

UNUSUAL SIGHTING DOCUMENTATION

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Species: Cattle Egret

Observers: Found by August Mirabella

Seen by a few others over next couple of days

Date Seen: 8/15/02

Time: Approx: mid-day

Where Observed: Bradford Dam, Warrington Twp., Bucks Co.

Conditions: Sunny. Seen at about 350 ft with Leica APO77 Zoom

Behavior & Habitat: Shallow lake with short wetlands vegetation along the shore. Bird was feeding 5 to 20ft from the lake edge in the vegetation. It walked slowly, bobbing its head as is typical of this species.

Description: A small all white Egret with relatively short neck, legs, and bill compared to L. Blue & Snowy Egrets. Unlike these other two species, it had an all yellow bill. It had dark legs.

Similar Species Comparison: See above.

References during ID: Sibley Guide to Birds

References after ID: Sibley Guide to Birds & my videotape

Other Documentation: Videotape submitted with this report by A. Mirabella

Date of report: 8/16/02

Signature of Observer: August Mirabella

August Mirabella

Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee

Tabulation Form - Round One

Species: Cattle Egret (Bulbulcis ibis)

Date of Sighting: 15 August 2002 to 16 August 2002

Location: BRADFORM DAM

County: BUCKS

Observer(s): Devich Farbotnik, August Mirabella

Date of Submission: 2002

Submitted by: Devich Farbotnik, August Mirabella

Written Description: Yes

Photo: No

Specimen: No

Recording: Video

Member	Class I	Class II	Class III	Class IV-A	Class IV-B	Class IV-C	Class V	Abstain
<i>R. WITMER</i>								
G. Armistead	X							
D. Heathcote	X							
P. Guris	X							
J. Stanley	X							
E. Witmer	X							
B. Leberman	X							
M. Sharp	X							
TOTALS	7							
DECISION	X							

Comments: *7/0*

Signature (Secretary): *[Signature]* Date: *2/20/05*