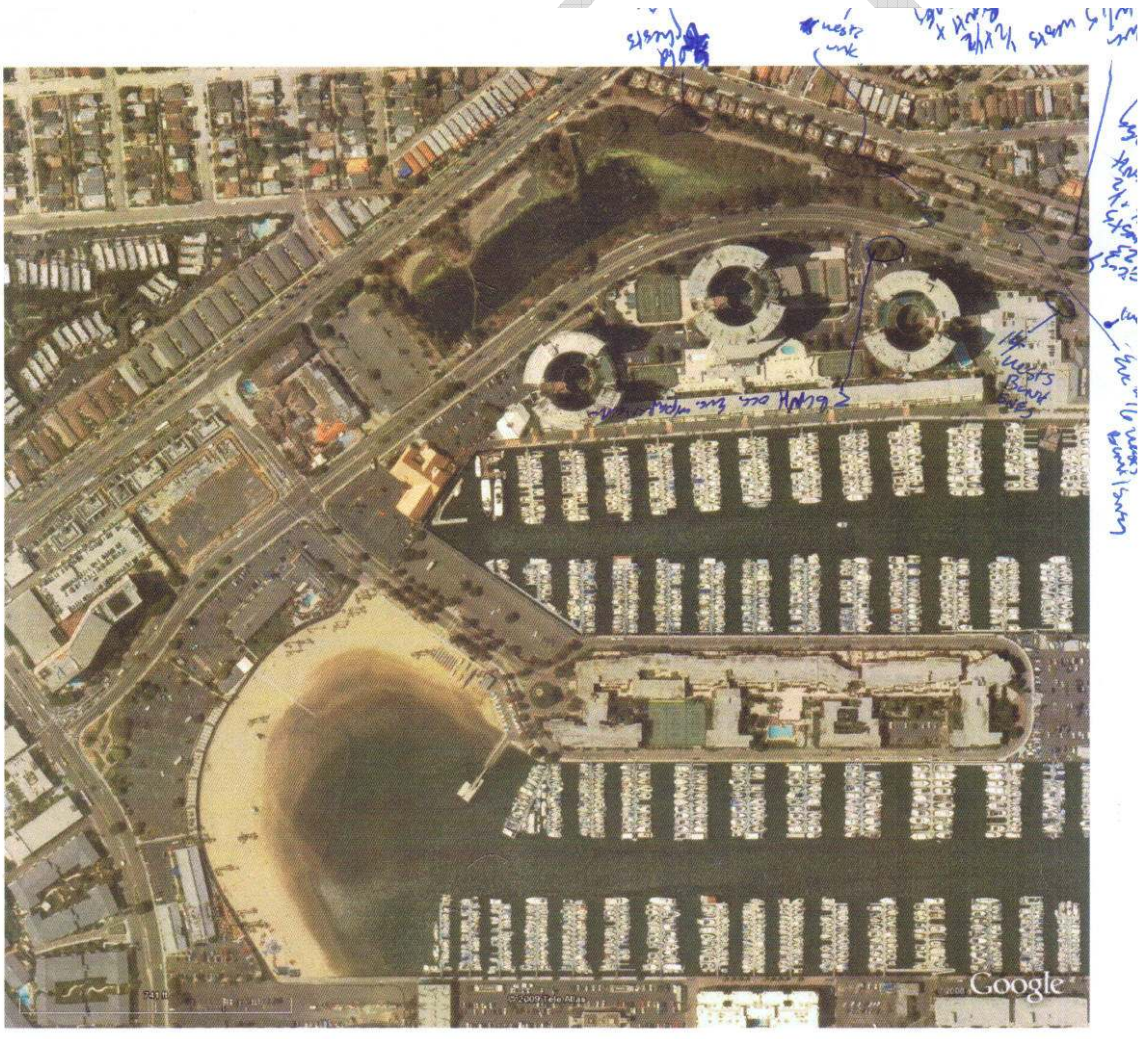
APPENDIX B: COPIES OF FIELD NOTES

This appendix consists of scans of the 2009 field notes taken by Robert A. Hamilton (RAH) and Daniel S. Cooper (DSC) in order to prepare this Conservation and Management Plan. In most cases, RAH's cryptic field notes were transcribed from a field notebook to a more legible notebook upon return to the office after completion of the field work. DSC also did this, but then the legible notebook was lost, so DSC's original field notes are provided here.

Notes of Robert A. Hamilton



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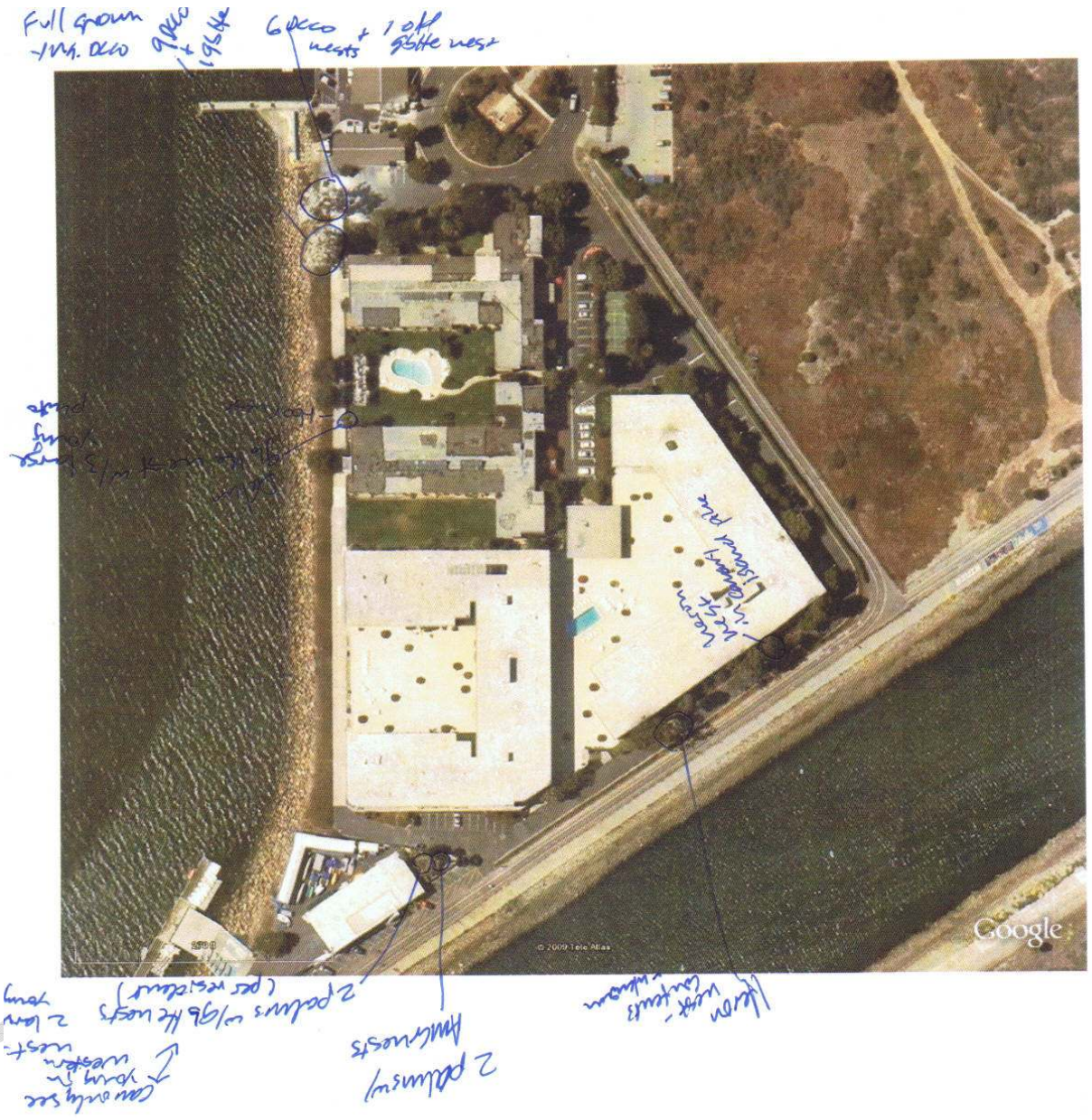
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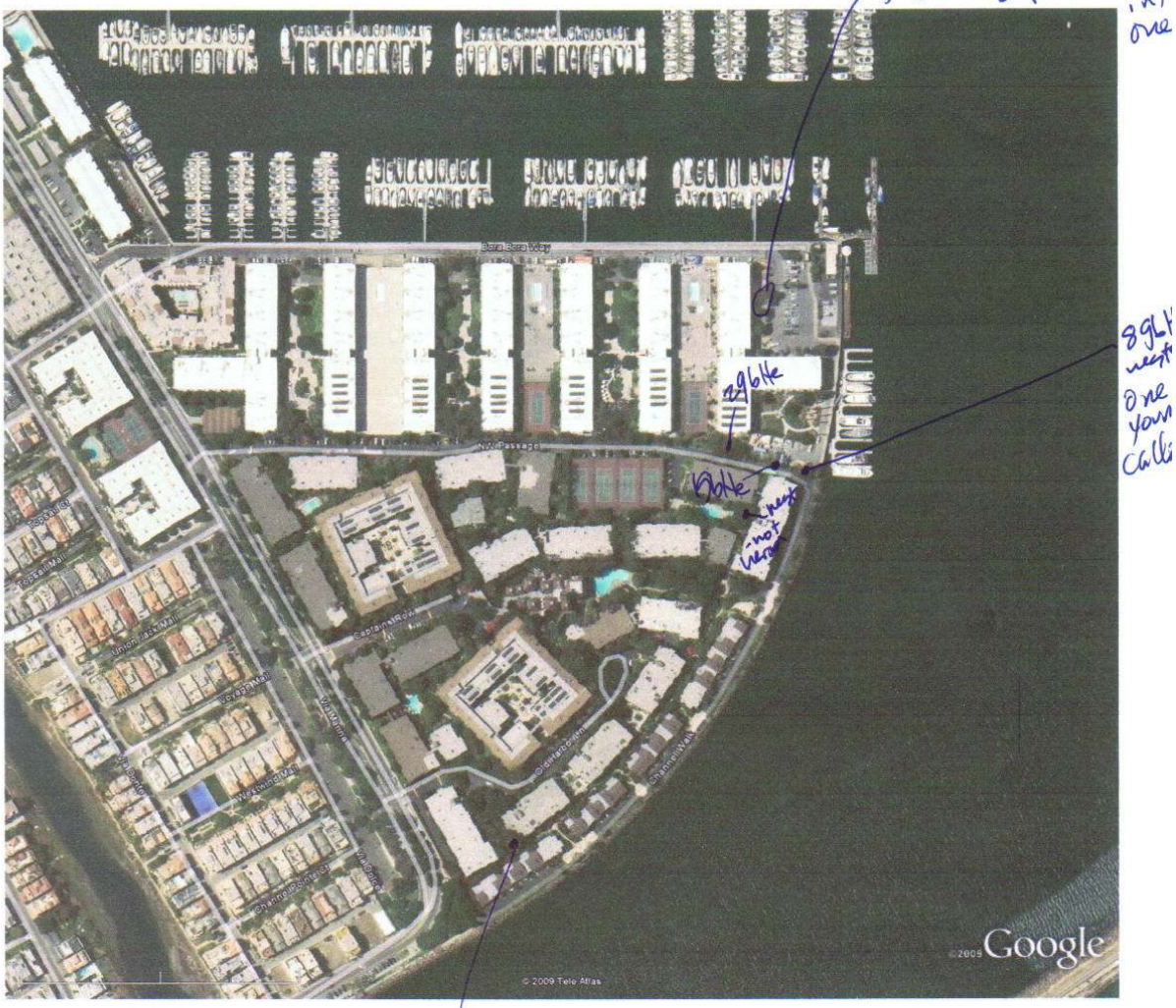
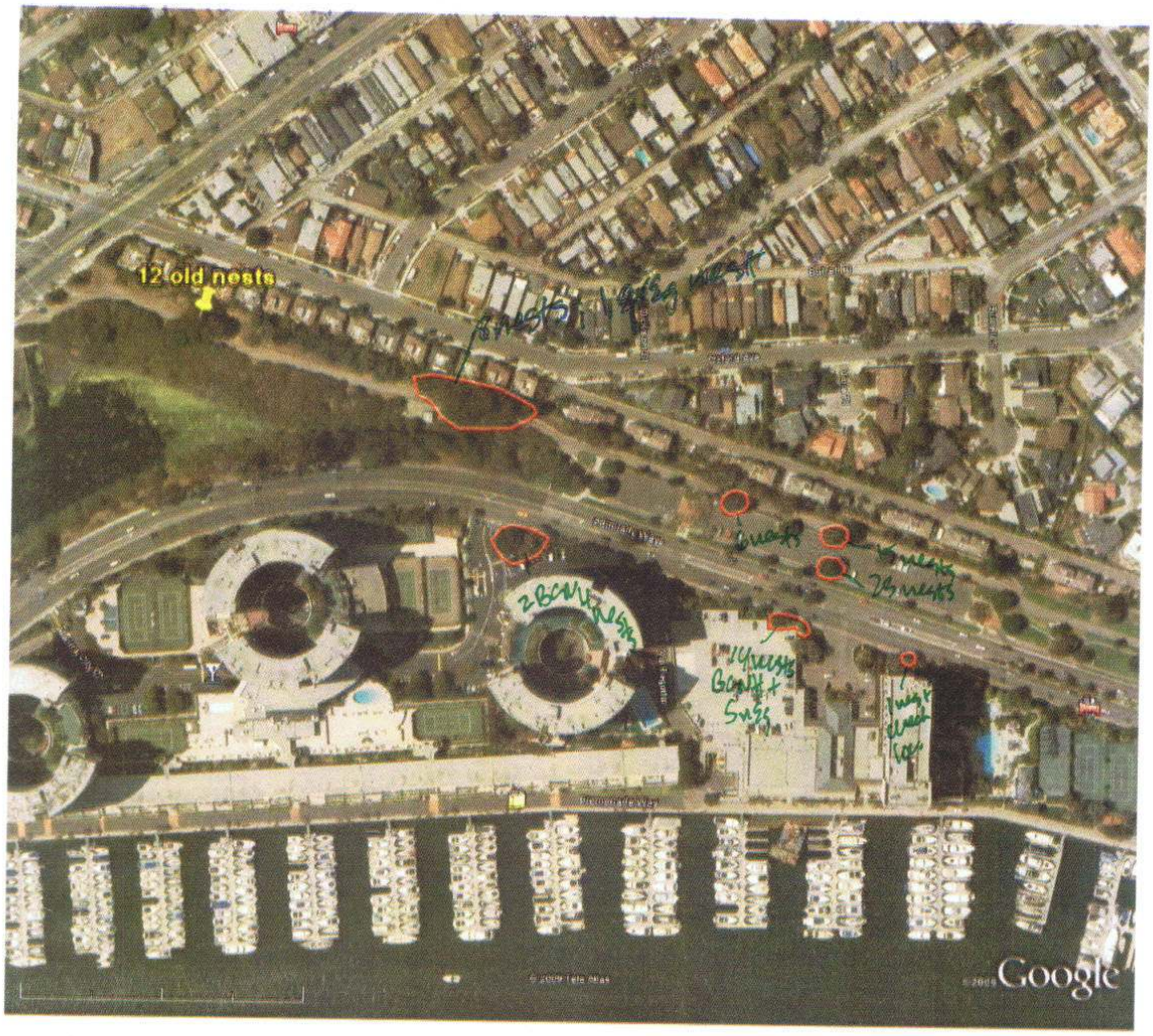


6/22/09
1400-1700
Sunny, breezy 68°F

Palawan Way - no Nests
Jamaica Bay Inn - No "
Via Marina. Del Rey Shores Apts " "
Tahiti Way - " "
Bora Bora Way - See notes
Mariners Village - 15 nests 40-50' up

Pines w/15 large
nests 40-50' up
Probably all gbhe

Via Dolce + Venice Canal - " "
Marquesas 9 BCNH nests
along median
@ east end
Several BCNH ads in trees
roosting. Coral trees @
end w/ guano.



