

Checklist of the Odonata of Thunder Bay District, March 2010

Common Name	Scientific Name	N	Notes
DAMSELFLIES ZYGOPTERA			
Broad-Winged Damselflies Calopterygidae (1 species)			
River Jewelwing	<i>Calopteryx aequabilis</i>	70	Common and widespread on larger streams and rivers, particularly at riffles and rapids
Spreadwing Damselflies Lestidae (6 species)			
Spotted Spreadwing	<i>Lestes congener</i>	11	Uncommon but widespread in ponds, slow streams, and rivers with marshes or shore fens
Common Spreadwing	<i>Lestes disjunctus</i>	45	Common and widespread in bogs, fens and marshes along rivers, ponds, and lakes
Emerald Spreadwing	<i>Lestes dryas</i>	8	Uncommon but widespread in pools, often temporary, in fens, conifer swamps, and along rivers or streams. Probably overlooked.
Sweetflag Spreadwing	<i>Lestes forcipatus</i>	4	Apparently rare but difficult to distinguish from Common Spreadwing (<i>L. disjunctus</i>) so status unclear; known Gravel River mouth, Lac des Milles Lacs, and Trewartha Lake
Slender Spreadwing	<i>Lestes rectangularis</i>	3	Rare, known only from shoreline marshes on the Matawin and Kenogami rivers and Lac des Milles Lacs
Lyre-tipped Spreadwing	<i>Lestes unguiculatus</i>	2	Rare; known only from Silver Islet and the Black Bay Peninsula Fen
Pond Damsels Coenagrionidae (12 species)			
Aurora Damsel	<i>Chromagrion conditum</i>	5	Rare; known from Jarvis, Arrow, and North Current rivers, as well as Sandstone and Pennock creeks
Subarctic Bluet	<i>Coenagrion interrogatum</i>	21	Common and widespread in marshes along streams, rivers, and lakeshores
Taiga Bluet	<i>Coenagrion resolutum</i>	25	Common and widespread in marshes and peatlands along streams, rivers, and lakeshores
Northern Bluet	<i>Enallagma annexum</i>	14	Apparently uncommon but widespread along streams and rivers; difficult to separate from Vernal Bluet (<i>E. vernale</i>) so status unclear
Boreal Bluet	<i>Enallagma boreale</i>	32	Common and widespread in bogs, fens, ponds, streams, rivers, and marshy lakeshores
Tule Bluet	<i>Enallagma carunculatum</i>	2	Rare; known only from White Lake and Ogoki River
Alkali Bluet*	<i>Enallagma clausum</i>	1	Very rare; known from one pair along beach at Sheesheeb Bay, Black Bay Peninsula
Marsh Bluet	<i>Enallagma ebrium</i>	12	Uncommon but widespread along marshy margins of rivers, ponds, and lakes
Hagen's Bluet	<i>Enallagma hageni</i>	36	Common and widespread along marshy margins of rivers, ponds, and lakes
Vernal Bluet	<i>Enallagma vernale</i>	4	Few records but difficult to distinguish from Northern Bluet (<i>E. annexum</i>) so status unclear; known from Shamrock and Whiteclay lakes
Eastern Forktail	<i>Ischnura verticalis</i>	24	Common and widespread in ponds, slow streams, marshy lake margins, and other

