

Bird Studies Canada/ Long Point Bird Observatory

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RARITY REPORT

In order that any sight record or banding of a rare species can be accepted for the historical record, it must be properly documented. LPBO cooperators are therefore asked to complete a form in every case where a rarity is being claimed. Guidance as to which species are considered rare in the Long Point area may be obtained from the Migration Program Manager. Each observer should prepare his/her description independently and preferably before consulting any field guides or other literature. PLEASE PRINT.

Species claimed: Swainson's Warbler

No. of birds: 1

Age: Definitive Alternate - After-second-year

Sex: unknown

Date(s): May 02, 2013

Place: Long Point Bird Observatory Station 01: The Tip

Time(s) of Observation: 0700

Who first saw the bird(s): John Glazebrook and Mick Wright

Who first identified it: Dayna LeClair

Other observers (names and addresses): Richard Dobbins, Mick Townsend, Beverly McLeod

Any who disagree: Nil

Your previous experience with the species: Nil

Your previous experience with any closely similar species: Observed and banded many Ovenbird, Waterthrushes, and Worm-eating Warbler.

(a) Formerly:

(b) Same day: Worm-eating Warbler was banded prior to the Swainson's

Species present for comparison: Worm-eating Warbler, Northern Waterthrush

Which were beside it for comparison:

Distance from observer(s): observed in hand

How measured:

Optical aids used: eyes

Weather conditions (at time of observation)

Visibility: 30+ km

Cloud Cover: 0

Lighting: bright

Wind direction and speed: light east wind

Other relevant conditions:
(eg. rain, snow cover, etc.)

For "Waterbird " records only

Lake conditions:

Wave height:

Height of observer above lake:

Was observer's position sheltered:

Weather system preceding the date of observation (if known):

Attach weather map clipping from local or national newspaper if relevant.

Associated movements of other species:

Was the bird trapped: Yes

Band # if banded: 2700-89164

Was it photographed: Yes

If yes, by whom (name and address): All Observers

Specimen or parts preserved: Nil

Present location: Unknown

Circumstances: Caught in Mist net 05 at 0630am on May 02, 2013 and was extracted by John and Mick. Brought back to a lab along with a Worm-eating Warbler. Extractors identified the Worm-eating Warbler but could not id the Swainson's Warbler. Bird was identified by Dayna LeClair, and extractors along with Mick Townsend, Richard Dobby and Adam Timpf concurred. Bird was banded by Dayna LeClair at 0700. Fat score was 1, weight was 13.2g and wing chord was 67mm.

Description:

Give separate description for (a) in the field (b) in the hand. Include full measurements and wing formula with hand descriptions.

Boldly striped head. Brown crown and dark eye line. Brown-olive above, gray below. Bill very long.



Swainson's Warbler at the Tip of Long Point May 02, 2013. Photo: Dayna LeClair



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(Continue on extra sheet if required)

Did you refer to any guides/other literature:

(a) at the time: yes, national geographic and sibley

(b) afterwards:

Finally, is this record 100% certain? Yes

Signed:

Dayna LeClair

Date: Dec 28, 2013

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