

Colorado Field Ornithologists Sight Record Form (This is a two-page report. Please print or type. Attach photographs and additional pages if necessary.) Each table cell will automatically enlarge as you type!

CFO-RC FILE X:

Rcd 10/23/00 upl

RESULTS:

Species:(Common Name)Pomarine Jaeger (Scientific Name) Stercorarius pomarinas

Date(s) of occurrence:10-8-00

Number of birds seen : one Sex:? male Plumage:light morph adult

Exact location: Douglas county 1/2 of the dam at Chatfield res

County: Nearest town: Littleton Elevation:5300 feet

Length of observation: 5 minutes Time(s) of observation: 16:20

Other observers who saw the bird(s) with you: Joey Kellnor, Hugh Kingery

Other Observers who independently saw the bird(s): mob

Light Conditions (quality; direction relative to bird(s); position: sunny, light wind from the south , sun was lower in the sky off the observers left shoulder.

Optical equipment used: Kowa TSN-4 scope

Distance from bird(s) (estimated unless otherwise noted): 250 - 350 yards

Was bird(s) photographed? no If so, have you submitted photos?

Who took the photographs?

Describe the general and specific habitat in which the bird(s) occurred: Chatfield Res

Describe the bird's behavior (flying, feeding, habits, behaviors used in identifying the Species or in supporting the identification): The bird was resting on the water, preening, got up once and flew approx. 100 yards, and then was sitting on the water, until it flew off to the west part of the res.

Describe the bird in detail. This is the most important part of this report. Include the overall size and shape and how you placed the bird in the general group that you did. Give complete details of plumage, including head, throat, undersides, nape, back, wings and tail. Give particular emphasis to marks you used to identify the bird(s). Describe other important details, such as color and shape of bill, legs, eye, (etc.) that were important in making the identification. (Fill out this portion even if photographs are submitted; you may attach additional sheets, drawings, field sketches or copy field notes): The bird was first observed as a dark and white blob floating on the water. In the scope, the head had a dark crown that extended below the eye into the malar region and appeared to jet back slightly near the throat. The bill was rather heavy looking with a bulbous tip, dark in color. The throat was white, as was the chest. The sides of the neck had a yellow wash to them. The mantle, wings and tail were dark, without any obvious elongated central retrices. The open wing showed a white patch at the base of the primaries on the upper wing. On the lower wing, two white patches were noticed, one at the base of the primaries and another at the base of the greater primary coverts. The legs and undertail coverts were not seen.

Describe bird's call or song:

Discuss similar species and how you eliminated them: Parasitic, Long-tailed Jaegers, extent of the crown, heavy, bulbous bill and the double white patch on the underside of the wing.

What is your prior experience with this and similarly appearing species?: minimal

List books, guides, recordings or other sources consulted and how this influenced your identification (during and after observation): none

This report is from notes made during or after observation or later X from memory

Date of written report: 10-17-00

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Signature: *R.O.*

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