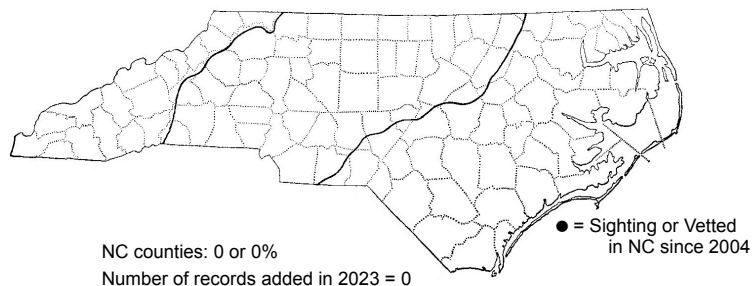
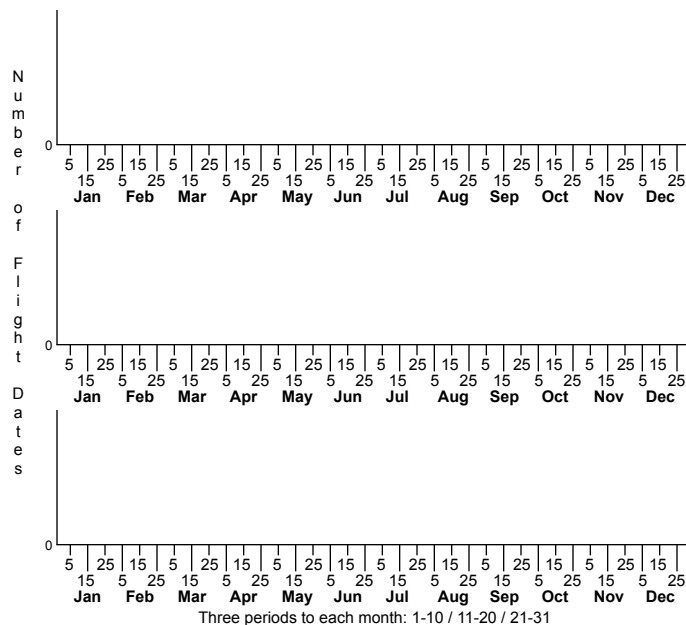


## *Lanthus parvulus* Northern Pygmy Clubtail



Earliest date: ?  
Latest date: ?

Status		Rank	
NC	US	NC	Global
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**DISTRIBUTION:** A somewhat northern species, ranging south in the mountains to VA and KY, and sparingly to northern NC.

**HABITAT:** Small, rocky, and clear streams, in wooded areas but where there are often some small light gaps.

**BEHAVIOR:** Males perch on rocks in creeks and rivers, but they also perch on tree trunks.

**COMMENTS:** Though this species appeared on some earlier lists of odonates for the state, we were unable to locate specimen records or other documentation for it. In 2012 we received a file of all 17,900 NC specimen records housed at the University of Florida, most of which were contributed by Duncan Cuyler. There were four or five records (from Avery County) for this species listed on this file. However, Bill Mauffray at the Museum photographed these specimens, at our request, sending the photos to others for review. His conclusion, supported by the other reviewers, was that most or all appeared to be Southern Pygmy Clubtails, which also occurs in the general area, though one specimen could possibly be a Northern. The specimens are over 40 years old, and fungus on them has made it difficult to see the crucial lateral stripe pattern on the thorax that might separate the two species. Thus, the species needs to remain on the "reported but lacking confirmation" list (Appendix A), though, of course, at least one specimen might have been correctly identified. Observers should look for the species in the northern mountains in May and June. The nearest record in the OdonataCentral database is from the Roanoke, VA, area, about 50 miles north of the NC border.

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