CFO-RC FILE X:

RESULTS:

Species: Purple Gallinule (Common Name) Porphyrula martinica (Scientific Name)

Date(s) of occurrence: August 27, 2002

Number of birds seen: one Sex: Plumage: Molting to basic

Exact location: The backyard of 1606 Leila

County: Larimer Nearest town: Loveland Elevation: 5000 feet Length of observation: 10 minutes Time(s) of observation: 15:35 to 15:45

Other observers who saw the bird(s) with you: Norm Erthal, Peter Gent, Rachel Hopper, Bill Schmoker and

John Vanderpoel.

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

Light Conditions (quality; direction relative to bird(s); position: Cloudy

to partly cloudy. Sun would have been at my back. Optical equipment used: Naked eye and Ziess 10x40

Distance from bird(s) (estimated unless otherwise noted): 10 feet to 15 feet.

Was bird(s) photographed? YES If so, have you submitted photos? YES by Rachel Hopper

Who took the photographs? MOB

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

Standing in some tall grass in the middle of a rose garden in a residential area.

Describe the bird's behavior (flying, feeding, habits, behaviors used in identifying the Species or in

supporting the identification): Standing in tall grass. Occasionally picking up some bugs.

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 a medium sized bird, with long yellow legs and large feet. The conical bill was about the length of the head width. The apical 1/3 was yellow, sharply demarcated by red on the basal 2/3, with the red fading markedly to a pale color at the base of the mandible. The base of the maxilla faded to a pale gray color, similar to that of the shield. The head, throat, neck, breast were an unmarked violet blue color. The nape and extending onto the neck were a much lighter shade of blue, very similar to the shade of the wing primaries. The mantle, scapulars and tertials were a brownish, greenish color. The tail was a blackish, violet blue color with the under tail coverts being white.

Describe bird's call or song: None heard

Discuss similar species and how you eliminated them: Body color separates it from Am. Coot and C. Moorhen.

What is your prior experience with this and similarly appearing species? I've seen a few P. Gallinules, many Moorhens and thousands of Coots

List books, guides, recordings or other sources consulted and how this influenced your identification (during and after observation): Sibly, A Guide to Birds, 2000

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

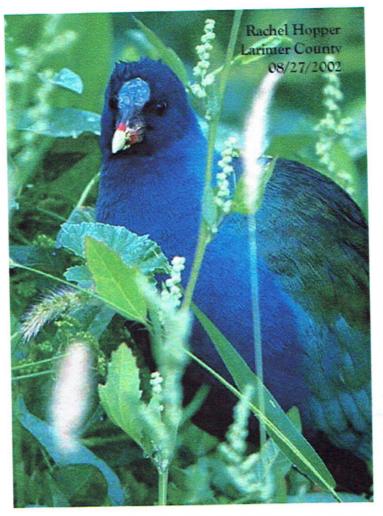
Date of written report: Aug. 29th and Sept. 2, 2002

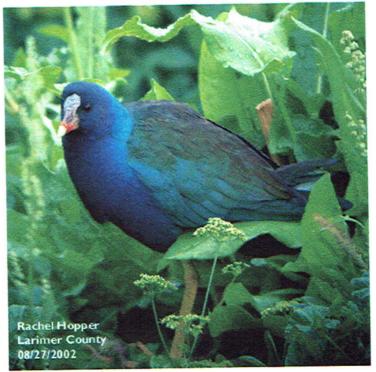
Reporting observer: Signature: Ric Olson 9450 N. Heather Dr, Castle Rock,

