

FIELD OBSERVATIONS

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Fall Report: August-November 1992.—The observations listed here are based on rare or unusual species or significant numbers of birds as reported to the Florida Ornithological Society (FOS) Field Observations Committee (FOC). As these reports are not formally reviewed prior to publication, they should be considered tentative, pending formal review.

The FOC thanks all who contributed to this report. Observations of birds are welcomed for inclusion in future issues of this section. Reports should be listed in the following format: the species name; the number of individuals seen; the age and sex of the bird(s) if determined (too often, this information is lacking in species that can be easily aged and/or sexed); the color morph (not “phase”) if applicable; the location (including county); the date; the observer(s); and the significance of the report, if not obvious. Observers should send details of extremely rare species to the FOS Records Committee (FOSRC), c/o Jocelyn Lee Baker, Secretary, 851 Surf Road #302, Hollywood, Florida 33019. A photocopy of all rarity forms submitted to the FOSRC should also be forwarded to the State Compiler of this report. Observers are encouraged to prepare formal notes to describe their unusual sightings more fully.

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Following the examples set by *Florida Bird Species: An Annotated List* (Robertson and Woolfenden 1992, FOS Spec. Pub. No. 6) and *The Bird Life of Florida* (Stevenson and Anderson, in press), observations based solely on sightings will now be called “reports,” while only those supported by verifiable evidence (photographs, video or audio tapes, or specimens) will be called “records.”

In this report, common names are used for most species, and counties are listed in italics. A county designation accompanies the first-time listing of each location; further listings of the location lack the county name. Abbreviations used are: ABS = Archbold Biological Station (*Highlands*); CP = county park; DI = Dog Island (*Franklin*); FDCP = Fort DeSoto CP (*Pinellas*); HISRA = Honeymoon Island SRA (*Pinellas*); KW = Key West (*Monroe*); MINWR = Merritt Island NWR (*Brevard*); NWR = national wildlife refuge; PPM = Polk phosphate mines; SCCP = Saddle Creek CP (*Polk*); SGI = St. George Island (*Franklin*); SMNWR = St. Marks NWR (*Wakulla*); SP = state park; SPR = state preserve; SRA = state recreation area; and N, S, E, W, etc. for compass headings. Months are abbreviated to the first three letters of each word.

Regional Editors for the FOC are needed for the western Panhandle and southern Florida. Knowledge of local birds and observers, access to a word processor, and the ability to meet deadlines are required. Please contact the State Compiler if you are interested.

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SUMMARY OF THE FALL SEASON

Without a doubt, the biggest event occurring during the fall 1992 season was Hurricane Andrew, which tore through southern Florida on the morning of 24 August, devastating much of Homestead in southern Dade County. The homes of three FOS members were directly in the path of Andrew, but differed greatly in the amount of damage they sustained. The home of P. William and Susan Smith was virtually untouched, the home of John Ogden suffered some damage, but Betty and Bill Robertson's home was heavily damaged. A caravan of employees from Archbold Biological Station made repeated visits to the Robertson's home, and replaced the roof and windows, and cleaned up the yard. Supplies such as generators were delivered to all three homes to supply electricity for lighting, cooking, and air conditioning.

After Andrew moved west from Homestead, it entered Everglades National Park, destroying the Visitor's Center and boardwalks in the park. In Big Cypress National Preserve, many Red-cockaded Woodpecker cavity trees were broken off at the cavity entrance. The long-term effects of the storm will take years to document, but a report issued by the National Audubon Society (*vide* Rich Paul) found substantial destruction of native vegetation in many coastal areas of the Everglades, and the northernmost Keys. The effects of this loss of habitat on colonial wading birds, the Cape Sable Seaside Sparrow, and other species such as the American crocodile are not yet known.

A die-off of shorebirds in Collier County was noted by Ted Below about two weeks after Andrew, but the birds had been dead about a week when found. About 500 Western Sandpipers were affected, which represents about 5% of the total number of Western Sandpipers in the area. One dead Short-billed Dowitcher was also found, and one Black-bellied Plover and one Red Knot were collected and sent to Florida State University in Tallahassee for analysis. Results of the necropsies were not yet available, but Ted Below states that the weights of all the birds were "typical of healthy birds." The cause of the die-off is not known.

Exceptional numbers of migrants were noted 15-16 August, 29-30 August, 1-4 October, and 10-12 October. Large numbers of Peregrine Falcons and other raptors were observed in the Keys 10 October. Many migrants were observed in all-time highest numbers for the state this fall, with the bulk of these record numbers coming from Pinellas County. Lyn Atherton wrote, "At dusk on 29 August, we watched over 200 Hooded Warblers, large numbers of Prothonotary and other early migrant warblers stream from the tops of the trees and head SW over the Gulf" from Fort DeSoto County Park.

There were other significant reports from the fall 1992 season. The latest-ever breeding report for the Black-whiskered Vireo was established in Pinellas County in early September. Snail Kites and Limpkins returned to the Shark Valley area of Everglades National Park by 7 November, presumably signaling an end to the drought (*vide* Mort Cooper). Groove-billed Anis "invaded" the Panhandle this fall, and one bird was as far south as Palm Beach County. Harry Robinson's ocean watch from the beach in New Smyrna Beach 9 November again resulted in many pelagic species, including another spectacular record number of Pomarine Jaegers. Dave Gagne has kept careful reports of shorebirds in Honey-moon Island SRA the past few years, and he noted a decrease in numbers of many shorebirds this year, including Black-bellied Plover, American Oystercatcher, Willet, Dunlin, and Short-billed Dowitcher.

