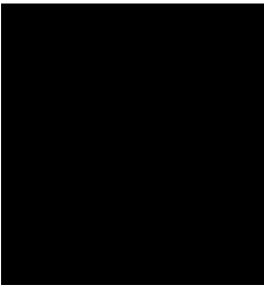


## PA Rare Bird Report

<b>Submission Date</b>	2017-07-02 17:53:55
<b>Observer's Name</b>	Mark GALLAGHER
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<b>Phone</b>	
<b>Observer's Address</b>	
<b>Names of additional observers</b>	
<b>Species (Common Name)</b>	Black headed gull
<b>Species (Scientific Name)</b>	Chroicocephalus ridibundus
<b>Number of individuals</b>	1
<b>Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)</b>	adult
<b>Observation Date and Time</b>	04-07-2017 7:10 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/S35759141">http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S35759141</a>
<b>County</b>	Bucks
<b>Location (City, Borough, Township)</b>	Lower Makefield Township
<b>Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)</b>	Broadmeadow Farms (restricted access), north side of route 332 between Patterson Road and Lindenhurst Road.
<b>GPS coordinates of sighting</b>	40°13'58.54"N, 74°53'26.70"W
<b>Habitat</b>	Agricultural field
<b>Distance to bird</b>	Approximately 100 feet
<b>Viewing conditions</b>	Clear but early morning light. Observed from car while parked on shoulder.
<b>Optical equipment used</b>	Nikon Monarch 8x42
<b>Description</b>	The bird was loafing with a flock of laughing gulls. Numerous other gulls were also present but I stopped since laughing gulls do not frequently loaf on this field. A smaller black headed gull was noticed in with the laughing gulls. The mantle was lighter than the laughing gulls and the complete hood was much further up the rear of the head. The bill was dark red. I also had a quick glance at the dark underwings when it flushed.

<b>Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)</b>	While I observed the bird it was loafing in the field with other gulls. After about 10 minutes the gull flock flushed and I could not find the bird.
<b>Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)</b>	As indicated previously the bird was smaller than the nearby laughing gulls and the hood was much less extensive on the rear of the head than on the laughing gulls.
<b>Discussion – anything else relevant to the observation that will aid the committee in evaluating it:</b>	The bird was also observed later in the morning by Devich Farbotnik, Paul Cooper (ebird data - <a href="http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S35774141">http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S35774141</a> ) and August Mirabella (ebird data <a href="http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S35771645">http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S35771645</a> ). A few other observes also saw the bird later that day.
<b>Are you positive of your identification ? (Why or why not)</b>	I am positive of the identification and quickly shared it with others that subsequently observed the bird later in the day.
<b>During</b>	Sibleys
<b>After</b>	Sibleys
<b>Supporting evidence (check all that apply)</b>	Photograph

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