New host records of chewing lice (Mallophaga) on birds in Florida III

Here, I report some new county and Florida host records as well as two new U.S. host records for avian lice. County records for avian lice are less significant than the host records themselves. Considering that most avian lice are host specific, the county records should resemble the area the host would most likely be encountered. The main source of material for this publication has been the Marathon Wildlife Rehabilitation Center in Marathon, Monroe County, Florida, with Kelly Grinter as the official curator and keeper. The center takes in about 90 different species of birds per year. The following is a list of the avian lice species, hosts, and localities with collection dates. All of the following specimens were collected by the author, Kelly Grinter, or Leslie Straub. Representatives of all records below are deposited in the Florida State Collection of Arthropods and/or the author's collection.

Menoponidae

Actornithophilus bicolor (Piaget) — collected from Arenaria interpres (Ruddy Turnstone) in Monroe County, June 2002 (Coll. K. Grinter). This is a new Florida host record. This host was not listed by Forrester and Spalding (2003) but it is a known host (Price et al. 2003) and (Emerson 1972).

Ciconiphilus decimfasciatus (Boisduval and Lacordaire) – collected from Egretta caerulea (Little Blue Heron) in Volusia County, July 19, 2004 (Coll. L. Straub).

Colpocephalum mycteriae Price and Beer - collected from Mycteria americana (Wood Stork) in Clay County, August 27, 2003 (Coll. L. Straub).

Kurodaia (Conciella) magna Emerson – collected from Strix varia (Barred Owl) in Putnam County, July 14, 2004 (Coll. L. Straub).

Plegadiphilus eudocimus Tuff – collected from Eudocimus albus (White Ibis) in Broward and Columbia County, April 17, 2005 (Coll. J.A.Holt, L. Straub).

Philopteridae

Ardeicola loculator (Giebel) - collected from Mycteria americana (Wood Stork) in Clay County, August 27, 2003 (Coll. L. Straub).

Degeeriella phlyctopygus (Nitzsch) – collected from Buteo platypterus (Broad-winged Hawk) in Monroe County, 2002 (Coll. K. Grinter). This is a new U.S. host record. This host was not listed by Forrester and Spalding (2003), Price et al. (2003), or (Emerson 1972). (Identified to species, from 1rst Publication)

Neophilopterus heteropygus (Nitzsch) – collected from Mycteria americana (Wood Stork) in Clay County, August 27, 2003 (Coll. L. Straub). (Correction to 2nd Publication, Clay Co. instead of Alachua Co.)

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