

24 April, 1999

Richard D. Colyer  
1100 Oyster Mill Rd.  
Camp Hill, PA 17011-1003

Dear Richard,

Thank you for submitting documentation on the Eared Grebe you saw at Little Buffalo State Park on 3 April, 1997. After careful review we regret that we are unable to accept this record. The committee felt that the description was too brief in detail for an adequate determination to be made. This does not mean of course that the bird was not an Eared Grebe, merely that the details did not allow for a concrete determination.

We hope that this does not discourage you from submitting documentation on any rare birds you find in the future. Please be encouraged to send as much detail as possible when submitting a report.

Sincerely,

For the Committee,  
Roy A. Ickes, Chairperson

Record # 009-03-1997

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## 1<sup>st</sup> COUNTY RECORD

ON THURSDAY 3 APRIL 1997, I WAS BIRDING LITTLE BUFFALO STATE PARK LAKE IN PERRY CO AND CAME UPON A SMALL GROUP OF WATERFOWL WITHIN 30 YARDS OF SHORE (AND THE ROAD) AND NOTICED A SMALL GREBE LIKE BIRD SWIMMING AMONG A FEW AMERICAN COOTS AND A HORNED GREBE.

I GOT MY BINOCULARS ON THE BIRD AND IMMEDIATELY DISCOVERED I WAS LOOKING AT A BREEDING PLUMAGED EARED GREBE. IT'S SMALL SIZE, BLACK NECK, GOLDEN FANNED EARS AND LONG THIN BILL MADE THE BIRD UNMISTAKABLE.

THE BIRD WAS OBSERVED FROM MY AUTOMOBILE WITH 10x40 ZEISS BINOCULARS AS CLOSE AS 20 YARDS UNDER IDEAL LIGHT CONDITIONS.

DICK COLYER

1100 OYSTER MILL RD

CAMP HILL, PA 17011

**Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee**

Voting Tabulation - Round # 1 of

Species: Eared Grebe (*Podiceps nigricollis*)

Date of Sighting: 3 April 1997 to 3 April 1997

Location: LITTLE BUFFALO STATE PARK

County: PERRY

Observer(s): Dick Colyer

Date of Submission: 1997

Submitted by: Dick Colyer

Written Description: YES

Photo: NO

Specimen: NO

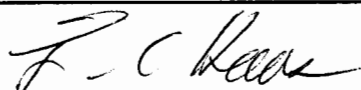
Recording: NONE

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			4	2		1		
DECISION				X				

Comments:

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Signature (Secretary):



Date:

4-18-99