

PA Rare Bird Report

Submission Date	2020-02-16 18:44:31
Observer's Name	Pamela Fisher
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Observer's Address	761 Willow Lane Gap PA 17527 United States
Names of additional observers	Warren and Nina Wolf, Ted Nichols II, Zach Millen, Mike Epler, Kim Morelock, Seth McComsey, Keith Leidich, and Larry Bernhardt.
Species (Common Name)	Pink-footed Goose
Species (Scientific Name)	Anser brachyrhynchus
Number of individuals	1
Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)	Adult.
Observation Date and Time	02-16-2020 4:30 PM
Did you submit this sighting to eBird?	Yes
Link to eBird checklist	https://ebird.org/checklist/S64601350
County	Lancaster
Location (City, Borough, Township)	Lancaster
Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)	Woods Edge Park
Habitat	Residential area with some ponds and a wetlands.
Distance to bird	50 yards.
Viewing conditions	Sunny, clear.
Optical equipment used	Bushnell 10x42 binoculars and a Bausch and Lomb 20-60x 80 spotting scope.
Description	Brown back, neck and head. Short bill that was black at the base, pink in the middle, and black at the tip. There was a white horizontal line in the wings.

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

Swimming with the Snow Geese. At one point it seemed to want to go on shore but two Snow Geese got aggressive with it.

Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)

No grin patch like a Snow Goose, no white at the base of the bill, or black barring on the belly like a Greater White-fronted Goose.

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

Yes, I had never seen a Goose like this, plus there were many knowledgeable birders present that confirmed the identification.

During

None

After

None

Supporting evidence (check all that apply)

Photograph

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Submission Date	2020-03-08 22:39:45
Observer's Name	Randall Nett
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Observer's Address	United States
Species (Common Name)	Pink-footed Goose
Species (Scientific Name)	Anser brachyrhynchus
Number of individuals	1
Observation Date and Time	02-18-2020 3:00 PM
Did you submit this sighting to eBird?	Yes
Link to eBird checklist	https://ebird.org/checklist/S64719860
County	Lancaster
Location (City, Borough, Township)	Manor Township
Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)	Woods Edge Park
Habitat	Pond
Distance to bird	100 feet
Viewing conditions	Cloudy, cool
Optical equipment used	Celestron Granite 10x50 binoculars
Description	Medium sized goose, smaller than present Snow and Canada Geese, brown in color with white underneath between tail and legs, short, stubby pink and black bill.
Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)	Floating on pond with numerous other geese.
Are you positive of your identification ? (Why or why not)	Yes, found a few days prior by others and confirmed.
Supporting evidence (check all that apply)	Video
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Submission Date	2020-02-26 17:26:19
Observer's Name	Pamela Fisher
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Phone	7176179014
Observer's Address	761 Willow Lane Gap PA 17527 United States
Names of additional observers	John Lahr
Species (Common Name)	Pink-footed Goose
Species (Scientific Name)	Anser brachyrhynchus
Number of individuals	1
Observation Date and Time	02-26-2020 2:40 PM
Did you submit this sighting to eBird?	Yes
Link to eBird checklist	https://ebird.org/checklist/S65150059
County	Lancaster
Location (City, Borough, Township)	Kleinfeltersville
Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)	Middle Creek WMA
Habitat	Lake with open fields, some scrub areas.
Distance to bird	100 yards.
Viewing conditions	Overcast.
Optical equipment used	Bushnell 10x42 binoculars and a Bausch and Lomb 20-60x 80 spotting scope.
Description	A little smaller than the nearby Snow Geese. It had a brown head and neck, a small, bicolored bill. The bill was black at the base, pink in the middle, and black on the end, with no grin patch.
Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)	It was just swimming, and preening with the Snow Geese.

Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)	It was too brown to be a juvenile Snow Goose, and the bill was bicolored with no grin patch. There was no white on the base of the bill like a Greater White-fronted.
Discussion – anything else relevant to the observation that will aid the committee in evaluating it:	I had just seen one last week in Lancaster county. This could have been the same bird.
Are you positive of your identification ? (Why or why not)	Yes. I recently saw the same species, and I know what to look for.
During	iBird Pro.
After	Stokes Field Guide to the Birds of North America
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