6/23/09

6/23/09 1900– 63°; wind 7mph; clear

Villa Venetia

DCCO nests mostly empty.

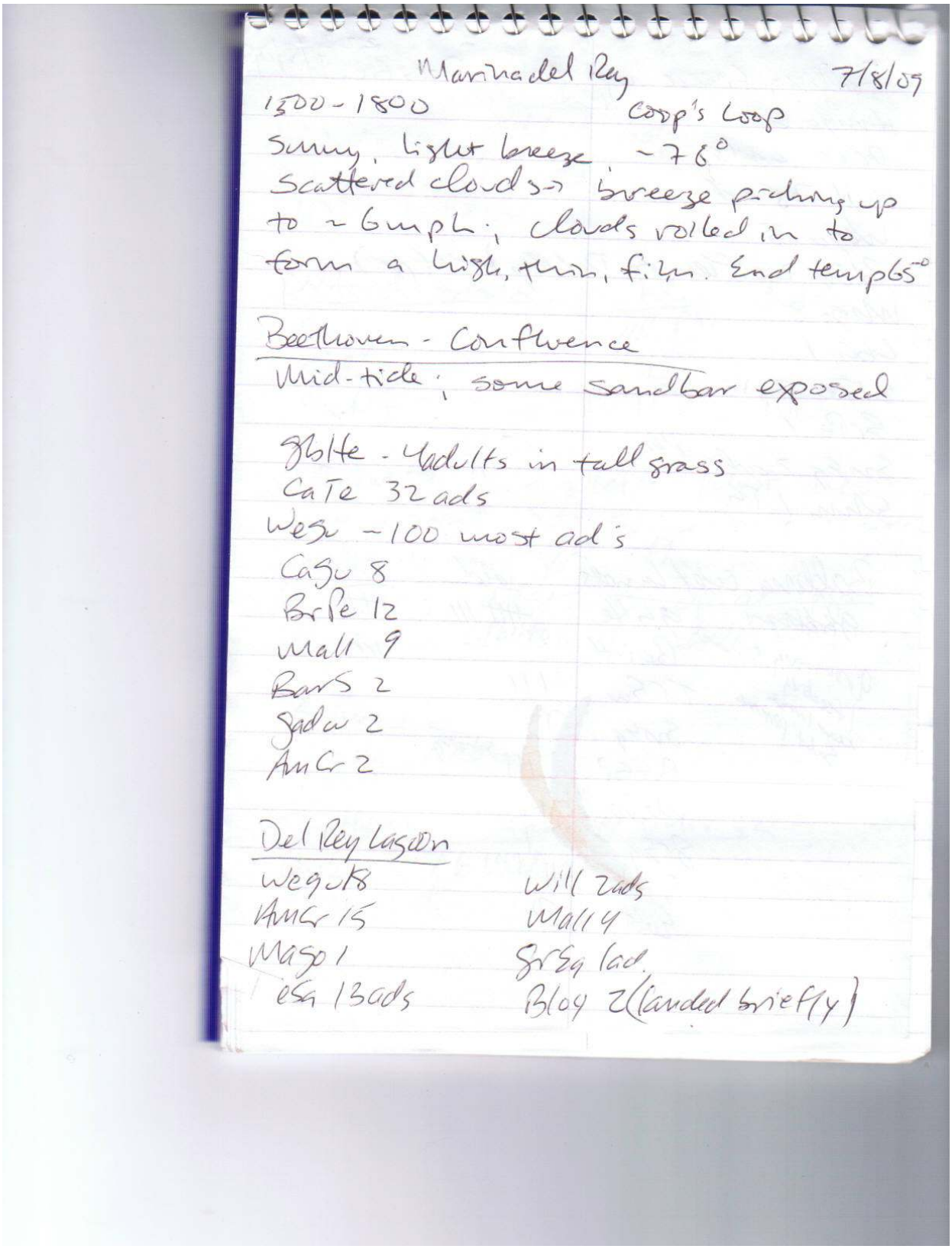
~19 large young out on branches of Monterey cypresses

Admiralty

BCNH – fledglings @ oxford side – nested earlier in season per John Coffin

||| fledglings @ marina side

Adult White

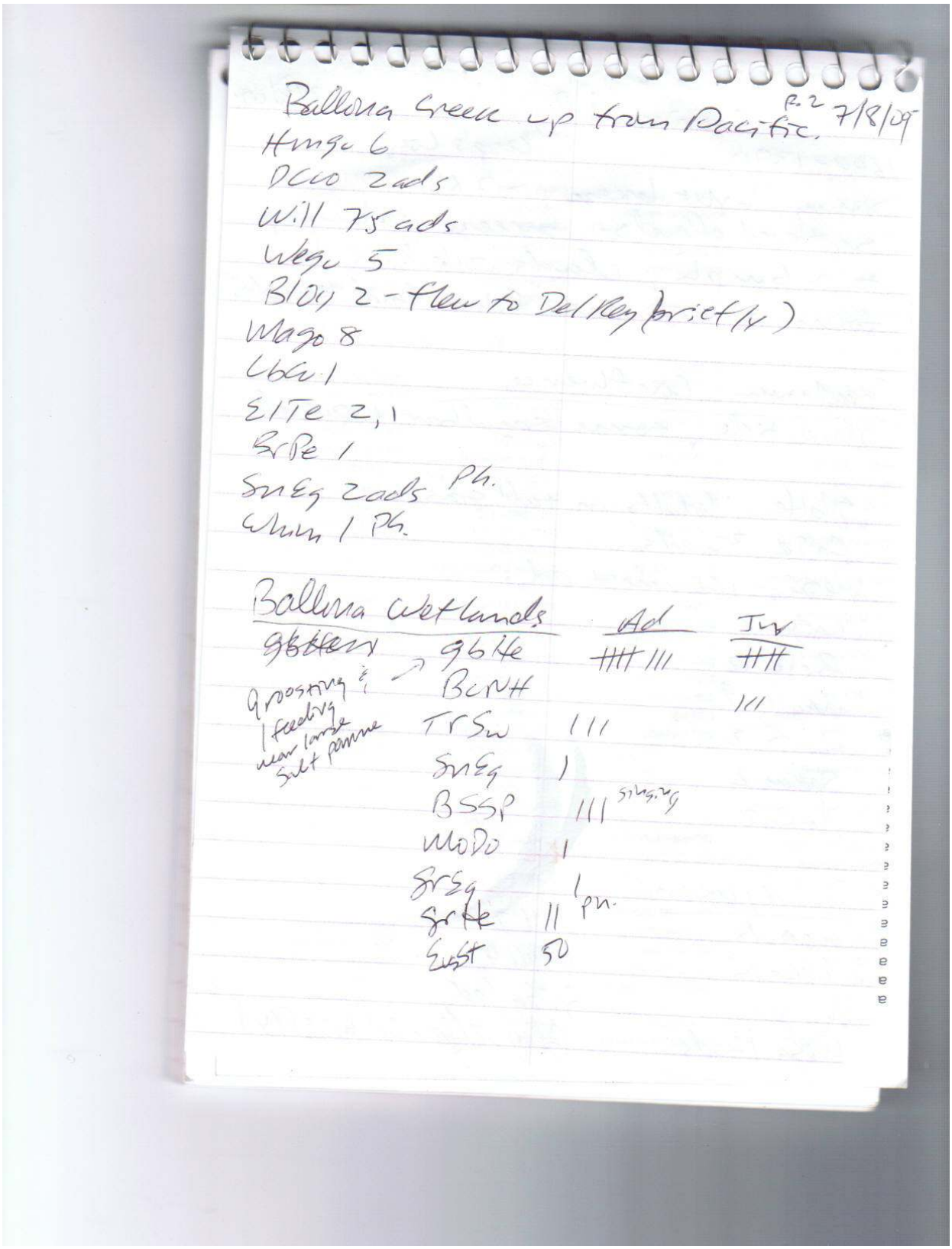


Marina del Rey 7/8/09
1500 - 1800 Coop's Loop
Sunny, light breeze, ~78°
Scattered clouds → breeze picking up to ~6mph; clouds rolled in to form a high, thin, film. End temp 65°

Beethoven - Confluence
Mid-tide; some sandbar exposed

Gblte - 4 adults in tall grass
CaTe 32 ads
WeSe ~100 most ad's
CaSu 8
BrPe 12
Mall 9
Barn 2
Gadw 2
AmCr 2

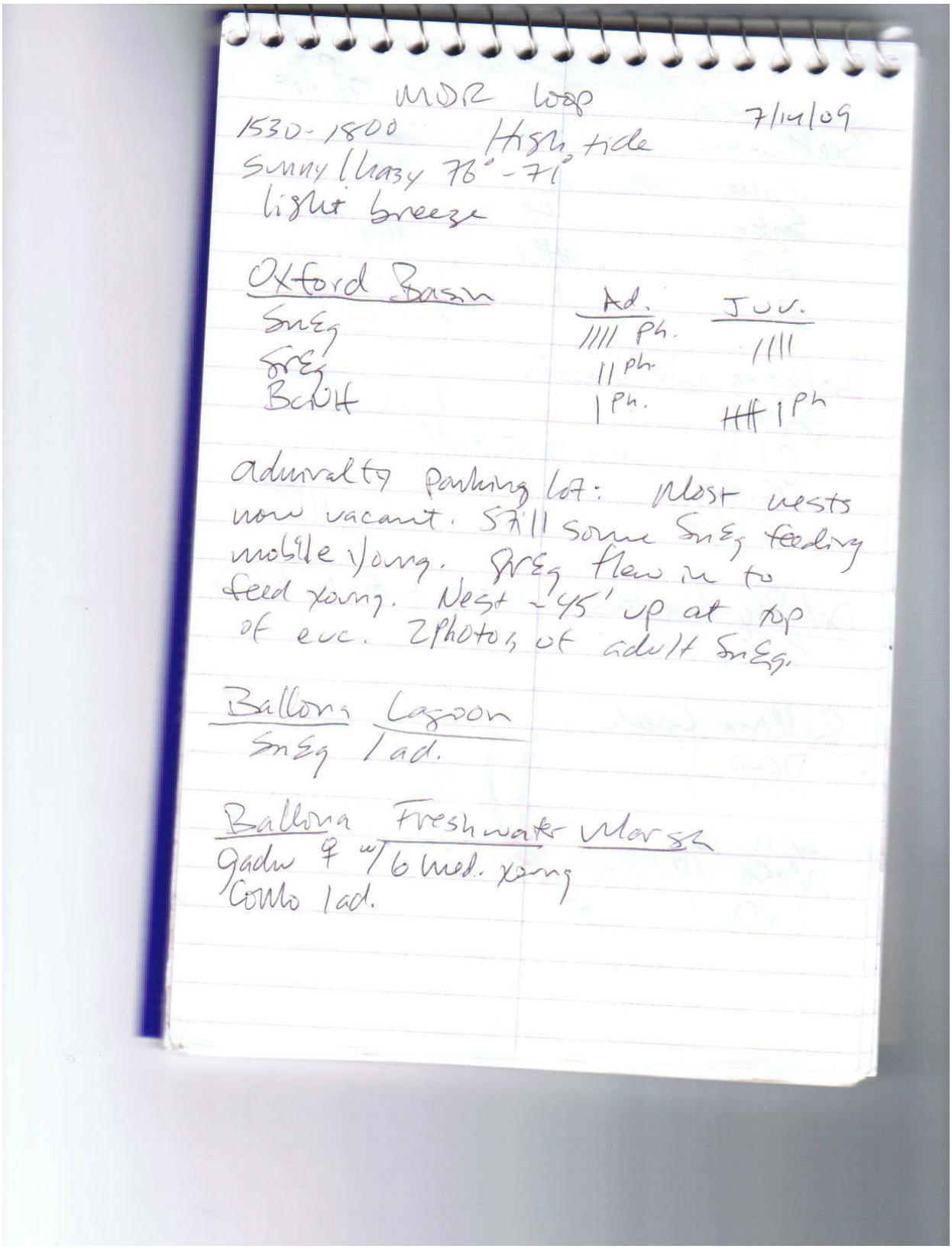
Del Rey Lagoon
WeGu 8
AmCr 15
MaSo 1
eSa 13 ads
Will 2 ads
Mall 4
GrEg 1 ad.
Bloy 2 (landed briefly)



Ballona Creek up from Pacific. P.2 7/8/09
Hmgo 6
DCCo 2ads
Will 75 ads
Wegr 5
BlOy 2 - flew to Del Rey briefly)
Mago 8
Lbcu 1
EITe 2,1
BrBe 1
SnEg 2ads Ph.
Chun 1 Ph.

Ballona Wetlands

Species		Ad	Juv
groosting & feeding near large salt pannes	GbHe	IIII III	IIII
	BcNH		III
	TrSw	III	
	SnEg	I	
	BSSP	III singing	
	MoDo	I	
	SrEg	I ph.	
	SrHe	II	
	EuSt	50	



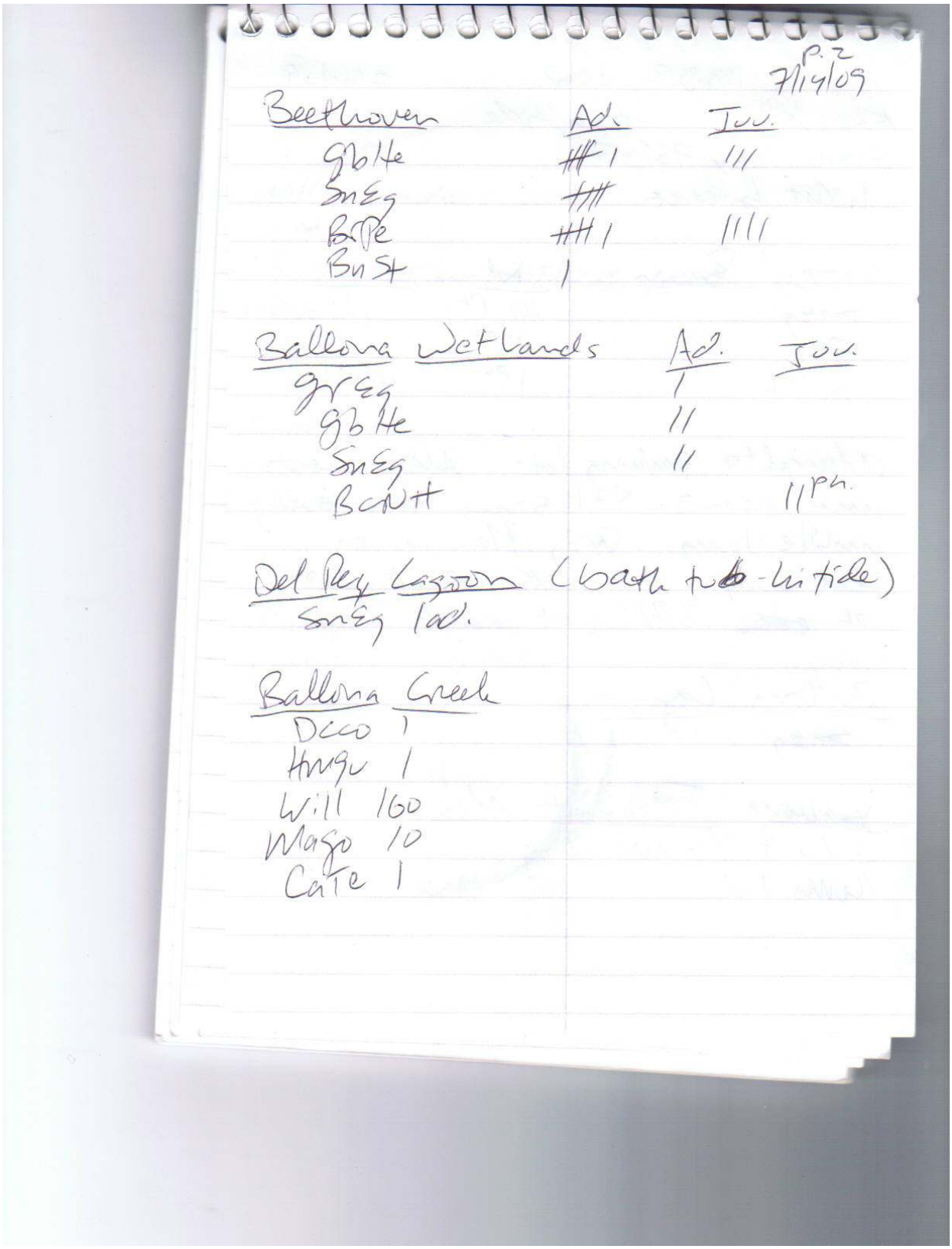
MDR loop 7/14/09
1530-1800 High tide
Sunny/hazy 76°-71°
light breeze

Oxford Basin	Ad.	Juv.
SnEg	//// Ph.	////
SrEg	// Ph.	
BcNH	1 Ph.	HH 1 Ph

admralty parking lot: Most nests now vacant. Still some SnEg feeding mobile young. SrEg flew in to feed young. Nest ~45' up at top of euc. 2 Photos of adult SnEg.

