















# Miller Ponds; Pymatuning Lake Area, Crawford County / October 31, 2003

## by Mike Fialkovich

A basic one Franklin's Gull was found at the Miller Ponds near Pymatuning Lake in Crawford County in mid-October. I searched for the bird on 31 October and found it resting on the ground near one of the ponds in the area. I also saw it in flight as it fed in a plowed field.

#### **DESCRIPTION:**

- A small gull, smaller than Ring-billed Gulls which were also present.
- Head: white with a partial black hood. The hood covered the ear coverts and the nape, with lighter black on the rear crown. The black was darkest on the sides of the face. There were bold white cresents above and below the eye.
   The forehead and chin were white.
- The hood was set off from the rear of the neck by the lighter color of the neck.
  The neck was whitish, with a light gray wash, much lighter than the black in
  the hood and the gray of the mantle. This gray color extended along the
  sides of the neck below the head and in front of the shoulder.
- The mantle and scapulars were pearly gray. Wing coverts were light brown, indicating first winter plumage. Primaries black with white tips (seen on the folded wing). The folded wings projected beyond the tail.
- Breast, sides and belly white.
- Bill: black, and finer than a Ring-billed Gull. The legs and feet were black.
- In flight, the tail showed a black subterminal band with white tipped retrices.
  The wings were gray with black primaries and blackish coverts, forming a
  black leading edge to the wing. The wing pattern indicated a basic one bird
  (lacking the white band separating the black primaries from the gray wings).
  The underside of the wings were whitish with black on the underside of the
  primaries.

## **COMPARISON WITH OTHER GULLS:**

Bonaparte's Gull (Larus philadelphia) - Bonaparte's Gulls are smaller than Franklin's. At this time of year, adults and basic one birds would lack a hood—they would only show a black ear covert spot and no bold eye cresents. The head of Bonaparte's at this time of year is largely white. The bill of a Bonaparte's is finer compared to a Franklin's Gull. In flight, Bonaparte's are more ternlike than Franklin's, with a completely different wing pattern with a white wedge on the leading edge of the wing in adults and the brownish carpal bar on basic one birds is very different from Franklin's wing pattern.

**Laughing Gull (Larus atricilla)** - An adult Laughing Gull at this time of year (in basic plumage) lacks an obvious hood; light black is confined to the ear covert area and a thin line from eye to eye across the crown. Laughing Gull has less bold eye crescents and has a larger heavier bill compared to a Franklin's Gull. The white tips to the primaries in adult basic Laughing Gulls are smaller than in Franklin's Gull.

Basic one Laughing Gulls have a lot of gray in the head and neck, extending along the sides of the breast. The gray is darker than the gray on the nape of the Franklin's Gull, so there is very little contrast between the head and neck on a basic one Laughing Gull. The gray blends from the head into the neck and on to the mantle. Franklin's shows much more contrast in these areas. Basic one Laughing Gulls do not show white tips to the folded primaries.

The underside of a Laughing Gull's wings are mottled brownish, not clear white as in Franklin's Gull.

Laughing Gulls are larger birds, less petite than Franklin's Gulls, more elongated.

## Franklin's Gulls, Millers Pond, Pymatuning Lake, Crawford County, PA 11/1/03

Visited the sight to see the previously reported Franklin's Gull. Found the Franklin's roosting on the dike next to the pond with some Ring-billed Gulls. The Franklin's then flew across the road in a dirt field and began feeding on earthworms. As I was watching the Franklin's, I was surprised to see a second Franklin's come into view. One of the Franklin's had more black on the back of the head, while the other Franklin's had a small band of black around the back of the head. Both birds had the broad white eye crescents and dark somewhat pinkish legs. On at least one of the birds I noticed a little bit of white on the tips of the wings when it flew. Both birds had white outer tail feathers with a dark band at the tip of the tail. Both birds appeared to be in first-winter plumage.

Rick Wiltraut PO Box 294 Saylorsburg, PA 18353

338-01-2003

Re: Franklin's Gull at the Millers Ponds area of Pymatuning State Park in Crawford County on October 21, 2003

Observers: Scott Kinzey and Dave Wilton

We drove to look for the reported Franklin's Gull arriving around noon. The attached photographs are good, I'll keep this brief. A few moments after arriving we saw a flock of gulls flying in from the distance. In flight, one bird appeared darker overall and that with the jizz of its flight made it stand out. The flock of birds flew right at us and around us, we could see the half-hooded look of the head and knew this was the bird we wanted to see. The flock of Ring-billed Gulls and one assumed Franklin's Gull flew over us, around us and fed in a field right next to us and the road. We approached the assumed Franklin's within 30 feet. It walked in the field with the other RbGu's and flocked with them aross the road in front of the ponds. The head and neck looked slimmer than the Ring-billed Gulls. The overall size was a little smaller. Here are three photographs taken with Kodak E-200 Slide film.

