

FIELD OBSERVATIONS

Winter Report: December 2004-February 2005.—This report consists of significant bird observations compiled by the Field Observations Committee (FOC). Submissions to the FOC should be in the following format: species, number of individuals, age and sex of the bird(s), color morph if applicable, location (including county), date, observer(s), and significance. Seasons are winter (December-February), spring (March-May), summer (June-July), and fall (August-November). Submit observations to regional compilers within two weeks after the close of each season, or to the state compiler within one month. Addresses of the compilers are found at the end of this report. We greatly prefer observations sent via e-mail.

Sight-only observations are considered "reports" while only those supported by verifiable evidence (photographs, video or audio tapes, or specimens) are called "records." Species for which documentation is required by the FOS Records Committee (FOSRC; Bowman 2000, *Fla. Field Nat.* 28: 149-160) are marked here with an asterisk (*). A county designation (*in italics*) accompanies the first-time listing of each site in this report. Abbreviations in this report are: CP = county park, EOS = end of season, NP = national park, NWR = national wildlife refuge, RA = restoration area, SP = SP, SRA = state recreation area, STF = sewage treatment facility, and N, S, E, W etc., for compass directions. Bold-faced species denote birds newly reported or verified in Florida, or record counts.

SUMMARY OF THE WINTER SEASON

It was a relatively mild winter, and an invasion year for many winter irruptive species, especially Cedar Waxwing, American Robin, and American Goldfinch, but also including Purple Finch. FOSRC rarities reported this season were Eurasian Green-winged Teal at Gainesville and Sanibel Island, White-faced Ibis near Gainesville, Iceland Gull at Fort Lauderdale, Atlantic Puffin picked up at St. Augustine, Allen's Hummingbird banded at Tallahassee, MacGillivray's Warbler at Boynton Beach, and Golden-crowned Sparrow at Lake Apopka. Other rarities included record counts of Lesser Black-backed Gulls and Lesser Nighthawks in Florida. For the most part, Christmas Bird Count reports are not included here.

SPECIES ACCOUNTS

- BLACK-BELLIED WHISTLING-DUCK: 52 at *Polk* phosphate mines 11 Dec (P. Timmer); 73 on the Gainesville CBC 19 Dec (*vide* J. Hintermister); 185 at Lake Apopka RA (*Orange*) 6 Jan (H. Robinson); 4 wintered at Wakodahatchee Wetlands (*Palm Beach*; *vide* J. Boyd).
- FULVOUS WHISTLING-DUCK: 2 at a *Polk* mine 11 Dec had grown to 30 by 17 Jan (P. Timmer, C. Geanangel); 240 at Lake Apopka RA 9 Jan (H. Robinson).
- GREATER WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE: 1 at Merritt Island NWR 20 Dec (B. Salter, photo to FOC); 14 at Kanapaha Prairie (*Alachua*) 7-11 Jan (M. Spalding); 2 at Springhill Road STF (*Leon*) 27 Jan, with 1 to 28 Feb (G. Menk et al.); 1 at Gainesville 13 Feb-EOS (R. Rowan et al.).
- SNOW GOOSE: 8 at *Hamilton* phosphate mines 18 Dec (S. Collins, J. Krummrich et al.); 1 at Kanapaha Prairie 19 Dec (R. Rowan et al.); 3 at Weeki Wachee (*Hernando*) 21-23 Dec (M. Gardler); 3 at Lake Apopka RA 30 Dec (H. Robinson).
- GADWALL: 200 at *Polk* mines 10 Feb (P. Fellers et al.).
- EURASIAN WIGEON: 1 at Eagle Lakes Park, Naples (*Collier*) 29 Nov, and 2 there intermittently 2 Dec-EOS (D. Sutor et al., photos to FOC by C. Ewell); 1 at Hague (*Alachua*)

