

WV BIRD RECORDS COMMITTEE REPORT FORM

Please Type or Print Legibly

Species: Number: (leave blank)

Location: Date: Time:

Bird Seen: To: Age/Sex:

Description: In lieu of physical material substantiating a record (e.g., specimen, diagnostic photograph, vocal recordings) a complete written description can serve as verification for the biological record. Please be as thorough as your field notes allow. Do not feel constrained by the space provided. Additional supporting descriptions/illustrations may be attached. Note that photographs or recordings WILL NOT BE RETURNED but become part of the permanent record for the observation.

Structure: (Overall size and shape plus details on the head, feet, tail, etc.)

Size of a blue bunting, bunting beak, had red, blue and green colors - please make reference to attached photo

Plumage: (e.g. markings, coloration, molt)

blue head, red front, yellow back, green on wings

Description of any vocalizations, if heard:

none heard

Description of behavior:

seemed hungry - stayed on seed feeder, flew short distances in yard but came back to feeder often

Habitat: (General and Specific)

front yard with two black maples in front where two bird feeders hang along with a suet feeder

Circumstances of observation: (Include details of distance to bird, optics employed, lighting in relation to observer and the bird)

daylight, overcast, 30 feet to bird and feeder, used Tasco binoculars

Previous experience with this species:

none

Experiences with similarly appearing species which are eliminated by your description: (Please be specific)

there are many blue buntings in this area but this was not one of those

Other observers: (Names, Addresses, E-mail please)

If the others agree with your identification they can sign this form here. If they care to provide additional details they can submit their own report.

Additional observer signature:

Additional observer signature:

Additional observer signature:

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

iBird and Merlin plus Petereson's Eastern Bird Book plus two registered ornithologists (Beth Bullard and Doren Burrell)

How long after observing this bird did you first write this description?

1 year

Name:

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Signature:

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Please use the space below to add any appropriate details you feel were missing from the above form or to expand on any answers whose allotted space was insufficient for a complete response:

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