









PENNSYLVANIA RARE BIRD REPORT FORM

This form is presented as a convenience and guide. It can be used if desired, but is not necessary for submitting a report. Species requiring documentation are those on the Review List or not on the Official List of Birds of Pennsylvania. Send documentation to:

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 Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee
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SPECIES (common and scientific name) Red Phalarope (Phalaropus fulicaria)
 Subspecies (if known) _____

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS 1 SEX(ES) u/w

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): juvenile molting to first winter
plumage

DATE OF OBSERVATION 10/9/11 TIME 5:15 pm

LOCATION (city, borough, township) Salona, Clinton County

EXACT SITE (e.g. name of park, lake, road) Mark Stoltzfus Farm

OBSERVER REPORTING:

Name Wayne Laubscher
 Address 749 E Creek Hollow Rd
 City Lock Haven State PA ZIP 17745
 e-mail (optional) wlaubsch@kcnet.org phone (optional) 570-748-7511

OTHER OBSERVERS (only those who saw and identified the bird with you):

N/A

HABITAT (e.g. mowed field, woodland edge, any other details) pasture

DISTANCE TO BIRD In hand

VIEWING CONDITIONS (sky, weather, position of sun relative to you) Daylight w/sunshine in
barnyard

OPTICAL EQUIPMENT USED N/A

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 small sandpiper-like bird with partially webbed feet. Bill is somewhat long but on the thick side with a small amount of yellow at the base. Face, front of forehead, cheeks, and most of neck white. Most of chest, belly, and undertail white. Small amount of gray on sides of breast. A dark patch extends back from eye. Top and back of head black with black stripe running down back of neck to back. Plumage on back - feathers edge of buff and inside feathers gray or black. Same on tail. A small amount of faint brownish-red color can be seen on certain areas of neck.
 (Please use an additional page if necessary.)

BEHAVIOR (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing) Bird was found in pasture of the family farm and was unable to fly. A wing injury was presumed. Later evaluation by a wildlife rehabilitator determined it to be emaciated as the reason for its inability to fly. Prognosis was that it would recover to a releasable condition.

VOCALIZATIONS "Keep" single call

SUPPORTING EVIDENCE IF ANY:

Photograph ☒ Video recording ☐ Audio recording ☐ Drawing ☐

Photographer/recorder/illustrator:

Name SAME AS PREVIOUS observer reporting

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

e-mail (optional) _____ phone (optional) _____

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 and number of specimen if known _____

SEPARATION FROM SIMILAR SPECIES (how you eliminated others)

A fall juvenile Red-necked Phalarope is very similar in size and plumage but this bird had the definitive Red Phalarope bill which is a definitive field mark

DISCUSSION – Anything else relevant to the observation that will aid the committee in evaluating it

N/A

(Please use an additional page if necessary)

PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE WITH THIS AND/OR SIMILAR SPECIES

I have seen both Wilson's and Red-necked Phalarope at close distance and have seen a fall plumaged Red at some distance

ARE YOU POSITIVE OF YOUR IDENTIFICATION? (why or why not)

Yes. It was obviously a species of phalarope and the bill was the definitive ID field mark.

REFERENCES CONSULTED:

During observation Sibley

After observation Raufman, National Geographic

DATE OF THIS REPORT: 10/23/11

SIGNATURE OF OBSERVER Wayne N. Jaulscher

Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee

Voting Tabulation – Round One

Species: Red Phalarope *Phalaropus fulicaria*

Date of Sighting: 9 October 2011 to 9 October 2011

County : CLINTON

Location : SALONA

Observer(s): Wayne Laubscher

Date of Submission: 2011

Submitted by: Wayne Laubscher

Written Description: Yes

Photo: Yes

Specimen: No

Recording: No

| Member | Class I | Class II | Class III | Class IV-A | Class IV-B | Class IV-C | Class V | |
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| D. DeReamus | X | | | | | | | |
| A. Guarente | | | | | | | | |
| T. Johnson | X | | | | | | | |
| B. Coulter | X | | | | | | | |
| R. Koury | X | | | | | | | |
| D. Weber | X | | | | | | | |
| G. Malosh | X | | | | | | | |
| TOTALS | 6 | | | | | | | |
| DECISION | X | | | | | | | |

Comments:

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Signature (Secretary) Nick Pulcinella

Date: 7/11/12