

LOUISIANA BIRD RECORDS COMMITTEE

REPORT FORM

This form is intended as a convenience in reporting observations of species on the Louisiana Bird Records Committee (LBRC) Review List. The LBRC recommends the use of this form or a similar format when submitting records for review to assure that all pertinent information is accounted for. Attach additional pages or files as necessary. Please print or type for hard copy. For electronic copy, be sure to save this file to your computer before entering text. Attach field notes, drawings, photographs, or tape recordings, if available. Include all photos for more obscurely marked species. When completed (if hard copy), mail to Secretary, Louisiana Bird Records Committee, c/o Museum of Natural Science, 119 Foster Hall, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803-3216, or e-mail electronic copy as an attachment to Paul Edward Conover at <zoiseaux@lusfiber.net> .

1. English and Scientific names: **Brown Booby**
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):
1 ad.
3. Parish: **Pointe Coupee**
Specific Locality: **Morganza Forebay**
4. Date(s) when observed: **3 Dec. 2015**
5. Time(s) of day when observed: **10:05 AM**
6. Reporting observer and address: **Van Remsen, LSUMNS**
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s):
8. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s):
9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): **good light but so far away that heat distortion prevented clean looks**
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): **Kowa scope**
11. Distance to bird(s): **1.3 miles measured on Google Earth**
12. Duration of observation: **several minutes**
13. Habitat: **large lake**
14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and

stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): [perched on post](#)

15. Description (include only what was actually seen, *not what "should" have been seen*; include if possible: total length/relative size compared to other familiar species; body bulk, shape, proportions; bill, eye, leg, and plumage characteristics. Stress features that separate it from similar species, *or for species that are known to hybridize frequently, stress features that help eliminate possible hybrids*): [See photo. Not much could be seen at that distance and light conditions other than a brown booby-shaped bird with cleanly demarcated white lower breast and belly, and a pale bill.](#)

16. Voice:

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): [No other bird has this combination of color and pattern.](#)

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): [Yes, by me, perhaps the worst-ever photos of a BRBO and probably the minimum number of pixels needed to ID the bird](#)

19. Previous experience with this species: [In addition to a young bird seen here the previous month, several others also seen in Louisiana and California.](#)

20. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification): [none](#)

a. at time of observation:

b. after observation:

21. This description is written from:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	notes made during the observation.	Are notes attached?	NO
<input type="checkbox"/>	notes made after the observation.	At what date?	
<input type="checkbox"/>	memory		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	study of images		

22. Are you positive of your identification? [Yes](#). If not, explain:

23. Date: [10 Feb. 17](#)

Time:

24. May the LBRC have permission to display this report or portions of this report on its website? _____ YES _____

If yes, may we include your name with the report? ___ YES _____



