PA Rare Bird Report

Submission Date	2020-05-23 07:37:52
Observer's Name	Anne Edwards
E-mail	mom2boo97@hotmail.com
Phone	2157501333
Observer's Address	1846 Sheri Rd bensalem pa 19020 United States
Names of additional observers	Dawn Denner , Devich F Jon Mularczyk
Species (Common Name)	Harris Sparrow
Species (Scientific Name)	Zonotrichia querula
Number of individuals	1
Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)	adult, male
Observation Date and Time	02-15-2020 7:50 AM
Did you submit this sighting to eBird?	Yes
Link to eBird checklist	https://ebird.org/profile/OTkxMTgw/US-PA
County	bucks
Location (City, Borough, Township)	Bensalem
Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)	my back yard address above
Habitat	ground feeder stayed in lower bushes rather than higher in trees
Distance to bird	10 feet from house and patio (came daily)
Viewing conditions	was here months
Optical equipment used	Nikon 5600 photograph
Description	Large sparrow see photo

Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)

ground feeder, skittish but liked to chase other birds off. often came out from under my "recycled" Christmas trees I put out for the winter. Flew low into bushes fast on the ground. sang a lot once spring came.

Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)

black head, obvious differences see photo

Discussion – anything else relevant to the observation that will aid the committee in evaluating it:

Arrived November 23 2019 and last sighting May 11 2020 seen just about daily. Did allow some birders but live in on a quiet street so did not want to attract the numbers of people who showed interest so didnt share address until now. the date I listed was the date I put it in ebird but as I said he was here all winter. thanks

Are you positive of your identification ? (Why or why not)

yes photo and several birder friends saw as well

Supporting evidence (check all that apply)

Photograph

Upload images, audio, video or drawings



DLD 2307.jpg



DLD 5625 1.jpg



DLD_5985.jpg

Click to edit

PORC-webform00165