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Subj: **Fwd: possible common teal at P. I.**
Date: 3/29/00 5:11:11 AM Pacific Standard Time
From: Grosbeaker
To: JerryMcW

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Subj: **possible common teal at P. I.**
Date: 3/28/00 3:24:22 PM Pacific Standard Time
From: Aeridia
To: Grosbeaker

Hi, my name is Ben Coulter. On March 25th, about 3:00 pm, I was on the Gull Point Trail on Presque Isle State Park, approximately one-half mile from the trail-head kiosk when I decided to check a small pond surrounded by *Phragmites* where I had seen a flock of Green-Winged Teal earlier that afternoon. From the edge of the trail through the reeds, I saw a flock of about fifteen Green-Winged Teal (*Anas crecca carolinensis*) accompanied by one Blue-Winged Teal (*Anas discors*) standing on a sandbar across the water about forty to fifty feet away. Several American Wigeon were in the water nearby. I used 7x35 binoculars and a spotting scope set at 15x to observe the flock. As I swept the scope from right to left, I noticed that one of the eight drakes looked somewhat different from the others. The other drakes had the characteristic markings of the Green-Winged Teal, the vertical white bar on the flank and a horizontal black line along the wing. The odd drake lacked the vertical bar, and had a white line above the black wing line. These markings appear to suggest the Common or Eurasian Teal (*Anas crecca crecca*). Otherwise, its markings resembled the other teal. It seemed to be about the same size as well. Unfortunately, after a minute or two, the flock became spooked by my presence and I failed to relocate the teal again. Once again, I apologize for the late call last night; I thought the number was for leaving recorded messages. Thanks for your time.

Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee

Voting Ballot - Round One

Species: Green-winged (Common) Teal (*Anas crecca crecca*)

Date of Sighting: 25 March 2000 to 25 March 2000

Location: PRESQUE ISLE STATE PARK

County: ERIE

Observer(s): Ben Coulter

Date of Submission: 2000

Submitted by: Ben Coulter

Written Description: Yes

Photo: No

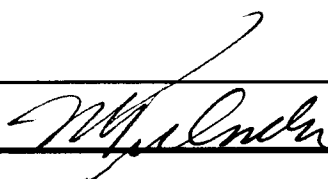
Specimen: No

Recording: No

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G. Armistead			X					
D. Couchman			X					
P. Hess			X					
R. Ickes			X					
B. Reid				X				
P. Rodewald			X					
M. Sharp			X					
TOTALS			6	1				
DECISION			X					

Comments: 6/1

Signature (Secretary):



Date: 3/12/01