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THE DISTRIBUTION OF ODONATA IN ALABAMA

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ABSTRACT A List of Odonata for Alabama, Celithemis in the state to 173. Species recorded for the first Sympetrum are: Gynacantha nervosa time submedianus Arigomphus Arigomphus villosipes (Selvs). (Gomphus) australis (Needham), (Gomphus) cavillaris Davis, Somatochlora calverti Williamson & Gloyd, states are considered.

bertha Williamson, recorded by county, brings the total species recorded balteata (Hagen), Miathyria marcella (Selys), rubicundulum (Say). Rambur, Amphiagrion saucium (Burmeister). Species from (Williamson), previous lists which are discredited here are Gomphus Gomphus fraternus Say, Ophiogomphus mainensis Gomphus Packard, and Cordulegaster diastatops (Selvs). brimleyi Muttkowski, The distribution of the species are discussed Ophiogomphus acuminatus Carle, Progomphus according to the physiography of the state, and the bellei Knopf & Tennessen, Didymops floridensis relationships of the odonate fauna to neighboring

INTRODUCTION

The rich odonate fauna of Alabama is a reflection made ponds and lakes, and a few small natural Florida and Tennessee provides an avenue for increasing in the south to 54 to 64 inches. immigration of southern and northern faunal and abundance.

encompassing 51,600 square miles. From the with no further distributional notes provided. highest elevations in the Appalachian Mountains in seeps, and lentic habitats such as swamps, man-list, and Tennessen (1979a) added five species.

of the relatively high biodiversity of aquatic ponds and brackish water areas. No large natural communities in the southeastern United States lakes occur, but there are numerous large (Hackney et al. 1992). Alabama's varied geography impoundments. Average annual temperature in the and warm, humid climate provide ideal conditions north is between 60° and 62°F, whereas in the and diversity of habitat for the colonization of south it is 64° to 66°F or above. Average annual dragonflies and damselflies, and its proximity to precipitation in the north is from 52 to 54 inches,

elements. The 173 species reported here exceeds Few publications have dealt with the distribution of the number reported by Dunkle (1992) for the state Odonata within the state, and none has treated the of Florida. This is surprising considering that fauna as a whole. Williamson (1903) contributed Alabama has very few natural lakes and ponds specific records of Hetaerina americana and H. within its borders. Despite the large number of titia (as tricolor). Mike Wright contributed several species occurring in the state, however, none is papers dealing mainly with the Mobile and Baldwin endemic to Alabama. In this paper we bring County area (1937, 1939, 1943, 1946), providing together all the knowledge we could gather on the 35 state records. Septima Smith and Robert S. distribution of each species within the state, giving Hodges, while at the University of Alabama in the county records and noting flight season, habitat, 1930s and 1940s, formed a group of enthusiastic collectors known as "The Dragonets". They concentrated mostly in Tuscaloosa County and their Alabama lies in the southeastern corner of the efforts culminated in a preliminary list of 127 United States. The state is basically rectangular in species, but very few of the records were published shape, 330 miles long in a north-south direction by them. Their Anisoptera records were reported in and 210 miles wide in an east-west direction, Needham and Westfall (1955) as state records only,

northeast Alabama to the Gulf Coast lowlands near Johnson (1973-1974) added eight new county Mobile, dragonflies have the opportunity to records for several species of Calopterygidae. Bick colonize streams from large rivers to spring-fed (1978) added four Enallagma species to the state mainly on the collections of Smith and Hodges.

considered rare or restricted within the state, four rogersi, a previously questionable record. of which were new to the state list: Gomphus

Bick and Bick (1983) reported 30 species new to crassus, Cordulegaster erronea, Nannothemis the state list, most of which were Zygoptera, based bella, and Sympetrum semicinctum. Krotzer and Krotzer (1992)added Erythemis (undoubtedly a single migrant) and Ischnura Tennessen (1990) gave a list of 49 species kellicotti, and confirmed the presence of Gomphus

ALABAMA PHYSIOGRAPHY

subtemperate climate which have created a wide this region consists primarily of a series of parallel variety of aquatic habitats, ranging from high valleys and ridges that trend northeast to southwest. gradient mountain streams to coastal marshes Paleozoic sediments underlie the formations; ridges (Harris et al. 1991). The landscape in Alabama was are underlain by sandstones and cherts, valleys by formed primarily by moving water (gradational processes) and tectonics. The five physiographic regions described here are based on Sapp and Alabama are indicated in Fig. 1.

Low Plateaus extends from Alabama northward into central Tennessee and to the boundary of the Pleistocene glaciation in Indiana. Most of the area PIEDMONT UPLAND. This 4,700 square mile is underlain by cherty limestones that weather into stony soils, especially on steeper slopes. Within Alabama, the Highland Rim is confined to a 3,200 800 feet (up to 240 m). Upland areas are flat to rolling, while the border is characterized by steep, rugged terrain formed by deeply entrenched streams. Streams in this region are usually highly mineralized and well buffered. The region averages 51-54 inches of precipitation annually.

mile section of the Appalachian Plateaus province in Alabama is typically underlain by horizontal sediments of Paleozoic age. The topography is undulating, frequently dissected by young valleys and broken in the east by a long narrow anticline EAST GULF COASTAL PLAIN. By far the (the Sequatchie). In northeast Alabama, this largest physiographic region in the state, the East anticline is breached by the Tennessee River. The Gulf Coastal Plain comprises 31,385 square miles anticline continues to the southwest as a low line of gently rolling hills, sharp ridges, prairies, and hills into the Black Warrior coal field. Elevations broad alluvial flood plains. Rocks underlying the range from approximately 700 feet in the south to region are relatively unconsolidated Mesozoic and over 1000 feet in the north; the highest point is Cenozoic sediments. The area is youthful to about 1700 feet. The predominant drainage feature mature, of undulating low relief; several resistant in the southwestern part of the Cumberland formations appear as low lines of hills called Plateaus is the Black Warrior River. Precipitation cuestas. Elevations range from 250 feet to 700 feet in the region averages 52-56 inches annually.

Alabama has a diverse physiography and a moist, ALABAMA VALLEY AND RIDGE. In Alabama, carbonates and shales. Elevations typically range from 600 to 700 feet in the valleys to over 1200 feet on the ridges, with maximum altitudes Emplaincourt (1975), and the areas they cover in approaching 2100 feet. This region, encompassing 4,160 square miles, is almost exclusively drained by the Coosa and Cahaba rivers and their HIGHLAND RIM. This section of the Interior tributaries. The average annual precipitation for the area is 52-54 inches.

area, in east-central Alabama, is underlain by a complex of igneous and metamorphic rocks of Precambrian and Paleozoic ages, with maturely square mile area in the northwest corner of the state dissected rolling hills of moderate relief. The and is drained exclusively by the Tennessee River region is bounded on the south by Coastal Plain and its tributaries. Elevations range from 500 to sediments, to the northwest by the Alabama Valley and Ridge region, and to the east by the Alabama/Georgia state line. Elevations range from about 500 to 1100 feet in the Northern Piedmont Upland and from about 500 to 800 feet in the Southern Piedmont Upland. Several mountains in the region are possibly monadnocks, including Mt. Cheaha, the highest point in Alabama (2,407 feet). CUMBERLAND PLATEAU. This 8,200 square The Piedmont Upland is drained primarily by the Coosa, Tallapoosa, and Chattahoochee river systems. Precipitation in the region averages from 48 to 53 inches per year.

in the northwest portion, with the rest of the area

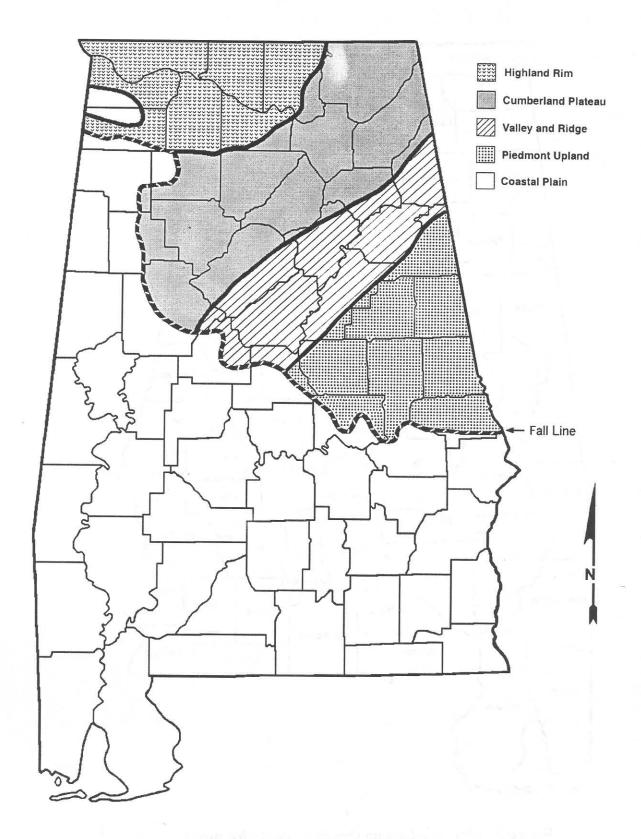


Figure 1. Map of Alabama showing physiographic provinces.



Figure 2. Map of Alabama showing county locations.

varying from about 500 ft to sea level. Average annual precipitation amounts are higher than in any other physiographic region in the state, ranging from 50 to 64 inches.

belt. Streams crossing the Fall Line are usually of state, which is about 50% of the fauna. high gradient, often characterized by waterfalls.

The Fall Line marks a natural break in the distributions of many groups of aquatic organisms, especially lotic obligates, including odonates. The ranges of many species do not cross the Fall Line: 16 % are restricted to above the line, 29 % below The most distinctive topographic feature in the line, while 55% occur on both sides of the line. Alabama is the Fall Line (Fig. 1), so named In Alabama, 55% of the Coenagrionidae, because it marks the boundary where the harder Gomphidae and Corduliidae occur either only rocks of the Appalachian foothills and Interior above or only below the Fall Line. Species with Plains plunge under the sediments of the East Gulf greater dispersal powers, such as the Aeshnidae, Coastal Plain. The Fall Line is sharply delineated and those with more general habitat requirements, in the eastern part of the state, along the southern such as many Libellulidae, are less influenced by borders of the Alabama Valley and Ridge and topographic features such as the Fall Line. We Piedmont Upland regions. As one follows the line speculate that about 75 species are probably westward and then to the north, it gradually distributed throughout Alabama while 12 other becomes a wide, irregularly shaped transitional species might be nearly distributed throughout the

DRAGONFLY HABITATS

natural ponds. Of the latter, there are a few in the Epitheca spinosa. extreme northeast part of the state and some in the southwestern part. Man-made ponds, lakes, Nearly all the large and medium-sized rivers within these species, such as Enallagma civile and in

Somatochlora, and Nehalennia. There is a the dragonflies resident in them. noticeable lack of large bogs in Alabama. Many swamps and other wetlands have been drained for

Alabama is similar to most other southeastern states agriculture or other development, greatly lessening north of Florida in a near total absence of large opportunity for species in need of this habitat type, natural lakes and an extreme paucity of small such as Gomphaeschna, Arigomphus maxwelli and

reservoirs, and other pooled water bodies, the state have been dammed or otherwise severely however, provide ample habitat for opportunistic disturbed by forestry and agricultural practices, lentic species, such as many Libellulidae and urbanization, construction, and organic and Coenagrionidae. A safe assumption is that many of pesticide loading. Species requiring riverine habitat undisturbed condition relatively Pachydiplax longipennis, have increased in undoubtedly diminished in number (e.g., Gomphus numbers and perhaps expanded their distributions septima, Stylurus notatus). Small to medium-sized within the state because of these anthropogenic streams with gravel riffles are ideal habitats for gomphids, most of which tolerate minimal human disturbance in the watershed. Removal of riparian Seeps appear to be few, but are undoubtedly more vegetation is especially damaging as it causes numerous than we have encountered because they movement and mixing of gravels in the substrate are extremely hard to find (seeps are usually small and erosion of bank habitat where Ophiogomphus, in area, concealed, or on private, inaccessible Gomphus spp. and others abide. Because there is a lands). Seeps are important habitat for genera such lack of historical data for most streams of this type, as Tachopteryx, Cordulegaster, Amphiagrion, we can not accurately estimate population losses for

FAUNAL ORIGINS

The great majority of species occurring in Alabama majority of these being either northern or southern are of North Temperate origin. A few tropical (Table 1). It appears that most of these species species, such as Miathyria marcella, have entered occur mainly southeast or northeast of Alabama, Alabama via Florida. A number of species have probably due in large extent to the influence of the distributions that terminate within Alabama, the Appalachian Mountains, rather than in a strict

that direction.

