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Abstract. We provide new records of biting and predaceous midges (Diptera: Ceratopogonidae) from Florida, including the first documented United States records of *Atrichopogon (Atrichopogon) caribbeanus* Ewen, *Dasyhelea griseola* Wirth, *D. scissurae* Macfie, and *Brachypogon (Brachypogon) woodruffi* Spinelli and Grogan. *Atrichopogon (Meloehelea) downesi* Wirth, *Forcipomyia (Thyridomyia) monilicornis* (Coquillett), *F. (T.) nodosa* Saunders, *Ceratoculicoides blantoni* Wirth and Ratanaworabhan, *Mallochohelea albibasis* (Malloch), *Bezzia (Bezzia) imbibida* Dow and Turner and *B. (B.) mallochi* Wirth are recorded for the first time from Florida. *Forcipomyia (Thyridomyia) johannseni* Thomsen, *Bezzia (Bezzia) expolita* (Coquillett), and *B. (B.) pulverea* (Coquillett) are deleted from the ceratopogonid fauna of Florida. *Dasyhelea koenigi* Delécolle and Rieb is a junior objective synonym of *Dasyhelea scissurae* Macfie (NEW SYNONYM). The total number of Ceratopogonidae recorded from Florida is now 249 species contained within 27 genera.

Key words. Biting midges, Diptera, Ceratopogonidae, Florida, new records, distribution
Introduction

The biting and predaceous midge (Diptera: Ceratopogonidae) fauna of Florida is very diverse and includes mainly Nearctic species, however, several Neotropical species inhabit the tropical and subtropical zones of the state. Johnson (1913) published the first comprehensive list of Florida ceratopogonids (within Chironomidae), which included 20 species assigned to four genera, Ceratopogon Meigen, Culicoides Latreille, Bezzia Kieffer, and Johannisniella Williston. The genus Culicoides includes several common coastal and inland pest species that bite humans and other vertebrates, and, for this reason, members of this genus have received the greatest systematic attention during the 20th century. Blanton and Wirth’s (1979) classic “The Sand Flies (Culicoides) of Florida” includes illustrations of adult female antennal flagella, palpi, spermathecae and wings and male genitalia as well as descriptions, keys and maps with plotted locality records for the 47 species covered in this excellent work.

Wilkening et al. (1985) provided the first modern review of all ceratopogonids that inhabit Florida, which included 211 species contained in 25 genera. They also provided a list of counties for each species as well as a table of genera and their primary literature sources that contain county records for the state. During the ensuing 25 years, several new species have been described from Florida and others discovered within the state. In addition, Wirth and Grogan (1988) recognized the subgenus Alloheleia Kieffer of Monohelea Kieffer as a distinct genus and proposed the new genus Downesheleia for another group within Monohelea that includes two species that inhabit Florida. These more recent studies have increased the total number of Florida species to 236 contained in 27 genera (Borkent and Grogan 2009).

We provide additional new records of biting and predaceous midges from Florida, including the first documented records of Atrichopogon (Atrichopogon) caribbeanus Ewen, Dasyhelea griseola Wirth, D. scissurae Macfie and Brachypogon (Brachypogon) woodruffi Spinelli and Grogan, from the United States. We also provide the first Florida records of Atrichopogon (Meloehelea) downesi Wirth, Forcipomyia (Thyridomyia) monilicornis (Coquillett), F. (T.) nodosa Saunders, Ceratoculicoides blantoni Wirth and Ratanaworabhan, Mallochohelea albibasis (Malloch), (Bezzia (Bezzia) imbibida Dow and Turner and B. (B.) mallowi Wirth. We provide evidence that indicates that Dasyhelea koenigi Delécorte and Rieb is a junior objective synonym of Dasyhelea scissurae Macfie (NEW SYNONYM).

Although Wilkening et al. (1985) included Bezzia (Bezzia) expolita (Coquillett), B. (B.) pulvrea (Coquillett) and B. (B.) uncistyla Dow and Turner in their list of 211 Florida species, they noted that no Florida records were available for these species. However, we have provisionally identified several specimens of B. uncistyla from Florida that we list herein under that species. We also consider it unlikely that Forcipomyia (Thyridomyia) johannisni Thomsen inhabits Florida, and have deleted this species as well as B. expolita and B. pulvrea from the ceratopogonid fauna of Florida. We provide brief accounts of all species described from Florida or discovered in the state since the survey by Wilkening et al. (1985). Finally, we present an updated list of genera and numbers of species included in each genus from Florida that now includes 249 species (Table 1), an increase of 41 species since the survey by Wilkening et al. (1985).

Materials and methods

Specimens were collected with Malaise or light traps and/or reared from larvae or pupae. Other specimens examined are in the Florida State Collection of Arthropods, Gainesville (FSCA); the United States National Museum of Natural History, Washington, D. C. (USNM); Auburn University, Alabama (AUCI), the Canadian National Collection of Insects, Ottawa (CNCI); and collection of W. L. Grogan, Jr. (WLGC). Except for a small number of pinned specimens that are indicated (P), all other specimens examined are mounted on microscope slides in phenol-balsam by the methods of Wirth and Marston (1968). Voucher specimens are deposited in the FSCA; Florida Keys Mosquito Control District, Marathon (FLKC); Department of Biology, Belmont University, Nashville, Tennessee (BUTC); Public Health Entomology Research and Education Center, Florida A & M University, Panama City (FAMC).

Terminology of Ceratopogonidae are those in Downes and Wirth (1981); our systematic arrangement of subfamilies, tribes and genera is as presented in the recent Nearctic catalog by Borkent and Grogan (2009) that included 603 species that inhabit North America north of Mexico.
Table 1. Genera of Florida Ceratopogonidae with numbers of species in each genus recorded from the state.

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Total number of Florida species 249
List of Genera and Species

Family Ceratopogonidae

Subfamily Forcipomyiinae

**Atrichopogon (Atrichopogon) caribbeanus** Ewen


**Atrichopogon (Atrichopogon) caribbeanus**: Borkent and Wirth 1997: 23 (in World catalog); Borkent and Spinelli 2000: 10 (in Neotropical catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This Neotropical species was previously known only from the original Tobago type series that included larvae, pupae and adults reared from wood collected in a stream. We discovered a single female in the FSCA with associated larval and pupal exuviae reared from water lettuce by Kai Lok Chan in Indian River Co., Florida that Wirth mounted on a slide and identified as this species. The unique features of the larva, pupa and adult female agree perfectly with the illustrations and descriptions in Ewen and Saunders (1958) and, therefore, this is the first record of this species from Florida and the United States.


**Atrichopogon (Atrichopogon) geminus** Boesel

*Atrichopogon geminus* Boesel, 1973: 211 (Ohio).

**Atrichopogon (Atrichopogon) geminus**: Wilkening et al. 1985: 514 (Florida records); Hribar and Grogan 2005: 228 (Monroe Co., Florida record); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 5 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** Wilkening et al. (1985) listed this species from Alachua and Levy counties, and subsequently, Hribar and Grogan (2005) provided the first record from Monroe Co. We provide the first records from Gilchrist, Hillsborough and Putnam counties.


**Atrichopogon (Atrichopogon) gilvus** (Coquillett)

*Ceratopogon gilvus* Coquillett, 1905: 62 (Florida).


**Atrichopogon (Atrichopogon) gilvus**: Wirth 1965: 122 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution); Wilkening et al. 1985: 514 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 5 (in Nearctic catalog).

**Discussion.** This species is only known from Florida, and, Wilkening et al. (1985) listed it from Dade (holotype), Highlands, Monroe and Orange counties. We provide the first records from St. Lucie Co.
New records. St. Lucie Co, (no locality given) 6 August 1986, R. L. Escher, 1 female; same data except
17-IX-1986, 1 female (FSCA).

Atrichopogon (Atrichopogon) levis (Coquillett)

Ceratopogon levis Coquillett, 1901: 604 (Maryland).
Culicoides levis: Kieffer 1906: 54 (combination).
Atrichopogon levis: Johannsen 1943: 777 (combination).
Atrichopogon (Atrichopogon) levis: Wirth 1965: 123 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution); Wilkening et al. 1985: 514 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 5 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. Wilkening et al. (1985) listed this common Nearctic species in Florida from Alachua, Dade, Leon and Levy counties. We provide the first records from Charlotte, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hardee, Highlands, Hillsborough, Liberty, Martin, Putnam and St. Lucie counties.


Atrichopogon (Atrichopogon) maculosus Ewen

Atrichopogon (Atrichopogon) maculosus: Wirth 1965: 123 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution); Wilkening et al. 1985: 515 (Levy Co. Florida record); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 5 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. This Nearctic species is only known from Saskatchewan, Virginia, Maryland and Florida (Borkent and Grogan 2009). Wilkening et al. (1985) only listed it in Florida from Levy Co. We provide the first records from Alachua, Charlotte, Gilchrist, Hardee and Liberty counties.


Atrichopogon (Atrichopogon) minutus (Meigen)

Ceratopogon minutus Meigen, 1830: 263 (Europe).
Atrichopogon minutus: Kieffer 1919b: 193 (combination); Wirth 1952a: 125 (redescription; USA distribution); Boesel 1973: 206 (redescription).

Atrichopogon (Atrichopogon) minutus: Wirth 1965: 123 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 5 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. This Holarctic species ranges from British Columbia, Ontario and Quebec, south to California, Iowa and Florida (Borkent and Grogan 2009). Borkent and Grogan (2009) included Florida within the range of this species based on a study by Porch et al. (1992) who reported five specimens collected on sundews (Drosera sp.) in Walton Co. “in a hillside bog along U. S. Highway 331.” These are apparently the first Florida records of this species, and we list these specimens below.

New records. Walton Co., Hwy. 331, 20 May 1986, S. S. Porch, ex. Drosera sp., 1 female, 1 male (WLGC); same data except 12 April 1987, 1 female, 18 May 1987, 1 female, and 17 June 1987, 1 female (AUCI).

Atrichopogon (Atrichopogon) warmkei Wirth

Atrichopogon warmkei Wirth, 1956b: 243 (Puerto Rico).

Atrichopogon (Atrichopogon) warmkei: Wirth 1965: 123 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution); Wilkening et al. 1985: 515 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 5 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. This Neotropical species is known only from Puerto Rico where it pollinates Hevea (rubber trees) and Florida from Dade Co. (Wilkening et al. 1985). We provide the first records from Highlands Co.


Atrichopogon (Atrichopogon) websteri (Coquillett)

Ceratopogon websteri Coquillett, 1901: 603 (Louisiana).

Atrichopogon websteri: Johannsen 1943: 777 (combination).

Atrichopogon (Atrichopogon) websteri: Wirth 1965: 123 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution); Wilkening et al. 1985: 515 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 5 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. Wilkening et al. (1985) recorded this moderately common Nearctic species in Florida from Dixie, Levy and Monroe counties. We provide the first records from Hardee, Gilchrist, Highlands, Hillsborough, Liberty, St. Johns, and Wakulla counties.

**Atrichopogon (Atrichopogon) wirthi** Chan and Linley

*Atrichopogon wirthi* Chan and Linley, 1988: 189 (Florida).

**Discussion.** Soon after Wilkening et al. (1985) summarized the biting midge fauna of Florida, Chan and Linley (1988) described this species from all stages that were collected and/or reared from leaves of water lettuce, *Pistia stratiodes* Linnaeus, in St. Lucie Co. during 1987. We examined five adult females and two males in the FSCA that Wirth mounted on slides that were reared from the type locality by Chan. We also provide data on additional specimens that were collected on water lettuce and reared to adults by R. L. Escher during 1987 that were sent to WLG to identify. We are not certain if these specimens originated from the type locality, regardless, this species is still only known from St. Lucie Co.


**Atrichopogon (Lophomyidium) archboldi** Wirth

*Atrichopogon (Lophomyidium) archboldi* Wirth, 1994a: 27 (Florida); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 5 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This is apparently a wide ranging species currently known from Florida, Texas and California, south to Argentina (Borkent and Grogan 2009). In his revision of the Nearctic species in the subgenus *Lophomyidium*, Wirth (1994a) listed Florida specimens from Alachua, Dade, Highlands, Lee, Orange and Putnam counties.

**Atrichopogon (Lophomyidium) deyrupi** Wirth

*Atrichopogon (Lophomyidium) deyrupi* Wirth, 1994a: 26 (Florida); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 5 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This species is only known from the type series from Florida and Mississippi (Wirth 1994a), which included specimens from Alachua, Charlotte, Highlands and Pasco counties in Florida.

**Atrichopogon (Lophomyidium) fusculus** (Coquillett)

*Atrichopogon fusculus*: Ingram and Macfie 1922: 244 (combination).
*Atrichopogon (Atrichopogon) fusculus*: Wirth 1965: 122 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution); Wilkening et al. 1985: 514 (Florida records).
*Atrichopogon (Lophomyidium) fusculus*: Wirth 1994a: 20 (revision of Nearctic species in subgenus *Lophomyidium* Cordero; distribution); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 6 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** Wilkening et al. (1985) listed this common Holarctic species in Florida from only Alachua and Hillsborough counties. Subsequently, Wirth (1994a) revised the subgenus *Lophomyidium* in the Nearctic region and demonstrated that *A. (L.) fusculus* is a complex composed of five species. Of the four
new species that Wirth described and illustrated, two of these inhabit Florida, *A. archboldi* and *A. deyrupi*, and we provide brief accounts of these species above. Because Wirth’s revision of this complex was published nearly a decade after Wilkening et al. (1985), he also provided additional new records of *A. fusculus* from the following Florida counties: Gilchrist, Liberty, Orange, Pasco and Pinellas. We provide the first records from Wakulla Co.

**New records.** Wakulla Co., Wakulla Springs State Park, Lodge Road, 25 May 2004, S. Murphree, CDC light trap with UV wand, 1 male, 1 female (BUTC); same data except swamp on Lodge Rd, 25-26-V-2004, CDC LT, 1 male, 1 female (WLGC).

