



As seen on
5/16/10
in Stewart Twp,
Fayette Co., PA

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PENNSYLVANIA RARE BIRD REPORT FORM

This form is presented as a convenience and guide. It can be used if desired, but is not necessary for submitting a report. Species requiring documentation are those on the Review List or not on the Official List of Birds of Pennsylvania. Send documentation to:

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SPECIES (common and scientific name) Kirtland's Warbler *Dendroica kirtlandii*
Subspecies (if known) _____

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS 1 **SEX(ES)** Male (♂)

AGE(S) AND PLUMAGE(S) (e.g. immature; adult in breeding plumage; year for gulls; basic or alternate if you prefer those terms; state of molt if applicable): Adult breeding

DATE OF OBSERVATION May 16, 2010 **TIME** Approx. 8:15 AM

LOCATION (city, borough, township) Stewart Township, Fayette Co.

EXACT SITE (e.g. name of park, lake, road) Middle Ridge Road, Ohio, PA

OBSERVER REPORTING:

Name David Krueger
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OTHER OBSERVERS (only those who saw and identified the bird with you):

None

HABITAT (e.g. mowed field, woodland edge, any other details) Deciduous woodland edge adjacent to hayfield

DISTANCE TO BIRD Varied from 10 feet to 30 feet

VIEWING CONDITIONS (sky, weather, position of sun relative to you) Partly cloudy sky

OPTICAL EQUIPMENT USED Nikon 10x50 Binoculars

DESCRIPTION (Include as much detail as you observed – size relative to other species present; "jizz"= e.g. posture, body shape, and proportions; colors and patterns of plumage; bill, eye, and leg characteristics; other features relevant to this individual): Warbler shape, deliberate actions, somewhat large, blue-gray upperparts overall (head, nape, back and rump), lemon yellow underparts (throat, breast, belly, flanks), black streaks on back and flanks, black face and lores, white crescents above, below eye, faint white wing bars, thin black bill, black legs and feet

(Please use an additional page if necessary.)

BEHAVIOR (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing) As I approached, it stopped singing, so when I "pished", it came out about 10' away and I saw its face very clearly. Then, it started to sing again, I watched it move deliberately, throw its head back and sing about 30 feet away. As it moved among the branches, it pumped its tail repeatedly.

VOCALIZATIONS
had a loud, low-pitched rich voice, sounded like "chup, chup, chup, che, wii, wii, wii"

SUPPORTING EVIDENCE IF ANY:

Photograph Video recording Audio recording Drawing (see attached)

Photographer/recorder/illustrator:

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Please include a copy of the photograph or recording with your report, and accompany it with a complete written documentation if the identification is obvious to you. If you made a drawing, please include it.

IF THIS IS A DEAD BIRD:

General condition _____
If collected (by permit), location and number of specimen if known _____

SEPARATION FROM SIMILAR SPECIES (how you eliminated others)

The low, loud song pattern was unmistakable. Blue-gray head including crown, auriculars, nape, back, rump, lemon yellow throat, breast, belly and flanks. Streaked back and flanks. Faint white bars, eliminated yellow-rumped Canada, Magnolia, Northern Parula and yellow-throated warblers, as well as Cerulean

DISCUSSION - Anything else relevant to the observation that will aid the committee in evaluating it

low, loud song, tail pumping, deliberate actions for a warbler, kept moving steadily northward, along wooded edge. Watched it for 5 to 10 minutes until it flew out of range.

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PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE WITH THIS AND/OR SIMILAR SPECIES

Last seen and heard May 1987 near Mio, Michigan

ARE YOU POSITIVE OF YOUR IDENTIFICATION? (why or why not)

I am 100% positive because it looked and sounded exactly like the Michigan bird, as well as its tail pumping, black streaked flanks, overall blue-gray above, yellow below.

REFERENCES CONSULTED:

During observation None
After observation The Sibley Guide to Birds, Peterson's Eastern Bird Guide, 5th ed.

DATE OF THIS REPORT: May 24, 2010 (delayed because of Hand surgery on 5/17/10)

SIGNATURE OF OBSERVER Dave Krueger

Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee

Voting Tabulation – Round One

Species: Kirtland's Warbler *Dendroica kirtlandii*

Date of Sighting: 16 May 2010 to 16 May 2010

County : FAYETTE

Location : OHIOPYLE

Observer(s): David Krueger

Date of Submission: 2010

Submitted by: David Krueger

Written Description: Yes

Photo: No

Specimen: No

Recording: No

Member	Class I	Class II	Class III	Class IV-A	Class IV-B	Class IV-C	Class V	
D. DeReamus			X					
A. Guarente			X					
T. Johnson			X					
B. Coulter			X					
C. Rutt			X					
J. Heller			X					
G. Malosh			X					
TOTALS			7					
DECISION			X					

Comments:

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Signature (Secretary)

Nick Pulcinella

Date: 2/9/11