80108, 303-790-7753

Colorado Field Ornithologists Sight Record Form						
CBRC FILE #: 2002-73						
RESULTS:						
Species: (Common Name) Purple Gallinule			(Scientific Name) Porphyrula martinica			
Date(s) of occurrence: 08/27/02 – 08/31/02						
Number of birds seen: One Sex:			Plumage: Adult			
Exact location: 1515 15 <sup>th</sup> St.				Elevation: Approx. 4700 ft.		
County: Larimer	Nearest town: Loveland					
Length of observation: Probably a couple of hours over several days		days. I	Time(s) of observation: Varying daylight hours over the days. Pictures were taken on the 27th at approx. 7:30 a.m.			
Other observers who saw the bird(s) with you: N	IOB					
Other observers who independently saw the bird(s): MOB						
Light conditions (quality; direction relative to bird(s) and observers position: Variable but always dry weather.						
Optical equipment used: Leica 8 X 42 binoculars & Leica Televid 77 Spotting Scope with 20-60 zoom						
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Distance to bird(s) (estimated, unless otherwise noted): Sometimes within 2 feet.						
Was (Were) bird(s) photographed? Yes.		If so, are	If so, are you submitting photos? Yes.			
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Who took the photograph(s)? Me.						
Describe the general and specific habitats in wh	ich the bird(s) occur	rred: Back	yard with nativ	e plantings & organic garden.		
Describe the bird's (birds') behaviors, particularly behaviors that were used in supporting the identification, e.g., flying, feeding, habits: The bird was either resting under a bush, roosting in a spruce tree or actively feeding insects and other bugs from around the yard. It ventured a few blocks into the neighborhood on a few occasions and was found in other people's gardens						
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. Important Note: This bird was jound and identified by Cynus						
Mosch. Please see photos.						
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: Could not be any other species.  What is your prior experience with this and similarly appearing species? None.						
List books, guides, recordings, or other sources consulted and how these influenced your identification (during and after observation):						
None						
This report was made from (check one) X pictures taken during observation notes made after observation later from						
memory.						
Date and time of written report: 01/31/2004						
Reporting observer: Rachel Hopper			Signature: Rack	hel Hopper		
Reporting observer's address: 1721 Cottonwoo	d Pt. Dr.					
City: Ft. Collins		State: CO		Zip: 80524		

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## COLORADO FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS - SIGHT RECORD FORM

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE. ATTACH PHOTOGRAPHS, DRAWINGS AND ADDITIONAL PAGES AS NECESSARY)

SPECIES: PURPLE GALLINUE PORPHYRULA MARTINICA (Common Name) (Scientific Name)
DATE(S) OF OBSERVATION: 27 August 2002
NUMBER OF BIRDS SEEN: SEX: PLUMAGE: ADULT
EXACT LOCATION: 1515 W 17th ST LOVERAND (CYNDI HOLH HOUSE)
COUNTY: LARIMER NEAREST TOWN: LOVEZANO ELEVATION: 5000
LENGTH OF OBSERVATION: DUR AN HOUR TIME(S) OF OBSERVATION: Between 2:15 & 4pm
OTHER OBSERVERS WHO SAW THE BIRD(S) WITH YOU: BB HAHN RACHER HOPPER, JOHN VANDERPOER, NORMERTHAL, RIC OLSON, DAVE WALTMAN, INEX PRATHE
OTHER OBSERVERS WHO INDEPENDENTLY SAW THE BIRD(S):
MANY
LIGHT CONDITIONS (QUALITY; DIRECTION RELATIVE TO BIRD(S); POSITION):
OPTICAL EQUIPMENT USED: 10x BINGULARS , 40x TELESCOPE
DISTANCE FROM BIRD (ESTIMATED UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED). KINIMUM 40'
WAS BIRD PHOTOGRAPHED? YES IF SO, HAVE YOU SUBMITTED PHOTOS?
WHO TOOK THE PHOTOGRAPHS? KACHER HOPPER & & HAHN, DAVID WALTHAN
DESCRIBE THE GENERAL AND SPECIFIC HABITAT IN WHICH THE BIRL (3) OCCURRED:

DESCRIBE THE BIRD'S BEHAVIOR (FLYING; FEEDING; HABITS; BEHAVIORS USED IN IDENTIFYING THE SPECIES OR IN SUPPORTING THE IDENTIFICATION):

FORACING ACTIVELY AMONG PLANTS AND ON LAWNS; OCCASIONALLY RESTING ON ONE LEG.

