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Sedge Wren  
6/30/2005  
Philadelphia

I went to look for the Sedge Wren that been reported from northwest Philadelphia the past few days. When I arrived the bird was singing from about 50 yes away but not visible. The song was clearly that of a Sedge Wren with two introductory notes followed by trill. After about 15 minutes the bird flew and landed a top a small bush.

General description: a small brown wren, buffy-brown above with a small white eyeline and buffy-brown throat. There appeared to be a few vertical brown and white stripes on the back. The underparts were plain buffy-brown with a whitish throat. The bill was short and the tail was short.

The bird strayed in the open for about 2-3 minutes singing continuously, then flew down and remained hidden from view but frequently singing for the next 15-20 minutes. The bird never showed itself again.

Other observers: Frank Windfelder was present during most of the viewing time.

The song separates this species from other small wrens.

Description written from notes made immediately after the sighting.

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# Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee

## Voting Tabulation – Round Two

Species: Sedge Wren (Cistothorus platensis)

Date of Sighting: 28 June 2005 to 30 June 2005

Location: PHILADELPHIA

County : PHILADELPHIA

Observer(s): Chuck Hetzel, Frank Windfelder, Nick Pulcinella et al.

Date of Submission: 2005

Submitted by: Chuck Hetzel, Nick Pulcinella

Written Description: Yes

Photo: No

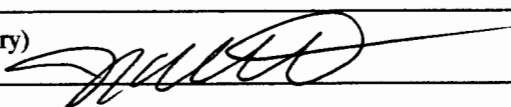
Specimen: No

Recording: Audio

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R. Wiltraut								
A. Guarente	X							
P. Guris	X		<del>z</del>					
J. Stanley			X					
E. Witmer	X							
J. Heller	X							
M. Sharp	X							
TOTALS	5		1					
DECISION	X							

Comments: 6/0

Signature (Secretary)



Date:

7/24/06