

## PA Rare Bird Report

<b>Submission Date</b>	2018-08-11 09:44:54
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<b>Names of additional observers</b>	Jim Mondok
<b>Species (Common Name)</b>	Black-bellied Whistling Duck
<b>Species (Scientific Name)</b>	<i>Dendrocygna autumnalis</i>
<b>Number of individuals</b>	1
<b>Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)</b>	adult
<b>Observation Date and Time</b>	08-10-2018 7:30 AM
<b>Did you submit this sighting to eBird?</b>	Yes
<b>County</b>	Mercer
<b>Location (City, Borough, Township)</b>	South Pymatuning Twp.
<b>Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)</b>	Shenango Lake (propagation area)
<b>Habitat</b>	Lake
<b>Distance to bird</b>	50 yards
<b>Viewing conditions</b>	Clear, warm
<b>Optical equipment used</b>	Nikon Monarch, 10x42; Canon 6D, 100-400 f4.5-5.6
<b>Description</b>	Nearly Mallard in size; long, pinkish legs, pinkish bill, white eye ring; bronze breast; black belly. In flight white stripe on top of wings.
<b>Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)</b>	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 accustomed 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

**After**

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

**Supporting evidence (check all that apply)**

Photograph

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