

AN EXTRAORDINARY SIGHT RECORD

1. Species Greater Scaup 2. Number 1 ♂
 3. Location Lake Manawa, Council Bluffs
 4. Date: March 9 1981 5. Time Bird Seen: _____ to _____

6. Description of size, shape and color-pattern (describe in great detail all parts of the plumage, and beak and feet coloration, in addition, to the diagnostic characteristics, but include only what actually was seen in the field):

(Pattern as a scaup, + I didn't write it down)

Size as Redheads (it's with Redheads)
 Head rounded. Flanks white. Nail on bill visible

10. Lesser scaup has back of head angled, is the size of a small Redhead or smaller.

7. Description of voice, if heard:

8. Description of behavior:

9. Habitat - general: Oxbow lake
 specific: _____

10. Similarly appearing species which are eliminated by questions 6, 7 & 8. Explain:

11. Distance (how measured)? 30 yds.

12. Optical equipment:

Guess. Near shore

20x telescope

13. Light (sky, light on bird, position of sun in relation to bird and you):

not recorded

14. Previous experience with this species and similarly appearing species:

I have seen both species but not observed them well

15. Other observers:

None today. Seen later by Padelford, BT Rose, others.

16. Did the others agree with your identification?

Ross too & think

17. Other observers who independently identified this bird:

18. Books, illustrations and advice consulted, and how did these influence this description?

I'd read the Iowa Bird life Article by now.

19. How long after observing this bird did you first write this description?

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