

## FIELD OBSERVATIONS

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**Spring Report: Mar-May 1999.**—The observations listed here are based on rare or unusual species or significant numbers of birds reported to the Florida Ornithological Society (FOS) Field Observations Committee (FOC). As these reports are not reviewed formally, they may be considered tentative.

Significant reports are welcomed for inclusion in future issues of this section. Reports should include the following information: species, number of individuals, age and sex of the bird(s), color morph if applicable, location (including county), date, observer(s), and significance of the report. Reporting periods are winter (December-February), spring (Mar-May), summer (June-July), and fall (August-November). Submit reports to regional compilers within 2 weeks after the close of each period, or to the state compiler within 1 month. Reports may be E-mailed to the state compiler at billpranty@hotmail.com.

Following the examples set by *Florida Bird Species: An Annotated List* (Robertson and Woolfenden 1992, FOS Spec. Publ. No. 6) and *The Birdlife of Florida* (Stevenson and Anderson 1994, Univ. Press of Florida), sight-only observations are considered “reports,” while only those supported by verifiable evidence (photographs, video or audio tapes, or specimens) are called “records.”

The FOS Records Committee (FOSRC) revised the list of birds for which they require documentation, in *FFN* 24(4):132-133, 1996. These species are marked in this report with an asterisk (\*) to alert the observers of their need to supply the FOSRC with details of their sightings. (Some reports that lack documentation may have been omitted from this report).

A county designation (in italics) accompanies the first-time listing of each site in this report; further listings of the same site lack the county name. Abbreviations used are as follows: CP = county park, DTNP = Dry Tortugas NP (*Monroe*), ENP = Everglades NP, EOS = end of season, FDSP = Fort DeSoto CP (*Pinellas*), FWB = Fort Walton Beach (*Okaloosa*), HISRA = Honeymoon Island SRA (*Pinellas*), HTBSRA = Hugh Taylor Birch SRA (*Broward*), NP = national park, NWR = national wildlife refuge, OWP = Orlando Wetlands Park (*Orange*), PPM = *Polk* phosphate mines, PPSP = Paynes Prairie State Preserve (*Alachua*), R&W 1992 = Robertson and Woolfenden 1992, S&A 1994 = Stevenson and Anderson 1994, SGI = St. George Island (*Franklin*), SMNWR = St. Marks NWR (*Wakulla*), SP = state park, SRA = state recreation area, SRSTF = Springhill Road sewage treatment facility (*Leon*), and N, S, E, W, etc. for compass directions. Bold-faced species, if any, denote birds newly reported or verified in Florida.

R&W 1992 and S&A 1994 were used to determine the regional and seasonal status of many species. Todd Engstrom assisted with the editing of the manuscript.

### SUMMARY OF THE SPRING SEASON

Spring 1999 featured above-average temperatures and below-average rainfall nearly statewide. A prolonged drought was prevented by extensive showers beginning in late June. Frontal activity was at a minimal, and few fallouts were reported in the state. Exceptions were fallouts at Fort DeSoto County Park 15 March and 16 April, and a “major wave of migrants” at Fort George Island 1 May. The lack of spring rains caused water levels at Paynes Prairie, which has been flooded since January 1998, to drop sufficiently to expose extensive mudflats along the edge of the prairie basin.

FOSRC rarities reported this spring were the Band-rumped Storm-Petrel en route from Dry Tortugas National Park, the Ross’s Goose at Crystal River, and Tropical/

Couch's Kingbirds at St. George Island and Talbot Island State Park. Other rarities were Key West Quail-Doves at Fort Lauderdale, Miami, and Long Key, the "West Indian" Short-eared Owl at Dry Tortugas National Park, La Sagra's Flycatchers at Islamorada and Key West, the Bahama Mockingbird at Fort Lauderdale, Miami, and Grassy Key, and 38 Shiny Cowbirds statewide.

## SPECIES ACCOUNTS

- COMMON LOON: 1 over US-27 (*Highlands*) 31 Mar (B. Cooper).
- RED-THROATED LOON: 1 at Gulf Breeze (*Santa Rosa*) 8 Mar (D. and J. Ballman).
- PACIFIC LOON: 1 at Fort Pickens (*Escambia*) 12 Mar (B. Duncan) and 22 Mar (P. Tetlow); 1 at SGISP 10 Apr-10 May (D. and S. Jue, J. Dozier et al.); 1 at Gulf Breeze 29 Apr (B. and L. Duncan); 1 at Pensacola Bay (*Escambia* and/or *Santa Rosa*) 11 May (A. Forster).
- HORNED GREBE: 1 at SRSTF 10 Apr (D. Harder).
- EARED GREBE: 1 at SGI 21 Mar (P. Conover).
- SOOTY SHEARWATER: 1 at Playalinda Beach, Canaveral National Seashore (*Brevard*) 30 May (C. Paine, C. Pierce).
- AUDUBON'S SHEARWATER: 80+ SW of DTNP 4 May (D. Goodwin, W. Biggs et al.).
- \*BAND-RUMPED STORM-PETREL: 1 bird 13 km SSW of the Sand Key Light (*Monroe*) 27 Apr (P. Lehman, S. Finnegan et al., photo to FOC).
- WHITE-TAILED TROPICBIRD: 1 bird 24 km S of Carrabelle (*Franklin*) 27 Mar (B. Kennedy *vide* T. Kennedy); no details were submitted.
- MASKED BOOBY: 32+ at Hospital Key, DTNP with "several" chicks in Apr (P. Lehman, S. Finnegan et al.).
- RED-FOOTED BOOBY: 1 adult white-tailed brown morph 25 km SSW of the Marquesas (*Monroe*) 27 Apr (P. Lehman, S. Finnegan et al., photo to FOC).
- AMERICAN WHITE PELICAN: 3000 at PPM 13 Mar (P. Fellers, Y. Babb), and 437 there 30 May (P. Timmer, C. Geanangel); 35 over New Port Richey (*Pasco*) 21 Apr (K. Tracey); 1 over APAFR (*Highlands*) 21 Apr (B. Pranty); 6 at Lake Jackson (*Leon*) 14 May (M. and P. Meredith); 10 at Myakka River SP (*Sarasota*) 23 May (K. Rodemaker et al.); 10 at the mouth of the St. Johns River (*Duval*) 25 May-EOS; 50+ at Lake Santa Fe (*Alachua*) 26 May (D. Seeds).
- BROWN PELICAN: 1 at Lake Parker, Lakeland (*Polk*) 16 Apr (T. Palmer); 2 at Winter Haven (*Polk*) 25 Apr (B. Bratlie).
- MAGNIFICENT FRIGATEBIRD: singles at SGI 29 Apr (F. Rutkovsky) and 9 May (J. Dozier); 1 at Bald Point (*Franklin*) 21 May (J. Dozier).
- AMERICAN BITTERN: 2 at OWP 1 May, and 1 there 29 May (both C. Pierce et al.).
- GREAT BLUE HERON: 5 migrating N over Cape Coral (*Lee*) 8 Apr (C. Ewell).
- "GREAT WHITE HERON:" 1 at HISRA 19 Mar-25 Apr (A. and B. Hansen et al.); 1 at the Sunshine Skyway (*Pinellas*) 20 May (L. Atherton).
- REDDISH EGRET: 6 immatures at SMNWR 19 Mar (K. MacVicar), and 7 immatures there 1 Apr (B. Bergstrom, B. Derrick).
- BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT-HERON: 2 adults at DTNP 25-29 Apr (P. Lehman, S. Finnegan et al.).
- YELLOW-CROWNED NIGHT-HERON: 7 at Emerald Marsh Conservation Area (*Lake*) 24 Apr and 22 May (*vide* J. Marburger).
- WHITE X SCARLET IBIS: 1 presumed hybrid at Lakes Park (*Lee*) 1 May (L. Baker et al.).
- ROSEATE SPOONBILL: 50+ at Shiloh Marsh (*Brevard* and *Volusia*) 5 Mar (N. Sekera et al.); 10 at PPM 19 Mar (P. Fellers, S. Riffe) and 17 there 8 May (P. Timmer); 9 E of Sarasota (*Sarasota*) 5 May (J. Carlock, E. Miller); 40+ at Myakka River SP 23 May (K. Rodemaker et al.).

