

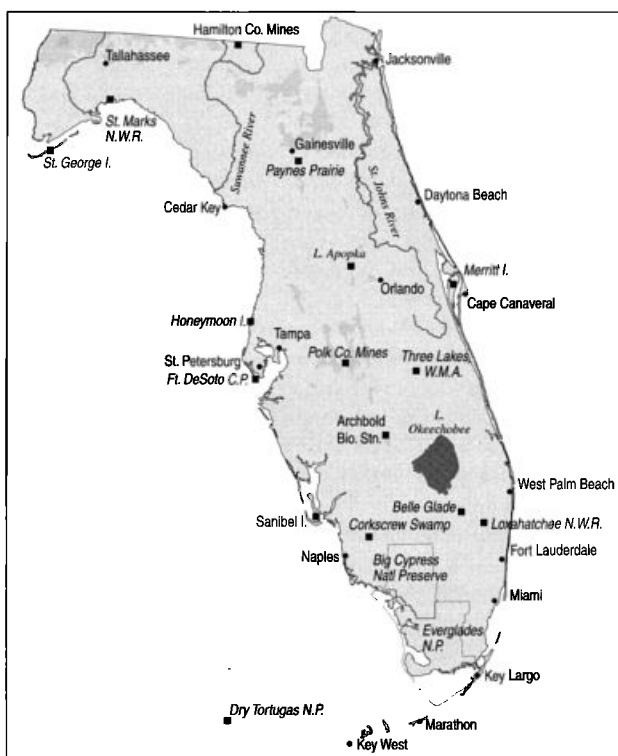
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were 1050 at Flamingo, E.N.P. 9 Nov (BR) and 1200 at Polk mines 24 Nov (CGe, PT, LAl). Twelve Magnificent Frigatebirds w. of L. Wales, Polk 14 Sep (TP) and one at Belle Glade, Palm Beach 16 Sep (CW, GH) probably were related to Gabrielle. Other frigatebirds were 4 over Alligator Pt., Franklin 5 Aug (JM) and 13 Oct (JM, GS) and one at Crescent Beach, St. Johns 7 Oct (GB). L. Apopka attracted an early American Bittern 22 Aug, a Reddish Egret 9 Sep, and up to 2 White-faced Ibis 4–11 Nov (HR). Forty-eight first-year Roseate Spoonbills were at Holiday, Pasco 19 Aug (KT, LT), and the Snake Bight, E.N.P. flock of Greater Flamingos peaked at 27 (BR).

Black-bellied Whistling-Ducks made a strong showing this fall, and many broods were observed, including several in the n. Peninsula. Five broods with 7–15 chicks each were in Alachua 9 Aug–9 Sep (WW, LG et al.), 3 ads. and 12 juvs. were at Viera, Brevard 26 Aug (BPa), broods of 2, 6, and 8 were at the Sarasota “Celery Fields” 8 Sep (LS), one pair and 12 chicks were at Emerald Marsh, Lake 15 Sep (PM), and one ad and 9 chicks were at Bartow, Polk 6 Oct (PF). The 63 whistling-ducks at Paynes Prairie, Alachua 10 Nov (RR) established the highest count for n Florida. Three Greater White-fronted Geese visited L. Apopka 28 Oct (HR), while 75 Snow Geese were at St. Marks N.W.R. 26 Oct (JD, JC et al.), and 13 were s. of Dundee, Polk 3–30 Nov+ (BC, LC). Six broods of Muscovy Ducks were seen at Brandon, Hillsborough throughout Nov, and a Mallard brood was there 9 Nov (BPr). A Mallard s. of Dundee 3 Nov (BC, LC) was thought to be wild. American Black Ducks are rare in cen Florida, so singles at Merritt I. 8 Sep (BC, LC) and L. Apopka beginning 11 Nov (HR) were notable. Peak counts of Blue-winged Teal were 2459 at Polk mines 6 Oct (PF) and 3005 at L. Apopka 28 Oct (HR). An ad. male Cinnamon Teal livened up Honeymoon I. 7 Oct (JBo, CT), likewise another at L. Apopka 1–27 Nov (HR). Unverified inland, single Greater Scaup were identified carefully at L. Apopka 11–30 Nov+ (HR) and Polk mines 24 Nov (CGe, PT, LAl). Irregular so far s. were 17 Black Scoters at Key Biscayne, Miami-Dade 3 Nov and “many” at Red Reef Park 6 Nov (RD).