- 22-29 Dec (P. Burns, P. Laipis et al.); 1 male at Quarantine Island (*Duval*) 26 Dec (B. Richter); 1 male at Merritt Island NWR 28 Dec (D. Click).
- AMERICAN BLACK DUCK: 1 at Merritt Island NWR 28 Dec (D. Click).
- MOTTLED DUCK: 72 at Eagle Lakes Park 2 Dec (D. Suitor).
- CINNAMON TEAL: 1 male at St. Marks NWR (*Wakulla*) 22-26 Jan (M. Berney, photo to FOC).
- GREEN-WINGED TEAL: up to 4500 at *Polk mines* 21 Jan-10 Feb (P. Fellers et al.).
- “EURASIAN GREEN-WINGED TEAL”** (*Anas c. crecca*): 1 drake at J.N. “Ding” Darling NWR 6 Feb (G. Papp et al., photo to FOC by L. Stokes); 1 drake at Gainesville 15 Feb-EOS (P. Burns et al., photos to FOC by S. Collins).
- CANVASBACK: 8 at Lake City (*Columbia*) 15 Dec (J. Krummrich, B. Christensen et al.); 9 at *Polk mines* 17 Jan (P. Timmer, C. Geanangel).
- GREATER SCAUP: 3 at *Polk mines* 25 Feb (P. Fellers).
- SURF SCOTER: 1 female near Kennedy Point Park (*Brevard*) 20 Jan (M. Berney, R. MacGregor).
- WHITE-WINGED SCOTER: 1 off Shell Key Preserve (*Pinellas*) 19 Dec (M. Abrams); ca. 50 flew N past Fort Clinch SP 19 Feb (B. Bergstrom).
- LONG-TAILED DUCK: 2 on the Port St. Joe CBC (*Gulf*) 29 Dec (B. Steadman).
- BUFFLEHEAD: 11 at Lake Apopka RA 16 Dec (H. Robinson); 1 female at Punta Gorda (*Charlotte*) 10 Dec (J. Bouton, photo to FOC); 6 at *Polk mines* 11 Dec (P. Timmer); 1 female on a small farm pond in W *Jefferson* 21 Jan (G. Menk).
- COMMON GOLDENEYE: 15 at Fort Island Gulf Beach (*Citrus*) 16 Jan (M. Gardler); 1 female at Viera Wetlands (*Brevard*) 19 Jan (M. Berney, R. MacGregor); 1 female at S Lakeland (*Polk*) 8-18 Jan (B. and F. Henry et al.).
- RED-BREASTED MERGANSER: 1 at Gainesville 15 Dec (H. Warren, E. Chen); single males at Tallahassee 4 and 10 Feb (G. Menk).
- RUDDY DUCK: 23,000 at Lake Apopka 20 Dec (H. Robinson).
- RED-THROATED LOON: 1 at St. Marks NWR (*Wakulla*) 15 Jan (P. Bithorn et al.); 1 at Playalinda Beach, Canaveral National Seashore (*Brevard*) 12 Feb (P. Fellers et al.).
- PACIFIC LOON: 1 at Alligator Point (*Franklin*) 15 Jan (P. Bithorn et al.).
- EARED GREBE: 1 at Lake Apopka RA 1 Dec (H. Robinson); 2 at *Polk mines* 11 Dec-10 Feb (P. Timmer, P. Fellers); 3 at *Hamilton mines* 18 Dec (J. Krummrich, S. Collins).
- AMERICAN WHITE PELICAN: up to 41 at Gainesville 2 Dec-5 Feb (H. Adams, R. Rowan et al.).
- BROWN PELICAN: 1 nearly wholly leucistic bird S of Marco Island (*Collier*) 10 Jan (Beverly Anderson); 1 at Piney Z Lake (*Leon*) 13 Jan (G. Menk) may have been the same individual discovered there 21 Jul 2004 (R. Lengacher); 2 adults and 8 immatures at Saddle Creek Park (*Polk*) 17 Jan (B. and L. Cooper); 1 at Newnans Lake 30 Jan (B. Enneis, B. Carroll); 3 at Lake Apopka RA 8 Feb (H. Robinson).
- ANHINGA: 148 at Lake Apopka RA 23 Feb (H. Robinson).
- AMERICAN BITTERN: 15 on Lake Hancock (*Polk*) 18 Dec (T. Palmer).
- LEAST BITTERN: 1 at St. Vincent Island NWR (*Franklin*) 18 Jan (T. Lewis).
- GREAT BLUE HERON: 1 caught a large rat at Lake Apopka RA 30 Jan (J. Tucker, B. Pranty et al.).
- “GREAT WHITE HERON.” 1 at Longboat Key (*Sarasota*) 28 Jan and 15 Feb (J. Ginaven).
- GREAT EGRET: 2390 at Lake Apopka RA 5 Dec (H. Robinson).
- SNOWY EGRET: 2145 at Lake Apopka RA 5 Dec (H. Robinson).
- LITTLE BLUE HERON: 735 at Lake Apopka RA 1 Dec (H. Robinson).
- REDDISH EGRET: 1 wintered at Fernandina Beach (*Nassau*) (P. Leary).
- CATTLE EGRET: 50 in N *Jefferson* 24 Dec (R. Atchison); 2 at Springhill Road STF 22 Feb (G. Menk).
- YELLOW-CROWNED NIGHT-HERON: 2 at Paynes Prairie Preserve SP (*Alachua*) 19 Dec (J. Hintermister).
- GLOSSY IBIS: 3825 at Lake Apopka RA 1 Dec (H. Robinson); 5 at Lake Jackson (*Leon*) 19 Feb (*vide* M. Hill).

