

LBRC Report Form

1. English and Scientific names: Long-Tailed Duck
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):
1 female
3. Parish:
Concordia Parish
4. Specific Locality:
1000 Highway 569 Ferriday LA 71334 Lake St. John
5. Date(s) when observed: January 1, 2025
6. Time(s) of day when observed: 4 pm CST
7. Reporting observer: Cindy M. Gwin
8. Other observers accompanying reporter who also identified the bird(s):

Ken Herring
9. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s):
From Picture - Lucien Gwin IV
10. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): Sunshine
11. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Vortex Diamondback 10x42
12. Distance to bird(s): 40 yards
13. Duration of observation: minutes
14. Habitat: Lake with Cypress trees approx 6 ft deep. Swimming & diving. Second day to observe in this spot
15. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): She flew in to group of American Coots. Swimming & diving. This is the Second day to observe in this spot.
16. Description (include only what was actually seen, not what "should" have been seen; include if possible: total length/relative size compared to other familiar species, body

bulk, shape, proportions, bill, eye, leg, and plumage characteristics. Stress features that separate it from similar species):

Lots of white noticeable among coots! White face. Grayish Cap. Large blackish gray cheek splotch and throat streak to breast. Whitish neck. Black bill and tip striped by Gray. Grayish breast and upper back splotched with small whitish spots. Lower back is mottled with black upper tail. White lower body and undertail. Black Wings.

17. Voice: No observations

18. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation):

None. American Coot is obviously different,

19. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?):

Photographs by Ken Herring. They are attached.

20. Previous experience with this species: My son, Lucien Gwin, harvested this species while in Alaska for that specific purpose.

21. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification):

Sibley Bird app on iPhone. Lucien Gwin, taxidermist

22. Identification aids used when?

At time of sighting, After observation

23. Are you positive of your identification? If not, explain:

Yes. I am positive.

24. Date report completed:

January 6 & 7. 2025

25. May the LBRC have permission to display in whole or in part this report and accompanying photos on the LOS-LBRC website and LBRC Facebook page?

Yes

26. If yes, may we include your name with the report?

Yes





