## Ladona deplanata Rambur

## **Blue Corporal**

2 Apr - 4 Jun

Abundant/Rare

34-38 mm (1.3-1.5 in.)

Medium

**MALE:** Body: light-blue pruinosity. Abdomen: black mid-dorsal stripe. Wing: enlarged black basal spot split w/ amber color (most noticeable on HW as two basal stripes). Stigmas: brown. Appendages: brown.

**FEMALE:** Body: brownish-orange. Abdomen: lateral large yellowish spots becoming brighter on S7-8. Appendages: may be reddish.

**JUVENILE:** Abdomen: black dorsal stripe is a chain of triangles.

**Habitat:** Abundant on Coastal Plain, rare in Piedmont. Ponds/gravel pits; perch on low stems/sloping banks, on ground or fallen logs. Both sexes perch w/ wings cocked.

**Reproduction:** Male is territorial, flyes low over water, clashes frequently. Mate in flight, less than 1/2 minutes. Female oviposits alone into water while Male guards. One generation/year.

**Notes:** Old name: Little Corporal.

**Locations:** Big Branch, Centennial, Font Hill, Fulton south erea, Gateway - RF, Guilford GV/Park, Hammond V, Mayfield Wods ES, Meadowbrook, MPEA - P4, Western Regional.

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