

Species: HOODED ORIOLE

Record No. 505-79-03

Location: COOS BAY, COOS CO.

Date(s): DEC. 16, 1979 - JAN. 6, 1980

Observers	details	slides	prints	tapes
ALAN MCGIE	A		B-C	
GEORGE VAUGHN			B-C-D E-F-G	
			H-I-J K	

Specimen no. & location \_\_\_\_\_

Accepted 9-0 Not accepted \_\_\_\_\_  
 verified ✓ origin questionable \_\_\_\_\_  
 Single rept. sighting \_\_\_\_\_ exotic not estab. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Multiple rept. sighting \_\_\_\_\_

Records split \_\_\_\_\_ Records combined \_\_\_\_\_

**Disposition**

Secretary's File Duplicate File  
 Main File A-B-C-D-E-F-G details A  
 Slide File \_\_\_\_\_ slides \_\_\_\_\_  
 Print File \_\_\_\_\_ prints H-I-J-K  
 Tape File \_\_\_\_\_ tapes \_\_\_\_\_

Date observer(s) notified: APRIL 2, 1980

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Clarice Watson, Secretary  
Oregon Bird Records Committee  
Box 3082  
Eugene, Oregon 97403

Clarice,

I am submitting these three photographs of an immature hooded oriole (Icterus cucullatus) to the Oregon Bird Records Committee to substantiate the species identification. The oriole was photographed by George Vaughan at his residence on Telegraph Hill in Coos Bay (Coos County), Oregon on January 6, 1980. It was also observed on the Coos Bay Christmas Bird Count held on December 16, 1979.

The characteristics used to distinguish the hooded oriole were its relatively large, strongly decurved bill, yellowish coloration on belly, and relatively large somewhat sharply defined throat patch. These characteristics in combination separate the immature hooded from Scott's orchard, and northern orioles.

Sincerely,

Alan McNeil

3603 Edgewood Drive  
North Bend, Oregon 97459

January 10, 1980



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Hooded oriole  
Cove Bay, Oregon

1/6/80

Photo by George Vaughan



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505-29-03E (2)

Hooded oriole

Cove Bay, Oregon

1/6/80

photo by George Vaughn





Hooded oriole  
Coos Bay, Oregon  
1/6/80

Photo by George Vaughn

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FEB. 23, 1980

CLARICE,

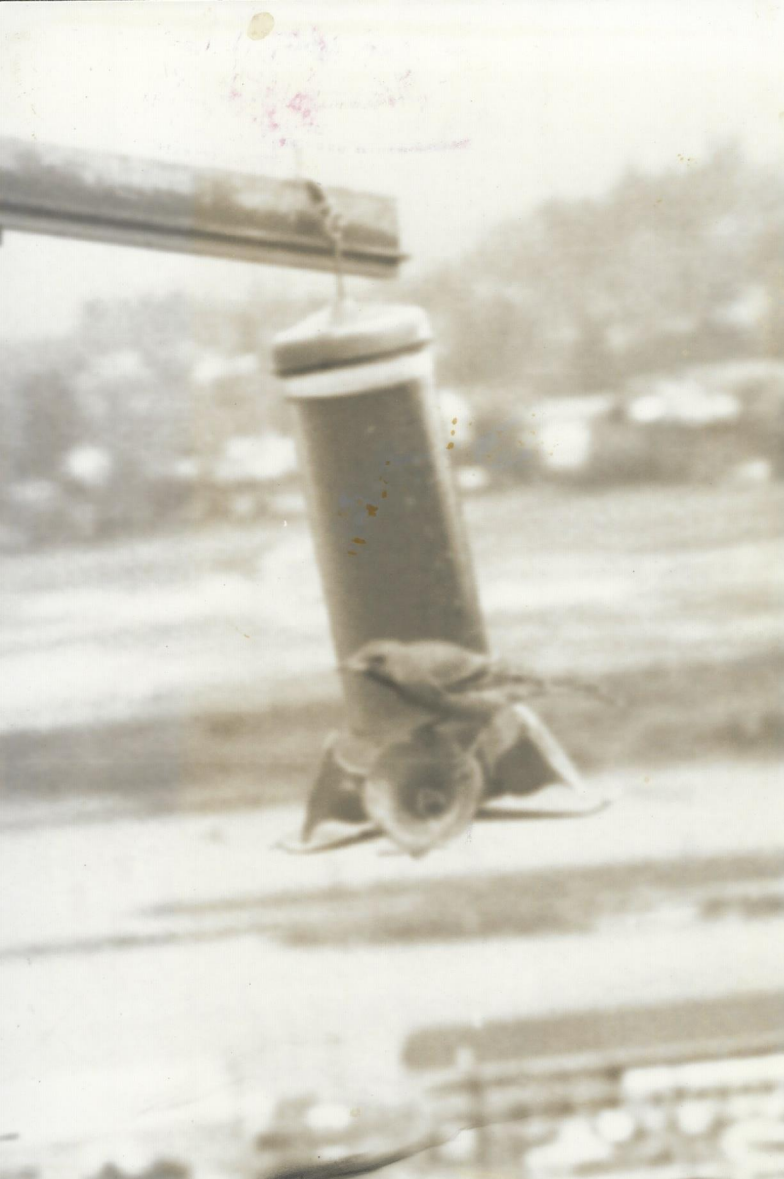
HERE ARE HOOPED ORIOLE PHOTOS  
TAKEN DECEMBER 1979.

