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Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee
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Dear PORC:

The following belated report is based upon my own notes, made at the time of the observation, offered now in case no one else submitted documentation, or in case the additional documentation is of some benefit.

Species: Red-necked Phalarope (Winter plumage)

Date/Time: 14 August 1998. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM.

Location: Lancaster County. Conejohela Flats, Susquehanna River at Washington Boro.

Weather: 84 degrees F., Overcast.

Observer: Peter Robinson

Optics: Leica Ultra 12x50BA binoculars; Celestron C-5 scope at 48X.

Observation: I watched the bird for 10-15 minutes on a mudflat area southwest of "Avocet Point", about 50-60 yards away, using the Celestron C-5 scope at 48X. The bird was gray above and white below, winter plumage, about the size of a nearby Spotted Sandpiper. I got a good look at the needle-like bill, the dark patch on the side of the face, and the dark top of the head. The bird had white streaks on the back. The bird's movement was quite quick, and "jumpy".

Comments: I posted a message about the bird on the PA Birds listserv. The bird was seen the following day or two by Tom Garner and Eric Witmer. I saw it a second time on 16 August 1998.

Sincerely,

Peter Robinson

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Voting Tabulation - Round One

Species: Red-necked Phalarope (*Phalaropus lobatus*)

Date of Sighting: 14 August 1998 to 16 August 1998

Location: WASHINGTON BORO

County: LANCASTER

Observer(s): Peter Robinson

Date of Submission: 1999

Submitted by: Peter Robinson

WRITTEN DESCRIPTION YES PHOTO NO SPECIMEN NO RECORDING NO

Member	Class I	Class II	Class III	Class IV-A				Abstain
					Class IV-B	Class IV-C	Class V	
D. Couchman			X					
T. Floyd								X
P. Hess			X					
R. Ickes			X					
J. McWilliams			X					
B. Reid			X					
P. Rodewald					X			
TOTALS			5		1			1
DECISION			X					

Comments: 5/1/1

Signature (Secretary):

Date: 10/8/00