Ballona Lagoon
SnEg 1 ad.

Ballona Freshwater Marsh
Gadw 4 w/ 6 med. young
Comb 1 ad.



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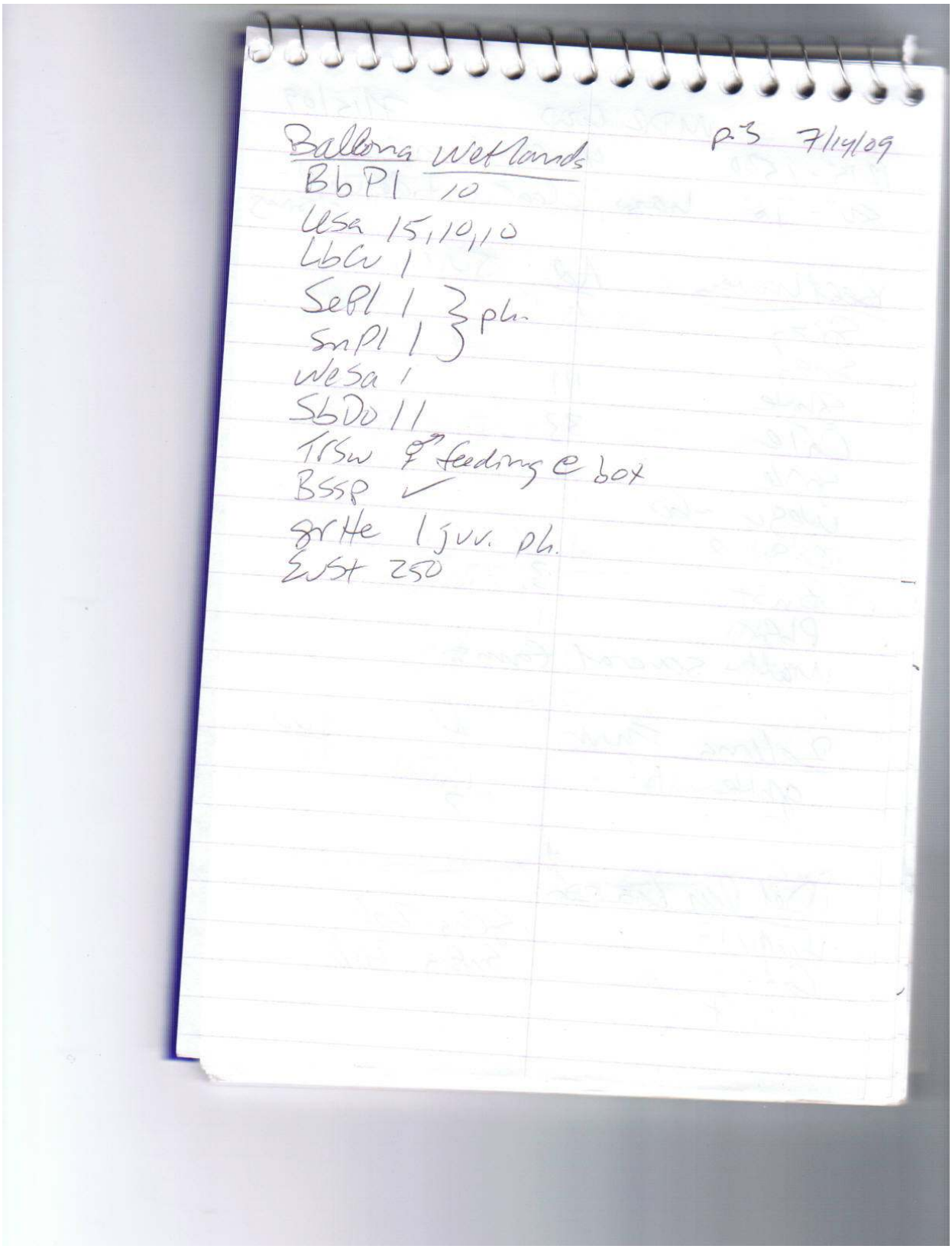
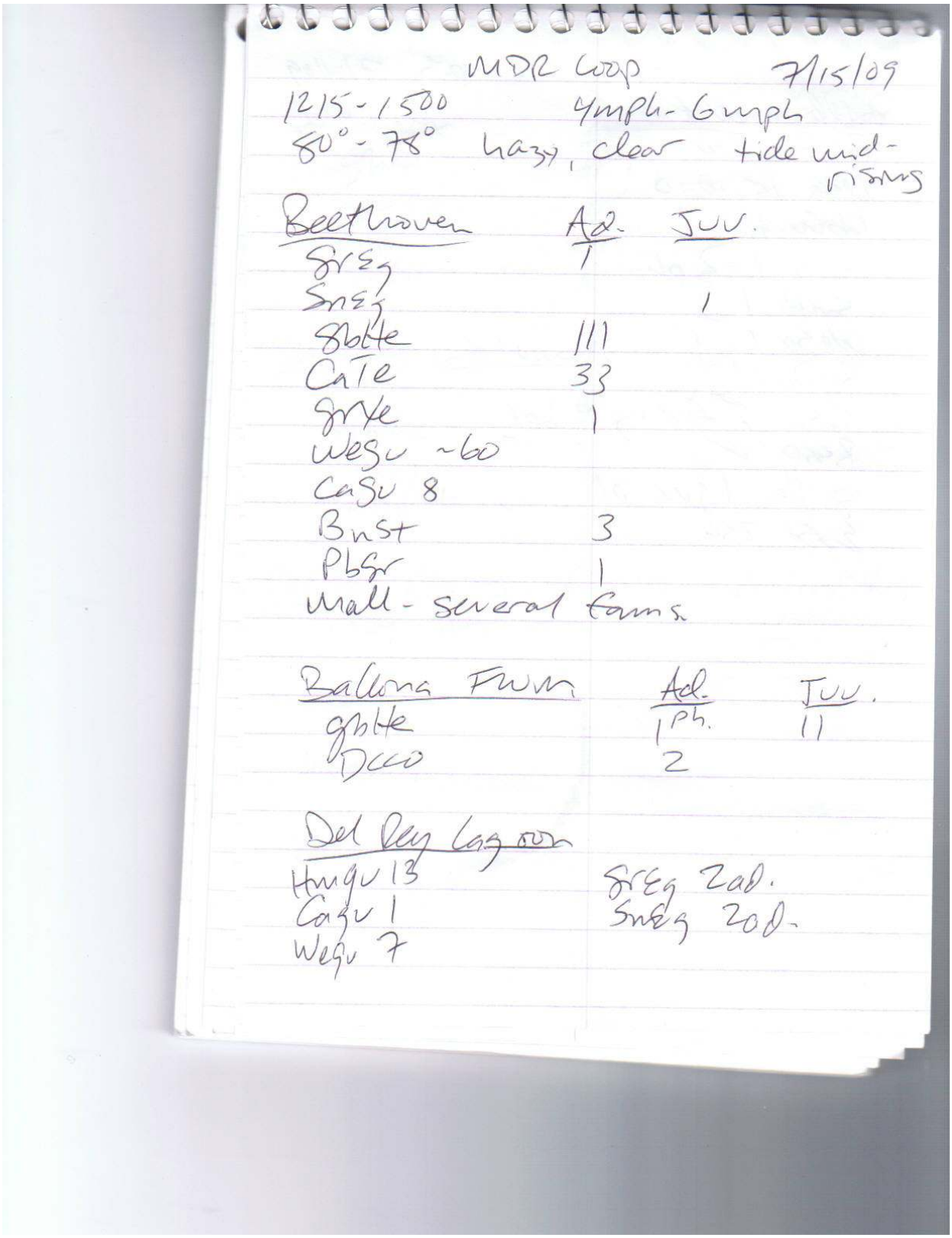
Beethoven	Ad.	Juv.
GbHe	////1	///
SnEg	////	
BcNe	////1	////
BnSt	1	

Ballona Wetlands	Ad.	Juv.
GrEg	1	
GbHe	//	
SnEg	//	
BcNt		//ph.

Del Rey Lagoon (bath tub - hi tide)
SnEg 1ad.

Ballona Creek	
Dcco	1
Hrgu	1
Will	160
Wasp	10
CaTe	1


Ballona Wetlands
p-3 7/14/09
BbPl 10
Wsa 15,10,10
LbCv 1
SePl 1 3 pl.
SnPl 1 3
Wesa 1
SbDo 11
TrSw ♀ feeding @ box
BssP ✓
GrHe 1 juv. pl.
EWSt 250



MDR Loop 7/15/09
1215 - 1500 4mph - 6mph
80° - 78° hazy, clear tide mid-rising

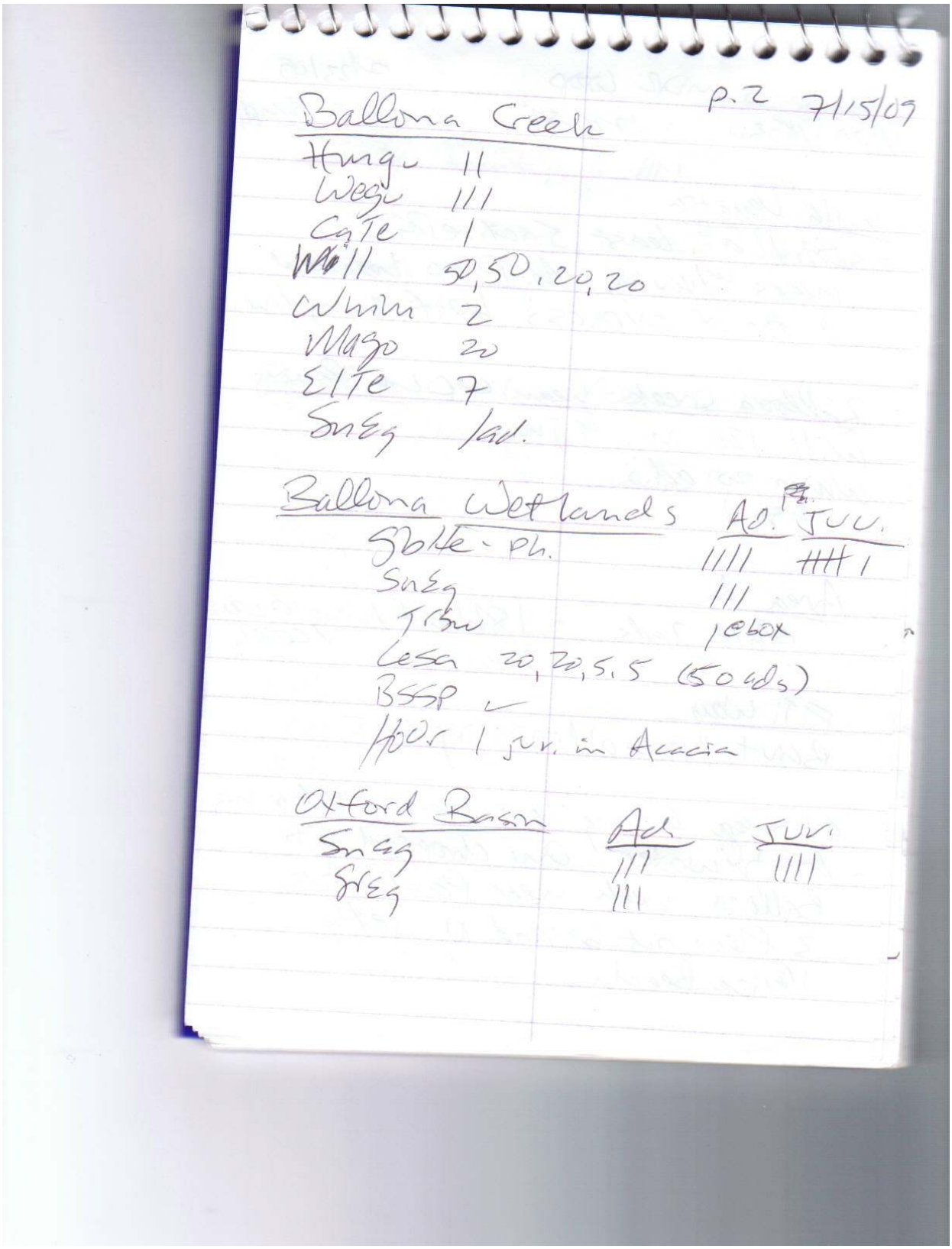
Beethoven	Ad.	Juv.
SrEg	1	
SnEg		1
SbIb	111	
CaTe	33	
SnPl	1	
WeGu ~60		
CaGu 8		
BnSt	3	
PlSr	1	

Mall - several Fams.