HAVE SOME SLIDES PROMISED  
FOR LATER.

HOPE THIS NOT TOO LATE FOR  
BIRD RECORDS MEETING.

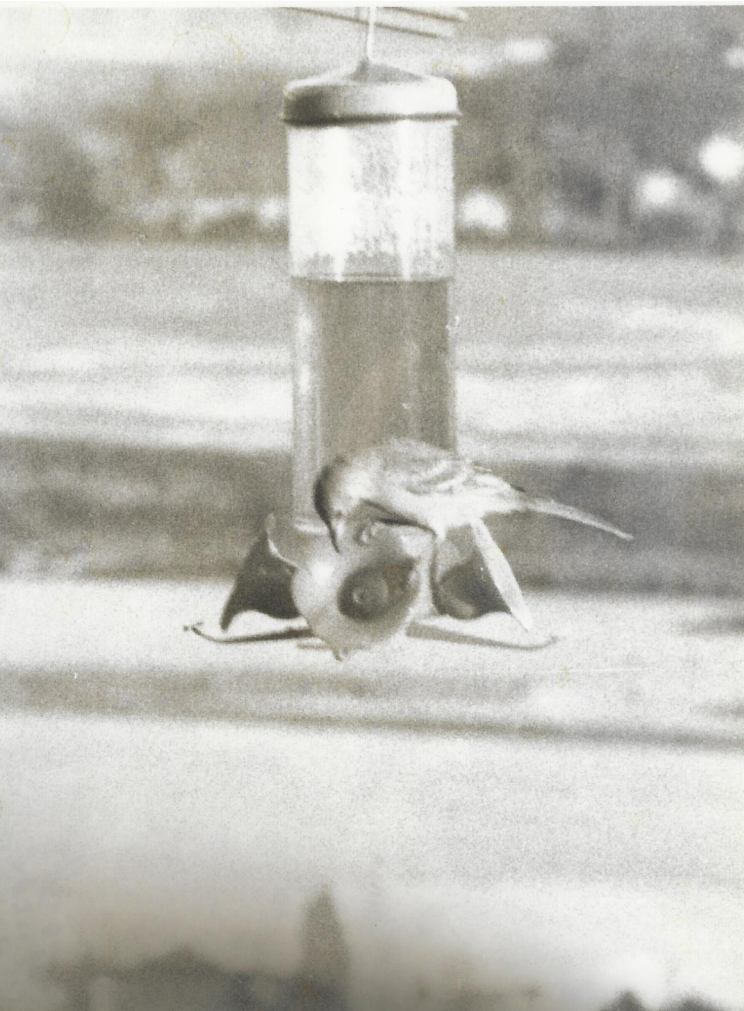
much Host,

Ben F. Cooper



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26, 1987 (G. Keller, *Tattler*11(1): 19), one was in North Bend on February 3, 1989 (B. Griffin, *Or. Birds* 15(3): 196) and a female was at Bandon on September 14, 1996 (T. and A. Mickel, *Or. Birds* 23(2): 84).

• **Brewer's Blackbird** *Euphagus cyanocephalus*

This is a common to abundant breeder county-wide except in dense forests. It is especially common in towns and cities and along hedgerows in agricultural areas. It usually uses drier areas than those preferred by the Red-winged Blackbird.

In fall and winter it often forms flocks with other blackbirds and feeds in agricultural areas, towns and other locales where food can be obtained.

**Common Grackle** *Quiscalus quiscula*

This is a rare vagrant from east of Oregon. One was in Coos Bay on May 31, 1993 (B. Fawver, *Am. Birds* 47(3): 449).

• **Brown-headed Cowbird** *Molothrus ater*

This is a fairly common breeder in the county, although it does its breeding in other species' active nests. It can be found in agricultural areas and along woodland margins and forest edges (not in dense forests) county-wide.

Most birds leave in winter but a few usually remain, often in blackbird flocks. Sometimes large agglomerations of cowbirds occur together, e.g. the 75 January 5, 1997 on the Coquille Valley CBC (H. Herlyn, M. Hunter).

Spring migrants typically arrive during March.

**Hooded Oriole** *Icterus cucullatus*

There are several records of this rare but regular visitant in Coos County. This species has been increasing and expanding its range in California; Oregon has seen a corresponding increase in reports. Coos County has more records of this species than any other Oregon county.

December 4, 1983; a female was in North Bend on September 11, 1994 (B. Griffin, *Or. Birds* 21(2): 68).

- 505-79-03 Coos Bay, 1 immature male on 16+ December 1979 through March 14, 1980 (AMc, photos by GV).
- 505-82-04 Coos Bay, 2 immature males, 1 bird on 24 December 1982 and later 2 to 19 February 1983 (AMc, photos by OS, BG). These birds were joined by a female on February 4 (*Tattler*7(4):15).
- 505-92-13 South Slough Coos Bay, 1 adult female on 31 August 1991 (JJo).



