

WINTER SIGHTINGS (DECEMBER 2002 – FEBRUARY 2003)**Paul D. Kittle, Greg D. Jackson, and Robert A. Duncan**

This report covers the period from December 2001 through February 2002 in Alabama and the Florida Panhandle (west of the Apalachicola River). The appearance of observations in this article does not suggest verification or acceptance of records for very rare species; these must be considered by the appropriate state records committees. All submissions of birds that are rare, either in general or for a particular season or region, must be accompanied by adequate details of the observation. The extent of this documentation depends on the rarity of the species and the difficulty of identification. For guidance, observers are encouraged to consult the Alabama Ornithological Society checklist. Reports should note conditions of observation and the diagnostic characters observed. Your help in this matter is appreciated.

Abbreviations and italics: County names are in italics and, except for the Florida counties of *Bay*, *Escambia*, *Gulf*, *Okaloosa*, *Santa Rosa*, and *Walton*, are in Alabama. “@” = under review by; “ABRC” = Alabama Bird Records Committee; “b.” = banded; “CBC” = Christmas Bird Count; “FOSRC” = Florida Ornithological Society Records Committee; “FWBSF” = Ft. Walton Beach Spray Fields; “m.ob.” = many observers; “ph.” = photographed; “NWR” = National Wildlife Refuge; “SP” = State Park; “WMA” = Wildlife Management Area; “WP” = Western Panhandle of Florida (*Bay*, *Escambia*, *Gulf*, *Okaloosa*, *Santa Rosa*, and *Walton* counties).

RED-THROATED LOON – Casual in the WP, singles were found on Choctawhatchee Bay, *Okaloosa* 16 December (Bob Duncan, Lucy Duncan); Destin, *Okaloosa* 18 January (Alan Knothe, Dexter Richardson); and Gulf Breeze, *Santa Rosa* 19 January (Tim Bagworth).

PACIFIC LOON – Now rare but regular on the Gulf Coast, three singles were noted in the WP: Gulf Breeze, *Santa Rosa* 14 December (Lucy Duncan) and 19 January (Tim Bagworth); and Pensacola Bay, *Escambia* 1 February (Ann Forster, Dan Forster). On the Alabama coast, one was seen at Perdido Pass, *Baldwin* 4 January (Bob Reid) and 19 January (Larry Gardella), a site where the species is rare but expected. Also rare but regular at Guntersville, *Marshall*, one was noted 11 January (Steve McConnell).

EARED GREBE – Rare in the WP, one was at the FWBSF, *Okaloosa* 7-22 December (present since November) (Bob Duncan, Lucy Duncan, m.ob.).

AMERICAN WHITE PELICAN – Rare for inland Alabama, although increasing, the 100 counted along Ala. Hwy. 5 at mile 43, *Dallas* 25 January (Ben Garmon) was an excellent number. Other inland records were: a single at Wheeler NWR, *Morgan* 2 December – 4 February (NWR staff *et al.*); 11 on the Waterloo CBC, *Lauderdale* 14 December (Damien Simbeck, Frances Markine, Gary Markine); and four at Town Creek Marsh, *Colbert* 28 February (Damien Simbeck).

BROWN PELICAN – An immature at Lay Lake, *Shelby/Coosa* 15 December (Rick Remy, Bruce Cusic) set the first record for the Mountain Region. A total of 1,004 on the Gulf Shores CBC, *Baldwin* 4 January was a good number for winter.

DOUBLE-CRESTED CORMORANT – The 296 tallied on the Waterloo CBC, *Colbert/Lauderdale* 14 December was a good number locally.

GREAT BLUE HERON – On the Guntersville CBC, *Marshall* 26 December, 306 was a good number.

GREAT EGRET – The 108 counted on the Gulf Shores CBC, *Baldwin* 4 January was a good number for winter.

GREATER WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE – The FWBSF, *Okaloosa*, hosted a single 13 December (Don Ware) and eight birds 7 January (Alan Knothe). Thirteen were found in *Walton* 2-8 January (Vince Lucas *et al.*) (rare in the WP). A single was seen on the east end of Dauphin Island, *Mobile* 28 December (Ben Garmon), where the species is rare in winter. On the Gulf Shores CBC, *Baldwin* 4 January, 15 were counted (Bob Duncan, Lucy Duncan, Betsy Tetlow, Mark Van Hoose), a good number for the Gulf Coast in winter. West of Florence in *Lauderdale*, three were found 4 February and 20 were counted 13 February (Damien Simbeck) (locally rare). At Wheeler NWR, *Limestone/Morgan*, this goose is uncommon but expected, and 24 were counted 15 February (Steve McConnell, m.ob.).

