













TOWNSEND'S SOLITAIRE

April 15, 2008  
Carbon County  
Arlene Koch

On Tuesday, April 15, 2008, Dustin Welch took me, Rick Wiltraut, Dave DeReamus, and Kathy Sieminski to a road bordered on both sides with greenbriers to see an adult Townsend's solitaire. It was found 2 days earlier by Rich and Barbara Rehrig but because it was on private golf course property they didn't make it public. We arrived around 5 in the afternoon and had to wait about 40 minutes before Dave spotted it flying into the same area where Dustin had already taken some photos – see attached.

As we watched it and Dave, Rick, and Dustin took photos, it ate multiflora rose hips and greenbrier berries. It frequently flew up into nearby trees and sat for a while before once again feeding or flying down to a small pond in the greenbriers to drink. It was an adult bird and, referring to Sibley's guide, appeared (at least to me) to be what he terms a "drab-winged" adult. Its eye ring and wing markings were clearly visible.

Since the photos tell the tale, I don't know what else I need to say.

**Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee**

**Voting Tabulation – Round One**

Species: Townsend's Solitaire      Myadestes townsendi

Date of Sighting: 13 April 2008 to 15 April 2008

County : CARBON

Location : BLUE RIDGE COUNTRY CLUB

Observer(s): Richard Rehrig et al

Date of Submission: 2008

Submitted by: R. Rehrig, A. Koch, D. Welch

Written Description: No

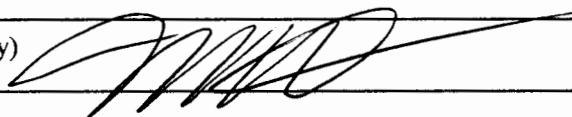
Photo: Yes

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	X							
A. Guarente	X							
T. Johnson	^							
B. Coulter	X							
E. Witmer	X							
J. Heller	X							
G. Malosh	X							
TOTALS	7							
DECISION	X							

Comments: 7/0

Signature (Secretary) 

Date: 8/30/08