Ballona Fwm	Ad.	Juv.
SbIb	1 Ph.	11
Dcco	2	

Del Rey Lagoon

HmGu 13	SrEg 2ad.
CaGu 1	SnEg 2ad.
WeGu 7	



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Ballona Creek

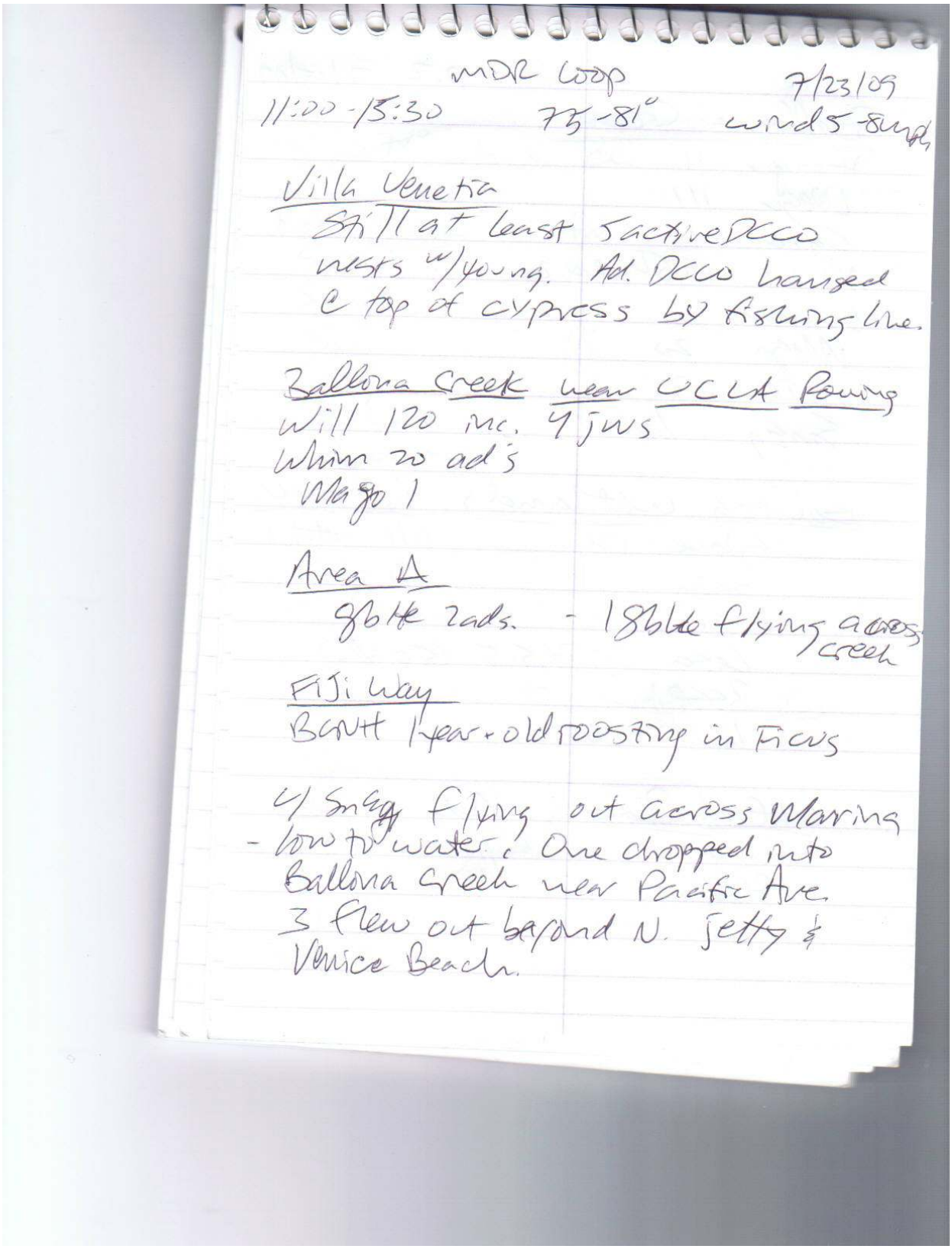
Hmgu 11
Wegr 111
CaTe 1
Mall 50, 50, 20, 20
Wimi 2
Magp 20
ELTe 7
SnEg 1ad.

Ballona Wetlands

	Ad.	Juv.
Gbhe - Ph.	////	/////
SnEg	///	
TrBw	1 @ box	
Lesa	20, 20, 5, 5 (50 ads)	
BSSP	✓	
HOor	1 juv. in Acacia	

Oxford Basin

	Ad	Juv
SnEg	///	////
SrEg	///	



MDR Loop 7/23/09
11:00 - 15:30 75 - 81° winds 5-8mph

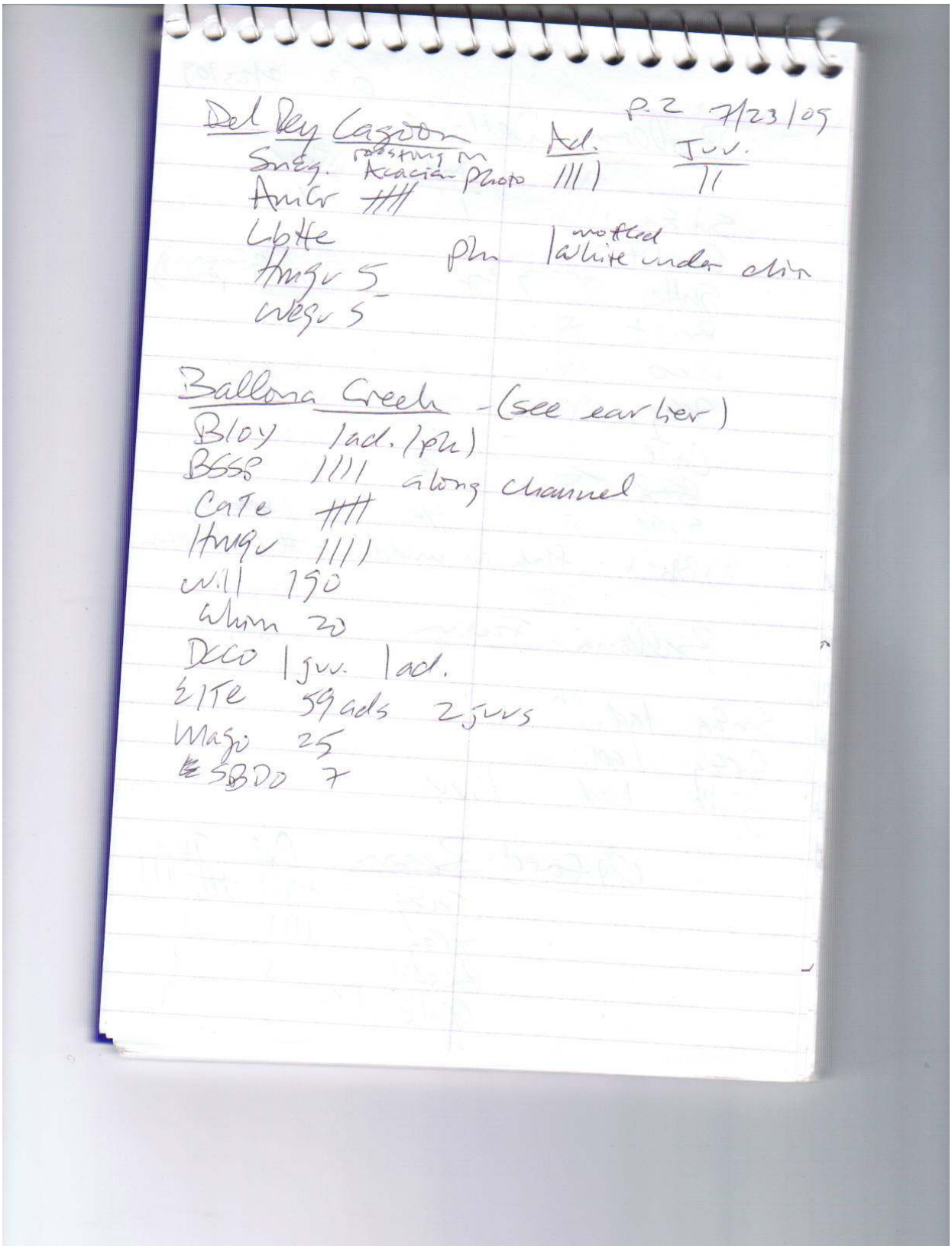
Villa Venetia
Still at least 5 active DCCO nests w/ young. Ad. DCCO loafing @ top of cypress by fishing line.

Ballona Creek near UCLA Rowing
Will 120 inc. 4 juvs
Whim 20 ad's
Magpie 1

Area A
Belted 2ads. - 1 Belted flying across creek

Fiji Way
Bcnht 1 year+ old roosting in Ficus

4 snowy flying out across Marina - low to water. One dropped into Ballona Creek near Pacific Ave. 3 flew out beyond N. Jetty & Venice Beach.



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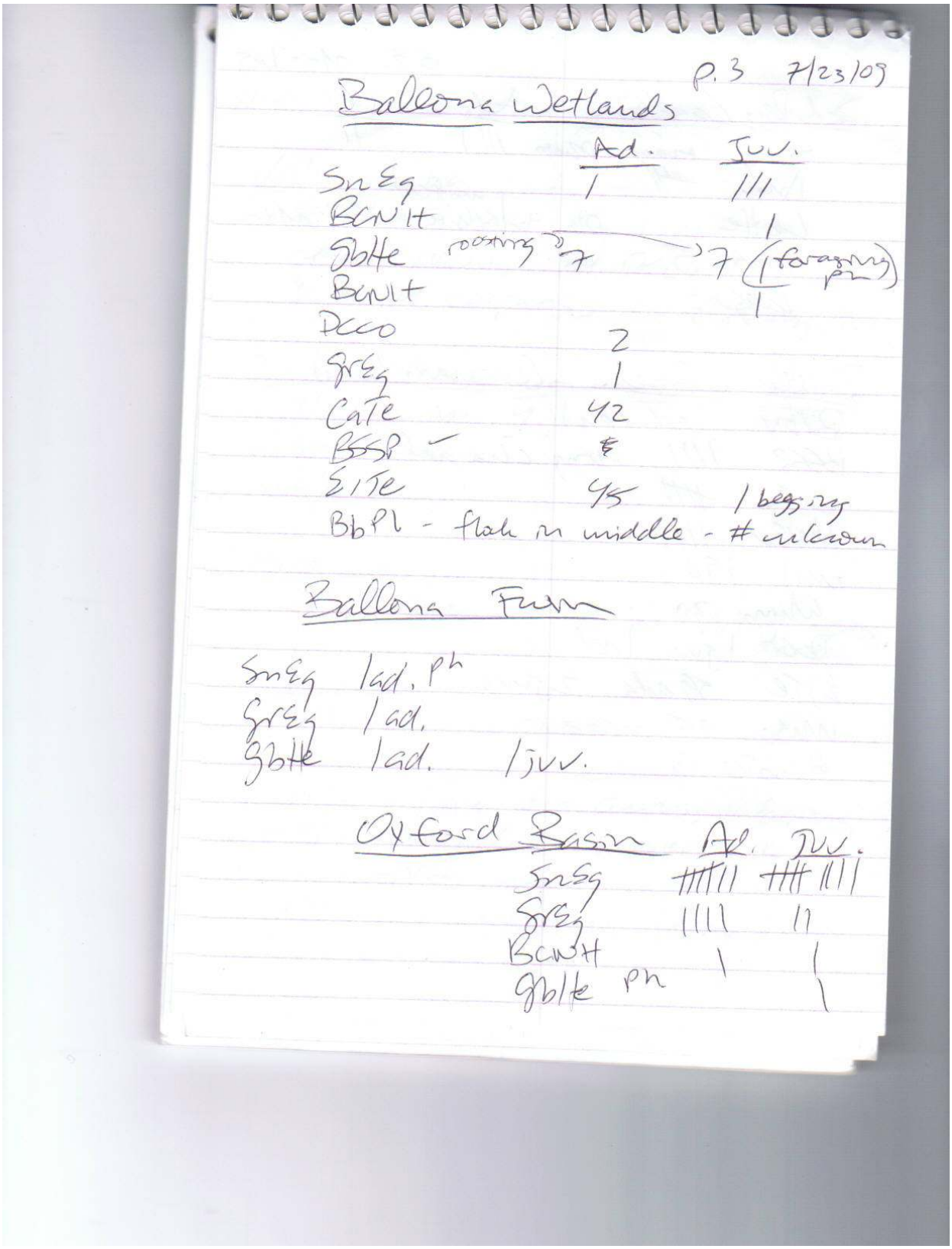
Del Rey Lagoon

	Ad.	Juv.
SnEg. (roosting in Acacia) Photo	IIII	II
AmCr	###	
LbHe	phn	1 w/ mottled white under chin
HmgU 5		
cAegU 5		

Ballona Creek - (see earlier)

BIoy 1 ad. (phn)
BCSP IIII along channel
CaTe ###
HmgU IIII
WIl 150
Whim 20
DCCo 1 juv. 1 ad.
ELTe 59 ads 25 juvs
Magu 25
SBDO 7



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Ballona Wetlands

	Ad.	Juv.
SnEg	1	III
BCNHt		1
GbHe	roosting 7	7 (1 foraging pr)
BCNHt		1
Dcco	2	
GrEg	1	
Cate	42	
BBSP	8	
Snte	45	1 begging

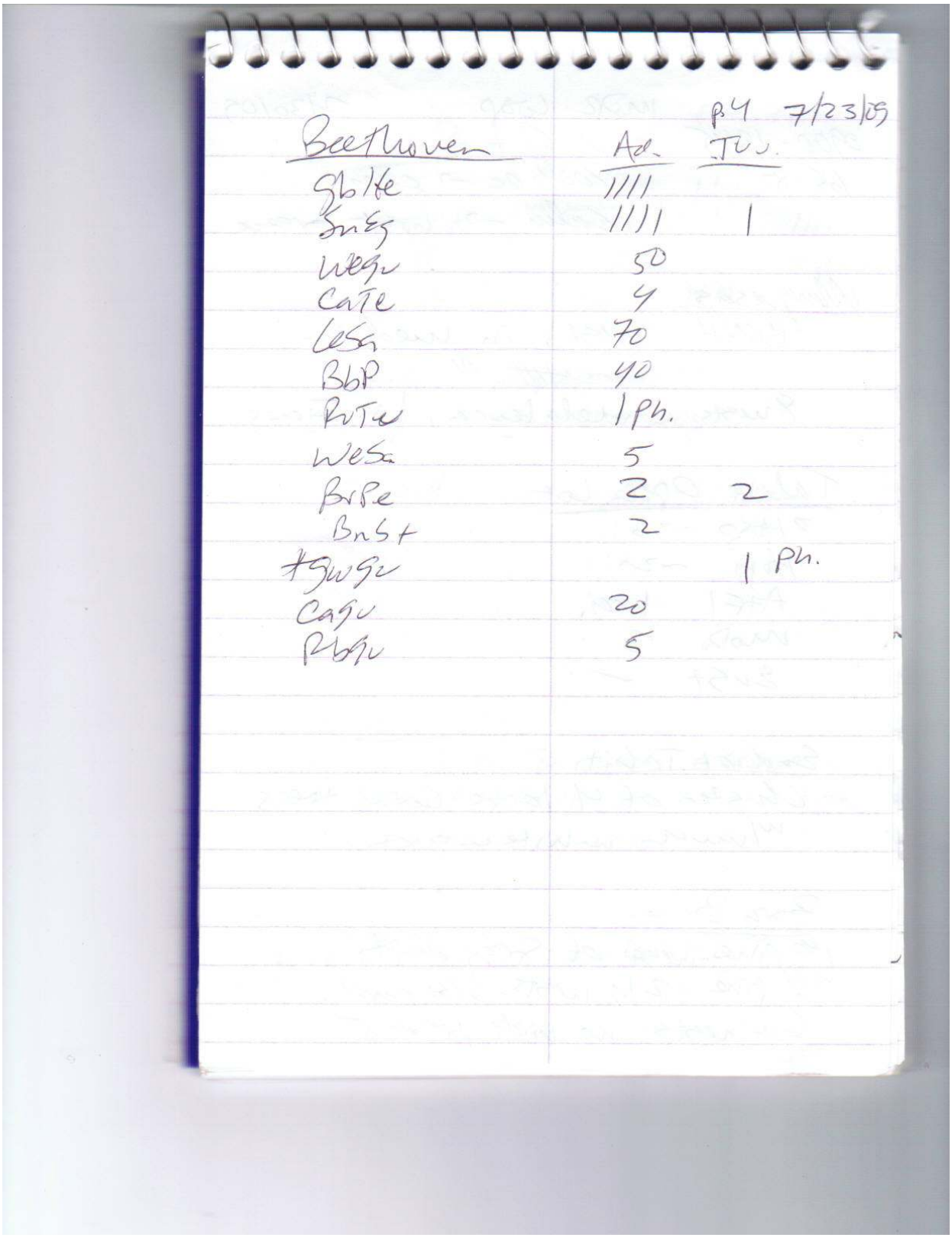
BbPl - flock in middle - # unknown

Ballona Fresh

SnEg 1 ad. ph
GrEg 1 ad.
GbHe 1 ad. 1 juv.