- WOOD STORK: 75 nests near the Ochlockonee River (*Leon*) 27 Mar (G. Sprandel).
- WOOLLY-NECKED STORK: 1 photographed over Anhinga Trail, ENP (*Miami-Dade*) 4 Apr (D. DeNeve, photos to FOC) apparently is one of the birds that escaped from Miami MetroZoo in Aug 1992.
- TURKEY VULTURE: 2 at Key West (*Monroe*) 17 May (J. Ondrejko).
- GREATER FLAMINGO: 1 near the Sunshine Skyway (*Manatee*) 25 Apr probably was the bird that escaped from a Sarasota exhibit a few years ago (L. Atherton); 6 at Snake Bight, ENP (*Monroe*) 3 May (L. Saul, D. Wassmer).
- FULVOUS WHISTLING-DUCK: 3 at PPSP 8-23 May (R. Rowan, J. Weimer, A. Kratter).
- BLACK-BELLIED WHISTLING-DUCK: up to 12 at PPSP 6 Mar-EOS (H. Adams, A. Kratter); up to 11 at Gainesville 29 Apr-14 May (M. Manetz); 1 adult at Pembroke Pines (*Broward*) 8 May (G. Basili, B. Pranty, H. Lovell) and 30 May (J. DiPasquale, W. George); up to 20 at Bartow (*Polk*) through the season (P. Fellers); 5 at Emerald Marsh Conservation Area 22 May (*fide* J. Marburger).
- \*ROSS'S GOOSE: 1 adult at Crystal River (*Citrus*) 12 Mar-EOS (B. Stith et al., photos to FOSRC by B. Pranty) apparently had been present for 2-3 weeks before it was identified.
- CANADA GOOSE: 2 at PPM 30 May (P. Timmer, C. Geanangel).
- SNOW GOOSE: 1 at Merritt Island NWR (*Brevard*) 1 Mar (N. Sekera); 1 white morph at SRSTF 23-29 Mar (G. Menk).
- GREEN-WINGED TEAL: 1 at Zellwood to 18 May (H. Robinson).
- AMERICAN BLACK DUCK: 3 at Al-Bar Ranch (*Pasco*) 11 Mar (S. Peacock, B. Pranty).
- NORTHERN SHOVELER: 1 male E of Sarasota 4 May (J. Carlock, E. Miller); 1 at PPSP 16 May (M. Manetz); 1 at Zellwood 18 May (H. Robinson).
- AMERICAN WIGEON: 1 at Zellwood 18 May (H. Robinson).
- EURASIAN WIGEON: 1 male at Bradley Junction (*Polk*) 10-21 Mar (A. and T. Mason, B. and D. Lamoureux).
- REDHEAD: 1 male E of Sarasota 4-5 May (J. Carlock, E. Miller).
- RING-NECKED DUCK: 2 at Lake Okeechobee (*Okeechobee*) 30 May (D. and H. Hull).
- LESSER SCAUP: 2125 at PPM 19 Mar (P. Fellers, S. Riffe), and 4 there 14 May (P. Fellers); 2 at Zellwood to 29 May (H. Robinson).
- OLDSQUAW: 1 female at Lake Tohopekaliga (*Osceola*) 3 Apr (J. Fishman); 1 at Cedar Key 27 Apr (D. Henderson).
- WHITE-WINGED SCOTER: 12 at Fort Pickens 25 Mar (B. and L. Duncan).
- BLACK SCOTER: 1 female at Huguenot Park, Jacksonville (*Duval*) to 21 May (R. Clark et al.).
- COMMON GOLDENEYE: 1 at Gainesville to 2 Mar (R. Rowan).
- RUDDY DUCK: 3090 at PPM 19 Mar (P. Fellers, S. Riffe); 2 males at Spring Hill (*Hernando*) 29 Mar (A. and B. Hansen); 1 female at Zellwood 1 May-EOS (H. Robinson).
- OSPREY: 38 active nests in *Gadsden* and *Leon* 13 Mar (G. Sprandel).
- SWALLOW-TAILED KITE: 1 at Alligator Point (*Franklin*) 3 Mar (J. Dozier); 1 at Saddle Creek CP (*Polk*) 10 May (P. Fellers); 32 at OWP 17 May (L. Malo).
- WHITE-TAILED KITE: 1 adult at Blackwater State Forest (*Santa Rosa*) 2 Mar (G. Bass *fide* G. Wallace); 1 nest at Three Lakes WMA (*Osceola*) fledged five young in Apr (T. Dean), the first successful nest in central Florida (*fide* B. Pranty); 1 at Cape Sable, ENP (*Monroe*) ca. 26 Apr (B. Quinn); 1 adult at Sweet Bay Pond, ENP (*Miami-Dade*) 2 May (J. Boyd).
- MISSISSIPPI KITE: 4 at Eglin Air Force Base (*Okaloosa*) 13 Mar (D. Ware) was the earliest regional report by 26 days (*fide* B. Duncan); 1 at Black Creek Ravines (*Clay*) 6 May (B. and L. Cooper).
- NORTHERN HARRIER: 3 at Zellwood 18 May (H. Robinson).
- SHARP-SHINNED HAWK: 1 at Zellwood through the season (H. Robinson).
- BROAD-WINGED HAWK: 1 at Zellwood 16 Mar (H. Robinson); 1 at Tallahassee 26 Mar (F. Rutkovsky).

