

PENNSYLVANIA ORNITHOLOGICAL RECORDS COMMITTEE
2469 Hammertown Road
Narvon, PA 17555

June, 10, 1996

Jim Lockyer
35 Letitia Lane
Media, PA 19063

Dear Jim,

Thank you for submitting details on the Mississippi Kite you saw in Media, Delaware County on 14 May 1994 to P.O.R.C. After careful review, we regret that we are unable to accept this record. The committee felt that even though the sketch resembled a Mississippi Kite, the description supplied was too brief in detail for an adequate determination to be made. This does not mean of course, that the bird was not a Mississippi Kite, merely, that the details did not allow for a concrete determination.

We hope that this does not discourage you from submitting documentation on any rare birds you find in the future. Please be encouraged to send as much detail as possible.

Sincerely,

Nick Pulcinella
Chairman

Record # 171-01-1994

P.S. If it is any consolation, I personally voted for acceptance

171-01 - 1994

Interesting Sighting off the famous *WeeWee Willet Deck!*

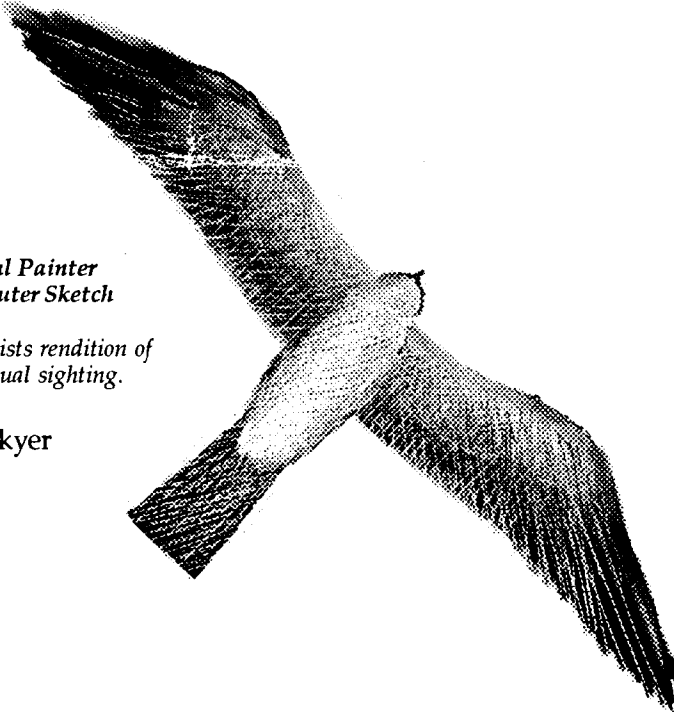
Mississippi Kite

Sighted: May 14, 1994
approximately 4:00 pm

*Fractal Painter
Computer Sketch*

*An artists rendition of
the actual sighting.*

J. Lockyer



- Observations:
- NO flapping during observation (5-6 minutes)
 - Body lightest part of silhouette
 - Distinct difference between tail and body (tail banding not obvious)
 - Underwings lighter than tail, darker than body
 - Tail appeared wider at end

Wee Wee Willet Deck tours available on request. Please call for reservations.

Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee

Voting Tabulation - Round # 2 of 2

Species: **Mississippi Kite (Ictinia mississippiensis)**

Date of Sighting: **14 May 1994 to 14 May 1994**

Location: **MEDIA**

County: **DELAWARE**

Observer(s): **Jim Lockyer**

Date of Submission: **1994**

Submitted by: **Jim Lockyer**

Written Description: **YES** Photo: **NO** Specimen: **NO**

Recording: **NONE**

Member	Class I	Class II	Class III	Class IV	Class V			Abstain
					A	B	C	
F. Haas			X					
N. Pulcinella			X					
E. Kwater						X		
R. Ickes			X					
G. McWilliams				X				
P. Schwalbe						X		
J. Skinner						X		
TOTALS			3	1		3		
DECISION						X		

Comments:

Signature (Secretary):

J. C. Haas

Date:

9-19-95

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DECISION								

Comments:

Send for second Round.

Signature (Secretary):

F. Haas

Date:

3-31-95