As expected, we found that the fauna of the southern tier of counties (Mobile, Baldwin, FAUNAL SUMMARY Escambia, Covington, Geneva, Houston) is similar concerning the Fall Line, indicate that the area disturbance.

ANNOTATED LIST OF ALABAMA ODONATA

records, flight dates, relative abundance ranking, Habitat notes pertain mainly to Alabama and are of and habitat notes. Of the 173 species included in a general nature. this paper, 14 are reported from Alabama for the first time. These are indicated in the following list The nomenclature, for the most part, follows that and locality information is given for each. County of Garrison (1991). However, our treatment differs locations within Alabama are shown in Fig. 2 (p. from that list in the following taxa: 51). County records are based mostly on adult specimens, although some are based solely on sight 1. Stenogomphurus Carle is not recognized; we identification or on nymphal specimens, and are so have placed consanguis and rogersi in Gomphus, indicated. The latter two types of records are although the affinities of these species are offered to provide a more complete picture of the unknown. distributions, though we recognize there is a greater chance of error in these types of data than those 2. Gomphus is split into three subgenera: Gomphus records based on adults. Much distribution work Leach, Gomphurus Needham, and Hylogomphus remains to be done in Alabama, especially in the Needham. southern third of the state. The flight dates are the earliest and latest dates that adults have been 3. Gomphus brimleyi Muttkowski is considered a captured in Alabama based on specimens we subspecies of cavillaris Needham instead of a examined or literature records; for a number of synonym. species, these are very incomplete. In general, odonates tend to emerge earlier in the more 4. Epicordulia and Tetragoneuria are considered southern parts of their range, hence the flight dates subgenera of the Old World genus Epitheca. may not apply to a species' entire range within the state. For "spring species" (see Corbet 1963), flight 5. Ladona is recognized as a full genus, not a seasons usually end earlier in the south, whereas synonym of Libellula. for "summer species", adults tend to be present later in the year farther south. The abundance The compilation of distribution data in this report is idea of possible frequencies of encounter and own collecting efforts, we have gathered

north-south plane. Only 8 species' distributions occupied by the state of Alabama is extremely terminate in Alabama from due East. It appears that important in the biogeography of Odonata in the the least influence has been from the West, as only eastern United States. Smith and Hodges (1938), 4 species' distributions terminate in Alabama from based on limited data, alluded to the difference between the northern and southern portions of the

to that of northern Florida, as 109 of the 120 There are 173 species of Odonata now recorded in species recorded there also occur in northern Alabama (see Annotated List), comprising six Florida (91 percent). Likewise, the fauna of the families of Anisoptera and three families of northern tier of counties (Lauderdale, Limestone, Zygoptera. According to our subjective ratings of Madison, Jackson) shares 92 percent of its species abundance, 69 species were ranked as "common"; with south-central Tennessee (86 of the 93 species nearly as many (62) were ranked as "rare". The are known from south-central Tennessee). In family containing the highest percentage of rare contrast, the northern and southern tiers of counties species was Gomphidae (62.5%). The great share only 55 percent of the 172 species in the majority of species within this family are obligate state. These data, along with the information stream dwellers fairly intolerant of habitat

In the following annotated list, we provide county population sizes that can be expected in the field.

rankings ("common", "rare", etc.) are arbitrary, based in large part on previously unpublished and are intended only to give the reader a relative records collected by many individuals. Besides our information from private and institutional Anax junius (Drury) Jerrell J. Daigle (Florida Dept. of Environmental Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Walker, Washington. Ferrin W. Eilands II (Selma, AL), George Folkerts and should be expected in all counties. Migrates, (Auburn University), George Harp (Arkansas State sometimes in large numbers. Inhabits a variety of Univ.), Leroy M. Koch (Abingdon, VA), Mary lentic habitats. Jane Krotzer (Helena, AL), William F. Mauffray (IORI, Gainesville, FL), Timothy Vogt (Illinois Anax longipes Hagen Collection of (Florida State Gainesville, FL). Thanks to Nick Donnelly for (Smith & Hodges 1937). notified of new collections or existing records of ponds. Alabama Odonata of which we were unaware in order to update our database and further elucidate Basiaeschna janata (Say) the distribution patterns within the state.

Abbreviations: JDH = James D. Harper; RSK = record based on sight.

PETALURIDAE

Tachopteryx thoreyi (Hagen) Apr 1-Jul 22 Bibb, Chilton, Clay, Cleburne, Colbert (s), Dallas, Escambia, Hale, Lauderdale, Marion (s). Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa (Wright 1937), Winston. under dead leaves.

AESHNIDAE

Aeshna umbrosa Walker Tuscaloosa (Tennessen 1990).

lakes and woodland pools, such as those formed by until dusk. Inhabits small to large shady streams. beavers.

Feb 19-Nov 3 collections. We thank the following individuals for Baldwin, Bibb, Blount, Bullock, Cherokee, Clarke, collecting with us, sending data, or allowing us to Cleburne, Coffee, Colbert, Covington (Wright examine collections: Nancy Adams and Oliver 1937), Dale, Dallas, Dekalb, Elmore, Escambia, Flint (U. S. National Museum), Daniel Botts Fayette (s), Houston, Jackson (s), Lauderdale, Lee, (Orlando, FL), Malcolm Braid and Britt Raymond Limestone (n), Macon (s), Marshall, Mobile (University of Montevallo, AL), Wayne Clark (Wright 1943), Monroe (s), Montgomery, Perry (Auburn University), Carl Cook (Center, KY), (s), Pike, St. Clair, Shelby, Sumter, Talladega, Regulation, Tallahassee), Sidney W. Dunkle "Common". Probably the most often observed (Collin County Community College, Plano, TX), aeshnid, this species occurs throughout the state

Apr 17-Aug 18 State Musuem, IL), and Minter J. Westfall, Jr. Baldwin, Cherokee, Colbert, Covington, Houston Arthropods, (s), Jackson, Lee, Marion, Shelby (s), Tuscaloosa

examining specimens of Enallagma traviatum for "Uncommon". Distributed statewide, but not in subspecific determination. Improvement of the large populations; observed infrequently and manuscript by two reviewers is gratefully difficult to capture. Sighted as late as Sep 5. acknowledged. We would greatly appreciate being Preferred habitat is vegetated, usually fishless,

Mar 24-May 19 Bibb, Blount (Louton 1982), Calhoun, Clay, Cleburne (Louton 1982), Conecuh (Wright 1939), Cullman, Dekalb, Etowah, Jackson (n), R. Stephen Krotzer; KJT = K. J. Tennessen; (n) Lauderdale, Lawrence, Limestone (n), Marion, = record based on nymph specimen only; (s) = Marshall, Morgan (n), Shelby, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Winston.

> "Common". Statewide; paucity of southern county records attributable to inadequate collecting effort in that part of the state and the early, short flight season. Habitat is mainly small to medium-sized streams, occasionally found in lakes.

Boyeria vinosa (Say) May 19-Oct 31 "Local". Should be found throughout the state; no Autauga (s), Baldwin (Wright 1939, 1943), Bibb, large populations known. Habitat is wooded, Blount (n), Calhoun, Chambers, Cherokee, hillside seepage areas; nymphs wallow in mud Choctaw, Clarke (n), Clay, Cleburne, Coffee, Colbert, Coosa (n), Covington, Crenshaw, Dale, Dallas (Louton 1982), Dekalb (s), Elmore (s), Escambia, Fayette, Franklin, Greene, Hale, Houston (s), Jefferson, Lamar, Lauderdale, Sep 2-Nov 25 Lawrence, Lee, Macon, Madison (n), Marion, Elmore, Jefferson, Lee (Tennessen 1990), Morgan (s), Perry (Louton 1982), Pickens, Randolph, Sumter, Talladega, Tuscaloosa, Winston "Rare". Probably limited to very isolated localities "Common". Expected to occur in all counties. in northern two-thirds of the state. Habitat is small Flight activity is typically from very late afternoon Coryphaeschna ingens (Rambur) Apr 16-Jun 18 Baldwin, Covington, Elmore, Escambia, Jackson (n), Lee, Macon, Mobile.

"Uncommon". Found mostly in southern half of slow swampy streams, and reservoir sloughs. state, although the Jackson Co. occurrence indicates that it might be found occasionally in other GOMPHIDAE northern counties. Usually found in heavily vegetated lentic habitats.

Epiaeschna heros (Fabricius) Apr 3-Oct 1 Baldwin, Blount (s), Bullock, Cherokee, Colbert (s), Covington, Dale, Escambia, Fayette, Houston, Jackson, Jefferson, Lauderdale, Lee, Madison, Marion (s), Mobile, Monroe, Morgan (s), Perry, Shelby, Tuscaloosa, Winston.

"Common". Distributed statewide, expected to occur in all counties. Habitat is woodland pools and swamps. Adults often fly far from breeding waters.

Apr 2-Jul 20 Gomphaeschna antilope (Hagen) Baldwin, Bibb, Covington, Escambia, Mobile 1990), Tuscaloosa (Tennessen 1990). (Bick & Bick 1983), Tuscaloosa (Bick & Bick 1983).

localities very limited; probability of finding additional populations is greater in the southern Arigomphus pallidus (Rambur) Apr 17-May 31 half of state. Habitat is wooded swamps.

Gomphaeschna furcillata (Say) Mar 18-May 16 Baldwin, Bibb, Covington, Escambia, Jackson, Tuscaloosa (Tennessen 1990).

"Rare". Expected statewide, but populations local. The record of G. furcillata for Mobile Co. by Smith & Hodges (1937) has been identified by M. J. Westfall, Jr., as G. antilope. Habitat is wooded Arigomphus submedianus (Williamson) swamps.

Gynacantha nervosa Rambur Lee.

Apalachicola River in northwest Florida (Dunkle pers. comm.). Inhabits muddy ponds and lakes. 1992). Nymphs have been found only in temporary woodland pools with vegetation but without fish. Arigomphus villosipes (Selys) Adults are crepuscular, hanging in shaded areas during the day.

Nasiaeschna pentacantha (Rambur)

Apr 1-Aug 30 Baldwin, Colbert, Covington, Dallas, Escambia, Hale, Henry, Houston, Jackson (s), Lauderdale, Dromogomphus armatus Selys Morgan, Perry, Shelby, Tuscaloosa.

"Common". Statewide, expected to occur in all counties. Inhabits a variety of lentic habitats containing sunken wood, such as woodland ponds,

Aphylla williamsoni (Gloyd) Jun 1-Sep 6 Baldwin (Tennessen 1990), Coffee, Covington, Geneva (Tennessen 1990), Hale, Houston, Lee (Tennessen 1990), Lowndes, Marengo, Mobile, Pickens, Shelby, Sumter.

"Local". Distribution apparently restricted to area below Fall Line. Populations in several county lakes, created for fishing, have become fairly sizable. Habitat is mud-bottomed lakes, ponds and canals.