SPECIES ACCOUNTS

PACIFIC LOON: 1 adult with a well-defined throat strap was in the Gulf off Cedar Key City Park (*Levy*) 28 Nov (G. Stoccoardo, B. Pranty, details to FOSRC).

HORNED GREBE: 1 videotaped in Wekiwa Springs (*Orange*) 26 Sep (E. and L. Williford) was inland and early.

- EARED GREBE: 1 in an *Okaloosa* pond 1 Oct (D. Ware); 1 on Lake Georgia (*Orange*) 11 Oct (T. Robinson); 1 in Old Belcher Mines CP 22 and 26 Oct (P. Young) was the first report for *Pasco* (*vide* B. Pranty); 1 in SMNWR 24 Oct (P. McTarsney).
- CORY'S SHEARWATER: 105 birds 27-40 km E of Ponce Inlet (*Volusia*) 15 Oct (T. Robinson).
- SOOTY SHEARWATER: 1 flying S over Guana River SP (*St. Johns*) 7 Oct was several hundred meters inland (J. Cocke).
- MASKED BOOBY: 1 immature off St. Andrews SRA (*Bay*) 5 Sep (P. Sexton); 1 bird 20-25 miles (30-40 km) off Port Canaveral (*Brevard*) 5 Sep (M. Bunn, G. Hudson).
- NORTHERN GANNET: 1 adult off Key Biscayne (*Dade*) 3 Aug (R. and W. Wallace); 1 adult off Big Pine Key (*Monroe*) 9 Aug (T. Bamber); 800 off New Smyrna Beach (*Volusia*) 9 Nov (H. Robinson).
- AMERICAN WHITE PELICAN: 600 at DI 4 Oct (D. Evered, L. Messick); 2350 in PPM 11 Nov (P. Fellers).
- MAGNIFICENT FRIGATEBIRD: 1 adult male over Lake Placid (*Highlands*) 18 Aug (B. Stith); 402 at a roost on Cortez Key (*Manatee*) 22 Sep was the highest count there "in several years" (R. Paul, A. Schnapf, N. Brunswig); 1 immature over Avon Park Air Force Range (*Polk*) 27 Sep (D. Ford); 52 over DI 3 Oct following storm surges (D. Evered, L. Messick).
- GREAT BLUE HERON: birds began nesting near Bradenton (*Manatee*) on schedule in early, Nov (R. Paul); 1 white morph in St. Petersburg (*Pinellas*) 12-26 Nov (D. Freeman).
- REDDISH EGRET: 1 white morph at Fort Pierce Inlet SRA (*St. Lucie*) 2 Sep (J. Brooks); 10 on DI 30 Sep included 1 locally rare white morph (D. Evered, L. Messick).
- SCARLET IBIS: 1 unbanded bird in Lake Park near Fort Myers (*Lee*) 6 Aug (N. Pettis) was not accompanied by further details.
- GLOSSY IBIS: 1 in *Walton* 4 Aug was unusual for the area (D. Ware); 700 E of Winter Haven (*Polk*) 7 Oct (P. Fellers et al.); 1 on KW 25 Oct (J. Ondrejko).
- ROSEATE SPOONBILL: 1 adult in Lakeland (*Polk*) 3 Sep (T. Palmer), and 2 immatures in PPM 26 Sep (P. Fellers, M. Bunn).
- WOOD STORK: 1500 estimated on *Palm Beach* sod farms 30 Aug (J. Baker, E. Rosenberg); a sighting near Fort Walton (*Okaloosa*) 5 Oct (S. Maxwell) was unusual in Panhandle.
- GREATER FLAMINGO: 1 in MINWR 2 Oct (R. Rowan).
- FULVUS WHISTLING-DUCK: 70, including 4 pairs with young, at Zellwood (*Orange*) 1 Aug (P. Fellers, D. Ford); 30 in Guana River SP 18 Oct (*vide* P. Powell); 16 in Orlando Wilderness Park (*Orange*) 20 Oct (D. Freeman, C. Rucker, D. Levy).
- GREATER WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE: 1 in MINWR 10 Oct (B. and S. Hills, D. Devitt, L. Shelp).
- SNOW GOOSE: 1 in Blountstown (*Calhoun*) 2 Oct (S. Arbery); 1 blue morph over Waccasassa Bay (*Levy*) 24 Oct (S. Goodbred); 1 blue morph at Keaton Beach (*Taylor*) 5 Nov (R. Rowan); 1 blue morph in MINWR 6 Nov (J. Wiggins); 1 in Wakulla Springs SP (*Wakulla*) was the first park report (D. Bryan); 1 white morph in MINWR 30 Nov (B. Bratlie).
- MOTTLED DUCK: 158 in Orlando Wilderness Park 3 Sep (D. Freeman, C. Rucker, J. Burney); 105 in PPM 11 Nov (P. Fellers).
- NORTHERN PINTAIL: 12 in PPM 24 Oct (P. Fellers) were locally rare.
- BLUE-WINGED TEAL: 1700 in PPM 12 Sep (P. Fellers et al.).
- CINNAMON TEAL: 1 drake in MINWR 12 Nov (H. Robinson).
- GADWALL: 1 at an *Okaloosa* sewage treatment pond 10 Sep (D. Ware).
- EURASIAN WIGEON: 1 drake in MINWR 12 Nov through the end of the season (H. Robinson et al.).
- REDHEAD: 1 hen in Tree Tops CP (*Broward*) 27 Nov (E. Rosenberg) was rare for the county (*vide* J. Baker).
- COMMON EIDER: the immature male reported in Eau Gallie (*Brevard*) in July was found