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**Abbreviations/definitions:** C.P. (County Park); E.N.P. (Everglades N.P.); report (any observation); record (only reports verifiable from photograph, videotape, or specimen evidence).

## LOONS THROUGH WATERFOWL

Single Eared Grebes were found at L. Apopka 7 Oct (HR) and Springhill Road W.T.P., Tallahassee 9–23 Oct (GM, JD, JM), while different Polk mines held 11 on 7 Nov and 19 on 30 Nov (PF). Good counts of Cory’s Shearwaters were 25 at Boynton Inlet, Palm Beach 4 Nov (JHB et al.); 50 at Red Reef Park, Palm Beach 4 Nov (DL et al.); 3 definites and 90 probables at Turtle Mound, Canaveral National Seashore, Volusia 6 Nov (MG); and 90 off Port Canaveral, Brevard 7 Nov (KK et al.). Eleven Audubon’s Shearwaters were at Boynton Inlet 4 Nov (JHB et al.), and a Brown Booby was spied from Turtle Mound 6 Nov (MG). Largest counts of American White Pelicans

The Region’s long-term drought was eased somewhat by above-average rainfall. Tropical Storm Gabrielle made landfall along the south-central Gulf coast early 14 September and moved northeast across the Peninsula, exiting north of Daytona Beach just before midnight. On 15–16 September, there were predictable observations of coastal species inland, and several large counts of terns along the northern Atlantic coast. Hurricane Michelle, which missed the Region to the east, drove several pelagic species to the southern Atlantic coast in early November. Florida’s third verifiable Surfbird was the clear highlight of the season.

**RAPTORS THROUGH SHOREBIRDS**

All-day raptor watches at Guana R. S.P., *St. Johns* 27 Sep–12 Oct totalled 47 Merlins and 489 Peregrine Falcons (BS et al.). Four White-tailed Kites were at Miami Canal, *Palm Beach* 3 Sep (DSi), 2 were at Brown's Farm Road, *Palm Beach* 19 Aug (CBo), and 2 at Buck I. Ranch, *Highlands* 24 Sep (MMc). A subad. Mississippi Kite circled low over Sanibel Lighthouse Park, *Lee* 30 Sep (VM, CE et al.). Early raptors at L. Apopka were a Northern Harrier 14 Aug, a Sharp-shinned Hawk 29 Aug, and an American Kestrel 26 Aug (HR). Another Sharp-shinned was at Lakeland, *Polk* 27 Aug (PF), while another kestrel was at Cape Coral, *Lee* 31 Aug (CE). A flock of 47 Broad-winged Hawks over Sanibel Lighthouse 1 Oct (LB) was above average for that site. The most interesting of 8 Short-tailed Hawk reports in the cen. Peninsula (v o.) was one near Floral City, *Citrus* 15 Oct (BC, LC). A light-morph ad. Swainson's Hawk near Haines City, *Polk* 28 Aug (BC, LC) was extremely early, while an amazing 59 Crested Caracaras foraged in a freshly plowed field in n. *Okeechobee* 24 Oct (PSm). Black Rails were found inland at Buck I Ranch 20 Aug, 20 Sep, and 16 Oct (MMc) and Holey Land W.M.A., *Palm Beach* 27 Aug (DSi). One hundred Soras were heard at Newnans L. 21 Oct (JHi, HA). The count of American Coots at *Polk* mines peaked at 32,000 on 3 Nov (PF).

There were 483 Black-bellied Plovers n. of Bakersville, *St. Johns* 30 Sep (JHi, LD) and 160 at Ft De Soto C.P., *Pinellas* 24 Nov (PSy). A Snowy Plover was rare at Pine I., *Hernando* 12 Aug (CBl, A&BH), while another returned to winter at Talbot Is., *Duval* by 7 Nov (PL). Sixty-five Semipalmated Plovers were n. of Bakersville 30 Sep (JHi, LD), while Ft. De Soto supported 185 birds 24 Nov (PSy). A downy Killdeer chick at Springhill Road W.T.P. 18 Nov (GM) represented one of the latest Florida breeding reports.

