

Species: PIPING PLOVER (Vernacular Name) Charadrius melodus (Scientific Name-use binomial)

Date(s): May 15, 1975 Time Bird Seen: 4:00 pm to 4:15 pm
 Locality: Union Reservoir
 Nearest Town: Longmont County: _____

Other observers who independently identified this bird:

NAME	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
<u>Bruce Webb</u>		<u>442-3798</u>
<u>John Cobb</u>	<u>903 Pine</u>	<u>444-1673</u>

Optical Equipment: Nikon 9x35 binocs

If photographed, type of equipment used: _____

Light Conditions: clear

Distance from bird (how measured): 5 yds (closest)

Number of Birds Seen: 1 Sex: _____ Plumage: Summer

Describe the bird's overall behavior and demeanor:

foraging somewhat inactively on lakeshore - ran along shore as we approached, flew for brief intervals

Describe in great detail the bird's size, overall shape, plumage and color-pattern. Include details on shape of bill, wings and tail. Give particular emphasis to the marks you used to identify the bird. Reference to its resemblance in field guide descriptions is not enough. Describe what you actually saw in the field:

similar to snowy plover in size and shape and color but the necklace extended further around and ~~the~~ a black mark on its head was stronger and extended to eye. Black edging on wing depicted in Robbins et al was not visible. Legs were yellow. Black at end of tail

Describe the bird's song or call, if heard, including method of delivery, i.e., from perch, in flight, etc:

Did not call

Describe the habitat in which you observed this bird:

lake shore

How were similarly appearing species eliminated?

See description - did not have black & white face markings of Semipal & was generally not as dark.

Prior experience with this and similarly appearing species:

none - experience with snowy plover in California & Fla, semipal "everywhere".

Books, illustrations and advice consulted and how did these influence this documentation?

Bruce Webb took me out to see this bird after he had identified it.

This report was written from notes made during ___ after ___ observation; from memory ☒

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COLORADO FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS SIGHT RECORD REPORT
☒ RARE OR UNUSUAL RECORD ☐ NEW STATE RECORD

CFO-ORC FILE # 18-75-60

Accepted 9/28/75

Species:

Piping Plover
(Vernacular Name)

Charadrius melodus
(Scientific Name-use binomial)

Date(s):

5-17-75

Time Bird Seen: 12:00 to

Locality:

Union Res.

Nearest Town:

Longmont

County:

Weld

Other observers who identified this bird:

NAME

ADDRESS

TELEPHONE

Bruce Webb

Nancy DeWolfe

Bruce Bosley

Optical Equipment: 20x scope

Light Conditions: clear

Distance from Bird (how measured): 50ft estimate

Number of Birds Seen: 1

Sex:

Plumage:

breeding

Overall Appearance and Size: shaped like snowy plover about

5" long

Detailed Description (describe only what was actually observed in the field):

Bill (shape and color): short yellow with black tip

Legs (shape and color): yellow

Crown and Forehead: forehead white crown pale brown Eye (color): dark

Nape: pale brown Face: gray Throat: white

Breast and Sides: white with thin black breast band

Belly and Flanks: white

Undertail Coverts: white

Back: pale brown

Wings: brown with white wing stripe

Underwings:

Rump: white

Uppertail Coverts: white

Upper Side of Tail: black

Under Side of Tail:

Shape of Tail: short rounded

Voice: two whistled notes

Behavior: runs like Sanderling on mudflat

Habitat: mudflat

Prior Experience with this Species: seen in Texas

How Were Similarly Appearing Species Eliminated? none of the other small plovers have an all white rump

This Report was Written From: Notes made during after ☒ observation; Memory _____

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Steve Jackson

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Date Prepared:

5-18-75

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