- SACRED IBIS: 1 at Water Conservation Area 3B (*Miami-Dade*) 26 Feb (P. Bithorn et al.).
- *WHITE-FACED IBIS: 1 at Kanapaha Prairie 19-21 Dec (R. Rowan, J. Hintermister et al.).
- ROSEATE SPOONBILL: 24 at *Polk* mines 27 Feb (P. Timmer, C. Geanangel) was highest-ever total for the county; 11 at Circle B Bar Reserve (*Polk*) 19 Feb (B. and L. Cooper).
- SWALLOW-TAILED KITE: 1 at Sarasota 12 Feb (M. Leggett); 4 at Alligator Point (*Franklin*) 26 Feb (J. Murphy); 4 in central *Pasco* 28 Feb (K. Tracey).
- WHITE-TAILED KITE: 1 at Kissimmee Prairie Preserve SP (*Okeechobee*) 2 Feb was first report there since summer 2004 (P. Miller); 1 near Fort Green (*Polk*) 11 Dec-29 Jan (P. Timmer, P. Fellers et al.) furnished the first for the county.
- SNAIL KITE: 1 immature at Babcock-Webb WMA (Charlotte) 10 Jan (C. Ewell et al.).
- MISSISSIPPI KITE: 1 at Gainesville 27 Feb (L. Hensley).
- NORTHERN HARRIER: 305 at Lake Apopka RA 12 Dec (H. Robinson).
- GREAT BLACK-HAWK: 1 at Virginia Key (*Miami-Dade*) 18 Dec (R. Diaz).
- BROAD-WINGED HAWK: 1 at a *Polk* mine 21 Jan (P. Fellers, D. Brooke); 2 immatures wintered at Bill Baggs Cape Florida SP (*Miami-Dade*; R. Diaz).
- SHORT-TAILED HAWK: 1 dark morph at Port Richey (*Pasco*) 1 Dec (K. Tracey); 2 (1 dark and 1 light morph) at Lake Trafford (*Collier*) 18 Dec (T. Doyle, K. O'Reilly-Doyle); 2 (1 dark and 1 light morph) at Saddle Creek Park 17 Jan (B. and L. Cooper); 1 dark morph at Homeland (*Polk*) 10 Feb (P. Fellers et al.); 1 at Lake Norris Conservation Area (*Lake*) 26 Feb (J. Bryan, P. Bowen).
- GOLDEN EAGLE: 1 at Avon Park AFR (*Highlands*) 15 Dec (G. Woolfenden).
- CRESTED CARACARA: 1 at Orlando Wetlands Park (*Orange*) 22 Jan (B. Siculo); 1 near Fort Meade (*Polk*) 19 Feb (T. Palmer).
- BLACK RAIL: 1 at *Okaloosa* Landfill 17 Dec (D. Ware).
- YELLOW RAIL: 1 at Weekiwachee Preserve (*Hernando*) 13 Dec (M. Gardler).
- VIRGINIA RAIL: 9 at Lake Apopka RA 16 Feb (H. Robinson).
- PURPLE SWAMPHEN: 1 at Marsh Trail, Loxahatchee NWR (*Palm Beach*) 29 Jan (K. Walters, photos to FOC).
- PURPLE GALLINULE: 1 or more adults and juveniles at St. Marks NWR 27 Dec-17 Jan (*vide* G. Menk).
- LIMPKIN: 2 at Lake Munson (*Leon*) 15 Dec (M. Hill).
- SANDHILL CRANE: 4 over Fort De Soto 16 Dec provided the first park report (L. Atherton); 2 over Tallahassee 26 Dec (M. Collins, G. Menk); 369 at Peace Creek near Lake Wales 1 Jan (T. Palmer).
- SNOWY PLOVER: 1 at Huguenot Memorial Park (*Duval*) 26 Dec (P. Powell).
- SEMPALMATED PLOVER: 19 at *Polk* mines 25 Feb (P. Fellers).
- PIPING PLOVER: 42 (6 banded) wintered at Crandon Beach (*Miami-Dade*; R. Diaz).
- BLACK-NECKED STILT: 5 at Quarantine Island 26 Dec (B. Richter); up to 3 at St. Marks NWR 1 Jan-5 Feb (E. Woodruff et al.); 44 at *Polk* mines 27 Feb (P. Timmer, C. Geanangel).
- AMERICAN AVOCET: 20 at *Hamilton* mines 18 Dec (J. Krummrich, S. Collins et al.); 270 at Quarantine Island 26 Dec (B. Richter); 1 at Alligator Point 1 Jan (J. Murphy); 416 at *Polk* mines 25 Feb (P. Fellers).
- SOLITARY SANDPIPER: 1 at Hagué 20 Dec (S. Collins, E. Scales).
- WILLET: 1 at Gainesville to 19 Dec (S. Collins et al.).
- LONG-BILLED CURLEW: 2 at Cedar Key 6 Dec (J. Hintermister, P. Laipis); 1 at Bunche Beach, Fort Myers (*Lee*) 19 Dec-EOS (A. Menk, C. Ewell et al.); 1 at Tigertail Beach, Marco Island (*Collier*) 16 Feb (T. Rodriguez).
- RED KNOT: 120 along the *Pasco* coast 26 Feb (K. Tracey).
- WESTERN SANDPIPER: 7 at *Hamilton* mines 18 Dec (J. Krummrich, S. Collins et al.).
- LEAST SANDPIPER: 4755 at *Polk* mines 11 Dec (P. Timmer).
- PURPLE SANDPIPER: 1 at Fort De Soto Park 7-12 Dec was the first for the park (L. Atherton et al.).

