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Observer's Address	Street Address: 17 N. Grandview Ave. City: Birdsboro State / Province: PA Postal / Zip Code: 19508 Country: United States
Names of additional observers	Matt Wlasniewski
Species (Common Name)	Wilson's Storm-petrel
Species (Scientific Name)	Oceanites oceanicus
Subspecies (if known)	
Number of individuals	1
Have you submitted this to eBird?	Yes
Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)	
Observation Date and Time	10-30-2012 8:30 AM
County	Berks
Location (City, Borough, Township)	Leesport
Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)	Lake Ontelaunee (at fisherman's pull-off Route 73)
GPS coordinates of sighting	
Habitat	lake
Distance to bird	half way out in the lake
Viewing conditions	light rain/misty
Optical equipment used	Leica APO-televid 77
Description	Small dark storm-petrel with with a white rump patch. Tail was square, but was slightly rounded when tail was spread. Could see feet extending beyond the

tail.

Head and bill were dark. For size, the only other birds flying around were 3 Forster's Terns and the petrel looked smaller.

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

It was slowly flying over the water (10-20 feet) and it would go down to the water feet first and stand on the water hovering 3-5 seconds, then would lift up again fly a little then down to the water again. It was doing some of this (walking on the water) near the different rafts of ducks, like it was checking them out.

Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)

It was not a Leach's or Band-rumped because the tail was not forked, and the rump patch was all white and the legs were longer than the tail. I know it is supposed to have a light carpal bar, but I don't remember how it looked.

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

I have been on many Atlantic pelagic trips and am familiar with the different Atlantic storm-petrels. Feel free to email me if you have any questions.

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

yes,

During

none

After

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Supporting evidence (check all that apply)

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