

species. BRAMBLING

Record No. 514.1-06-10

Location: MONMOUTH

County: POLK

Date(s): EARLY MARCH TO APRIL 16, 2004

Reporters	details	slides	DIGITAL prints	tapes
KEITH OWEN			A-B	
RICHARD BUNSE	C		D-E	

Specimen no. & location _____

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Single rept. sighting _____

Multiple rept. sighting _____

Not accepted _____

origin questionable _____

exotic not estab. _____

Records split _____

Records combined _____

Disposition

Secretary's File

Main File C

Slide File _____

Print File A-B-D-E

Tape File _____

Duplicate File

details C

slides _____

prints A-B-D-E

tapes _____

Date reporter(s) notified: 4-26-06

514-06-10 C

Subject: brambling sighting

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I spotted this unusual bird during the first week of march and described it to

Jessie Saar an avid birder from Dallas, and after several more sightings I was able

to draw a sketch that I showed her. She was very curious and said it almost looks

like a brambling. The 14th of march I was fortunate get several digital photos of the

bird that I will insert with this e-mail.

When I showed jessie she got quite excited, showed the photos to several of her

birder friends and their consensus was that it was a brambling, probably a first year male.

The brambling has been staying in heavy cover, occasionally flying into the yard to

search for sunflower seeds that I scatter for ground birds. It joins other birds on the

ground to feed but seems to be solitary. The sparrows and juncos don't mind but the house

finches and yellow rump warblers often chase him away. The feeding periods are short, never

more than a minute then he heads back to the heavy cover.

Although he has come in the after noon the most frequent sightings have been between

7:00 and 10:00am. All of my sightings have been from 30 to 50 feet and the photos were

shot with an Olympus 7070 at full digital telephoto so the resolution is poor.

the last sighting was yesterday morning April 1st at 7:30 on the ground near my feeder.

If there is any more info you need let me know. If you would like to see more photos than

these I would be glad to send them.

Thank you for your consideration
Richard Bunse

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