- DUNLIN: up to 19 at Gainesville 4 Dec-EOS (S. Collins, J. Hintermister et al.); 6 at *Polk* mines 23 Jan (P. Timmer, C. Geanangel); 2000 at Merritt Island NWR (*Brevard*) 19 Feb (P. Fellers et al.).
- STILT SANDPIPER: 6 at *Hamilton* mines 18 Dec (J. Krummrich, S. Collins et al.); 82 at *Polk* mines 10 Feb (P. Fellers et al.).
- LONG-BILLED DOWITCHER: 234 at *Polk* mines 25 Feb (P. Fellers et al.).
- WILSON'S SNIBE: 150 at Lake Miccosukee (*Jefferson*) 20 Feb (*vide* M. Hill).
- AMERICAN WOODCOCK: 1 at Bald Point (*Franklin*) 18 Dec (J. Dozier et al.).
- RED PHALAROPE: 2 off *Flagler* 5 Dec (J. Hintermister, B. Wallace); 18 at Cape San Blas (*Gulf*) 29 Dec (B. Steadman).
- POMARINE JAEGER: 1 at Alligator Point 4 Dec (J. Dozier et al.).
- RING-BILLED GULL: 18,000 at Lake Apopka RA 8 Feb (H. Robinson).
- HERRING GULL: 6 at Lake Parker, Lakeland 17 Jan (B. and L. Cooper); 1800 at Passage Key NWR 24 Feb (M. Abrams, S. Crawford et al.).
- *ICELAND GULL: 1 first-winter at Lake Emerald, Fort Lauderdale 26 Feb (K. Rosenberg, photos to FOC).
- LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL: 1 first-winter at Pine Island Park (*Hernando*) 26 Dec-4 Jan (M. Gardler); 175 counted and **500** (!) estimated at Lake Emerald 26 Feb (E. and K. Rosenberg); 7, including 2 adult *intermedius* wintered at Crandon Beach (R. Diaz, photos to FOC).
- GLAUCOUS GULL: 1 first-winter at Smyrna Dunes Park (*Volusia*) 21 Dec (B. Wallace, photo to FOC); 1 first-winter at Fort Clinch SP (*Nassau*) 16 Jan (P. Leary); 1 first-winter at Huguenot Park 4 Feb (R. Clark); 1 first-winter at Black Point Park (*Miami-Dade*) 13-19 Feb (M. Padura et al., photo to FOC by J. Weber).
- GREAT BLACK-BACKED GULL: 4 (2 adults) wintered at Key Biscayne (*Miami-Dade*; R. Diaz).
- BLACK-LEGGED KITTIWAKE: 1 adult at Fort Clinch SP 19 Feb (B. Bergstrom).
- GULL-BILLED TERN: 2 at *Polk* phosphate mines 11 Dec (P. Timmer).
- CASPIAN TERN: 31 at Lake Mirror, Lakeland 22 Feb (T. Palmer).
- ROYAL TERN: 1 at Lake Apopka RA 2 Feb (H. Robinson); 2 at *Polk* mines 13 Feb (P. Timmer, C. Geanangel).
- COMMON TERN: 1 on the Lower Keys CBC (*Monroe*) 18 Dec (B. Mulrooney).
- BLACK SKIMMER: 26 wintered at Lake Mirror (T. Palmer).
- *ATLANTIC PUFFIN: 1 juvenile at St. Augustine Beach (*St. Johns*) 22 Dec was taken to a local wildlife rehabilitator (M. Cunningham, photo published in *St. Augustine Record* to FOC).
- WHITE-WINGED DOVE: up to 7 wintered at Cedar Key (D. Henderson).
- COMMON GROUND-DOVE: an active nest at Avon Park Air Force Range (*Polk*) 9 Dec (K. Olsen).
- BLACK-HOODED PARAKEET: 76 at Tarpon Springs (*Pinellas*) 16 Dec (K. Tracey); 200 at St. Petersburg 17 Dec (L. Snyder); 122 at S St. Petersburg, then 200 more at Gulfport Marina (*Pinellas*) 8 Jan (R. Smith).
- MONK PARAKEET: 82 at Tarpon Springs 16 Dec (K. Tracey).
- BLUE-CROWNED PARAKEET: 24 at St. Petersburg 17 Dec (L. Snyder); 6 at Melbourne Beach in Jan-Feb (*vide* B. Pranty).
- SMOOTH-BILLED ANI: 1 at Auburndale (*Polk*) in late Dec (H. Browning).
- GROOVE-BILLED ANI: up to 6 (6 Feb) at Lake Apopka RA to 6 Feb (H. Robinson et al., video to FOC by B. Pranty); 1 at Fort Lauderdale airport 8 Feb-EOS (L. Manfredi).
- SHORT-EARED OWL: 1 at Celery Fields, Sarasota (*Sarasota*) 8 Jan-15 Feb (J. Palmer et al.); 7 at Lake Apopka RA 9 Jan (H. Robinson).
- LESSER NIGHTHAWK: 1 at Lake Apopka RA 5 Dec (H. Robinson); 5 at Research Rd, ENP 15 Dec (R. Diaz); 3 at Alligator Point 18 Dec (J. Dozier et al.); up to **75-100** at Frog Pond WMA 7 Dec-EOS (P. Willoughby, L. Manfredi et al.).
- NIGHTHAWK SPECIES: 1 at St. George Island (*Franklin*) 1 Dec (T. Lewis); 1 at Kissimmee Prairie Preserve 4 Dec (P. Miller).
- WHIP-POOR-WILL: 3 heard singing at Kissimmee Prairie Preserve 20 Feb (P. Miller).