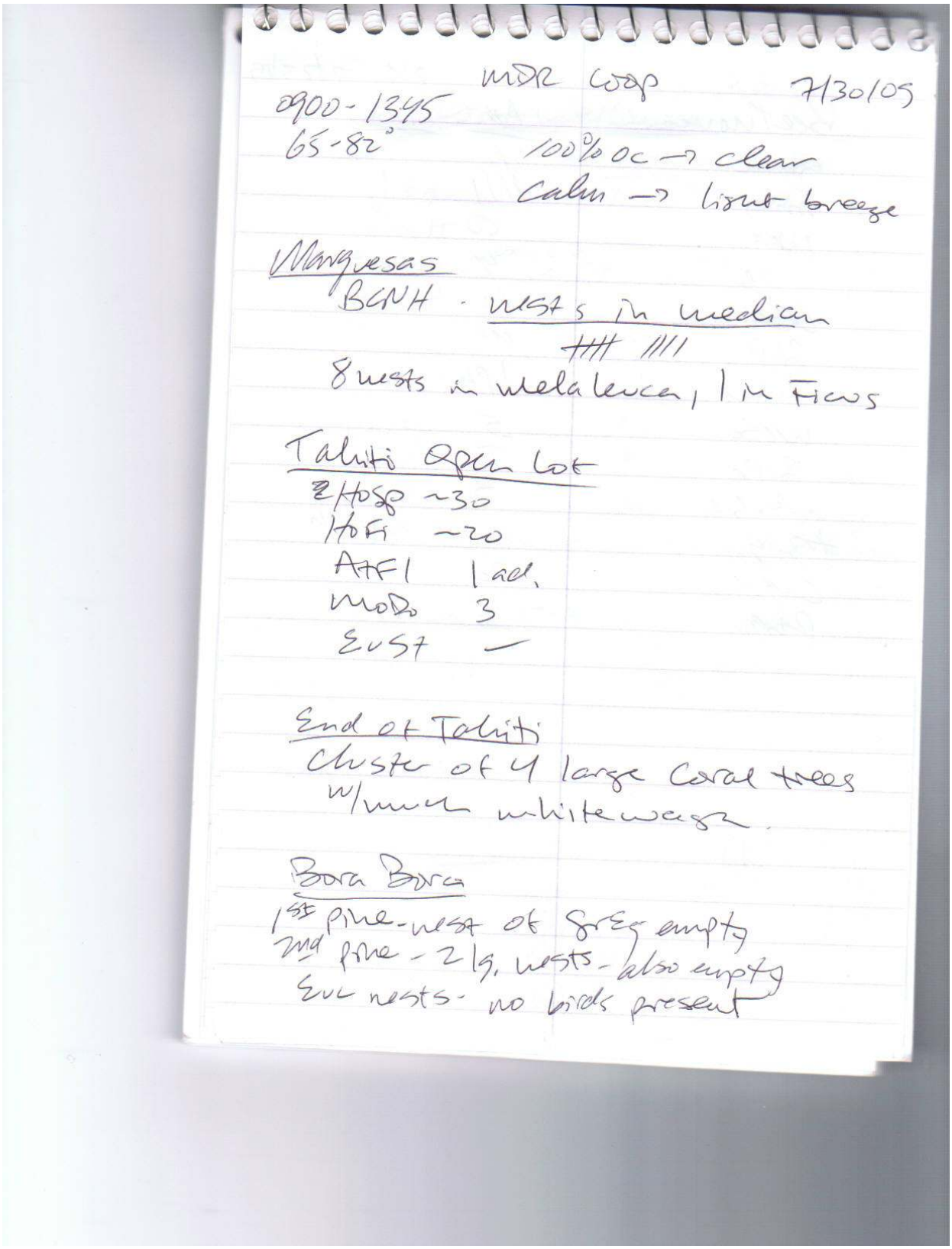
Oxford Basin

	Ad.	Juv.
SnEg	//////	//////
GrEg	////	//
BCNH	1	1
GbHe ph		1



Beethoven — P4 7/23/09

	Ad.	Juv.
Gb Ke	////	
Sn Eg	////	1
Wegr	50	
CaTe	4	
LeSa	70	
BbP	40	
RvTu	1 Ph.	
WeSa	5	
BrPe	2	2
BnSt	2	
Tgwgr		1 Ph.
Cagr	20	
Rbgr	5	



MDR Loop 7/30/05

0900 - 1345
65 - 82°

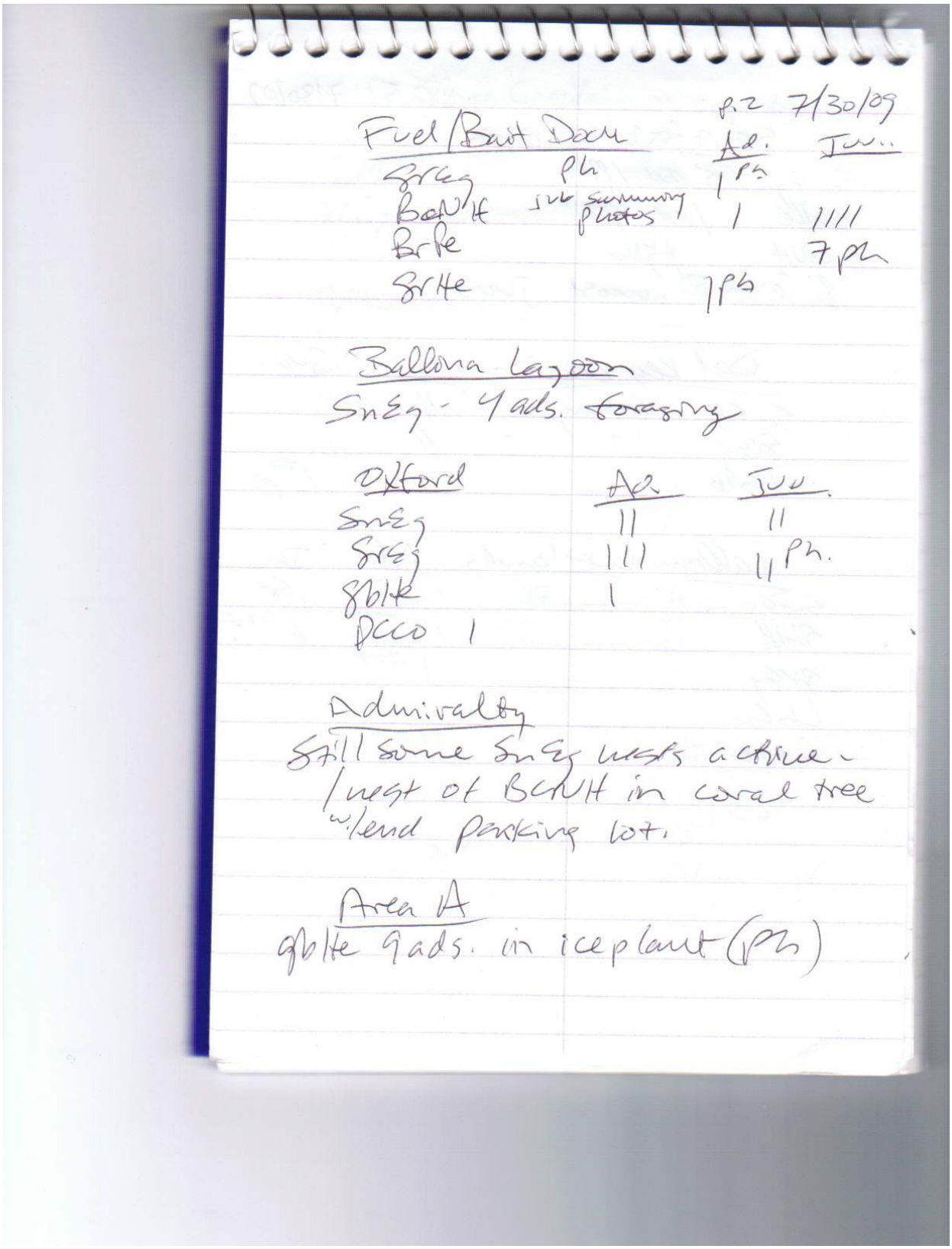
100% oc → clear
calm → light breeze

Marquesas
BCNH · nests in median
//// ////
8 nests in melaleuca, 1 in Ficus

Tahiti Open Lot
2 Hosp ~30
HOFI ~20
ATFL 1 ad.
MODO 3
EUST —

End of Tahiti
Cluster of 4 large Coral trees
w/ much whitewash.

Bora Bora
1st pine - nest of 3 eggs empty
2nd pine - 2 lg. nests - also empty
Eve nests - no birds present



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Fuel/Bait Dock

	Ph	Ad.	Juv.
SnEg		1 Ph	
BCNH	juv swimming plates	1	1111
BrPe			7 Ph
SnHe		1 Ph	

Ballona Lagoon

SnEg - 4 ads. foraging

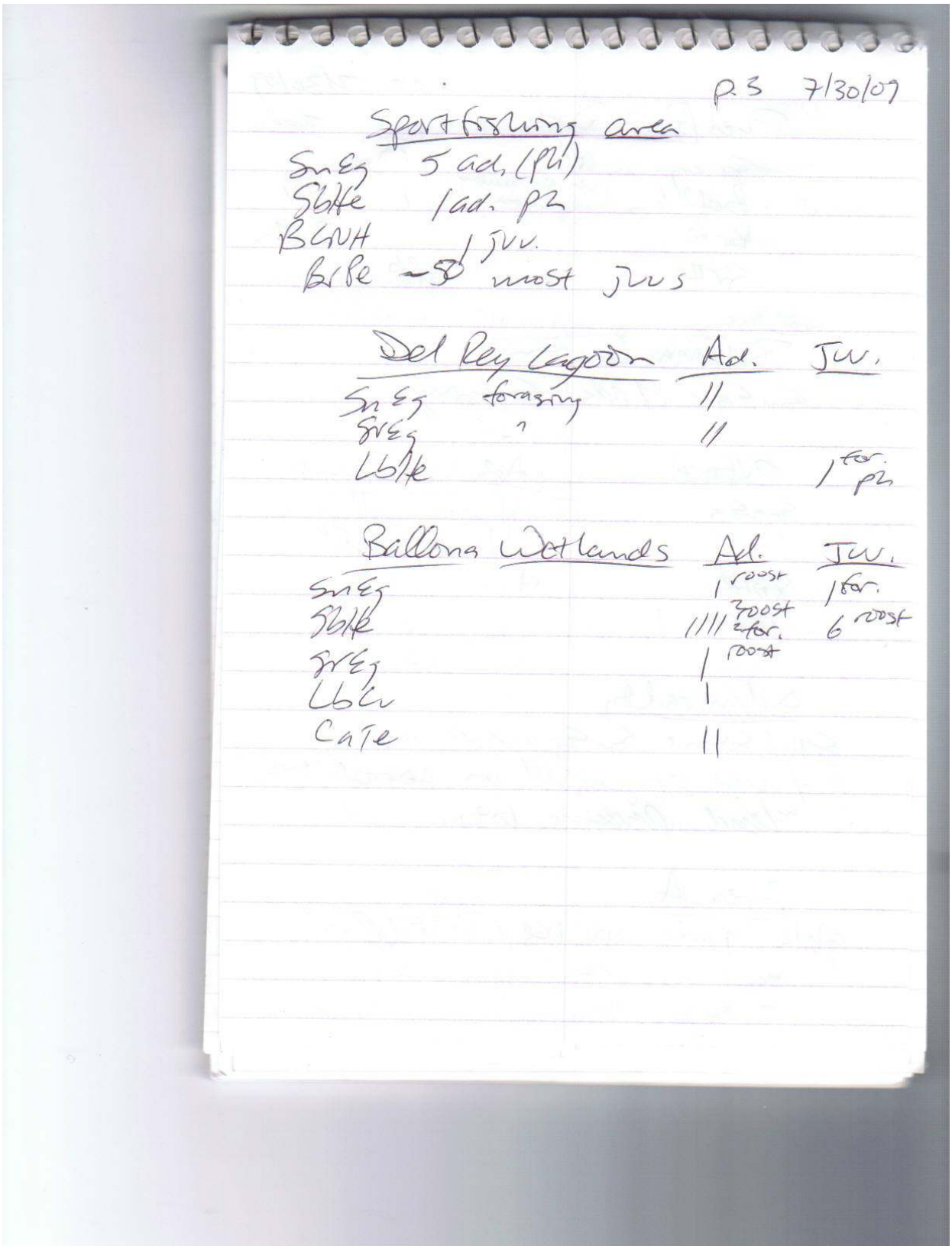
Oxford	Ad.	Juv.
SnEg	11	11
SnEg	111	11 Ph.
GBHe	1	
DCCO	1	

Admiralty

Still some SnEg nests active / west of BCNH in coral tree w/end parking lot.

Area A

GBHe 9 ads. in iceplant (Ph)



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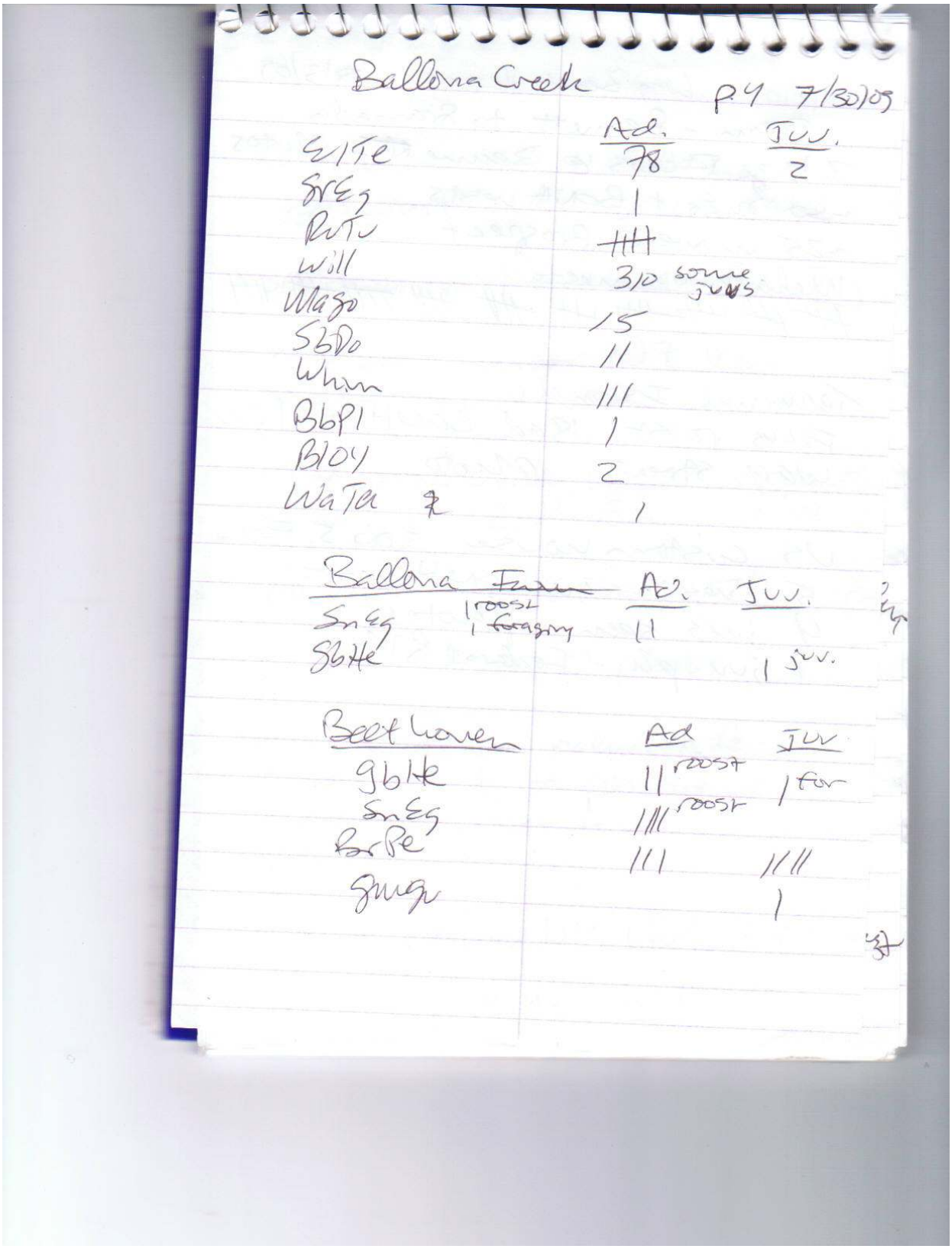
Sport fishing area