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			wetland habitats
Sedge Sprite	<i>Nehalennia irene</i>	28	Common and widespread in fens and marshy ponds or lakeshores
DRAGONFLIES ANISOPTERA			
Darners Aeshnidae (11 species)			
Canada Darner	<i>Aeshna canadensis</i>	63	Common and widespread near swamps, beaver ponds, lakes, and rivers
Lake Darner	<i>Aeshna eremita</i>	53	Common and widespread near beaver ponds, lakes, and rivers
Variable Darner	<i>Aeshna interrupta</i>	46	Common and widespread near lakes and rivers
Sedge Darner*	<i>Aeshna juncea</i>	15	Uncommon; along Lake Superior and Lake Nipigon shoreline, breeding in bedrock splash pools on lakeshore
Zigzag Darner	<i>Aeshna sitchensis</i>	11	Uncommon but widespread in bogs and fens, particularly large peatlands
Subarctic Darner*	<i>Aeshna subarctica</i>	6	Rare; in a few fens near Lake Nipigon and Gravel River
Shadow Darner	<i>Aeshna umbrosa</i>	51	Common and widespread near streams, rivers, and lakes
Common Green Darner	<i>Anax junius</i>	4	Rare and migratory; large numbers observed at a marsh along Arrow River but otherwise only a few lone individuals at scattered locations near Lake Superior
Springtime Darner	<i>Basiaeschna janata</i>	19	Common and widespread on rocky streams, rivers, and lakes
Ocellated Darner	<i>Boyeria grafiana</i>	36	Common and widespread on rocky streams, rivers, and lakes
Fawn Darner	<i>Boyeria vinosa</i>	2	Rare; known from 2 exuviae from rivers near Manitouwadge and Terrace Bay
Clubtails Gomphidae (15 species)			
Horned Clubtail*	<i>Arigomphus cornutus</i>	4	Rare; known only from the Arrow, Jarvis, Matawin, and Kaministiquia rivers
Black-shouldered Spinyleg	<i>Dromogomphus spinosus</i>	8	Uncommon but widespread on rivers and lakes
Moustached Clubtail	<i>Gomphus adelphus</i>	30	Common and widespread at riffles and rapids on rivers and occasionally wave-washed lakeshores
Lancet Clubtail	<i>Gomphus exilis</i>	32	Common and widespread on marshy lakeshores and slower streams and rivers with soft bottoms
Midland Clubtail	<i>Gomphus fraternus</i>	4	Rare; known only from Lake Helen, Big Squaw Creek, and Black Bay Peninsula
Ashy Clubtail	<i>Gomphus lividus</i>	15	Common and widespread on slow streams and sheltered bays
Dusky Clubtail	<i>Gomphus spicatus</i>	12	Common and widespread on marshy bays, ponds, and streams
Dragonhunter	<i>Hagenius brevistylus</i>	14	Common and widespread on rivers and lakes
Extra-striped Snaketail*	<i>Ophiogomphus anomalus</i>	12	Rare but widespread; known only from riffles and rapids on the Aguasabon, Gull, Kaministiquia, and Pigeon rivers
Riffle Snaketail*	<i>Ophiogomphus carolus</i>	7	Rare and local; known only riffles and rapids on the Arrow, Kaministiquia, Whitefish, and North Current rivers
Boreal Snaketail	<i>Ophiogomphus colubrinus</i>	66	Common and widespread at riffles and rapids on clear streams and rivers and occasionally wave-washed lakeshores
Rusty Snaketail	<i>Ophiogomphus rupinsulensis</i>	22	Uncommon and widespread at riffles and rapids on streams and rivers

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Eastern Least Clubtail	<i>Stylogomphus albistylus</i>	2	Very rare, known only recently from rapids along Namewaminikan (Sturgeon) and Roaring Rivers
Elusive Clubtail*	<i>Stylurus notatus</i>	3	Very rare, known only from 1921 records on the Gull River and Gull Bay (Lake Nipigon)
Zebra Clubtail	<i>Stylurus scudderi</i>	22	Uncommon but widespread on rivers, often at rapids or riffles
Spiketails Corduligastridae (1 species)			
Twin-spotted Spiketail	<i>Cordulegaster maculata</i>	41	Common and widespread on fast-flowing streams and rivers, often with overhanging vegetation
Macromiidae Cruisers (2 species)			
Stream Cruiser	<i>Didymops transversa</i>	11	Uncommon but widespread on lakes and rivers
Swift River Cruiser	<i>Macromia illinoiensis</i>	18	Common and widespread on rivers and lakes
Emeralds Corduliidae (17 species)			
American Emerald	<i>Cordulia shurtleffii</i>	70	Common and widespread near lakes, ponds, and peatlands; often in adjacent forest openings and trails
Racket-tailed Emerald	<i>Dorocordulia libera</i>	20	Uncommon? but widespread in bogs, fens, slower-moving streams and rivers; often in adjacent forest openings and trails
Beaverpond Baskettail	<i>Epitheca canis</i>	29	Common and widespread in beaver ponds, bog ponds, and small lakes, as well as slow streams and rivers
Common Baskettail	<i>Epitheca cynosura</i>	13	Uncommon but widespread in beaver ponds, small lakes, and slow streams and rivers
Spiny Baskettail	<i>Epitheca spinigera</i>	65	Common and widespread in beaver ponds, small lakes, and slow streams and rivers
Uhler's Sundragon*	<i>Helocordulia uhleri</i>	2	Very rare; known only from Postagoni River and Shamrock Lake near Orient Bay, Lake Nipigon
Stygian Shadowdragon	<i>Neurocordulia yamaskanensis</i>	1	Very rare; only one recent record near Lake Marie Louise on the Sibley Peninsula but flies mainly at dusk so may be more common than assumed
Ringed Emerald	<i>Somatochlora albicincta</i>	16	Uncommon but widespread boggy lakeshores, ponds, and less commonly streams and rivers
Lake Emerald	<i>Somatochlora cingulata</i>	21	Uncommon but widespread on lakes and rivers, often boggy or rocky
Ski-tailed Emerald*	<i>Somatochlora elongata</i>	3	Rare; known only from a small stream near Orient Bay and a roadside pool near the Namewaminikan River on the east side of Lake Nipigon
Forcipate Emerald*	<i>Somatochlora forcipata</i>	3	Rare but widespread; known only from William's Bog, a fenny lakeshore near Gravel River, and a peatland in Wabakimi Provincial Park
Delicate Emerald	<i>Somatochlora franklini</i>	11	Uncommon but widespread in fens and bog pools
Hudsonian Emerald*	<i>Somatochlora hudsonica</i>	1	Very rare, known only from one 1940s record by Walker at Sucker River (or Suckle Creek) near Longlac

