Birding with YBT in Nome and Barrow is like taking a series of great day trips with a small group of friends. Rich is a personable guide with a good working knowledge of the birding areas and the target species. The small group all in one vehicle makes for a friendly trip, and sharing meals and minor excursions in the towns adds to the camaraderie. Since these are birding trips, Rich’s guiding and organizing skills should not be discounted. Accommodations, flights, meals, all seem to fall together with little effort on my part and that was very enjoyable. The birding was unique in both places and I consider both trips to be great fun, successful birding and memorable experiences.