Ruddy Turnstone

Unanimously Accepted 7-0

Committee Member Comments:

CM1: The lack of pictures or physical evidence is unfortunate, but given the nature of submission, this is understandable. The observer is an experienced and skilled birder. Moreover, this species is fairly unique in its physical appearance leaving a misidentification extremely unlikely. The timing and location of the sighting fit the pattern of migration for the species. Therefore, a vote FOR this record is justified in my opinion.

CM2: Observer has plenty of past experience with this species. The species in its observed plumage is very distinctive and shouldn't be mistaken for anything else!

CM3: It's time.

CM4: Experienced observer. Prior experience with this species. Distinctive species which is unmistakable at close range.

CM5: Submitter has lots of previous experience with this species, although I would call the legs more orange than red. The sighting date was July, which would put the bird in its breeding plumage, and the black-white-red (rust) plumage color scheme is accurate.

CM6: Well documented

CM7: Accepted without comment.