- dead 8 Aug (S. Buettner); 2 at Port Canaveral in late Nov (*fide* W. Biggs, photo of 1 female to FOSRC by G. Stoccardo).
- SURF SCOTER: 2 (1 male and 1 female) in *Collier* 20 Nov through the end of the period represent a rare county report (T. Below, S. Hedges, M. Kelly).
- HOODED MERGANSER: 1575 in PPM 11 Nov (P. Fellers).
- RUDDY DUCK: 2 in *Collier* 19 Oct-26 Nov (B. J. Anderson) were rare for the county (*fide* T. Below).
- AMERICAN SWALLOW-TAILED KITE: 1 pair feeding 2 young 1 mile N of Tavernier (*Monroe*) 2 Aug (M. Cooper); 49 along US 27 near Moore Haven (*Glades*) 5 Aug (C. and D. Ford); 3 in St. Petersburg Beach (*Pinellas*) 23 Aug (D. Barker) were very rare in the county in fall (*fide* L. Atherton).
- BLACK-SHOULDERED KITE: 2 at Lake Okeechobee at the mouth of Fisheating Creek (*Glades*) 12 Nov (G. Yaki); 1 in *Broward* 16 Nov (J. Baker).
- BALD EAGLE: 1 over the *Okaloosa* landfill 10 Nov (D. Ware); 1 pair on DI began nest-building in late Oct (D. Evered, L. Messick); 11 (2 adults and 9 immatures) in a single PPM location 1 Oct (B. and L. Cooper).
- NORTHERN HARRIER: 40+ on DI 19 Oct (D. Evered, L. Messick).
- SHARP-SHINNED HAWK: 630 over Boot Key (*Monroe*) 10 Oct (W. Hoffman et al.).
- COOPER'S HAWK: 10 over Boot Key 10 Oct (W. Hoffman et al.).
- BROAD-WINGED HAWK: 85 over KW 23 Sep (J. Ondrejko).
- SHORT-TAILED HAWK: 1 dark morph just N of Cedar Key 7 Aug (J. Cox, K. NeSmith); 1 dark morph in SCCP late July-7 Sep (P. Fellers et al.); 2 (1 light morph and 1 dark morph) at Marathon (*Monroe*) 31 Oct (*fide* N. Wamer, R. West); 2 adults (1 light morph and 1 dark morph) on KW 10 Nov (J. Ondrejko).
- SWAINSON'S HAWK: 2 *Monroe* reports: 8 over Boot Key 10 Oct (W. Hoffman et al.); 1 over Missouri Key 31 Oct (*fide* N. Wamer, R. West).
- GOLDEN EAGLE: 1 over Fort Walton 15 Oct (C. and D. Ware).
- MERLIN: among 80 this season, the earliest report was 1 in SMNWR 13 Sep (J. and L. Douglas); 14 over DI 28 Sep (D. Evered, L. Messick); 44 over Boot Key 10 Oct (W. Hoffman et al.).
- PEREGRINE FALCON: 150-160 reported this fall: 9 over DI 26 Sep (D. Evered, L. Messick); 3 E of Winter Haven 6-11 Oct (B. and L. Cooper, P. Timmer) were a high number for *Polk*; 30-40 migrated through Guana River SP 7 Oct (J. Cockey); 97 over Boot Key 10 Oct (W. Hoffman et al.) is the highest report ever for a single location in Florida (*fide* B. Anderson).
- BLACK RAIL: 4 at the end of CR 361 (*Dixie*) 14 Oct (N. Wamer).
- SANDHILL CRANE: 2 in *Palm Beach* 20 Sep (J. Baker).
- BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER: 1 calling over ABS 10 Nov (G. and J. Woolfenden) was rare.
- LESSER GOLDEN-PLOVER: 1 in Boca Raton (*Palm Beach*) 8-9 Nov (B. Hope et al.) had only one leg.
- WILSON'S PLOVER: 123 in HISRA 10 Oct (D. Gagne) was a very high number for the state (*fide* B. Anderson).
- PIPING PLOVER: 1 on Key Biscayne 9 Aug (*fide* M. Cooper); 2 in Pepper Beach CP (*St. Lucie*) 15 Aug (J. Brooks); 64 on DI 21 Aug (D. Evered, L. Messick); 66 in HISRA 10 Oct (D. Gagne).
- BLACK-NECKED STILT: 1 in SMNWR 8 Nov (N. Wamer).
- AMERICAN AVOCET: 1 at South Bay 8 Aug (J. Villamil, M. Cooper); 170 in PPM 26 Sep (P. Fellers); 1 in *Okaloosa* 1 Oct (D. Ware); 1 in SMNWR 29 Nov-early Dec (J. and W. Dykes).
- UPLAND SANDPIPER: 1 in Clearwater (*Pinellas*) 25 Sep (L. Hopkins, P. Blair, R. Smith) was locally rare.
- LONG-BILLED CURLEW: 1 on Fort Myers Beach (*Lee*) 6 Aug (N. Pettis).

