

Yellow-throated Warbler on Tocks Island in mid-June: On 11 June 1970 the authors were conducting a survey of the vertebrates of Tocks Island in the Delaware River above Delaware Water Gap, Warren County, New Jersey.

Between 1250 and 1310 hours, EST, a Yellow-throated Warbler (*Dendroica dominica*) was heard singing from the crown of a large American Sycamore (*Platanus occidentalis*) located on the lower third of the mile-long island. The bird was visually located and studied head-on, then laterally, from a distance of about 60 feet with 8X binoculars. On 12 June, a Yellow-throated Warbler, presumably the previously observed individual, again was heard singing from another large sycamore near the middle of the island.

The lateness of these dates almost certainly eliminates the bird as a spring migrant. Perhaps the Yellow-throated Warbler now nests on Tocks Island, although no nest was located. Nevertheless, the geographic location of the bird suggests a possible extension of the breeding range of this species in the valley of the Delaware River. Fables (*Annotated List of New Jersey Birds*, 1955) and Poole (*Pennsylvania Birds*, 1964) list Bull's Island near Raven Rock, Hunterdon County, New Jersey, and "possibly" Riegelsville, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, as the most northern breeding locations for the Delaware River population of *D. dominica*.

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Varied Thrush at Newtown, Pennsylvania
Photographed by Alan Brady on January 7, 1970

Varied Thrush in Bucks County, Pennsylvania: A snowfall in late December, 1969, drove many birds into feeding stations, and one bonus was an adult male Varied Thrush that appeared at a feeder in Newtown, Bucks County, Pennsylvania.

The bird was first seen at the feeder of Mr. Morrell and photographed there on December 31. As the snows melted, the bird was seen less frequently, and it was last recorded on February 5, 1970. During the bird's five-week stay it was seen by many observers.

Dr. Earl Poole informs me that there is one previous Pennsylvania record, that of a bird visiting a feeder maintained by Victor Mascaro near Tionesta, Forest County, from about

Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee

Voting Tabulation – Historic Record

Species: Varied Thrush Ixoreus naevius

Date of Sighting: 31 December 1969 to 5 February 1970

County : BUCKS

Location : NEWTOWN

Observer(s): Alan Brady et al

Date of Submission: 2007

Submitted by: Historic Record

Written Description: No

Photo: Yes

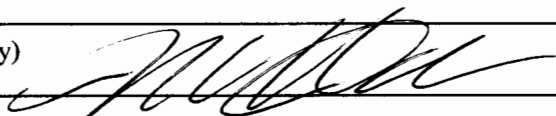
Specimen: No

Recording: No

Member	Class I	Class II	Class III	Class IV-A	Class IV-B	Class IV-C	Class V	Abstain
R. Wiltraut								
A. Guarente	x							
T. Johnson	x							
E. Witmer	x							
N. Pulcinella	x							
J. Heller	x							
G. Malosh	x							
TOTALS	6							
DECISION	x							

Comments: Reviewed at 2007 Annual Meeting. Voice Vote

Signature (Secretary)



Date: 2/22/08