

## Black-bellied Whistling Duck

Unanimously Accepted 7-0

### Committee Member Comments:

CM1: The identification of the birds is unquestionable and supported by the attached photos and others available on-line to view. The birds were free-flying and showed no evidence of banding, toe-clipping, or pinioning. The timing is consistent with an increasing pattern of vagrancy to this area of the eastern USA. In the absence of any verifiable signs of previous captivity, sightings of these birds have been accepted by various other BRC's. I feel a vote FOR the record is therefore justified.

CM2: The photos leave no doubt on the identification. Timing coincides perfectly for the seasonal vagrancy pattern of the species. Great record!

CM3: Good description and good pictures.

CM4: Photographic evidence.

CM5: The picture is excellent and the bird is unlikely to be confused with any other duck species.

CM6: Very well documented.

CM7: Accepted without comment