- HUDSONIAN GODWIT: 1 E of Winter Haven 6-11 Oct (B. and L. Cooper et al.).
- MARbled GODWIT: 1 at lighthouse in SMNWR 11 Oct (B. and B. Scott) was unusual.
- Ruddy TURNSTONE: 2 inland in PPM: 3 on 20 Sep (P. Fellers); 1 on 27 Sep (FOS group).
- RED KNOT: 1 in Fort Pierce Inlet SRA 24 Aug was locally rare (J. Brooks); 1 in PPM 12 Sep (P. Fellers, M. Cherrington) was the third *Polk* report.
- BAIRD'S SANDPIPER: 1 at an *Okaloosa* pond 10 Sep (D. Ware).
- STILT SANDPIPER: 1 in SGISP 25 Aug (J. Cavanagh); 790 in PPM 20 Sep (P. Fellers).
- BUFF-BREASTED SANDPIPER: 1 on DI 21 Sep (D. Evered, L. Messick).
- LONG-BILLED DOWITCHER: 12 in SMNWR 14 Nov (N. Wamer).
- COMMON SNIBE: 204 in a Winter Haven wetland 29 Nov (P. Fellers) was the highest-ever *Polk* report.
- WILSON'S PHALAROPE: 3 near South Bay 8 Aug (M. Cooper); 12 in PPM 12 Sep (P. Fellers).
- POMARINE JAEGER: 2226 off New Smyrna Beach 9 Nov (H. Robinson) was the highest-ever Florida report (*vide* B. Anderson).
- PARASITIC JAEGER: 2 reports off DI: 2 adults 27 Sep, and 1 immature 2 Oct (D. Evered, L. Messick); 4 off New Smyrna Beach 9 Nov (H. Robinson).
- Jaeger species: 1 small dark morph juvenile, "not a Pomarine," harassed gulls at Waccasassa Bay (*Levy*) 24 Oct (S. Goodbred); strong E winds off Juno Beach (*Palm Beach*) aided the sightings of 208 on 10 Nov, and 73 on 20 Nov (H. Langridge, G. Hunter).
- COMMON BLACK-HEADED GULL: 1 basic-plumaged adult at Hagen's Cove (*Taylor*) 3 Nov (W. H. Adams, B. Muschlitz).
- LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL: 2 at Ward's Bank (*Duval*) 29 Oct (M. Dolan); 1 returned to Redington Beach (*Pinellas*), a regular wintering site, by 15 Nov (K. Nelson).
- GREAT BLACK-BACKED GULL: 1 first-year bird in HISRA 10 Oct (D. Gagne) was rare.
- BLACK-LEGGED KITTIWAKE: 3 off New Smyrna Beach 9 Nov (H. Robinson).
- SABINE'S GULL: 1 immature off Yankeetown (*Levy*) 22 Aug (J. Fitzpatrick); 1 at Jetty Park (*Brevard*) 28 Nov through the end of the season (R. Elliott et al.).
- GULL-BILLED TERN: 2 at *Palm Beach* sod farms 30 Aug (J. Baker, E. Rosenberg); 1 in HISRA 9 Sep and 10 Oct (D. Gagne).
- CASPIAN TERN: 45 in HISRA 10 Oct was a locally high number (D. Gagne); 655 in PPM 11 Nov (P. Fellers) was the highest-ever *Polk* report.
- SANDWICH TERN: first migrant on KW 21 Aug (J. Ondrejko); 490 on DI 30 Aug (D. Evered, L. Messick); 411 in HISRA 7 Sep (D. Gagne et al.); 113 in PPM 1-24 Oct (B. and L. Cooper, P. Fellers) was the highest-ever *Polk* report.
- COMMON TERN: 700 off DI 27 Sep after a storm (D. Evered, L. Messick); 20 off New Smyrna Beach 9 Nov (H. Robinson).
- FORSTER'S TERN: 1660 in PPM 20 Sep (P. Timmer, C. Geanangel).
- BRIDLED TERN: 150+ in the Gulf Stream S of Cape Florida (*Dade*) 3 Aug (R. and W. Wallace); "several" at Hutchinson Island (*St. Lucie* or *Martin*) 24-25 Aug, following Hurricane Andrew (*vide* N. Wamer, R. West); 12 birds 18-25 (27-40 km) miles off Port Canaveral 5 Sep (M. Bunn, G. Hudson).
- SOOTY TERN: 12 in the Gulf Stream S of Cape Florida 3 Aug (R. and W. Wallace).
- BLACK TERN: 116 in HISRA 12 Sep (D. Gagne); 340 in PPM 20 Sep (P. Timmer, C. Geanangel); 1 off New Smyrna Beach 9 Nov (H. Robinson).
- BLACK SKIMMER: 1155 in PPM 24 Oct (P. Fellers) is the highest-ever *Polk* report; birds present on KW 29 Nov, a month early (J. Ondrejko).
- EURASIAN COLLARED-DOVE: 1 pair on a nest in Orlando (*Orange*) 1-14 Aug (D. Freeman); about 60 near Keaton Beach (*Taylor*) in Aug (N. Wamer); 2 in Panama City (*Bay*) 8 Sep (P. Sexton); 1 in S Jacksonville 12-15 Sep and others on Black Hammock Island in N Jacksonville are the first *Duval* reports (*vide* P. Powell); 3 on SR 70 (*Manatee*) 5-6 Oct (G. Woolfenden, R. Bowman, J. Fitzpatrick); 1 on DI 19 and 26 Oct (D. Evered,