American Avocets occurred widely this fall (v. o.). Notable *Pasco* observations were 3 at Green Key 24 Sep (KT) and 10 at Hudson Beach 7 Oct (JBo, CT). Elsewhere, 205 were at *Polk* mines 6 Oct (PF), 3 at Pine I. 6 Oct (RG), 3 at Cedar Key, *Levy* 29 Oct (MG, JG), 11 at Ft. De Soto 4 Nov (BA, LAT et al.), and 4 at Springhill Road W.T.P. 12 Nov (GM).

Brown's Farm Road hosted 18 Upland Sandpipers 19 Aug (CBo), while one at Fort Myers 8–9 Sep (DSu et al.) was the first there in five years. Casual in the Region was the Hudsonian Godwit at Fort Island Beach Park, *Citrus* 14 Sep (TR, ph.). The stunning **Surfbird** at Sanibel I., *Lee* 26–28 Oct (B&CP et al., vt. BPr, DP) represented only the 3rd Florida record and one of very few away from the w. states. Shorebirds at L. Apopka were one Red Knot 16 Sep, one Sanderling 29 Aug, one Ruff, 8 White-rumped, and 690 Pectoral Sandpipers 16 Sep, one Baird's Sandpiper 13 Sep, and 3 Buff-breasted Sandpipers 26 Sep (HR). A 2nd inland Sanderling dropped by Tram Road W.T.P., Tallahassee 13 Sep (GM), while Ft. Meade, *Polk* hosted another Baird's Sandpiper 20 Oct (TP). A Purple Sandpiper made it s. to Boynton Inlet 15–30 Nov+ (PB, CJG et al.), and a leucistic Dunlin was found at St. Marks 4 Nov (SD). Other Buff-breasteds were duos at Honeymoon I. 2–3 Sep (RaS et al.) and Brown's Farm Road 7 Sep (KA et al.), and singles at Tram Road W.T.P. 17 Oct (JC), n. of Bakersville 30 Sep (JHi, LD), and w. of St. Augustine 29–30 Sep (LD). Very early were 2 Long-billed Dowitchers (identified by plumage and call) at Brown's Farm Road 11 Aug (DSi). Phalaropes apparently courtesy of *Gabrielle* were 142 Red-neckeds at Ft. George Inlet, *Duval* 15 Sep (RC), 15 near Turtle Mound 16 Sep (DSi), and one Red at L. Apopka 16 Sep (HR). Another Red-necked Phalarope was found at *Polk* mines 14 Oct (LAI, CGe).



Providing only the third verifiable record for Florida (and third record for any eastern state!) was this Surfbird at Sanibel Island 26-28 October 2001 (here 27 October). Photograph from digital video by Bill Pranty.

**SA** Florida's first **Elegant Tern** was recorded at Honeymoon I. 3 Oct–22 Nov 1999, while another of the species was discovered the following winter (2–29 Dec 2000) at Ft. De Soto, about 50 km to the south. This past spring, presumably the same Elegant reappeared at Ft. De Soto and was observed copulating with a Sandwich Tern (cf. *N. A. B.* 55: 382); Florida's primary Sandwich Tern colony is nearby. This fall, 3 Elegant Terns were photographed at Ft. De Soto, although whether all of them were "pure" is uncertain at the time of publication. The following information is a brief summary of these observations; readers are referred to Lyn Atherton's website for additional details: <<http://home.earthlink.net/~bonniedabird/FirstElegant.htm>>. On 17 Aug, 2 terns were seen at Ft. De Soto, one carrying a fish while being pursued by a second, begging bird. A dusky-tailed subad. was photographed here 21–22 Sep, while a white-tailed ad. was photographed the following day. Finally, an "obvious HY [Elegant x Sandwich Tern] hybrid" (!) was photographed at Cortez Beach, *Manatee* 9 Oct. We will continue to monitor this fascinating situation.

**Table 1.** Curry Hammock S.P. hawk watch data, 15 Sep–13 Nov 2001 (SBr, GP, CL, CBo). These data again confirm that the Florida Keys are an excellent spot for observing migrating Peregrine Falcons in particular. Unlike the data presented for fall 2000, only southbound birds are totalled here, which is believed to be the most accurate method for determining overall numbers.