ROSS'S GOOSE – Four adults and one immature were seen at Wheeler NWR, *Limestone* 14 December (Steve McConnell, m.ob.; ph.) where the species is rare but expected. In *Montgomery* three at Snowdown 30 December – 11 January (Larry Gardella, Carolyn Snow, Phil Snow) was a good number, while Bill Campbell *et al.* found a single elsewhere in the county 31 December – 11 January (rare in this area). A single was seen in the Bon Secour area, *Baldwin* 25 December – 5 April+ where the species is rare (David Plumb *et al.*).

- CANADA GOOSE** – Richardson’s Goose is a rarely occurring subspecies in Alabama, so four found west of Florence, *Lauderdale* 1 December (Damien Simbeck) were noteworthy.
- TRUMPETER SWAN** – Four birds observed at Niceville, *Okaloosa* from 5 December through the end of the period set a first state record (Diane Siwicki, Jim Vest, Don Ware, Bob Duncan, Lucy Duncan, m.ob.; ph.). These birds, though not banded, were very tame and would respond positively to food offerings (@FOSRC).
- BLUE-WINGED TEAL** – Unless wintering, individuals spotted at Wheeler NWR, *Morgan* 15 February (two birds) and 21 February (four birds) (Steve McConnell) set an early arrival record for the Tennessee Valley. A single male at Town Creek Marsh, *Colbert* 28 February (Damien Simbeck) was also early.
- NORTHERN PINTAIL** – Damien Simbeck counted 155 west of Florence, *Lauderdale* 13 February, a good number locally.
- CANVASBACK** – On the Guntersville CBC, *Marshall* 26 December, the total of 273 was a good number.
- GREATER SCAUP** – One was found at Fayette, *Fayette* 10 January (Jud Johnston) where the species is locally rare.
- BLACK SCOTER** – Five found during the Fort Morgan CBC, *Baldwin* 28 December were rare but expected.
- LONG-TAILED DUCK** – An adult female noted at Blakeley Island, *Mobile* 10 January (Bob Duncan, John Ball *et al.*) was rare and at an odd location. Rare but expected at Lake Guntersville SP, *Marshall*, two were found 25 January (Dick Reynolds, Linda Reynolds).
- HOODED MERGANSER** – A new maximum winter count for the Mountain Region was set by the 110 Jud Johnston tallied at Walker County Lake, *Walker* 19 January.
- COMMON MERGANSER** – Only occasional on the Gulf Coast, a male on Bon Secour Bay, *Baldwin* 25 January (D. Plumb) was notable.
- RUDDY DUCK** – A maximum for Alabama was set by the 1,820 counted by Greg Jackson on Guntersville Reservoir, *Marshall* 25 January.
- OSPREY** – A maximum for Alabama was set by the 24 recorded on the Gulf Shores CBC, *Baldwin* 4 January.
- BALD EAGLE** – Four was a good number for the Gulf Coast in *Baldwin* 4 January (Gulf Shores CBC).
- COOPER’S HAWK** – A maximum winter count for Alabama was set by the 13 in *Baldwin* 4 January (Gulf Shores CBC).