**Atrichopogon (Meloehelea) downesi** Wirth

*Atrichopogon (Meloehelea) downesi* Wirth, 1980: 129 (West Virginia); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 6 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** Females in the subgenus *Meloehelea* Wirth of *Atrichopogon* are ectoparasites of blister beetles (Coleoptera: Meloidae) and other closely related beetle families (Wirth 1980). However, Wilkening et al. (1985) noted that “…undescribed species probably occur in Florida. Florida material in this subgenus has not been studied and we have no records.” Borkent and Grogan (2009) listed six species in the subgenus *Meloehelea* in North America north of Mexico, including *A. (M.) ladislavi* Tóthová that was recently described from Ontario, Canada (Tóthová et al. 2009). The most common and widespread species of *Meloehelea* in North America, *A. (M.) downesi* Wirth, ranges from Minnesota to Nova Scotia, south to North Carolina and Tennessee (Borkent and Grogan 2009).

We discovered a female from Liberty Co., Florida in the FSCA that we determined as *A. (M.) downesi* in Wirth’s (1980) key as well as the updated key to Holarctic species in the subgenus *Meloehelea* by Tóthová et al. (2009). This Florida specimen is virtually identical with four female paratypes of *A. downesi* from Virginia and Maryland as well as three other females from Wicomico Co., Maryland and a female from Hocking Co., Ohio (WLGC). This is the first Florida record of this species, and it suggests that it may be more widely distributed in the southeastern United States than previous records indicate.

**New records.** Liberty Co., Torreya St. Park, 20-V-1966, H. V. Weems, 1 female (FSCA). **New Florida state record.**

**Forcipomyia (Caloforcipomyia) glauca** Macfie

*Forcipomyia glauca* Macfie, 1934: 144 (England).

**Forcipomyia (Caloforcipomyia) glauca:** Utmar and Wirth 1976: 123 (revision of New World *Caloforcipomyia* Saunders); Wilkening et al. 1985: 515 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 6 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Forcipomyia splendida** Wirth, 1951: 315 (Virginia).

**Discussion.** Wilkening et al. (1985) listed this very common Holarctic species from 22 counties in Florida including Highlands Co.; we provide another record from Highlands Co. as well as the first records from Lee, Nassau and Wakulla counties.

**Forcipomyia (Euprojoannisia) blantoni Soria and Bystrak**

*Forcipomyia (Euprojoannisia) blantoni* Soria and Bystrak, 1975: 3 (Brazil).

*Forcipomyia (Euprojoannisia) blantoni*: Bystrak and Wirth 1978: 13 (revision of North American *Euprojoannisia* Bréthes; United States records); Wilkening et al. 1985: 515 (Florida records); Hribar and Grogan 2005: 228 (Monroe Co., Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 7 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This eastern Nearctic species occurs from Virginia to Florida and in the Neotropics to Brazil. Wilkening et al. (1985) listed it from 16 Florida counties, and Porch et al. (1992) recorded a specimen taken from a sundew in Walton Co., the first record from that county that we relist below. More recently, Hribar and Grogan (2005) provided the first records from Monroe Co.; we provide the first records from Highlands and St. Lucie counties.


**Forcipomyia (Euprojoannisia) calcarata (Coquillet)**

*Ceratopogon calcaratus* Coquillet, 1905: 64 (Mexico).

*Forcipomyia (Euprojoannisia) calcarata*: Johannsen 1943: 778 (combination).


**Discussion.** Wilkening et al. (1985) listed this species from 13 Florida counties. We provide the first records from Highlands and Wakulla counties.


**Forcipomyia (Euprojoannisia) dowi Bystrak and Wirth**

*Forcipomyia (Euprojoannisia) dowi* Bystrak and Wirth, 1978: 21 (revision of North American *Euprojoannisia*; Florida); Wilkening et al. 1985: 515 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 7 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** The type series of this rarely collected species included specimens from Collier and Indian River counties in Florida and Quintana Roo, Mexico; we provide the first records from Monroe Co.

**New records.** Monroe Co., Key Largo, Crocodile Lake NWR, 24 Dec. 2008, D. DeMay, light trap, 3 females; Little Crawl Key, 29 Oct. 2008, CO₂ baited light trap, D. DeMay, 1 female (FSCA; FLKC).
Forcipomyia (Euprojoannisia) dolichopodida Chan and Linley

Forcipomyia (Euprojoannisia) dolichopodida Chan and Linley, 1989: 253 (Florida); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 7 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. Chan and Linley (1989) described this species from the same locality as Atrichopogon (A.) wirthi in St. Lucie Co, Florida (see above). We provide an additional record from this county.


Forcipomyia (Euprojoannisia) fuscicalcarata Bystrak and Wirth

Forcipomyia (Euprojoannisia) fuscicalcarata Bystrak and Wirth, 1978: 23 (Florida); Wilkening et al. 1985: 515 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 7 (in Nearctic catalog).

Discussion. This species is known only from Florida in Alachua, Dade, Highlands, Lee, Leon, Monroe and Orange counties. We provide the first record from St. Lucie Co.

New records. St. Lucie Co. (no locality given), 5-VI-1987, R. L. Escher, CF-LT, 1 female (FSCA).

Forcipomyia (Euprojoannisia) mortuifolii Saunders

Forcipomyia (Proforcipomyia) mortuifolii Saunders, 1959: 35 (Trinidad).
Forcipomyia (Euprojoannisia) mortuifolii: Bystrak and Wirth 1978: 29 (revision of North America Euprojoannisia; Florida records); Wilkening et al. 1985: 515 (Dade Co. Florida record); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 7 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. This Neotropical species occurs in the Caribbean region and was first recorded from Florida in Dade Co. by Bystrak and Wirth (1978). We provide the first record from Monroe Co.

New records. Monroe Co., Key Largo, Crocodile Lake NWR, 12 Nov. 2009, D. DeMay, 1 male (FSCA).

Forcipomyia (Euprojoannisia) navaiae Bystrak and Wirth

Forcipomyia (Euprojoannisia) navaiae Bystrak and Wirth, 1978: 31 (Florida); Wilkening et al. 1985: 515 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 7 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. This species is known only from Florida, and the type series included specimens from Dade, Hillsborough and Indian River counties. We provide the first records from Highlands, Monroe and St. Lucie counties.

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Forcipomyia (Euprojoannisia) quasi-ingrami Macfie

Forcipomyia quasi-ingrami Macfie, 1939: 164 (Brazil).
Forcipomyia (Euprojoannisia) quasi-ingrami: Bystrak and Wirth 1978: 36 (revision of North American Euprojoannisia; distribution); Wilkening et al. 1985: 516 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 7 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. Macfie (1939) based his description of this species on the male holotype from Nova Teutonia, Brazil. However, as noted by Bystrak and Wirth (1978), Macfie also described three females as Forcipomyia sp. and suggested that they “...may possibly be the female of F. quasi-ingrami sp. n.” In their revision of North American species of F. (Euprojoannisia), Bystrak and Wirth (1978) recorded this species from Dominica, Jamaica, St. Lucia and from ten counties in Florida. We provide the first record of this primarily Neotropical species from Highlands Co.


Forcipomyia (Euprojoannisia) unica Bystrak and Wirth

Forcipomyia (Euprojoannisia) unica Bystrak and Wirth, 1978: 44 (revision of North American Euprojoannisia; Florida); Wilkening et al. 1985: 516 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 7 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. As suggested by its specific name, this species is truly unique in that it is the only New World species in the subgenus Euprojoannisia that has a single spermatheca. The type series included specimens from the Bahamas and Alachua (Holotype, Allotype), Dade, Orange, Putnam and Sarasota counties in Florida. Swanson and Grogan (2008) recently recorded a single female from South Carolina. We provide the first records from Monroe Co.


Forcipomyia (Forcipomyia) bipunctata (Linnaeus)

Tipula bipunctata Linnaeus, 1767: 978 (Europe).
Ceratopogon bipunctatus: Meigen 1818: 74 (combination).
Forcipomyia bipunctata: Lundstrom 1910: 31 (combination).
Forcipomyia (Forcipomyia) bipunctata: Wirth 1965: 125 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution); Wilkening et al. 1985: 516 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 7 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. This common, widespread Holarctic species was listed by Wilkening et al. (1985) in Florida from Jackson, Jefferson and Putnam counties. We provide the first record from Wakulla Co.

Forcipomyia (Forcipomyia) bystraki Grogan and Wirth

Forcipomyia (Forcipomyia) bystraki Grogan and Wirth, 1975b: 466 (Virginia); Wilkening et al. 1985: 516 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 7 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. Wilkening et al. (1985) recorded this common primarily eastern species from 19 counties in Florida. We provide the first records from Highlands and Wakulla counties as well as additional records from St. Lucie Co.


Forcipomyia (Forcipomyia) genualis (Loew)

Ceratopogon genualis Loew, 1866: 128 (Cuba).
Forcipomyia (Forcipomyia) genualis: Johannsen 1943: 777 (combination); Wirth 1965: 125 (in Nearctic catalog); Wilkening et al. 1985: 516 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 7 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. Wilkening et al. (1985) recorded this primarily Neotropical species from nine counties in Florida. We provide the first records from Alachua and Lake counties.


Forcipomyia (Forcipomyia) pictoni Macfie

Forcipomyia pictoni Macfie, 1938: 161 (Trinidad).
Forcipomyia (Forcipomyia) pictoni: Wirth 1974: 6 (in New World catalog south of USA; distribution); Wilkening et al. 1985: 516 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 7 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. Wilkening et al. (1985) recorded this widely distributed New World species from 14 Florida counties. We provide the first records from Dade Co.


Forcipomyia (Forcipomyia) quatei Wirth

Forcipomyia quatei Wirth, 1952a: 142 (California).
Forcipomyia (Forcipomyia) quatei: Wirth 1965: 126 (in Nearctic catalog); Wilkening et al. 1985: 516 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 7 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).
Discussion. Wilkening et al. (1985) recorded this wide ranging New World species from 12 counties in Florida. We discovered a large series of this species in the FSCA from Indian River, Highlands and St. Lucie counties, which are the first records from these counties.


Forcipomyia (Forcipomyia) swezeyana Tokunaga and Murachi

Forcipomyia (Forcipomyia) swezeyana Tokunaga and Murachi, 1959: 145 (Guam, Tinian, Palau); Debenham 1987: 303 (Australia); Wirth and Spinelli 1992c: 599 (Florida records).

Discussion. As noted by Wirth and Spinelli (1992c), F. swezeyana belongs to an Old World complex that Debenham (1987) termed the “swezeyana Group”, several members of which have been reared from tropical plants (bananas, cassava, etc.). Wirth and Spinelli (1992c) suggested that this was probably how this species was introduced into Florida, and listed specimens from Dade, Orange and Palm Beach counties, all but one of which were reared from portions of decaying banana and Philodendron.

Forcipomyia (Lasiohelea) fairfaxensis Wirth

Forcipomyia (Euforcipomyia) fairfaxensis Wirth, 1951: 317 (Virginia).
Forcipomyia (Lasiohelea) fairfaxensis: Wirth 1965: 124 (in Nearctic catalog); Wilkening et al. 1985: 516 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 8 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. The only species of the subgenus Lasiohelea Kieffer in the Nearctic region, this common eastern species obtains blood meals from frogs. Wilkening et al. (1985) listed it from Alachua, Gulf, Highlands, Monroe and Orange counties in Florida. Porch et al. (1992) recorded a specimen taken from a sundew (Drosera sp.) “…in a stream terrace bog along Pittman Creek” in Santa Rosa Co., which is the first record from this county that we list below. We also provide the first records from Highlands and St. Lucie counties.


Forcipomyia (Lepidohelea) acinacis Wirth and Spinelli

Forcipomyia (Lepidohelea) acinacis Wirth and Spinelli, 1993b: 615 (Maryland); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 8 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. This recently described species inhabits southern Canada and the eastern United States (Borkent and Grogan 2009). It is only known in Florida by a male collected in Alachua Co. (Wirth and Spinelli 1993b).
Forcipomyia (Lepidohelea) basifemoralis Wirth and Spinelli

Forcipomyia (Lepidohelea) basifemoralis Wirth and Spinelli, 1993a: 113 (Jamaica); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 8 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This recently described Neotropical species is only known in Florida by a male collected in Dade Co. (Wirth and Spinelli 1993b).

Forcipomyia (Lepidohelea) beckae Wirth

Forcipomyia (Forcipomyia) beckae Wirth, 1976: 82 (Florida); Wilkening et al. 1985: 516 (Florida records). Forcipomyia (Lepidohelea) beckae: Wirth and Spinelli 1992b: 353; Borkent and Grogan 2009: 8 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This species is known only from Florida by specimens collected in Dade (holotype) and Indian River (paratype) counties (Wilkening et al. 1985).

Forcipomyia (Lepidohelea) dubiamima Wirth and Spinelli

Forcipomyia (Lepidohelea) dubiamima Wirth and Spinelli, 1993b: 620 (Maryland); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 8 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This recently described species inhabits the southeastern United States, and is distinctive due to its large size, greatly elongated antennal flagella, dark brown body and legs that are covered with numerous long setae. It is currently known from Maryland, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia and North Carolina and in Florida from Alachua, Highlands and Indian River counties (Wirth and Spinelli 1993b).

Forcipomyia (Lepidohelea) eadsi Wirth and Spinelli

Forcipomyia (Lepidohelea) eadsi Wirth and Spinelli, 1993b: 622 (Texas); Hribar and Grogan 2005: 229 (Monroe Co., Florida record); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 8 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** The type series of this recently described species was from specimens collected in Texas from Cameron (holotype, allotype), Hidalgo, Kerr, Starr and Val Verde counties. Wirth and Spinelli (1993b) also listed several other specimens they identified as this species from Florida in Alachua, Dade, Hardee, Highlands, Indian River, Jackson, Liberty and Orange counties as well as a male from Washington Co., Mississippi, however, they did not designate these paratypes. Hribar and Grogan (2005) provided the first record from Monroe Co., and we have tentatively identified a few more recently collected males from that county as this species.