Arigomphus maxwelli (Ferguson) May 14-Jul 20 Baldwin (Tennessen 1990), Mobile (Tennessen

"Rare". Probably restricted to western part of the state in small, local populations. Habitat confined "Rare". Might occur statewide, but populations and to slow moving water in tupelo gum swamps.

Covington, Geneva (Tennessen 1990), Houston.

"Rare". Most southern species of the genus, probably restricted to extreme southern part of Alabama. Only sites known to us are several natural ponds in Covington Co. and a beaver pond in Houston Co. Inhabits permanent, eutrophic ponds and lake margins.

Jul 7 Jackson.

"Rare". New state record. Only specimen is a Aug 2 female collected by KJT near a catfish farm pond 7 mi. north of Scottsboro, although it can be "Rare". New state record. Based on 1 female expected to occur across the state in a westerlycollected by KJT at a light near Auburn Univ. southwesterly direction. Known early flight date campus, 11:00 p.m. Not reported west of the outside Alabama is May 7 (in Texas, Donnelly

May 21

"Rare". New state record. Based on one male collected by Mary J. Krotzer at a small pond at Alpine Boys' Camp in Dekalb Co. Inhabits muddy, open ponds and lake edges.

Jun 1-Aug 17 Madison, Mobile (Smith & Hodges 1937), Baldwin (Tennessen 1990), Bibb, Covington, Escambia, Lamar.

"Rare". Probably restricted to area below Fall Gomphus (Gomphurus) dilatatus Rambur Line; populations are undoubtedly small. Habitat is small, slow-flowing, clear streams with soft Baldwin, Bibb, Conecuh, Covington, Dale, organic substrate.

Dromogomphus spinosus Selys Chilton (s), Cleburne, Colbert, Conecuh (Wright Distribution narrowly overlaps that of the more 1939), Coosa, Dale, Dallas, Dekalb, Elmore, northerly distributed G. lineatifrons. Habitat is Escambia, Fayette, Greene, Hale (s), Jackson, medium to large, silty rivers. Lauderdale (Westfall & Jefferson. Lamar, Tennessen 1979), Lawrence, Lee, Limestone, Gomphus (Gomphurus) hybridus Williamson Macon, Madison, Marengo (s), Marion, Monroe, Walker, Wilcox, Winston.

it has not yet been collected in the extreme Wilcox. southwest part of the state. This very successful where no other gomphids are found.

Dromogomphus spoliatus (Hagen) May 24-Sep 18 Cherokee, Colbert (s), Cullman, Elmore, Etowah, Hale, Jackson (Westfall & Tennessen 1979), Gomphus (Gomphurus) lineatifrons Calvert Lauderdale, Lawrence, Limestone (n), Madison, Walker.

"Uncommon". Ranging across Alabama in northern counties, but southward only to line drawn across Sumter and Elmore counties. Habitat is large rivers and reservoirs, as well as ponds.

Erpetogomphus designatus Hagen May 25-Oct 15 Bibb, Dallas (Louton 1982), Elmore, Escambia, Lee, Perry, Randolph, Sumter, Tallapoosa.

"Uncommon". Although few county records exist, this species could be found to occur statewide. Occurs in rivers and medium-sized streams with gravel/sand substrate.

Gomphus (Gomphurus) crassus Hagen

May 8-Jun 12

1990), Madison.

gravel substrate.

May 9-Jul 25

Escambia, Jefferson, Lee, Perry, Pike, Shelby, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa (Smith & Hodges 1938). May 17-Sep 19 "Uncommon". Known as far north as Jefferson Barbour, Bibb, Blount, Calhoun (Louton 1982), Co., but more common in southern third of state.

Mar 31-Jun10

Morgan (s), Perry, Pickens, Randolph, St. Clair, Baldwin, Bibb, Choctaw, Clarke, Conecuh, Dallas, Shelby, Sumter (s), Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Elmore, Escambia, Greene (Bick & Bick 1983), Hale, Jackson, Monroe, Perry, Sumter (Bick & "Common". Might occur in every county, although Bick 1983), Tuscaloosa (Bick & Bick 1983),

"Uncommon". May be locally common in some species inhabits streams, reservoirs, lakes, ponds, localities. Primarily distributed in southwestern strip mine pits, and other aquatic habitats, often part of the state, although the Jackson Co. record (Tennessee River near Widows Creek) indicates it may be more widely distributed. Inhabits large, silty/sandy rivers.

May 6-Jul10

Marshall (s), Morgan, Pickens, Shelby, Sumter, Bibb, Blount, Chilton, Clay (Louton 1982), Cleburne, Coosa, Jackson, Jefferson, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Marion, St. Clair, Tuscaloosa (Smith & Hodges 1938), Winston.

> "Uncommon". May be locally common. Restricted to northern half of state; see comments under G. dilatatus. Habitat is small to medium, cooler, clear streams, usually with gravel substrate.

Gomphus (Gomphurus) modestus Needham

May 22-May 24

Marion (n), Tuscaloosa (Westfall 1974).

"Rare". The Tuscaloosa Co. record is based on specimens collected by Smith and Hodges in the 1930s at the North River and the Black Warrior River (Westfall 1974); it has not been seen or collected there since, and may have been extirpated Jackson (Tennessen 1990), Lauderdale (Tennessen by construction of dams. The only known living population in Alabama was recently discovered at "Uncommon". Restricted to extreme northern tier the Buttahatchie River, Hwy. 278, Marion Co., 22 of counties; collected at only 3 sites (Hurricane May 1992, KJT (6 exuviae). Collected as early as Creek, Shoal Creek, and Flint River). Inhabits April 16 and as late as June 23 in Mississippi (J. J. small to medium-sized relatively fast rivers with Daigle, pers. comm.). Prefers medium to large silty rivers.

Gomphus (Gomphurus) septima Westfall

Tuscaloosa (Westfall 1956).

species probably has been extirpated at this site. australis in sand-bottomed lakes. Habitat is medium to large rocky rivers.

Gomphus (Gomphurus) vastus Walsh

May 7-Jul 19

Bibb (Louton 1982), Blount, Colbert, Elmore, (Smith & Hodges 1938).

"Uncommon". Probably the most common species Winston. of the subgenus. Should be found also in southern part of the state as there are two county records for Uncommon in extreme southern Alabama, where northwest Florida (Dunkle 1992). Inhabits medium paler specimens have been called G. e. to large rivers.

Gomphus (Gomphus) consanguis Selys

Blount (Louton 1982), St. Clair.

specimens collected in Blount Co. until one male (Tennessen 1990). was collected by Braid and Raymond in St. Clair "Rare". Probably restricted to extreme southern Habitat usually small, second order streams, partly streams. wooded.

Gomphus (Gomphus) rogersi Gloyd

Krotzer 1992), Lee (Westfall 1962).

(1962) was doubtful as specimen from Lee Co. was Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa. lost; occurrence in state confirmed when RSK "Common". Undoubtedly occurs statewide; can limited to cool, sandy Appalachian streams.

Gomphus (Gomphus) australis (Needham)

Covington.

"Rare". New state record. Known in Alabama only Jackson, Lauderdale, Madison, Tuscaloosa. sand-bottomed lakes and ponds, often with lily streams. pads.

brimlevi cavillaris Gomphus (Gomphus) Apr 9-Apr 26 May 17-Jun 2 Muttkowski

Covington

"Rare". Not encountered in Alabama since Smith "Rare". New state record. Taken at Blue Pond in and Hodges collected it at the Warrior River, old the Conecuh National Forest by RSK. Probably Lock 16, from 1937 to 1940 (Westfall 1956). The occurs only in natural ponds in southwestern part of river was further dammed in the 1960s, and the the state. In Florida, often co-occurs with G.

Apr 6-Jun 19 Gomphus (Gomphus) exilis Selys Butler, Calhoun, Bibb. Blount, Baldwin. Chambers, Cherokee, Chilton, Clarke, Clay, Cleburne, Colbert, Conecuh, Covington, Cullman, Greene, Jackson, Jefferson, Lauderdale, Madison, Dekalb, Fayette, Greene, Hale, Jackson, Jefferson, Sumter, Tallapoosa (Louton 1982), Tuscaloosa Lawrence, Lee, Marion, Monroe, Perry, Pike, Shelby, St. Clair, Tuscaloosa, Walker, Wilcox,

> " C". Most common species of subgenus. flavocaudatus Walker. G. exilis inhabits a variety of lentic and lotic habitats.

Jun 2-Jun 14 Gomphus (Gomphus) hodgesi Needham

Apr 1-May 8

"Rare". Known from only a few adult and nymph Baldwin (Needham 1950), Covington, Escambia

Co. at Little Canoe Creek in Springville, 1993. counties. Found only in small, sandy, wooded

Gomphus (Gomphus) lividus Selys Mar 11-Jun 12 Bibb, Blount, Cherokee (Louton 1982), Chilton, May 11-May 22 Clarke (Louton 1982), Clay, Cleburne, Colbert, Chilton (Krotzer & Krotzer 1992), Clay (Krotzer & Cullman, Dallas, Dekalb, Escambia, Etowah, Franklin, Hale, (n), Jackson, Lauderdale, "Rare". Probably restricted to east central and Lawrence, Lee, Macon, Marengo, Marion, northeast part of state. State record by Westfall Monroe, Perry, Shelby, St. Clair, Talladega,

collected it in Chilton and Clay counties. Habitat tolerate considerable disturbance to its habitat, which includes small to medium-sized wooded streams.

Apr 1-Apr 17 Gomphus (Gomphus) quadricolor Walsh

May 8-Jun 16

from Conecuh National Forest, undoubtedly limited "Rare". Probably limited in distribution to northern to extreme southern counties. Inhabits permanent, half of the state. Habitat is small, cool, gravel

Gomphus (Hylogomphus) apomyius Donnelly Apr 3-May 31

Autauga, Blount, Cullman, Marion (Tennessen 1990), Tuscaloosa (Louton 1982).

"Rare", but may be fairly numerous at certain sites, and is expected to be found in other localities. streams and medium-sized rivers.

Gomphus (Hylogomphus) geminatus Carle

Apr 1-May 8

Escambia (Tennessen 1990).

"Rare". Probably restricted to extreme southern part of the state. Restricted to small, sandy headwater streams.

Gomphus (Hylogomphus) parvidens Currie

May 1-Jun 23

Bibb, Cleburne, Fayette, Hale (Bick & Bick 1983), Perry (Bick & Bick 1983), Tuscaloosa.

"Rare". Expected to be found in counties east and northeast of current collection records. Habitat is small, sandy streams with abundant riparian shrubbery.

Gomphus (Hylogomphus) viridifrons Hine

Blount, Madison (n), Tuscaloosa (Tennessen 1990). "Rare". Probably restricted to northern half of Progomphus bellei Knopf & Tennessen state. Tuscaloosa Co. based on one reared male Escambia. Inhabits medium-sized to large rocky rivers.

Hagenius brevistylus Selys Jun 5-Sep 8 (Wright 1939), Monroe, Morgan, Randolph, Talladega, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa.

Expected to occur in all counties within the state. (Louton 1982), Winston (Louton 1982). Occurs in most types of lotic waters.

Ophiogomphus acuminatus Carle Colbert.

"Rare". New state record. Two adults and several nymphs collected by KJT in Wolf Den Branch and Sugar Camp Creek, Freedom Hills Wildlife Management Area, south of Cherokee, Colbert Co. Inhabits gravel/sand substrate in small, cool, clear Undoubtedly restricted to extreme northwest part of the state. Habitat limited to small or medium-sized second order, undisturbed, wooded streams with gravel riffles.

Ophiogomphus incurvatus alleghaniensis Carle

Apr 13-?

Jun 18

Blount (Louton 1982), Clay (n), Cleburne, Tuscaloosa.

