

RARE SPECIES REPORT

068-01-1996

SPECIES: Great Cormorant <i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>		NUMBER SEEN: one
SIGHTING DATE: 28 April 1996		SIGHTING TIME: 11AM to 1pm
LOCATION: Carr's Recreation Park	COUNTY & STATE: Berks Co. PA DISTANCE & DIRECTION FROM NEAREST TOWN: New Morgan, PA Rt 10 DIRECTIONS, IF APPLICABLE: 1.5 miles north of PA Turnpike Exit 22	
HABITAT: Glen Morgan Lake, Large lake, 3.5 mile trail around lake		
SIGHTING CONDITIONS:	LIGHTING: mostly sunny DISTANCE: 200 yards to 100 yards EQUIP. USED: 10x50 swift Binoc LENGTH OF SIGHTING: 2 hrs.	
DESCRIPTION:	VOICE: not heard SIZE: apx 3ft high PLUMAGE: Immature. Dark brown plumage except for the white belly. The front of the neck was lighter than the back of the neck. ANATOMY (bill length, leg color, etc.): Long dark bill (apx 4-5") straight and dark short legs set back on the body. Short tail apx 5". The neck was apx 8" long. BEHAVIOR: This bird sat the whole time on a dead snag that was coming out of the water. It was about 3 ft. off the water.	
FAMILIARITY WITH THIS & SIMILAR SPECIES: I have seen many Great Cormorants in N. and D.C. and apx 50 sightings in PA. I have seen many Double Crested Cormorants.		
COMPARISON TO SIMILAR SPECIES: This bird sat next to a 1st year plumage Double-Crested Cormorant. There was also 2 adult D.C. Cormorants about 5ft away. The Great Cormorant was larger with a thicker neck and larger head. The white belly of the imm. Great Cormorant contrasted with the darker breast.		
HAS A PHOTOGRAPH BEEN TAKEN? no IF SO, BY WHO?		
Have any additional observers filled out a rare species report? If so, who? Ken Lebo Harold Lebo (?)		
ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (Use back of form for more space): The Double-crested imm. had a white breast contrasting with a dark belly. If I would have had my 15-HSX scope, I would have seen more detail. (throat patch). This was a pleasure walk with my wife + daughter, not a bird trip. But I always bring binocs. According to Ken Lebo this is a Berks Co. 1st.		
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Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee

Voting Tabulation - Round # 1 of

Species: **Great Cormorant (Phalacrocorax carbo)**

Date of Sighting: **28 April 1996 to 28 April 1996**

Location: **GLEN MORGAN LAKE**

County: **BERKS**

Observer(s): **Randy Miller**

Date of Submission: **1996**

Submitted by: **Randy Miller**

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					
N. Pulcinella			X					
E. Kwater			X					
R. Ickes			X					
G. McWilliams			X					
P. Schwalbe			X					
S. Feldstein			X					
TOTALS			X					
DECISION			X					

Comments:

Signature (Secretary):

F. Haas

Date:

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