

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: Long-Tailed Duck, Clangula Hyemalis
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):
One female in winter plumage
3. Locality: (parish) St. James
Specific Locality: Convent, La.
4. Date(s) when observed: November 15 and 16, 2017
5. Time(s) of day when observed: Morning - evening
6. Reporting observer and address:
Herman Callais Jr. 168 East 120 Street Galliano, La. 70354
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also identified the bird(s):
8. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s):
9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light):
bright sunlight
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition):
Sony Cybershot DSC-HX400V
11. Distance to bird(s): 50 - 150 feet
12. Duration of observation:
7 a.m. - 5 p.m.
13. Habitat:
freshwater drainage ditch
14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation):
feeding and resting
15. 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):
smaller than teal, slightly. Short bill, diver like scamp and ringneck
16. Voice:
no sound observed
17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation):
Thought it may be crossed with domestic white English Call duck
18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?):
Photos provided

19. Previous experience with this species: none

20. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification):

Kaufman Field Guide to Birds of North America

a. at time of observation:

b. after observation:

11/15/17 after work at home

21. This description is written from: _____ notes made during the observation (_____ notes attached?); _____ notes made after the observation (date: _____); ☒ memory.

22. Are you positive of your identification if not, explain:

yes, also consulted James W. Beck for confirmation

23. Signature of reporter: Heenan Callais Jr. Date: 1/22/18 Time: 5 a.m.

24. May the LBRC have permission to display in whole or in part this report and accompanying photos on the LOS-LBRC website and LBRC Facebook page? yes

If yes, may we include your name with the report? yes

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