

Pennsylvania Rare Bird Report Form

338-01-2005

Species (common & scientific): Franklin's Gull Larus pipixcan Number of Individuals: 1 Sex(es): ? Age(s) & Plumage(s): 1st winter Date Seen: 11/12/2005 Time: 3:00 PM Where Seen (Town/County): Buckingham Twp., Bucks Co. Exact Location: Intersection of Forrest Grove Rd. and New Hope Rd. at Comly's Turf Farm between Forrest Grove and Wycombe

Observer Reporting:

Name: Alan Brady Address: Box 103 Wycombe, PA 18980 E-mail: birderbrady@aol.com Telephone (optional): 215-598-7856 Other Observers (Only those who saw & identified the bird with you):

Distance to Bird: 50 feet **Viewing Conditions** (Sky, weather, position of sun relative to you): **Optical Equipment Used**:

Habitat:

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Description: Going to Doylestown-100 Ring-billed Gulls in the field eating worms after previous night's rain. Saw this gull showing partial hood. Walked up quite close to me and photographed it from the car (50 ft.) with 600 mm mirror lens. All the birds suddenly flew-took one picture in flight and noted the dark primary tips. Not knowing of this plumage, I was not sure of the ID. All birds gone when I returned from Doylestown. Found the ID in "gulls" (P. J. Grant) – FIRST WINTER FRANKLIN'S

Behavior (Be as specific as possible about what the bird was doing): **Vocalizations:** Supporting Evidence if Any (include with report): **Photo:** 2 attached Video Recording: Audio Recording: **Drawing:** Name, Address, e-mail, telephone (optional) of photographer, etc. Photo by Alan Brady Separation from Similar Species (How you eliminated others): Discussion (Anything else relevant to the observation that will aid the committee in evaluating it): **Previous Experience with this and/or Similar Species:** Are you positive of your ID? (Why or why not): **References:** During Observation: After Observation: Date of report: Signature of Observer: Alan Brady (For ease of reading, I typed this from Alan's original which is attached- A. Mirabella)

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Description (only what you observed; size relative to other species present; posture, body shape & proportions; colors & patterns of plumage; bill, eye, & leg characteristics; other features relevant to this individual):

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Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee

Voting Tabulation - Round One

Species: Franklin's Gull (Larus pipixcan)

Date of Sighting: 12 November 2005 to 12 November 2005 Location: BUCKINGHAM TtOWNSHIP County : BUCKS Observer(s): Alan Brady

Date of Submission: 2005 Submitted by: Alan Brady

Written Description: Yes

Photo: Yes

Specimen: No

Recording: No

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Comments: 77/0								
Signature (Secretary)	MM	IA				Date:	1/24/06	