- SHORT-TAILED HAWK: 1 dark morph in *Hillsborough* 11 Mar (D. Romer); 1 dark morph along Snell Creek (*Polk*) 12 Mar harassed a Bald Eagle (B. and L. Cooper); 1 at Seminole Ranch Conservation Area 13 Mar (*vide* L. Malo); 1 pair (1 light and 1 dark) at Nobleton (*Hernando*) 3 Apr (D. and V. Goodwin); 1 light morph at Saddle Creek CP 18 Apr (C. and K. Radamaker); 1 immature light morph at Key West 6 May (J. Ondrejko).
- SWAINSON'S HAWK: 1 at Fort Walton Beach (*Okaloosa*) 18 Mar (H. King).
- CRESTED CARACARA: 1 at Seminole Ranch Conservation Area 10 Apr (*vide* L. Malo).
- MERLIN: 1 at Lake Jackson 16 Mar (S. Johnson); 1 at Zellwood 18 May (H. Robinson).
- PEREGRINE FALCON: 1 at Newnans Lake 1 May (D. Beatty); 1 caught 2 Purple Martins at Seven Springs (*Pasco*) in late May (D. Wassmer); 1 at PPM 28 May (N. Douglass).
- GOLDEN PHEASANT** (*Chrysolophus pictus*): 1 at Hudson (*Pasco*) 24 May (R. Grant) was the first Florida report of this species, which is native to central China.
- COMMON PEAFAWL: 1 at Zellwood 2 May (C. Pierce, C. Paine).
- SORA: 1 at PPSP 9 May (M. Manetz); 1 at OWP 16 May (C. Pierce); 2 at Zellwood 18 May (H. Robinson).
- BLACK RAIL: a "rough estimate" of 4-5 pairs at Holey Land WMA (*Palm Beach*) through the season (L. Manfredi).
- PURPLE GALLINULE: 18 at OWP 9 May (C. Pierce).
- AMERICAN COOT: 10,000 at PPM 1 Mar (N. and P. Fellers, S. Emerson).
- WHOOPIING CRANE: pairs nested and produced eggs at undisclosed sites in *Brevard* and *Pasco* in Apr, the first nesting records in Florida, and the first in the US since 1894. One of the nests was depredated, and the other failed from flooding caused by rainfall (*vide* S. Nesbitt); 1 at PPSP 17 Mar (A. Kratter et al.).
- BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER: 1 at Rodman Reservoir (*Marion*) 20 Mar (E. Scales et al.); up to 3 at PPM 25 Apr-14 May (P. Timmer, C. Geanangel, P. Fellers); 56 at Zellwood 7 May (H. Robinson); 1 salvaged at PPSP 18 May (L. Smith, specimen to FLMNH); 1 at SRSTF 25 May (G. Menk).
- AMERICAN GOLDEN-PLOVER: **102** at Fort Walton Beach STF (*Okaloosa*) 16 Mar (P. Tetlow et al.); 1 at FDCP 16-20 Mar (R. and A. Smith et al.); 2 at Baypoint (*Bay*) 17 Mar (E. Fontaine, T. Menart); 3 S of Bradley Junction 19 Mar (P. Fellers, S. Riffe), and 12 N of there 21 Mar (C. Geanangel, P. Timmer), with 7 remaining through 26 Mar (*vide* L. Cooper); 1 at HISRA 23 Mar (W. Yusek); singles at SMNWR 29 Mar (J. Wren) and 11 May (K. Slearce); up to 2 at Zellwood 23 Apr-7 May (H. Robinson).
- SEMPALMATED PLOVER: 22 at Zellwood 4 May, and 1 there 25 May (both H. Robinson); 102 at PPM 8 May (P. Timmer); 1 at PPSP 9 May (M. Manetz); 1 at SRSTF 25 May (G. Menk).
- PIPING PLOVER: 1 at FDCP 1 May (A. and R. Smith).
- AMERICAN OYSTERCATCHER: 1 at Gulf Breeze 5 Apr (B. Duncan).
- BLACK-NECKED STILT: 2-3 at Gainesville 8 Apr-18 May (R. Rowan, M. Manetz, E. Scales); up to 5 at PPSP 11 Apr-EOS (H. Adams, M. Manetz); 2 "late transients" at SRSTF 20 May (G. Menk); 620 at PPM 30 May (P. Timmer, C. Geanangel).
- AMERICAN AVOCET: 340 at PPM 4 Apr (P. Timmer, C. Geanangel); 25 at Fort Pickens 15 Apr (B. Duncan, C. Depkin); 12 at Pensacola (*Escambia*) 11 May (A. and D. Forster); 1 at Huguenot Park, Jacksonville 13 May (J. Wheat); 1 in breeding plumage at Zellwood 29 May (H. Robinson).
- GREATER YELLOWLEGS: 1 "cripple" at Tallahassee 28 May-2 Jun (G. Menk, P. Conover).
- LESSER YELLOWLEGS: 1300 at PPM 25 Apr (P. Timmer, C. Geanangel); 1 at Tallahassee 28 May (J. Cavanagh).
- SOLITARY SANDPIPER: 2 at PPM 19 Mar (P. Fellers, S. Riffe); 8 at Tallahassee 12 Apr (D. Harder), and 1 there 28 May (G. Menk, P. Conover); 4 at Lettuce Lake Park (*Hillsborough*) 23 Apr (R. Webb); 6 together at Lake Pierce (*Polk*) 3 May (D. Pierce); 1 near Haines City (*Polk*) through 18 May (B. and L. Cooper); 1 at Tallahassee 28 May (G. Menk, J. Cavanagh).

