

DOCUMENTATION FORM
For Extraordinary Bird Sightings in Iowa

What species? Cinnamon Teal How many? 1 ♂

Location? Cowie Marsh, Louisa Co., IA

Type of Habitat? Cattail bordered pool

When? date(s): April 6, 1989 April 29 & 30 4/6 - 9:15 9:25 CST
time: 4:18 to 4:25

Who? your name and address: Peter C. Petersen, 235 McClellan Blvd Dan A 55003

Others with you: Brian Blewies, Ann Barber

Others before or after you: Jim Faller, Berry White, mob.

Describe the bird(s) including only what you observed. Include size, shape, details of all parts (bill, eye, head, neck, back, wing, tail, throat, breast, belly, undertail, legs, feet). Also mention voice and behavior.

Blue-wing teal sized duck, head, neck & chest bright cinnamon, back mottled brown, some blue showing on wing while swimming. Bird was with a female which we did not note at identifying - it was a Blue-wing or Cinnamon Teal

Similar species; how eliminated: Nothing is similar

Did any one disagree or have reservations about the identification? no
If yes, explain:

Viewing conditions: give lighting, distance (how measured), optical equipment.

4/6, about 120 m away, various scopes - 20-50X60, 10X40 Zeiss binocs
4/29, 30 & 5/8, about 25-40 m

Previous experience with species and similar ones: have seen many flocks on the nest

References and persons consulted before writing description: none needed

How long before field notes made? 10 min this form completed? 8 hrs

Send completed form to Field Reports or CBC editor (address on back cover of Iowa Bird Life).