

***Aeshna tuberculifera* Walker**

Black-tipped Darner

16 Sep - 17 Oct

Uncommon

71-80 mm (2.8-3.2 in.)

Large

MALE: Face: light bluish-green. Thorax: reddish-brown w/ 2 lateral stripes (azure blue at top to green). Abdomen: black w/ row of middorsal large blue spots and second row of lateral small spots; S10 black; S3 very long. Legs: red-brown basal, last 2 segments black. Wings: clear or slightly amber. Stigmas: red-brown. Appendages: simple.

FEMALE: Color forms: Blue or Yellow.

Habitat: Open ponds, especially acid ones; shores w/ grasses and sedges in shallow water. Cruises over shallow water w/ emergent grasses and rushes in mid to late afternoon.

Reproduction: Male patrols both open water and shores. Female oviposits on emergent plants, punctures stem above or below surface of water. Delayed egg development (diapause)

Locations: Alpha Ridge (Park and Landfill), Font Hill

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