

# 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](mailto:zoiseaux@lusfiber.net)> .

1. English and Scientific names: [Western Grebe, \*Aechmophorus occidentalis\*](#)
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage): 1
3. Parish: [Caddo](#)  
Specific Locality: [Cross Lake by boat](#)
4. Date(s) when observed: [1/6/2016](#)
5. Time(s) of day when observed: [2:45 pm](#)
6. Reporting observer and address: [Rosemary Seidler, 740 Prospect St., Shreveport, LA](#)
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s):
8. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s): [Charles Lyon, Jean and Jeff Trahan.](#)
9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): [overcast but bright](#)
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): [Swarovski 10 X 42](#)
11. Distance to bird(s): [20 yards](#)
12. Duration of observation: [20 min](#)
13. Habitat: [middle of lake](#)
14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): [resting. Did not see if fly or feed.](#)
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*): [long necked black and white grebe. Black extends below the eye and bill is slender and almost look upturned.](#)
16. Voice:
17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): [Clark's Grebe has white below the eye and a thicker bill.](#)

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): [Lyon, Trahan and I took photos. Mine are attached. Charlie's can be seen at: <http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S26753694>](#)

19. Previous experience with this species: [Seen twice before on Cross Lake, once at Mandeville, twice at Balmorhea, TX and several times in Yellowstone NP.](#)

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

a. at time of observation: [Charlie Lyon and Sibley](#)

b. after observation:

21. This description is written from:

<input type="checkbox"/>	notes made during the observation.	Are notes attached?	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	notes made after the observation.	At what date?	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	memory		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	study of images		

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

23. Date: [1/12/2018](#)

Time: [10:50 pm](#)

24. May the LBRC have permission to display in whole or in part this report and accompanying photos on the LOS-LBRC website and LBRC Facebook page?

[yes](#)\_\_\_\_\_

If yes, may we include your name with the report? [yes](#)\_\_\_\_\_

