

and Big Bend in winter, a Sprague's Pipit remained at Apalachicola, *Franklin* through 4 Apr (JM), but 11 at Eglin A.F.B., *Okaloosa* 21 Mar (Lenny Fenimore) made an all-time high for Florida. Large numbers of Cedar Waxwings moved s. to *Broward* and *Miami-Dade* in late Apr (m.ob.).

### WARBLERS THROUGH FINCHES

From mid- to late Apr, 7 Blue-winged Warblers were reported statewide, and Golden-winged Warblers were in *Brevard* (MH) and two locations in *Pinellas* (DG, m.ob.). A Tennessee Warbler at Green Key 20 May (KT) was late, as were single Orange-crowned Warblers in *Broward* (MBe, BRo) and *Monroe* (CrG) 18 Apr. Six Nashville Warbler reports in Mar, from *Escambia* to *Monroe* (RAD, LD, Julie Cocks, BAh, Bill Boeringer, CrG, LaM), was unusual; the species is most often reported in winter, but at least some of these may have been early migrants, as several were at well-birded sites. Unusual in spring, single Chestnut-sided Warblers were in *Pinellas* 8 (Jeff Hooks) & 21 Apr (DG), along with a Bay-breasted 30 Apr (DM). A Cerulean Warbler visited Avon Park Air Force Range, *Highlands* 8 Apr (DR). A Black-throated Gray Warbler at Bill Sadowski Park, *Miami-Dade* 7 Mar (Bonnie Ponwith, TM) and a Kirtland's Warbler at Lori Wilson Park, *Brevard* 24 Apr (Ken & Barbara Keskinen), both casual species in Florida, were photographed. The male Kirtland's, Florida's 5th record, had been banded in *Oscoda*, MI in 2008 (*vide* PM). Strong easterly and southeasterly winds forced substantial numbers of Cape May (82), Black-throated Blue (133), and Blackpoll (156) Warblers and Common Yellowthroats (190) to Ft. De Soto Park 30 Apr (BAh, RoS) and Blackpoll Warblers (100) and American Redstarts (150) to Ft. George Island, *Duval* 21-22 May (RC). Of the 15 migrant Swainson's Warblers reported, one at Dry Tortugas N.P. 16 Mar (TJ) was the earliest. Inexplicably scarce, Connecticut Warblers were reported only at A. D. ("Doug") Barnes Park, *Miami-Dade* 9 & 11 May (CS, RoT). Very rare migrants, a Mourning Warbler stopped at Brandon, *Hillsborough* 27 Apr (EK), and Wilson's Warblers were at Honeymoon Island S.P. 22 Apr (DG), Pinecraft Park, *Sarasota* 11-15 Apr (Valerie Ponzio), A. D. Barnes Park, *Miami-Dade* 1-9 Mar (TM), and near Flamingo 26 Mar (CS). Ten Yellow-breasted Chats were at L. Apopka 24 Apr (HR), where the species has been found year-round. Lone Western Tanagers visited feeders at Niceville, *Okaloosa* 9-10 Mar (Blake Hardison) and Tallahassee 22-28 Mar and 5 Apr (FR).

