**Highland Records Committee**

**Rarity Description Form**

**Please send to the Highland recorder – highlandrecorder@yahoo.com**

The current list of species considered by the HRC can be found at http://www.highlandbirds.scot/hrc-description-species.html.

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| **Species:**  |
| Date first seen:  | Date last seen:  |
| Number of birds:  | Age/sex:  |
| Locality:  | Recording area: |
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| Finder: | Email:  |
| Identifier *(if different)*:  | Email:  |
| Submitter *(if different)*:  | Email:  |
| Other observers:  |
| Any observers who disagree with identification?  |
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| Optics used: Kowa scope |
| Distance from bird: 200m  |
| Was the bird photographed (*if so, please enclose photos or provide web links or contact details of a photographer*)? Please describe any editing that has been done to submitted images: |
| If you have enclosed photographs, is permission given for them to be used in future SBRC and SOC publications?  |
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| Observer(s) experience (*include whether you are familiar with this species in this plumage, familiarity with confusion species*):  |
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| Weather (*general description, including light conditions, position of sun etc where relevant*):  |
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| Contact details of submitter (*email or postal address*):   |
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| And finally, is the record 100% certain?  |

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| **Description**: *Please try to cover:* 1. *Circumstances of finding the bird, length of view, etc.*
2. *Plumage, bare parts etc and call (if possible).*
3. *Jizz (that ‘indefinable something’ about the way it behaved).*
4. *Details of how confusion species were ruled out (if relevant) and comparison with nearby species.*
5. *Information used to age and sex the bird.*
6. *Please add any supporting sketches.*
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| **Further details**:*Please include (where relevant).*1. *Details of specimen (location etc) if dead.*
2. *Ringing details (ring number, biometrics etc).*
3. *Results of DNA or other analysis.*

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