- MERLIN** – Singles were found at Lake Land Farms, Marion, *Perry* 4 December (Harriett Wright, Dana Hamilton, m.ob.) and 20 January (Stan Hamilton *et al.*) (rare but expected in winter on the Inland Coastal Plain of Alabama). Another single was recorded on the Wheeler NWR CBC, *Limestone/Morgan* 14 December (rare in winter in the Tennessee Valley).
- PEREGRINE FALCON** – Rare in winter for inland Alabama, single birds were observed on the Montgomery CBC, *Montgomery* 4 January and at Wheeler NWR, *Limestone* 11 January (Harry Dean, m.ob.).
- BLACK RAIL** – Very rare in the WP, one was found at the FWBSF, *Okaloosa* 18 January (Alan Knothe, Dexter Richardson).
- SANDHILL CRANE** – Casual in the WP, a single was at the Gulf Breeze Zoo, *Santa Rosa* 15 November – 1 December (Mike Quinn). A large flock spent the winter at Wheeler NWR, *Limestone* (m.ob.) and the 304 counted 1 February (Steve McConnell) was a new maximum for Alabama. Locally rare elsewhere in Alabama, two were at Heiberger, *Perry* 4 December (Harriett Wright) and six were at Opelika, *Lee* 4 December (Paul Milotis).
- SPOTTED SANDPIPER** – Rare in winter in north Alabama, two were recorded on the Wheeler NWR CBC, *Limestone* 14 December and seen again 31 January (Dean Cutten, Raelene Cutten); two were also on the Waterloo CBC, *Lauderdale/Colbert* 14 December.
- UPLAND SANDPIPER** – One studied well at the FWBSF, *Okaloosa* 11 December (Bob Landry, Bob Duncan, Lucy Duncan, m.ob.) set the first December record for Florida and apparently for the entire U.S.
- MARBLED GODWIT** – This species is rare in winter, so three found on the east end of Dauphin Island, *Mobile* 7 December (Ben Garmon) and one at the same site 19 January (Larry Gardella) were notable.
- WILSON'S PHALAROPE** – A single at Blakeley Island, *Mobile* 22 February (Howard Horne *et al.*) established the third February record for Alabama.
- LAUGHING GULL** – An adult was found at Wilson Dam, *Lauderdale/Colbert* 25 January (Steve McConnell), a site where the species is rare but regular.
- THAYER'S/ICELAND GULL** – One first-year bird was found at Perdido Pass, *Baldwin* during the Gulf Shores CBC 4 January (Brian Monk, Don Ware, Peggy Baker), the fifth Alabama record for the complex and, if Thayer's, the third Alabama record (@ABRC). A second-year bird at Wilson Dam, *Lauderdale/Colbert* 27 February – 9 March (Damien Simbeck *et al.*) likewise set the sixth Alabama record for the complex and, if Thayer's, the fourth Alabama record (@ABRC).
- LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL** – Rare but regular at the Tennessee River

dams, an adult was at Wilson Dam, *Lauderdale/Colbert* 25 January (Steve McConnell, m.ob.; ph.), and a second-year individual was at Wheeler Dam, *Lauderdale/Lawrence* 28 December (Steve McConnell) and 28 January (Damien Simbeck).

GREAT BLACK-BACKED GULL – One immature found at Lake Point SP, *Barbour* 8 February (Geoff Hill) established the first record for the Inland Coastal Plain of Alabama.

WHITE-WINGED DOVE – Excellent numbers were found on Dauphin Island, *Mobile*: nine on 7 December (Ben Garmon) and 40 on 9 February (Mike Wilson *et al.*).

GROOVE-BILLED ANI – Rare in the WP, Bob Duncan found two birds at the Bayou Marcus Sewerage Plant, *Escambia* 3 December and reported one from Ft. Pickens, *Escambia* 18 December, present since 26 November.

GREAT HORNED OWL – Fifteen tallied on the Guntersville CBC, *Marshall* 26 December set a new maximum for inland Alabama.

SHORT-EARED OWL – This species is rare and erratic in Alabama. Near Wheeler NWR, *Morgan*, two were noted 18 December (Steve McConnell *et al.*) and one 8 February (Jud Johnston).

LESSER NIGHTHAWK – One was reported for the Perdido Bay CBC, *Escambia* 21 December (Scot Duncan) (seventh WP record).

COMMON NIGHTHAWK – One at Wheeler NWR, *Morgan* 30 November (Roi Shannon) set a late departure date for the Tennessee Valley.

WHIP-POOR-WILL – Rare in winter in the WP, Bob Duncan saw one at Gulf Breeze, *Santa Rosa* 5 January.

CHAETURA SP. – Four probable Vaux's Swifts were spotted at Blakeley Island, *Mobile* 18 January (Ben Garmon *et al.*; @ABRC); first winter *Chaetura* for Alabama and, if Vaux's, first record for Alabama.

BROAD-BILLED HUMMINGBIRD – The second record of this species for Alabama was established by an adult female in Ozark, *Dale* 1-27 January (Fred Bassett, Gifford Garner, Ann Garner *et al.*) (b.; ph.; @ABRC).

