

John Tilley's Clay-colored Sparrow 10/31/95

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

814-04-1995

SUPPORTING DETAILS: UNCOMMON OR RARE SPECIES/HIGH NUMBERS

CBC Name _____ Date _____ Compiler _____
Observer writing this account & date JOHN TILLEY / 10-31-1995

SPECIES Clay-colored Sparrow NUMBER, AGE, SEX after hatch year
Distance from bird(s) 12-15 ft. Relative size of bird smaller than Junco

HEAD & NECK (Describe forehead, crown, auricular, malar region, median line, etc.) forehead brown w/ small black stripes, white median crown stripe, malar more washed than in spring CC. but still present

EYE & LORES (Describe supercilium, ring, stripe, color, etc.) eye stripe dark, area above stripe very whitish extending behind eye.

UPPER & LOWER MANDIBLES yellow/light tan

LEGS & FEET not noticed

UPPERPARTS (Describe nape, back, rump, upper tail coverts, etc.) rump was tan, good view, striped back, very well marked

UNDERPARTS (Describe throat, belly, side, flanks, crissum, etc.) throat had whitish appearance, unstreaked breast, gray-ish

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

WING (Describe color, length, shape, linings, bars, coverts, leading & trailing edges, etc.) _____

VOCALIZATION none

BEHAVIOR feeding on ground below feeder

Date of observation 10/31/95 Time 4:15pm Weather fair Sky clear

Duration of observation 30 min. Bird - Sun orientation behind trees

Exact location Mount Davis, PA Somerset County

Habitat lawn/feeder Other observers none

Optical equipment Bausch and Lomb Elite 8x42

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS am familiar with this species. Had 3 at my feeder for over a month in a different location.

AN ACCOMPANYING SKETCH OR PHOTOGRAPH CAN BE MOST HELPFUL

Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee

Voting Tabulation - Round # 1 of

Species: **Clay-colored Sparrow (Spizella pallida)**

Date of Sighting: **31 October 1995 to 31 October 1995**

Location: **MOUNT DAVIS**

County: **SOMERSET**

Observer(s): **John Tilley**

Date of Submission: **1995**

Submitted by: **John Tilley**

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				6		1		
DECISION				X				

Comments:

Signature (Secretary):

F. C Haas

Date:

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