Forcipomyia (Lepidohelea) edmistoni Wirth and Spinelli

Forcipomyia (Lepidohelea) edmistoni Wirth and Spinelli, 1993b: 624 (Maryland); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 8 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).
**Discussion.** This recently described species ranges from New York, south to Florida, where it is known from Alachua, Highlands, Jefferson and Levy counties (Wirth and Spinelli 1993b).

*Forcipomyia (Lepidohelea) luteigenua* Wirth and Spinelli

*Forcipomyia (Lepidohelea) luteigenua* Wirth and Spinelli, 1992b: 353 (Costa Rica); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 8 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** Wirth and Spinelli (1992a) provided a list of specimens of this Neotropical species from Florida in Dade, Highlands, Indian River and Polk counties, but, did not designate these paratypes.

*Forcipomyia (Lepidohelea) seminole* Wirth

*Forcipomyia (Forcipomyia) seminole* Wirth, 1976: 81 (Florida); Wilkening et al. 1985: 516 (Florida records).  
*Forcipomyia (Lepidohelea) seminole*; Wirth and Spinelli 1992b: 351 (Broward Co., Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 8 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** The type series of this primarily Neotropical species was from Indian River Co., Florida (Wirth 1976). Subsequently, Wirth and Spinelli (1992b) described the immature stages that were collected and/or reared from bromeliads and provided new records from Broward Co., Florida, and, additional records from Costa Rica, Guyana, Jamaica and Puerto Rico.

*Forcipomyia (Lepidohelea) varipennis* Wirth and Williams

*Forcipomyia varipennis* Wirth and Williams, 1957: 8 (Bermuda).  
*Forcipomyia (Forcipomyia) varipennis*; Wirth 1965: 126 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).  
*Forcipomyia (Lepidohelea) varipennis*; Wirth and Spinelli 1993b: 630 (Florida records; redescription); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 8 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** The type series of this primarily Neotropical species included specimens from Bermuda, Puerto Rico, Guatemala and Texas, and Wirth and Spinelli (1993b) provided the first records from Florida. However, Wirth and Spinelli (1993b) noted that paratypes from Cameron Co., Texas and Guatemala were misidentified, and, they designated the Cameron Co. female and other specimens from that state as paratypes of their new species, *F. (Lepidohelea) eadsi.*

*Forcipomyia (Lepidohelea) weemsi* Wirth and Spinelli

*Forcipomyia (Lepidohelea) weemsi* Wirth and Spinelli, 1993a: 123 (Florida); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 8 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This recently described species is known from North America from Maryland south to Florida, with isolated records in extreme southeastern Arizona and southern Baja California Sur, Mexico (Wirth and Spinelli 1993a). Their holotype, allotype and several paratypes were from Alachua Co., Florida and other paratypes were from Highlands Co. We provide the first records from Monroe Co.
Forcipomyia (Metaforcipomyia) fehrerorum Grogan and Sigrist

Forcipomyia (Metaforcipomyia) fehrerorum Grogan and Sigrist, 2007: 531 (Maryland); Swanson and Grogan 2008: 412 (South Carolina); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 8 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. The majority of specimens in the type series of this recently described species were collected in Wicomico Co., Maryland, but, also included were four Florida paratypes, a female from Highlands Co., and two females and a male from Wakulla Co. Swanson and Grogan (2008) recorded a female from South Carolina, Borkent and Grogan (2009) recorded it from North Carolina, and it was also recently collected in extreme southwestern Alabama (D. Swanson, personal communication). We provide additional records from Highlands Co., Florida.

New records. Highlands Co., Lake Placid, Archbold Biological Station, 1 April 1991, W. W. Wirth, at UV light, 1 female (P); same data except 1-IV-1993, 2 females (P) (FSCA).

Forcipomyia (Metaforcipomyia) pluvialis Malloch

Forcipomyia pluvialis Malloch, 1923: 5 (Maryland).
Forcipomyia (Forcipomyia) pluvialis: Johannsen 1943: 778; Wirth 1951: 314 (redescription; Virginia, Louisiana, Panama).
Forcipomyia (Metaforcipomyia) pluvialis: Wirth 1965: 125 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution); Wilkening et al. 1985: 517 (Florida records); Grogan and Sigrist 2007: 536 (redescription; USNM Nearctic records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 8 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. This common woodland species occurs from Ontario and New Brunswick, south to Louisiana and Florida (Borkent and Grogan 2009). Wilkening et al. (1985) recorded it in Florida from Alachua, Gulf, Indian River, Levy, and Monroe counties. We provide the first record from Highlands Co.


Forcipomyia (Microhelea) eriophora (Williston)

Ceratopogon eriophorus Williston, 1896: 279 (St. Vincent).
Forcipomyia eriophora: Wolcott 1923: 210 (combination; Puerto Rico; feeding on tobacco hornworms).
Forcipomyia (Microhelea) eriophora: Wirth 1972: 571 (revision of New World Microhelea Kieffer); Wilkening et al. 1985: 517 (Florida records); Hribar and Grogan 2005: 229 (Big Pine Key, Monroe Co. record); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 8 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. This moderately common species is known in the United States from Maryland and Florida (Borkent and Grogan 2009), throughout the Caribbean, Mexico and Central America south to Brazil (Borkent and Spinelli 2007). Wilkening et al. (1985) listed it in Florida in Collier, Dade, Jackson and Monroe counties. Hribar and Grogan (2005) provided an additional Monroe Co. record from Big Pine Key and we provide additional records from other Keys.
New records. Monroe Co., Key Largo, Tavernier, Tavernier Airport, 14 August 2008, D. DeMay, dry ice-baited ABC trap, 1 female; Long Point Key, 28 Sept. 2006, D. DeMay, light trap, 1 female, same data except 25 Oct. 2006, 1 female; Lower Matecumbe Key, 13 Sept. 2006, D. DeMay, light trap, 1 male; Upper Matecumbe Key, 6 Sept. 2006, D. DeMay, light trap, 1 female, same data except 19 December 2006, 2 females, same data except 12 June 2007, 1 female, same data except 21 Aug. 2007, 4 females; Plantation Key, 23 Sept. 2006, D. DeMay, light trap, 2 females; Windley Key, 15 Aug. 2006, D. DeMay, light trap, 3 females, same data except 2 Sept. 2008, dry ice-baited ABC trap, 1 female, same data except 22 Sept. 2008, light trap, 1 female (FSCA; FLKC; WLGC).

Forcipomyia (Microhelea) fuliginosa (Meigen)

Ceratopogon fuliginosus Meigen, 1818: 86 (Germany).
Forcipomyia fuliginosa: Goetghebuer 1933: 130 (combination).
Forcipomyia (Microhelea) fuliginosa: Wirth 1972: 567 (revision of New World Microhelea; host records); Wilkening et al. 1985: 517 (Florida records); Hribar and Grogan 2005: 229 (Monroe Co., Florida records); Salvato et al. 2008: 237 (adult female feeding on larval Nymphalidae in Miami-Dade Co., Florida); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 8 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).
Forcipomyia erucicida Knab, 1914: 65 (Florida).
Forcipomyia brookmani Wirth, 1952a: 140 (Washington).

Discussion. As noted by Hribar and Grogan (2005), this common cosmopolitan species has 24 specific synonyms (Borkent and Wirth 1997). The adult females are ectoparasitic on larvae of Lepidoptera and sawflies (Hymenoptera). Wilkening et al. (1985) listed this species from 17 Florida counties. We provide the first records from Lake and Levy counties and additional records from Monroe Co.


Forcipomyia (Phytohelea) bromelicola (Lutz)

Ceratopogon bromelicola Lutz, 1914: 84 (Brazil).
Apelma bromelicola: Saunders 1925: 263 (combination).
Lasiohelea bromelicola: Lane 1945: 357 (combination).
Forcipomyia (Phytohelea) bromelicola: Remm 1971: 189 (as type species of subgenus Phytohelea Remm); de Meillon and Wirth 1979: 201 (review of Phytohelea; distribution); Grogan and Hribar 2006: 319 (Florida Keys); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 9 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. Grogan and Hribar (2006) provided the first records of this Neotropical species from the United States in the Florida Keys, Monroe County.
**Forcipomyia (Pterobosca) fusicornis** (Coquillett)

*Ceratopogon fusicornis* Coquillett, 1905: 63 (Florida).

*Pterobosca fusicornis*: Johannsen 1951: 117 (combination).

*Forcipomyia (Pterobosca) fusicornis*: Wirth 1965: 123 (combination; in Nearctic catalog); Wilkening et al. 1985: 517 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 9 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

*Pterobosca floridana* Johannsen, 1950: 143 (Florida).

**Discussion.** Adult females of this southern Nearctic and Caribbean species are ectoparasitic on Odonata. Wilkening et al. (1985) recorded it from eight counties in Florida. We provide the first records from Palm Beach Co., four females that were collected on the dragonfly, *Anax junius* (Drury).


**Forcipomyia (Saliohelea) leei** Wirth and Ratanaworabhan

*Forcipomyia (Saliohelea) leei* Wirth and Ratanaworabhan, 1978: 498 (Colombia); Wilkening et al. 1985: 517 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 9 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This common species occurs in the eastern United States as far north as New York and in the Neotropics in the Caribbean to southern Brazil. Wilkening et al. (1985) listed it from Alachua, Jefferson, Leon, Marion and Orange counties. Subsequently, Porch et al. (1992) documented a specimen collected from a sundew (*Drosera* sp.) “in a hillside bog along U. S. Highway 331” in Walton Co. Porch et al. referred to this individual as a female, but it is actually a male and apparently the only record of this species from Walton Co. We also provide the first records from Highlands Co.


**Forcipomyia (Schizoforcipomyia) cinctipes** (Coquillett)

*Ceratopogon cinctipes* Coquillett, 1905: 64 (Florida).

*Forcipomyia (Forcipomyia) cinctipes*: Johannsen 1943: 777 (combination); Wilkening et al. 1985: 516 (Florida records).

*Forcipomyia (Schizoforcipomyia) cinctipes*: Wirth 1990: 652 (USA records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 9 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This species occurs from Maryland and Virginia, south to Florida and is the only member of the subgenus *Schizoforcipomyia* Chan and LeRoux in the Nearctic region (Wirth 1990). Wilkening et al. (1985) and Wirth (1990) recorded it from nine counties in Florida. We provide the first records from Highlands Co.

**New records.** Highlands Co., Lake Placid, Archbold Biological Station, 15 April 1989, W. W. Wirth, Malaise trap, 1 female (P); same data except 11-IX-1989, 1 female (P); same data except 26-28-III-1990, 3 females (P); same data except 1 April 1991, at UV light, 1 male (P) (FSCA).
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**Forcipomyia (Thyridomyia) johannseni** Thomsen

*Forcipomyia (Euforcipomyia) johannseni*: Johannsen 1943: 778.
*Forcipomyia (Synthyridomyia) johannseni*: Wirth 1965: 124.
*Forcipomyia (Thyridomyia) johannseni*: Dow and Wirth 1972: 182 (revision of Nearctic *Thyridomyia* Saunders; distribution); Wilkening et al. 1985: 517 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 10 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** Thomsen (1935) described this species from adults that she reared from larvae collected from a wound on the bark of an elm tree in Ithaca, New York. The holotype female and allotype male are pinned, and, Dow and Wirth (1972) slide-mounted at least three paratypes from which they based their redescriptions and illustrations of this species. Subsequently, Wirth identified several specimens from Florida as this species including a male from Orchid Jungle, Dade Co., Florida. Wilkening et al. (1985) listed *F. johannseni* from Dade Co., based probably on these specimens and noted “This is the first published Florida records of this rare species. It was previously recorded only from New York.” Our examination of this Dade Co. male revealed that it is clearly not an example of *F. johannseni* as it lacks the characteristic palpal pit of this species, and, its genitalia do not match the illustrations by Thomsen (1935) and Dow and Wirth (1972). Furthermore, its wing length is only 0.63 mm, which is considerably smaller than what Dow and Wirth (1972) recorded for two male paratypes (0.82 mm). We discovered two females and two males mounted on slides in the FSCA from Vero Beach, Indian River Co., Florida that Wirth initially identified as *F. johannseni*, but he apparently subsequently crossed out that name and wrote in red pencil “tenuichela.” Of these four specimens, only one male is a specimen of *F. tenuichela*, and a female is a specimen of *F. nodosa*, however, the second female is a specimen of *F. monilicornis*. See accounts of these three species for details on these specimens. Because it is now doubtful that *F. johannseni* actually inhabits Florida, we have removed it from the ceratopogonid fauna of the state.

**Forcipomyia (Thyridomyia) monilicornis** (Coquillett)

*Ceratopogon monilicornis* Coquillett, 1905: 63 (British Columbia).
*Forcipomyia (Euforcipomyia) monilicornis*: Johannsen 1943: 778 (combination).
*Forcipomyia (Thyridomyia) monilicornis*: Wirth 1952a: 145 (distribution); Dow and Wirth 1972: 183 (revision of Nearctic *Thyridomyia*; distribution); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 10 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This wide ranging Holarctic species has been recorded in North America from Alaska to Quebec, south to California and Arizona, and Maryland and Virginia. As in other subgenera of *Forcipomyia* that are ectoparasitic on other insect orders, adult females of *F. (Thyridomyia)* also have well developed mandibles with numerous fine teeth. And, although it is assumed that species in the subgenus *Thyridomyia* are also ectoparasites, their hosts are as yet unknown. However, both sexes have been frequently collected on flowers from which they obtain nectar (Dow and Wirth 1972). We provide the first records of this tiny midge from Florida.