Species	Count	Species	Count
Osprey	983	Broad-winged Hawk	3535
Swallow-tailed Kite	17	Short-tailed Hawk	38
Mississippi Kite	57	Swainson's Hawk	109
Bald Eagle	19	Red-tailed Hawk	5
Northern Harrier	741	American Kestrel	4338
Sharp-shinned Hawk	3697	Merlin	581
Cooper's Hawk	335	Peregrine Falcon	1432
Red-shouldered Hawk	7		
		<b>Total individuals</b>	<b>15,930</b>



This juvenile Sabine's Gull at Green Key, New Port Richey 6 October 2001 provided the first documented record for the Florida Gulf coast away from the Dry Tortugas. Photograph by Ken Tracey.

### JAEGERS THROUGH WOODPECKERS

Seventy Pomarine Jaegers were at Boynton Inlet 4 Nov (DL et al.), while Gardler saw 3 definite and >50 probable Pomarines and 7 ad. Parasitic Jaegers at Turtle Mound 6 Nov. Rare larids at Ft. De Soto were 2 juv. Franklin's Gulls 28–29 Oct, the **Heermann's Gull** to 10 Nov, a first-year **Thayer's Gull** 24 Oct–30 Nov+, a park high of 7 Lesser Black-backed Gulls 12 Oct, and 2 yellowish-legged Great Black-backed Gulls 22–29 Sep (LAt, PSy et al.). At Talbot Is., there were 692 Herring Gulls and 74 Lesser Black-backed Gulls 28 Sep (RC). An ad. Lesser Black-backed at New Port Richey 6–30 Nov+ (KT, LT) furnished *Pasco's* first. A surprising 5 Sabine's Gulls, all juvs., were reported, including one at Green Key 6 Oct (KT, ph.) that furnished the first record for the Gulf coast (excluding the Dry Tortugas); others were up to 2 at Boynton Inlet 3–30 Nov+ (BH et al.), possibly one of these nearby at Red Reef Park 4 Nov (DL et al.), and one southbound off Turtle Mound 6 Nov (MG). *Gabrielle* brought large numbers of terns to Ft. George Inlet 15 Sep: 35 Caspian, 325 Royal, 72 Sandwich, 210 Common, 153 Forster's, 101 Bridled, 91 Sooty, and 850 Black Terns (RC). The storm also pushed some of these species inland: one Royal, one Common, and 2 Sandwich Terns were at Newnan's L. 15 Sep (RR, JBr), another Sooty was at Viera 15 Sep (BPa et al.), and L. Apopka hosted 4 Common and 26 Black Terns 16 Sep (HR). A pelagic trip off Port Canaveral 7 Nov netted 200 Royal, 1000 Sandwich, 30 Common, and 15 Bridled Terns (KK et al.). Sykes reported large numbers of terns feeding off Ft. De Soto 24 Nov, including 330 Sandwich, 565 Forster's, and 4000 that were too

distant to identify; 625 Black Skimmers also were seen. At *Polk* mines, Fellers found 51 Sandwich Terns 6 Oct, and 217 Caspian, 4 Royal, and 225 Forster's Terns and 375 Black Skimmers 30 Nov.

An imm. White-crowned Pigeon wandered n. to Birch S.P., Ft. Lauderdale 12 Sep (WG). Among several reports of White-winged Doves were two notably large counts: 24 at L. Apopka 19 Sep (HR) and 14 at Eastpoint, *Franklin* 27 Oct (SK). Three Cockatiels were found in mid-*Pinellas* 29 Nov (JF), while the Bayonet Pt., *Pasco* Budgerigar roost contained 74 birds 30 Nov (KT). Two flocks—thought to be separate—of Rose-ringed Parakeets at Naples contained 95 and 132 birds 27 Nov (DSu, BPr), the largest numbers reported in Florida. With the Rose-ringed at Naples 14 Oct were 6 *Aratinga*, including at least 2 each of Blue-crowned and White-eyed Parakeets (KD, TD, BPr). At Boynton Inlet 23 Nov, >20 Black-hooded Parakeets and one Orange-fronted Parakeet were found (TD); the latter represented the first Florida report since 1988. Finally, Monk Parakeets at new sites were singles at Ortona, *Glades* 5 Aug (VM et al.) and Apalachicola, *Franklin* 8 Sep (KM), and 7 at Weekiwachee Preserve, *Hernando* 19 Nov (A&BH). Black-billed Cuckoos, rare in the Region, were at L. Apopka 7 Oct (HR) and Paynes Prairie 13 Oct (RR, JHi et al.). A fledgling Yellow-billed Cuckoo fed by an ad. at St. Marks 11 Sep (JD, JM) seems like a late breeding date, while another Yellow-billed lingered at Goodwin W.M.A., *Brevard* 10 Nov (CP, BHA). Single Lesser Nighthawks were reported at w. Kendall, *Miami-Dade* 16 Nov (JHB) and Loxahatchee N.W.R., *Palm Beach* 24 Nov (BH).