- BUFF-BELLIED HUMMINGBIRD: 1 female at Tallahassee in mid-Dec (*vide* J. Cox); 1 wintered at Gainesville (H. Bellot et al., photos to FOC by B. Tekin).
- RUBY-THROATED HUMMINGBIRD: 7 banded at Tallahassee 12 Dec-17 Jan (F. Bassett); 3 banded at one Valrico yard 18 Jan (F. Bassett, S. Backes).
- BLACK-CHINNED HUMMINGBIRD: 5 banded at Tallahassee 12 Dec-17 Jan (F. Bassett); 2 banded at a Valrico yard 18 Jan, and another banded there 19 Jan (F. Bassett, S. Backes); 1 at Lakeland feeder 18 Jan (J. Misiaszek, banded by F. Bassett) represented the first for *Polk*.
- RUFIOUS HUMMINGBIRD: 17 banded at Tallahassee 12 Dec-17 Jan (F. Bassett); 1 captured at a Valrico yard 19 Jan was originally banded there in Nov 2003 (F. Bassett, S. Backes).
- *ALLEN'S HUMMINGBIRD: 1 female at Tallahassee 18 Dec (J. and P. Armstrong, banded by F. Bassett).
- LEAST FLYCATCHER: 1 at *Hamilton* mines 18 Dec (J. Krummrich, S. Collins); 1 at Branford (*Suwannee*) 27 Dec (R. Rowan); up to 8 (6 Jan) wintered at Lake Apopka RA (H. Robinson).
- VERMILION FLYCATCHER: 5 (none of these adult males) at St. Marks in Dec (T. Curtis et al.); 1 at Paynes Prairie 19 Dec (G. McDermott); 1 adult male at Mashers Island (*Wakulla*) 14 Jan (S. McCool); 1 adult male at Hickory Mound Impoundment (*Taylor*) 20 Jan (J. Cavanagh); 1 male at Circle B Bar Reserve 31 Jan (J. Walker) was the first *Polk* report; 1 wintered at Lake City (J. Krummrich et al.); 1 adult male wintered at Frog Pond WMA (*Miami-Dade*; J. Boyd et al.); 1 female wintered at Paurotis Pond, Everglades NP (*Miami-Dade*; J. Boyd et al.).
- ASH-THROATED FLYCATCHER: 1 at Alachua (*Alachua*) 1 Dec (P. Burns); 1 in mid-*Pinellas* 18 Jan-EOS (J. Fisher, I. Hernandez, photos to FOC); 1 S of Palm Bay (*Brevard*) 2 Jan (A. Bankert et al., photo to FOC); 1 at Paynes Prairie to 19 Feb (A. Kratter); up to 4 (30 Dec) wintered at Lake Apopka RA (H. Robinson).
- BROWN-CRESTED FLYCATCHER: 1 at Research Road, Everglades NP (*Miami-Dade*) 12 Dec (R. Diaz); 1 at Long Pine Key, Everglades NP (*Miami-Dade*) 29 Jan (J. Boyd et al.); 1 at Mosier Hammock, Everglades NP (*Miami-Dade*) 16 Jan (R. Diaz); 1 at Key Largo (*Monroe*) 16 Feb-EOS (B. Mulrooney, P. Bithorn); 1 wintered at Lake Apopka RA (H. Robinson, Bruce Anderson et al.).
- *CASSIN'S KINGBIRD: 1 E of Corkscrew Swamp (*Collier*) 18 Dec (T. Hince, details to FOC); 2 at Lake Apopka RA to 19 Jan (H. Robinson).
- WESTERN KINGBIRD: 1 at Alligator Point 6 Dec (J. Murphy); 1 at Ridge Manor (*Hernando*) 18 Dec (C. Black); 4 at Lakeland 18 Dec (P. Timmer et al.); 1 at Englewood (*Sarasota*) 28 Dec (M. Dunson); 8 near Bartow (*Polk*) 22 Jan (P. Fellers); 1 wintered in E *Polk* (J. DuBois et al.); up to 27 (12 Dec) wintered at Lake Apopka RA (H. Robinson).
- GRAY KINGBIRD: 1 at Alligator Point 6 Dec (J. Murphy); 2 at Lake Apopka NRA 21 Dec (D. and J. Kaminski).
- SCISSOR-TAILED FLYCATCHER: 1 at Alligator Point 17 Dec (J. Murphy); 1 fed on Brazilian Pepper 18 Dec (L. Atherton); 1 at Lakeland 18 Dec (P. Timmer et al.); 6 near Bartow 20 Dec-1 Jan (J. Langford); 2 S of Prairie Creek (*DeSoto*) 13 Feb (R. Smith); 4 wintered in E *Polk* (J. DuBois).
- BELL'S VIREO: 1 heard singing at Cape Florida 2 Feb (R. Diaz); 1 at Lake Apopka RA 16 Feb (H. Robinson).
- YELLOW-THROATED VIREO: 1 at Kanapaha Prairie 19 Dec (B. Enneis, B. Carroll); 1 at Naples (*Collier*) 2 Jan (T. Doyle, K. O'Reilly-Doyle).
- WARBLING VIREO: 1 at Merritt Island NWR 28 Dec (A. Vinokur, photo to FOC).
- PURPLE MARTIN: 3 immature males at Springhill Road STF 14 Jan (J. Morrill); 1 at Gainesville 14 Jan (M. Meisenburg); 1 male at St. Marks NWR 15 Jan (P. Bithorn et al.); 1 at Lake City 15 Jan (B. Christensen).
- CAVE SWALLOW: 2 at St. Marks 3-7 Feb were thought to be of the Mexican race (B. Richter, J. Dozier et al.).