"Rare". Reared specimens from Tuscaloosa Co. were identified as mainensis by Smith & Hodges, later determined to be incurvatus alleghaniensis by Carle (1982). In a later paper, Carle (1992) elevated O. i. alleghaniensis to rank of species. Mature, flying adults have never been collected in Alabama (April 13 is based on earliest date we have found exuviae in the field), but we reared this taxon in Blount and Cleburne counties; the specimens appear to be intermediate between incurvatus and alleghaniensis. Habitat is small, Apr 24-May 2 clear, sand/gravel streams.

collected by Smith & Hodges, North River, 2 May "Rare". New state record. Three males collected by 1939, deposited in FSCA; the only other Alabama RSK at Little Creek in Conecuh National Forest. records are recent (Mulberry Fork, Hwy. Record by Bick & Bick (1983) for Henry Co. was 31, Garden City, Blount Co., 1 male and 9 exuviae, in error, as it was based on a misidentified P. 24 April 1992, KJT; Flint River, Little Cove Road, obscurus. Occurs in sandy lakes and first order Madison Co., 8 May 1992, 2 exuviae, KJT). sandy, spring-fed streams in northern Florida; found in latter type of habitat in Alabama.

Progomphus obscurus (Rambur) May 1-Aug 10 Autauga (s), Bibb, Blount (n), Calhoun (Louton Bibb, Blount (n), Calhoun (Belle 1973), Cherokee 1982), Cleburne, Colbert, Conecuh (Wright 1939), (Belle 1973), Clarke (n), Clay, Cleburne, Colbert, Covington, Crenshaw, Dale, Dekalb, Escambia, Conecuh, Coosa, Covington (Louton 1982), Dale, Etowah (n), Fayette, Franklin (n), Greene, Dallas (Louton 1982), Escambia, Etowah (n), Jackson, Jefferson, Lamar, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Fayette, Hale, Henry, Houston, Jackson, Jefferson, Limestone (s), Macon, Madison, Marion, Mobile Lee, Marengo, Marion, Mobile (Wright 1939), Pickens, Morgan (s), Perry (Louton 1982), Pike, Randolph (Louton 1982), Shelby, Talladega (Belle 1973), "Common". Largest gomphid in North America. Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Washington, Wilcox

"Common". A common, variable species in the eastern U. S. Occurs in sandy margins of streams and lakes.

Stylogomphus albistylus (Hagen) May 10-Jun 28 Blount, Cherokee, Chilton, Clarke (n), Clay, Cleburne, Colbert, Etowah (n), Jackson (s), Lauderdale, Lawrence, Marion (n), Tuscaloosa, Winston (Louton 1982).

"Uncommon". Smallest gomphid in Alabama. The Clarke Co. record, based on two nymphs collected by RSK and Mary J. Krotzer at an unnamed tributary of Choctaw Creek along Hwy. 84, is the only one we have for this species below the Fall Line. Without adult specimens from this locality, we assume these are S. albistylus. Occurs in small CORDULEGASTRIDAE to medium-sized gravel streams.

Stylurus amnicola (Walsh)

dates unknown in AL

County unknown.

"Rare". This species is included on the Alabama list by Needham and Westfall (1955), probably based on the Smith & Hodges Collection, but we have not located the specimen(s) to learn more detailed information. Flight dates in Georgia and North Carolina range from June 21 to August 12. Habitat in other parts of its range include mediumsized to large rivers with sandy substrates; tolerates moderate siltation.

Sep 7-Oct 12 Stylurus ivae (Williamson) Bibb (Louton 1982), Coffee, Covington.

"Rare". Probably occurs only south of the Fall Line. Inhabits small, shaded, slow-flowing sandy streams.

Stylurus laurae (Williamson) Jun 20-Aug 10 Bibb, Dale, Escambia, Monroe, Tuscaloosa. "Rare". Should occur throughout the state, but local and difficult to find. Prefers small sandy

woodland streams.

Aug 24-Aug 26 Stylurus notatus (Rambur) Colbert.

was inundated by closure of Pickwick Dam in 1938; the species has not been collected since from that area, although probably few if any subsequent Cordulegaster o. obliqua (Say) attempts to collect it there have been made. Typically found in large rivers with gravel, sand, silt substrates.

Jun 2-Oct 11 Stylurus plagiatus (Selys) Baldwin, Coffee, Colbert, Covington, Dale, Elmore, Escambia, Fayette, Greene, Houston,

Jackson, Lamar, Lauderdale, Limestone (n), Monroe, Pickens, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa.

"Common". Most commonly encountered species of the genus. Inhabits medium-sized to large rivers, reservoirs and lakes.

July 17-Aug 2 Stylurus townesi Gloyd Escambia (Tennessen 1979a), Mobile.

"Rare". Very few populations known in eastern U.S. Habitat is medium-sized, sandy streams.

Mar 11-May 19 Cordulegaster bilineata Carle Hale. Escambia, Bibb, Clarke, Conecuh, Tuscaloosa (Wright 1937, as diastatops).

"Rare". We have attributed all previous Alabama records of C. diastatops to this species (see notes at end of Annotated List). Habitat limited to seeps and first-order sandy, boggy, spring-fed streams. Should be found within Alabama north and east of present records, as it occurs in Tennessee and Georgia.

Cordulegaster erronea Hagen

dates unknown in AL

Marion (Tennessen 1990).

"Rare". . The only collection is of a nymph taken from a small sandy tributary of Marion County Lake, from which a male emerged on April 19, 1981. Flight season in other states ranges from June 8 to September 4. Found only in small, sandy, first order streams in forest.

Mar 21-May 19 Cordulegaster maculata Selys Bibb, Blount (n), Clarke (n), Clay, Cleburne, Colbert (n), Dekalb, Fayette (n), Jackson (n), Marion, Marshall, Lawrence, Lauderdale, Tuscaloosa, Winston (Louton 1982).

"Common". Not often collected due to early flight season and elusive habits in southeastern U.S. "Rare". Williamson (1903) reported this species Probably occurs statewide. Habitat not as limited as from Riverton, near the Tennessee River. This site other species in genus, varying from small to medium-sized woodland streams.

> Apr 17-Jul 17 Bibb, Chilton, Clarke, Hale, Jackson, Mobile, Monroe, Perry, Russell, Winston.

> "Uncommon". Probably distributed statewide, but very local. Habitat very small, sandy woodland streams.

CORDULIDAE MACROMIINAE

Didymops floridensis Davis Covington.

"Rare". New state record. One male collected, Tuscaloosa. endemic to Florida. The usual habitat is sand- lakes. bottomed lakes margined with maidencane and often bald cypress (Dunkle 1989).

Didymops transversa (Say) Baldwin, Bibb, Blount, Chambers, Chilton, Clay, Tuscaloosa (Wright 1937), Winston.

streams, rivers, some lakes.

Macromia alleghaniensis Williamson

Jun 10-Aug 22

Choctaw, Cleburne, Colbert, Fayette, Lauderdale, Tuscaloosa.

"Uncommon". Expected to occur statewide, but streams.

Macromia illinoiensis georgina (Selys)

May 23-Oct 1 1977).

Fayette, Greene, Hale, Houston, Jackson, Lamar, streams. Lauderdale, Lee, Macon, Marion, Monroe, Perry, Pickens, Pike, Shelby, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Winston.

(1994).

Macromia illinoiensis illinoiensis Walsh Jun 8 Lauderdale.

assigned to illinoiensis, along with several pools. individuals that possess characteristics intermediate between illinoiensis and georgina, making them Epitheca (Tetragoneuria) sepia (Gloyd) difficult to assign to subspecies (see Donnelly and Tennessen 1994).

May 30-Sep 12 Macromia taeniolata Rambur Baldwin, Butler, Clay, Colbert (Louton 1982), Hale, Houston, Dale, Elmore, Apr 17-Apr 26 Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lee, Marengo, Marion, Montgomery, Pickens, Monroe,

another observed, at Blue Pond in the Conecuh "Common". Undoubtedly distributed throughout National Forest by RSK; previously thought to be the state. Habitat mainly large rivers, also some

CORDULIINAE

Mar 10-Jun 11 Epitheca (Epicordulia) princeps Hagen

May 2-Aug 20

Cleburne, Colbert (s), Cullman, Elmore, Fayette, Baldwin, Bibb, Butler, Calhoun, Chambers, Hale, Jackson, Lauderdale, Lawrence (s), Lee, Chilton, Cleburne, Colbert, Coosa, Elmore, Marion, Marshall, Perry, Randolph, Shelby, Fayette (s), Houston (s), Jackson, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lee, Limestone, Marengo, Marion, "Common". Expected to occur statewide. Inhabits Marshall, Perry, Pickens (n), Shelby, Sumter, Talladega, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Walker (s).

"Common". Commonly seen throughout the state. Inhabits various types of lentic and slow lotic waters.

Epitheca (Tetragoneuria) costalis (Selys)

Mar 18-Jun 27

rarely collected. Habitat small to medium-sized Baldwin, Bibb, Blount, Chambers, Chilton, Clarke, Cleburne, Covington, Dekalb, Escambia, Hale, Jackson, Lauderdale, Lee, Macon, Marion (Tennessen 1979b), Perry, Tuscaloosa (Tennessen

Baldwin, Bibb (Louton 1982), Blount, Choctaw, "Common". Very early season in south Alabama, Cleburne, Covington, Crenshaw, Cullman, Dale, considerably later in northern part. Inhabits ponds, Dallas (Louton 1982), Dekalb, Elmore, Escambia, lakes, small reservoirs and pools in slow, marshy

Sumter, Talladega, Epitheca (Tetragoneuria) cynosura (Say)

"Common". Undoubtedly distributed throughout Baldwin, Bibb, Blount, Calhoun, Chilton, Clarke, the state. Habitat varies from small streams to large Clay, Cleburne, Colbert, Conecuh, Covington, rivers. A variable taxon in color pattern and hamule Cullman, Dekalb, Elmore, Escambia, Hale, tip shape that appears to grade into illinoiensis; Houston, Jackson, Jefferson (Wright 1937), relegated to subspecies by Donnelly and Tennessen Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lee, Limestone, Macon, Madison, Marion (Tennessen 1979b), Marshall, Mobile, Shelby, Tuscaloosa (Wright 1937), Winston.

"Common". One of the most common spring "Uncommon". A few specimens have been dragonflies throughout the state. Inhabits a variety collected in extreme northwest Alabama that can be of permanent lentic water bodies, also stream

May 12-Sep 29

Chambers (Tennessen 1990), Lee (Tennessen Neurocordulia obsoleta (Say) 1990), Perry (Bick & Bick 1983).

except for the northwestern part (Dunkle 1992). indicate. Inhabits rivers and lakes. Should be found at other sites in southern Alabama. This species has the longest flight season of the Neurocordulia virginiensis Davis May 6-Aug 18 genus (Mar 3 to Nov 23 in Florida); often flies late in the day. Inhabits slow-moving portions of swampy streams and sand-bottomed lakes.

Epitheca (Tetragoneuria) spinosa (Hagen)

Mar 19-Apr 8

Covington, Tuscaloosa (Bick & Bick 1983).

"Rare". Earliest flight season of the genus and one of the earliest Anisoptera. Occurs in wooded swamps with very little flow.

Mar 10-May 8 Helocordulia selysii (Hagen) Baldwin, Bibb, Clarke, Lawrence, Tuscaloosa (Smith & Hodges 1937,

"Uncommon". Distributed mainly below the Fall "Rare". Line. Inhabits small, cool, sandy woodland females were collected in 1995 by RSK and M. J. streams.

Helocordulia uhleri (Selys) Blount, Clay, Cleburne (n), Dekalb, Jackson, June 11 to August 25. Lauderdale, Lawrence, Tuscaloosa (Smith & Hodges 1938).

