



WHIMBREL

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HOLLAND, Bucks Co

Adrian Birns

PENNSYLVANIA RARE BIRD REPORT FORM

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SPECIES (common and scientific name) WHIMBREL Numenius phaeopus
Subspecies, if known _____

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS 1 SEX(ES) UNKNOWN

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): ADULT BREEDING

DATE OF OBSERVATION WED MAY 26, 2004 TIME 7:20 - 7:45 AM

LOCATION (city, borough, township) HOLLAND, NORTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP, BUCKS COUNTY

EXACT SITE (e.g. name of park, lake, road) COUNCIL ROCK HIGH SCHOOL SOUTH, ROCK WAY - RETENTION BASIN

OBSERVER REPORTING:

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OTHER OBSERVERS (only those who saw and identified the bird with you): NONE

HABITAT (e.g. mowed field, woodland edge, any other details) MUDFLATS IN A SHALLOW RETENTION BASIN

DISTANCE TO BIRD 25-40 YARDS

VIEWING CONDITIONS (sky, weather, position of sun relative to you) OVERCAST AND RAINING

OPTICAL EQUIPMENT USED 1ST TIME NAKED EYE ; 2ND TIME NIKON 8X32 HG DCF

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): A DARK BIRD, LARGER THAN THE GREATER YELLOWLEGS THAT WERE NEARBY, WITH A LONG DECURVED BILL. THE BIRD WAS ALERT, STANDING VERY TALL, WITH LONG DARK LEGS. THE BILL WAS ALL DARK. THE HEAD WAS MARKED WITH A DARK LINE FROM BILL TO BEHIND THE EYE AND ALSO HAD TWO DARK CROWN STRIPES. THE BELLY WAS LIGHTER THAN THE REST OF THE BODY AND THE FLANKS HAD BARRING

(Please use an additional page if necessary.)

BEHAVIOR (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing) IT WAS STATIONARY WHEN FIRST SPOTTED, THEN IT MOVED ABOUT THE MUDFLATS LOOKING VERY ANXIOUS. ONCE TIME IT PUT ITS BILL DOWN TO THE MUD, BUT THE REST OF THE TIME IT WAS LOOKING AROUND

VOCALIZATIONS NONE

SUPPORTING EVIDENCE IF ANY:

Photograph Video recording _____ Audio recording _____ Drawing _____

Photographer/recorder/illustrator:

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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 of specimen if known _____

SEPARATION FROM SIMILAR SPECIES (how you eliminated others)

BILL COLOUR WAS DIFFERENT FROM LONG-BILLED CURLEW AS WAS THE SHORTER LENGTH OF BILL. THE OVERALL COLOUR OF THE BIRD WAS A GREYER COLOUR AND NOT THE BUFFY COLOURATION ASSOCIATED WITH LONG-BILLED OR BRISTLE-THIGHED CURLEW. IT DID NOT HAVE A CLEAN CUT BREAST DEMARKATION, BUFFY SPOTS ON BACK OR THAT A BRISTLE-THIGHED CURLEW WOULD SHOW

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 MANY OBSERVATIONS WITH BOTH WHIMBREL & LONG-BILLED CURLEW. NONE WITH BRISTLE-THIGHED CURLEW

ARE YOU POSITIVE OF YOUR IDENTIFICATION? (why or why not) YES - IT SEEMS TO BE RELATIVELY STRAIGHT FORWARD - FOR ONCE!

REFERENCES CONSULTED:

During observation —
After observation —

DATE OF THIS REPORT: MAY 26, 2004

SIGNATURE OF OBSERVER 

Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee

Voting Tabulation – Round Two

Species: Whimbrel (*Numenius phaeopus*)

Date of Sighting: 26 May 2004 to 26 May 2004

Location: HOLLAND

County : BUCKS

Observer(s): Adrian Binns

Date of Submission: 2004

Submitted by: Adrian Binns

Written Description: Yes

Photo: Yes

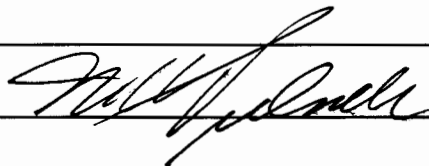
Specimen: No

Video: No

Member	Class I	Class II	Class III	Class IV-A	Class IV-B	Class IV-C	Class V	Abstain
R. Wiltraut	X							
D. Heathcote	X							
P. Guris	X							
J. Stanley	X							
E. Witmer	X							
R. Leberman	X							
M. Sharp	X							
TOTALS	7							
DECISION	X							

Comments: 7/0

Signature (Secretary)



Date:

4/29/05