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Bernie Morris

A Surf Scoter was at Leaser Lake on 10/19 (KD), 47 Ring-necked Ducks were at the Fogelsville Quarry on 12/21 (FB), and a late Great Egret was seen near Herford 10/10 (P&BM).

A Rufous Hummingbird with a mostly rufous back was discovered at a feeder at the home of Renatea and Paul Derr near Trexlertown in late Sept. It remained through the end of the period and was seen and photographed by many observers. I enclose a few photos that I took. As the weather got colder it was feared that the feeder would freeze up. I made a heater consisting of a 120 watt outdoor floodlight positioned next to the feeder, which is enclosed in a wooded box open at one end. Last I heard this was working very well. There have been two previous records of a Rufous/Allens Hummers in the county, but both of them had all green backs. This bird, as seen in the photos, had rufous flanks and a back that is mostly rufous but with some green spots. There are also a few bright rufous spots on the throat.

A Red-headed Woodpecker was at Cozy Corner 12/21 (JH). Jason also found a Towhee, 2 Carolina Chickadees, and heard a White-winged Crossbill near Emmaus on 12/21. A Fish Crow and a Common Yellowthroat were found in Allentown on 12/21 (BT), and a Red-winged Blackbird and a Chipping Sparrow were seen near Jordan Park on 12/21 (AK).

Observers: Fritz Brock, Karen Dolan, Jason Horn, Arlene Koch, Pauline & Bernie Morris, and Barry Transue.

Rick Weibert

Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee

Voting Tabulation - Round # 1 of

Species: Rufous Hummingbird (*Selasphorus rufus*)

Date of Sighting: 28 September 1996 to 31 December 1996

Location: TREXLERTOWN

County: LEHIGH

Observer(s): Bernie Morris

Date of Submission: 1996

Submitted by: Bernie Morris

Written Description: YES

Photo: YES

Specimen: NO

Recording: NONE

| Member | Class I | Class II | Class III | Class IV | Class V | | | Abstain |
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| F. Haas | X | | | | | | | |
| N. Pulcinella | X | | | | | | | |
| E. Kwater | X | | | | | | | |
| R. Ickes | X | | | | | | | |
| G. McWilliams | X | | | | | | | |
| P. Schwalbe | X | | | | | | | |
| S. Feldstein | X | | | | | | | |
| TOTALS | 7 | | | | | | | |
| DECISION | X | | | | | | | |

Comments:

Signature (Secretary):

R. C. Haas

Date:

8-16-97