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Louisiana Ornithological Society's

LOUISIANA BIRD RECORDS COMMITTEE

Rare Bird 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 ensure that all information involving an observation is accounted for). Attach additional pages as necessary. Please print or type. Attach fieldnotes, drawings, photographs, or tape recordings, if available. Include all photos for obscurely marked species. When completed, mail to Secretary, Louisiana Bird Records Committee, c/o Museum of Natural Science, 119 Foster Hall, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803-3216.

1. English and Scientific names: RUFF (Philomachus pugnax)
2. Number of individuals, age, sex, general plumage (e. g., "2 adult males in alternate <breeding> plumage"): 1, winter plumage (imm. ♂?)
3. Locality: LOUISIANA: JEFFERSON DAVIS
(parish)
MILLER OIL FIELD RD, 1.0 MI EAST OF LA 101
(specific locality)
4. Date(s) when observed: 20 APRIL, 2006
5. Time(s) of day when observed: 10:00-10:30 CDT
6. Reporting observer and address:
JOSEPH P. KLEIMAN
15913 MAVERN HILL AVE.
BATON ROUGE, LA 70817
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also identified the bird(s):
J. GUILLORY
8. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s):
NONE THAT I KNOW OF.
9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): BIRD WAS ON N. SIDE OF ROAD, GOOD LIGHT
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition):
LEICA 26-40 POWER SCOPE, EAGLE 10X42 BINS., GOOD COND.
11. Distance to bird(s):
~ 75 YDS.
12. Duration of observation:
~ 30 MINUTES

13. Habitat: WET FIELD

14. Behavior of bird/circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding the observation):

BIRD ACTIVELY FEEDING AMONG OTHER SHOREBIRDS

15. Description (include only what was actually seen, not what "should" have been seen; if possible, give details on 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. Attach additional pages as necessary):

LONG-LEGGED SHOREBIRD, BODY SLIGHTLY LARGER THAN LESS. YELLOWLEGS, A GOOD BIT LARGER THAN PECT. SAND, - BIRD BROWNISH ABOVE, WHITE BELOW FOR MOST PART. THROAT AND UPPER BREAST BARRED RATHER THAN STREAKED AS ON YELLOWLEGS. - LEG COLOR ORANGE, BRIGHTER THAN THAT OF YELLOWLEGS. - BILL SHORTER THAN L. YELLOWLEGS, SLIGHTLY DECURVED - BILL TWO-TONED, BLACK AT TIP, ORANGE AT BASE - BIRD SEEMED PLUMPER THAN YELLOWLEGS - SIDES IRREGULARLY SPOTTED - WHITE COULD BE SEEN ON SIDES OF TAIL BUT IT NEVER FLEW AND TAIL PATTERN COULD NOT BE SEEN.

16. Voice: NOT HEARD

17. Similar species (and how are they eliminated by your description?):

YELLOWLEGS - LEG COLOR, BODY SIZE & SHAPE / PECT. SAND, SAME CHARACTERISTICS

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?):

NONE

19. Previous experience with this species:

SEEN VARIOUS PLACES IN U.S., NOT IN RECENT YEARS

20. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification):

a. at time of observation:

NAT. GEOGRAPHIC

b. after observation:

NAT. GEOGRAPHIC

21. This description is written from: notes made during the observation; notes made after the observation (date: _____); memory. NOTES ATTACHED

22. Are you positive of your identification (if not, then explain)? YES

23. Signature of reporter: Joseph P. Kleiman 6/27/06
(date)

Coll. D-11

L. B. H. - 26

Kill - 23

Card - 26

Orch. Dr. - 4

Gr. Yell. - 13

Pect S - 11

Ruff - Body larger than

larger than Pect. S. Bird brownish, white

below for most part - throat & upper breast

barred rather than streaking on yell. - leg

color orange, brighter than that of yell.

bill a little shorter, slightly decurved compared

to yell. - bill two toned, black at tip,

orange at base - bird much plumper than yell.

sides ^{irregular} spotted ~~with~~ - white could be seen on

side of tail but did not get look at tail

pattern (Miller on road ^{Miller} 1.0 mi. E. on ~~road~~) 30 min

crow(s) - 84

Brown Thrush - 1

W. - 1, Iris - 50

Gr. B. L. - 1