- BARN SWALLOW: 1 at a *Polk* mine 11 Dec (P. Timmer); 1 at Kanapaha Prairie 19 Dec (L. Gordon, R. Rowan et al.); 1 at Quarantine Island 26 Dec (B. Richter); 1 immature at Tierra Verde (*Pinellas*) 30 Jan had a wide complete breast band (L. Atherton, photos to FOC); 4 at Lake Apopka RA 28 Feb (H. Robinson); 1 in mid-*Pinellas* 28 Feb (J. Fisher).
- TUFTED TITMOUSE: 1 at Miami 22 Feb (E. Lent); 1 wintered at A.D. Barnes Park (*Miami-Dade*; *fide* J. Boyd).
- RED-BREASTED NUTHATCH: 1 near the lighthouse at St. Marks NWR 12 Dec-26 Jan (T. Curtis, M. Berney); 1 at Wall Springs Park (*Pinellas*) 19 Dec (M. Korosy).
- BROWN CREEPER: 1 at O'Leno SP (*Alachua*) 12-28 Dec (J. Bryan, P. Burns et al.).
- WINTER WREN: 2 at River Rise Preserve SP (*Columbia*) 31 Dec-2 Jan (M. Manetz); 1 at St. Augustine (*St. Johns*) 10-17 Jan (J. Holstein); 1 at Black Swamp Nature Preserve (*Leon*) 28 Feb (R. Lengacher).
- GOLDEN-CROWNED KINGLET: 1 in E *Polk* 11 Jan (J. DuBois).
- HERMIT THRUSH: 2 at Sandy Key (*Monroe*) 22 Dec (B. Mulrooney).
- WOOD THRUSH: 1 at Little-Big Econ SF (*Seminole*) 26 Dec (S. Linney, details to FOC); 1 road-killed at Tallahassee 5 Feb (J. Cox, specimen to Tall Timbers Research Station).
- AMERICAN ROBIN: 53,000 (as many as >2000/min) roosted in mangroves at St. Petersburg 31 Jan (J. Ogden); 1000s at Cape Coral (*Lee*) 7-14 Feb—50 struck by cars over 48 hours along a 1.6-km stretch of Pelican Boulevard 9-10 Feb, attracted to fruiting Cabbage Palms (C. Ewell).
- SPRAGUE'S PIPIT: 1 at Apalachicola Airfield (*Franklin*) 19 Jan (T. Lewis).
- CEDAR WAXWING: 100s at Cape Coral 7-14 Feb (C. Ewell); 150 at Naples 28 Feb (D. Suito); 500 at Bartow 10 Feb (P. Fellers et al.); 35 at Key Largo 21 Feb was the largest sighting in the keys (B. Mulrooney); 1000 wintered at W Kendall (*Miami-Dade*; J. Boyd).
- BLUE-WINGED WARBLER: 1 at Fern Forest (*Broward*) 11 Dec-8 Feb (M. Berney [photo to FOC], L. Miller); 2 on the Gainesville CBC 19 Dec: 1 at Gum Root Park (G. Parks, M. Meisenburg) and another elsewhere (J. Ellis, S. Flamand).
- NASHVILLE WARBLER: 1 at Gainesville through 3 Dec (S. Collins, R. Norton et al.); 1 at Cape Florida 1-16 Dec (R. Diaz); 1 juvenile at New Port Richey 7 Dec (K. Tracey); 1 at Greynolds Park 18 Dec (J. Boyd); 1 at Easterlin Park (*Broward*) 3 Feb (M. Berney); 1 at West Kendall 15 Feb (J. Boyd); 1 at Fern Forest 26 Feb (M. Berney).
- NORTHERN PARULA: 37 at Cape Florida 28 Feb (R. Diaz).
- YELLOW WARBLER: 4 of the Cuban (Golden) race off Arsenicker Keys (*Miami-Dade*) 17 Dec (R. Diaz); 1 at Lakeland 18 Dec (P. Timmer et al.); 1 at Fort Walton Beach (*Ocala*) 20 Dec (J. Kowalsky); 1 at Paynes Prairie 31 Dec (A. Kratter); 2 at Wilbur-By-The-Sea (*Volusia*) 2 Jan (M. Meisenburg).
- CHESTNUT-SIDED WARBLER: 1 at Loxahatchee NWR (*Palm Beach*) 1 Jan (B. Hope).
- MAGNOLIA WARBLER: 1 juvenile at Sawgrass Lake Park (*Pinellas*) 3 Dec (E. Haney); 1 in mid-*Pinellas* 26 Jan (J. Fisher).
- BLACK-THROATED BLUE WARBLER: 1 male at Merritt Island NWR 20 Dec (D. Simpson et al., photo to FOC by A. Bankert); 1 female at Kelly Park (*Orange*) 23 Dec (W. Biggs); 1 female at Gainesville 5 Feb (A. Casella).
- YELLOW-RUMPED WARBLER: 1 "Audubon's" race at Lake Apopka RA 20 Feb (H. Robinson).
- BLACK-THROATED GRAY WARBLER: 1 at Seacrest Scrub Natural Area, Boynton (*Palm Beach*) 13 Jan-14 Feb (B. Hope et al., photo to FOC by M. Berney).
- PRAIRIE WARBLER: 1 wintered at St. Augustine (J. Holstein).
- AMERICAN REDSTART: 1 at San Felasco Hammock Preserve SP (*Alachua*) 3 Dec (P. Burns); 1 at Gainesville 19 Dec (S. Robinson, K. Miller); 1 at Mead Gardens, Orlando 27 Dec (A. Vinokur).
- OVENBIRD: 1 wintered at a Jacksonville yard (J. Cocke).
- NORTHERN WATERTHRUSH: 1 at N Jacksonville 26 Dec (R. Clark); 2 at Hague (*Alachua*) 9 Jan (M. Manetz, A. Kent); 1 at St. Petersburg 7 Feb (J. King); 2 wintered at Paynes Prairie (J. Hintermister et al.).

