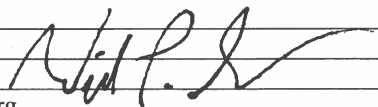


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Colorado Field Ornithologists Sight Record Form

CBRC FILE #: 2003-106		
RESULTS: A		
Species: (Common Name) Anna's Hummingbird		(Scientific Name) Calypte anna
Date(s) of occurrence: 5 Oct 03		
Number of birds seen: 1	Sex: ♀	Plumage: Adult ♀
Exact location: Tina Jones' House, 4400 Bow Mar Dr.		
County: Jefferson	Nearest town: Littleton	Elevation: ~5360
Length of observation: Total of about 15 minutes	Time(s) of observation: 3 visits between approx. 3 pm and 4:30 pm	
Other observers who saw the bird(s) with you: Tina Jones, Doug Faulkner, Jim Schmoker		
Other observers who independently saw the bird(s): Many		
Light conditions (quality; direction relative to bird(s) and observers position: Cloudy day- even light		
Optical equipment used: Minox 8.5 X 42, Nikon D100 + 80-400 VR		
Distance to bird(s) (estimated, unless otherwise noted): At closest about 3 or 4 meters		
Was (Were) bird(s) photographed? Yes		If so, are you submitting photos? Yes
Who took the photograph(s)? Bill Schmoker		
Describe the general and specific habitats in which the bird(s) occurred: Suburban yard, landscaped for hummingbirds and other wildlife.		
Describe the bird's (birds') behaviors, particularly behaviors that were used in supporting the identification, e.g., flying, feeding, habits: The bird would appear for only about 3-5 minutes at a time. Most of the time spent in the area was split feeding on the abundant hummingbird-friendly flowers and perching on dead sunflower heads. The bird only sparingly visited a hummingbird feeder.		
DESCRIPTION – Blocky, medium-sized hummingbird. Bill proportionately fairly short, straight, and dark. (Yellow on bill in 2 nd photo is pollen.) Head appears proportionately large. Crown and nape greenish. Small white patch behind eye, thin pale gray line above eye. Lores dark. Auriculars gray, with paler gray border behind the darker gray "ear" patch. "Cheeks" paler gray. Diffuse red throat patch visible at some angles (partially visible but not flashing red in 1 st photo.) Back greenish, same color as cap and nape. Wings dark, terminating just slightly above tail tip. Folded tail mostly dark, with thin white terminal tail band visible. Flanks (not pictured) were grayish-green, transitioning to a paler gray belly. Breast was a bit lighter gray than belly.		
Describe the bird's (birds') call(s) and/or song(s), if noted: n/a		
SIMILAR SPECIES – Allen's/Rufous Juvenile males & adult females show red throat spots, but have rufous flanks and tail bases, neither of which were visible. Juvenile male Broad-tailed Hummingbirds may show limited red throat spots, but have longer tail projection than this bird, and buffy flanks. Juvenile male Calliope Hummingbirds may have limited red throat spots, but are much smaller and have wingtips that look even or a bit longer than the tail tip. Juvenile male Ruby-throated Hummingbirds may have limited red throat spots but should have tails projecting much longer than the wingtips as seen in this bird. Juvenile male Lucifer Hummingbirds may have limited red throat spots, but are much smaller and have distinctly curving bills. Sub-adult Plain-capped Starthroats can have limited red throat spots, but look much bigger and have proportionately much longer bills. Other N.A. hummingbirds that I'm familiar with don't show red throat spots. Additionally, none of the birds mentioned above have the big-headed look of Anna's Hummingbird.		
What is your prior experience with this and similarly appearing species? I've seen all of the above mentioned species of hummingbirds this year, largely in Arizona but also Colorado, Minnesota, and Wisconsin.		
List books, guides, recordings, or other sources consulted and how these influenced your identification (during and after observation): Sibley Guide to Birds, Hummingbirds of North America: The Photographic Guide, and my photo collection of N.A. Hummingbirds		
This report was made from: Photos taken of birds and from notes taken after observation		
Date and time of written report: 15 Jan 04		
Reporting observer: William P Schmoker		Signature: 
Reporting observer's address: 3381 Larkspur Dr. Longmont, CO 80503 email: bill@schmoker.org		

Photos taken 5 Oct 03
Tina Jones' House



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Colorado Field Ornithologists Sight Record Form

CBRC FILE #:		
RESULTS:		
Species: (Common Name) Anna's Hummingbird		(Scientific Name) Calypte anna
Date(s) of occurrence: 10-05-2003		
Number of birds seen: One	Sex: Female	Plumage: Adult
Exact location: 4400 BowMar Drive		
County: Jefferson	Nearest town: Littleton	Elevation: Approx. 5670
Length of observation: 2-3 minutes cumulative over a few sightings		Time(s) of observation: Mid-morning
Other observers who saw the bird(s) with you: Tony Leukering, Tina Jones, Bill Maynard, Ric Olson		
Other observers who independently saw the bird(s): MOB		
Light conditions (quality; direction relative to bird(s) and observers position: Clear, calm.		
Optical equipment used: Leica Televid 77 scope with 20-60X zoom. Swarovski binoculars – 8 X 42		
Distance to bird(s) (estimated, unless otherwise noted): 10-15 feet.		
Was (Were) bird(s) photographed? Yes.		If so, are you submitting photos? Yes.
Who took the photograph(s)? Mark Peterson (used with permission)		
Describe the general and specific habitats in which the bird(s) occurred: Urban backyard planted with native plants/hummingbird feeders.		
Describe the bird's (birds') behaviors, particularly behaviors that were used in supporting the identification, e.g., flying, feeding, habits: This bird would sit in nearby trees and then come in to the feeder for a few seconds and then fly off again.		
DESCRIPTION -- This is the most important part of this report. Include in these details the overall size and shape of the bird and give as many plumage details as possible, even including those that you feel might not have relevance to the specific identification. Please fill out this portion even if photos are accompanying your report. Please see photos. <u>Pics\anhulmp denver.jpg</u> , <u>Pics\anhump denver.jpg</u>		
Describe the bird's (birds') call(s) and/or song(s), if noted:		
SIMILAR SPECIES – This is another critical part of your report. Please discuss how you eliminated similar species from consideration: Please see photos as above.		
What is your prior experience with this and similarly appearing species? I have seen this hummingbird in other states.		
List books, guides, recordings, or other sources consulted and how these influenced your identification (during and after observation): National Geo. 4th Edition		
This report was made from (check one) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> later from memory.		
Date and time of written report: 03/17/2004		
Reporting observer: Rachel Hopper		Signature: Rachel Hopper
Reporting observer's address: 1721 Cottonwood Pt. Dr.		
City: Ft. Collins	State: CO	Zip: 80524
<p>Send report to:</p> <p>Colorado Bird Records Committee</p> <p>Tony Leukering</p> <p>PO Box 660</p> <p>Brighton, CO 80601</p>		

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