

PA Rare Bird Report

Submission Date	2016-04-13 21:18:30
Observer's Name	Chad Hutchinson
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Phone	6109379455
Observer's Address	Street Address: 2 Knollbrook Circle City: Malvern State / Province: PA Postal / Zip Code: 19355 Country: United States
Species (Common Name)	Painted Bunting
Species (Scientific Name)	Passerina ciris
Number of individuals	1
Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)	Adult male in breeding plumage
Observation Date and Time	03-22-2016 7:40 AM
Did you submit this sighting to eBird?	Yes
Link to eBird checklist	http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist?subID=S28482162
County	Chester
Location (City, Borough, Township)	Phoenixville, PA
Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)	Hickory Springs Farm (private residence)
GPS coordinates of sighting	N 40.06509 W 75.35191
Habitat	Brushy area
Distance to bird	25 feet
Viewing conditions	Clear, cold morning soon after sunrise
Optical equipment used	Nikon D7100 with Sigma Contemporary 150-600 mm Lens
Description	Sparrow-sized bird, red breast, blue head, green back, red eye ring.
Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)	It was spotted darting around the underbrush near a low-lying wet area before it perched on top of a bush. Bird was calm as it moved from a stalk to the upper portion of the low bush, approximately 8 feet off the ground. Bird was observed and photographed from the side of the brushy area where the ground slopes up and away from the wet area.

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

The bird was observed two days later on March 24th by Tom Connett (homeowner), Mike Defina, Brian Quindlen, Michael Hartshorne, Holly Merker (Chester County eBird rep), and Brian Henderson (Montgomery County eBird rep). All parties were able to photograph the bird both in the brush and on the homeowner's feeder.

The bird was first seen by the homeowner on March 4, 2016 and last seen on April 4, 2016.

Photos included. High-resolution photos also available upon request.

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

Yes, the Painted Bunting is an unmistakable bird.

Supporting evidence (check all that apply)

Photograph

Upload images, audio, video or drawings



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Submission Date	2016-04-14 21:32:54
Observer's Name	Al Guarente
E-mail	owlguarente@yahoo.com
Phone	6105668266
Observer's Address	Street Address: 421 S Old Middletown Rd City: Media State / Province: Pa Postal / Zip Code: 19063 Country: United States
Names of additional observers	Chad Hutchison, Brian Quindlen, Brian Henderson, Holly Merker
Species (Common Name)	Painted Bunting
Species (Scientific Name)	Passerina
Subspecies (if known)	ciris
Number of individuals	1
Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)	Adult or near Adult
Observation Date and Time	03-23-2016 9:10 AM
Did you submit this sighting to eBird?	Yes
Link to eBird checklist	http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist?subID=S28497497
County	Chester
Location (City, Borough, Township)	Chester Springs
Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)	Private Location
Habitat	Brushy area
Distance to bird	100 feet
Viewing conditions	Cloudy morning but viewing condition were excellent
Optical equipment used	Zeiss 10 x 42
Description	Male adult or near adult. Blue head with red eye ring, Red breast and belly area,green flight feathers with lighter green mantle
Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)	Bird just sat on perch for about ten minutes and then flew down to feeder

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

Yes. Photos provided

During

None

After

None

Supporting evidence (check all that apply)

Photograph

Upload images, audio, video or drawings



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