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Rufus Hummingbird (Selasphorus rufus)

November 10, 1991

Wexford Area (just north of Pittsburgh)

Allegheny County

This hummingbird was the size of a Ruby Throated but very different in color. Its back and sides were reddish brown, the throat was bright red, the center of the breast was dull white. The tail was also reddish brown. There was not a hint of green anywhere in the plumage.

The bird was observed by Joyce Hoffmann, ~~Diana~~ Devane Hoffman, Mike Fialkovich, Rob Preulis, Ed Kwater, Jerry McWilliams, Geoff Robinson, Devane's friend Lee, and others.

I watched the bird for 3-5 minutes. It landed in a small tree and perched for about 1 minute. It then flew to the feeder and perched on it while it fed for approximately 2 minutes. This provided great opportunities to study its plumage. I observed the bird from a distance of approximately 10 ft.

The bird was photographed. I saw some of the photos and they're excellent.

The bird was reported to Fred Rimmel at Beechwood Farms. He alerted Joyce + Ed, and they spread the word. The owner of the feeder reported the bird because he realized it was different from the Ruby Throated Hummingbirds he usually sees at his feeder.

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Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee

Voting Tabulation - Round # 1 of

Species: **Rufous Hummingbird**

Date of Sighting: **10 November 1991 to 10 November 1991**

Observer(s): **Mike Fialkovich**

Date of Submission: **1992**

Submitted by: **Mike Fialkovich**

Member	Class I	Class II	Class III	Class IV	Class V		
					A	B	C
E. Kwater	X						
B. Haas	X						
F. Haas	X						
R. Ickes	X						
G. McWilliams	X						
S. Santner	X						
J. Skinner	X						
TOTALS	7						
DECISION	X						

Comments:

Signature (Secretary):

*B. M. Haas*

Date:

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