CALLIOPE HUMMINGBIRD – The 16th/17th and 18th records for Alabama were established by the following birds (all singles): female, Spanish Fort, *Baldwin* 11 December (Fred Bassett, Jeanette Eden); immature male, *Mobile*, *Mobile* 11 December (Fred Bassett, Genny Benton); immature male, Lillian, *Baldwin* 19 January (Fred Bassett, Bob Sargent, Jim Dickerson) (all b.; ph.; @ABRC).

BROAD-TAILED HUMMINGBIRD – An adult female at Morris, *Jefferson* 2 December (Bob Sargent, Martha Sargent, Andy Anderson) set the eighth

Alabama record (b.; ph.; @ABRC).

ALLEN'S HUMMINGBIRD – Accidental in Florida, the third WP record of this species came from Pensacola, *Escambia* 20 December when an immature female was banded (Fred Bassett, Marge Godwin). The 17th record for Alabama was marked by an adult female at Lillian, *Baldwin* 3 January (Fred Bassett, Jim Dickerson; b.; ph.; @ABRC), while a female at Fairhope, *Baldwin* 27 January (Fred Bassett, David Dortch; b.; ph.; @ABRC) marked the 18th record for Alabama.

EASTERN PHOEBE – A new maximum for Alabama was established by the 175 tallied on the Gulf Shores CBC, *Baldwin* 4 January.

VERMILION FLYCATCHER – Casual in the WP, an adult male was noted at the FWBSF, *Okaloosa* 14 December – 13 February (Don Ware, Bob Duncan, Lucy Duncan, m.ob.). Rare in winter in Alabama, an adult female was listed on the Perdido Bay CBC, Lillian, *Baldwin* 21 December (Bob Duncan, Lucy Duncan, Cecil Brown).

WESTERN KINGBIRD – Reports of two-seven birds came from four locations in the WP 1-27 December (Bob Duncan, Lucy Duncan, Betsy Tetlow, Don Ware, m.ob.) (casual in winter in the WP). One bird lingered in downtown Pensacola, *Escambia* to 14 February. Rare in winter in Alabama, the following Gulf Coast records were received: one at Alabama Port, *Mobile* 11 December (David Dortch, Phillip Casteel); one on Dauphin Island, *Mobile* 11 December (David Dortch *et al.*); two at Fort Morgan, *Baldwin* 11-12 December (Eric Soehren *et al.*); 12 (maximum winter count for Alabama) on the Dauphin Island CBC, *Mobile*; six on the Fort Morgan CBC, *Baldwin* 28 December; one on the Gulf Shores CBC, *Baldwin* 4 January (Bill Bremser, Greta Bremser); and four at Blakeley Island, *Mobile* 20 January (Bill Summerour).

SCISSOR-TAILED FLYCATCHER – Rare in winter in Alabama, the following reports from the Gulf Coast were received: one at Fort Morgan, *Baldwin* 11-12 December (Eric Soehren); a single on the Dauphin Island CBC, *Mobile* 21 December; four (maximum winter count for Alabama) south of Magnolia Springs, *Baldwin* (Bill Summerour, Steve Threlkeld); and one (a juvenile) at Blakeley Island, *Mobile* 10 January (Bob Duncan, Powers McLeod, Rosann McLeod, John Ball *et al.*).

WHITE-EYED VIREO – Larry Gardella found one at Montgomery, *Montgomery* 23 February (rare in winter on the Inland Coastal Plain of Alabama).

BELL'S VIREO – While participating in the Gulf Shores CBC, Ann Miller

found a single north of Gulf Shores, *Baldwin* 4 January, thereby establishing the first winter record for Alabama.

YELLOW-THROATED VIREO – David Dortch located one at Fairhope, *Baldwin* 12 December to set the sixth winter record for Alabama.

BLUE-HEADED VIREO – Rare in winter in the Tennessee Valley, one was found on the Wheeler NWR CBC, *Limestone/Morgan* 14 December. A maximum winter count for inland Alabama was established when 13 were tallied on the Montgomery CBC, *Montgomery* 4 January.

TREE SWALLOW – Two birds were noted at Swan Creek WMA, *Limestone* 3 February (Dean Cutten, Raelene Cutten) (early record for north Alabama).

NORTHERN ROUGH-WINGED SWALLOW – A single was spotted at Lillian, *Baldwin* 21 December (Bob Duncan, Lucy Duncan) (casual in winter on the Gulf Coast).

