**Erythemis simplicicollis** (Say)  
**Common Pondhawk**  
11 May – 12 Oct

**Abundant**  
36-50 mm (1.4-2.0 in.)  
Medium

**MALE:**  

**FEMALE:**  
Head/Thorax: bright green. Abdomen: green; S4-6 middorsal large rectangular black spots, S7-9 mostly black or dark brown. Spout-like ovipositor under S9.

**JUVENILE:**  

**Habitat:**  
Ponds; quiet weedy or slowly flowing waters, usually w/ plants on water surface. Perches anywhere: on bare ground or twigs/floating trash; roosts overnight in tall weeds or brush.

**Reproduction:**  
Male patrols near floating plants. Mate usually takes place on a perch; after pair separates, female rests for 30 sec. to 2 minutes. Female oviposits alone or while male guards into algal mat or other vegetation. Larvae needs >28 days to develop.

**Notes:**  
Old name: Green Jacket.

**Locations:**  

**Phenograms** (pages 2 – 6).  
**Locations** (in Howard County)  
**Identification features and odonate anatomy**