

PENNSYLVANIA ORNITHOLOGICAL RECORDS COMMITTEE
2469 Hammertown Road
Narvon, PA 17555

October 5, 1997

Mark Ezzo
410 Vaux Lane
Phoenixville, PA 19453

Dear Mark,

Thank you for submitting documentation on the Bohemian Waxwing you saw at Valley Forge National Historic Park on 30 December to P.O.R.C. This record circulated the committee for two rounds after careful review, we regret that we are unable to accept this record. The committee was concerned that the description provided did not supply enough detail of the bird's plumage to allow for a fair assessment of the record.

This of course, does not mean the bird was not a Bohemian Waxwing, merely, that the record is not beyond reasonable doubt for acceptance

We hope that this does not discourage you from submitting documentation on any rare birds you find in the future. Please be encouraged to send as much detail as possible when submitting a report.

Sincerely,

Nick Pulcinella
Chairman

Record # 694-04-1995



694-04-1995 (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

SUPPORTING DETAILS: UNCOMMON OR RARE SPECIES/HIGH NUMBERS

CBC Name Mark Ezzo Date 12/30/95 Compiler Mark Ezzo
Observer writing this account & date Mark Ezzo / 12/30/95

SPECIES Bohemian Waxwing NUMBER, AGE, SEX 1
Distance from bird(s) 15 ft Relative size of bird 8"-9"

HEAD & NECK (Describe forehead, crown, auricular, malar region, median line, etc.)
Crested head, black-eye streak with white outline, dark underneath bill

EYE & LORES (Describe supercilium, ring, stripe, color, etc.) Dark stripe through eye, outlined in white

UPPER & LOWER MANDIBLES black + white

LEGS & FEET Parching feet

UPPERPARTS (Describe nape, back, rump, upper tail coverts, etc.) Rusky coverts. Yellow and white markings on wing.

UNDERPARTS (Describe throat, belly, side, flanks, crissum, etc.) Grey belly, not yellow.

RECTRICES (Describe inner, middle, outer tail feathers, color pattern, shape, etc.)

WING (Describe color, length, shape, linings, bars, coverts, leading & trailing edges, etc.) Yellow and white markings on wing, bright red on tips. White patch.

VOCALIZATION Lower than rest of flock.

BEHAVIOR Feeding, perching and preening

Date of observation 12/30/95 Time 10:47 Weather Clear Sky Clear
Duration of observation 15 min Bird - Sun orientation Sun in front, behind, etc.
Exact location Valley Forge Park (Fotlands)
Habitat Old Nursery Other observers Tom Yocum
Optical equipment Swift binoculars 8.5 x 44

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS Ave seen them in Maine.

AN ACCOMPANYING SKETCH OR PHOTOGRAPH CAN BE MOST HELPFUL

Gary, this bird was seen in Monticello!

Gary, please use only sections 1, 9, 8, 7, 6, 10+11 for
Montco. reporting

Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee

Voting Tabulation - Round # *2* of *2*

Species: Bohemian Waxwing (*Bombycilla garrulus*)

Date of Sighting: 30 December 1995 to 30 December 1995

Location: VALLEY FORGE NATIONAL HISTORIC PARK

County: MONTGOMERY

Observer(s): Mark Ezzo

Date of Submission: 1996

Submitted by: Mark Ezzo

Written Description: YES

Photo: NO

Specimen: NO

Recording: NONE

Member	Class I	Class II	Class III	Class IV	Class V			Abstain
					A	B	C	
F. Haas				X				
N. Pulcinella				X				
E. Kwater				X				
R. Ickes				X				
G. McWilliams				X				
P. Schwalbe							X	
S. Feldstein			X					
TOTALS			1	5			1	
DECISION				X				

Comments:

Signature (Secretary):

F. Haas

Date:

8-16-97

Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee

Voting Tabulation - Round # 1 of

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S. Feldstein			X					
TOTALS			4	3				
DECISION								

Comments: *Send for second Round*

Signature (Secretary):

F. C. Haas

Date:

2-22-97