

BirdLife Australia Rarities Committee

Unusual Record Report Form

This form is intended to aid observers in the preparation of a submission to document a major rare bird in Australia. Its use is NOT mandatory. Please attach and/or include all relevant information including any digital images. Please Email the completed form/submission to the BARC Chair, Tony Palliser tonyp@bigpond.net.au

BARC considers submissions that include a minimum of the submitter's name(s), the bird species claimed and the location and date(s) of the record. However, more information and evidence will usually be required for BARC to accept a record. So, please submit as much detailed information about the bird as possible.

If you choose not to use this form please make sure all relevant information requested in this form is included in your submission. However, it is our preference that you fully complete sections "A" and "B", or follow their headings, so that BARC has some continuity between all submissions.

Section A: Submitter details	
Your name(s) Joint submissions are fine	John Edmond

Section B: Record details	
Common and scientific names Include subspecies if relevant	Hudsonian Godwit <i>Limosa haemastica</i>
Site location (with GPS if possible)	Port Kennedy Beach (Long Point) Rockingham, Western Australia -32.372100, 115.716150
Date(s) and time(s) of record (First and last date of occurrence if known)	15-November-2020 10.45AM seen during next hour. Bird was absent next day but has since been sighted in Austin Bay and Nairns, Mandurah (latest 10 th December)
How many individuals were there?	1 (present with Pacific Golden-Plover and Bar-Tailed Godwit)
What was the distance to the bird(s)?	Approx 20 Metres
Habitat description	Seaweed wrack on shoreline.
Sighting conditions (e.g. weather, visibility, light conditions)	Sunny, 25 degrees C, Wind South-Westerly 15 knts
How confident are you in the identification (as a %) and why?	100% -subsequent in field confirmation by others (see below)
Did you find and/or identify the bird initially? Who else recorded the bird and do they agree with the identification?	Bird found by myself initially, not identified in field, suspicion arose from my review of photographs and reference to ABG. Raised query of possible Hudsonian on ABID Facebook group. Subsequent in field verification that afternoon. J Graff, D Mantle, P Barratt and others.
What experience have you had with this species?	None, was aware of its existence and single WA record.
Has this species been seen at this location before? When?	No
Have photographs of the bird	Facebook-Australian Bird ID, Birding in WA, Australian Titchers.

or discussion of it occurred on the internet? (Please provide the site name, a summary, electronic link, etc.)	https://www.facebook.com/groups/209677085864957/permalink/1725307367635247 https://www.facebook.com/groups/1709184925963427/permalink/2808771636004745 https://www.facebook.com/groups/718576241555767/permalink/3460798997333464
Do you permit BARC to display your images etc. electronically (credited with your name)	Yes

You may choose to delete or ignore this page, but please include as much of the requested information in your submission as possible, especially Sections C and E.

Section C: Supporting evidence
Please include evidence that supports the identification, such as photographs, video, call recordings, etc. Digital images can be pasted into this document below, at the end, or provided separately. Digital video and sound recordings can be sent separately to this form. Label photos etc or insert captions to make note of relevant features they show.
Photos below (5)

Section D: Description of the bird(s)	
Please provide a description of the bird(s) including all identification features recorded. Provide all possible details that might corroborate the identification.	
Plumage	
Bare parts	
Moult details	
Structure and 'jizz'	
Calls	
Behaviours	Feeding and roosting in wrack.
Age, sex and/or taxonomy	

Section E: Confusion species
Please indicate other species that the bird(s) might be confused with and how they can be eliminated
Bar-Tailed Godwit eliminated by Black tail, white rump present.
Black-Tailed Godwit eliminated by slightly upturned bill, short wing bar. (Dark underwing confirmed later by others)

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Section F: References and aids	
Did you use books, journal articles or on-line sites or pages to help you prepare this submission? Which ones?	Menkhorst, P., Rogers, D., Clarke, R., Davies, J, Marsack, P. & Franklin, K. (2019). The Australian Bird Guide. CSIRO Publishing, Melbourne
Would you like to acknowledge the assistance of others in the identification process or preparation of this submission?	Nigel Jackett, Adrian Boyle for initial online verification/identification. John Graff, Daniel Mantle, Plaxy Barratt, Jordan Webber and Nick Hart for in field verification that afternoon.



