First Inland Record of Pomarine Jaeger from the Carolinas: A Correction

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Hendrickson and Allen (Chat 49:41-42) published a note concerning the occurrence of three Pomarine Jaegers (*Stercorarius pomarinus*) seen near Greensboro, N.C. This otherwise excellent note is in error in stating that these sightings constituted the first inland records for the Carolinas. The first bird found in the interior of the Carolinas was a male (ChM 1950.164) taken on 30 October 1950 on Lake Moultrie, about 1.7 km north of Pinopolis, Berkeley County. This site is about 60 km from the coast. The record was published (Auk 68:377; Suppl. South Carolina Bird Life, pages 602-603, 1970).

BRIEFS FOR THE FILES

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- RED-THROATED LOON: A first record for Forsyth County, N.C., was one that landed on a road during a fog; it was caught, banded, and released at Salem Lake on 19 November by Ramona Snavely and party. One was also observed by Ricky Davis at Jordan Lake in Chatham County, N.C., on 28 November.
- COMMON LOON: A fallout of migrants at Falls Lake, Durham County, N.C., yielded 70 loons on 16 November (Harry LeGrand, Tom Howard). Douglas McNair had two early loons from 12 to 14 August at Lake Keowee, S.C.
- NORTHERN FULMAR: An excellent fall count of 20+ was seen by Dave Lee off Oregon Inlet, N.C., on 25 October; at least five were gray-phase birds. Most unusual was one found alive and photographed (see front cover) by David Chamberlain on the beach at Buxton, N.C., on 4 November following Hurricane Juan.
- BLACK-CAPPED PETREL: Dennis Forsythe saw one on 24 October about 60 miles off Charleston, S.C. The species was commonly seen on most pelagic trips off Oregon and Hatteras Inlets, N.C., during the fall (fide Dave Lee).
- GREATER SHEARWATER: David Chamberlain observed one from shore at Buxton, N.C., on 4 November. An excellent pelagic count was 362 noted by Dave Lee off Oregon Inlet on 8 August; he also tallied 1252 Cory's and 1209 Audubon's Shearwaters on this trip.
- WHITE-FACED STORM-PETREL: On pelagic trips off Oregon Inlet, four were seen on 29 August, one was seen on 23 August, and another was seen on 27 August (Dave Lee et al.).
- LEACH'S STORM-PETREL: Remarkable counts for this species, considered a rare bird in North Carolina waters only a few years ago, were 133 on 24 August and 75 on 29 August, both noted by Dave Lee and party off Oregon Inlet.
- BAND-RUMPED STORM-PETREL: This species was seen on most pelagic trips taken off Hatteras and Oregon Inlets in August and early September; peak counts (fide Dave Lee) were 64 on 24 August and 47 on the following day, both off Oregon Inlet.
- WHITE-TAILED TROPICBIRD: Four were seen off Oregon Inlet on 6 August, and another was seen in that area on 8 August (fide Dave Lee). Off Hatteras Inlet, an adult was photographed by Larry Rosche on 10 August [photos seen by the editor—HEL], and one was seen by Robert