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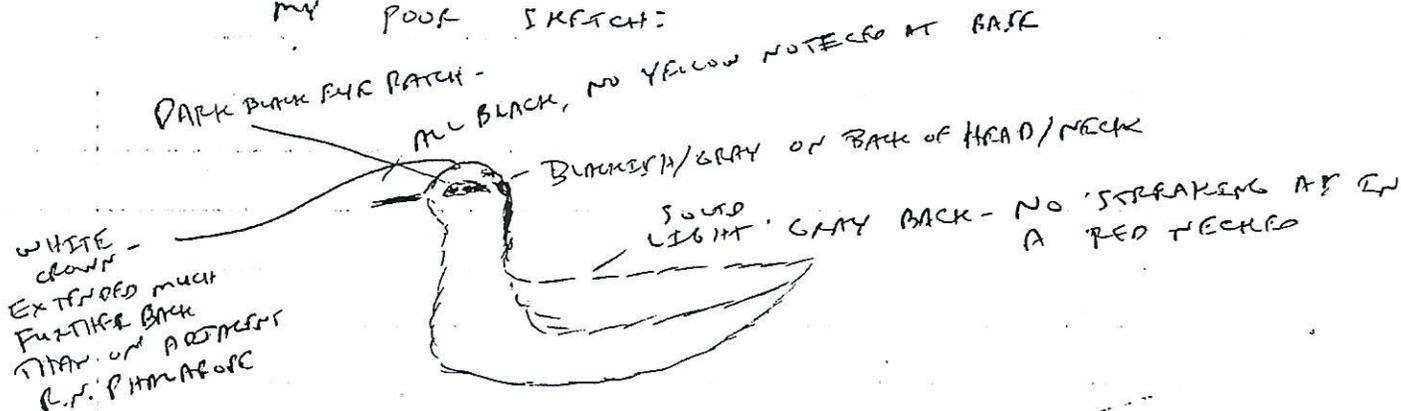
RED PHALAROPE - BASIC PLUMAGE

SEEN 30 MAY 1992 @ HOWARD JOUGH WMA,
MIXED IN WITH 40 RED-NECKED PHALAROPE,
ONE OF WHICH WAS ALSO IN BASIC PLUMAGE.

SEEN BY PETER PATON & JACK DANTON - 50m AWAY
ON WATER - SEEN w/ 10x90 BINOX & 22x SPOT. SCOPE,
UNDER GOOD LIGHT CONDITIONS - STUDIED FOR 10 MINUTES.

SLIGHTLY LARGER THAN ADJACENT R.N. PHALAROPE, w/
A LONGER NECK & BILL.

MY POOR SKETCH:



DARK EYE PATCH RESEMBLED WILSON'S PHALAROPE, HOWEVER
BILL WAS NEVER SEEN IN FLIGHT TO CONFIRM A DARK
TAIL RATHER THAN A WHITE TAIL (FORGOT TO FLUSH IT
③). BUT WE COULD SEE FAINT WHITE STRIP IN
WING, WHICH IS LACKING IN WILSON'S. HEAD COLOR &
PATTERN WAS MUCH DIFFERENT THAN ADJACENT BASIC PLUMAGE
R.N. PHALAROPE, AS WAS SIZE.