Scott Kinzey

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Photographer/recorder/illustrator: Name
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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.
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SPECIES (common and scientific name) Franklin's Gull (Larus pipixan) Subspecies (if known)
NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS SEX(ES) _ Male
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):
DATE OF OBSERVATION 10/30/03 TIME 10:30 a.m.
EXACT SITE (e.g. name of park, lake, road) Miller 5 Pond
EXACT SITE (e.g. name of park, lake, road) Millet 5 Pond
OBSERVER REPORTING:  Name Shart Simpson  Address 10 Quart Ct.  City Walten State PA ZIP 16365  e-mail (optional) phone (optional)
OTHER OBSERVERS (only those who saw and identified the bird with you):
HABITAT (e.g. mowed field, woodland edge, any other details) There was a big pand and mowed corn and nay fields.
DISTANCE TO BIRD 15 yards
VIEWING CONDITIONS (sky, weather, position of sun relative to you) Party Cloudy with
OPTICAL EQUIPMENT USED 8 X 40 bushrell binaculars, bushrell stace mass
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):  The Flanklin's gull is a relatively smaller guil and has a stocky look when standing. It has a black hood with white un parts that are variably linguis with Pink. The wings are slate gray will a white bar and black and white tips on frimaries. They have part gray control to the feathers and white cyr crascents, Breading adult has a state of the standard of the standard s

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NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS SEX(ES)
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):
DATE OF OBSERVATION 10-30-53 TIME 10:30
LOCATION (city, borough, township) Millers Points @ Rymaturing
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OBSERVER REPORTING:  Name Jox RCIARC  Address GI4 Break St  City NEW CORPA State PA ZIP 1/63/65
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OTHER OBSERVERS (only those who saw and identified the bird with you):  The Feder - Byett King - Shene Sampan - Chad Bosko
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DISTANCE TO BIRD 15 yards
VIEWING CONDITIONS (sky, weather, position of sun relative to you) 1:41c (buts , 5un was 5h
OPTICAL EQUIPMENT USED Bushnell Binoculars / Bushnell Space Master spothing
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):    Rhit blocked spots on both and side of head Brish white breach and both my white neck all around occurs upper wing to brown laber white stripes on middle and back black bill and keys.
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BEHAVIOR (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing) It would fly lo yords and then land, then get up and by lo more yords. Repeated this may limes.
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SUPPORTING EVIDENCE IF ANY:  Photograph Video recording Audio recording Drawing  Photographer/recorder/illustrator:  Name
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) It koks similar to the bushing gull except the juvenile hughing gull has alot of Brown on the bushing and no white on its tail.
DISCUSSION - Anything else relevant to the observation that will aid the committee in evaluating it  Mi Ches heard that the blod was there are my kacher  printed it out.
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SPECIES (common and scientific name) Franklins' Gull; Larus Pipix (an Subspecies (if known)
NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS SEX(ES)
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):
DATE OF OBSERVATION 10/30/03 TIME 10:00 am
LOCATION (city, borough, township) Pymatuning
EXACT SITE (e.g. name of park, lake, road) Miller's Pond
OBSERVER REPORTING:  Name WITCHO COSS  Address IS Maple PI.  City N. Wayren State PA ZIP 116365  e-mail (optional) phone (optional)
OTHER OBSERVERS (only those who saw and identified the bird with you):  MY, Fedar and Ornthology (1955)  HABITAT (e.g. mowed field, woodland edge, any other details) mayed corn field.
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DATE OF OBSERVATION 10.30:03 TIME 10:01 AM
LOCATION (city, borough, township) Pymatuning, PA
EXACT SITE (e.g. name of park, lake, road) Millers Pond
OBSERVER REPORTING:  Name Sharaya Valgle  Address 425 Wesler Rd  City Wassen State PP ZIP 16365  e-mail (optional) phone (optional)
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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):  Black hood that covers to throat, mostly  white body fail has gray strip down black and white typed, wings; placksh beak, white eye (ing.)