SnEg 5 ad. (pr)
SbHe 1 ad. pr
BCNH 1 juv.
BrPe ~8 most juvs

Del Rey Lagoon		Ad.	Juv.
SnEg	foraging	11	
SnEg	"	11	
LbHe			1 for. pr

Ballona Wetlands	Ad.	Juv.
SnEg	1 roost	1 for.
SbHe	//// roost 2 for.	6 roost
SnEg	1 roost	
LbHe	1	
CaTe	11	



Ballona Creek P4 7/30/09

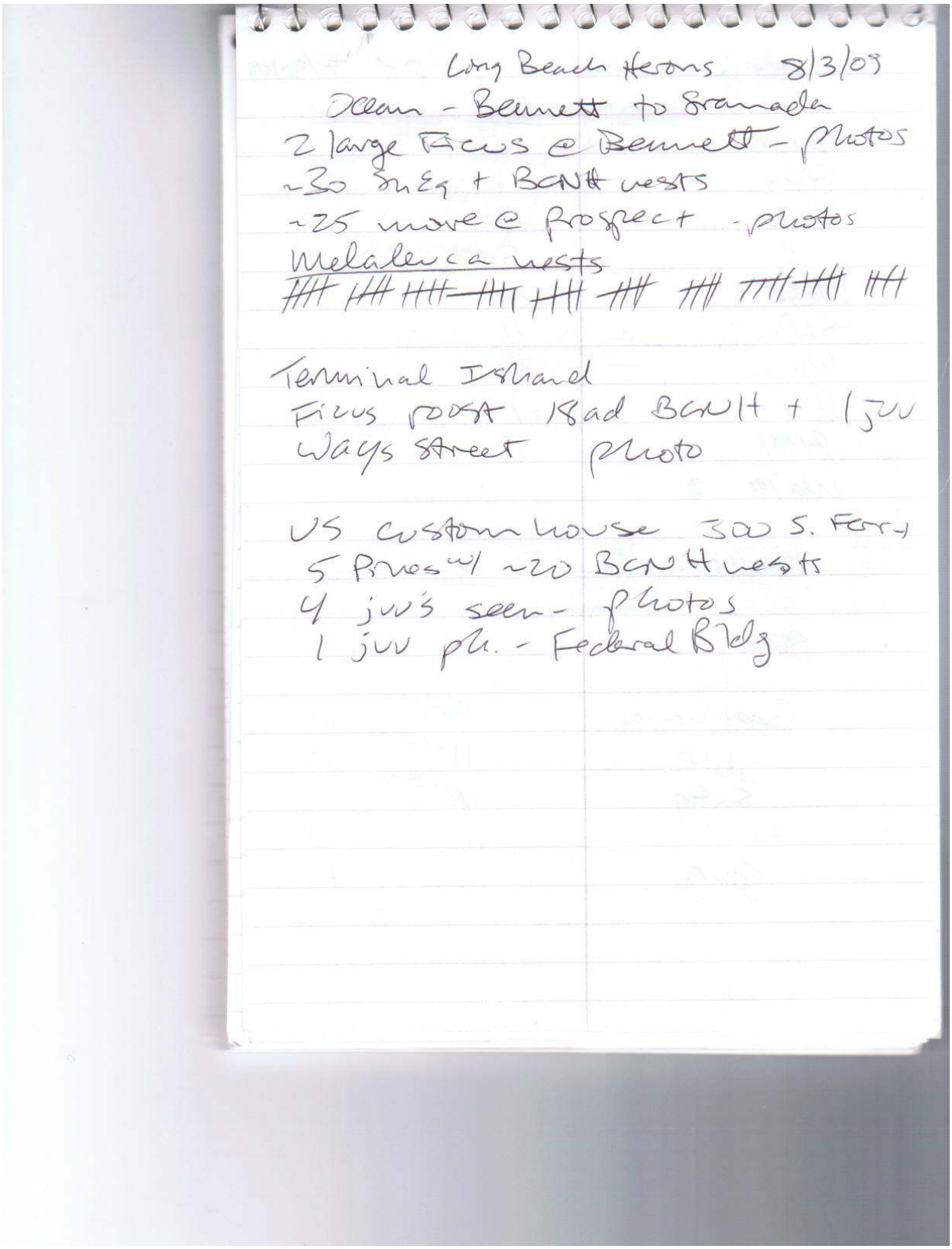
	Ad.	Juv.
ElTe	78	2
SnEg	1	
RoTe	HH	
Will	3/0 some juvs	
Wago	15	
SBDo	11	
Whim	111	
BbPl	1	
BlOy	2	
WaTe 2	1	

Ballona Fresh

		Ad.	Juv.
SnEg	1 roost, 1 foraging	11	
SbHe			1 juv.

Beet Haven

	Ad	Juv
gbHe	11 roost	1 for
SnEg	1111 roost	
BrPe	111	1111
Snipe		1



Long Beach Herons 8/3/09

Ocean - Bennett to Granada

2 large Ficus @ Bennett - photos

~30 SnEg + BCNH nests

~25 more @ Prospect - photos

Melaleuca nests

Terminal Island

Ficus roost 18 ad BCNH + 1 juv

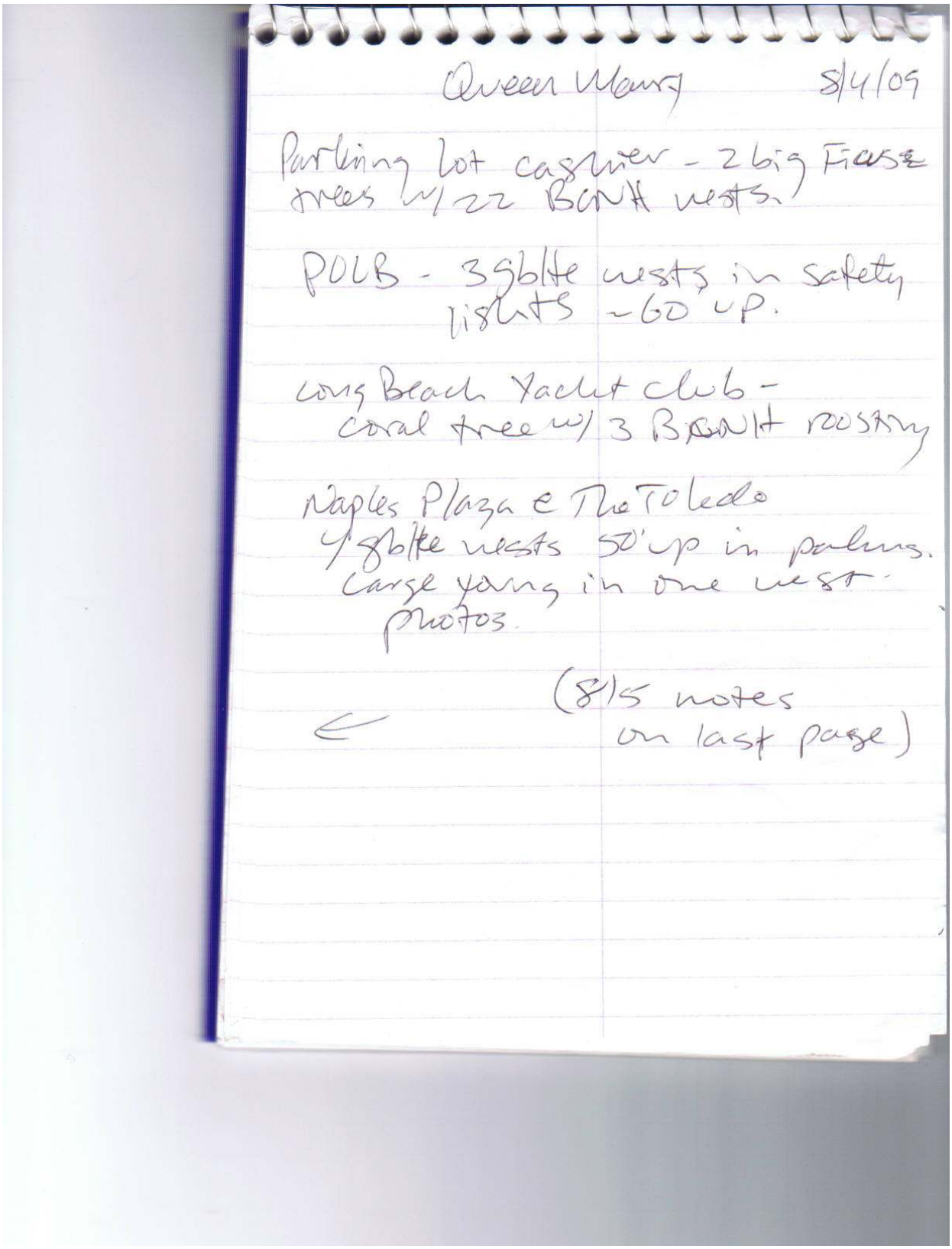
Ways Street photo

US Customhouse 300 S. Ferry

5 pr w/ ~20 BCNH nests

4 juv's seen - photos

1 juv ph. - Federal Bldg



Queen Mary 5/4/09

Parking lot cashier - 2 big Ficus trees w/ 22 BCNH nests.

POLB - 3 gblte nests in safety lights - 60 up.

Long Beach Yacht club - coral tree w/ 3 BCNH roosting

Naples Plaza & The Toledo
4 gblte nests 50' up in palms.
Large young in one nest.
Photos.

(8/5 notes on last page)

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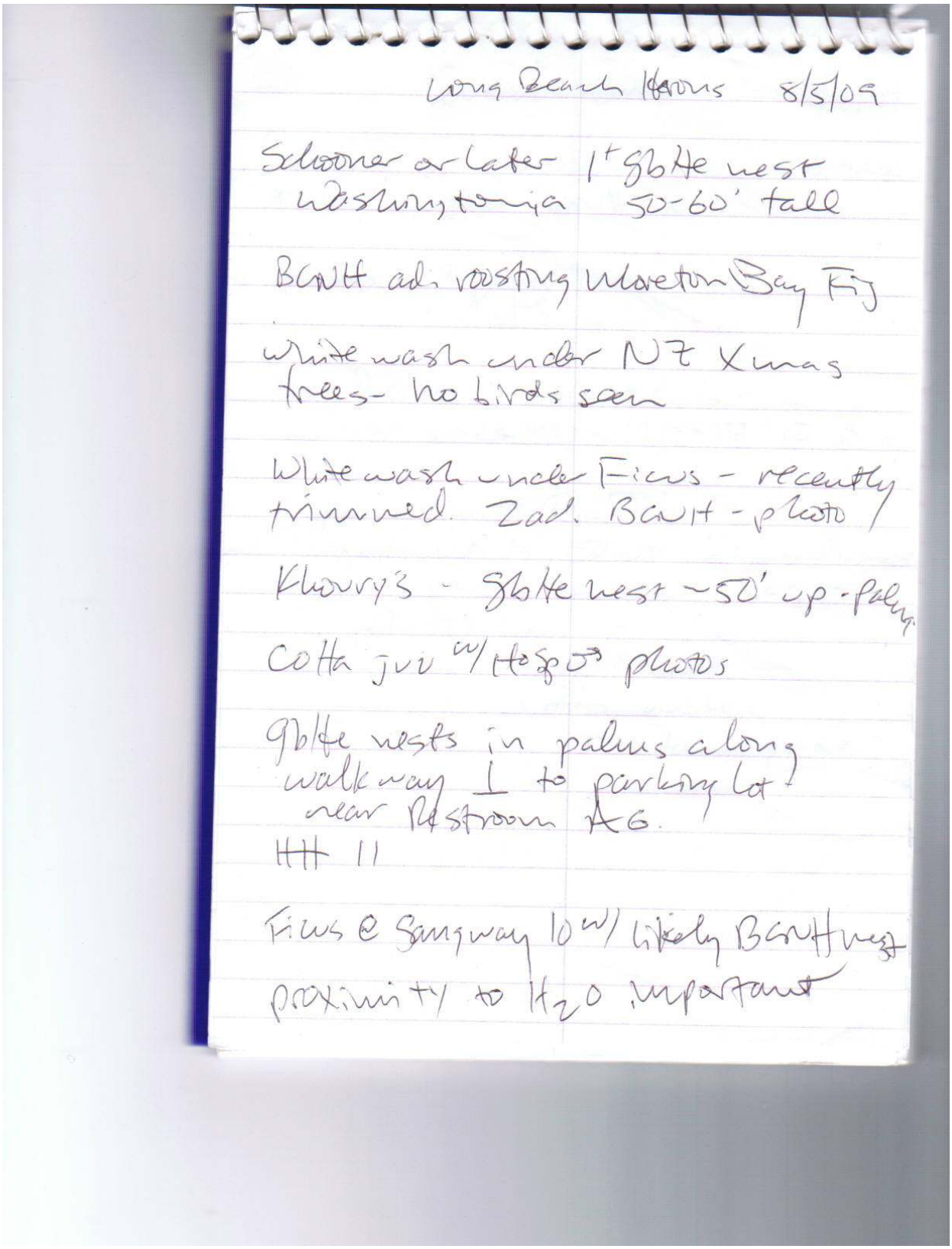