BANK SWALLOW – Steve McConnell found a single southeast of Foley, *Baldwin* 4 January. While there is one prior early December record for Alabama, the above bird established the first mid-winter record for the state.

CAVE SWALLOW – Casual in the WP, one was noted at the FWBSF, *Okaloosa* 13 December (Don Ware, Lydia Daugherty). The 17th, 18th, and 19th records for Alabama (and the first, second, and third winter records) were set, respectively, by the following birds, all singles and all @ABRC: southeast of Foley, *Baldwin* 3-5 January (Steve McConnell *et al.*; ph.); Justin's Bay on the Mobile Causeway, *Mobile* 19 January (Larry Gardella); and Blakeley Island, *Mobile* 20 January (Bill Summerour).

TUFTED TITMOUSE – New maximum counts were set for the Gulf Coast and Tennessee Valley, respectively: 66 on the Gulf Shores CBC, *Baldwin* 4 January and 267 on the Guntersville CBC, *Marshall* 26 December.

WHITE-BREASTED NUTHATCH – A new high count for the Tennessee Valley was set by the 73 recorded on the Guntersville CBC, *Marshall* 26 December.

SEDGE WREN – Rare in winter in the Tennessee Valley, a single was noted during the Wheeler NWR CBC, *Limestone/Morgan* 14 December.

MARSH WREN – Rare in winter in the Tennessee Valley, a single was noted during the Wheeler NWR CBC, *Limestone/Morgan* 14 December.

EASTERN BLUEBIRD – A new maximum count (728) for Alabama was made on the Gulf Shores CBC, *Baldwin* 4 January.

NORTHERN MOCKINGBIRD – A new high count for the Tennessee Valley was set by the 120 recorded on the Waterloo CBC, *Lauderdale/Colbert* 14 December.

- AMERICAN PIPIT** – A new high count for the Gulf Coast of Alabama was set by the 1,072 recorded on the Gulf Shores CBC, *Baldwin* 4 January.
- ORANGE-CROWNED WARBLER** – This species is rare in winter in the Tennessee Valley, so the following records were noteworthy: a single was found on the Wheeler NWR CBC, *Limestone/Morgan* 14 December, and three was a good number for the Guntersville CBC, *Marshall* 26 December.
- NASHVILLE WARBLER** – Two individuals at separate locations in Destin, *Okaloosa* 16 December set the first December records for the WP (Lucy Duncan, Bob Duncan, Brian Monk).
- YELLOW-RUMPED WARBLER** – A new maximum count (12,502) for Alabama was made on the Gulf Shores CBC, *Baldwin* 4 January.
- PINE WARBLER** – A new high count for inland Alabama was set by the 171 recorded on the Guntersville CBC, *Marshall* 26 December.
- PALM WARBLER** – This species apparently lingered in north Alabama in good numbers. Nineteen were tallied on the Waterloo CBC, *Lauderdale/Colbert* 14 December (maximum for Tennessee Valley in winter), while 12 was a good number on the Guntersville CBC, *Marshall* 26 December.
- OVENBIRD** – The second January record for the WP was set by a single at Gulf Breeze, *Santa Rosa* 19 January (Tim Bagworth).
- NORTHERN WATERTHRUSH** – One found freshly dead in Birmingham, *Jefferson* 3 December (Jessica Germany, Greg Harber) set the third winter record for inland Alabama and the sixth winter record for the state.
- HOODED WARBLER** – The second winter record for the WP was established by an adult female discovered in *Walton* 10 January (Don Ware, George Russell).
- WILSON'S WARBLER** – Casual in winter in the WP, one was found at the FWBSF, *Okaloosa* 18 January (Brian Monk).
- YELLOW-BREASTED CHAT** – Only occasional in winter in Alabama, two were tallied on the Gulf Shores CBC, *Baldwin* 4 January: one at Bon Secour (Bob Duncan, Lucy Duncan, Betsy Tetlow) and one north of Gulf Shores (Bill Bremser, Greta Bremser). Casual in winter in the WP, a single was in *Walton* 20 January (Don Ware, George Russell).
- SUMMER TANAGER** – An adult male was present at Week's Bay, *Baldwin* 17 November – 11 March (Runae Boyette; ph.) (second winter at this site; rare in winter in Alabama). An adult female was present at a feeder in Pensacola, *Escambia* 5 December – 21 February (Betsy Tetlow) (casual in winter in the WP).
- SCARLET TANAGER** – One observed 30 November – 1 December (Mary

Theberge) and again 13 December (John Giovanni) in *Walton* set the first record for November and December in the WP.