Line, though partly sympatric with H. selysii. Fayette, Geneva, Greene, Houston, Lamar, Inhabits small, upland forested streams, usually Marengo, Montgomery, Pickens, Tuscaloosa. where flow has been impeded.

Neurocordulia alabamensis Hodges

May 22-Jun 23

Bibb, Escambia (n), Tuscaloosa.

"Rare". This species had not been collected in Somatochlora georgiana Walker Alabama in over 50 years (since Hodges' original Tuscaloosa (Tennessen 1990). specimens) until RSK found it in a tributary of Blue "Rare". Not found in the state since collections by Girth Creek in Bibb Co. in 1993. Undoubtedly Smith & Hodges in the 1930s. In Mississippi, more records will be found below the Fall Line. collected as late as Aug. 12 by S. W. Dunkle, in Flies at dusk, which is typical of the entire genus. Occupies small to medium, slow, sandy, shaded streams.

Neurocordulia molesta (Walsh) Apr 23-Jul 17 Baldwin, Colbert, Elmore (n), Greene, Jackson (n), Perry, Sumter, Monroe, Lauderdale (n), Tuscaloosa.

"Uncommon", but may be locally numerous. Habitat mainly rivers, may occur in medium-sized streams.

May 4-May 25 Elmore, Tuscaloosa (Smith & Hodges 1937). "Rare". A southern species common in Florida "Rare". Probably more widespread than records

Blount, Butler, Cullman, Dale, Elmore, Escambia, Hale (Louton 1982), Tuscaloosa (Smith & Hodges

"Uncommon", but may be locally numerous. Inhabits medium-sized rivers.

Neurocordulia yamaskanensis (Provancher)

Jun 7-Jul 12

Colbert (Tennessen 1979a), Lauderdale.

"Rare", but may be locally numerous. Inhabits large rivers and reservoirs.

Escambia, Fayette, Somatochlora calverti Williamson & Gloyd

July 13

Covington.

New state record. Several males and Krotzer in the Conecuh National Forest, along Forest Road 305. Probably restricted in state to the Mar 29-Jun 5 Coastal Plain. Flight dates in Florida range from

Jul 18-Sep 30 Somatochlora filosa (Hagen) "Uncommon". Distributed mainly above the Fall Autauga, Baldwin, Bibb, Covington, Dallas,

"Common". Distribution appears to be limited to area below Fall Line. The habitat of the nymphs is unknown, but may be spring-fed seeps or sheet flow in hardwood swamps.

Jun 18-Jul 31

Massachusetts as late as Aug. 18 (Daigle 1994). Only known habitat consists of pools in slowflowing tannin streams (Daigle 1994).

Somatochlora hineana Williamson Jul 11 Jackson (Vogt & Cashatt 1994).

"Rare". Based on one male collected near Robinson Spring north of Scottsboro; whether a population exists or did exist there is unknown. S. hineana is a very rare species known from very few localities in four states around the Great Lakes, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Wisconsin (Cashatt and Vogt 1994); The locality in Alabama (downstream of Robinson male collected by KJT at McShan Lake, Pickens collected by JDH and D. Botts in 1978. It has been vegetation and little organic matter. developed into a series of catfish ponds, and recent searches have failed to yield additional specimens. Celithemis elisa (Hagen) Illinois is sheet flow in calcareous fens, usually where cattail (Typha) is growing.

Somatochlora linearis (Hagen) Jun 15-Aug 31 Bibb, Blount, Colbert, Fayette, Jackson, Jefferson, Lauderdale, Marengo, Mobile, Morgan, Sumter, Tuscaloosa, Washington.

"Common". Most common species of the genus in lentic waters, including borrow pits. Alabama. Inhabits edges of woodland streams, some being temporary.

Somatochlora provocans Calvert Jun 18- Aug 23 Bibb, Chilton, Covington, Dale, Escambia, Fayette, Lamar, Marengo, Monroe, Tuscaloosa. "Uncommon". To be expected in northern part of state also. Habitat is small, spring-fed, sphagnum runs.

Jun 17-Oct 2 Somatochlora tenebrosa (Say) Greene, Jackson, Lamar, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Morgan, Pickens, Tuscaloosa, Winston.

Alabama, as Dunkle (1992) recorded it in three Pickens, Shelby, Tuscaloosa, Walker. counties in northern Florida. Habitat is small, forested streams.

LIBELLULIDAE

Brachymesia gravida (Calvert) (Wright 1937), Russell, Sumter.

"Uncommon". Probably limited to area below the occasionally Fall Line. Inhabits freshwater and ponds, lakes and ditches.

Celithemis amanda (Hagen) (Wright 1939, 1943), Baldwin (Tennessen 1990), Escambia, Mobile.

emergent vegetation.

Celithemis bertha Williamson Apr 30-Oct 4 Covington, Pickens.

"Rare". New state record based on several males Autauga, Baldwin, Bibb,

it is listed as a Threatened or Endangered species. Conecuh National Forest, Covington Co., and one Spring) has changed since the single male was Co. Inhabits sandy lake margins with emergent

Apr 26-Oct 2 Based on Cashatt and Vogt (1994), the habitat in Autauga, Baldwin, Blount, Butler, Calhoun, Chilton, Choctaw, Colbert (s), Covington, Dekalb, Escambia, Geneva, Houston, Lee, Lowndes, Marengo (s), Marion, Mobile, Morgan, Perry, Pickens, St. Clair, Shelby, Sumter, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Walker, Washington.

> "Common". A widespread species, throughout the state. Habitat includes a variety of

> Celithemis eponina (Drury) May 31-Oct 4 Baldwin, Calhoun, Cherokee, Choctaw, Colbert, Covington, Geneva, Greene, Houston, Jackson, Lee, Lowndes, Madison, Mobile (Wright 1937), Montgomery, Morgan, Russell, Shelby, Sumter, Tuscaloosa, Wilcox.

> "Common". Probably occurs statewide. Habitat includes ponds, lakes, marshes and reservoirs.

Celithemis fasciata Kirby Bibb, Calhoun, Chilton, Cleburne, Fayette, Autauga, Baldwin, Bibb (s), Calhoun, Choctaw, Cleburne, Colbert, Covington, Crenshaw, Dale, Dekalb, Escambia, Fayette, Geneva, Hale, "Common". To be expected also in southern Houston, Jackson, Lee, Marengo, Marion, Mobile,

"Common". Probably occurs statewide. Habitat includes ponds and lakes.

Celithemis ornata (Rambur) Apr 17-Jul 14 Baldwin (Tennessen 1990), Covington (Tennessen Jun 3-Sep 4 1990), Dale, Escambia, Geneva, Henry, Mobile. Baldwin, Choctaw, Dallas, Lee, Lowndes, Mobile "Local". Apparently occurs only in extreme southern part of the state. Inhabits ponds and slow streams with emergent brackish vegetation.

Celithemis verna Pritchard Apr 17-Aug 1 Jul 2-Oct 5 Cleburne, Colbert, Covington, Jackson, Mobile, Covington St. Clair, Shelby, Tuscaloosa (Tennessen 1990). "Uncommon". Although appears to be distributed "Uncommon". Probably restricted to southern part statewide, few populations have been found. This of state. Inhabits shallow ponds with sparse species is the least likely one of the genus to be encountered. Habitat is ponds with emergent vegetation.

Dythemis velox Hagen Mar 28-Sep 18 Calhoun, collected by R. McCullers and JDH at Blue Pond, Cleburne, Crenshaw, Cullman, Elmore, Fayette, Hale, Henry, Houston, Jefferson, Lawrence, Lee, Marengo (s), Marion, Shelby, Tuscaloosa (Smith & Hodges 1937), Walker.

"Common". This species may have spread fairly recently to the northern part of the state. Inhabits Ladona deplanata (Rambur) ponds, lakes, and slower portions of muddy streams.

Erythemis attala (Selys)

May 2

Elmore (Krotzer & Krotzer 1992).

"Vagrant". The single male collected over a rain puddle in a cotton field road was probably a vagrant, as no other individuals were sighted despite several visits to the site.

Apr 13-Oct 12 Erythemis simplicicollis (Say) Autauga, Baldwin, Barbour, Bibb, Blount (s), Bullock, Butler, Calhoun, Chambers, Cherokee, Chilton, Choctaw, Clarke, Cleburne, Coffee, Colbert, Conecuh, Covington (Wright 1943), Cullman, Dale, Dallas, Dekalb, Crenshaw, Elmore, Escambia, Etowah (s), Fayette, Geneva, Greene, Hale, Henry, Houston, Jackson, Jefferson, Lamar (s), Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lee, Lowndes, Macon, Madison, Marengo, Marion (s), Marshall, Mobile, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Perry (s), Pickens, St. Clair, Shelby, Sumter, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Walker, Washington.

"Common". One of the most common dragonflies in Alabama. Wide range of habitats includes nearly reservoirs.

Erythrodiplax berenice (Drury) May 13-Sep 3 Mobile (Borror 1942).

"Rare". Undoubtedly limited to the coastal plain. Habitat is brackish water marshes.

Erythrodiplax minuscula (Rambur) Apr 16-Nov 9 Butler, Calhoun, Clay, Bullock, Baldwin, Covington, Dale, Elmore, Escambia, Geneva, Hale, Houston, Lee, Macon, Marengo, Mobile, Libellula flavida Rambur Tuscaloosa, Shelby, Pickens (s), Washington.

freshwater ponds, lakes, and sluggish streams.

Erythrodiplax umbrata (Linnaeus)

Colbert (s), Mobile, Washington (Smith & Hodges 1937).

"Uncommon". The Colbert Co. sighting (a male) was probably a vagrant. Inhabits ponds and marshes, especially temporary ones.

Mar 15-May 21 Baldwin, Bibb, Blount (s), Clay, Cleburne, Colbert, Covington, Escambia, Franklin, Hale, Jackson, Lee, Marion (n), Marshall, Monroe, Pike, Russell, Shelby, Tuscaloosa.

"Common". Probably occurs statewide. Inhabits ponds and lakes, occasionally slow streams.

Libellula auripennis Burmeister Apr 26-Oct 9 Covington (Wright 1943), Dale, Escambia, Etowah, Fayette, Geneva, Hale, Macon, Mobile (Westfall 1943), Pickens, Shelby, Tuscaloosa, Washington.

"Common". This species has not been sighted in extreme northern Alabama. Inhabits lakes and ponds, also ditches and slow portions of streams.

Libellula axilena Westwood May 8-Sep 4 Baldwin, Butler, Dale, Geneva, Hale, Mobile, St. Clair, Tuscaloosa, Washington.

"Uncommon". Distribution similar to that of L. auripennis. Inhabits wooded swamps.

May 2-Aug 18 Libellula cvanea Fabricius Barbour, Bibb, Blount (s), Butler, Calhoun, Chambers, Chilton, Cleburne, Colbert, Covington, any lentic condition and backwaters of streams and Dale, Dallas, Dekalb, Escambia, Franklin, Henry, Houston (s), Jackson, Lauderdale, Lee, Macon, Madison, Marengo, Marion, Perry, Pickens, Russell, St. Clair, Shelby, Talladega, Tuscaloosa (Wright 1937), Winston.

"Common". The localities in the southern tier of Alabama counties indicate that this species might occur in northern Florida, although Dunkle (1992) did not report it. Habitat consists of permanent ponds and ditches.

Apr 9-Oct 9 Walker, Baldwin, Bibb, Chilton, Clarke, Cleburne, Colbert, Covington, Dale, Elmore (s), Escambia, Hale, "Common". Probably occurs statewide. One of the Henry, Jackson, Jefferson, Lee, Macon, Madison, smaller libellulids in North America. Inhabits Marion, Mobile, Monroe, Perry, Pickens, Russell, Shelby, Tuscaloosa (Wright 1937), Washington, Winston.

