

NEW STATE RECORD

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Please print or type. Attach photographs and additional pages if necessary.

Species: Eurasian Wigeon / Anas penelope
 (Vernacular Name) (Scientific Name)

Date(s): March 18 thru 31 1994

Number of birds seen: 1 joined by 2nd Sex: Male Plumage: Bright breeding
 on 4-21

Latilong: _____ Distribution Code: _____ Habitat Code: _____

Locality: N. SH7 on Quebec St. ~~Adams Cty.~~ Elevation: 5100 Ft.

Nearest town: Brighton, Co. County: Adams

Time(s) observed: 11:00 AM to 11:30 AM

Duration of observation (e.g. 1 sec., 5 min., etc.): 30 min.

Other observers who saw the bird with you (give names, addresses, telephone numbers):

Joe TenBrink 6801 E Miss A302 Denver, CO 80224 Ph320-4858
4-24 Jean Maguire 1840 S Eudora Denver, CO 80226 Ph 758-8606

Other observers who saw the bird independently (give names, addresses, telephone numbers):

Karleen Schofield 33 Yates St. Denver, CO 80219 Ph936-8661

Light conditions (position of bird to light and shade, direction and strength of light):

Bright sun from my rear

Optical equipment used (e.g. power, types): 8.5x.44 Swift Binocular
12 to 36 power B&L 'scope

Distance and how measured: 100 to 150 yards -est.

If photographed, type of equipment and film: _____

Who else photographed the bird: _____

Describe the bird's behavior (e.g. flying, feeding, or habits used in identifying): Swimming and feeding (dabbling) with Amer. Wigeon

Describe in detail the bird's relative size, overall shape, plumage and color pattern. Include details of bill, wing and tail shape. Give particular emphasis to marks you used to identify the bird. Reference to its resemblance to field guide descriptions and illustrations is not enough. Describe only what you actually observed in the field:

Exceptionally bright reddish-orange head & neck-like Shoveler sides. Chest lighter. yellow-white head stripe. Body gray w/white & black tail. A grey morph. Same size as accompanying Am. Wigeon. Black-tipped Bluish bill.

Description (continued): See above

Describe the bird's song and call, if given, including method of delivery, (i.e. from perch, in flight, duration):

none heard

Describe the general and specific habitat in which you observed the bird:

Small reservoir lake

How did you eliminate similarly appearing species?

Am. Wigeon only remote possibility immediately separated on head color

What is your prior experience with this and similarly appearing species?

Seen several times in past seven years

List books, illustration, recordings, other birders, etc. consulted and how this influenced your identification:

a) At time of observation: Nat'l Geographic Field gd.

b) After observation: _____

This report was written from reports made during x, after observation _____, from memory _____

Date and time report was written: 3/18/94 4PM

Reporting observer: Joe TenBrink

Signature: Joe TenBrink

Address: 6801 E Miss A302 Denver CO 80224

All reports will be maintained permanently at the address below:

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Please print or type. Attach photographs and additional pages if necessary.

Species: EURASIAN Wigeon Anas penelope
(Vernacular Name) (Scientific Name)Date(s): MARCH 22, 1994Number of birds seen: 2 Sex: m Plumage: adultLocality: Pond 1/4 mi. south of 168th Ave. on Quebec St. Elevation: 5000'Nearest town: Brighton County: AdamsTime(s) observed: 1110 MST - 1125Duration of observation (e.g. 1 sec., 5 min., etc.): 15 min.

Other observers who saw the bird with you (give names, addresses, telephone numbers):

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Other observers who saw the bird independently (give names, addresses, telephone numbers):

Joe TenBrink (saw 1 a few days earlier at this pond)
6801 E. MISSISSIPPI AVE. #A302
DENVER, CO. 80224 (303) 320-4858

Light conditions (position of bird to light and shade, direction and strength of light):

Full sun, overhead; all sides of ducks illuminated.
and Dabbling in partial shade, at side of pond.Optical equipment used (e.g. power, types): Swarovski 8x56 Binoc; Bushnell 50mm 10-30x
ScopeDistance, and how measured: 100-120 yds. (est.)

If photographed, type of equipment and film: _____

Who else photographed the bird? _____

Describe the bird's behavior (e.g. flying, feeding, or habits used in identifying):

Swimming on surface of pond, alert to surroundings, the two
sometimes together, sometimes far apart, dabbling feeding at
far side of pond, generally avoiding other waterfowl present.

Describe in detail the bird's relative size, overall shape, plumage and color pattern. Include details of bill, wing and tail shape. Give particular emphasis to marks you used to identify the bird. Reference to its resemblance to field guide descriptions and illustrations is not enough. Describe only what you actually observed in the field:

Medium sized duck - dabbling family. Similar shape of American
Wigeon. Gray (light shade) body with reddish-brown head,
creamy-colored crown from bill to nape. Reddish/rose breast,
white vertical crescent ^{on flanks} near black tail and undertail
coverts. White wing patch noted on one duck. No speculum

Description (continued):

observed. Bill blue gray.

Describe the bird's song and call, if given, including method of delivery, (i.e. from perch, in flight, duration):

none

Describe the general and specific habitat in which you observed the bird:

Large pond set in grassy & agricultural area, trees & vegetation on banks.

How did you eliminate similarly appearing species?

American Wigeon - darker on sides, browner on back. Gray mottled head with white crown, green post ocular stripe to nape.

What is your prior experience with this and similarly appearing species?

Saw 1 in E. Wigeon 1/1 and 1/4/94 on S. Platte River, Littleton. Have seen hundreds of A. Wigeon.

List books, illustrations, recordings, other birders, etc. consulted and how this influenced your identification:

- a) at time of observation: Nat. Geo Guide to N.A. Birds - Confirmed I.
b) after observation:

This report was written from ^{notes} reports made during X, after observation _____ from memory _____

Date and time report was written: Started 3/22/94; finished 6/29/94 8pm

Reporting observer: KARLEEN SCHOFIELD Signature: Karleen Schofield

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