- SPOTTED SANDPIPER: 5 at PPM 25 Apr (P. Timmer, C. Geanangel); 1 at Grassy Key (*Monroe*) 16 May (R. and T. Rogers); 1 at Zellwood to 22 May (H. Robinson).
- UPLAND SANDPIPER: up to 4 at N Jacksonville 17-26 Apr (J. Hintermister, M. Manetz, R. Clark); 6 at Zellwood 20-23 Apr, and 1 there 10-18 May (both H. Robinson).
- WHIMBREL: 1 at Green Key Park (*Pasco*) 10 Mar (K. Tracey, photo to FOC); 6 at SMNWR 23 Apr (M. Coker); 1 at Zellwood 1 May (H. Robinson); 4 at Shell Key (*Pinellas*) 18 May (P. Blair).
- LONG-BILLED CURLEW: 1 at Shell Key 9 Mar (P. Blair).
- MARBLED GODWIT: 3 at Pensacola 22 Apr (A. and D. Forster).
- RUDDY TURNSTONE: 1 at Zellwood 4 May (H. Robinson); singles at PPM 5 May (P. Timmer) and 30 May (P. Timmer, C. Geanangel).
- RED KNOT: 1 at SMNWR 29 Mar-1 Apr (J. Wren, J. and M. Reed); 1 at West Lake Park 18-19 May was the first spring report in *Broward* (T. Hendrickson); 1 at Zellwood 25 May (H. Robinson).
- SANDERLING: 1 at Zellwood 1 May (H. Robinson).
- SEMIPALMATED SANDPIPER: 7900 at PPM 8 May (P. Timmer); 160 at Weedon Island Preserve (*Pinellas*) 8 May (R. Smith, P. Blair, B. Hoffman); 178 at SRSTF 25 May (G. Menk).
- LEAST SANDPIPER: 4200 at PPM 19 Mar (P. Fellers, S. Riffe).
- WHITE-RUMPED SANDPIPER: 4 in W *Duval* 7 May (R. Clark); 31 at PPM 8 May (P. Timmer); up to 5 at PPSP 9-16 May (M. Manetz); 5 at SRSTF 20 May (G. Menk).
- BAIRD'S SANDPIPER: 1 at Tallahassee 16 Mar (G. Menk, J. Cavanagh [videotape]); 1 at Long Key SRA (*Monroe*) 19 Apr (R. Webb); 1 at Zellwood 7 May (H. Robinson); 2 at Mosquito Lagoon, Canaveral National Seashore 30 May (C. Paine, C. Pierce).
- PECTORAL SANDPIPER: up to 3 at PPM 4-19 Mar (P. Timmer, C. Geanangel, P. Fellers, S. Riffe); 12 at Gainesville 18-20 Mar (M. Landsman); up to 3 at Zellwood 20 Apr-10 May (H. Robinson).
- DUNLIN: 1 at PPM 4 Mar (P. Timmer, C. Geanangel); 5 at Gainesville 18-19 Mar (M. Landsman).
- PURPLE SANDPIPER: 13 at Fort Clinch SP (*Nassau*) 23 Mar (J. Rose).
- STILT SANDPIPER: up to 11 at Gainesville 19 Mar-3 Apr (B. Roberts); 1 at SMNWR 25 Mar (E. Rose); up to 23 at Zellwood 20 Apr-14 May, with 1 remaining to 31 May (H. Robinson); 15 at Myakka River SP 4 May (C. and P. Leigh), and 5 there 9 May (C. Ewell); 57 in W *Duval* 7 May (R. Clark); 4 at PPSP 9 May (M. Manetz); 750 at PPM 14 May (P. Fellers); 24 at SRSTF 20 May (G. Menk).
- BUFF-BREASTED SANDPIPER: 1 at Zellwood 7 May (H. Robinson).
- RUFF: 1 male with "a full black ruff!" at Myakka River SP 4 May (C. and P. Leigh); 1 female at Zellwood 25-31 May (H. Robinson).
- SHORT-BILLED DOWITCHER: 3000 at PPM 19 Mar (P. Fellers, S. Riffe); 75 at Zellwood 20 Apr, 20 there 4 May, and 2 there to 29 May (all H. Robinson).
- LONG-BILLED DOWITCHER: 4 at Zellwood 4 May, and 1 there 14 May (both H. Robinson).
- COMMON SNIPER: 1 at Zellwood 1 May (H. Robinson).
- WILSON'S PHALAROPE: singles at SMNWR 30 Mar-1 Apr (A. Uterhart, B. Bergstrom, B. Derrick), and 16 May (J. Dozier); 1 at Fort Walton Beach STF 1 Apr (P. Tetlow et al.); 1 at PPM 8 May (P. Timmer).
- RED-NECKED PHALAROPE: 3 SW of Key West (*Monroe*) 27 Apr (P. Lehman, S. Finnegan et al.).
- PARASITIC JAEGER: 2 at FDCP and the N Sunshine Skyway Pier (*Pinellas*) 18-20 Mar (J. Bouton, L. Atherton, R. and A. Smith), and another at the S Sunshine Skyway Pier (*Manatee*) 23 Mar (L. Atherton); 1 immature chasing Laughing Gulls at Fort Clinch SP 23 Mar (J. Rose).
- LONG-TAILED JAEGER: 1 adult plucked from the ocean 8 km E of Fort Lauderdale 24 May (*fide* W. George, specimen to UCF).
- LAUGHING GULL: 65 at Zellwood 1 Apr (H. Robinson).

- BONAPARTE'S GULL: 1 at Zellwood to 26 Apr (H. Robinson); 1 at SRSTF 16 and 30 Apr (G. Menk et al.); 1 at Lake Jackson 8 May (G. Menk, K. Wensing).
- HERRING GULL: 1 at Zellwood to 14 May (H. Robinson).
- GREAT BLACK-BACKED GULL: 1 first-winter bird at Fort Myers Beach (*Lee*) through the season (C. Ewell).
- LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL: 1 adult at Anne's Beach, Lower Matecumbe Key (*Monroe*) 15 Mar (M. Boyd); 8 (3 adults) at Little Estero Lagoon (*Lee*) 25 Mar (C. Ewell); 1 immature at Zellwood 20 Apr (H. Robinson); 1 adult at Huguenot Park 15 May (A. Kratter).
- GULL-BILLED TERN: 1 at Cedar Key (*Levy*) 2 Mar (M. Gardler, T. Rogers) and 21 Mar (D. Henderson); up to 4 at Zellwood 14 Apr-1 May (H. Robinson); 17 nesting at 2 sites at PPM 8 May (P. Timmer) had fledged 12 young 30 May (C. Geanangel, P. Timmer).
- CASPIAN TERN: 68 at PPM 1 Mar (N. and P. Fellers, S. Emerson); 154 at Zellwood 20 Apr (H. Robinson); 2 at PPSP 2 May (T. Taylor).
- COMMON TERN: 1 at SRSTF 10 Apr (J. Erickson, G. Menk); 1 at West Lake Park 2-3 May (J. DiPasquale, W. George); 1 at SGI 7 May (J. Dozier); 1 at HISRA 26 May (J. Fisher, K. Nelson).
- LEAST TERN: 4 at East Bay (*Bay*) 3 Apr (A. and R. Ingram); 1 at Key West 4 Apr (J. Ondrejko); 1 at SRSTF 10 Apr (J. Erickson, G. Menk); 22 presumably nesting on three mall rooftops in *Leon* 17 May (G. Menk).
- BLACK TERN: 1 at Zellwood 10 May (H. Robinson); 1 at Huguenot Park 13 May (J. Wheat); 186 at PPM 14 May (P. Fellers).
- BLACK NODDY: no birds at DTNP this spring (P. Lehman, W. Biggs et al.).
- BLACK SKIMMER: 1 adult with 2 juveniles at Key West 20 May (J. Ondrejko) would represent the first Keys breeding report if the birds were reared locally.
- WHITE-CROWNED PIGEON: 1 at Big Cypress Bend, Fakahatchee Strand State Preserve (*Collier*) 7 Mar (J. and L. Douglas); 1 at North Hutchinson Island (*St. Lucie*) 14 Mar (J. Brooks); 1 adult at HTBSRA 19 May (J. Higgins), 1-2 have been found in the park annually the past 5 years (*St. W. George*).
- WHITE-WINGED DOVE: 1 at St. Petersburg 16 Mar (R. Smith); 1 at Ocala 20-21 Mar (C. Ewell); 1 at Panama City (*Bay*) 26 Mar-19 Apr (T. Menart); 3 at Key West 4 Apr, and 15 there 11 Apr (both J. Ondrejko); 1 in *S Pinellas* 5 Apr (J. Alexander); 2 at Bald Point 24 Apr, and 1 there 25 May (both J. Dozier); 1 at Cedar Key 21-30 May (D. Henderson).
- MOURNING DOVE: 1405 at Zellwood 29 May (H. Robinson).
- COMMON GROUND-DOVE: 52 at Zellwood 31 May (H. Robinson).
- KEY WEST QUAIL-DOVE: 1 at HTBSRA 12 Apr-26 May (W. George et al.); 1 at Bill Baggs/Cape Florida SRA (*Miami-Dade*) 19 Apr-EOS (M. E. Ahearn, D. Wright et al.); 1 at Long Key SRA (*Monroe*) 2 May (*vide* D. and H. Hull).
- RED-MASKED PARAKEET: 18 at Fort Lauderdale (*Broward*) 10 Apr (S. Epps).
- DUSKY LORY: 1 at Kendall (*Miami-Dade*) ca. 31 Mar (F. Dewaghe).
- YELLOW-HEADED PARROT: 2 at Gulfport (*Pinellas*) in mid-Apr (M. Maxwell).
- BLACK-BILLED CUCKOO: 1 at SMNWR 2 May (L. Saul, D. Wassmer); 1 at Loggerhead Key, DTNP 3 May (D. Goodwin et al.); 1 at Zellwood 10 May (H. Robinson).
- YELLOW-BILLED CUCKOO: 200+ at DTNP 2-3 May (D. Goodwin, W. Biggs et al.).
- MANGROVE CUCKOO: 2 at Ponce DeLeon Park, Punta Gorda (*Charlotte*) 1 May-EOS (J. Bouton); 3 at Weedon Island Preserve 8 May-EOS (R. Smith, P. Blair, B. Hoffman); 5 recorded using a tape at J.N. "Ding" Darling NWR (*Lee*) 9 May (C. Ewell et al.).
- SHORT-EARED OWL: singles (the same?) at Garden Key, DTNP 20-21 Apr (P. Lehman, S. Finnegan et al.) and Loggerhead Key, DTNP 25 Apr-10 May (P. Lehman, S. Finnegan, W. Biggs et al.).
- LESSER NIGHTHAWK: 1 at Apalachicola (*Franklin*) 15 Apr (J. Dozier).
- COMMON NIGHTHAWK: 1 calling at Key West 25-26 May was the latest report from there (J. Ondrejko).

