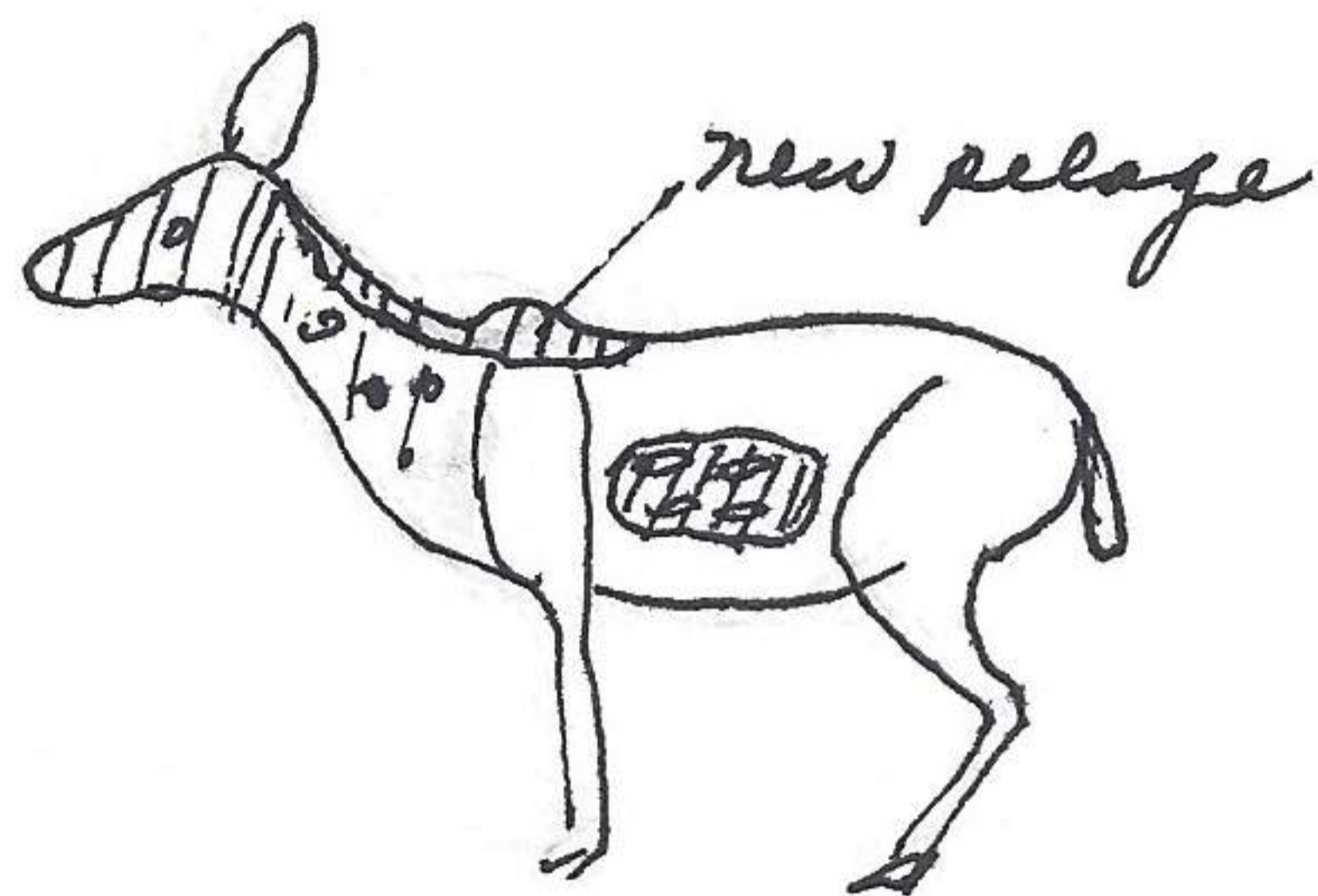


and after approx 1 minute moved slowly toward the feeder, stamping alternately all feet one at a time by raising a foot, holding the raised foot and then forcefully thrusting it downward into the ground. all mule deer show the stamping behaviorism but I have not witnessed one that was as forceful and emphatic as displayed by this adult female.

Sept. 12, 1991

at Bee House, ♂ mule deer with antler buds 1/4" high, no pelage change. Another ♂ mule deer 25" inches high at shoulders pelage 80% complete over entire body. mother of this male pelage completed head, patchy neck, complete back and neck between shoulders, patchy side. All females have dark line beginning down dorsal back.



26" high at shoulders
a last year ♀ mule deer just beginning pelage change. Two young of the year loosing spots and going thru same pelage change as adults. One young of the year darkest of all regular deer that visit feeder. One ♀ mule deer

30" high at shoulders shows no sign of winter pelage change, a (28" high at shoulders) ♂ with 1" velvet spikes, groomed an adult female. An adult ♂ mule deer 31" high at shoulders, had pelage change like ♀ adults but more advanced. A ♂ with 1" spikes groomed an adult female, the same female that is terrified by large buck,



Buck Plummer of Humphrey Head says bald eagle on hillside above fish pens at Shoal Bay and when dead salmon were thrown into sound from pens, would fly down and pick them up. He also told of great blue heron nesting in trees on hillside SE of Shoal Bay Marina of having nested one year (prior 1985) but bald eagle ate the young. The herons have never nested there since but frequently rest there. Bald eagles nest on W side of Blakely at Thatcher.

Sept. 13, 1991

To Anacortes from Lopez Island. Left 11:28 AM. new gull. Leo Reef 13 Harbor seal. 11:46 Willow Island. 11:50 AM E end Thatcher Pass. 12:00 P.M beam SW Cypress. 12:12 P.M Anacortes. no birds observed this date.