Eurasian Wigeon

Unanimously accepted 7-0

Committee Member Comments:

CM1: The identification has been sufficiently established to rule out confounding species and hybrids. The photos are not great, but sufficient to support the identification. Multiple skilled observers viewed the bird and came to the same conclusion. Timing and pattern of behavior combined with observations seem reasonable to eliminate captivity as a likely origin for this bird. Therefore, a vote FOR this record seems justified in my opinion.

CM2: Although the photos don't rule out the possibility of a hybrid in my opinion, the photographs in conjunction with the VERY detailed write-up show a pure Eurasian Wigeon! Amazing write-up!

CM3: Excellent description and write-up.

CM4: Photographic evidence. Experienced observer. Multiple observers. Well-written description. I saw this bird myself.

CM5: Submitter has previous experience with the species and the photo is persuasive, showing key identification features of head color, flank, bill, and rump. The bird was seen repeatedly over a 4 day period by numerous other birders.

CM6: Well documented.

CM7: Accepted without comment.