- LOUISIANA WATERTHRUSH: 1 at West Lake, Everglades NP (*Miami-Dade*) 4 Dec (J. Boyd); 1 at Royal Palm, Everglades NP (*Miami-Dade*) 16 Jan (R. Diaz); 1 at Greynolds Park (*Miami-Dade*) 18 Dec (J. Boyd); 1 at Alligator Point 12-13 Feb (J. Murphy, J. Dozier); 1 at Florida International University (*Miami-Dade*) 20 Feb (J. Boyd); 1 at San Felasco Hammock 26 Feb (S. Collins); 1 wintered at Lake Apopka RA (H. Robinson).
- *MACGILLIVRAY'S WARBLER: 1 near Boynton Beach 2 Jan (B. Hope, details to FOC).
- HOODED WARBLER: 1 adult male wintered at Key Largo (B. Mulrooney).
- WILSON'S WARBLER: 1 female at Lake Trafford 8 Dec (T. Doyle, K. O'Reilly-Doyle); 1 at Paynes Prairie 19 Dec (M. Landsman et al.); 1 at Hague to 9 Jan (M. Manetz, A. Kent); 1 at Gainesville 16-29 Jan (D. Wahl) 2 at Lake Apopka RA 26 Jan (H. Robinson).
- YELLOW-BREASTED CHAT: 1 at Cape Florida 2 Dec (R. Diaz); 1 fed on cake (!) at a Jacksonville yard 11-14 Dec (J. Cocke); 1 at Paynes Prairie 19 Dec (G. McDermott et al.); 1 at Cedar Key Scrub Preserve SP (*Levy*) 30 Dec (B. Muschlitz); 2 at Frog Pond WMA (*Miami-Dade*) 8 Jan (M. Berney); 1 at Key Largo 16 Feb (B. Mulrooney).
- BANANAQUIT: 1 at Fort Lauderdale (*Broward*) 14-21 Jan (B. Mulrooney et al., photo to FOC by B. Wallace).
- SUMMER Tanager: 2 at St. Augustine 2-15 Dec. (J. Holstein); 1 banded adult male at Tallahassee 13 Dec was believed to be the same bird that wintered in the same yard last year, remaining to 13 Mar 2004 (P. Homann); 1 female at Odessa (*Pasco*) 2 Dec-9 Jan at least (G. Parsons, photos to FOC); 1 at Ocala (*Marion*) 4 Jan (J. Pope); other males at Tallahassee 16 Jan (D. Bryan) and 5 Feb (J. Walthold); 1 male at Babson Park (*Polk*) 28 Dec (B. Gordon); 4 wintered variously in *Alachua* (R. Rowan et al.).
- WESTERN Tanager: 1 male wintered at Tallahassee 3 Dec-EOS, with a second male there 8 Jan (F. Rutkovsky, D. and S. Jue, photo by F. Dietrich to FOC).
- WESTERN SPINDALIS: 1 female at Long Key SP (*Monroe*) 28 Dec-EOS (J. Bouton et al., photos to FOC); 1 green-backed male wintered at Indigenous Park, Key West (M. Hedden et al.).
- BACHMAN'S SPARROW: 1 at Lake Apopka RA 16 Jan furnished the first for the site (H. Robinson).
- CLAY-COLORED SPARROW: 1 at Fort George Island (*Duval*) 3 Dec (R. Clark); 1 at Key Largo 16 Feb-EOS (B. Mulrooney, P. Bithorn); up to 7 (30 Dec) wintered at Lake Apopka RA (H. Robinson).
- VESPER SPARROW: 2 at NW *Palm Beach* 30 Jan-3 Feb (M. Berney, B. Hope).
- LARK SPARROW: 1 at Lake Apopka RA 7 Dec (H. Robinson); 4 in E *Polk* 10 Dec (P. Fellers, D. Brooke); 1 at Hague 20 Dec-EOS (R. Rowan, G. McDermott et al.); 3 wintered at Larry and Penney Thompson Park (*Miami-Dade*; J. Boyd et al.).
- GRASSHOPPER SPARROW: 5 at Weekiwachee Preserve 6 Dec (M. Gardler); 7 at Inglis (*Levy*) 29 Dec (M. Gardler).
- HENSLOW'S SPARROW: 6 at St. Marks NWR 8 Jan (J. Hintermister).
- LE CONTE'S SPARROW: 1 at Inglis 29 Dec (M. Gardler).
- FOX SPARROW: 3 at O'Leno SP 10 Dec-8 Jan (P. Burns, J. Bryan et al.).
- SONG SPARROW: 1 off Government Road (*Hendry*) 27 Feb (M. Berney).
- LINCOLN'S SPARROW: 1 at Kissimmee Prairie Preserve 4 Dec (P. Miller); 1 at Southern Glades Wildlife and Environmental Area (*Miami-Dade*) 8 Dec (D. LaPuma).
- WHITE-THROATED SPARROW: 1 at Cape Florida 24 Dec (R. Diaz).
- WHITE-CROWNED SPARROW: 1 adult at a New Port Richey (*Pasco*) yard 17 Dec (K. Tracey); up to 22 (9 Jan) wintered at Lake Apopka RA (H. Robinson).
- *GOLDEN-CROWNED SPARROW: 1 adult at Lake Apopka NRA 6 Feb (T. Stevens).
- DARK-EYED JUNCO: 7 at Fort George Island 3 Dec (R. Clark); 1 at Tallahassee 17 Dec-29 Jan (A. Wraithmell); 4 at Gainesville 19 Dec (D. Beatty); 1 at Branford (*Suwannee*) 27 Dec (R. Rowan, B. Simons); 5 at an I-10 rest area (*Gadsden*) 25 Jan (M. Berney); 1 at Gainesville 15 Feb (P. Lanzillotti).