**Forcipomyia (Thryidomyia) nodosa Saunders**

*Forcipomyia (Thryidomyia) nodosa* Saunders, 1959: 43 (Costa Rica); Wirth 1970: 434 (Colombia, Mexico records); Dow and Wirth 1972: 186 (Arizona, Kansas, Mississippi records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 10 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** Although this species was originally described by Saunders (1959) from specimens collected in Costa Rica, it was also subsequently recorded from Colombia and Mexico by Wirth (1970), and in Arizona, Kansas and Mississippi by Dow and Wirth (1972). As mentioned in the discussion section of *F. (T.) johannseni*, a female from Vero Beach, St. Lucie Co., FL identified by Wirth (in Dow and Wirth 1972) as that species, is apparently a specimen of *F. (T.) nodosa*. This female lacks a palpal pit, a characteristic of *F. johannseni*, however, its third palpal segment is moderately short and broad with numerous subapical sensilla and the spermatheca has a curved neck, all of which are characteristic of female *F. nodosa*, and it represents the first record of this species from Florida. However, a male from the same site in St. Lucie Co. has genitalia that differ from illustrations of male *F. nodosa* in Wirth (1970) and Dow and Wirth (1972) as well as two males of this species we examined that were collected in Cochise Co., Arizona in 2007 by WLG. The proximal 2/3 of tergite 9, all of sternite 9 and the basal arms of the aedeagus are missing from this St. Lucie Co. male and it has a heavily sclerotized transverse sclerite at the base of the heavily sclerotized lateral sclerites of the aedeagus and very short gonocoxites, and these differences suggest that it may belong to an undescribed species.

**New records.** St. Lucie Co., Vero Beach, April 1957, light trap, 1 female (FSCA). **New Florida state record.**

**Forcipomyia (Thryidomyia) tenuichela Dow and Wirth**

*Forcipomyia (Thryidomyia) tenuichela* Dow and Wirth, 1972: 191 (California); Wilkening et al. 1985: 517 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 10 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** As mentioned above in the discussion section of *F. (T.) johannseni*, one of the males from Vero Beach, St. Lucie Co., Florida identified by Wirth (in Dow and Wirth 1972) as that species, is actually a specimen of *F. (T.) tenuichela*. Wilkening et al. (1985) recorded *F. tenuichela* from Dade, Indian River, Monroe and St. Lucie counties. We provide additional records from Monroe and St. Lucie counties.

**New records.** Monroe Co., Key Largo, Burton Street, 6 May 2008, D. DeMay, CO₂ baited ABC trap, 1 female; Upper Matecumbe Key, 19 December 2006, D. DeMay, light trap, 1 male; Little Pine Key, 15 July 2008, J. Snell & E. Wirsching, CO₂ baited light trap, 1 male. St. Lucie Co., Vero Beach, Nov. 1957, W. L. Bidlingmayer, 1 male (FLKC; WLGC).

**Forcipomyia (Trichohelea) mcafeei Wirth**

*Forcipomyia mcafeei* Wirth, 1956a: 359 (Maryland).  
*Forcipomyia (Trichohelea) mcafeei*: Wirth and Messersmith 1971: 21 (revision of North American *Trichohelea* Kieffer); Wilkening et al. 1985: 518 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 10 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).  
*Forcipomyia (Trichohelea) saundersi* Chan, in Chan and LeRoux 1965: 87 (Quebec).
Discussion. Adult females in the subgenus *Trichohelea* are ectoparasites of several insect orders as well as opilionids. Wilkening et al. (1985) recorded this Nearctic species in Florida from Alachua, Hillsborough, Liberty and Monroe counties. We provide the first records from Highlands Co.


*Forcipomyia* (*Trichohelea*) *veroensis* Wirth and Messersmith

*Forcipomyia* (*Trichohelea*) *veroensis* Wirth and Messersmith, 1971: 24 (Florida); Wilkening et al. 1985: 518 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 10 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. The type series of this rarely collected species was from Indian River Co., Florida (holotype, allotype), Maryland and Virginia (paratypes). Wilkening et al. (1985) also listed this species in Florida from Alachua Co. We provide the first record from Monroe Co.

New records. Monroe Co., Key Largo, Crocodile Lake NWR, 12 Nov. 2009, D. DeMay, 1 male (FSCA).

Subfamily Dasyheleinae

*Dasyhelea atlantis* Wirth and Williams

*Dasyhelea atlantis* Wirth and Williams, 1957: 11 (Bermuda); Waugh and Wirth 1976: 245 (revision of eastern United States *Dasyhelea* Kieffer; distribution); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 11 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. Wirth and Williams (1957) described this species from Bermuda specimens collected by light traps and reared from larvae and pupae, and reported that it was among the most commonly collected species in their study. Williams (1957) published habitat data for a number of Ceratopogonidae from Bermuda and noted that immature stages of *D. atlantis* were collected from strands of seaside purslane, *Sesuvium portulacastrum* (L.). This species has only been recorded in Florida from Indian River Co. (Wilkening et al. 1985). We provide the first records from Monroe Co. that includes a male reared from a pupa collected on seaside purslane.

New records. Monroe Co., Long Key, 1-XI-2007, L. Hribar, ex. strand of sea purslane, 1 male with pupal exuviae; Big Pine Key, Driftwood Ct., 1 April 2008, E. Wirsching, light trap, 1 male; No Name Key, 2 Feb. 2009; D. DeMay, 3 males, 2 females (FLKC; WLGC).

*Dasyhelea bahamensis* (Johnson)

*Ceratopogon bahamensis* Johnson, 1908: 71 (Bahamas).

*Dasyhelea bahamensis*: Wirth 1952a: 149 (combination); Wilkening et al. 1985: 518 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 11 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. This Caribbean species has only been recorded in Florida from Collier, Lee and Monroe counties (Wilkening et al. 1985). We provide additional records from Monroe Co.
New records. Monroe Co., Little Knockemdown Key, 24 Dec. 2008, E. Wirsching, CO₂ baited light trap, 1 female; Long Key, Long Key State Park, 23 Sept. 2009, D. DeMay, CO₂ baited light trap, 1 male; Long Point Key, 29 Oct. 2008, D. DeMay, CO₂ baited light trap, 1 female; No Name Key, 2 Feb. 2009, D. DeMay, 1 male (FLKC; WLGC).

Dasyhelea corinneae Gossseries

Ceratopogon scutellata Meigen, 1830: 262 (Europe; preoccupied by Say, 1829).
Dasyhelea scutellata: Kieffer 1919a: 50 (combination); Waugh and Wirth 1976: 236 (revision of eastern United States Dasyhelea; distribution); Wilkening et al. 1985: 519 (Florida records).
Dasyhelea corinneae Gossseries, 1991: 42 (new name for C. scutellata Meigen); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 11 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. This common Holarctic species inhabits the eastern United States, and Wilkening et al. (1985) only recorded it (as D. scutellata) in Florida from Liberty Co. and suggested that “Northern Florida apparently represents the southernmost limit of its range in North America.” Porch et al. (1992) recorded several specimens taken from sundews in Santa Rosa and Walton counties, which were the first records from these Florida counties that we relist below.


Dasyhelea flavifrons (Guérin-Méneville)

Ceratopogon flavifrons Guérin-Méneville, 1833: 165 (France).
Dasyhelea flavifrons: Kieffer 1919a: 51 (combination); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 11 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).
Dasyhelea oppressa Thomsen, 1935: 285 (New York); Waugh and Wirth 1976: 230 (revision of eastern United States Dasyhelea; distribution); Wilkening et al. 1985: 519 (Florida records); Hribar and Grogan 2005: 231 (Monroe Co., Florida records); Szadziewski and Dominiak 2006: 142 (as synonym of C. flavifrons Guérin-Méneville); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 11 (synonym of D. flavifrons).

Discussion. This common Holarctic species was previously known in North America as D. oppressa, but recently, Szadziewski and Dominiak (2006) demonstrated that it was a synonym of D. flavifrons (Guérin-Méneville). Wilkening et al. (1985) recorded it in Florida from Alachua and Liberty counties, and Hribar and Grogan (2005) provided the first records from Monroe Co.

Dasyhelea grisea (Coquillett)

Culicoides griseus: Kieffer 1906: 54 (combination).
Dasyhelea grisea: Thomsen 1935: 283 (combination); Waugh and Wirth 1976: 228 (revision of eastern U.S. Dasyhelea; distribution); Wilkening et al. 1985: 518 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 11 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).
Discussion. Wilkening et al. (1985) listed this very common Nearctic species from 13 Florida counties including Monroe Co. Thomsen (1937) and Waugh and Wirth (1976) noted that this species has been reared from algae in freshwater ponds. Hribar and Grogan (2005) provided the first records of this species from Long and Vaca Keys, Monroe Co. Our additional record from this county is a female from Long Key that was reared from a pupa collected from sea purslane, which is apparently a new larval habitat for this species.


*Dasyhelea griseola* Wirth

*Dasyhelea griseola* Wirth, 1978: 193 (Mexico, Baja California); Borkent and Spinelli 2000: 25 (in New World catalog south of the USA; distribution).

Discussion. Wirth (1978) described this relative of *D. grisea* from Baja California, Mexico (types), Panama and Trinidad. We discovered four males and one female in the FSCA from Levy Co., Florida that Wirth identified as this species, and these are the first records of *D. griseola* from the United States. Males of *D. griseola* are readily distinguished from those of *D. grisea* in that they lack a mesobasal spur on their gonocoxites.


*Dasyhelea mutabilis* (Coquillett)

*Culicoides mutabilis*: Kieffer 1906: 54 (combination).
*Pseudoculicoides mutabilis*: Malloch 1915a: 310 (combination).
*Dasyhelea mutabilis*: Thomsen 1935: 283 (combination); Waugh and Wirth 1976: 242 (revision of eastern U.S. *Dasyhelea*; distribution); Wilkening et al. 1985: 519 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 11 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. Wilkening et al. (1985) listed this species from Alachua, Duval, Levy and Monroe counties, and Hribar and Grogan (2005) provided additional Monroe Co. records from Long Key. We have tentatively identified a female from St. Lucie Co. that is slightly smaller (wing length 0.66 mm) than reported by Waugh and Wirth (1976) for females of this species (wing length 0.72-0.83 mm). Waugh and Wirth suggested that at least two species may inhabit the eastern United States based on variation of spermatheca size and neck length as well as the pupal respiratory organ. Regardless, this is the first record of this species from St. Lucie Co.


*Dasyhelea pollex* Borkent and Forster

*Dasyhelea pollex* Borkent and Forster, 1986: 1286 (Bahamas); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 11 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).
Discussion. This species was described by Borkent and Forster (1986) in their revision of the Nearctic species in the fasciigera group based on four males: the holotype and paratype from San Salvador Island, Bahamas (CNCI); a paratype from Big Pine Key, Monroe Co., Florida (USNM); and, a paratype from Baja California, Mexico (USNM).

*Dasyhelea scissurae* Macfie

*Dasyhelea scissurae* Macfie, 1937: 15 (Trinidad); Borkent and Spinelli 2000: 26 (in Neotropical catalog; distribution); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 11 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

*Dasyhelea koenigi* Delécolle and Rieb, 1994: 267 (Guadeloupe); Borkent and Spinelli 2000: 26 (in Neotropical catalog). **NEW SYNONYM.**

Discussion. Borkent and Spinelli (2000) and Borkent and Grogan (2009) listed this Neotropical species from Florida. However, the bases for these inclusions are unknown, and therefore, we provide the first definitive records of *D. scissurae* from Florida and the United States. In addition, the illustrations of the male genitalia of *D. koenigi* Delécolle and Rieb (1994) described from the male holotype and female allo-type from Guadeloupe are virtually identical with illustrations of the male genitalia of *D. scissurae* described by Macfie (1937) from Trinidad. We consider them conspecific, and therefore, *Dasyhelea koenigi* Delécolle and Rieb is a junior objective synonym of *Dasyhelea scissurae* Macfie (**NEW SYNONYM**).


New continental US record.

*Dasyhelea stemlerae* Waugh and Wirth

*Dasyhelea stemlerae* Waugh and Wirth, 1976: 233 (Maryland); Wilkening et al. 1985: 519 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 11 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. Wilkening et al. (1985) only listed this species from Alachua Co. (paratypes). We provide the first record from Wakulla Co.


*Dasyhelea traverae* Thomsen


Discussion. Wilkening et al. (1985) did not list this eastern species from Florida. Subsequently, Porch et al. (1992) reported two specimens taken from sundews in Santa Rosa and Walton counties, and these are the only records of this species from Florida that we relist below.

Subfamily Ceratopogoninae

Tribe Culicoidini

_Culicoides_ (Amossovia) _arboricola_ Root and Hoffman

_Culicoides arboricola_ Root and Hoffman, 1937: 166 (Maryland).
_Culicoides (Glaphiromyia) arboricola_ Vargas 1960: 41.
_Culicoides (Oecacta) arboricola_ Khalaf 1954: 37; Blanton and Wirth 1979: 56 (Florida records); Wilkening et al. 1985: 522 (Florida records).
_Culicoides (Amossovia) arboricola_ Borkent and Grogan 2009: 12 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** Wilkening et al. (1985) listed this common eastern species from 27 Florida counties. We provide the first record for Bay Co.

**New records.** Bay Co., Callaway, Plantation Dr., 24 June 2003, J. Cilek, CO$_2$ baited CDC light trap, 1 female (FAMC).

_Culicoides_ (Amossovia) _villosipennis_ Root and Hoffman

_Culicoides villosipennis_ Root and Hoffman, 1937: 165 (Maryland).
_Culicoides (Oecacta) villosipennis_ Khalaf 1954: 37; Blanton and Wirth 1979: 169 (Florida records); Wilkening et al. 1985: 522 (Florida records).
_Culicoides (Glaphiromyia) villosipennis_ Vargas 1960: 41.
_Culicoides (Amossovia) villosipennis_ Borkent and Grogan 2009: 12 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** Wilkening et al. (1985) listed this eastern species from nine Florida counties. We provide the first records from Wakulla Co.

**New records.** Wakulla Co., Wakulla Springs State Park, Lodge Road, 25 May 2004, S. Murphree, CDC light trap with UV wand, 1 male, 2 females; same data except Swamp on Lodge Rd., 25-26-V-2004, CDC LT, 2 females (BUTC; WLGC).

_Culicoides (Beltranmyia) crepuscularis_ Malloch

_Culicoides (Beltranmyia) crepuscularis_ Vargas 1953: 34; Blanton and Wirth 1979: 75 (Florida records); Wilkening et al. 1985: 520 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 13 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** Wilkening et al. (1985) listed this common Nearctic and northern Neotropical species from 37 Florida counties, including Bay Co. We provide additional records from Bay Co.