WESTERN TANAGER – Bob Duncan found an adult female at Gulf Breeze, *Santa Rosa* 20 December (casual in winter in the WP).

CHIPPING SPARROW – The 421 tallied on the Guntersville CBC, *Marshall* 26 December set a new maximum for north Alabama.

CLAY-COLORED SPARROW – Rare in winter, a single was at the airport on Dauphin Island, *Mobile* 26 February (Dick Reynolds).

LARK SPARROW – One was noted on the Ft. Morgan CBC, *Baldwin* 28 December (rare in winter in Alabama).

LE CONTE'S SPARROW – Barry Fleming had a single in northern *Lee* 11 December (locally rare), and Steve McConnell *et al.* saw two near Allsboro, *Colbert* 25 January (rare in Tennessee Valley).

FOX SPARROW – The estimated 100 at Clay, *Jefferson* 13 January (Bob Sargent, Martha Sargent) was an excellent number, especially at one site.

LINCOLN'S SPARROW – Casual in the WP, one was seen at the FWBSF, *Okaloosa* 11-22 December (Lucy Duncan, m.ob.).

HARRIS'S SPARROW – An adult at a feeder near Rhodesville, *Lauderdale* 8 February (*fide* Larry Derrick; ph.; @ABRC) set the third record for the Tennessee Valley and the 16th for Alabama.

LAPLAND LONGSPUR – South of Magnolia Springs, *Baldwin*, 48 were tallied on the Gulf Shores CBC 4 January (Bill Summerour, Stan Hamilton, Dana Hamilton *et al.*) (a new maximum for the Gulf Coast where the species is rare).

NORTHERN CARDINAL – On the Waterloo CBC, *Lauderdale/Colbert* 14 December, the total of 462 was a good number.

ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK – A feeder in Gulf Breeze, *Santa Rosa*, hosted a female 1-6 December (Lucy Duncan, Bob Duncan) (casual in December in the WP). An adult male was at Pensacola, *Escambia* 25 February (Jack Powell) (first WP February record). In Guin, *Marion*, a male spent the winter (8 December – 27 February) at a feeder at the home of Don Wooldridge (second winter record for inland Alabama).

BLUE GROSBEAK – One female-type noted at Foley, *Baldwin* 4 January (Howard Horne, Smoot Major) established the fourth winter record for Alabama and the first mid-winter record.

INDIGO BUNTING – A single was noted at Silver Hill, *Baldwin* 27 December (Bill Summerour) (rare in winter in Alabama).

PAINTED BUNTING – Rare in winter in Alabama, the following reports were

received: one female-type on the Dauphin Island CBC, *Mobile* 21 December; an adult male at a feeder from late December – March in Toney, *Madison* (Sarah Hendrix) (second record for Tennessee Valley and first winter record for north Alabama); and an adult male at a feeder in Lillian, *Baldwin* 7 January (Jim Dickerson, Bob Duncan, Lucy Duncan) (rare in winter on Gulf Coast).

COMMON GRACKLE – The 37,901 tallied on the Waterloo CBC, *Lauderdale/Colbert* 14 December was a good number locally.

BRONZED COWBIRD – Accidental in the WP, one was discovered in *Okaloosa* 16 December (Phil Berry, Lydia Daugherty).

BALTIMORE ORIOLE – One female-type was noted on the Montgomery CBC, *Montgomery* 4 January (Bob Reed, Pat Reed) (rare in winter in Alabama).

BULLOCK'S ORIOLE – Casual in the WP, a first-year male was reported from Pensacola, *Escambia* 24-27 February (Jack Powell).

RED CROSSBILL – Continued presence of this species in the Coleman Lake area of Talladega National Forest, *Cleburne*, was documented 17 February when six were seen (Stan Hamilton, Dana Hamilton, m.ob.).

NUTMEG MANNIKIN – This species is being reported with increasing frequency in recent years in east Pensacola, *Escambia*, and 12 were noted 16-21 February (Betsy Tetlow).

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