

Common Eider
CA 1961
Jones Co., IA
unknown

Record Number: 81-LK
Classification: NA

Jones and Winnebago counties 1961-1970; Musgrove and Musgrove 1977

REFERENCE

Musgrove, J.W., and M.R. Musgrove. 1977. Waterfowl in Iowa, 5th Edition. State Conservation Commission, Des Moines. p 111.

VOTE (1981): 4-IV, 3-V

V, Hard to tell where wings actually came from.

V, too bad there was no documentation.

IV, no details.

IV, not enough information.

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COMMON EIDER, *Somateria mollissima dresseri* SHARPE. (Formerly American eider.) Recorded near Ruthven in Palo Alto County, October 30, 1942, when ten birds were observed; four were shot on Trumbull Lake in Clay County and one was examined by Ward A. Stevens and Conservation Officer Severson. None of the specimens was preserved. DuMont in *Revised List of Birds of Iowa* listed the American Eider on the basis of one specimen shot in Woodbury County, which is now in the Sioux City Public Museum collection. This specimen was identified by Dr. Guy C. Rich and A. F. Allen. On page 203 of *The Wilson Bulletin* for September, 1934, DuMont recorded a PACIFIC EIDER *Somateria mollissima v-nigra* GRAY, on the basis of this same specimen, which he had formerly listed as the American (now common) eider. In a 1975 publication analyzing duck wings acquired from hunters, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service reports that the common eider was taken in Jones and Winnebago Counties during the years 1961-70, but no specific information as to dates and places is given.

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