**New records.** Bay Co., Callaway, Plantation Drive, 25 March/26 December 2002, C. F. Hallmon, CO$_2$ baited CDC light trap, 6 females; same data except 28 April-19 July 2002, 5 females (FAMC); same data except 25 March 2002 (WLGC) .
**Culicoides (Beltranmyia) mississippiensis** Hoffman

*Culicoides mississippiensis* Hoffman, 1926: 158 (Mississippi).
*Culicoides (Beltranmyia) mississippiensis*: Vargas 1953: 34; Blanton and Wirth 1979: 119 (Florida records); Wilkening et al. 1985: 520 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 13 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This species inhabits coastal areas along the Gulf of Mexico from Florida to Texas and was listed by Wilkening et al. (1985) from 22 Florida counties including Wakulla Co. We provide additional records from Wakulla Co.

**New records.** Wakulla Co., Wakulla Springs State Park, spring 300 m E of Wakulla Spring, 25 May 2004, S. Murphree, NJ light trap, 1 female; same data except UV wand, 1 female (BUTC).

**Culicoides (Diphaomyia) edeni** Wirth and Blanton

*Culicoides edeni* Wirth and Blanton, 1974: 23 (Florida).
*Culicoides (Diphaemyia) edeni*: Blanton and Wirth 1979: 81 (Florida records; subgenus *sic*); Wilkening et al. 1985: 520 (Florida records).
*Culicoides (Diphaemyia) edeni*: Wirth et al. 1985: 18 (in Nearctic Wing Atlas); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 13 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This species is known only from Florida, South Carolina and the Bahamas (Borkent and Grogan 2009). Wilkening et al. (1985) listed it from 33 Florida counties, including Wakulla Co. We provide an additional record from Wakulla Co. as well as the first records from Bay and Santa Rosa counties.


**Culicoides (Diphaemyia) haematopotus** Malloch

*Culicoides (Diphaemyia) haematopotus*: Vargas 1960: 40; Borkent and Grogan 2009: 13 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).
*Culicoides (Diphaemyia) haematopotus*: Blanton and Wirth 1979: 95 (subgenus *sic*; Florida records); Wilkening et al. 1985: 520 (Florida records).

**Discussion.** Wilkening et al. (1985) listed this common Nearctic species from 19 Florida counties. We provide the first records from Bay Co.

**Culicoides (Drymodesmyia) hinmani Khalaf**

*Culicoides hinmani* Khalaf, 1952: 353 (Oklahoma).
*Culicoides (Drymodesmyia) hinmani*: Wirth 1965: 131 (in Nearctic catalog); Blanton and Wirth 1979: 99 (Florida records); Wilkening et al. 1985: 520 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 14 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** Wilkening et al. (1985) listed this primarily eastern species from 11 Florida counties. We provide the first record from Wakulla Co.

**New records.** Wakulla Co., Wakulla Springs State Park, spring 300 m E of Wakulla Spring, 25 May 2004, S. Murphree, NJ light trap, 1 female (BUTC).

**Culicoides (Haematomyidium) debilipalpis Lutz**

*Culicoides debilipalpis* Lutz, 1913: 60 (Brazil).
*Culicoides (Haematomyidium) debilipalpis*: Vargas 1960: 42; Borkent and Grogan 2009: 14 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).
*Culicoides (Oecacta) debilipalpis*: Wirth 1965: 129 (in Nearctic catalog); Blanton and Wirth 1979: 78 (Florida records); Wilkening et al. 1985: 521 (Florida records).
*Culicoides khalafi* Beck, 1957: 104 (Florida).

**Discussion.** Wilkening et al. (1985) listed this species from 12 Florida counties. We provide the first records from Bay and Wakulla counties.


**Culicoides (Haematomyidium) paraensis (Goeldi)**

*Haematomyidium paraense* Goeldi, 1905: 137 (Brazil).
*Culicoides paraensis*: Lutz 1913: 55 (combination).
*Culicoides (Oecacta) paraensis*: Wirth 1965: 130 (in Nearctic catalog); Blanton and Wirth 1979: 131 (Florida records); Wilkening et al. 1985: 521 (Florida records).
*Culicoides (Haematomyidium) paraensis*: Vargas 1960: 42; Borkent and Grogan 2009: 14 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** Wilkening et al. (1985) listed this widespread New World species from eight Florida counties. We provide the first records from Wakulla and Walton counties.


**Culicoides (Monoculicoides) sonorensis Wirth and Jones**
Culicoides variipennis sonorensis Wirth and Jones, 1957: 18 (Arizona).
Culicoides (Monoculicoides) sonorensis: Borkent and Grogan 2009: 15 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).
Culicoides variipennis australis Wirth and Jones, 1957: 15 (Louisiana); Atchley 1967: 975 (synonym of C. v. sonorensis); Holbrook et al. 2000: 70 (synonym of C. sonorensis).
Culicoides variipennis albertensis Wirth and Jones, 1957: 17 (Alberta); Holbrook et al. 2000: 70 (synonym of C. sonorensis).
Culicoides (Monoculicoides) variipennis: Blanton and Wirth 1979: 161 (Florida records, in part); Wilkening et al. 1985: 521 (Florida records, in part).
Culicoides occidentalis albertensis: Downes 1978: 63.

Discussion. Because Blanton and Wirth (1979) and Wilkening et al. (1985) did not specifically distinguish Florida specimens in the C. variipennis complex to subspecies, we list here all slide-mounted specimens of C. sonorensis from Florida in the USNM that were examined by Holbrook et al. (2000) and labeled by WLG.


Culicoides (Monoculicoides) variipennis (Coquillett)

Ceratopogon variipennis Coquillett, 1901: 602 (Virginia, New Jersey, Mexico).
Culicoides variipennis variipennis: Wirth and Jones 1957: 12 (Virginia syntype designated lectotype).
Culicoides (Monoculicoides) variipennis: Khalaf 1954: 40; Blanton and Wirth 1979: 161 (Florida records, in part); Wilkening et al. 1985: 521 (Florida records, in part); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 15 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. Because Blanton and Wirth (1979) and Wilkening et al. (1985) did not distinguish specimens of C. variipennis and C. sonorensis, we list below Florida records of C. variipennis identified and labeled by WLG in the FSCA and USNM. We also provide the first records from Walton Co.


Culicoides (Oecacta) furens (Poey)

Oecacta furens Poey, 1853: 238 (Cuba).
Culicoides furens: Lutz 1912: 16 (combination).
**Culicoides (Oecacta) furens**: Khalaf 1954: 37; Blanton and Wirth 1979: 87 (Florida records); Wilkening et al. 1985: 521 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 15 (in catalog; distribution).

**Culicoides dovei**: Hall, 1932: 88 (Georgia).

**Discussion.** Wilkening et al. (1985) listed *C. furens* from 34 Florida counties, however, their records did not include Lee Co. despite that Blanton and Wirth (1979) listed two records from this county in their monograph of Florida *Culicoides*. We provide additional records from Lee and Wakulla counties.

**New records.** Lee Co., Sanibel Island, Beach at Middle Gulf Drive, 25-IX-2006, W. A. Tanguay, Biting man at dusk, 4 females (WLGC). Wakulla Co., Wakulla Springs State Park, Lodge Road, 25 May 2004, S. Murphree, CDC light trap with UV wand, 3 females (BUTC).

**Culicoides (Oecacta) stellifer** (Coquillett)


**Culicoides stellifer**: Kieffer 1906:55 (combination).

**Culicoides (Oecacta) stellifer**: Khalaf 1954: 37; Blanton and Wirth 1979: 149 (Florida records); Wilkening et al. 1985: 521 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 15 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This widespread Nearctic species was listed by Wilkening et al. (1985) from 32 Florida counties. We provide the first records from Bay and Okaloosa counties and an additional record from Walton Co.


**Culicoides (Silvaticulicoides) mulrennani** Beck

*Culicoides mulrennani* Beck, 1957: 103 (Florida).

**Culicoides (Drymodesmyia) mulrennani**: Vargas 1960: 40 (*mulrennani* sic).

**Culicoides (Oecacta) mulrennani**: Wirth 1965: 129 (in Nearctic catalog).

**Culicoides (Silvaticulicoides) mulrennani**: Borkent and Grogan 2009: 15 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** Wilkening et al. (1985) only listed this eastern species from the Florida panhandle in Escambia, Gulf, Jackson, Liberty and Taylor counties. We provide the first records from Bay Co.

**New records.** Bay Co., Callaway, Plantation Drive, 5-May-3 December 2002, C. F. Hallmon, CO$_2$ baited CDC light trap, 3 females (FAMC; WLGC).

**Culicoides (Silvaticulicoides) spinosus** Root and Hoffman

*Culicoides spinosus* Root and Hoffman, 1937: 172 (Maryland).

**Culicoides (Oecacta) spinosus**: Khalaf 1954: 38; Blanton and Wirth 1979: 146 (Florida records); Wilkening et al. 1985: 521 (Florida records).

**Culicoides (Silvaticulicoides) spinosus**: Borkent and Grogan 2009: 15 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).
Discussion. Wilkening et al. (1985) listed this eastern species from 16 Florida counties. We provide the first records from Bay Co.


Species Unplaced to Subgenus

Piliferus species group

Culicoides scanloni Wirth and Hubert

Culicoides (Oecacta) scanloni Wirth and Hubert, 1962: 187 (Virginia; review of eastern USA piliferus group); Blanton and Wirth 1979: 142 (Florida records); Wilkening et al. 1985: 522 (Florida records).

Discussion. This eastern species was listed by Wilkening et al. (1985) from 13 Florida counties including Wakulla Co. We provide an additional record from that county.

New records. Wakulla Co., Wakulla Springs State Park, Lodge Road, 25 May 2004, S. Murphree, CDC light trap with UV wand, 1 male (BUTC).

Stonei species group

Culicoides pallidicornis Kieffer

Culicoides pallidicornis Kieffer, 1919a: 46 (Hungary, Romania); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 17 (in Nearctic catalog; stonei group; distribution; C. niger as synonym).

Culicoides (Oecacta) pallidicornis: Khalaf 1954: 38.

Culicoides niger Root and Hoffman, 1937: 168 (Maryland).

Culicoides (Oecacta) niger: Khalaf 1954: 38; Blanton and Wirth 1979: 126 (Florida records); Wilkening et al. 1985: 522 (Florida records).

Discussion. Wilkening et al. (1985) listed this Holarctic species (as C. niger) from 26 Florida counties including Wakulla Co. We provide additional records from Wakulla Co. and the first record from Bay Co.


Culicoides tissoti Wirth and Blanton
Culicoides tissoti Wirth and Blanton, 1966: 279 (Florida); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 17 (in Nearctic catalog; stonei group; distribution).

Discussion. This rarely collected species is still only known from the three states it was originally described from: Florida, Maryland and South Carolina. Wilkening et al. (1985) listed it from seven counties in northern Florida and Wakulla Co. in the eastern section of the panhandle. We provide the first records from Bay and Santa Rosa counties in the western portion of the panhandle.


Unplaced to species group

Culicoides travisi Vargas

Culicoides simulans Root and Hoffman, 1937: 167 (Maryland; preoccupied by Culicoides simulans Vimmer, 1932).

Culicoides travisi Vargas, 1949: 233 (new name for C. simulans Root and Hoffman); Beck 1952: 104 (Florida records); Hribar and Grogan 2005: 232 (Monroe Co., Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 17 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Culicoides (Oecacta) travisi: Blanton and Wirth 1979: 159 (Florida records); Wilkening et al. 1985: 522 (Florida records).


Discussion. In her study of 30,000 specimens of Culicoides collected in 29 Florida counties from November 1948 to September 1950, Elisabeth Beck (1952) provided the first records of C. travisi in the state in Escambia, Lake and Taylor counties. However, Blanton and Wirth (1979) apparently overlooked Beck’s (1952) records from these three counties when they only noted that “E. Beck (1956) stated that she had taken Culicoides travisi in northern and central Florida counties.” In the same paragraph, Blanton and Wirth continued with “Our records are from 5 counties, all in the panhandle...”, but inexplicably, they only provided locality data of specimens from Franklin, Jackson, Taylor and Wakulla counties. Furthermore, their Florida map of this species also included locality records in Dixie and Liberty counties. More recently, Hribar and Grogan (2005) provided the first records from Monroe Co.

Tribe Ceratopogonini

Allohelea distortifemur Wirth

Allohelea distortifemur Wirth, 1991: 499 (Florida; revision of New World Allohelea); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 18 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. This distinctive, recently described species is known only from the type series (15 males, 21 females) collected by Dr. Wirth in St. Joseph State Park, Gulf Co., Florida.
**Allohelea johannseni** (Wirth)

*Monohelea johannseni* Wirth, 1953b: 153 (Virginia).


*Allohelea johannseni*: Wirth and Grogan 1988: 15 (combination); Wirth 1991: 498 (revision of New World *Allohelea* Kieffer); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 18 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This common eastern species was listed by Wilkening et al. (1985) from 19 Florida counties. However, in his revision of *Allohelea*, Wirth (1991) did not include Jefferson, Leon, Orange and Sarasota counties in his list of specimens he examined of *A. johannseni* but provided the first records from Manatee Co.

**Allohelea nebulosa** (Coquillett)

*Ceratopogon nebulosus* Coquillett, 1901: 606 (New Jersey).

*Ceratopogon nebulosus*: Kieffer 1906: 60 (combination).

*Johansenniella nebulosa*: Malloch 1914b: 226 (combination).

*Hartomyia nebulosa*: Malloch 1915a: 340 (combination).

*Monohela nebulosa*: Kieffer 1917: 312 (combination).


*Allohelea nebulosa*: Wirth and Grogan 1988: 15 (combination); Wirth 1991: 494 (revision of New World *Allohelea*); (Borkent and Grogan 2009: 18 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This common eastern species was listed by Wilkening et al. (1985) from 14 Florida counties including Wakulla Co. We provide additional records from that county. In his revision of *Allohelea*, Wirth (1991) did not include Bay, Escambia, Highlands, Jackson and Leon counties in the list of *A. nebulosa* he examined.