Long Beach Harbor 8/5/09

Schooner or Later 1st Gblte nest
Washingtonia 50-60' tall

BCNH ad. roosting Marina Bay Fig

White wash under NZ Xmas trees - no birds seen

White wash under Ficus - recently trimmed. 2ad. BCNH - photo

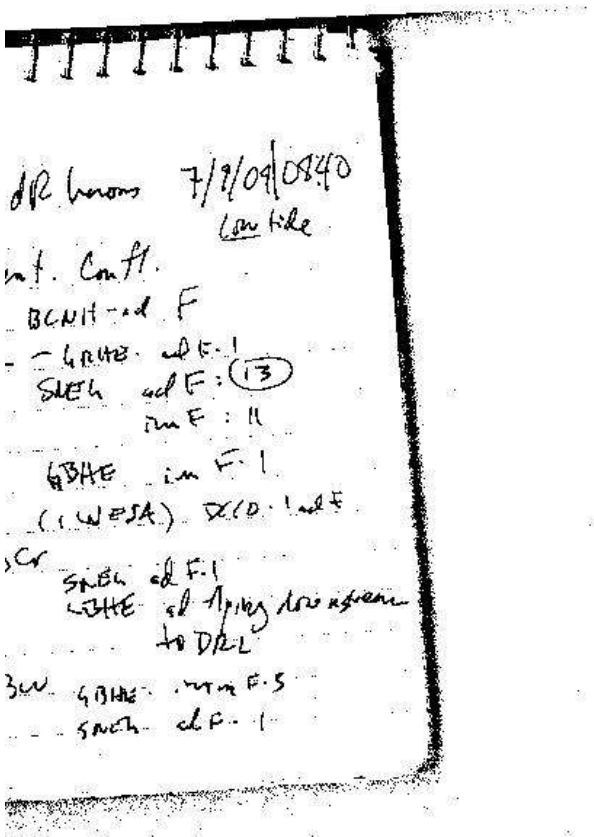
Khoury's - Gblte nest ~50' up - Palm

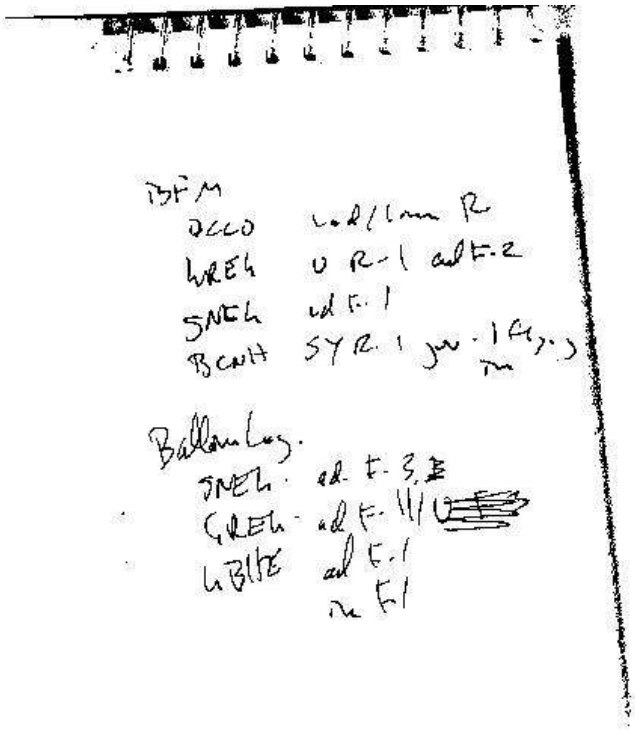
Cotta juv w/ Hosp photos

Gblte nests in palms along walkway 1 to parking lot near Restroom #6.
HH II

Ficus @ Sandpiper 10 w/ likely BCNH nest
proximity to H_2O important

Notes of Daniel S. Cooper

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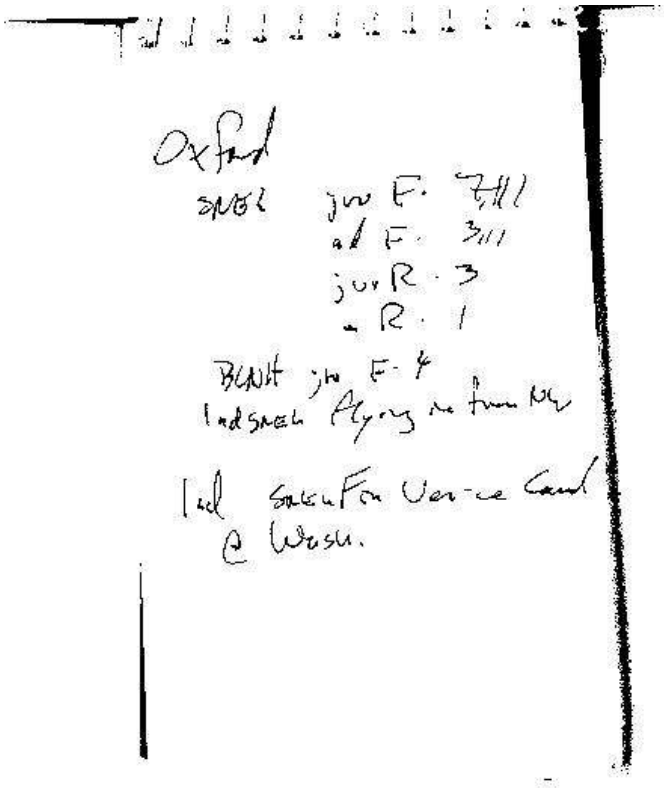
Ballona Lag.
SNEH
GREH
LBBTE


Oxford
jun F. 7/11
sol F. 3/11
jun R. 3
sol R. 1
Blvd jun F. 4
Ind Search Agency from NC
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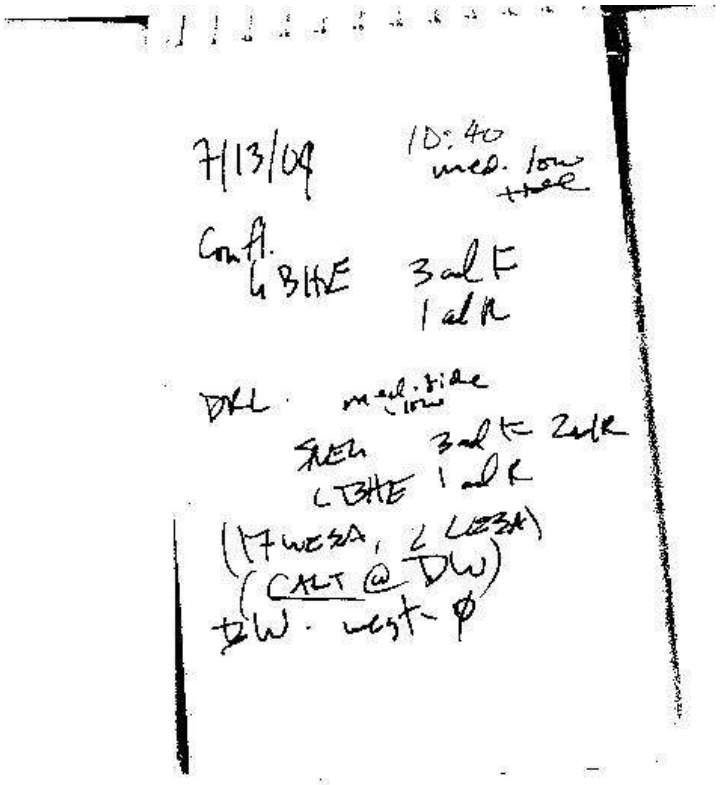
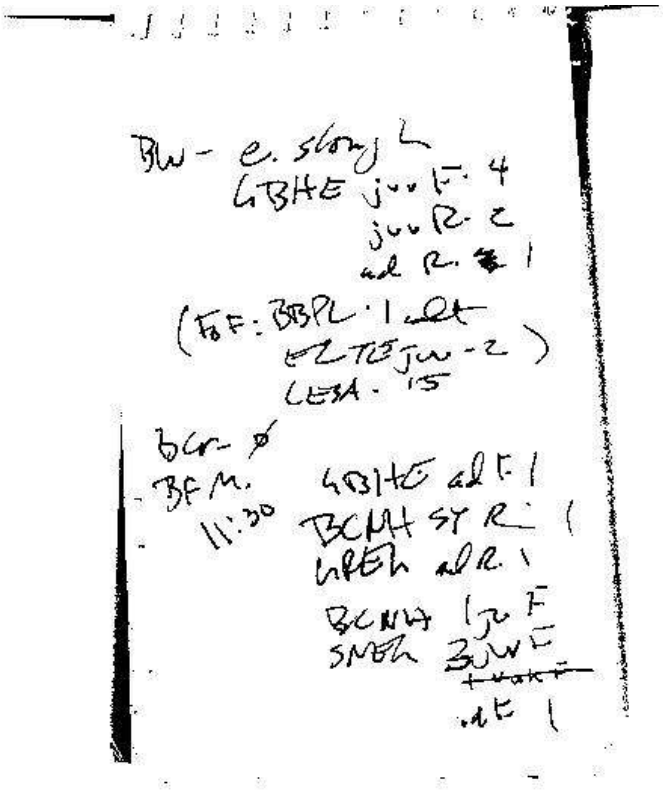
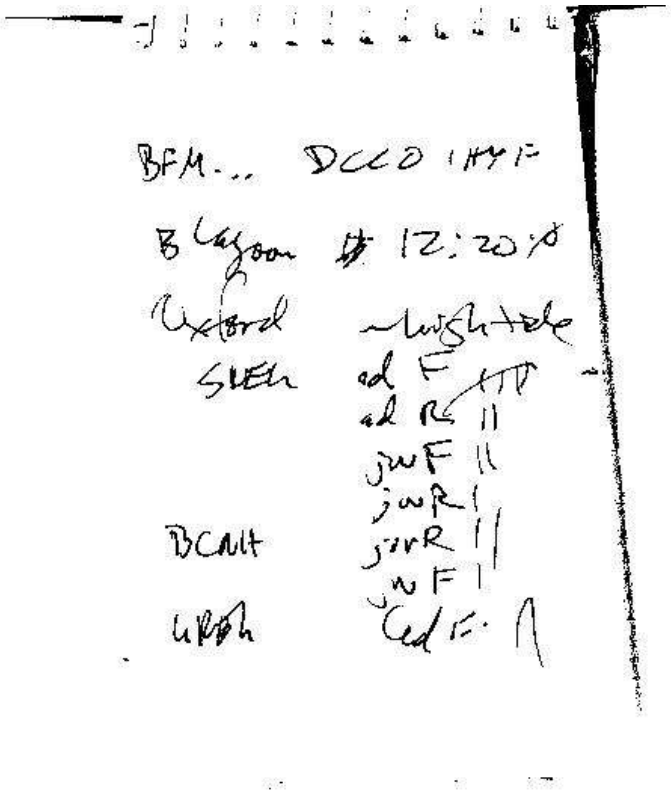

7/13/09
10:40
med. low
Conf.
4 BIKE
3 adF
1 adR
DKL
SKEL
CBIKE
(17 WCSA, 2 CCSA)
(CALT @ DW)
DW · west-Ø


BW - e. shore
GBHE juv F. 4
juv R. 2
ad R. 1
(FOF: BBPL · 1
EZTE juv - 2)
LESA · 15
BCN - 0
BFM.
11:30
WHITE ad F. 1
BCNH SY R. 1
GREH ad R. 1
BCNH juv F
SNEG BUW E
ad F 1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Oxford
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BCAult
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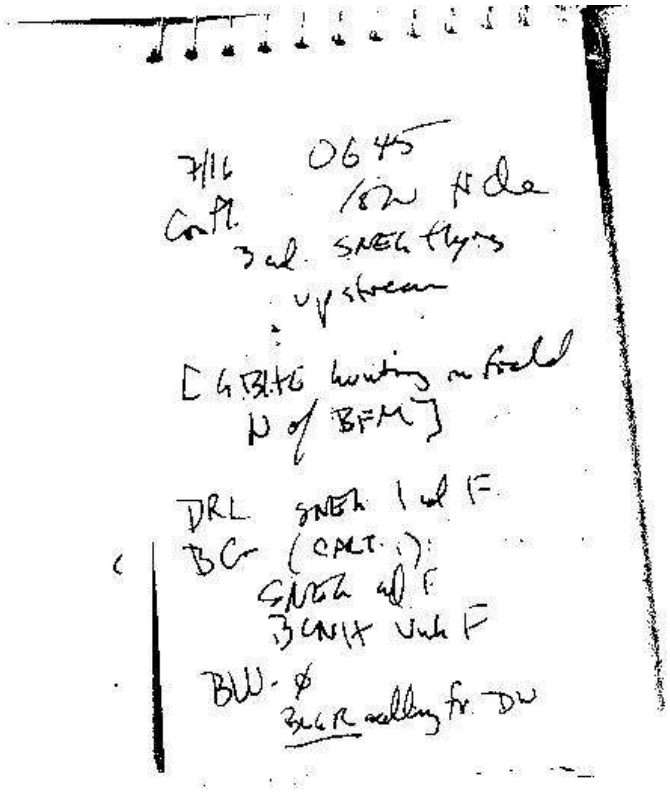
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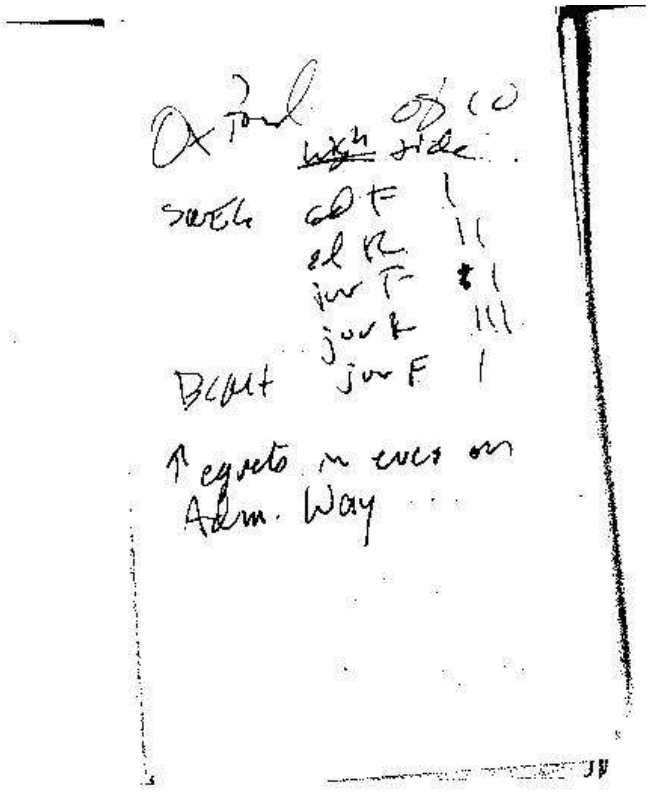
Capt.
3 ad. SNEG flyers
upstream
DRL SNEG 1 ad F
BC (CALT.):
SNEG ad F
BCNH Juv F
BW - 0
BLCR walking fr. DW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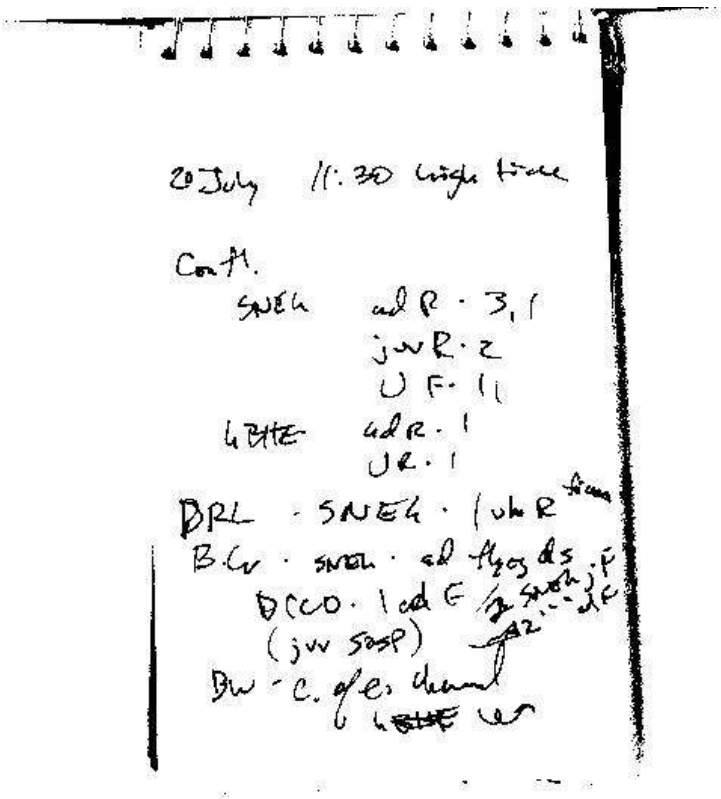
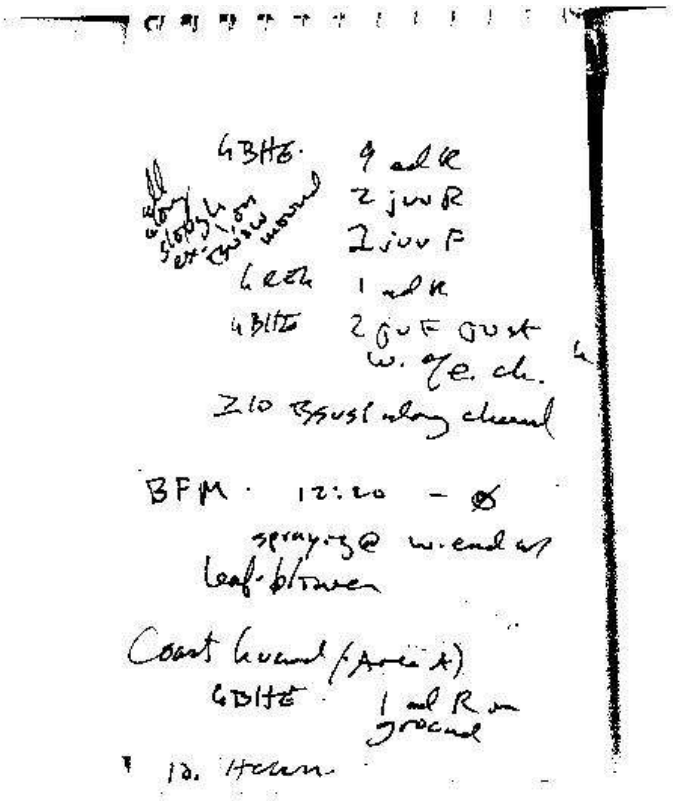
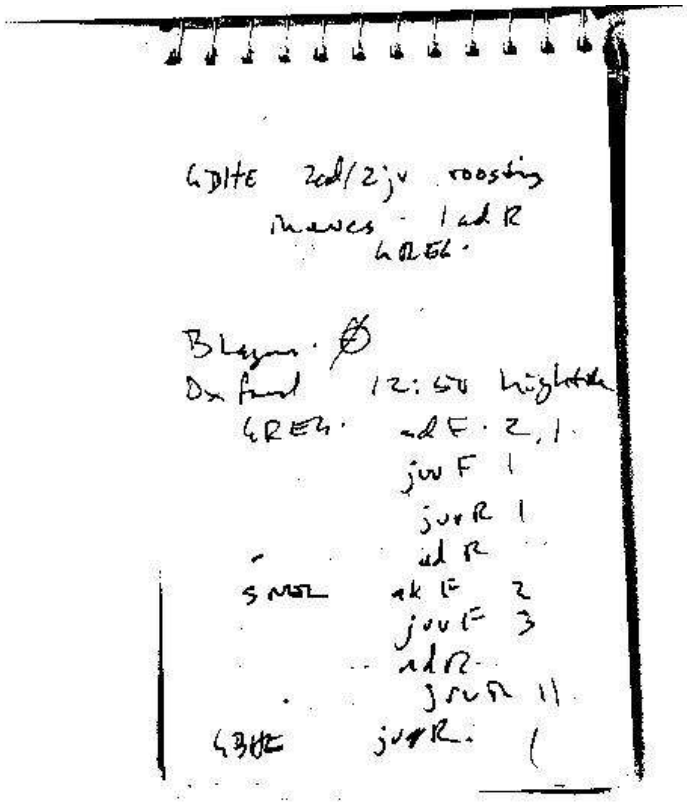
Sweep
Beach
egrets in trees on
Adm. Way


