied Thrush How many? 1 ♂Location? 1640 Cornwall, Waterloo, IowaType of habitat? Residential area with several feedersWhen? date(s): April 11, 1982 time: 6:20AM. to 6:30AMWho? your name and address: Robert K. Myers 1236 Sylvia Ave. Waterloo, Ia.others with you: —others before or after you: Francis Moore, Russ Hays, Tom Stone, + mob

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.

The bird was basically Robin size and shape although it was a little trimmer than a Robin.

The color of the tail, back, and head was very dark gray to black. The throat and breast were orange as was a stripe ~~to~~ starting at the birds eye and running toward the back of head. The wings also had orangish bars. ~~The~~ A black band extended around the birds upper breast.

The eye was dark.

Feet and legs appeared light (yellowish).

Similar species and how eliminated: Robin does not have dark breast band or orange eye stripe.

Did any one disagree or have reservations about identification? NO

If yes, explain:

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

I saw the bird in bright sunlight ~~from~~ From about 60' (stepped off).

Viewed with 7x35 binoculars

Previous experience with species and similar ones: We have had the Varied Thrush in

Waterloo for the past 4 winters.

References and persons consulted before writing description: None.

How long before field notes made? None were made this form completed? 12 hrs.

MAIL TO: T. H. Kent, Field Reports Editor, 211 Richards Street, Iowa City IA 52240