**New records.** Wakulla Co., Wakulla Springs State Park, Lodge Road, 25 May 2004, S. Murphree, CDC light trap with UV wand, 2 females (BUTC).

**Allohelea pedicellata** Wirth

*Allohelea pedicellata* Wirth, 1991: 502 (Florida; revision of New World *Allohelea*); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 18 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This recently described species is only known from females collected in extreme southern Alabama and Georgia and nearby western Florida. It has only been collected in the panhandle region of Florida from Baker (holotype), Jackson, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty and Santa Rosa counties.

**Allohelea weemsi** Wirth

*Allohelea weemsi* Wirth, 1991: 501 (Florida; revision of New World *Allohelea*); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 18 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This recently described species is known only from Florida in Alachua, Highlands (Holo-type, Allotype), Liberty and Santa Rosa counties.
**Alluaudomyia bella** (Coquillett)

*Culicoides bellus*: Kieffer 1906: 54 (combination).
*Neoceratopogon bellus*: Malloch 1915b: 310 (combination).
*Alluaudomyia bella*: Wirth 1952b: 425 (revision of Nearctic *Alluaudomyia* Kieffer); Wilkening et al. 1985: 523 (Florida records); Grogan and Borkent 2009: 18 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

*Isoecacta poeyi* Garrett, 1925: 9 (British Columbia).

**Discussion.** This very common Nearctic species was listed by Wilkening et al. (1985) from 24 Florida counties. We provide the first records from Highlands and Wakulla counties.


**Alluaudomyia caribbeana** Spinelli and Wirth

*Alluaudomyia caribbeana* Spinelli and Wirth, 1984: 678. (Belize); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 18 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This is a wide ranging primarily Neotropical species that is known from the southern United States in Arizona, California, Florida and Texas, Sinaloa, Mexico south throughout Central America to Colombia and Venezuela, and in the Caribbean region in Haiti, Jamaica and Puerto Rico (Borkent and Spinelli 2007). However, this species was not included in the list of Florida biting midges by Wilkening et al. (1985), probably because it was published just prior to their review. It is known only in Florida by a female collected in Dade Co. (Spinelli and Wirth 1984).

**Alluaudomyia needhami** Thomsen

*Alluaudomyia needhami* Thomsen, 1935: 287 (New York); Wilkening et al. 1985: 523 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 18 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This widespread Nearctic species was only listed by Wilkening et al. (1985) in Florida from Alachua and Liberty counties. We provide the first records from Orange and Wakulla counties.

**New records.** Orange Co., Hope, Maitland Lake, 5-VIII-1988, W. W. Wirth, UVLT, 1 female (FSCA). Wakulla Co., Wakulla Springs State Park, Lodge Road, 25 May 2004, S. Murphree, CDC light trap with UV wand, 1 female (BUTC); same data except swamp on Lodge Road, 25-26 May 2004, CDC LT, 2 females, 1 male (WLGC).

**Alluaudomyia paraspina** Wirth

*Alluaudomyia paraspina* Wirth, 1952b: 429 (Georgia); Wilkening et al. 1985: 523 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 18 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).
Discussion. This Nearctic species ranges from Alaska and British Columbia to Nova Scotia, south to Florida and Louisiana (Borkent and Grogan 2009). Wilkening et al. (1985) listed it from nine counties in Florida. We provide the first record from Orange Co.


Alluaudomyia parva Wirth

Alluaudomyia parva Wirth, 1952b: 431 (Florida); Wilkening et al. 1985: 523 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 18 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. Wilkening et al. (1985) listed this common Nearctic species from 11 Florida counties. We provide the first records from Wakulla Co.

New records. Wakulla Co., Wakulla Springs State Park, Lodge Road, 25 May 2004, S. Murphree, CDC light trap with UV wand, 1 male, 1 female (BUTC; WLGC).

Brachypogon (Brachypogon) canadensis Downes

Brachypogon canadensis Downes, 1976: 1147 (Canada); Wilkening et al. 1985: 523 (Florida records).  
Brachypogon (Brachypogon) canadensis: Wirth and Grogan 1988: 28 (revision of world Ceratopogonini); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 19 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. In his original description, Downes (1976) designated paratypes of this common eastern Nearctic species from Alachua, Bradford, Franklin, Gulf, Liberty, Orange, Putnam and Santa Rosa counties in Florida. Wilkening et al. (1985) also listed this species from Escambia Co. We provide the first records from Highlands and Wakulla counties.


Brachypogon (Brachypogon) woodruffi Spinelli and Grogan

Brachypogon (Brachypogon) woodruffi Spinelli and Grogan, 1998: 72 (Dominican Republic).

Discussion. We examined several specimens of B. woodruffi from Levy Co. collected by USDA personnel and USNM specimens from Collier, Dade, Indian River, Monroe and Orange counties that we compared with the holotype and allotype in the FSCA. These Florida specimens represent the first records of this species from the United States [New continental US record]. These plus two related undescribed species will be addressed by a study in progress by Swanson and Grogan.

Ceratoculicoides blantoni Wirth and Ratanaworabhan


**Discussion.** Currently, only three species of *Ceratoculicoides* Wirth and Ratanaworabhan are known from the United States and Canada (Borkent and Grogan 2009). The type-species, *C. longipennis* (Wirth), ranges from British Columbia and Quebec, south to California, Utah and Florida, whereas *C. virginianus* (Wirth) occurs from Ontario south to Texas and Florida (Borkent and Grogan 2009). The third Nearctic species, *C. blantoni* Wirth and Ratanaworabhan, is known only from Maryland, Virginia and Ontario (Borkent and Grogan 2009).

Wilkening et al. (1985) recorded two species from northern Florida: *C. longipennis*, from Liberty Co.; and, *C. virginianus* from Alachua, Liberty, Marion and Putnam counties. We discovered a female of *C. blantoni*, in the FSCA that agrees with the original description and illustrations and is similar in size with a female from Maryland (WLGC). This specimen is the first record of this rarely collected species from Florida and it suggests that it may be more widely distributed in the eastern United States than current records indicate.


**Downeshelea multilineata** (Lutz)

*Palpomyia multilineata* Lutz, 1914: 93 (Brazil).


*Downeshelea multilineata*: Wirth and Grogan 1988: 52 (combination); Borkent and Spinelli 2000: 47 (in Neotropical catalog; distribution); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 20 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This Neotropical species is known from Panama, Guyana, Brazil and Puerto Rico (Borkent and Spinelli 2000). Wilkening et al. (1985) provided the first record of this species from the United States, a female from Lee Co., Sanibel Island, Florida collected during 1963 by G. Quinn (USNM).

**Downeshelea stonei** (Wirth)

*Monohelea (Monohelea) stonei* Wirth, 1953b: 148 (Louisiana); Wirth and Williams 1964: 303 (new state records; distribution)


*Downeshelea stonei*: Wirth and Grogan 1988: 52 (combination); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 20 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** Wilkening et al. (1985) listed this common eastern species from 27 Florida counties. We provide the first records from Brevard, Broward, Charlotte, Dixie, Flagler, Franklin, Gadsden, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Hardee, Hendry, Hillsborough, Holmes, Lafayette, Lake, Manatee, Martin, Nassau, Pinellas, St. Johns, Suwannee and Washington counties.


*Echinohelea lanei* Wirth

*Echinohelea lanei* Wirth, 1951: 319 (Virginia); Wilkening et al. 1985: 524 (Florida records); Wirth 1994b: 234 (revision of New World species; distribution); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 20 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** Wilkening et al. (1985) listed this common eastern species from nine Florida counties, and Wirth (1994b) added a single record from Hillsborough Co. that we list below.


*Monohelea bifurcata* Wirth and Williams

*Monohelea* (*Monohelea*) *bifurcata* Wirth and Williams, 1964: 308 (Massachusetts); Wilkening et al. 1985: 524 (Florida records).


**Discussion.** Wilkening et al. (1985) listed this moderately common eastern species in Florida from Alachua, Calhoun, Liberty, Santa Rosa and Wakulla counties. We provide the first records from Highlands Co.

**New records.** Highlands Co., Lake Placid, Archbold Biological Station, 1 April 1991, W. W. Wirth, at UV light, 1 male; same data except Buck Island Ranch, IV-1991, 1 female (FSCA).

*Monohelea macfiei* Wirth

*Monohelea* (*Monohelea*) *macfiei* Wirth, 1953b: 143 (Louisiana); Wilkening et al. 1985: 524 (Florida records).


**Discussion.** Wilkening et al. (1985) presented the first record of this wide ranging Nearctic species from Florida (Indian River Co). We provide the first records from Franklin, Jefferson, Highlands and Lee counties.

**Monohelea maculipennis** (Coquillett)

*Ceratopogon maculipennis* Coquillett, 1905: 64 (Florida).

*Monohelea maculipennis*: Kieffer 1917: 312 (combination); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 20 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

*Monohelea (Monohelea) maculipennis*: Wirth 1953b: 140 (review of New World *Monohelea* Kieffer; distribution); Wilkening et al. 1985: 525 (Florida records).

**Discussion.** Wilkening et al. (1985) listed this primarily Neotropical species from 19 Florida counties. We provide the first records from Brevard, Broward, Charlotte, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hillsborough, Lake, Martin, Okeechobee, Pasco and St. Johns counties.


**Monohelea texana** Wirth

*Monohelea (Monohelea) texana* Wirth, 1953b: 143 (Texas); Wilkening et al. 1985: 525 (Florida records).


**Discussion.** This species inhabits the extreme southern portion of the United States (Borkent and Grogan 2009). Wilkening et al. (1985) listed it in Florida from Alachua, Levy and Orange counties. We provide the first records from Holmes and Manatee counties.


**Parabezia bystraki** Grogan and Wirth

*Parabezia bystraki* Grogan and Wirth, 1977a: 70 (Maryland); Wilkening et al. 1985: 525 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 21 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** Grogan and Wirth (1977a) designated paratypes of this rarely collected species from Alachua, Franklin and Liberty counties in Florida, and, it is also known from Maryland. We provide the first record from Wakulla Co.

*Rhynchohelea monilicornis* Wirth and Blanton

*Rhynchohelea monilicornis* Wirth and Blanton, 1970: 98 (Florida); Wilkening et al. 1985: 525 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 21 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This minute, very rare New World species was originally described from three females, the holotype and paratype from Liberty Co., Florida and a female paratype from Imperial Co., California (Wirth and Blanton 1970). Wilkening et al. (1985) added another Florida record from Marion Co., and we provide the first records from Highlands Co. Inexplicably, Borkent and Grogan (2009) did not include California in their distribution section of this species, but they also included Costa Rica based on recently collected specimens in the INBio collection in San Jose, Costa Rica.


*Stilobezzia (Acanthohelea) stonei* Wirth

*Stilobezzia (Neostilobezzia) stonei* Wirth, 1953a: 66 (Virginia); Wilkening et al. 1985: 525 (Florida records).

**Discussion.** Wilkening et al. (1985) listed this common eastern species from 15 Florida counties including Wakulla Co. We provide additional records from this county.

New records. Wakulla Co., Wakulla Springs State Park, Lodge Road, 25 May 2004, S. Murphree, CDC light trap with UV wand, 1 male, 1 female; same data except: spring 300 m E of Wakulla Spring, NJ light trap, 1 female (BUTC).

*Stilobezzia (Eukraiohelea) amnigena* (Macfie)

*Eukraiohelea amnigena* Macfie, 1935: 56 (Brazil).
*Stilobezzia (Eukraiohelea) amnigena*: Lane and Forattini 1958: 203 (combination); Wirth and Spinelli 1992a: 346 (review of New World *Eukraiohelea* Ingram and Macfie; Florida and South Carolina records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 22 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** Wirth and Spinelli (1992a) noted that Wirth (1953a) and Wirth and Grogan (1981) identified some males of *S. amnigena* from Florida as *S. elegantula*. Wirth and Spinelli provided illustrations of the male genitalia of both species and noted that in males of *S. amnigena*, sternite 9 is concave caudomedially, the apicolateral processes on tergite 9 are slender, the gonostylus is swollen in mid portion, and the parameres have partially or entirely separated basal apodemes and the slender distal portions with narrow apices that are recurved 90° ventrally. In males of *S. elegantula*, sternite 9 is convex caudomedially, the apicolateral processes on tergite 9 are broader, the parameres have longer attached basal apodemes with the distal portions very broad on their distal halves and their tips are abruptly tapered and ventrally...
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directed. In their key to American species of Stilobezzia (Eukraiohelea), Wirth and Spinelli (1992a) stated that females of S. amnigena are large, with “wing length about 2.00; costal ratio 0.80.” For females of S. elegantula, they gave mean and ranges of wing length of 1.40 (1.36-1.46 mm, n=5) and costal ratio 0.75 (0.75-0.78). As noted in our account of S. elegantula below, we measured wing lengths and costal ratios of 35 females of that species from Alachua Co. as well as three females from Alachua and two females from Wakulla counties of S. amnigena. Our data confirm that females of S. amnigena are indeed large with mean/range of wing length 1.90 (1.79-2.02 mm, n=5), however, their costal ratio was 0.75 (0.74-0.77, n=5), and therefore, we suggest that costal ratio is not a significant distinguishing feature between these two species. Wirth and Spinelli (1992a) examined Florida specimens of S. amnigena from Alachua, Dade, Jefferson, Leon, Putnam, Santa Rosa and Wakulla counties. We provide an additional record from Wakulla Co.


Stilobezzia (Eukraiohelea) elegantula (Johannsen)

Bezzia elegantula Johannsen, 1907: 109 (Kansas).
Probezzia elegantula: Malloch 1914a: 137 (combination).
Parabezzia elegantula: Malloch 1915a: 359 (combination).
Parabezzia (Eukraiohelea) elegantula: Johannsen 1934: 345.
Eukraiohelea elegantula: Johannsen 1943: 781 (combination).
Stilobezzia (Eukraiohelea) elegantula: Wirth 1953a: 62 (revision of Nearctic Stilobezzia); Wilkening et al. 1985: 525 (Florida records); Wirth and Spinelli 1992a: 343 (review of New World Eukraiohelea); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 22 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).
Stilobezzia (Eukraiohelea) maculitibia: Lane and Forattini, 1956: 207 (Panama); Wirth and Spinelli 1992a: 344 (synonym of S. elegantula).