- L. Messick); 25 in Orlando 25 Oct (D. Freeman); 40 on Cedar Key 28 Nov (B. Pranty, G. Stoccardo); several pairs now established at Shell Point (*Wakulla*) (*fide* J. Cox).
- WHITE-WINGED DOVE: 1 on Cedar Key 7 Oct through the end of the period (D. Henderson); at least 3 on DI 19 Oct, and single birds there sporadically through mid-Nov (D. Evered, L. Messick); 1 on KW 8 Nov (J. Ondrejko).
- BLACK-BILLED CUCKOO: 1 in Sawgrass Lake CP (*Pinellas*) 30 Aug (S. Goodbred); 1 in SMNWR 20 Sep (N. Wamer).
- YELLOW-BILLED CUCKOO: 15 in HISRA 10 Oct (D. Gagne et al.); 22 on DI 18 Oct (D. Evered, L. Messick).
- SMOOTH-BILLED ANI: 1 calling in Paynes Prairie SPR (*Alachua*) 27 Oct (J. Weimer) was rare in N Florida (*fide* B. Anderson).
- GROOVE-BILLED ANI: 1 in Carrabelle (*Franklin*) 25 Sep (D. Evered, L. Messick); 1 in St. Andrews SRA 18 Oct (E. and L. Keppner); 2 on DI 19 Oct through the end of the period (D. Evered, L. Messick); 1 at Fort Pickens 21 Oct (W. Fullilove, B. Duncan); 1 at Bay Point sewage treatment plant (*Bay*) 4 Nov (R. Hofstead); 8 at Fort Pickens 25 Nov (J. Madsden); at least 3 in SMNWR in late Nov (N. Wamer, R. Christen et al.). One near Delray Beach 18 Nov (B. Hope et al.) was the second *Palm Beach* report (*fide* B. Anderson).
- GREAT HORNED OWL: 1 in Coral Gables (*Dade*) 30 Oct-8 Nov (K. Sarsfield) was rare.
- BURROWING OWL: 1 in Bill Baggs/Cape Florida SRA (*Dade*) 30 Sep (D. Bryan).
- LESSER NIGHTHAWK: 3 (1 male and 2 females) in FDCP 13-14 Nov (B. and L. Atherton et al., details to FOSRC) was the first *Pinellas* report, and only the second fall report (*fide* B. Anderson).
- Nighthawk species: 2 on DI 7 Nov (D. Evered, L. Messick).
- CHUCK-WILL'S-WIDOW: 1 on KW 12 Sep was the area's first seasonal report (J. Ondrejko); 1 on SGI 29 Nov was late or wintering (N. Wamer).
- CHIMNEY SWIFT: 1 in Vero Beach (*Indian River*) 29 Nov (B. Wetmore) is the latest-ever fall report if Vaux's Swift was ruled out (*fide* B. Anderson).
- Chaetura* species: 1 over the Univ. of Fla. in Gainesville (*Alachua*) 15 Nov (B. Muschlitiz).
- RUBY-THROATED HUMMINGBIRD: 14 in HISRA 7 Sep (D. Gagne) was a high no. in fall.
- BLACK-CHINNED HUMMINGBIRD: 1 female in Tallahassee (*Leon*) 18 Nov through the end of the period (N. Wamer).
- RED-HEADED WOODPECKER: 1 in S *Dade* 6-24 Aug was not seen after Hurricane Andrew (*fide* M. Cooper).
- HAIRY WOODPECKER: 1 wandering bird in John U. Lloyd SP 21 Aug (E. Rosenberg) was a rarity for *Broward* (*fide* J. Baker).
- RED-CKOAKED WOODPECKER: the 32-hectare tract of Longleaf Pines home to the well-known clan at Sheppard Road (*Highlands*) was recently purchased by the Nature Conservancy (*fide* R. Bowman).
- OLIVE-SIDED FLYCATCHER: 1 in Gulf Breeze (*Santa Rosa*) 28-31 Aug was locally rare but regular (B., S., and W. Duncan).
- EASTERN WOOD-PEWEE: 1 in ABS sang sporadically 24 Aug-27 Oct (B. Pranty, C. Graham); 21 in HISRA 30 Aug (D. Gagne et al.).
- YELLOW-BELLIED FLYCATCHER: 2 banded on Casey Key (*Sarasota*): 1 on 23 Sep, and 1 on 8 Oct (A. and S. Stedman).
- ACADIAN FLYCATCHER: 1 calling in Boca Raton 28 Sep (B. and J. Hope) was the second *Palm Beach* report (*fide* B. Anderson).
- ALDER FLYCATCHER: 1 heard calling (but not seen) in SCCP 12 Sep (P. Fellers, M. Bunn).
- LEAST FLYCATCHER: 1 in FDCP 30 Aug was "uncommon but regular" in fall (L. Atherton); 1 in SMNWR 24-27 Oct (N. Wamer, J. Cavanagh).
- Empidonax* species: 1 probable Alder Flycatcher banded on DI 9 Sep (D. Evered, L. Messick).

