

## Identifying the Ring-necked Duck at Trabboch Loch 26/1/14



- Front on view shows bill had black tip, white band, then dark grey and a white 'frame' at base of bill
  - Male Tufted Duck (on right) lacks white 'frame' at base of bill



- White shoulder flash and white framing at base of bill clearly jump out when compared to adult male Tufted duck



- Note the lack of tuft and the angular head.
  - Male Tufted Duck has a more rounded head and a tuft.
- Note grey flanks contrasting with black back.
  - Male Tufted Duck has white flanks contrasting with black back.



- Head is more angular and lacks tuft.
- White flash at shoulder contrasts with black breast and grey flanks



- The grey flanks are one of the easiest features to look for amongst Tufted Duck