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### Grey Phalarope *Phalaropus fulicarius* in northern Cameroon

On 3 May 1991 I observed a Grey Phalarope *Phalaropus fulicarius* swimming in an inundated rice field near Lagdo, south-east of Garoua, northern Cameroon (9°3'N, 13°44'E). Based on plumage characteristics mentioned by Hayman *et al.* (1986), the bird was identified as a juvenile moulting into adult plumage.

This record, 750 km from the nearest sea, is the fourth for Cameroon. Previous records were single birds seen at Bityé in March 1930 (Bates *in* Bannerman 1930-51) and at Yaoundé in November 1987 and May 1988 (Fotso 1990). Inland records of Grey Phalaropes in Africa are unusual (Urban *et al.* 1986).

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