Louisiana Ornithological Society's Louisiana Bird Records Committee Report Form

This form is intended as a convenience in reporting observations of species on the Louisiana Bird Records Committee (LBRC) Review List. The LBRC recommends the use of this form or a similar format when submitting records for review (to assure that all pertinent) information is accounted for). Attach additional Pages as necessary. Please print or type. Attach Xerox of field notes, drawings, photographs, or tape recordings, if available. Include all photos for more obscurely marked species. When completed, mail to Secretary, Louisiana Bird Records Committee, c/o Museum of Natural Science, 119 Foster Hall, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803-3216.

1. English and Scientific names:

Cinnamon Teal, Anas cyanoptera x Blue-winged Teal, Anas discors

2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):

Two, Male and Female

3. Locality: LOUISIANA: (parish) (specific locality)

Cameron Parish - Cameron Prairie National Wildlife Refuge Headquarters – pool behind building – west side.

4. Date(s) when observed:

January 2, 2015

- 4. Time(s) of day when observed: Early afternoon 1:55 PM CST.
- 5. Reporting observer and address:

Jay V. Huner 428 Hickory Hill Drive Boyce, LA 71409

6. Other observers accompanying reporter who also identified the bird(s):

Joan Brown, Bill Brown, and Joyce Bennett.

7. Other observers who Independently identified the bird(s):

Just don't recall who pointed out that the bird was a hybrid but images were posted on LABIRD within several days of the report.

8. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light):

Cloudy. No shadows.

9. Optical equipment (type, power, condition):

I viewed the bird in a scope used by the group present when I arrived.

10. Distance to bird(s):

About 75 yards.

11. Duration of Observation:

Bird was in scope view at least 10 minutes.

12. Habitat:

Shallow water impoundment managed for waterfowl on national wildlife refuge.

13. Behavior of bird/circumstances of observations (flying, feeding, resting; including and stress habits in identification: relate events surrounding observation):

Duck was foraging into reeds with a small flock of Blue-winged teal.

14. Description (include only what was actually seen, not what "should" have been seen: include if possible: total length/relative size compared to other familiar species, body bulk, shape, proportions, bill, eye, leg, and plumage characteristics. Stress features that separate it from similar species):

The duck was a bright reddish brown color – head, neck and body. However, when the images were closely examined, a white crescent was observed at the rump of the bird which I understand to be diagnostic of a hybrid.

15. Voice:

We heard no call.

16. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation):

Parent species.

17. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? Attached"):

Joan Brown took the photos that showed the white crescent referenced above.

18. Previous experience with this species:

I don't recall seeing this hybrid before.

- 19. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification):
 - a. at time of observation: None.
 - b. after observation: None.
- 20. This description is written from: __notes made during the observation (notes attached?); __note made after the observation (date: ____); __x_ memory.
- 21. Are you positive of your identification? If not, explain.

Yes. Based on the LABIRD discussion.

22. Signature of reporter _signed Jay V. Huner_ date 02/06/2015, 3:55 PM.