Whip-poor-wills sang at Ft. George I. 17 Aug (RC) and Bald Pt. 28 Aug (JD). A roost of Chimney Swifts at New Port Richey peaked at 517 birds 18 Jun and was last active 16 Oct, when 85 birds were present (KT et al.). A Buff-bellied Hummingbird was e. to Eastpoint 10 Nov (SK, KM), while single Black-chinned Hummingbirds were at Tallahassee feeders 29–30 Sep (D&SJ, JC) and 10–15 Nov (FR, JC). Seven Rufous Hummingbirds, either ad. males or banded (FB), ranged from Tallahassee and Jacksonville s. to Miami beginning 31 Aug (v. o.), while 10 *Selasphorus* were found beginning 4 Sep (v. o.). Forty-three Red-headed Woodpeckers along one trail at O'Leno S.P., *Columbia* 12 Oct (JHi) must have been awe-inspiring. Single Hairy Woodpeckers were in *St. Johns* 9 Nov (PP) and at L. Apopka 27 Nov (HR); the latter report suggests (seasonal?) movement. Red-shafted Flickers have never been verified to occur in Florida, so flickers with “reddish” tails in *Leon* 2 Sep (SJ) and 31 Oct (GM) were interesting. Another flicker, at O'Leno S.P. 12 Oct, had “definitely red tail feathers” but also a black malar stripe and a brown face and was thought to be an intergrade (JHi).

### FLYCATCHERS THROUGH PIPITS

Rare in the Region, an Olive-sided Flycatcher was photographed at Alligator Pt. 29 Sep (JD, JM) then promptly vanished. Cavanagh's yard at Tallahassee contained a Yellow-bellied Flycatcher 19–20 Sep and a Traill's Flycatcher 20 Sep. Two Least Flycatchers were identified at Rotenberger W.M.A., *Palm Beach* 14 Aug (DSi), one visited San Luis Mission Park, *Leon* 6 Oct (DH, GM), and 3 were wintering at L. Apopka by 7 Nov (HR). Vermilion Flycatchers enlivened L. Kissimmee, *Osceola* 6 Oct (DG, WB et al.), L. Apopka 17 Oct (HR), and Tallahassee 29 Nov (GM). Five Ash-throated Flycatchers were wintering at L. Apopka beginning 1 Nov (HR). La Sagra's Flycatchers strayed to Miami at A.D. Barnes Park 24 Oct–7 Nov (MWh et al.) and Key Biscayne 12 Nov (RD). An unidentified *Myiodynastes* flycatcher was seen at Miami 25 Sep (MD, RD); there are only three records in Florida, all of Sulphur-bellied Flycatchers. A Tropical/Couch's Kingbird made a brief appearance to Jupiter Inlet, *Palm Beach* 7 Sep (JHa), while one that arrived to winter at St. Marks 11 Nov was identified as a **Tropical Kingbird** (M&NM, GF, EH et al., ph.) based on call notes heard. Gray Kingbirds inland were at L. Apopka 2 Aug (one) and 17 Oct (2; HR), Newnans L. 5 Sep (ML, BM), and L. Kissimmee 6 Oct (DG, WB et al.). Last year, I commented on the “mind-boggling” count of 50 Gray Kingbirds at Bayport; this year, 63 were found nearby at Weeki Wachee 13 Sep (MG)—are these apparent migratory roosts a regular occurrence rarely noted previously?