A male Western Spindalis enlivened Seacrest Scrub Natural Area, Boynton Beach 19

May (Ron Crandall), and other males were at Ft. Lauderdale at Evergreen Cemetery 12 Mar (Jerry Sniderman) and Snyder Park 4-6 May (BRo et al.); at Key West and Stock I., at least 2 males were observed 28 Apr-3 May (m.ob.). An apparent West Indian Yellow-faced Grassquit (the nominate subspecies) was studied at Ft. Zachary Taylor S.P. 20-27 Apr (CrG, ph. MG et al.), furnishing Florida's 8th report, notably the 5th for spring and the 6th from *Monroe*. Lingering sparrows included a Clay-colored Sparrow at Cedar Key, *Levy* 18 Apr (DH); a Savannah Sparrow at Archer, *Alachua* 22 May (June Hinson); a Le Conte's at Gamble Rogers S.P., *Flagler* 23 Apr (DaS); up to 3 Saltmarsh Sparrows in *Pinellas* on the Gulf coast a Honeymoon Island S.P. through 24 Mar, and another at nearby Shell Key Preserve 7 Mar (ph. BP et al.); and the Harris's Sparrow that wintered at Paynes Prairie 11 Mar (FL et al.). Rare Lincoln's Sparrows were found at Withlacoochee S.F., *Citrus* (DaS) and at *Seminole*, *Pinellas* 12 & 22 Mar (DM), respectively. A Rose-breasted Grosbeak at Mahogany Hammock, Everglades N.P., *Miami-Dade* 7 Mar was early (JHB); the species was in normal numbers in the peninsula, where it is rare, except locally on the Gulf coast, where 20 was the high at Honeymoon Island S.P. 21 Apr (DG). A male Black-headed Grosbeak paused a feeder at Lakeland, *Polk* about 8 Mar (*vide* ph. Chuck Geanangel). A second-year male Lazuli Bunting, providing Florida's 13th report, visited Oviedo, *Seminole* 4 Mar-19 Apr (ph. Rachel Christensen, *vide* Marry Acken). An Indigo-type bunting with two wingbars and a white belly was banded at Tomoka S.P., *Volusia* 22 Apr (ph. Meret Wilson) and was likely a Lazuli Bunting × Indigo Bunting hybrid, a first for Florida. Casual inland in the Big Bend, a Painted Bunting was at Tallahassee 12 Apr (Melissa Forehand). Eleven Dickcissels were found in the Big Bend, peninsula, and keys; 4 stopped at Key West 21-22 Apr (CrG).

In Mar, lone Yellow-headed Blackbirds were at L. Apopka (HR) and in *Miami-Dade* at Cutler Ridge (RoT, TM) and at Homestead (LaM, ph.); 2 were at Cocoa 18 Mar-23 Apr (DF et al.). The only Rusty Blackbirds reported were up to 4 at Lutz, *Pasco* 1-9 Mar (ph. David Bowman). A female Brewer's Blackbird was far e. in nw. *Duval* 5 Apr (RC et al.). Very local in the panhandle, a pair of Boat-tailed Grackles was at Ft. Walton Beach, *Okaloosa* 13 Apr (KJ). Shiny Cowbirds were unusually widespread, with singles at Pensacola 12-13 May (Ann & Dan Forster); Alligator Point 6 May (JM); Cedar Key 28 Apr+ (DH; annual since 1990); Weeki Wachee, a first for *Hernando* 17 Apr (MG); St. Petersburg, *Pinellas* 1-

30 May (ph. D&LM, RoS); in *Miami-Dade* at Castellow Hammock, Miami 1 Mar (Roger Hammer) and Homestead 7 Mar (LaM); and at Dry Tortugas N.P. 16 Apr (LaM); up to 2 were at L. Apopka 15-22 Apr (HR) and Flamingo 1 & 20 May (JS, BS). Bronzed Cowbirds were less prominent, with loners at Tallahassee, a first for *Leon* 25 Apr (Bill Hudgens). Cedar Key 21 & 22 Mar and 28 Apr (Matt Hafner, DH et al.), Plantation Linear Preserve, *Broward* 22 May (RT), and Cutler Wetlands, *Miami-Dade* 9 Apr (BR). Although Brown-headed Cowbirds have been reported throughout the peninsula during the breeding season, there are few reports of successful breeding; this season, two Eastern Bluebird nests were found with one and two cowbird eggs, respectively, at Sarasota in Apr (*vide* Jeanne Dubi). An Orchard Oriole pair was feeding nestlings at The Villages 16 May (James Dinsmore) for the first *Sumter* breeding report. A female Bullock's Oriole was at Tallahassee 10 Mar (FR), where the species occasionally winters. Not known to be established in *Miami-Dade*, *Collier*, or *Monroe*. House Finches were at Bill Baggs Cape Florida S.P. 3 Mar (2; RD), a feeder at Naples 23 Mar (2; AM), and at Key West 28 Apr (ph. MG). The past winter's Pine Siskin invasion continued, with up to 40+ at DeLand, *Volusia* through 11 Apr (Peter May) and up to 80 at Salt Springs *Marion* through 13 May (Angela Luzader), the latest report.

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