



**Nick Pulcinella**

---

**From:** "Scott Kinzey" <blackburnian@yahoo.com>  
**To:** <nickpul@bellatlantic.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 01, 2003 9:52 PM  
**Attach:** caeg1raw.jpg  
**Subject:** Cattle Egret in Crawford County Sept 23-27min. Documentation w/photo

PORC,

089-01-2003

On September 23 through Sept. 27, 2003 I observed a Cattle Egret at the Millers Ponds area of Pymatuning State Park in Crawford County. A photograph in JPG format is attached along with this description.

I had been watching a Great Egret at the first "Millers" pond famous to W.PA birders. I drove towards the second pond further down the road and noticed a large white bird flying towards the first pond. I continued to drive to the second pond dismissing the bird as a second Great Egret. On the way back along the first pond I looked again and realized that the second Egret was much lower to the ground. It was hunched down behind grass and bank, but looked very much like a Cattle Egret at this time.

With the scope out, I could see a yellow bill with a darker tip that seemed to appear bluish. The overall appearance was shorter, shorter necked than a Great and not as pointy-billed as a Snowy.

I was 99% certain I had a Cattle Egret. Over the next several days I was able to view the bird at close range (<50 yards), and out in the grassy area between the road and the pond. It slowly walked in the grass feeding. It was shorter, pure white, all dark legs, yellow bill with dark tip. I photographed it at this range. It would often shake and shimmy its entire neck in an undulating S-shaped wave.

I have seen many Great Egrets in PA and Cattle and Snowy Egrets in Atlantic Coastal States.

Scott Kinzey

---

Do you Yahoo!?

The New Yahoo! Shopping - with improved product search  
<http://shopping.yahoo.com>

## Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee

### Voting Tabulation – Round One

Species: Cattle Egret (*Bulbulcus ibis*)

Date of Sighting: 23 September 2003 to 27 September 2003

Location: MILLER'S POND

County : CRAWFORD

Observer(s): Scott Kinzey

Date of Submission: 2003

Submitted by: Scott Kinzey

Written Description: Yes

Photo: Yes

Specimen: No

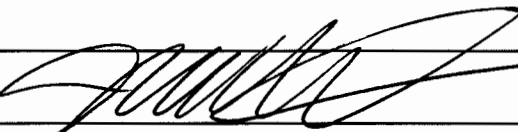
Recording: No

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

Comments:

7/0

Signature (Secretary)



Date:

11/8/03