**SA** During and following 26 Sep, perhaps the best thrush flight ever reported in Florida occurred. Swainson's Thrushes were “all over” Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary 29 Sep (JHB et al.), there were “dozens” at St. Marks the same day (DSi), and 36 at L. Apopka 26 Sep (HR). However, the largest counts were made by MG of calling nocturnal migrants over Weeki Wachee. He heard “hundreds” of Swainson's Thrushes 21 Sep, and an estimated 1500 on 26 Sep—the previous Florida high count was 155 individuals!

A Bell's Vireo was discovered e. of E.N.P. 11–30 Nov+ (DSi, CJG et al.), while 2 Philadelphia Vireos at Tallahassee 1 Sep (†JC) were among the earliest reported in Florida. Three others were found on 26 Sep: at Ft. De Soto (MWi, LAt), Sawgrass L. C.P., *Pinellas* (RoS), and w. Kendall (JHB), with another at Hatbill Park, *Brevard* 29 Sep (BPa et al.). An estimated 20,000 Purple Martins occupied a Marco I. roost in late Aug (BD). Bank Swallows comprised “the majority” of

1000 swallows at Browns Farm Road 11 Aug (DSi), 145 others were at L. Apopka 2 Sep. Also at L. Apopka, Robinson tallied 18 Cliff Swallows 26 Sep and 1450 Barn Swallows 2 Sep (HR). A Red-breasted Nuthatch at Lower Suwannee N.W.R., Levy 25 Oct (AKr) was the sole report. A seasonal high of 282 House Wrens at L. Apopka 7 Nov (HR) was less than half of last fall's record count but still represented an exceptional single-observer total. A surprising number, 20 Golden-crowned Kinglets were tallied at Lower Suwannee 8 Nov (DSt, AKr et al.), while early Ruby-crowned Kinglets were at Tallahassee 25 Sep (ND) and Bonner Park, *Pinellas* 26 Sep (RW).

The abundance of Gray Catbirds during fall migration was demonstrated by 83 at Crystal R. 2 Oct (A&BH) and 148 at L. Apopka 24 Oct (HR). Brown Thrashers in the Region appear to be "stealth" migrants that quietly appear in fall. At L. Apopka, 23 were found 7 Oct, with numbers dwindling to no more than 5 birds by Nov; do these birds fly farther s. or become more secretive as winter approaches? The sole report of Sprague's Pipit was one at Apalachicola Airport, *Franklin* 21 Nov (AS, RoS et al.).

## WARBLERS THROUGH MANNIKINS

Blue-winged Warblers totalled 14 reports 26 Aug–14 Oct (v. o.), while there were 6 Golden-winged Warblers 22 Sep–9 Oct (v. o.). A "probable first-generation female" Brewster's Warbler enlivened Mead Gardens, Orlando 28 Sep (BHA et al.) Nashville Warblers were surprisingly widespread, with 14 reports 23 Sep–27 Nov (v. o.), all of singles except for 3 at Ft. De Soto 17 Oct (LAt et al.) Robinson counted 71 Yellow Warblers at L. Apopka 16 Aug (one of the Region's highest totals) and found an Audubon's Warbler there 11 Nov. Probably wintering locally were 3 Yellow Warblers at Belle Glade 17 Nov (CW), one Black-throated Blue Warbler near Sebastian Inlet, *Indian River* 25 Nov (DSi), and a Worm-eating Warbler at Key Largo 24 Nov (KR). Dawn counts at Green Key tallied large numbers of Yellow-rumped Warblers thought to represent different southbound flocks each day. Counts totalled 860 on 24 Nov, 1138 on 25 Nov, 1208 on 27 Nov, 810 on 29 Nov, and 359 on 30 Nov (KT). The 39 Prairie Warblers at L. Apopka 9 Sep (HR) established the fall high count for Florida. Several observers commented on the relative abundance of Blackpoll Warblers this fall, attributed to strong winds that pushed birds westward. There were seven reports of Cerulean Warblers 12 Aug–22 Sep (v. o.), all singles except for 3 at Ft. De Soto C.P. 15 Aug (LAt). At L. Apopka, Robinson tallied 24 Northern Waterthrushes 13 Sep, 11 Louisiana Waterthrushes 16 Aug, and 108 Common Yellowthroats 14 Oct. Considered rare in the Region (except for this past fall and winter!), 17 Wilson's Warblers were found 9 Sep–25 Nov (v. o.);

all were of singles. Also more than typical, 5 Canada Warblers occurred Regionwide: singles at San Felasco, *Alachua* 23 Sep (AKe, MMA, JHi), Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary 29 Sep (JHB et al.), Vero Beach 29 Sep (MG, WB), and 2 at Ft. De Soto—a female 29 Sep (SBa, LAT) and a male 30 Sep (JG, TG et al.). A migrant Yellow-breasted Chat was detected at Birch S.P. 6 Nov (WG).

