

## PA Rare Bird Report

<b>Submission Date</b>	2014-05-25 16:07:33
<b>Observer's Name</b>	Brian Henderson
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<b>Observer's Address</b>	Country: United States
<b>Species (Common Name)</b>	Mississippi Kite
<b>Species (Scientific Name)</b>	Ictinia mississippiensis
<b>Number of individuals</b>	1
<b>Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)</b>	adult
<b>Observation Date and Time</b>	05-10-2014 10:00 AM
<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=S18328410">http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist?subID=S18328410</a>
<b>County</b>	Montgomery
<b>Location (City, Borough, Township)</b>	Norristown
<b>Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)</b>	Norristown Farm Park
<b>GPS coordinates of sighting</b>	40.142599,-75.341987
<b>Habitat</b>	n/a (flyover)
<b>Viewing conditions</b>	Clear day. Lighting was a little harsh (bright), but optimal otherwise.
<b>Optical equipment used</b>	Eagle Optics Ranger ED 8x42
<b>Description</b>	<p>From eBird report (revised a bit):</p> <p>Pale head, solid-colored (slightly darker) body, dark tail, dark primaries, and, when the bird banked just right, pale secondaries. The bird's tail was rather long and flared wide. Long-winged, angular shape.</p>
<b>Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)</b>	<p>From eBird report (revised a bit):</p> <p>The Kite soared over leisurely, taking its time in doing so, headed northeast. It was not flapping at all, just riding the thermals.</p>

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

A video of the Kite can be found here:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7BZLF1Q-L4k>  
If you need the original file uploaded, please let me know.  
The file is more than 100MB.

Found during the PAMC.

**Supporting evidence (check all that apply)**

Photograph

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