- ANTILLEAN NIGHTHAWK: 1 at Key West 13 Apr (J. Ondrejko); 9 at Marathon Airport (*Monroe*) 16 May (R. and T. Rogers).
- BUFF-BELLIED HUMMINGBIRD: 1 at Tallahassee 29 Apr-2 May (B. Patterson et al., photo to FOC by H. Hooper).
- BLACK-CHINNED HUMMINGBIRD: 1 at Gainesville to 21 Mar (D. Beatty).
- SELASPHORUS SPECIES: 1 at Cedar Key to 16 Mar (D. Henderson).
- BELTED KINGFISHER: 1 male at Key West 6 May (J. Ondrejko).
- RED-HEADED WOODPECKER: 1 at Panama City 12 Apr was the first there in 21 years (T. Menart); 1 adult at HTBSRA 29 May was new there, and was one of very few recent *Broward* reports (W. George).
- YELLOW-BELLIED SAPSUCKER: 1 at Bonner Park, Largo (*Pinellas*) 20 Apr (J. Fisher); 1 at DTNP 20-24 Apr (P. Lehman, S. Finnegan et al.); 1 at Florida International University (*Miami-Dade*) 4 May (J. Boyd).
- HAIRY WOODPECKER: 1 at Zellwood 13 Mar (H. Robinson).
- EASTERN WOOD-PEWEE: 1 at Alligator Point 27 Mar (J. Dozier); 1 at HISRA 26 May (R. Paul et al.).
- ACADIAN FLYCATCHER: 1 in *Gadsden* 7 Apr (G. Sprandel).
- LEAST FLYCATCHER: 1 at Hague Dairy (*Alachua*) 11 Apr (R. Rowan); 1 singing along the Santa Fe River (*Alachua*) 2 May (A. Kratter).
- VERMILION FLYCATCHER: 1 female at Micanopy (*Alachua*) to 4 Mar (K. Tracey et al.).
- GREAT CRESTED FLYCATCHER: 1 in SW *Taylor* 20 Mar (J. Dozier, B. Bergstrom, K. Avera); 1 at Tallahassee 21 Mar (F. Rutkovsky).
- BROWN-CRESTED FLYCATCHER: 1 at the Iori Building, ENP (*Miami-Dade*) 11 Apr (J. Boyd).
- LA SAGRA'S FLYCATCHER: 1 at the Hurricane Monument, Islamorada (*Monroe*) 1 May (D. Goodwin) and 5 May (P. Blair); 1 at Fort Zachary Taylor, Key West 3 May (K. Scharringa, photos to FOC).
- \*COUCH'S/TROPICAL KINGBIRD: 1 at SGISP 8 May (J. Cavanagh, J. LaVia, photos); 1 at Talbot Island SP (*Duval*) 26 May (R. Clark).
- WESTERN KINGBIRD: 2 in *Brevard* 8 Mar (D. Novier); 21 at Zellwood 14 Apr, 16 there 1 May, and 1 there to 16 May (all H. Robinson, C. Pierce); 4 near the SE shore of Lake Istokpoga (*Highlands*) 27 Apr (M. McMillian et al.); 1 at PPSP 8 May (J. Weimer, R. Rowan); 1 at Gulf Breeze 10 May (B. Duncan).
- GRAY KINGBIRD: 1 at Key West 4 Apr (J. Ondrejko); singles at Zellwood 6 Apr and 22 May (both H. Robinson); 1 at Alligator Point 13 Apr (J. Dozier).
- SCISSOR-TAILED FLYCATCHER: 1 at FDCP 16-19 Mar (G. Wilson et al.); 1 at Key Largo (*Monroe*) 18 Mar (H. Prinsen); 1 at Seven Springs to 9 Apr (K. Tracey); 2 at Zellwood to 23 Apr (H. Robinson); 1 near the SE shore of Lake Istokpoga 27 Apr (M. McMillian et al.).
- WHITE-EYED VIREO: 151 at FDCP 15 Mar, and 135 there 16 Mar (both L. Atherton); 23 in the Green Swamp (*Lake and Polk*) 8 May (P. Fellers).
- BELL'S VIREO: 1 at Coquina Baywalk Park, Bradenton Beach (*Manatee*) 21 Apr (L. Atherton et al.).
- YELLOW-THROATED VIREO: 11 at FDCP 15 Mar (L. Atherton); 1 at Zellwood 23 Mar (H. Robinson).
- BLUE-HEADED VIREO: 1 at Zellwood 20 Apr (H. Robinson).
- PHILADELPHIA VIREO: 1 at Largo Narrows Park (*Pinellas*) 22 Apr (J. Fisher).
- RED-EYED VIREO: 1 at Bald Point 13 Mar (J. Dozier); 11 at Saddle Creek CP 29 Apr (P. Fellers).
- BLACK-WHISKERED VIREO: 1 at Key West 5 Apr (J. Ondrejko); 1 at FDCP 17 Apr (P. Fellers et al.); 1 at Fort Pickens 28 Apr (M. Rose, H. Huddleston); 1 of the race *barbatulus* at Gulf Breeze 29 Apr (B. Duncan); 1 at SGI 29 Apr (S. Jue, F. Rutkovsky); 3 at J. N. "Ding" Darling NWR 9 May (C. Ewell, W. Dirks).
- PURPLE MARTIN: "dozens" nesting in Cabbage Palm snags at OWP 9 May (C. Pierce).