- VERMILION FLYCATCHER: 2 immature males on DI: 1 from 6-9 Oct (D. Evered, L. Messick), and 1 on 10 Nov (D. Evered, L. Messick); 1 adult male in SMNWR 11 Nov was joined by an immature male 27 Nov, and both birds remained through the end of the period (C. and R. Christen).
- GREAT CRESTED FLYCATCHER: 3 in Lake Arbuckle State Forest (*Polk*) 28 Nov were likely wintering (*vide* C. Geanangel); 1 remained N of Gainesville through Nov for the third consecutive year (J. Hintermister).
- BROWN-CRESTED FLYCATCHER: 1 in SMNWR 14 Nov (D. Morrow), details to FOSRC (*vide* N. Wamer, R. West).
- Myiarchus* species: 1 glimpsed on Paynes Prairie Basin (*Alachua*) 18 Nov was thought to be an Ash-throated Flycatcher (B. Muschlitz).
- WESTERN KINGBIRD: 1 in FDCP 5 Oct (W. Biggs); 1 on SGI 25 Oct (J. Cavanagh, J. and J. LaVia); 1 on DI 26 Oct-10 Nov (D. Evered, L. Messick); 4 wintering on KW were first noted 30 Oct (J. Ondrejko); 1 on Cedar Key 7-11 Nov (D. Henderson).
- EASTERN KINGBIRD: 3 migrants in ABS 15 Aug (B. Pranty) tie the earliest fall report (*vide* B. Anderson); 15 on KW 21 Aug (J. Ondrejko); 51 in HISRA 7 Sep (D. Gagne et al.).
- GRAY KINGBIRD: 5 at Bay Point Country Club (*Bay*) 26 Aug were possibly the result of Hurricane Andrew (T. Menart).
- SCISSOR-TAILED FLYCATCHER: 1 in SMNWR 25 Oct (J. LaVia); 1 adult male on DI 26 Oct (D. Evered, L. Messick); 2 on KW 30 Oct increased to 13 by 27 Nov (J. Ondrejko); 1 in SGISP 5 Nov (J. Cavanagh).
- PURPLE MARTIN: 8 at East Bay (*Bay*) 18 Nov (A. and R. Ingram) were late.
- TREE SWALLOW: first migrants at Lake Okeechobee 7 Aug (R. Clark); 28000 estimated in SMNWR 23 Oct (J. Cavanagh); about 50000 over DI 15 Nov (D. Evered, L. Messick).
- BANK SWALLOW: 2 on KW 8 Aug (J. Ondrejko).
- SCRUB JAY: 9 in Lake Arbuckle State Forest 28 Nov were more than expected (*vide* L. Cooper).
- FISH CROW: 9 on KW 5 Oct were rare in the Keys (J. Ondrejko).
- HOUSE WREN: 34 in HISRA 11 Oct (D. Gagne).
- WOOD THRUSH: 1 in SCCP 4 Oct (P. Fellers) was locally rare.
- AMERICAN ROBIN: 2 at Rock Bayou (*Walton*) 30 Aug (M. Evitts) were early; 2000 in Polk City (*Polk*) 28 Nov following the area's first cold front (P. Fellers).
- BAHAMA MOCKINGBIRD: male summering on KW was last seen 7 Sep (J. Ondrejko).
- SPRAGUE'S PIPIT: 1 on the SGI causeway, a favored wintering site, 27 Nov through the end of the period, and 2 there 29 Nov (B. and L. Atherton, N. Wamer).
- BELL'S VIREO: 2 *Palm Beach* reports: 1 in Boca Raton 4 Oct (B. Hope), and 1 in Delray Beach 18 Nov (B. Hope).
- SOLITARY VIREO: 1 in *Orange* 13 Sep (B. Payne, J. Baker) was the earliest-ever fall report (*vide* B. Anderson).
- WARBLING VIREO: 1 in SMNWR 31 Aug (B. Princen).
- PHILADELPHIA VIREO: among 5 reports, 4 were in SGISP 11 Oct (D. and S. Jue); and 1 seen well in Boyd Hill Nature Trail (*Pinellas*) 24 Nov (A. Rawson et al.), was very late (*vide* B. Anderson).
- BLACK-WHISKERED VIREO: 1 adult feeding 1 fledgling in HISRA 9 Sep (D. Gagne) established the state's latest-ever breeding report (*vide* B. Anderson).
- BLUE-WINGED WARBLER: 6 in SCCP 7 Oct (C. Geanangel, P. Timmer) was a high number.
- GOLDEN-WINGED WARBLER: 23 reports received from 8 counties: *Brevard, Broward, Duval, Franklin, Okaloosa, Palm Beach, Pinellas, and Polk*. The earliest 2 reports were 30 Aug, and the latest-ever fall report (*vide* B. Anderson) was of 1 near Fort Walton 21 Nov (D. Ware).
- Vermivora* hybrids: 1 female "Lawrence's Warbler" in FDCP 20 Sep (B. and L. Atherton, J. Turner et al.); and 1 female in SCCP 26-27 Sep (P. Timmer, FOS group); 2 "Brews-

