

## PA Rare Bird Report

<b>Submission Date</b>	2013-12-18 09:18:50
<b>Observer's Name</b>	August Mirabella
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<b>Observer's Address</b>	Street Address: 1443 Wheaton Lane City: North Wales State / Province: PA Postal / Zip Code: 19454 Country: United States
<b>Names of additional observers</b>	Devich Farbotnik found bird
<b>Species (Common Name)</b>	Cattle Egret
<b>Species (Scientific Name)</b>	Bubulcus ibis
<b>Number of individuals</b>	1
<b>Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)</b>	Maybe adult mostly in basic plumage.
<b>Observation Date and Time</b>	11-03-2013 2:30 PM
<b>Did you submit this sighting to eBird?</b>	Yes
<b>Link to eBird checklist</b>	<a href="http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist?subID=S15561144">http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist?subID=S15561144</a>
<b>County</b>	Bucks
<b>Location (City, Borough, Township)</b>	Falls Twp.
<b>Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)</b>	Penn Warner Club
<b>Habitat</b>	Small island on lake
<b>Distance to bird</b>	200 feet?
<b>Viewing conditions</b>	Don't remember
<b>Optical equipment used</b>	7 X 42 Zeiss Binns
<b>Description</b>	Small short necked white egret with dark legs & darkish bill but showing some yellow/orange on bill. Cap showed some darker color. Legs shorter in proportion compared to Snowy Egret or Little Blue. It was with some much bigger Great Egrets. Since it showed some color on top of head, it is assumed it was an adult changing into basic. My recollection

	is that the color on cap was not clearly defined maybe due to lighting. At first due to some yellow/orange on bill, we thought it was a juv. but juv. shouldn't have color on cap per Sibley.
<b>Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)</b>	Resting with other egrets and cormorants.
<b>Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)</b>	See above.
<b>Discussion – anything else relevant to the observation that will aid the committee in evaluating it:</b>	I assume Farbotnik will submit his photos.
<b>Are you positive of your identification ? (Why or why not)</b>	Yes. Not a hard bird to ID compared to other egrets and herons.
<b>During</b>	None
<b>After</b>	Sibley
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