

PENNSYLVANIA RARE BIRD REPORT FORM

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SPECIES (common and scientific name) GLOSSY IBIS Plegadis falcinellus
Subspecies (if known) _____

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS 1 SEX(ES) _____

AGE(S) AND PLUMAGE(S) (e.g. immature; adult in breeding plumage; year for gulls; basic or alternate if you prefer those terms; state of molt if applicable): 1st WINTER PLUMAGE

DATE OF OBSERVATION NOV 1 TIME 10:15 AM

LOCATION (city, borough, township) PINE CRBER TWP CLUNION CO (South Av.s)

EXACT SITE (e.g. name of park, lake, road) RIVER ROAD

OBSERVER REPORTING:

Name DAVID S. ROCKEY
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OTHER OBSERVERS (only those who saw and identified the bird with you):

HABITAT (e.g. mowed field, woodland edge, any other details) MARSHY AREA OF HARVESTED FIELD WHICH WAS FLOODED OVER THE SUMMER

DISTANCE TO BIRD 20 yds

VIEWING CONDITIONS (sky, weather, position of sun relative to you) Slight overcast

OPTICAL EQUIPMENT USED NIKON 8X42

DESCRIPTION (Include as much detail as you observed – size relative to other species present; "jizz"= e.g. posture, body shape, and proportions; colors and patterns of plumage; bill, eye, and leg characteristics; other features relevant to this individual): relatively large (noticeably larger than nearby crows), long-legged, long-billed bird. Bill had distinctive downward curve + appeared slightly lighter near tip (this may have been due to particles from the film on the water it was probing). Appeared almost tailless both while wading + while flying. Plumage very plain + dark. Notable lack of any patterning on body, legs + underbody dark. Irides green on back but not as pronounced as on others I've seen. Eye was dark. Wingspan similar to that of Crows.

BEHAVIOR (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing) *Bird flying when spotted. Ears + impressions were large size, long curved bill, long legs + very dark color. Landed in marshy area. Approached on foot to within 15-20 yards (bird was behind a small rise + some vegetation. Watched it wade + probe for a few minutes until it flushed, flew in a +/- 100 yd circle + passed directly overhead +/- 40 feet).*

VOCALIZATIONS

NONE

SUPPORTING EVIDENCE IF ANY:

Photograph _____ Video recording _____ Audio recording _____ Drawing _____

Photographer/recorder/illustrator:

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

e-mail (optional) _____ phone (optional) _____

Please include a copy of the photograph or recording with your report, and accompany it with a complete written documentation if the identification is obvious to you. If you made a drawing, please include it.

IF THIS IS A DEAD BIRD:

General condition _____

If collected (by permit), location and number of specimen if known _____

SEPARATION FROM SIMILAR SPECIES (how you eliminated others) *Only other possible would be White-faced. Eye was dark although that does not completely exclude W-F. Under body was a very dark gray. Range of W-F. makes it much less likely.*

DISCUSSION – Anything else relevant to the observation that will aid the committee in evaluating it

(Please use an additional page if necessary)

PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE WITH THIS AND/OR SIMILAR SPECIES

Chincoteague, Outer Banks, Ding Darling (FL), Everglades

ARE YOU POSITIVE OF YOUR IDENTIFICATION ? (why or why not)

Yes. Very dark bird compared to W-F. Range strongly indicative of Glossy. Very good look at bird with optics at close range.

REFERENCES CONSULTED:

During observation *Sibley*

After observation _____

DATE OF THIS REPORT: *11/18/04*

SIGNATURE OF OBSERVER 

Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee

Voting Tabulation – Round One

Species: Glossy Ibis (Plegadis falcinellus)

Date of Sighting: 1 November 2004 to 1 November 2004

Location: PINE CREEK TOWNSHIP

County : CLINTON

Observer(s): David Rockey

Date of Submission: 2004

Submitted by: David Rockey

Written Description: Yes

Photo: No

Specimen: No

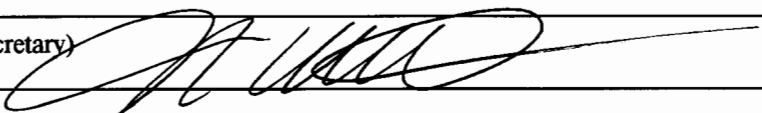
Recording: No

Member	Class I	Class II	Class III	Class IV-A	Class IV-B	Class IV-C	Class V	Abstain
R. Wiltraut			X	<i>plegadis sp</i>				
D. Heathcote				X				
P. Guris			X					
J. Stanley			X	<i>plegadis sp</i>				
E. Witmer				X	<i>accept as plegadis sp</i>			
R. Leberman <i>A. Guernate</i>			X					
M. Sharp				X	<i>accept as plegadis sp</i>			
TOTALS			4	3				
DECISION								

Comments:

*4/3 for Glossy
7/0 for plegadis species*

Signature (Secretary)



Date:

8/3/06