PA Rare Bird Report

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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	Ken Lebo
Species (Common Name)	Black Rail
Species (Scientific Name)	Laterallus jamaicensis
Number of individuals	1
Observation Date and Time	05-23-2013 7:20 PM
Did you submit this sighting to eBird?	Yes
Link to eBird checklist	http://ebird.org/ebird/pa/view/checklist?subID=S14232683
County	Berks
Location (City, Borough, Township)	Mohnton, Cumru Township
Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)	Sheerlund Forest 40.289003,-75.943048
Habitat	meadow of tall grass
Distance to bird	10 feet
Viewing conditions	clear evening
Description	On July 23 at 7:25 p.m. Black Rail started calling kee-kee-keer repeatedly for the whole time I was there, which was an hour and 15 minutes. I took several recordings on my iPhone.
Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)	Black Rail started calling kee-kee-keer repeatedly for the whole time I was there, which was an hour and 15 minutes.
Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)	no other bird has this call.

Discussion – anything else relevant to the observation that will aid the committee in evaluating it:	Bird was discovered by Kathy Grim (who lives there) while walking her dog. She was not sure what it was. She thought is may be a Black Rail. She called me on May 23 to identify the call. Kathy and Lori Soraparu were there that evening waiting for it to call. No mistake when the bird started calling. I played the Black Rail call on my bird phone app for Kathy and Lori to show them the call was a match for the Black Rail. Kathy did not want a lot of people on the property, so the rail was not made public.
Are you positive of your identification ? (Why or why not)	yes
Supporting evidence (check all that apply)	Video
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