> "Common". Widespread but relatively local. Aug 31-Dec 6 Habitat is small seepage pools in swampy areas.

> > Libellula incesta Hagen May 10-Oct 2 Autauga, Baldwin, Barbour, Bibb, Bullock, Butler, Calhoun, Cherokee (s), Chilton, Choctaw, Clarke,

Conecuh, Covington, Cleburne, Colbert, Cullman. Crenshaw. Macon, Madison, Marengo, Marion (s), Marshall, Talladega, Tuscaloosa, Washington. Mobile, Monroe (s), Montgomery, Morgan, Perry, "Common". Not as frequently seen as L. luctuosa. Pickens, Randolph, Shelby, Sumter, Talladega, Dunkle (1992) reported it as rare in northern Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Walker, Washington, Florida. Inhabits eutrophic ponds. Wilcox, Winston.

habitats.

Libellula luctuosa Burmeister Cherokee (s), Chilton, Calhoun, Cleburne, Colbert, Cullman, Dale, Dallas, Dekalb, Henry, Jackson, Jefferson, Lamar (s), Lauderdale, ditches. Lawrence, Lee, Limestone, Lowndes, Macon, Madison, Marengo, Marion, Marshall, Monroe, Libellula vibrans Fabricius Tuscaloosa, Walker (s), Wilcox, Winston.

Inhabits ponds, lakes, quiet river margins.

Libellula lydia Drury (= Plathemis lydia)

Mar 25-Oct 12 Winston.

Autauga, Baldwin, Barbour, Bibb, Blount (s), Butler, Calhoun, Chambers, Chilton, Choctaw, Inhabits wooded ponds, swamps and slow streams. Clarke (s), Clay, Cleburne, Coffee, Colbert, Covington (Wright 1943), Crenshaw, Dale, Dallas, Macrodiplax balteata (Hagen) Dekalb, Elmore, Escambia, Fayette (s), Franklin, Mobile. Geneva, Greene, Hale (s), Henry, Houston, Marshall, Marengo, Marion (s), Morgan, Perry (s), Pickens, Montgomery, Randolph (s), Russell, St. Clair, Shelby, Sumter, Miathyria marcella (Selys) Talladega, Tallapoosa (s), Tuscaloosa (Wright Marengo, Mobile. 1937), Walker, Wilcox, Winston.

soft mud bottom is present.

Libellula needhami Westfall May 4-Sep 27 (Tennessen 1990).

"Rare". A coastal plain species, restricted in Alabama to extreme southern counties. Habitat is ponds, lakes and marshes, usually slightly brackish.

May 6-Oct 12 Dale, Dallas, Dekalb, Libellula pulchella Drury Elmore, Escambia, Fayette, Franklin, Geneva, Chilton, Clarke, Colbert, Covington, Elmore, Greene, Hale, Henry, Houston, Jackson, Lamar, Geneva, Jackson, Lauderdale (s), Lee, Marshall, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lee, Limestone, Lowndes, Mobile (Wright 1937, 1943), Shelby, Sumter,

"Common". One of the most common dragonflies Libellula semifasciata Burmeister Mar 25-Jul 29 in Alabama. Inhabits a wide variety of lentic Baldwin, Blount, Butler, Calhoun, Choctaw, Clay, Colbert (s), Conecuh, Covington (Wright 1943), Dale (s), Escambia, Hale, Jackson, Lauderdale (n), May 22-Sep 18 Macon, Mobile (Wright 1937, 1943), St. Clair, Choctaw, Tuscaloosa (Wright 1937), Washington.

"Common". Probably occurs statewide. Inhabits Elmore, Escambia, Etowah, Fayette, Franklin, marshy forest ponds, slow streams and seepage

Apr 24-Sep 25 Montgomery, Morgan, Perry (s), Pickens, Russell, Autauga, Baldwin, Bibb, Blount (s), Chambers, St. Clair, Shelby, Sumter, Talladega, Tallapoosa, Cleburne, Coffee, Colbert, Conecuh, Covington, Dale, Dallas, Elmore, Escambia, Geneva, Greene, "Common". Distribution similar to that of L. Hale, Houston, Jackson, Jefferson, Lamar, cyanea. Not recorded for Florida (Dunkle 1992). Lauderdale, Lee, Lowndes, Macon, Madison, Marengo, Mobile, Morgan, Perry, Pickens (s), Randolph (s), St. Clair, Shelby, Sumter (s), Talladega, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Washington,

"Common". Largest species of genus in Alabama.

Jun 30

"Rare". New state record. Several specimens Jackson, Lamar (s), Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lee, collected by JDH on Dauphin Island. A coastal-Limestone (s), Lowndes, Macon, Madison, plain species, probably restricted to the Mobile Bay Mobile, area. Inhabits brackish water or mineral ponds.

Jun 20-Jul 5

"Rare". New state record. One male and 2 females "Common". One of the most common dragonflies taken at a pond near Sand Creek, Hwy. 66, in Alabama. Inhabits almost any lentic condition Marengo Co. by KJT, flying with about 6 other and margins of slow streams, especially where a individuals; RSK observed several dozen specimens in Mobile Co. Dunkle (1992) did not record it west of the Apalachicola River in northern Florida. Inhabits ponds, ditches, and slow portions of Baldwin (Westfall 1943), Escambia, Mobile streams choked with floating aquatic plants such as water hyacinth.

Nannothemis bella (Uhler)

Russell (Tennessen 1990).

"Rare". Taken by JDH near a pond in Seale. Smallest dragonfly in North America. Habitat is "Common". Probably occurs statewide. Inhabits seepage bogs.

Jul 3-Oct 9 Orthemis ferruginea (Fabricius) Baldwin, Choctaw (Smith & Hodges 1937), Elmore Perithemis tenera (Say) (s), Geneva, Houston, Mobile, Sumter (s).

"Uncommon". Undoubtedly limited to area below the Fall Line. Inhabits ponds and muddy pools, even unvegetated, temporary ones.

Pachydiplax longipennis (Burmeister)

Mar 20-Oct 29

Autauga, Baldwin, Bibb, Blount (s), Bullock, Butler, Calhoun, Chambers, Cherokee (s), Chilton, Conecuh, Covington (Wright 1943), Crenshaw, Dale, Dallas, Elmore, Escambia, Etowah, Fayette, Franklin, Geneva, Greene, Hale, Henry, Houston, state. One of the smallest libellulids in North Jackson, Lamar, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lee, America. Inhabits ponds, lakes, reservoir margins, Limestone (n), Lowndes, Macon, Madison, Marengo, Marion (s), Marshall, Mobile, Monroe (s), Montgomery, Morgan, Perry (s), Pickens, Sympetrum ambiguum (Rambur) Pike, Russell, St. Clair, Shelby, Sumter, Tuscaloosa, Tallapoosa, Talladega, Washington, Winston.

in Alabama. Should be found in every county. Inhabits eutrophic lakes, ponds, reservoirs, open or shaded, usually with aquatic vegetation, and marshes, ditches and swamps.

Pantala flavescens (Fabricius) May 13-Nov 7 Autauga, Baldwin, Bibb, Bullock, Choctaw, Sympetrum corruptum (Hagen) Clarke, Colbert, Covington, Dale, Elmore, Escambia, Etowah, Fayette, Houston, Jackson, Tuscaloosa. Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lee, Madison, Marengo, Washington, Winston.

"Common". May be encountered flying anywhere lentic water. in the state. Adults are strong fliers and are migratory (Corbet 1963). It has been called the Sympetrum rubicundulum (Say) "Globe Trotter" because it occurs on all continents Jackson. except Antarctica; however, it is rarely seen in "Rare". New state record. Four specimens collected very slow-moving water.

May 13-Aug 31 backwaters. Pantala hymenaea (Say) Colbert, Dale, Fayette, Jackson, Baldwin, Jefferson, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lee, Limestone,

May 21 Madison, Marion, Marshall, Mobile (Wright 1937), Morgan, Shelby, Talladega, Tuscaloosa, Washington, Winston.

temporary pools in the open, including brackish

Apr 27-Oct 12 Autauga, Baldwin, Bullock, Butler, Calhoun, Chambers, Cherokee, Chilton, Choctaw, Cleburne, Coffee, Colbert, Conecuh, Covington, Cullman, Dale, Dallas, Elmore (s), Escambia, Etowah, Franklin, Geneva, Greene, Hale, Henry, Houston, Jackson, Jefferson, Lamar, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lee, Lowndes, Macon, Madison, Marengo, Marshall, Mobile, Monroe Marion, Montgomery, Morgan, Perry, Pickens, Pike, St. Choctaw, Clarke, Cleburne, Coffee, Colbert, Clair, Shelby, Sumter, Talladega, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Walker (s), Washington.

"Common". Probably occurs in every county in the and sluggish streams.

May 3-Dec 2 Calhoun, Cherokee, Chilton, Coffee, Colbert, Dale, Elmore, Walker, Covington (Wright 1943), Escambia, Fayette, Houston, Jackson, Lamar, "Common". One of the most common dragonflies Lauderdale, Lee, Macon, Madison, Mobile, Montgomery, Shelby, Sumter, Tuscaloosa, Walker, Washington.

> "Common". Most commonly encountered species of the genus in Alabama. Habitat is shady overflow pools along streams, and some marshes.

> May 6-Nov 7 Baldwin, Colbert, Escambia, Mobile, Sumter,

"Uncommon". Very patchy occurrences within Marion (n), Marshall, Mobile, Pickens, Sumter, Alabama, similar to other eastern states. Inhabits Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Walker, mostly sandy ponds and slow-flowing streams in open environments, but can occur in nearly any

Jul 17

Europe. Inhabits open, temporary and newly by T. Vogt at a small pond north of Hytop along created pools, occasionally in brackish water or Hwy. 79. This northern species is probably limited in Alabama to the northeast part of the state. Inhabits marginal, vegetated ponds and stream Sympetrum semicinctum (Say) Blount (Tennessen 1990).

"Rare". Ten specimens taken at a permanent weedy Coffee, rubicundulum. Habitat is small, marshy ponds and Wilcox. ditches, some with minimal flow.

Jun 11-Nov 13 Sympetrum vicinum (Hagen) Autauga, Bibb, Cherokee, Cleburne, Colbert, Dale, Jackson, Lauderdale, Lee, Madison, Marion (n), Calopteryx maculata (Beauvois) Shelby, Tuscaloosa, Washington.

1992). Inhabits ponds and marshes.

Tramea carolina (Linnaeus) Mar 24-Oct 3 (Wright 1943), Dale, Elmore, Escambia, Geneva, 1937), Montgomery, Russell, St. Clair, Shelby, Talladega, Tuscaloosa, Washington, Winston.

reservoirs, occasionally found in quiet streams.

Tramea lacerata Hagen Covington, Escambia, Etowah, Houston, Jackson, Lee, Madison, Marshall, Mobile (Wright 1937), Perry, Sumter, Talladega, Tallapoosa, Walker. streams.

Tramea onusta Hagen Apr 15-Sep 22 Choctaw, Mobile (Wright 1937), Talladega, Tuscaloosa.

"Uncommon". Probably more likely to be found in medium to large flowing rivers. southern part of the state, but difficult to find. Habitat is lentic waters.

CALOPTERYGIDAE

Calopteryx angustipennis (Selys) May 6-Jul 9 Bibb, Blount, Cleburne, Dekalb, Etowah (n), Jackson, Lauderdale (Tennessen 1979a), Lawrence, Winston (Tennessen 1984).

"Local". Unlikely to be found below the Fall Line. Prefers faster-flowing, medium-sized, mostly undisturbed clear streams with gravel bottom.