20 July 11:30 high tide
Cont.
SNEG ad R · 3, 1
juv R · 2
U F · 1
WHITE ad R · 1
JR · 1
BRL · SNEG · 1 juv R
BCV · SNEG · ad flyg ds
DCCO · 1 ad F
(juv SOSP)
BW - C. g/e. Heron
WHITE


GBHE 9 ad R
2 juv R
2 juv P
Heron 1 ad R
GWHE 2 juv P just
w. yc. ch.
210 Brush relay channel
BPM · 12:20 – Ø
spraying @ w. end of
leaf-blowers
Coast Guard (Area A)
GWHE 1 ad R on
ground
D. Hamm


GBHE 2ad/2juv roosting
mouse · 1 ad R
GREG.
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On found 12:50 highlight
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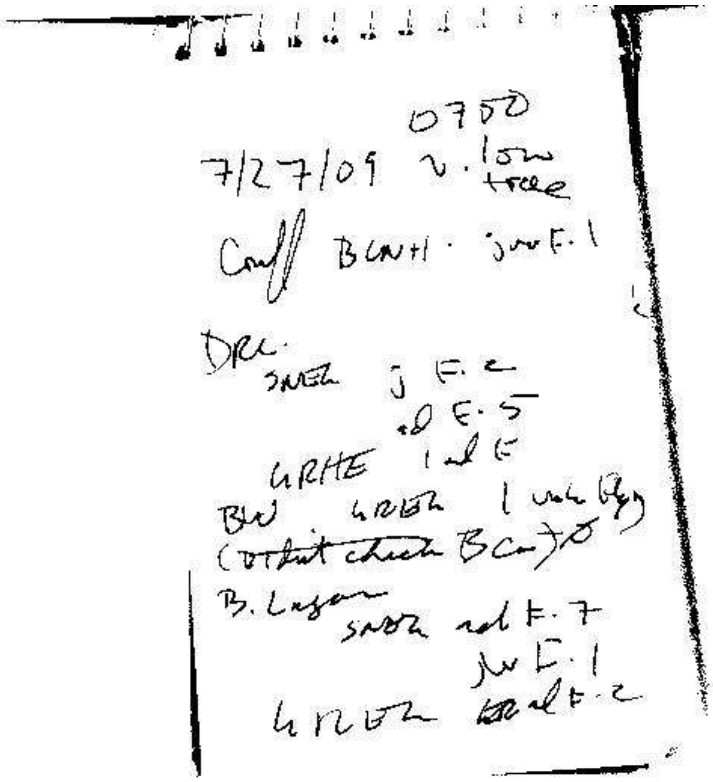
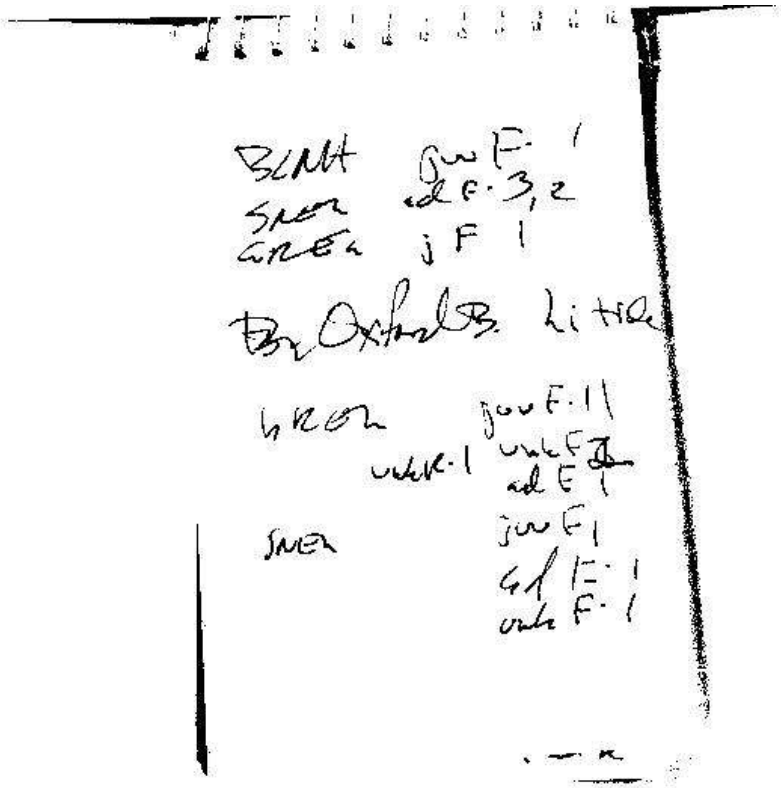
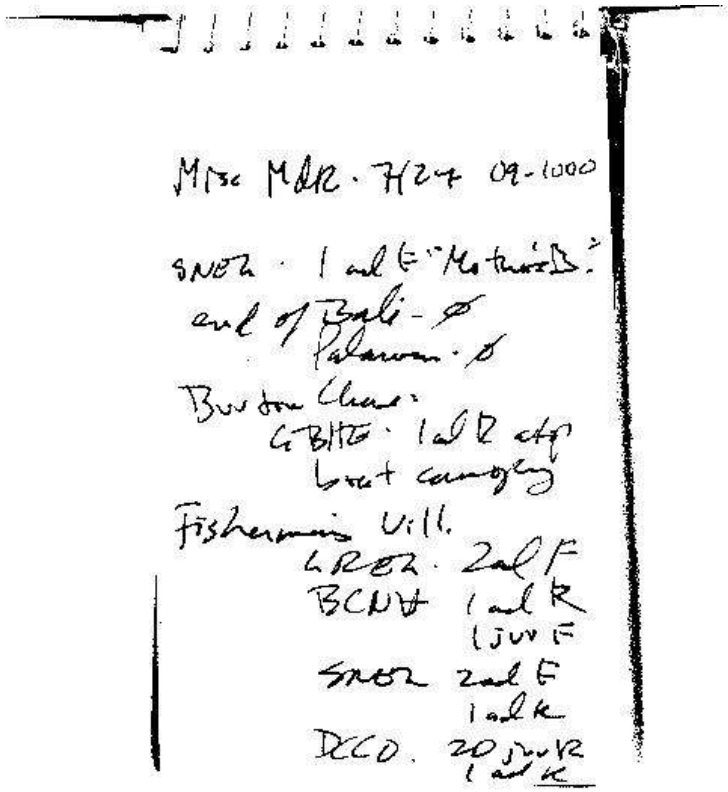

0700
7/27/09 v. low tide
Conf BCNH · JWF. 1
DRC.
SNEG J F. 2
2 F. 5
GRHE 1 of F
BW GREG 1 with Bby
(OTbut check BCNH)
B. Lagoon
SNOW 1 of F. 7
JW F. 1
GREG 1 of F. 2




Misc MdR · 7/24 09-1000
SNOW · 1 ad F "Matilda"
end of Bali - 0
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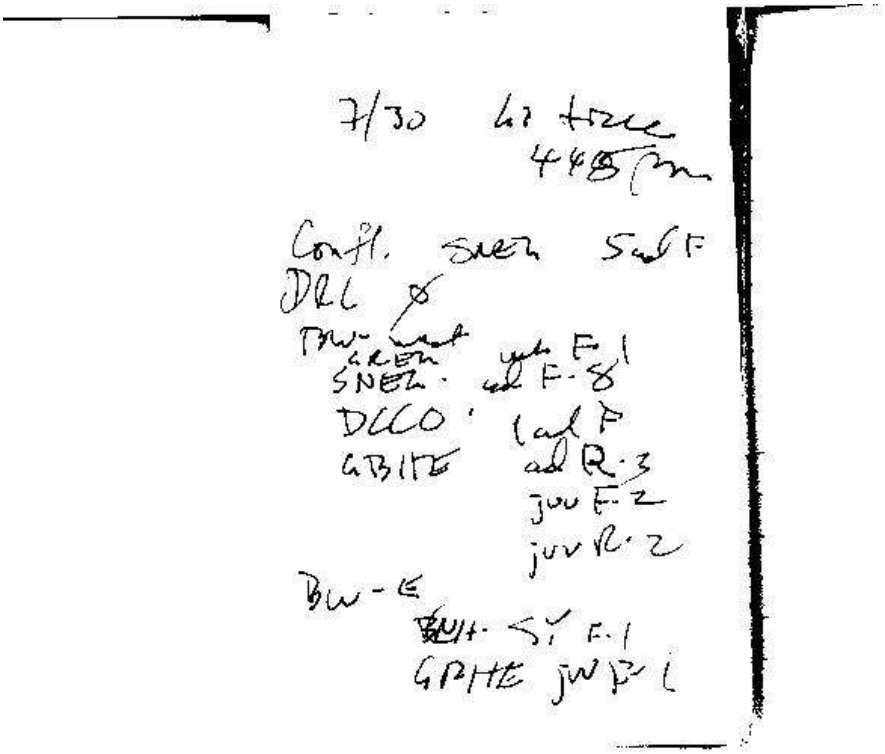
Burton Chace:
GBHE · 1 ad R ctp
boat canopy
Fisherman's Vill.
LBBG · 2 ad F
BCNH 1 ad R
1 juv F
SNOW 2 ad F
1 ad R
DCCO · 20 juv R
1 ad R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Conf. SNEA SnGF
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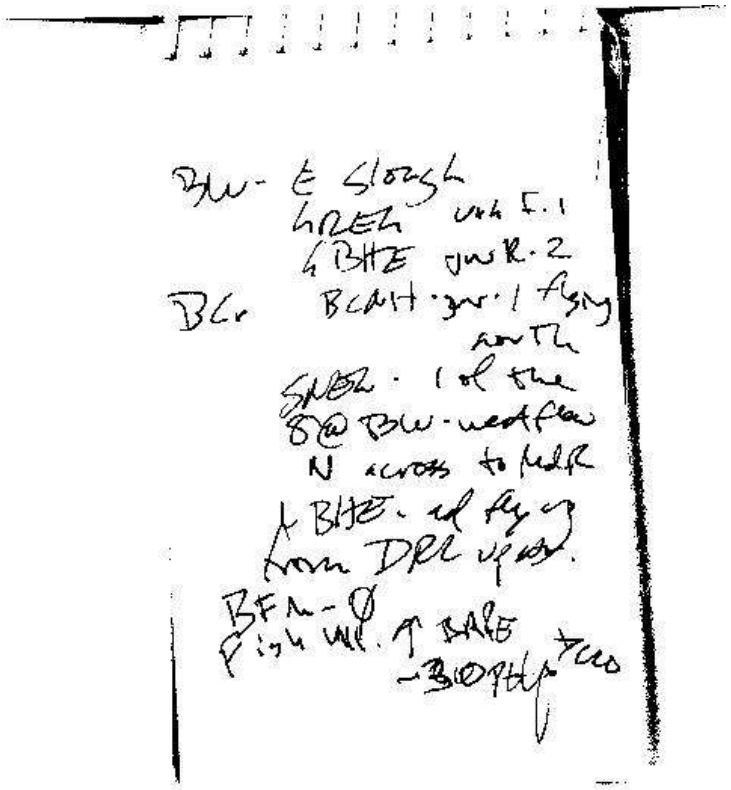
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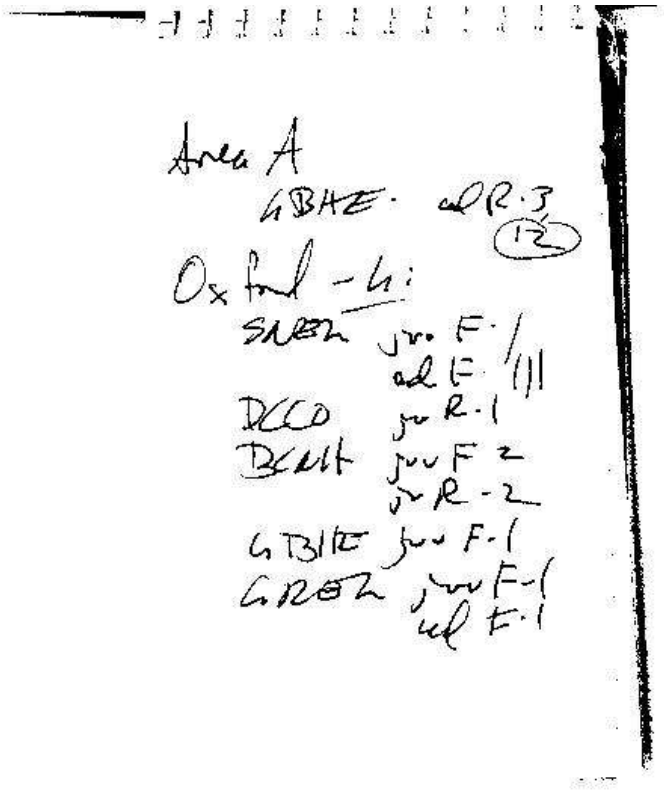
GBHE
BCr
SNEG
BFA - 0


Area A
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Oxford - 4:
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ad F·111
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juv R-2
GTBH juv F·1
GREG juv F-1
ad F·1