Discussion. Wirth and Spinelli (1992a) only listed specimens they examined and identified as S. elegantula from Alachua, Orange, Putnam and Sarasota counties in Florida. However, Wilkening et al. (1985) listed this species from Alachua, Bay, Citrus, Dade and Hillsborough counties, but, their records from the latter four counties probably represent specimens of S. amnigena. We examined approximately 150 slide-mounted specimens in the FSCA as well as two females and two males in WLG’s collection from Alachua Co., Florida and a male from Prince Georges Co., Maryland that were labeled by Wirth as S. elegantula, and, all except one female appear to be that species. This female plus the two females and two males from Alachua Co. and the Maryland male are actually examples of S. amnigena. As noted by Wirth and Spinelli (1992a), males of both species have distinctive differences in their genitalia, but are otherwise very similar morphologically. Wirth and Spinelli (1992a) provided the wing length of a male S. elegantula as 1.25 mm, and we measured 36 males of this species from Alachua Co. with a mean wing length of 1.21 mm and range of 1.15-1.27 mm. However, two males from Alachua Co. and one Maryland male of S. amnigena had a mean wing length of 1.62 mm and range of 1.53-1.69 mm. Therefore, it is now apparent that males of S. amnigena are considerably larger than those of S. elegantula, and this is apparently a distinct morphometric difference between males of these otherwise very similar species.

Stilobezzia (Stilobezzia) beckae Wirth

Stilobezzia (Stilobezzia) beckae Wirth, 1953a: 69 (Florida); Wilkening et al. 1985: 526 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 22 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).
Discussion. This moderately common eastern species was listed by Wilkening et al. (1985) from 12 Florida counties including Wakulla Co. We provide an additional record from Wakulla Co. and the first record from Highlands Co.


Stilobezzia (Stilobezzia) bulla Thomsen

Stilobezzia (Stilobezzia) bulla: Wirth 1953a: 74; Wilkening et al. 1985: 526 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 22 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. Wilkening et al. (1985) recorded this common eastern species from Alachua, Baker, Citrus, Franklin, Gulf, Highlands, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Orange and Santa Rosa counties. Among material identified by Wirth as S. bulla in the FSCA are a female and male from Alachua Co., that are actually specimens of S. thomsenae, and their locality data are listed under that species. Porch et al. (1992) recorded a specimen from Walton Co. that was collected from a sundew, the first record of this species from that county that we include below.


Stilobezzia (Stilobezzia) diversa (Coquillett)

Ceratopogon diversus Coquillett, 1901: 607 (New Jersey).
Ceratolophus diversus: Kieffer 1906: 60 (combination).
Johannseniella diversa: Malloch 1914b: 227 (combination).
Hartomyia diversa: Malloch 1915a: 344 (combination).
Stilobezzia diversa: Johannsen 1943: 781 (combination).
Stilobezzia (Stilobezzia) diversa: Wirth 1953a: 76 (revision of Nearctic Stilobezzia); Wilkening et al. 1985: 526 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 22 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. This rarely collected eastern species was known only in Florida from Alachua Co. (Wilkening et al. 1985). We provide the first records from Liberty Co.


Stilobezzia (Stilobezzia) glauca Macfie

Stilobezzia glauca Macfie, 1939: 204 (Brazil).
Stilobezzia (Stilobezzia) glauca: Wirth 1953a: 77 (review of North American Stilobezzia; distribution); Wilkening et al. 1985: 526 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 22 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. This wide ranging species occurs from Maryland south to Florida and Mississippi (Borkent and Grogan 2009), and Chiapas, Mexico south to Brazil (Borkent and Spinelli 2000). Wilkening et al.
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(1985) only recorded it in Florida from Alachua and Gulf counties. We provide the first records from Escambia, Highlands, Leon, Orange and Sarasota counties.


*Stilobezzia (Stilobezzia) kiefferi* Lane

*Stilobezzia kiefferi* Lane, 1947: 205 (Brazil).

*Stilobezzia (Stilobezzia) kiefferi*: Das Gupta and Wirth 1968: 140; Wilkening et al. 1985: 526 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 22 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

*Stilobezzia (Stilobezzia) punctipes* Wirth, 1953a: 79 (Florida); Wilkening et al. 1985: 526 (as synonym of *S. kiefferi*).

Discussion. Wilkening et al. (1985) recorded this primarily Neotropical species in Florida from Alachua, Citrus, Glades, Lake, Levy, Marion and Sarasota counties. We provide the first records from Collier, Hardee, Highlands and Putnam counties.


*Stilobezzia (Stilobezzia) rabelloi* Lane

*Stilobezzia rabelloi* Lane, 1947: 203 (Brazil).

*Stilobezzia (Stilobezzia) rabelloi*: Wirth 1953a: 81 (review of North American *Stilobezzia*); Wilkening et al. 1985: 526 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 22 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. This wide ranging, primarily Neotropical species occurs in North America from Maryland south to Louisiana and Florida (Borkent and Grogan 2009). Wilkening et al. (1985) recorded it from 13 counties in Florida. We provide the first record from Lee Co.


*Stilobezzia (Stilobezzia) thomsenae* Wirth

*Stilobezzia (Stilobezzia) thomsenae* Wirth, 1953a: 83 (Florida); Wilkening et al. 1985: 526 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 22 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. Wirth’s (1953a) original description of this species was based on the male holotype from Collier Co. and a female from Citrus Co. about which he stated “…is provisionally referred to *S. (S.) thomsenae*, since it resembles the male in coloration, although it may prove to be a dark specimen of *S. (S.) bulla*.” Under “diagnostic characters” for *S. thomsenae*, Wirth (1953a) noted “Very closely related to, and almost indistinguishable from *bulla* Thomsen, except for the very characteristic male genitalia.”
During ensuing years, Wirth identified and labeled approximately 30 slide-mounted females in the FSCA as *S. thomsenae* as well as a many more specimens as *S. bulla*. Our examination of these slide-mounted specimens of *S. bulla* and *S. thomsenae* in the FSCA revealed that the wing of both sexes of *S. bulla* have a narrow fringe of macrotrichia on the anterior wing margin past the terminus of the costa-radius and continues beyond the wing tip to at least the terminus of vein M, and sometimes beyond M₂, especially in females. Among the FSCA material were three females and two males of *S. thomsenae* from Jamaica that lack macrotrichia on their anterior wing margins. Based on this fact, we determined that most of the FSCA material identified by Wirth as *S. thomsenae* are actually specimens of *S. bulla*, and therefore, WLG relabeled these “*Stilobezzia bulla* Thomsen, Det. Wm. L. Grogan, Jr.”

Wilkening et al. (1985) listed *S. thomsenae* from Alachua, Calhoun, Citrus, Collier (holotype), Dade, Gilchrist, Glades, Gulf, Indian River, Jefferson, Liberty, Orange and Wakulla counties. However, in addition to the holotype male from Collier Co. (USNM), we can only confirm other specimens of *S. thomsenae* in the FSCA from Alachua, Dade, Glades and Indian River counties. We also provide the first records from Levy, Putnam, Sarasota and St. Lucie counties.


*Stilobezzia (Stilobezzia) viridis* (Coquillett)

*Ceratopogon viridis* Coquillett, 1901: 607 (New Jersey).
*Ceratolophus viridis* Kieffer 1906: 61 (combination).
*Johannseniella viridis* Malloch 1914b: 227 (combination).
*Hartomyia viridis* Malloch 1915a: 342 (combination).
*Stilobezzia viridis* Johannsen 1943: 781 (combination).
*Stilobezzia (Stilobezzia) viridis* Wirth 1953a: 84 (combination; revision of Nearctic *Stilobezzia*); Wilkening et al. 1985: 526 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 22 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** Wilkening et al. (1985) recorded this moderately common eastern species from seven Florida counties, including Wakulla Co. We provide additional records from this county.

**New records.** Wakulla Co., Wakulla Springs State Park, Lodge Road, 25 May 2004, S. Murphree, CDC light trap with UV wand, 2 males, 1 female (BUTC).

**Tribe Heteromyiini**

*Clinhoelea bimaculata* (Loew)
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*Johannseniella bimaculata:* Malloch 1914b: 227 (combination).

*Johannsenomyia bimaculata:* Malloch 1915a: 333 (combination).

*Clinohelea bimaculata:* Kieffer 1917: 317 (combination); Grogan and Wirth 1975a: 281 (revision of Nearctic *Clinohelea* Kieffer; distribution); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 23 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** In their revision of the Nearctic species of *Clinohelea*, Grogan and Wirth (1975a) provided records of this very common species from 24 Florida counties including Wakulla Co. Subsequently, Wilkening et al. (1985) also listed this species from Columbia and Levy counties. We provide an additional record from Wakulla Co. In addition, Porch et al. (1992) recorded a specimen taken from a sundew in Santa Rosa Co., the first record from that county that we list below.


*Heteromyia fasciata* Say

*Heteromyia fasciata* Say, 1825: pl. 35 (North America); Wirth and Grogan 1977: 179 (review of Nearctic *Heteromyia* Say; distribution); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 23 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

*Ceratopogon festiva* Loew, 1861: 314 (Pennsylvania).

**Discussion.** Wilkening et al. (1985) listed this moderately common species from six Florida counties, including Wakulla Co. We provide an additional record from this county.


**Tribe Sphaeromiini**

*Jenskinshelea albaria* (Coquillett)

*Ceratopogon albaria* Coquillett, _in_ Johnson, 1895: 308 (Florida).

*Johannseniella albaria:* Malloch 1914b: 228 (combination).

*Johannsenomyia albaria:* Malloch 1915a: 335 (combination; as synonym of *J. magnipennis* (Johannsen)).

*Jenskinshelea albaria:* Johannsen 1943: 783 (combination); Wilkening et al. 1985: 527 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 23 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This moderately common Nearctic species ranges from Ontario and Illinois, south to Texas and Florida (Grogan and Wirth 1977b). Wilkening et al. (1985) recorded this species in Florida from Alachua, Gilchrist, Glades, Hardee, Highlands, Jefferson, Putnam (holotype), and Sarasota counties. We provide the first record from Orange Co.

**Jenskinshelea blantoni** Grogan and Wirth

*Jenskinshelea blantoni* Grogan and Wirth, 1977b: 139 (Florida); Wilkening et al. 1985: 527 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 23 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This species is only known from the type series from Florida in Polk, Putnam (holotype, allotype), Santa Rosa and Wakulla counties (Grogan and Wirth 1977b). We provide the first records from Highlands Co.

**New records.** Highlands Co., Archbold Biological Station, Lake Annie, 13-19 April 1989, W. W. Wirth, Malaise trap, 2 females; same data except Lake Placid, 3-IV-1992, emerg. Trap, 1 male (FSCA).

*Johannsenomyia argentata* (Loew)

*Sphaeromyas argentatus*: Johannsen 1905: 107 (combination; genus *sic*).
*Johannseniella argentata*: Malloch 1914b: 226 (combination).
*Johannsenomyia argentata*: Malloch 1915a: 334 (combination); Wilkening et al. 1985: 528 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 24 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).
*Sphaeromias argentata*: Kieffer 1917: 315 (combination).
*Dicrohelea argentata*: Johannsen 1943: 783 (combination).

**Discussion.** This species is known in Florida from Calhoun, Jackson, Orange and Santa Rosa counties (Wilkening et al.1985). We provide the first record from Highlands Co.

**New records.** Highlands Co., Lake Placid, Archbold Biological Station, 1-IV-1993, W. W. Wirth, at UV light, 1 female (P) (FSCA).

*Mallochohelea albibasis* (Malloch)

*Mallochohelea albibasis* Wirth 1962: 279 (combination; distribution); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 24 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This wide ranging Nearctic species was previously known from the Northwest Territories to Quebec, south to California, Kansas and Alabama (Borkent and Grogan 2009). A female from Jefferson Co. is apparently the first record of this species from Florida.

**New records.** Jefferson Co., Monticello, W. H. Whitcomb, B. L. Trap, 1 female (FSCA). **New Florida state record.**

*Mallochohelea atripes* Wirth

*Mallochohelea atripes* Wirth, 1962: 281 (New Jersey); Wilkening et al. 1985: 528 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 24 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).
**Discussion.** Wilkening et al. (1985) recorded this common eastern species from seven Florida counties. We provide the first records from Highlands, Orange and Wakulla counties.


*Mallochohelea ?caudellii* (Coquillett)

*Ceratopogon caudelli* Coquillett, 1905: 63 (British Columbia).
*Ceratolophus caudelli*: Kieffer 1906: 60 (combination).
*Johannseniella caudelli*: Malloch 1914b: 231 (combination).
*Johannsenomyia caudelli*: Malloch 1915a: 337 (combination).

**Discussion.** Wilkening et al. (1985) noted that this western species was originally described from British Columbia and that their record from Jackson Co. was apparently the first from Florida. Our Wakulla Co. female differs in several aspects from two female *M. caudellii* from British Columbia and Washington that we compared it with, hence our tentative designation of this specimen. Because Wirth (1962) only listed records of *M. caudellii* from British Columbia, California, Arizona and Texas, we are now doubtful that it actually inhabits Florida.

**New records.** Wakulla Co., Wakulla Springs State Park, Lodge Road, S. Murphree, 25 May 2004, CDC light trap with UV wand, 1 female (WLGC).

*Probezzia albitibia* Wirth

*Probezzia albitibia* Wirth, 1971: 732 (Virginia); Wirth 1994c: 140 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 25 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** Borkent and Grogan (2009) gave the distribution of this Nearctic species as “Ontario to Quebec, south to Wisconsin and Virginia.” However, Borkent and Grogan overlooked Wirth’s (1994c) records from Jackson Co., Florida, who gave its distribution as “Wisconsin to Quebec, south to Alabama and Florida.” We provide the first record from Alachua Co., a female that was apparently collected, mounted, identified and labeled as *P. albitibia* by Wirth.