- TREE SWALLOW: 50,000 at PPM 1 Mar (P. Fellers, S. Emerson, N. Fellers), and 20 there 14 May (P. Fellers).
- NORTHERN ROUGH-WINGED SWALLOW: 1 at SRSTF 10 Mar (G. Menk); 4 at Ochlockonee Bay (*Wakulla*) 11 Mar (G. Menk); 2 at Zellwood 16 Mar (H. Robinson); 2 pairs nested in a drainage pipe in a seawall at the Belleview Biltmore (*Pinellas*) 21 May-EOS (J. Fisher).
- BANK SWALLOW: 3 at Zellwood 30 Mar, 11 there 17 Apr, 21 there 1 May, and 1 there 22 May (all H. Robinson); 4 at Gainesville 1 May (M. Manetz); 4 at Newnans Lake 1 May (D. Beatty).
- CLIFF SWALLOW: 1 at Fort Walton Beach STF 3 Mar (P. Tetlow et al.); 1 at Zellwood 17 Apr, and 2 there 1 May (both H. Robinson); 1 at Gainesville 1 May (M. Manetz); 1 at Newnans Lake 1 May (T. Huctor).
- CAVE SWALLOW: 1 of the West Indian race at FDCP 25 Mar (L. Atherton, M. Gardler), and 1 (race undetermined) there 12 Apr (L. Atherton).
- BARN SWALLOW: 1 at Fort Walton Beach STF 3 Mar (P. Tetlow et al.); 1 at HISRA 12 Mar (P. Blair, W. Yusek); 5 at SRSTF 15 Mar (G. Menk et al.); 2200 at Zellwood 17 Apr, and 565 there 1 May (both H. Robinson); singles at Shell Key 27 May and HISRA 31 May (both P. Blair).
- HOUSE WREN: 3 at Zellwood 1 May, and 1 there 4 May (both H. Robinson); 1 at San Felasco Hammock State Preserve (*Alachua*) 8 May (J. Hintermister).
- WINTER WREN: 1 at Black Swamp (*Leon*) 18 Mar (G. Menk); 1 at Florida Caverns SP (*Jackson*) 27 Mar (P. Fellers et al.).
- SEDGE WREN: 1 at PPSP 9 May (M. Manetz); 1 at Shell Key 18 May (P. Blair, R. Paul).
- MARSH WREN: 31 singing at PPM 4 Apr (P. Timmer, C. Geanangel); 1 singing at Lake Jackson 8 May (G. Menk, K. Wensing); 2 at Zellwood 14 May (H. Robinson).
- BLUE-GRAY GNATCATCHER: 1 at Dunedin Hammock (*Pinellas*) 21 May (J. Fisher); 1 at DTNP 21 May (P. and P. Nistico).
- RUBY-CROWNED KINGLET: 2 at Swift Creek Middle School (*Leon*) 3 May (P. Conover).
- EASTERN BLUEBIRD: 1 female at HTBSRA 11 May was new to the park, and was believed to have been an arrival from the Bahamas (W. George).
- VEERY: 6 at FDCP 5 May (L. Atherton et al.).
- WOOD THRUSH: 1 that wintered at Melbourne Village (*Brevard*) remained through 26 Mar (B. and S. Hills); 1 at Alligator Point 28 Mar (J. Dozier); 1 at HISRA 13 Apr (W. Yusek) was the earliest of 4 in *Pinellas* this spring (*vide* R. Smith).
- AMERICAN ROBIN: up to 20 in N Pensacola in early May, and a nest with 2 nestlings there 10 May (D. Timmons, P. Tetlow et al.); 1 at Kendall 26 May (L. Manfredi).
- NORTHERN MOCKINGBIRD: 1 at Loggerhead Key, DTNP 25 Apr (P. Lehman, S. Finnegan et al.).
- BAHAMA MOCKINGBIRD: 1 at HTBSRA 10 May (B. LeRoy, W. George).
- COMMON MYNA: 2 pairs were nesting at Pompano Beach (*Broward*) 29 May (S. Epps).
- CEDAR WAXWING: 615 at Zellwood 6 Apr, 1000+ there 2 May, 570 there 4 May, and 3 there to 22 May (all H. Robinson, C. Pierce, C. Paine); 20 at Lake Wales (*Polk*) 15 May (T. Palmer).
- BLUE-WINGED WARBLER: 1 at Alexander Springs (*Marion*) 15 Apr (N. Sekera et al.); 1 at Cedar Key 16 Apr (T. Huctor); 6 in *Pinellas* this spring, all between 16-23 Apr (*vide* R. Smith); up to 2 at Sanibel Lighthouse Park (*Lee*) 17-20 Apr (H. Hamilton, D. Konz, C. Ewell et al.); 1 at Coquina Baywalk Park 22 Apr (L. Atherton et al.); 1 at Zellwood 26 Apr (H. Robinson); 1 at Newnans Lake 29 Apr (K. Johnson).
- GOLDEN-WINGED WARBLER: up to 3 at FDCP 16-22 Apr (*vide* R. Smith).
- VERMIVORA HYBRID: 1 "Brewster's Warbler" at Garden Key, DTNP 24 Apr (P. Lehman, S. Finnegan et al.).
- TENNESSEE WARBLER: 2 at Zellwood 17 Apr, and 1 there 1 May (both H. Robinson); 1 at SMNWR 18 Apr (D. Morrow).