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Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee 613 Howard Ave. 338-01-2003 West Chester, PA 19380 nickpul@bellatlantic.net SPECIES (common and scientific name) Franklin's Gull harus pip x (an Subspecies (if known) NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS SEX(ES) 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): Winter adult DATE OF OBSERVATION 10/30/03 TIME 10:00 am LOCATION (city, borough, township) Pymaturing PA EXACT SITE (e.g. name of park, lake, road) Miller's Fond **OBSERVER REPORTING:** Name Emily Thomas Address 802 Pleasant City Warren State <u>PA</u> ZIP 16365 phone (optional) e-mail (optional) OTHER OBSERVERS (only those who saw and identified the bird with you): Mr. Fedak Ornithology (105) HABITAT (e.g. mowed field, woodland edge, any other details) Mowed Field rear pends DISTANCE TO BIRD 15 54665 VIEWING CONDITIONS (sky, weather, position of sun relative to you) Clar Skies OPTICAL EQUIPMENT USED 8x40 Bushnell Brocklers 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): Has a faint black hood and gray wings and tio an its tail. Has black feet also and its motified

BEHAVIOR (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing) Was sitting among recard and then flew and landed wear us	nany
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black has and a skinny black bill. The be It had shiped The belly and nects we the tail feathers were black There was a brief patch da its

BEHAVIOR (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)
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VOCALIZATIONS
SUPPORTING EVIDENCE IF ANY:
Photograph Video recording Audio recording Drawing
Photographer/recorder/illustrator: Name
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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 and number of specimen if known
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bea locaning all of a 1st winter by the head The Frontin's Call has more broth on its hood than the Laurinia Call Also, the housing Call's tail is blacker too. Diatinguished from Bong with S Call by the hour and logs. The Bong parties Call is 1st winter planage has very little black on its hour and it has planting.  DISCUSSION - Anything else relevant to the observation that will aid the committee in evaluating it
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SPECIES (common and scientific name) Franklin '5 Gull Subspecies (if known)
NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS SEX(ES)
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):
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LOCATION (city, borough, township)
EXACT SITE (e.g. name of park, lake, road)
OBSERVER REPORTING:  Name
DISTANCE TO BIRD 15 yards
VIEWING CONDITIONS (sky, weather, position of sun relative to you) It was partly cloudy  It was Ga.
OPTICAL EQUIPMENT USED Binoculars - Bushenell 8 by 40s
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DATE OF OBSERVATION 10-30-03 TIME 10:30 A.M.
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EXACT SITE (e.g. name of park, lake, road)
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SPECIES (common and scientific name) Franklin's Gull (Lolus Pipixean) Subspecies (if known)
NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS SEX(ES)
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):    Au   + 3   year   5   winter
DATE OF OBSERVATION 10/30/03 TIME 10:30 AM
LOCATION (city, borough, township)
EXACT SITE (e.g. name of park, lake, road)
OBSERVER REPORTING:  Name
HABITAT (e.g. mowed field, woodland edge, any other details) momest corner to the sound of the s
DISTANCE TO BIRD 35 yds.
VIEWING CONDITIONS (sky, weather, position of sun relative to you)
OPTICAL EQUIPMENT USED Bushed 8x 40 binned Bushned specific moster
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):    Dock road   Dock road

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SPECIES (common and scientific name) Frankling Gull (Laurus pipixcan)
NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS SEX(ES)Male
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, 3 years, winder
DATE OF OBSERVATION 10/30 TIME 10:30
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EXACT SITE (e.g. name of park, lake, road) Millers Pond
OBSERVER REPORTING:  Name Chad Bos Ko  Address 45 Weiler Rd  City Warren State PA ZIP 16365
e-mail (optional) phone (optional)
OTHER OBSERVERS (only those who saw and identified the bird with you):
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DISTANCE TO BIRD 15 yards
VIEWING CONDITIONS (sky, weather, position of sun relative to you) cloudy, windy; moderate temp.
OPTICAL EQUIPMENT USED Resolutes - Bushnel 8×40
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):    Black hood white under purity with a first of pink, gray wings with white but and black-and-write first on privates, Pale gray certail features, broad white eye cresent.

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## Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee

## Voting Tabulation - Round One

Species: Franklin's Gull (Larus pipixcan)

Date of Sighting: 20 October 2003 to 10 November 2003

Location: PYMATUNING LAKE

County: CRAWFORD

Observer(s): M. Fialkovich, S. Kinzey, R. Wiltraut et al.

Date of Submission: 2003

Submitted by: M. Fialkovich, S. Kinzey, R. Wiltraut et al.

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	Abstain
R. Wiltraut	×							
D. Heathcote	X							
P. Guris	X							
J. Stanley	X							
E. Witmer	X							
R. Leberman	×							
M. Sharp	X							
TOTALS	7							
DECISION	X							

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Signature (Secretary)

Date: 4/29/05