

## PA Rare Bird Report

<b>Submission Date</b>	2018-08-27 09:35:27
<b>Observer's Name</b>	Monika Edwards
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<b>Observer's Address</b>	1708 Stony Battery Road Lancaster PA 17601 United States
<b>Species (Common Name)</b>	Roseate Spoonbill
<b>Species (Scientific Name)</b>	Platalea ajaja
<b>Number of individuals</b>	1
<b>Observation Date and Time</b>	08-27-2018 10:20 AM
<b>Did you submit this sighting to eBird?</b>	Not yet (please do, eBird is great!)
<b>Location (City, Borough, Township)</b>	Washington Boro
<b>Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)</b>	Conejohela Flats
<b>Distance to bird</b>	10 feet
<b>Viewing conditions</b>	Clear Day
<b>Optical equipment used</b>	Nikon D7000 55-300mm zoom lens
<b>Description</b>	Like color pink with a spoonbill. See uploaded picture.
<b>Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)</b>	Spoonbill was resting on a log. He let me get really close, but staying my distance. You can tell it wanted to sleep so I took my pictures and kayaked slowly past it to not disturb it.
<b>Supporting evidence (check all that apply)</b>	Photograph

Upload images, audio, video  
or drawings



[Roseate Spoonbill.jpg](#)

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<b>Submission Date</b>	2018-08-28 10:49:28
<b>Observer's Name</b>	meredith lombard
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<b>Names of additional observers</b>	meredith lombard
<b>Species (Common Name)</b>	roseate spoonbill
<b>Species (Scientific Name)</b>	Platalea ajaja
<b>Number of individuals</b>	1
<b>Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)</b>	juvenile
<b>Observation Date and Time</b>	08-24-2018 6:20 PM
<b>Did you submit this sighting to eBird?</b>	Yes
<b>Link to eBird checklist</b>	<a href="https://ebird.org/view/checklist/S48050619">https://ebird.org/view/checklist/S48050619</a>
<b>County</b>	Lancaster
<b>Location (City, Borough, Township)</b>	near Washington Boro, Manor Township
<b>Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)</b>	Conejohela Flats, off of Avocet Point, in the Susquehanna River
<b>GPS coordinates of sighting</b>	39°58'17.2"N 76°27'49.7"W
<b>Habitat</b>	At the time of the sighting, the Susquehanna River water level was about 225', which exposed lots of mud and shallow water streamlets in the area where the bird was seen foraging.
<b>Distance to bird</b>	Appx 1/2-3/4 mile
<b>Viewing conditions</b>	clear day, with heat shimmer
<b>Optical equipment used</b>	Swarovski HD80 spotting scope, with 20-60mm zoom eyepiece

<b>Description</b>	medium-large pink wader, foraging along a mudflat in low water, swinging head from side to side as it searched for prey. Long legs, pink body, long pale white neck, long spatulated bill.
<b>Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)</b>	Walked slowly, swinging head/neck from side to side, bill in shallow water, foraging. Occasionally it would lift its head and the spatulated bill could be seen. Snapped its bill at a Great Egret to chase the egret from its foraging area. Ring-billed gulls also gave way to the spoonbill as the bird made its way along the mudflat.
<b>Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)</b>	Separated from adult spoonbills by the lack of dark pink on the upper wing covert and lack of dark "headband." Had a fully feathered head.
<b>Discussion – anything else relevant to the observation that will aid the committee in evaluating it:</b>	picture embedded in eBird checklist, also a short video of the bird at:  <a href="https://flic.kr/p/29qvwBA">https://flic.kr/p/29qvwBA</a>
<b>Are you positive of your identification ? (Why or why not)</b>	yes. am familiar with the species from multiple encounters in Florida and elsewhere
<b>Supporting evidence (check all that apply)</b>	Photograph Video
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## PA Rare Bird Report

<b>Submission Date</b>	2018-08-28 18:00:52
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<b>Names of additional observers</b>	Cindy Libhart (wife)
<b>Species (Common Name)</b>	Roseate spoonvill
<b>Species (Scientific Name)</b>	Ajaia ajaja
<b>Number of individuals</b>	1
<b>Observation Date and Time</b>	08-23-2018 8:20 AM
<b>Did you submit this sighting to eBird?</b>	Yes
<b>County</b>	Lancaster
<b>Location (City, Borough, Township)</b>	East Donegal Twp.
<b>Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)</b>	RiverFront park.....flooded field west of "first pond" north of park parking lot
<b>Habitat</b>	Marsh / pond
<b>Distance to bird</b>	Within 40 yards
<b>Viewing conditions</b>	Early morning bright sunlight, clear
<b>Optical equipment used</b>	Nikon Monarch 10x42 binoculars
<b>Description</b>	<p>First saw within 40 yds flying low (25 ft) above flooded field - assume we "jumped it while on ground. It was flying, seemingly along with, common egret. It showed very pink in bright, clear sunlight - my wife, who was not familiar with spoonbills, immediately exclaimed "he's pink !!".</p> <p>Both spoonbill and egret circled 2 or 3 times and then the spoonbill flew directly overhead at a height of ~ 40 feet, clearly showing the spoon-shaped bill. It then flew west towards the Susquehanna river (~200 yds away), and turned south (downriver).</p>

**Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)**

Flying

**Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)**

Pink with large spoo-shaped bill....flew its neck extended

**Discussion – anything else relevant to the observation that will aid the committee in evaluating it:**

Bird found at Blue Rock Road (south of Washington Borough) and observed/photographed by many experienced birds over the next few days.

**Are you positive of your identification ? (Why or why not)**

Absolutely 100%

**During**

Experience

**After**

Cornell ornithology lab website, Birds of North America (Golden Field Guide)

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