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 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 OF FIELD NOTES):

SMALL COOT SIZED AND SHAPED BIRD. BEEP PURPLE HEAD, BREAST AND BEZLY.

BRIGHT BUSISH GREEN BACK WING AND UPPER THIL. BRIGHT WHITE WIDERTAIL COVERTS

WHICH ARE CLEARLY VISIBLE WHEN BIRD WACKS FLICKING ITS TAIL UP AND DOWN.

VERY LONG BRIGHT YELLOW, LEGS AND TOES, WITH NO WEBBING BETWEEN TOES.

RED BASE TO BILL, WITH YELLOW TIP, AND PACE BLUE FRONTAL SHIELD.

THISE SEEMED A BIT FADED FROM FULL BREEDING PLUMAGE. DACK RED EYES.

DESCRIBE BIRD'S CALL OR SONG:

NOVE HEARD.

DISCUSS SIMILAR SPECIES AND HOW YOU ELIMINATED THEM:

COOTS & MODRITON ARE BLACK, NO RAL IS THIS COZER.

THE EURATIAN PURPLE GALLING LE (PORPHYRIO PORPHYRIO) IS LARGER,

AND HAS RED LEGS, AND AN AZL RED BILL AND RED FRONTAL SHIEZD.

WHAT IS YOUR PRIOR EXPERIENCE WITH THIS AND SIMILARLY APPEARING SPECIES?

SEEN MANY OF THIS SPECIES IN SOUTH USA CENTRAL & SOUTHERN AMERICA.

LIST BOOKS, GUIDES, RECORDINGS OR OTHER SOURCES CONSULTED AND HOW THIS INFLUENCED YOUR IDENTIFICATION (DURING AND AFTER OBSERVATION):

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THIS REPORT WAS MADE OR LATER FROM MEMOR	E FROM NOTES MADE DUR		OBSERVATION,
DATE OF WRITTEN REPORTING OBSERVER: OBSERVER ADDRESS:	PETER R. GENT	SIGNATURE:	lete R. hent
	55 S 35 H St Boulder, co 8030	S. Marshall Ashira	

SEND REPORT TO:

COLORADO BIRD RECORDS COMMITTEE c/o BILL LISOWSKY 2919 SILVERPLUME DR. FT. COLLINS, CO 80526

## CFO-ORC FILE # 2002 -73

COLORADO FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS - SIGHT RECORD FORM

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NEW STATE RECORD \_\_\_\_\_ UNUSUAL RECORD \_\_X\_

Species: Purple Gallinule (Porphyrio martinica)

Date: 27 August 2002

Number seen: one Sex: unknown

Plumage: adult

Locality: behind house in Loveland, just west of Lake Loveland, unknown address

Elevation: ~5,000 ft.

Nearest town: Loveland

County: Larimer

Time observed: sunrise

Duration of observation: approximately 45 minutes total

Description: video accompanies this report

Describe the bird's song and call, if given, including method of delivery (i.e. from perch, in flight, duration): None heard.

What is your prior experience with this and similarly-appearing species? I have some experience with this species from working in Louisiana and Mississippi, as well as birding in Florida and Texas many years ago.

Light conditions: sunrise

Optical equipment used: 7x42 Zeiss binoculars

Distance, and how estimated: closest at 5 meters

Other observers who saw the bird with you: Rachel Hopper, Joe Roller, Joey Kellner, Larry Semo,

Tony Leukering, Chris Wood, Dick Schottler, and several others

Other observers who saw the bird independently: lots This is a result of the belief of

If photographed, type of equipment and film: Nikon Coolpix 4500, video mode

List books, illustrations, recordings, other birders, etc. consulted and how this influenced your identification:

a) at time of observation: none

b) after observation: none

Reporting observer: Doug Faulkner Signature: Doug Faulkner

Light conditions; surnse

Address: Rocky Mountain Bird Observatory, 14500 Lark Bunting Lane, Brighton, CO 80601

Date report was written: 21 January 2003