- ter's Warblers" in *Pinellas*: 1 in Sawgrass Lake CP 16 Sep (S. Goodbred); and 1 in FDCP 23 Sep (K. Nelson, J. Dozier).
- TENNESSEE WARBLER: 3 on SGI 5 Nov (J. Cavanagh) and 1 on DI 14 Nov (D. Evered, L. Messick) were typical late reports.
- ORANGE-CROWNED WARBLER: 1 on DI 26 Sep (D. Evered, L. Messick) was early.
- NASHVILLE WARBLER: 1 immature on DI 7 Sep; 1 in Boca Raton 4 Oct (B. Hope); 1 in FDCP 4 Oct (B. and L. Atherton); 2 in HISRA 10 Oct (D. Gagne); 1 in Jacksonville 15 Oct (J. Cocke); 1 in Wellington (*Palm Beach*) 27 Nov (B. Hope).
- YELLOW WARBLER: 1 in *Broward* 30 Aug was locally early (J. Baker, E. Rosenberg); 1 in *Calhoun* 27 Nov (J. Hopkins, B. Wotton) was late or wintering.
- CHESTNUT-SIDED WARBLER: 57+ in three *Pinellas* locations 1 Oct including 40+ at Bonner Park (K. Nelson, B. Parkhurst) was the highest-ever state report (*vide* B. Anderson); 1 banded on DI 7 Nov (D. Evered, L. Messick) was the latest-ever fall report (*vide* B. Anderson).
- MAGNOLIA WARBLER: 40+ in Bonner Park 1 Oct (K. Nelson, B. Parkhurst) was the state's highest-ever number (*vide* B. Anderson).
- CAPE MAY WARBLER: 1 in SGI 6 Oct (J. Cavanagh) was locally rare.
- BLACK-THROATED BLUE WARBLER: 10 in Bartow (*Polk*) 27 Sep was a locally high number (P. Fellers et al.); 1 in Gulf Breeze 15 Nov (B. Duncan) was late; 1 male in Lake Arbuckle State Forest 23 Nov (D. Ford) was very late or wintering.
- TOWNSEND'S WARBLER: 1 female photographed on Elliott Key (*Dade*) 13 Sep (A. Strong, photos to FOSRC) is only the second record for the state (*vide* B. Anderson).
- PALM WARBLER: 1 on Cedar Key 6 Aug (D. Henderson) was very early (*vide* B. Anderson).
- BAY-BREASTED WARBLER: 2 well-described hatching-year females in Sawgrass Lake CP 29 Aug (B. and L. Atherton, M. Wilkinson) was the earliest-ever fall report, and the first Aug report (*vide* B. Anderson); 1 in Lower Wekiva River SPR (*Seminole*) 12 Sep (H. Kale); 4 in SGI 5 Nov (J. Cavanagh).
- BLACKPOLL WARBLER: 2 Gulf Breeze reports, the first-ever fall reports in the area: 1 on 11 Sep (B. Duncan), and 1 on 12 Oct (B. Duncan, P. and B. Tetlow); 1 in Hugh Taylor Birch SP (*Broward*) 2 Oct was locally early (J. Baker).
- CERULEAN WARBLER: 1 near Niceville (*Okaloosa*) 4 Aug (B. McKenney); 52 reported this fall in *Pinellas*, including 10 in Sawgrass Lake CP 15 Aug (M. Wilkinson, L. McDaniel) and 13 in the same location 30 Aug (L. Atherton, S. Goodbred). These are the state's highest-ever reports (*vide* B. Anderson).
- AMERICAN REDSTART: 4 in ABS 6 Aug (R. Mumme); 27 in SCCP 4 Oct (P. Fellers); 1 on DI 8 Nov (D. Evered, L. Messick).
- PROTHONOTARY WARBLER: 1 in Lower Wekiva River SPR (*Seminole*) 14 Nov (N. Prine) was late (*vide* B. Anderson).
- WORM-EATING WARBLER: 1 on Cedar Key 24-28 Nov (D. Henderson) was the latest-ever fall report (*vide* B. Anderson).
- SWAINSON'S WARBLER: 2 *Pinellas* reports: 1 in Bonner Park 29 Aug (K. Nelson); and 2 in FDCP 29 Aug (B. and L. Atherton), 1 remaining to 30 Aug (L. Atherton).
- LOUISIANA WATERTHRUSH: 1 in SGI 11 Oct (D. and S. Jue), late (*vide* B. Anderson).
- KENTUCKY WARBLER: 2 *Polk* reports: 1 in SCCP 19 Sep (P. Fellers, P. Timmer, M. Bunn), and 1 at Panther Point 27 Sep (FOS group).
- MOURNING WARBLER: 1 immature female in Gulf Breeze 29 Aug (B. Duncan); 1 banded on Casey Key 17 Sep (A. and S. Stedman).
- HOODED WARBLER: over 200 in FDCP 29 Aug (B. and L. Atherton); 1 in SGI 5 Nov (J. Cavanagh).
- WILSON'S WARBLER: 1 male in Jacksonville 1-2 Oct (J. Cocke); 1 male on Cape Florida 17 Oct (J. Villamil); 1 at Newnans Lake (*Alachua*) 17 Oct (D. Cimbaro).
- CANADA WARBLER: the earliest of 7 reports was of 1 immature in O'Leno SP (*Columbia*)

