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**Glossy Ibis...Green Lane, PA**

On the morning of September 14, 2002, I received a phone call from Kevin Crilley alerting me of a Glossy Ibis having been found by Eva Abraham. Kevin was not able to confirm the ID due to work obligations and asked me to go over and have a look.

The bird was present upon arriving at 11 AM at Knight Lake along Rte 29 near the boro of Green Lane, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania. Knight Lake is part of the Green Lane Reservoir Park. The bird was feeding in very shallow water in some stream detritus.

The bird was an adult in good "summer plumage"...dark chestnut with metallic green and purple iridescence dorsally...quite striking in good over-the-shoulder sunlight. The gray facial skin was outlined in an extremely narrow light-blue band, broken behind the eye. The band was clearly not feathering but integral to the skin itself. The eye was dark. The bill was gray with no hint of red. Leg color was olive-gray.

The ibis was seen at a distance of about thirty yards with a 15 - 60x Swift spotting scope and 8 x 44 Bausch and Lomb Elite binoculars.

The bird remained one day only.

Species: Glossy Ibis *Plegadis falcinellus*

No. of individuals 1 sex undetermined

Age adult

Date of observation: 14 September 2002 @ 11:00 AM

Location: Knight Lake, Green Lane Reservoir Park, near Green Lane Boro, Montgomery Co, PA

Observer: George Franchois

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**Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee**

**Voting Tabulation - Round One**

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Date of Sighting: 14 September 2002 to 14 September 2002

Location: GREEN LANE RESERVOIR

County: MONTGOMERY

Observer(s): Eva Abraham, George Francois

Date of Submission: 2002

Submitted by: George Francois

Written Description: Yes

Photo: No

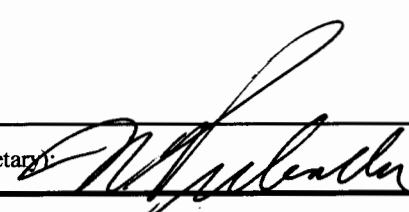
Specimen: No

Recording: No

Member	Class I	Class II	Class III	Class IV-A				Abstain
					Class IV-B	Class IV-C	Class V	
G. Armistead			X					
D. Heathcote			X					
P. Hess				X				
J. Stanley			X					
E. Witmer			X					
R. Leberman			X					
M. Sharp			X					
TOTALS			6	1				
DECISION			X					

Comments: 6/1

Signature (Secretary):



Date:

6/12/02