- NASHVILLE WARBLER: 1 at Zellwood to 18 Mar (H. Robinson); 1 in SW *Polk* 25 Mar (E. Kwater); 1 at Gainesville 31 Mar (D. Wahl); 1 at SMNWR 10 Apr (B. and S. Donner).
- NORTHERN PARULA: 34 at FDCP 15 Mar, and 52 there 16 Mar (both L. Atherton).
- YELLOW WARBLER: 1 at Cedar Key 16 May (D. Henderson).
- MAGNOLIA WARBLER: 1 at Juniper Springs (*Marion*) 15 Apr (N. Sekera et al.); 5 at FDCP 5 May (M. Wilkinson).
- CAPE MAY WARBLER: 17 at Zellwood 17 Apr (H. Robinson); 10 at HISRA 23 Apr (W. Yusek).
- BLACK-THROATED BLUE WARBLER: 84 at Fort George Island (*Duval*) 1 May (R. Clark); 1 male at Cherokee Park, Sarasota 18 May (E. Miller).
- YELLOW-RUMPED WARBLER: 1 partially leucistic bird at PPSP 3 Mar had a white head with a yellow crown patch (B. Muschlitz et al.); 1 at DTNP to 29 Apr (P. Lehman, S. Finnegan et al.); 47 at Fort George Island 1 May (R. Clark); 1 at PPSP 2 May (T. Taylor); 2 in *Leon* 8 May (P. Conover).
- BLACK-THROATED GREEN WARBLER: 1 at FDCP 17-20 Mar (B. Ahern et al.).
- YELLOW-THROATED WARBLER: 15 in the Green Swamp (*Lake* and *Polk*) 8 May (P. Fellers).
- PRAIRIE WARBLER: 1 at SRSTF 23 Mar (G. Menk).
- PALM WARBLER: 1 at Tall Timbers Research Station 8 May (T. Engstrom); 2 at SGI 10 May (J. Dozier); 1 at HISRA 26 May (J. Fisher, K. Nelson)—all 3 reports were of the W race.
- BLACKPOLL WARBLER: 300+ seen and “1000s” estimated to have been present at Bill Baggs/Cape Florida SRA 1 May (J. Boyd et al.); 14 at Zellwood 1 and 10 May (both H. Robinson); 2 in *Leon* 8 May (P. Conover); 2 at Key Largo Hammocks State Botanical Site (*Monroe*) 28 May (B. Paxson).
- CERULEAN WARBLER: 1 at Cedar Key 16 Apr (T. Hctor); up to 3 at FDCP 16-20 Apr (L. Atherton et al.); at least 6 (3 females and 3 males) at SGI (D. Jue, J. Cavanagh); singles at Sanibel Lighthouse Park 17-18 Apr (D. Konz) and 20 Apr (C. Ewell); 1 at DTNP 20 Apr (P. Lehman, S. Finnegan et al.); 1 at San Felasco Hammock State Preserve 30 Apr (J. Krummrich); 1 at Zellwood 10 May (H. Robinson).
- BLACK-AND-WHITE WARBLER: 16 at FDCP 15 Mar (L. Atherton); 1 at Zellwood 10 May (H. Robinson).
- AMERICAN REDSTART: 1 that wintered at Gainesville remained to 11 Apr (M. Manetz); 1 immature male that wintered at Melbourne Village arrived 11 Oct and remained to 3 May (B. and S. Hills); 76 at Fort George Island 1 May (R. Clark).
- PROTHONOTARY WARBLER: 1 at FDCP 15 Mar (I. Hernandez); 1 at Zellwood 18 Mar (H. Robinson).
- SWAINSON'S WARBLER: 1 at FDCP 16-23 Apr (L. Atherton, B. Ahern et al.); 1 at Bonner Park, Largo 18-22 Apr (J. Fisher); 1 at DTNP 20-21 Apr (P. Lehman, S. Finnegan et al.); 1 at Coquina Baywalk Park 21-22 Apr (J. Bouton et al.); 1 at Largo Narrows Park 22 Apr (J. Fisher); 1 at Cedar Key 23 Apr (D. Henderson); 1 at HTBSRA 1 May (M. Stickell), and 2 there 12 May (M. Stickell, R. MacGregor).
- OVENBIRD: 1 at Tallahassee 27 Mar (K. MacVicar); 107 at Fort George Island 1 May (R. Clark).
- NORTHERN WATERTHRUSH: 2 at Seminole Ranch Conservation Area 13 Mar (*vide* L. Malo); 1 at Zellwood to 18 May (H. Robinson).
- LOUISIANA WATERTHRUSH: 1 at Zellwood 11 Mar (H. Robinson); 4 at FDCP 15 Mar, and 5 there 16 Mar (both L. Atherton); 1 at Bartow (*Polk*) 27 Mar (T. Palmer); 1 at Key West 18 Apr (P. Lehman, S. Finnegan et al.).
- KENTUCKY WARBLER: 1 at Zellwood 14 Apr (H. Robinson); 7 in *Pinellas* this spring (*vide* R. Smith), including 5 at FDCP 16 Apr (L. Atherton).
- CONNECTICUT WARBLER: up to 5 singles at Turkey Creek Sanctuary (*Brevard*) 26 Apr-14 May (B. and S. Hills); 1 at Fort Lauderdale 1 May (M. Stickell), 3 there 14 May (L. Manfredi), and 1 there 16 May (W. George); 1 at SGI 8 May (J. Cavanagh, J. La-