Jun 14 Calopteryx dimidiata Burmeister Apr 16-Oct 6 Baldwin (Wright 1943), Barbour, Bibb, Cleburne, (Wright 1946), Covington Coosa, ditch in a pasture near Champion Creek, Hwy. 75, Crenshaw, Dale, Escambia, Henry, Houston, north of Oneonta, by KJT and R. Garrison in 1984. Lauderdale, Marion, Mobile, Perry, Randolph, Range in Alabama probably similar to that of S. Talladega, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Washington,

"Common". Statewide in distribution, but more commonly seen below the Fall Line. Inhabits small to medium-sized clear streams.

Apr 11-Nov 2 Autauga, Baldwin (Wright 1943), Bibb, Blount (s), "Common". Statewide, but uncommon in southern Calhoun, Chambers, Cherokee, Chilton, Choctaw, part of state. Very rare in northern Florida (Dunkle Clarke (s), Clay, Cleburne, Coffee, Colbert (s), Conecuh, Covington (Johnson 1974), Dale, Dallas, Dekalb, Escambia, Fayette, Franklin, Geneva, Henry, Houston, Jackson, Jefferson, Lamar, Baldwin, Choctaw, Cleburne, Colbert, Covington Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lee (Johnson 1974), Limestone, Macon, Madison, Marion, Marshall, Houston, Lee, Macon, Marion, Mobile (Wright Montgomery, Morgan, Perry, Pickens, St. Clair, Shelby (Johnson 1974), Sumter, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Washington, Winston.

"Common". Undoubtedly occurs throughout the "Common". The most commonly observed species state. An agile and seemingly tireless flier. Inhabits of the genus, undoubtedly will be found in every a variety of clear lentic waters from ponds to county. Occurs in small shaded streams to fairly large streams.

Mar 24-Oct 12 Hetaerina americana (Fabricius) May 12-Oct 10 Baldwin, Calhoun, Chambers, Choctaw, Colbert, Autauga, Bibb, Blount, Calhoun, Cleburne, Colbert (Williamson 1903), Coosa, Covington, Dallas (Johnson 1973), Dekalb, Franklin, Greene, Hale, Jackson, Lauderdale, Lee (Johnson 1973), "Common". Undoubtedly occurs throughout the Madison, Marion, Perry (Johnson 1973), Pickens, state. Inhabits ponds, lakes, and slow portions of Randolph, Shelby, Sumter, Tallapoosa (Johnson 1973), Tuscaloosa, Wilcox.

"Common". Very rare in southern 1/4 of the state; there is one isolated population in northern Florida, located on the Chipola River, in Jackson and Calhoun counties (Johnson 1973). Found in

Jun 11-Nov 3 Hetaerina titia (Drury) Autauga, Choctaw, Coffee, Colbert (Williamson 1903, as tricolor), Dale, Dallas, Escambia, Hale, Lamar, Fayette, Geneva, Greene, Lauderdale, Macon, Mobile, Pickens, Sumter, Tuscaloosa.

"Common". Appears to be limited to area below the Fall Line. Occurs in medium to large, slow streams.

LESTIDAE

Archilestes grandis (Rambur) Jackson (Tennessen 1990), Marion (Tennessen Alabama only in extreme southern counties. 1979a).

"Rare". Sporadic occurrence in Alabama is probably due to habitat requirements, namely rocky pools of streams or ponds, perhaps man-made pools vegetation. Dunkle (1990) gave flight season as or canals.

Lestes congener Hagen May 10-Nov 6 Madison, Marion (Tennessen 1979a), Tuscaloosa. "Rare". A northern species, probably restricted to area above Fall Line. Habitat usually small ponds, some which were formed by surface mining.

Lestes disjunctus australis Walker Apr 4-Nov 14 Limestone, Macon, Madison, Marion, Mobile vegetation. (Wright 1943), Montgomery, Shelby, Tuscaloosa, Washington, Winston.

"Common". The most often encountered species in the genus, probably occurs in all counties. Habitat Amphiagrion saucium (Burmeister) includes ponds with vegetation, swamps, and occasionally edges of slow streams; sometimes Bibb. found in temporary ponds.

Aug 24 Lestes forcipatus Rambur Jackson, Madison (Bick & Bick 1983).

occurring in extreme northern area of state. Found areas. in temporary and permanent ponds.

Lestes inaequalis Walsh Baldwin, Covington, Escambia, Greene (Bick & Cleburne, Colbert, Coosa, Covington, Dale, Bick 1983), Hale (Bick & Bick 1983), Limestone Dekalb, Elmore, Escambia, Etowah, Fayette, (n), Macon, Madison, Monroe, Perry.

emergent vegetation.

Lestes rectangularis Say Bibb, Cherokee, Chilton, Cleburne, Conecuh, rivers, reservoirs, lakes and ponds. Covington, Dekalb, Jackson, Lawrence, Lee, Marion, Perry, Madison, Macon, Tuscaloosa.

depending on habitat which is mainly shaded to Mobile (Bick 1978), Russell, partly open backwaters of reservoirs or slow Washington. streams.

Lestes vidua Hagen

Covington.

Jul 4-7 "Rare". A coastal plain species, probably occurs in Rediscovered in Alabama by M. Braid & B. Raymond in 1993, at Nellie Pond in the Conecuh National Forest. Prefers openponds with emergent Feb. 22 to Dec. 8, stating it was most common in the fall.

> Jun 2-Oct 18 Lestes vigilax Hagen Baldwin (Wright 1943), Cleburne, Colbert, Covington, Crenshaw, Dekalb, Escambia, Geneva, Houston, Jackson, Lee, Mobile, Tuscaloosa, Washington.

"Common". Undoubtedly will be found in more Baldwin, Blount, Butler, Chilton, Colbert, counties, perhaps statewide. Occurs in shaded areas Covington (Wright 1943), Dekalb, Escambia, Lee, of ponds, lakes and reservoirs with emergent

COENAGRIONIDAE

Apr 19-May 16

Jan 31

"Rare". New state record, based on a male and female collected by RSK at a small seepage area (with sphagnum) near Blue Girth Creek, 1 mi. southeast of Pondville. Probably above Fall Line "Rare". A northern species, probably only only. Inhabits seepage runs in wooded lowland

May 10-Oct 8 Argia apicalis (Say) Apr 22-Sep 20 Baldwin, Bibb, Chambers, Cherokee, Choctaw, Greene, Hale, Houston, Jackson, Jefferson, Lamar, "Local". Probably found throughout the state. Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lee, Limestone (s), Inhabits swamps, marshy lake and pond edges, Lowndes, Macon, Madison, Marion, Marshall, woodland pools, backwaters of slow streams with Mobile (Johnson 1972), Montgomery, Perry, Pickens, Randolph, St. Clair, Shelby, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Walker, Wilcox, Winston.

Apr 17-Oct 19 "Common". Statewide. Occurs in large to small

Apr 17-Oct 1 Shelby, Argia bipunctulata (Hagen) Bibb, Blount, Chilton, Colbert, Covington, "Local". Should be found in most counties, Escambia, Geneva, Henry, Jackson, Jefferson, Lee,

> "Common", but local. Habitat appears to be restricted to seepage areas of 1st order streams.

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Argia f. fumipennis (Burmeister) Covington (Wright Walker, Wilcox. Clarke, Coffee, Conecuh, 1943), Escambia, Houston, Lee (Gloyd 1968), "Common". Probably occurs in all counties. Macon, Mobile, Monroe, Pike, Tuscaloosa, Habitat includes medium to large streams, Washington.

"Common". This subspecies has very dark wings in the southern part of the state, but the wings of more Argia tibialis (Rambur) lakes.

Argia fumipennis violacea (Hagen) Apr 9-Oct 19 Marengo, Bibb, Blount, Calhoun, Chilton, Clay, Cleburne, Colbert, Coosa, Dekalb, Fayette, Hale, Jackson, Jefferson, Lamar, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lee, Tuscaloosa, Walker, Washington, Wilcox. Madison, Marion, St. Clair, Shelby, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Winston.

"Common". See comments under above subspecies. Inhabits small streams, some lakes and small reservoirs.

Argia moesta (Hagen) Dekalb (Bick & Bick 1983), Elmore, Escambia 1983), Winston. (Bick & Bick 1983), Fayette, Franklin (Bick & "Common". Distribution in Alabama apparently (Bick & Bick 1983), Montgomery, Perry, Pickens, Inhabits medium-sized to large rivers in the U.S. St. Clair, Shelby, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa (Bick & Bick 1983), Winston (s).

Habitat is small to large streams.

Argia sedula (Hagen) Bibb (Bick & Bick 1983), Calhoun (Bick & Bick cool, small slow streams. 1983), Chilton, Clarke (Bick & Bick 1983), Coffee, Colbert (Bick & Bick 1983), Coosa, Enallagma aspersum (Hagen) (Bick & Bick 1983), Houston (Bick & Bick 1983), 1983). Limestone, Macon, Madison,

Apr 8- Oct 7 Montgomery, Perry, Pickens, Shelby, Talladega, Autauga, Baldwin, Barbour, Bibb, Chambers, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa (Bick & Bick 1983),

occasionally in lakes.

May 8-Sep 1 northern populations along the Fall Line are much Baldwin (Wright 1943), Bibb, Blount, Butler, more translucent. A rather smooth intergradation Calhoun, Chilton, Choctaw, Clarke, Cleburne, into A. f. violacea can be observed in populations Coffee, Colbert, Conecuh, Coosa, Covington, in central Alabama. Inhabits small streams, Dale, Dallas, Dekalb (s), Elmore, Escambia, including small seepage runs, bogs, ponds, and Fayette, Franklin, Geneva, Greene, Hale, Henry, Houston, Jackson, Jefferson, Lamar, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lee, Limestone, Macon, Madison, Mobile, Marshall, Marion, Montgomery, Morgan, Perry, Pickens, St. Clair, Talladega, Tallapoosa, Shelby, Sumter,

> "Common". Should be found in every county. Inhabits small streams to rivers, usually where shaded.

Jun 2-Sep 27 Argia translata Hagen Bibb (Bick & Bick 1983), Calhoun (Bick & Bick May 8-Oct 15 1983), Cherokee, Clay, Colbert, Coosa, Dekalb Autauga, Baldwin, Bibb, Blount, Butler, Calhoun, (Bick & Bick 1983), Elmore, Fayette, Jackson Cherokee, Choctaw (Bick & Bick 1983), Cleburne, (Bick & Bick 1983), Jefferson, Lauderdale (Bick & Coffee, Colbert (Bick & Bick 1983), Coosa, Bick 1983), Lawrence, Limestone, Madison, Covington (Bick & Bick 1983), Crenshaw, Dale Marshall (Bick & Bick 1983), Montgomery, (Bick & Bick 1983), Dallas (Bick & Bick 1983), Shelby, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa (Bick & Bick

Bick 1983), Geneva (Bick & Bick 1983), Greene, terminates in Montgomery Co. It has not been Hale, Houston, Jackson (Bick & Bick 1983), reported in Florida (Dunkle 1992). Reasons for the Jefferson, Lamar, Lauderdale (Bick & Bick 1983), southern limit here are unclear, as the species is Lawrence, Lee (Bick & Bick 1983), Limestone, common in Mexico and extends south through Macon, Madison, Marion (s), Marshall (s), Mobile Central America to Peru (Garrison, pers. comm.).

May 6-May 22 Chromagrion conditum (Selys) "Common". Probably occurs in all counties. Bibb, Cleburne, Dekalb, Hale (Bick & Bick 1983), Jackson, Tuscaloosa (Bick & Bick 1983).

> "Uncommon". A northern species probably limited May 21-Oct 15 to the northern half of Alabama. Inhabits wooded,

Apr 24-Aug 24 Covington (Bick & Bick 1983), Dale, Dallas (Bick Blount, Chilton, Colbert, Dekalb, Jackson, & Bick 1983), Dekalb, Elmore, Escambia, Fayette, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Madison (Bick & Bick Geneva (Bick & Bick 1983), Greene, Hale, Henry 1983), Marion, Shelby, Tuscaloosa (Bick & Bick

Jackson, Jefferson, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lee, "Local". Southern limit of distribution appears to Marion, be near the Fall Line; not recorded in Florida fishless.

