

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	Greg McLachlan
Your email, phone or address	

Section B: Record details	
Common and scientific names Include subspecies if relevant	Aleutian Tern (<i>Onychoprion aleuticus</i>)
Site location (with GPS if possible)	Farquhar Inlet, Old Bar, NSW (-31.949801, 152.604852).
Date(s) and time(s) of record (First and last date of occurrence if known)	16/11/2020 - 26/02/2021 (2020 Season).
How many individuals were there?	2020 Season: 1 to 12 individuals reported.
What was the distance to the bird(s)?	N/A
Habitat description	N/A
Sighting conditions (e.g. weather, visibility, light conditions)	N/A
How confident are you in the identification (as a %) and why?	100%. Known and widely reported birds over several years.
Did you find and/or identify the bird initially? Who else recorded the bird and do they agree with the identification?	N/A
What experience have you had with this species?	N/A
Has this species been seen at this location before? When?	Yes, well known, first reported by Liam Murphy in 2016 - Case #1001.
Have photographs of the bird or discussion of it occurred on the internet? (Please provide the site name, a summary, electronic link, etc.)	N/A
Do you permit BARC to display your images etc. electronically (credited with your name)	N/A - Images available online from eBird/Macaulay Library.

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.

See Photographs and Spreadsheet data below. Data and photographs publicly available on eBird.

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	N/A
Bare parts	N/A
Moult details	N/A
Structure and 'jizz'	N/A
Calls	N/A
Behaviours	N/A
Age, sex and/or taxonomy	N/A

Section E: Confusion species

Please indicate other species that the bird(s) might be confused with and how they can be eliminated

N/A

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?	Cornell eBird/Macaulay Library. Birdlife Australia Birdata.
Would you like to acknowledge the assistance of others in the identification process or preparation of this submission?	N/A

Supporting evidence - 2020 season



Fig 1: 16 Nov 2020 (Liam Murphy)



Fig 2: 21 Nov 2020 (Mike Burrow)



Fig 3: 30 Dec 2020 (Tim Henderson)



Fig 4: 7 Jan 2021 (Liam Murphy)



Fig 5: 5 Feb 2021 (Carolyn Scott)



Fig 6: 13 Feb 2021 (Michael Kearns)

LIST	#	DATE	OBSERVER(S)
S76313078	5	Nov 16, 2020	Liam Murphy
S76584443	4	Nov 21, 2020	Mike Barrow, Jayden Walsh
S76895236	3	Nov 21, 2020	Cary Lewis, David Sinnott
S76466848	2	Nov 21, 2020	Tim Morris
S76699480	7	Nov 26, 2020	Martin Allen
S76968495	10	Nov 28, 2020	Clint Hook
S77022349	5	Nov 28, 2020	Ashley Mullahey
S76927983	1	Dec 1, 2020	Jim Smith
S76927982	1	Dec 1, 2020	Nige Hartley
S77497786	5	Dec 15, 2020	Ted Giblin
S77532146	2	Dec 16, 2020	Peter Hosking
S77576496	1	Dec 17, 2020	Philip Griffin
S77616497	5	Dec 17, 2020	J&C Wall
S77653140	1	Dec 19, 2020	Jon Coleman
S77718493	3	Dec 19, 2020	Jacob Crisp

LIST	#	DATE	OBSERVER(S)
S78245972	8	Dec 30, 2020	Tim Henderson
S78299365	2	Dec 31, 2020	Martin & Penny Potter
S78269579	2	Dec 31, 2020	Josh Lee
S78808262	4	Jan 7, 2021	Steve Roderick
S78808775	4	Jan 7, 2021	Liam Murphy
S78859421	1	Jan 8, 2021	Alan Morris, Tim Morris
S78858939	4	Jan 8, 2021	Julia Hudd, Tony Bischoff
S79371495	2	Jan 17, 2021	Tom Wilson
S80442087	3	Feb 5, 2021	Carolyn Scott
S81032361	6	Feb 8, 2021	Ted Wnorowski
S80846922	5	Feb 10, 2021	Clive Curson
S81239538	12	Feb 13, 2021	Michael Kearns
S81913206	1	Feb 19, 2021	Thomas Burley
S82352303^a	5	Feb 26, 2021	Ted Giblin

a. Reported from Manning estuary at Harrington, NSW. See list.