- Via); 1 at Bellair Beach 8 May, to Suncoast Seabird Sanctuary, released 10 May (*vide* R. Smith); other singles in *Brevard* 10-11 May (B. and S. Hills) and 15 May (K. Rademaker).
- HOODED WARBLER: 1 at Seminole (*Pinellas*) 14 Mar (J. Fisher); 37 at FDCP 15 Mar, and 29 there 16 Mar (both L. Atherton); 1 at Zellwood 23 Mar (H. Robinson); 1 male singing at Chassahowitzka WMA (*Hernando*) 17 May-EOS (K. Wood et al.).
- WILSON'S WARBLER: 1 at PPSP 3 Mar (B. Zaremba); 1 male at FDCP 16 Apr (C. Black).
- YELLOW-BREASTED CHAT: 1 at Cape Canaveral Air Station (*Brevard*) 19 Mar (D. Novier); 1 at Zellwood 17 Apr (H. Robinson); 2 singing at Crystal River Buffer Preserve (*Citrus*) 20 Apr-EOS, and a third bird singing there 6 May (all A. and B. Hansen); 5 at Cedar Key Scrub State Reserve (*Levy*) 1-5 May (B. Muschlitz, M. Landsman, D. Beatty).
- SUMMER TANAGER: 1 at FDCP 16 Mar (C. Buhrman).
- SCARLET TANAGER: 2 at Tallahassee 16 Apr (F. Rutkovsky).
- WESTERN TANAGER: 1 male at Inverness (*Citrus*) 17-18 Mar (E. and M. Smith); 1 female at Lakes Park (*Lee*) remained to 1 Apr (N. Pettis et al.); 1 at SGI 15 Apr (M. Coker et al.).
- STRIPE-HEADED TANAGER: 1 adult black-backed male at Coquina Baywalk Park and environs (*Manatee*) 20 Apr-10 May (P. Shanler-Houston, B. Miles, A. Rawson et al., photos to FOC by B. Pranty) was the first Gulf Coast record; 1 black-backed male at Greynolds Park (*Miami-Dade*) 8 May (D. Dillman, W. Gilbert) was joined by another black-backed male and a female 9 May (D. Wright, M.E. Ahearn, K. Sarsfield et al.); 2 green-backed males at Grassy Key 16 May (R. and T. Rogers).
- EASTERN TOWHEE: 1 red-eyed bird at St. Marks NWR 28 May (J. Dozier).
- CLAY-COLORED SPARROW: 3 at Aurlantia (*Brevard*) 8 Mar (D. Stuckey, W. Frost, D. Novier); 1 at Talbot Island SP 28 Mar (R. Clark); 1 at Zellwood 23 Apr (H. Robinson).
- VESPER SPARROW: 1 at Zellwood 23 Apr (H. Robinson).
- LARK SPARROW: 1 at Zellwood 7 Mar (C. Pierce [photo to FOC], C. Paine); 1 at Sarasota (*Sarasota*) to 6 Apr (J. Carlock, photo to FOC); singles at Loggerhead Key, DTNP 17-21 Apr (R. Webb, P. Lehman, S. Finnegan et al.) and Garden Key, DTNP 29 Apr (P. Lehman, S. Finnegan et al.).
- SAVANNAH SPARROW: 1 at Zellwood to 7 May (H. Robinson).
- GRASSHOPPER SPARROW: 5 at Zellwood 7 Mar (C. Pierce, C. Paine), and 1 there to 31 May (H. Robinson); 1 at DTNP 20 Apr (P. Lehman, S. Finnegan et al.); 1 at FDCP 23 Apr (L. Atherton, C. Buhrman).
- LINCOLN'S SPARROW: 2 at Zellwood 7 Mar (C. Pierce, C. Paine); 1 at Garden Key, DTNP 9-10 May (W. Biggs, G. Basili, B. Pranty et al.).
- SWAMP SPARROW: 1 at SMNWR 3 May (J. Dozier); 1 at Zellwood to 4 May (H. Robinson); 1 at Weekiwachee Preserve (*Hernando*) 15 May (A. and B. Hansen).
- WHITE-CROWNED SPARROW: 3 at Zellwood to 4 May (H. Robinson).
- ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK: 1 at Gainesville 11-26 Mar (L. Fitzgerald).
- BLUE GROSBEAK: up to 17 males singing at Zellwood through the season (H. Robinson).
- INDIGO BUNTING: 1 male at Bald Point 24 Mar (J. Dozier); 1 male at Black Swamp 26 Mar (D. Harder); 50 at FDCP 16 Apr (L. Atherton, A. and B. Hansen), and 100 there 22 Apr (M. Wilkinson); up to 6 males singing at Zellwood through the season (H. Robinson).
- PAINTED BUNTING: 9 at Zellwood 7 Mar (C. Pierce, C. Paine), and up to 3 first-year males singing there 18 May-EOS (H. Robinson); 1 male and 1 female at Bald Point 15 Apr (J. Dozier); 1 male at Spring Hill 15-17 Apr (C. Schleh); 3 at HISRA 23 Apr (W. Yusek), and 4 there 25 Apr (D. and R. Seals); 1 female at FDCP 1 May (R. and A. Smith); 1 adult male at OWP 12 May (J. Clifton).
- DICKCISSEL: singles at SGI 21 Mar and 28 Apr (both M. Coker); 1 at Garden Key, DTNP 29 Apr (J. Boyd et al.); 2 (male and female) at Zellwood 31 May (H. Robinson).
- BOBOLINK: 75 at FDCP 23 Apr (L. Atherton, C. Buhrman); 2 at Crystal River Buffer Preserve 23 Apr (M. Gardler, T. Rogers); 400 at Emerald Marsh Conservation Area

- (*Lake*) 24 Apr (*vide* J. Marburger); 1600 at Zellwood 26 Apr, 3120 there 1 May, 1920 there 4 May, and 15 there to 18 May (all H. Robinson); 2000 E of Sarasota 4 May (J. Carlock, E. Miller); 445 at PPM 8 May (P. Timmer); 4 females at APAFR (*Highlands*) 19 May (B. Pranty); 2 at SRSTF 25 May (G. Menk); 1 at Alligator Point 28 May (J. Dozier).
- YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD: 3 at Zellwood to 19 Mar, and 2 there to 1 Apr (both H. Robinson).
- RUSTY BLACKBIRD: 1 male at Black Swamp 26 Mar (D. Harder); 4 along I-75 (*Hamilton*) 30 Mar (K. Knight); 8 remained at Micanopy to 6 Apr (R. Rowan, A. Prather).
- SHINY COWBIRD: up to 14 at Key West 14 Mar-EOS (J. Ondrejko); 1 at SGI 21 Mar (P. Conover); 1 at Seminole 13 Apr (J. Fisher); 7 at DTNP 27-29 Apr (P. Lehman, S. Finnegan et al.), and 3 there 10 May (W. Biggs et al.); 1 male and 1 female at Bald Point 29 Apr (J. Dozier); 1 at Cedar Key 29 Apr-EOS (D. Henderson, R. Rowan); 1 at Fort George Island 13-30 May (R. Clark); 1 at Gulf Breeze 14 May was the 16th local report since the first in 1990 (B. Duncan); 10 (4 males and 6 females) at Flamingo Campground, ENP (*Monroe*) 22 May (J. Boyd).
- BRONZED COWBIRD: up to 5 at Lakeland to 28 Mar (*vide* D. and H. Hull).
- BROWN-HEADED COWBIRD: 1 male at Key West 12-17 Apr, and 1 male and 2 females there 3-14 May (both J. Ondrejko).
- ORCHARD ORIOLE: 1 first-year male singing at Zellwood 25 May-EOS (H. Robinson).
- HOUSE FINCH: 1 male at Sarasota 15 Feb was joined by a female 9 Mar-EOS (B. Frey); 2 (1 immature) in downtown Jacksonville 24-26 Apr (P. Anderson); 1 pair nested unsuccessfully at Lakeland 10 May-8 Jun (B. Haddad, video).
- AMERICAN GOLDFINCH: 1 at Monticello (*Jefferson*) 13 May (R. Atchison); 1 at Tallahassee 15 May (D. and S. Jue).
- HOUSE SPARROW: 1 female at Avon Park Air Force Range (*Highlands*) through the season (B. Pranty, H. Lovell).

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Correction to Fall 1998 report: the Yellow-bellied Flycatcher found by Kris Nelson and Judy Fisher 12 Sep was at Dunedin Hammock Park, not Bonner Park.

Winter 1998-1999 reports not published previously: Great Cormorant: 1 immature at Fort Clinch SP (*Nassau*) 13 Feb (Andy Kratter); Lesser Black-backed Gull: 6 at Little Estero Lagoon (*Lee*) 26 Feb (Charlie Ewell); Gull-billed Tern: 1 at Green Key Park 28 Feb (Ken Tracey, photo to FOC) was the first for *Pasco* (*fide* Bill Pranty); Palm Warbler: 1 partially leucistic bird at the Richloam Fish Hatchery (*Sumter*) 6 Feb (Dave Goodwin, Bill Pranty, Rita Grant).

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