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Lat/long _____ Reporter _____ Sci Name _____
 Habitat _____ Record type _____ Serial No. DEC 10 1982 - 060
 Date/time _____ Disposition _____ Cx Nos. _____

Common Name Eurasian Widgeon
 Scientific Name Anas penelope
 Sight date see below time _____ duration _____
 Distance from bird see below
 Light conditions 4
 Optical equip. 4
 Photo. equip. 4
 Number of this species seen 1 or 2
 Notes made at time of sighting Date this report
 Notes made later from memory was prepared.
 Photo available Photo enclosed a copy is being made

Weather at time of this observation.
clear

Prior weather & number of days since change

Locality
Cache Valley, ut.

Male Adult Age unk. Basic Plumage Light Phase
 Female Subadult ♀ or Imm Breeding Dark Phase
 Sex Unk. Juv/Imm 2/3 year bird Eclipse/Winter Molting

Description of bird: Size, Colors, all field marks OBSERVED - Unique features of this bird, if any.

1 ad. ♂ found on Bear R. Matska by Allan Cronon and was seen by himself, me, Keith Archibald, Pete Strom, Bob Blanchard, others 12-13 March 1982. Either that or another bird was found by me on the Logan sewage ponds 10 April and remained through 13 April and was seen by most of the above observers plus Steve Bump, Emily Calko, Keith Dixon and the ~~the~~ Field Ornithology class.

The bird was the same size and shape as an Am. widgeon w/ which it was often seen beside. The head was cinnamon-colored which noticeably differed from the head color of Redheads, also present. A broad pale golden-yellowish band extended from the base of the bill to the crown of the head or slightly beyond the crown. The flanks were gray at the waterline followed by white and black in the rump - the back was also gray.

In flight it showed broad white forewing patches and greenish speculum (i.e. typical widgeon pattern) ~~except that~~

Field marks which were not seen. Why not?

NONE

Variations from expected field marks.

NONE

List similar species and describe why or how you eliminated them.

Am. widgeon - has whitish head, green eye & ear patch and white to off white head stripe

Redhead - black chest, different colored head, no golden head band

Behavior of this bird. Include names of other birds with this one and any interaction.

The bird was skittish and behaved as a typically wild duck would. It flew easily and showed no obvious signs of captivity (ie. wierd or dull plumage, leg bands, clipped wings, etc. we weren't able to ascertain if the hind toe was clipped or webs tattooed but my inclination is that they weren't. The local "zoo" which does have

Habitat this location and near by or adjacent habitat if significant.

Washes, sewage ponds, etc. in association w/ a very large collection of waterfowl - probably the largest concentration of waterfowl in Cache Valley

Captive Eurasian widgeon assured me that they were very careful to have everyone pingered and in any event, they're all very tame and never try to fly if th

Describe birds song or sounds.

Names of other observers. A/C+phone#

Alan Grinnon, Keith Dixon, Keith Archibald, Pete Strom, Steve Bump (reach G/O Bridgerland Audubon)

What is your experience with this or similar birds?

I've seen the species on numerous occasions, including their breeding grounds. In addition, prior to these sightings, I'd photographed some of the tame ones at our local "zoo".

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