**New records.** Alachua Co., Gainesville, Reclamation Pond (on Univ. of FL campus), 20-VII-1988, (?W. W. Wirth), 1 female (FSCA).

*Probezzia fairchildi* Wirth

*Probezzia fairchildi* Wirth, 1994c: 142 (Florida); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 25 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).
**Discussion.** Wirth (1994c) described this species from specimens collected in Baker, Jackson (holotype, allotype) and Leon counties in Florida, the only state from which it is known.

**Probezzia meadi** Wirth

*Probezzia meadi* Wirth, 1994c: 143 (Florida); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 25 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This recently described species is known only from females collected in Tallapoosa Co., Alabama and the Florida panhandle in Escambia, Jackson (holotype), Leon and Santa Rosa counties (Wirth 1994c). We examined 11 paratypes in the FSCA.

**Probezzia weemsi** Wirth

*Probezzia weemsi* Wirth, 1994c: 143 (Florida); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 25 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** All 21 females and the single male in the type series of this recently described species were collected by Wirth via light trap at Florida Caverns State Park, Jackson Co. We examined 11 paratypes in the FSCA.

**Probezzia wirthi** Spinelli and Grogan

*Probezzia wirthi* Spinelli and Grogan, 1997: 230 (Florida); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 25 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This recently described species is known only from the Blackwater River system in the western panhandle of Florida (holotype female, Blackwater River State Park, Santa Rosa Co.) and adjacent Alabama (allotype male, margin of the Blackwater River, Escambia Co., both in USNM).

**Sphaeromias longipennis** (Loew)

*Ceratopogon longipennis* Loew, 1861: 313 (Pennsylvania).
*Palpomyia (Sphaeromyas) longipennis*: Kieffer 1906: 62 (combination).
*Palpomyia longipennis*: Malloch 1914b: 221.
*Sphaeromias longipennis*: Johannsen 1943: 784 (combination); Wilkening et al. 1985: 529 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 25 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This common Nearctic species occurs from Alberta to Quebec, south to California, Texas and Florida (Borkent and Grogan 2009). As noted by Wilkening et al. (1985), there is only one other species in North America, *S. bifidus* Wirth and Grogan (1979), which is known only from the holotype male and allotype female from Maryland. Wilkening et al. (1985) recorded *S. longipennis* from Alachua, Franklin, Highlands, Leon, Orange and Putnam counties in Florida. We provide the first record from Manatee Co.

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**Bezzia (Bezzia) expolita** (Coquillett)

*Ceratopogon expolitus* Coquillett, 1901: 600 (New Jersey).
*Bezzia expolita*: Kieffer 1906: 58 (combination).
*Allobezzia expolita*: Kieffer 1917: 328 (combination).
*Bezzia (Bezzia) expolita*: Wilkening et al. 1985: 529; Borkent and Grogan 2009: 26 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).
*Ceratopogon johnsoni* Coquillett, 1901: 600 (New Jersey).

**Discussion.** In their review of Florida ceratopogonids, Wilkening et al. (1985) listed *B. expolita*, but, they noted that Florida records were not available for this species, and a study in progress by WLG confirms this. Therefore, we are deleting this species from the Florida ceratopogonid fauna. However, specimens collected by WLG and others in the USNM in the *B. expolita* complex include several undescribed species that will be addressed by a study in progress by WLG.

**Bezzia (Bezzia) flavitarsis** Malloch

*Bezzia (Pseudobezzia) flavitarsis*: Wirth 1951: 323; Dow and Turner 1976: 34 (revision of Nearctic *Bezzia*; distribution).
*Bezzia (Bezzia) flavitarsis*: Wilkening et al. 1985: 529 (Collier Co., Florida record); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 26 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** This species is currently known from Ontario and New Brunswick, Canada and south to California, Montana and Florida (Borkent and Grogan 2009). Wilkening et al. (1985) recorded it only from Collier Co. in Florida. We provide the first records from Alachua, Highlands, Jackson, Leon and Liberty counties.


**Bezzia (Bezzia) imbifida** Dow and Turner

*Bezzia (Pseudobezzia) imbifida* Dow and Turner, 1976: 38 (Maryland).
Bezzia (Bezzia) imbifida: Borkent and Grogan 2009: 26 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** The type series of this species was from Worcester Co., Maryland, but it was also recently recorded from Ontario and Virginia (Borkent and Grogan 2009). We have identified three females of this species from Liberty Co., Florida in the USNM, but no co-associated males which have distinctive male genitalia. These Florida specimens and others from Connecticut and Louisiana (USNM) will be addressed by a study in progress by WLG of the *Bezzia expolita* complex.

**New records.** Liberty Co., Torreya St. Park, 29-V-1966, H. V. Weems, 1 female; same data except 22 Apr. 1967, W. W. Wirth, light trap, 2 females (USNM). **New Florida state record.**

**Bezzia (Bezzia) laciniastyla Dow and Turner**

*Bezzia (Pseudobezzia) laciniastyla* Dow and Turner, 1976: 42 (Florida).
*Bezzia (Bezzia) laciniastyla*: Wilkening et al. 1985: 529 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 26 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** All specimens in the type series were from Glades Co., Florida and Georgetown Co., South Carolina (Dow and Turner 1976). Wilkening et al. (1985) also recorded this species from Alachua and Wakulla counties. However, as noted by Dow and Turner (1976), the material they studied included a complex of at least two undescribed species and these will be addressed in a study in progress by WLG.

**Bezzia (Bezzia) mallochi Wirth**

*Bezzia (Pseudobezzia) mallochi* Wirth, 1951: 323 (Virginia); Dow and Turner 1976: 51 (revision of Nearctic *Bezzia*; distribution).
*Bezzia (Bezzia) mallochi*: Borkent and Grogan 2009: 26 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** The following specimens from Liberty and Santa Rosa counties are apparently the first records of this species from Florida (Borkent and Grogan 2009).


**Bezzia (Bezzia) nobilis (Winnertz)**

*Ceratopogon nobilis* Winnertz, 1852: 79 (Europe).
*Bezzia nobilis*: Kieffer 1901: 153 (combination).
*Bezzia (Bezzia) nobilis*: Wirth 1983c: 673 (review of New World nobilis group); Wilkening et al. 1985: 530 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 26 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).
*Ceratopogon setulosus* Loew, 1861: 312 (Washington D.C.)
*Ceratopogon barberi* Coquillett, 1901: 601 (Maryland).
*Bezzia atlantica* Wirth and Williams, 1957: 13 (Bermuda).

**Discussion.** This very common Holarctic and Neotropical species was listed by Wilkening et al. (1985) from 15 Florida counties including Wakulla Co. We provide additional records from that county.
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**New records.** Wakulla Co., Wakulla Springs State Park, Lodge Road, 25 May 2004, S. Murphree, CDC light trap with UV wand, 1 male, 2 females (BUTC).

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**Bezzia (Bezzia) perplexa** Dow and Turner

*Bezzia (Pseudobezzia) perplexa* Dow and Turner, 1976: 57 (Florida).

*Bezzia (Bezzia) perplexa*: Wilkening et al. 1985: 529 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 26 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** Dow and Turner (1976) designated the holotype and paratypes from Alachua Co. and additional Florida paratypes from Hillsborough, Indian River and Liberty counties as well as three paratypes from Drew Co., Arkansas. We provide the first records from Glades, Gulf, Manatee, Marion, Orange and Wakulla counties.


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**Bezzia (Bezzia) pulverea** (Coquillett)

*Ceratopogon pulvereus* Coquillett, 1901: 600 (New Jersey).

*Bezzia pulverea*: Kieffer 1906: 58 (combination).

*Bezzia (Pseudobezzia) pulverea*: Dow and Turner 1976: 61 (revision of Nearctic *Bezzia*; distribution).

*Bezzia (Bezzia) pulverea*: Wilkening et al. 1985: 529 (in list of Florida Ceratopogonidae); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 26 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

**Discussion.** In their review of Florida ceratopogonids, Wilkening et al. (1985) listed *B. pulverea*, but, they noted that Florida records were not available for this species, and a study in progress by WLG confirms this. Therefore, we have deleted this species from the ceratopogonid fauna of Florida. However, USNM specimens of the *B. pulverea* complex include three species described prior to the study by Wilkening et al. as well as several other undescribed species (see accounts of *B. laciniystyla*, *B. spicata* and *B. uncistyla*).

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**Bezzia (Bezzia) punctipennis** (Williston)

*Ceratopogon punctipennis* Williston, 1896: 278 (St. Vincent, West Indies).

*Bezzia punctipennis*: Kieffer 1906: 58 (combination); Wirth 1952a: 235 (California; distribution).

*Bezzia (Pseudobezzia) punctipennis*: Dow and Turner 1976: 68 (in revision of Nearctic *Bezzia*; distribution).

*Bezzia (Bezzia) punctipennis*: Wilkening et al. 1985: 529 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 26 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

*Probezzia punctipennis*: Johannsen 1943: 785 (combination).
Discussion. This primarily Neotropical species is also known from California, Florida, Nevada and Texas and is unusual among New World *Bezzia* in that its wing has large, distinct, dark gray maculations. Wilkening et al. (1985) listed it in Florida from Dade and Palm Beach counties. We provide the first record from Alachua Co.


*Bezzia (Bezzia) spicata* Dow and Turner

*Bezzia (Pseudobezzia) spicata* Dow and Turner, 1976: 77 (Florida; revision of Nearctic *Bezzia*; distribution).

*Bezzia (Bezzia) spicata*: Wilkening et al. 1985: 529 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 26 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. Dow and Turner (1976) designated the holotype and paratypes from Wakulla Co. and other paratypes from Alachua and Indian River counties. We provide the first records from Gilchrist, Highlands, Hillsborough and St. Lucie counties.


*Bezzia (Bezzia) uncistyla* Dow and Turner

*Bezzia (Pseudobezzia) uncistyla* Dow and Turner, 1976: 80 (New Mexico; revision of Nearctic *Bezzia*; distribution).

*Bezzia (Bezzia) uncistyla*: Wilkening et al. 1985: 529 (in list of Florida Ceratopogonidae); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 26 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. Dow and Turner (1976) described this primarily western species from the type series from Taos, New Mexico, however, they also listed Florida, Montana, Nebraska, New York and Ontario in their distribution section of this species. Therefore, in their review of Florida biting midges, Wilkening et al. (1985) stated “Records not available for this species.” A review of the *B. pulverea* complex in progress by WLG has revealed the first provisional Florida records of this species from Alachua and Indian River counties.


*Bezzia (Homobezzia) circumdata* (Staeger)

*Ceratopogon circumdata* Staeger, 1839: 596 (Denmark).

*Palpomyia (Palpomyia) circumdata*: Kieffer 1906: 63 (combination).

*Bezzia circumdata*: Borkent and Wirth 1997: 129 (in World Catalog; as synonym of *B. solstitialis* (Staeger)).

*Bezzia (Homobezzia) circumdata*: Borkent and Grogan 2009: 27 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).
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Ceratopogon solstitialis Winnertz, 1852: 78 (Europe).
Bezzia solstitialis: Kieffer 1901: 153 (combination).
Bezzia (Homobezzia) solstitialis: Wirth et al. 1984: 165 (revision of Nearctic annulipes group; distribution); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 27 (in Nearctic catalog; as synonym of B. circumdata).

Discussion. Wirth et al. (1984) and Wilkening et al. (1985) listed this species (as B. solstitialis) from Alachua, Jackson, Levy, Marion, Santa Rosa and Walton counties. We provide the first records from Leon and Wakulla Counties.

Wakulla Co., Wakulla Springs State Park, Lodge Road, 25 May 2004, S. Murphree, CDC light trap with UV wand, 2 females (BUTC).

Bezzia (Homobezzia) dorsasetula Dow and Turner

Bezzia (Homobezzia) dorsasetula: Wirth 1983a: 776 (revision of Nearctic cockerelli and dorsasetula groups; distribution); Wilkening et al. 1985: 530 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 27 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. This eastern species was previously recorded in Florida only from Wakulla Co. (Wilkening et al. 1985). We provide an additional record from this county.


Bezzia (Homobezzia) glabra (Coquillett)

Ceratopogon glaber Coquillett, 1902: 85 (Florida).
Bezzia glabra: Kieffer 1906: 58 (combination).
Bezzia (Homobezzia) glabra: Wirth 1983b: 305 (review of Nearctic species in bicolor group; distribution); Wilkening et al. 1985: 530 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 27 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Discussion. This common inhabitant of ponds, lakes and streams was recorded from 23 Florida counties by Wilkening et al. (1985). We provide the first records from St. Lucie and Wakulla counties.


Palpomyia lineata (Meigen)

Ceratopogon lineatus Meigen, 1804: 30 (Europe).
Palpomyia lineata: Kieffer 1901: 157 (combination); Grogan and Wirth 1975c: 15 (revision of Palpomyia Meigen in northeastern North America); Wilkening et al. 1985: 531 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 28 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).


Discussion. This common Holarctic species occurs in North America from Alaska to New Brunswick, south to California and Florida (Borkent and Grogan 2009). Wilkening et al. (1985) listed it in Florida from Alachua and Jefferson counties. We provide the first record from Highlands Co.


Palpomyia subaspera (Coquillett)

Ceratopogon subasper Coquillett, 1901: 606 (Maryland and New Mexico).

Palpomyia subasper: Malloch 1914b: 222 (combination).

Palpomyia subaspera: Grogan and Wirth 1975c: 10 (revision of Palpomyia in northeastern North America); Wilkening et al. 1985: 531 (Florida records); Borkent and Grogan 2009: 28 (in Nearctic catalog; distribution).

Palpomyia essigi Wirth, 1952a: 225 (California).

Discussion. This common New World species ranges from Alberta to Ontario, south to California, Florida and Mexico, south to Argentina (Borkent and Grogan 2009). Wilkening et al. (1985) listed it from 18 counties in Florida. We provide the first records from Highlands Co.


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