

Cinnamon Teal

Unanimously Accepted 7-0

Committee Member Comments:

CM1: Very clear photographs. I saw the bird myself.

CM2: Good photos, seen by many.

CM3: Well documented. Seen by many on the Records Committee and me personally. ID is not questioned. There seem to be no issues pertaining to provenance with this particular bird. No bands were visible to any observer and the behavior, for what is worth, aligned with that of a wild bird. Therefore, I vote FOR acceptance of this bird to the WV State List without hesitation or question. Congratulations to the finders.

CM4: The submission of the Cinnamon Teal (CITE) meets the criteria of “recognizable photographs” (Bylaw V.E.2.). Written description gives enough detail to identify a CITE. Photographs and descriptions easily identified the bird. “Bright cinnamon head and body plumage. Dark rump, tail, and undertail. Upper wing with light-blue patch with white rear border. Back of wing iridescent green. Eyes red.” (Cornell AllAboutBirds.org) Also, it is easy to distinguish from similar species like Ruddy Duck.

CM5: Good description and good pics.

CM6: Description of the observation by the submitter was sufficient to identify the bird as Cinnamon Teal. The photos solidify the written description. The seasonal timing also fits perfectly.

CM7: Photos and written description seems to be accurate for a Cinnamon Teal