Apr 29-Sep 20 Enallagma basidens Calvert Blount, Calhoun (Bick & Bick 1983), Chambers, Cherokee, Chilton, Cleburne, Colbert, Cullman, Enallagma davisi Westfall Henry, Jackson, Lee, Marion, Marshall (Bick & Bick 1983), Pickens, Shelby, Sumter, Tuscaloosa (Bick & Bick 1983), Walker, Winston.

uncommon in south Alabama; rare in the panhandle of Florida (Dunkle 1992). Habitat is a variety of ponds, slow parts of streams, and reservoir Enallagma divagans Selys margins.

Apr 12-Nov 6 Enallagma civile (Hagen) Calhoun (Bick & Bick 1983), Chambers (Bick & Bick 1983), Colbert, Dekalb, Hale, Houston (Bick Tuscaloosa, Winston. & Bick 1983), Jackson, Jefferson, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lee, Limestone, Madison, Marion, Prefers shaded areas of ponds and lakes, but may Mobile (Bick & Bick 1983), Perry, Pickens, St. be found in small, slow streams and boggy seeps. Clair, Shelby, Sumter, Talladega (Bick & Bick 1983), Tuscaloosa, Washington (Bick & Bick Enallagma doubledayi (Selys) 1983).

species in the genus; paucity of southern Alabama Bick 1983), Houston (Bick & Bick 1983), Mobile records probably due to inadequate collecting (Wright 1943), Shelby, Tuscaloosa (Bick & Bick effort. Inhabits almost any permanent lentic water, 1983). especially man-made ponds.

Enallagma coecum (Hagen) (= E. cardenium)

Aug 31

Geneva (Bick & Bick 1983).

cardenium Selys in the United States; the name E. 1983), Madison, Mobile (Bick & Bick 1983), coecum applied only to populations from the Shelby. islands in the Carribean. There is concensus that "Uncommon". More likely to be encountered in state. Its usual habitat is small shaded streams.

Enallagma concisum Williamson Apr 26-Oct 12 Enallagma durum (Hagen) Covington, Mobile (Bick & Bick 1983).

counties in Alabama. Found along edges of counties. Inhabits slow-moving, vegetated waters; permanent ponds with emergent vegetation, usually occurs in lakes in Florida. sand-bottomed and not eutrophic.

daeckii)

(Dunkle 1992). Habitat is small ponds, usually & Bick 1983), Tuscaloosa (Bick & Bick 1983), Winston.

"Uncommon". Restricted to shady areas of ponds and backwaters of slow, swampy streams.

Apr 3

Mobile (Bick & Bick 1983).

"Rare". This seldom encountered species is probably restricted in its Alabama distribution to "Common". Probably occurs statewide, but the southern tier of counties. Inhabits shallow, vegetated margins of sand-bottomed lakes.

Apr 17-Sep 4 Baldwin, Bibb, Blount, Clarke, Clay, Cleburne, Conecuh, Covington, Dale, Dekalb (Bick 1978), Jackson, Escambia, Hale, Henry, Houston, Mobile, Marion, Lauderdale, Macon, Bick 1983), Cherokee, Chilton, Choctaw (Bick & Montgomery, Perry, Pike, St. Clair, Shelby,

"Common". Probably occurs throughout the state.

Mar 18-Oct 1 Baldwin, Covington (Bick & Bick 1983), Dale "Common". Statewide. One of the most common (Bick & Bick 1983), Escambia, Geneva (Bick &

> "Common". Common in small ponds in southern fourth of state but less common north toward Fall Line. Inhabits ponds.

Apr 17-Sep 24 Enallagma dubium Root "Rare". This species has been known as E. Covington, Escambia, Houston (Bick & Bick

the two taxa are one species (Garrison 1991, southern half of state, but not easily detected due to Westfall, pers. comm.). It is undoubtedly confined its habits and coloration. Habitat varies from slowin Alabama to the extreme southern part of the moving, heavily vegetated small streams to large shaded swamps.

Jun 11-Sep 25 Baldwin (Tennessen 1990), Mobile (Wright 1943). "Uncommon". Probably limited to southern "Rare". Probably restricted in Alabama to southern

Enallagma exsulans (Hagen) May 1-Sep 27 Enallagma daeckii (Calvert) (= Teleallagma Bibb (Bick & Bick 1983), Blount, Calhoun, Apr 17-Jul 10 Cherokee, Chilton, Clay, Cleburne, Colbert, Baldwin (Bick & Bick 1983), Bibb, Covington Coosa, Dallas (Bick & Bick 1983), Dekalb (Bick & (Bick & Bick 1983), Dale, Escambia, Mobile (Bick Bick 1983), Elmore, Fayette, Jackson (Bick & Bick Bick 1983), Wilcox.

streams, occasionally lakes.

Enallagma geminatum Kellicott Apr 16-Oct 4 Blount, Bullock, Cleburne, Colbert, Covington, Dekalb (Bick1978), Hale, Houston, Jackson, Lee, Enallagma vesperum Calvert Madison, Mobile, Pickens, Shelby, Tuscaloosa. "Common". Probably statewide in distribution. Inhabits lentic or slow-moving waters with vegetation.

Enallagma pallidum Root Baldwin (Bick & Bick 1983).

"Rare". Probably restricted in Alabama to southern debris is present. part of state. Occurs in swampy lake shores.

Jun 14

Enallagma pollutum (Hagen) Aug 16 Baldwin (Wright 1943).

"Rare". Undoubtedly restricted to the edge of the coastal plain. Inhabits a variety of slow streams, ponds and lakes.

Enallagma signatum (Hagen) Apr 20-Oct 18 Blount, Calhoun, Cherokee, Chilton, Choctaw, Cleburne, Coffee, Colbert, Covington, Crenshaw, Dale, Dekalb (Bick 1978), Elmore, Escambia, Etowah, Geneva, Hale, Houston, Jefferson, Lamar, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lee, Limestone, Lowndes, Madison, Marion, Marshall, Mobile, Montgomery, Pickens, St. Clair, Shelby, Sumter, Tuscaloosa, Washington, Winston.

common eastern species in the genus. Inhabits a wide variety of lentic and lotic habitats.

Enallagma sulcatum Williamson Jun 1-Aug 31 Covington (Bick & Bick 1983).

"Rare". Another southern species restricted in Alabama to most southern counties. Habitat is sand-bottomed lakes and ponds with emergent vegetation along edges.

Enallagma traviatum Selys Apr 26-Jul 18 Calhoun, Cleburne, Covington, Dale, Dekalb (Bick 1978), Hale, Jackson, Jefferson, Lee, Marion, St. Clair, Shelby, Tuscaloosa, Winston.

Line. Bick (1978) did not determine subspecies, Calhoun, Cherokee, Chilton, Choctaw, Clarke,

1983), Jefferson, Lauderdale (Bick & Bick 1983), and stated "Neither E. t. traviatum Sel. nor E. t. Lawrence, Limestone, Macon, Madison, Marion, westfalli Donnelly has been recorded from Morgan, Perry, St. Clair (Bick & Bick 1983), Alabama". Specimens from Covington and Dale Shelby, Talladega, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa (Bick & Co. are E. t. traviatum Selys, whereas specimens from Marion and Jefferson Co. are E. t. westfalli "Common". Distributed throughout the northern Donnelly (T. W. Donnelly, pers. comm.). Dunkle 2/3 of the state only. Habitat is small to large (1992) stated that the record for Florida, based on Byers (1927; Leon Co., Tallahassee), was doubtful. Occurs in shady margins of ponds and small reservoirs.

> Apr 1-Aug 9 Cleburne, Colbert, Covington, Hale, Madison, Shelby.

"Uncommon". This species is probably more widespread than collection records indicate; its normal activity period is at dusk and therefore is rarely seen. Habitat is margins of ponds, lakes and reservoirs, usually where floating vegetation or

Enallagma weewa Byers May 23-Sep 20 Covington (Wright 1943), Escambia.

"Rare". Probably only occurs in extreme southern part of state. Habitat is shady areas of slow, swampy streams, although it occurs in lakes in North Carolina.

Ischnura hastata (Say) Anomalagrion Jan 31-Oct 18 hastatum) Bullock, Butler, Chilton, Clarke, Baldwin. Colbert, Covington (Wright 1943), Cleburne, Dale, Elmore, Escambia, Geneva, Henry, Houston, Jackson, Lauderdale, Lee, Madison, Marengo, Marion, Marshall, Mobile (Wright 1943). Shelby, Montgomery, St. Clair, Sumter, Tuscaloosa, Walker, Washington.

"Common". One of the most widespread and "Common". Occurs statewide; a very successful species for its diminutive size. Occurs in vegetated margins of ditches, swamps and ponds, permanent or temporary.

> Ischnura kellicotti Williamson Mar 19-Oct 1 Covington, Crenshaw (Krotzer & Krotzer 1992), Escambia (Krotzer & Krotzer 1992), Hale (Krotzer & Krotzer 1992), Houston.

> "Uncommon". Found only south of the Fall Line to date. Occurs in ponds and lakes with lily pads (Nymphaea), on which it mates and lays eggs; the nymphs cling to the underside of the lily pads.

Ischnura p. posita (Hagen) "Common". Collected very rarely below the Fall Baldwin, Barbour, Bibb, Blount, Bullock, Butler,

Cleburne, Colbert, Covington (Wright 1943), Crenshaw (s), Dale, Dekalb, Elmore, Escambia, Fayette, Geneva, Hale, Houston, Jackson, Lamar, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lee, Limestone, Macon, Madison, Marengo, Marion, Marshall, Mobile, Monroe, Montgomery, Perry (s), Pickens, Russell, St. Clair, Shelby, Sumter, Talladega, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, Walker, Washington.

"Common". The most frequently collected Ischnura. Inhabits many types of ponds, swamps, reservoirs and lakes, and slow moving streams.

Mar 23-Aug 24 Ischnura prognata (Hagen) Baldwin, Madison (Bick & Bick 1983).

"Rare". An elusive species that should be expected at more localities. Inhabits shady areas of swamps and seepages.

Apr 16-Oct 18 Ischnura ramburii (Selys) Baldwin, Cherokee, Choctaw (Bick & Bick 1983), Clarke (Bick & Bick 1983), Coffee, Colbert, Conecuh (Bick & Bick 1983), Covington (Bick & Bick 1983), Dale (Bick & Bick 1983), Elmore, (1955), based on specimens collected by R. S. Escambia, Etowah, Geneva (Bick & Bick 1983), Hodges from 1938 to 1940 in Tuscaloosa Co. Greene (Bick & Bick 1983), Hale, Henry (Bick & However, Westfall (1956) Bick 1983), Jackson, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lee, specimens as a new species, G. septima. Marion, Mobile (Bick & Bick 1983), St. Clair, Sumter, Tuscaloosa (Bick & Bick 1983), Ophiogomphus mainensis Packard. Washington (Bick & Bick 1983).

"Common". Might not occur in the northeastern part of Alabama. Inhabits a variety of vegetated ponds and lakes.

Ischnura verticalis (Say) Jul 12 Dekalb (Bick & Bick 1983).

"Rare". A northern species probably only to be found in the most northern counties of Alabama. Inhabits ponds and swampy areas of slow streams.

Nehalennia gracilis Morse May 5-Jun 23 Bibb, Covington (Bick & Bick 1983), Escambia. "Rare". Restricted to boggy seepage areas with sphagnum.

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"Uncommon". Habitat is shallow margins of ponds and lakes with emergent vegetation, rarely beaver ponds.

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"Rare". Inhabits floating mats of duckweed and other plants in swamps or backwaters of slow streams.

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