

<b>Submission Date</b>	2012-11-02 07:43:33
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<b>Names of additional observers</b>	Tim Becker, David McNaughton, Ed Bellamy
<b>Species (Common Name)</b>	Leach's Storm-petrel
<b>Species (Scientific Name)</b>	Oceanodroma leucorhoa
<b>Number of individuals</b>	1
<b>Have you submitted this to eBird?</b>	Yes
<b>Observation Date and Time</b>	10-30-2012 6:00 PM
<b>County</b>	Lebanon
<b>Location (City, Borough, Township)</b>	Annville, East Hanover Township
<b>Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)</b>	Memorial Lake State Park
<b>Habitat</b>	Lake
<b>Distance to bird</b>	15 feet
<b>Viewing conditions</b>	Fading light, light rain
<b>Optical equipment used</b>	10X42 Vortex Binocular, Canon 7D with 100-400 mm zoom lens
<b>Description</b>	Small dark storm petrel, little to no white on the rump while sitting. Only seen floating at water's edge. Bill shape points to petrel due to presence of the salt gland on top of bill.
<b>Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)</b>	Floating on water's edge. Made no movements, presumably tired out from the day's events.
<b>Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)</b>	Did not get a great look at rump but what could be seen did not reveal enough white to be a Wilson's Storm Petrel or Band-rumped.

**Discussion - anything else relevant to the observation that will aid the committee in evaluating it:**

Leach's Storm-petrels were found in many places during the day due to hurricane Sandy. This was one of two birds initially seen by Tim Becker. This is the only bird I observed on the lake in the short time I was present. Other birders viewed my photo and confirmed the ID, such as Cameron Rutt.

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

Yes, mostly through confirmation from photographs and from other trusted and more experienced birders, due to my lack of previous experience with storm-petrels.

**During**

Sibley Guide to Birds Eastern, IBird Pro Explorer iPhone App, Audubon Guide to Birds iPhone App

**After**

The Crossley Guide to Birds Eastern, Sibley Guide to Birds

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

Photograph

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