Single Western Tanagers enlivened Honeymoon I. 31 Aug (LAT, JG) and A. D. Barnes Park 18 Oct (MWh, JR), and a black-backed male **Western Spindalis** entertained dozens during its stay at Cape Florida 14–26 Nov (E&GR et al., ph.). A juv. Chipping Sparrow at Flamingo 7–8 Sep established the earliest fall report for Florida, while another juv. was near High Springs, *Alachua* 15 Sep (JHi). A surprising 11 Clay-colored Sparrows were reported, all singles, beginning 5 Sep (v. o.), and a Vesper Sparrow was s. to E.N.P. 13 Nov (CJG). Lark Sparrows were found at St. Marks 18 Aug (TC); there were 4 at Bald Pt. 21 Aug, and another was there 29 Aug (JD, JM). Locally uncommon in the n. part of the Region, 4 Henslow's Sparrows were at St. Marks 4 Nov (BBe et al.) and 9 at Apalachicola N.E., *Liberty* 21 Nov (AS, RoS). An imm. male **Black-headed Grosbeak** visited Bald Pt. 23–25 Oct (JD et al.). A Painted Bunting spent its 3rd winter at Tallahassee (BBu). L. Apopka attracted 108 Indigo Buntings 10 Oct, 2 Dickcissels 9 Sep, 513 Bobolinks 13 Sep, 2300 Red-winged Blackbirds 15 Sep, and 2420 Boat-tailed Grackles 19 Sep (HR). Yellow-headed Blackbirds were discovered at Key West 8–9 Oct (JO) and L. Apopka 15 Nov (HR). At least 7 Shiny Cowbirds were at Islamorada, *Monroe* 30 Aug (LM), while single males were at L. Apopka 10 Oct (HR) and Hague Dairy, *Alachua* 3 Nov (JHi); the latter site also hosted a Bronzed Cowbird 4 Nov (MMA, AKe, RR). An ad. male Bronzed at Ft. De Soto 13 Nov (LAT) established a park first. A subad. male Bullock's Oriole was found at A. D. Barnes Park beginning 19 Oct (JHB et al.). Finally, 2 Nutmeg Mannikins were at Key West 23 Aug (CBo), while a Bronze Mannikin (*Lonchura cucullata*) at L. Apopka 18 Nov (HR) provided the first report for Florida.

## ADDENDA

Observations from ne. Florida were accidentally left out of the Summer Report. The most noteworthy reports follow. One hundred American White Pelicans at White Sands L., *Clay* 1 Jul remained about one week (John Blois). Wilson's Plovers bred successfully at Fort Matanzas N.M., *St. Johns* 25 May (8 ads. and one chick; *fide* Peggy Powell), Talbot Island S.P., *Duval* 23 Jun (40 ads. and 5 chicks; Pat Leary), and Huguenot Memorial Park, *Duval* in Jun (13 ads. and 5 chicks; Roger Clark). Two pairs of American Oystercatchers each bred at Huguenot 13 Jun (Tim Breen) and

the Bird Is., *Duval* in Jun (Pat Leary), producing 2 and 3 chicks, respectively. Non-breeding rarities at Spoonbill Pond, *Duval* were one American Avocet and one Wilson's Phalarope 13 Jul (Pat Leary). The rookery at Huguenot Park contained 800 Laughing Gull nests and >400 Royal Tern nests 13 Jun (Tim Breen), but high tides and strong ne. winds heavily damaged the ternery at the Bird Is. From 22 pairs of Gull-billed Terns and 250 pairs of Least Terns estimated 4 Jul, only 5 and 79 chicks, respectively, remained alive 22 Jul; 62 dead Least Tern chicks and 2 dead Gull-billed chicks were also found (Pat Leary). A colony of Least Terns at Fort Matanzas contained 24 nests 25 May (*fide* Peggy Powell), with no later reports about its fate.

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