- LAPLAND LONGSPUR: 1 near Mahogany Hammock, Everglades NP 4 Dec (J. Boyd, photo to FOC).
- ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK: 1 female on the West Volusia CBC (*Volusia*) 18 Dec (R. Evan-son); 1 juvenile male on the St. Marks CBC (Wakulla) 19 Dec (M. Collins, R. Christen); 1 juvenile male at Long Key SP (*Monroe*) 28 Dec (J. Bouton et al., photos to FOC); 1 juvenile male near Triggers Road (*Highlands*) 29 Dec (D. Ferrell); 1 female wintered at Vero Beach (*Indian River*; A. Arrington, photo to FOC); 1 female at Frog Pond WMA 26 Feb (R. Diaz).
- BLUE GROSBEAK: 4 at Lake Apopka RA 1 Dec, and 1 wintered there (H. Robinson, A. Vinokur); 1 on the S side of Lake Istokpoga (*Highlands*) 29 Dec (L. Atherton et al.); 2 females at Fernandina Beach 5 Jan (P. Leary); 1 at Lake Jackson 22 Jan (G. Menk); 1 at Center Road (*Sarasota*) 15 Feb-EOS (L. Manfredi et al.).
- PAINTED BUNTING: 1 at Alachua 28 Dec-EOS (D. Werner); 1 male at Tallahassee 20 Feb (J. Downing); many wintered at feeders throughout *Polk* (*vide* L. Cooper).
- DICKCISSEL: 1 at Research Rd, Everglades NP 27 Feb (J. Boyd et al.).
- YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD: 1 at Cedar Key 23 Feb (T. Rodriguez); up to 3 SE of Naples 6 Feb-EOS (A. Murray et al.).
- RUSTY BLACKBIRD: 3 at St. Marks NWR 8 Jan (J. Hintermister); 10 at Lake City 17-19 Jan (J. Krummrich).
- BREWER'S BLACKBIRD: 20 in *Madison* 7 Jan (G. Menk).
- BRONZED COWBIRD: 28 wintered at Eagle Lakes Park, Naples (D. Suito et al.).
- BALTIMORE ORIOLE: 9 at Lake Alfred (*Polk*) 11 Dec (P. Timmer); 3 at Spring Hill (*Hernando*) 28 Jan-EOS (A. and E. Maywalt); 4 at Cedar Key 1-13 Feb (D. Henderson).
- PURPLE FINCH: up to 28 in Gainesville vicinity to 6 Feb (M. Drummond, R. Rowan et al.); 1 female at Tallahassee 3 Dec (F. Rutkovsky); 4 (1 male, 3 females) at Spring Hill 25 Dec-8 Jan (C. Black et al., photos to FOC by L. Atherton); up to 5 at Lake City 15 Jan-3 Feb (J. Krummrich, J. Ault et al.); 1 female at Monticello (*Jefferson*) 5 Feb (R. Atchison).
- HOUSE FINCH: 2 at Lake Apopka RA 5 Dec was the first for there (H. Robinson); 1 pair (with "yellow variant" male) at Valrico (*Hillsborough*) 27 Feb (S. Gross).
- PINE SISKIN: 4 at Gainesville variously 18 Dec-EOS (R. Rowan et al.); 1 at Alligator Point 1 Jan (J. Murphy); 1 at Spring Hill 3 Jan (A. and B. Hansen); 2 at Withlacoochee State Forest (*Citrus*) 12 Jan (M. Gardler); several at Tallahassee 15 Jan (P. Bithorn), and 3 or more wintered elsewhere in the city (F. Rutkovsky); 1 at Cedar Key 27 Jan-28 Feb (D. Henderson); 6 at Lake City 29 Jan-3 Feb (J. Ault, S. Collins).

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