





112-06-1997

Rare Bird Report Form

Ross' Goose, *Anser rossii* - Thayers
Chen rossii

I was called by Shirley McCarl the morning of 3/19/97 about the presence of a possible Ross' Goose she had just seen on a small lake on the Comfry property on Harrisville Road near Stoneboro in Mercer County. Mr. Comfry had called her about the goose which had been there since the previous evening. He had mentioned to Shirley that other ducks and Tundra Swans had come in to the lakes that evening and while the swans had left, the goose in question was still there.

I tried to see if others could also go and called both Linda Wagner and Mary Jane Seipler. They were both busy and could not accompany us to see the goose. I met Shirley who introduced me to the property owners. The property owners specifically requested that we not put the goose on the hotline as they had just had an unpleasant experience with other birders coming to their place.

♦ **Common and Scientific Name:**

Ross' Goose, *Anser rossii*
Chen rossii

♦ **Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage**

One adult

♦ **Location (include specific County in State)**

Mercer County, Harrisville Road- see attached map

♦ **Date and time observed:**

3/19/97, 11:30am - 12:15 pm

♦ **Reporting observer and address:**

Suzanne Butcher
11 Norwick Drive
Youngstown, OH 44505
330-759-1945

♦ **Other observers:**

Shirley McCarl, Mr. and Mrs. Comfry

♦ **Light conditions:**

Excellent, clear and sunny

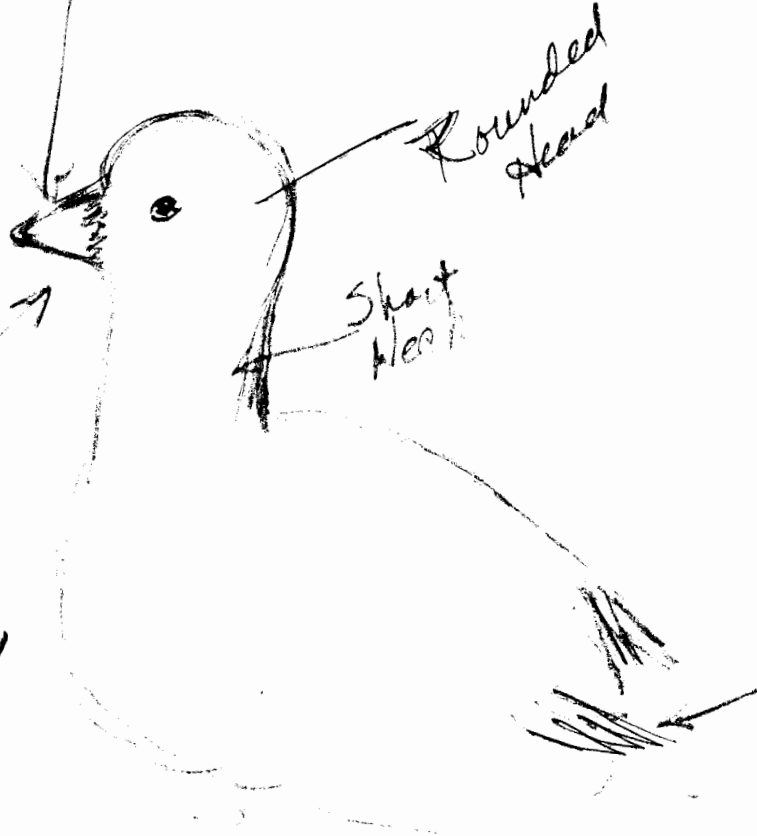
♦ **Optical equipment:**

Binoculars, 10 x 42 Zeiss; C-90 Celestron Spotting Scope, 30 mm, Minolta XE-7 with 200 mm telephoto lens

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Sunny
Clear
excellent
work

NOTES



Small -
slightly larger
than Mallard
size

Black wing
tips - pinaries
seen in flight
black

Ross' Goose
Meer
Harrisville Rd
3/19/97

Zeiss 10x42
C-900 Scope
Sunnyside
Bentley

to open & feed
across road



LEGEND

- Population Center
- State Route
- Town, Small City
- County Boundary
- Street, Road
- Major Street/Road
- State Route
- US Highway
- Railroad
- River
- Open Water
- Intermittent River

Scale 1:87,500 (at center)

2 Miles

2 KM

Location of the Ross' Goose

Mag 13.00

Mon Apr 07 08:21:34 1997

Ross' Goose
3/19/97
Harrisville Rd, Mercer Co
112-06-1997

Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee

Voting Tabulation - Round # 1 of

Species: Ross' Goose (Chen rossii)

Date of Sighting: 19 March 1997 to 19 March 1997

Location: HARRISVILLE RD

County: MERCER

Observer(s): Suzanne Butcher

Shirley McCarl; Mr

Date of Submission: & Mrs. Comfry

Submitted by: 1997

Written Description: Suzanne Butcher

Photo: YES

Specimen: YES

Recording: NO

Member	Class I	Class II	Class III	Class IV	Class V			Abstain
					A	B	C	
F. Haas			X					
P. Schwalbe			X					
K. Parkes			X					
R. Ickes			X					
P. Hess			X					
J. McWilliams			X					
T. Floyd			X					
TOTALS			7					
DECISION			X					

Comments:

Signature (Secretary):



Date:

4-19-99