PA Rare Bird Report **Submission Date** 2018-08-11 09:44:54 **Observer's Name** Jim Mondok E-mail jmondok@verizon.net **Phone** 7249814513 **Observer's Address** 260 North Myers Ave. Sharon PA 16146 **United States** Names of additional Jim Mondok observers **Species (Common Name)** Black-bellied Whistling Duck **Species (Scientific Name)** Dendrocygna autumnalis Number of individuals Age(s) and Plumage(s) and adult Sex (if known) **Observation Date and Time** 08-10-2018 7:30 AM Did you submit this sighting Yes to eBird? County Mercer Location (City, Borough, South Pymatuning Twp. Township) Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, Shenango Lake (propagation area)

Habitat Lake

Distance to bird

lake, road)

50 yards

Viewing conditions

Clear, warm

Optical equipment used

Nikon Monarch, 10x42; Canon 6D, 100-400 f4.5-5.6

Description

Nearly Mallard in size; long, pinkish legs, pinkish bill, white eye ring; bronze breast; black belly. In flight white stripe on top of wings.

Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)

Mostly perched on stump; appeared to forage in shallow water between stumps at times.

Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)

I photographed the bird then compared it to field guides. It was unlike other ducks I am accostmed to seeing at the site and at other areas.

Are you positive of your identification? (Why or why not)

Yes. The photograph I made is corroborated by those in the field guides I consulted

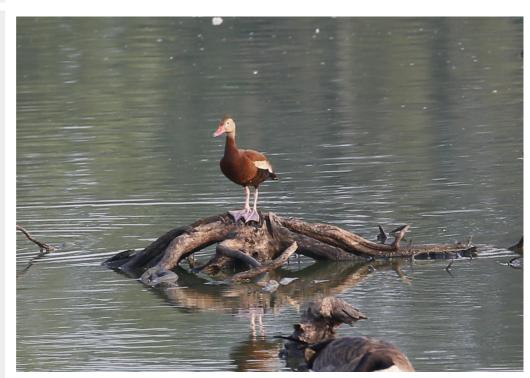
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Guide to Field Identification Birds of North America, a Golden Field Guide (Identified as Black-bellied Tree Duck); Nationa Geographic Field Guide to Birds of North America, Third Edition.

Supporting evidence (check all that apply)

Photograph

Upload images, audio, video or drawings



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