

Bocks

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Report of
SUMMER TANAGER

Date: May 16, 1998 noon time

Location : Penn Manor Club (Private Property) at end of Penn Manor Road near a man-made impoundment. Falls Township, PA.

Observers: Gerard, Christine & France Dewaghe, Wendy Margolis

Report: The bird was first spotted from our vehicle while driving a wooded lane toward a man-made impoundment located between Penn Manor Lake and the Delaware River. The bird was on the ground in the middle of the lane drinking in a mud puddle. The bird flew up and remained perched for more than 10 minutes in the same vicinity while we were looking over the impoundment for other birds. After a while, the bird flew south over the impoundment toward the Delaware River.

The area in question, is mainly wooded (second growth with mature canopy) and somewhat wet. Adjacent areas are composed of open woodland , lake edge, hedgerows and open areas (fishing camp).

The bird was well seen through binoculars and at time was within 15 feet of the observers. The bird was not shy and remained around the group for an extended period of time.

Description: Overall red bird, with deep red wings darker toned than the rest of the body. No facial marking with a thick, somewhat pale bill.

- Lack of Black excluded Scarlet Tanager
- lack of crest and black facial markings excluded Northern Cardinal
- Bird did not have a dull red plumage nor a grayish cheek patch excluding Hepatic Tanager
- No other mainly overall red bird was considered.

All 4 observers are very familiar with the species in question.

Comments: The bird was not photographed (no camera on hand that day). The bird was looked for on Sunday May 17 and Monday evening May 18 in an attempt to photograph it but was not relocated.

Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee

Voting Tabulation - Round One

Species: Summer Tanager (*Piranga rubra*)

Date of Sighting: 16 May 1998 to 16 May 1998

Location: PENN MANOR CLUB

County: BUCKS

Observer(s): Gerard Dewaghe, Christine Dewaghe, France Dewaghe, Wendy Margolis

Date of Submission: 1998

Submitted by: Gerard Dewaghe

WRITTEN DESCRIPTION YES PHOTO NO SPECIMEN NO RECORDING NO

Member	Class I	Class II	Class III	Class IV-A				A bs tai n
					Class IV-B	Class IV-C	Class V	
D. Couchman			X					
T. Floyd								X
P. Hess			X					
R. Ickes			X					
J. McWilliams			X					
B. Reid			X					
P. Rodewald			X					
TOTALS			6					1
DECISION			X					

Comments: 6/0/1

Signature (Secretary):



Date: 1/14/01