- 29 Aug (J. Hintermister et al.), and the latest was 1 in Turkey Creek Sanctuary (*Brevard*) 30 Nov (S. Hills) that may have been wintering; 1 in Melbourne Village (*Brevard*) in Sep sang on 2 occasions (B. and S. Hills et al.).
- YELLOW-BREASTED CHAT: 1 in Auburndale (*Polk*) 11 Oct (P. Timmer, C. Geanangel) was rare in the county (*vide* L. Cooper).
- WESTERN Tanager: 1 male in S Miami (*Dade*) 10 Sep (J. Fitzgerald).
- ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK: 40 in Sawgrass Lake CP 4 Oct (M. Wilkinson) was the state's highest-ever report (*vide* B. Anderson); 1 female in *Collier* 6 Nov (T. Below).
- BLUE GROSBEAK: 1 female at Lake Alfred (*Polk*) 14 Nov (P. Timmer); 1 male in SGISP 27 Nov (R. Smith) was late or wintering.
- INDIGO BUNTING: 30+ in SGISP 5 Nov (J. Cavanagh).
- PAINTED BUNTING: 1 immature male in ABS 10 Oct (B. Pranty) was locally rare.
- DICKCISSEL: 1 in *Okaloosa* 4 Aug (D. Whittington) was early; 1 male in St. Andrews SRA (*Bay*) 4 Oct (H. Loftin, T. Menart).
- YELLOW-FACED GRASSQUIT: 2 birds in A. D. Barnes Park, Miami 30 Sep were thought to be escaped cagebirds (*vide* M. Cooper).
- CLAY-COLORED SPARROW: 1 in Gulf Breeze 10 Sep (B. Duncan) was only the 6th area report; 3 reports at SMNWR 10 Sep-25 Oct (J. Cavanagh, J. Madsen); 1 immature on DI 14 Nov (D. Evered, L. Messick).
- LARK SPARROW: 1 adult in HISRA 7-9 Sep (D. Gagne); 1 in Gulf Breeze 9 Oct was the area's first Oct report (B. Duncan).
- SAVANNAH SPARROW: 1 in PPM 26 Sep was early (P. Fellers et al.).
- HENSLOW'S SPARROW: 1 near Wakulla Beach (*Wakulla*) 4 Oct (D. and S. Jue); 3 on SR 59 in *Wakulla* 27 Nov (N. Wamer).
- LE CONTE'S SPARROW: 1 on DI 8 Nov (D. Evered, L. Messick).
- SONG SPARROW: 1 in FDCP 21 Oct (R. Smith) was locally rare.
- WHITE-CROWNED SPARROW: 13 in Auburndale 24 Oct (P. Timmer); 1 on Casey Key 27 Oct was the first local report since 1984 (A. and S. Stedman); up to 10 observed on DI 28 Oct-15 Nov (D. Evered, L. Messick); 6 in SMNWR 7 Nov (D., J., and R. Ballman); 1 in Wellington (*Palm Beach*) 27 Nov (B. Hope).
- DARK-EYED JUNCO: 1 "Oregon Junco" at Shark Valley (*Dade*) 29 Oct (C. Kemp); 1 "Slate-colored Junco" at a Winter Haven feeder 11 Nov (B. Bratlie) was a rarity in *Polk*.
- BOBOLINK: 1 on KW noted 21 Aug (J. Ondrejko); 2000+ on *Palm Beach* sod fields 20 Sep (J. Baker); 1 on DI 26 Nov was late (D. Evered, L. Messick).
- YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD: 1 in SMNWR 31 Aug (B. Princen); 1 at Fort Pickens 29 Sep (B. Duncan, G. Fleming, P. Blevins).
- BREWER'S BLACKBIRD: about 30 on SR 24 (*Levy*) 29 Nov (G. Stoccardo, B. Pranty).
- SHINY COWBIRD: 1 in SMNWR 28-29 Aug (N. Wamer); 1 pair on KW 30 Aug-3 Sep (J. Ondrejko).
- BRONZED COWBIRD: 1 at Shalimar (*Okaloosa*) 16 Aug (P. Baker), and 1 male on Cedar Key 4 Sep (D. Henderson) are the earliest-ever fall reports by 8 and 5 weeks respectively (*vide* B. Anderson); 1 adult male in Seminole (*Pinellas*) 21 Oct-11 Nov (K. Nelson).
- Cowbird species: 1 female was sitting on an old Loggerhead Shrike nest that fledged young earlier in the year on Buck Island Ranch (*Highlands*) 5 Aug (R. Yosef, B. Pranty).
- NORTHERN ORIOLE: 1 female "Bullock's Oriole" at Newnans Lake (*Alachua*) 15 Oct (I. Fromberg).
- PURPLE FINCH: 1 immature male in Tallahassee 29 Nov (N. Wamer).
- HOUSE FINCH: fledglings visited a Tallahassee feeder as late as mid-Sep (N. Wamer); 1 over SMNWR 23 Oct (N. Wamer); 1 male in Paynes Prairie SPR 23 Oct (B. Muschltiz); 1 in Pensacola (*Escambia*) 26 Nov (D. Bryan) in a new area in the city.
- PINE SISKIN: 3 DI reports in Nov included 3 on 7 Nov (D. Evered, L. Messick); 1 in East Lake Woodlands (*Pinellas*) 27 Nov (D. Gagne).

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Errata: Spring 1992 report (Fla. Field Nat. 20 (4):115, 1992): 2 Horned Grebes at the Fort Walton Beach sewage treatment plant 12 March should read 2 Eared Grebes. We thank Bob Duncan for bringing this error to our attention.

Winter 1992 sightings of note, not published in the previous report — 7 Shiny Cowbirds (4 males and 3 females) collected in *Collier* 9 Feb-1 Mar 1992 (T. Below, specimens to ABS).

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