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Kennedy's Emerald	<i>Somatochlora kennedyi</i>	3	Rare; known only from the Everard Fen at the base of the Black Bay Peninsula and from a tributary stream of the Aguasabon River
Ocellated Emerald	<i>Somatochlora minor</i>	20	Uncommon but widespread from clear, shady streams, and less commonly rivers
Brush-tipped Emerald	<i>Somatochlora walshii</i>	6	Rare; known only from the Matawin and Pukaskwa rivers, a small stream near Orient Bay, and another near Mckenzie
Williamson's Emerald	<i>Somatochlora williamsoni</i>	20	Uncommon but widespread in fens and marshes along lakes and rivers
Libellulidae Skimmers (17 species)			
Chalk-fronted Corporal	<i>Ladona julia</i>	96	Common and widespread on soft-bottomed ponds, slow streams, and marshy lake margins
Frosted Whiteface	<i>Leucorrhinia frigida</i>	6	Few records but likely common on boggy lakes and ponds
Crimson-ringed Whiteface	<i>Leucorrhinia glacialis</i>	23	Common and widespread in peatlands and marshy or boggy ponds and small lakes
Hudsonian Whiteface	<i>Leucorrhinia hudsonica</i>	51	Common and widespread in peatlands and marshy or boggy ponds and small lakes
Dot-tailed Whiteface	<i>Leucorrhinia intacta</i>	3	Rare but widespread on boggy or marshy ponds and lakeshores; records from Whitefish Lake, Upsala, and Long Lake
Belted Whiteface	<i>Leucorrhinia proxima</i>	53	Common and widespread on boggy or marshy ponds, lakes, and rivers
Twelve-spotted Skimmer	<i>Libellula pulchella</i>	5	Rare on ponds and slow-moving rivers; records only from Williams Bog, Pennock Creek, and Jarvis River area
Four-spotted Skimmer	<i>Libellula quadrimaculata</i>	66	Common and widespread in ponds, slow streams, marshy lake margins, and other wetland habitats
Wandering Glider	<i>Pantala flavescens</i>	2	Rare vagrant; two records (1999 and 2001) on Shesheeb Bay on Black Bay Peninsula and one on Pigeon River
Common Whitetail	<i>Plathemis lydia</i>	5	Rare and local on slow-moving rivers; known only from Whitewood Creek (Whitefish River), Jarvis, Matawin, and Kaministiquia rivers, and Greenwater Lake
Variiegated Meadowhawk*	<i>Sympetrum corruptum</i>	3	Very rare migrant; known only from a 1939 record at Silver Islet and a 2003 teneral at the Wolf River mouth
Saffron-winged Meadowhawk	<i>Sympetrum costiferum</i>	18	Common and widespread on lakes, ponds, and river mouths
Black Meadowhawk	<i>Sympetrum danae</i>	14	Uncommon but widespread in bogs and fens, and less commonly lacustrine marshes
Cherry-faced Meadowhawk	<i>Sympetrum internum</i>	15	Common and widespread on marshes, ponds, slow streams, rivers, and quiet bays
White-faced Meadowhawk	<i>Sympetrum obtrusum</i>	42	Common and widespread on marshes, ponds, slow streams, rivers, and quiet bays
Band-winged Meadowhawk	<i>Sympetrum semicinctum</i>	9	Uncommon along marshy areas of streams and rivers
Black Saddlebags	<i>Tramea lacerata</i>	2	Very rare migrant; known only from a 1935 Fort William record and from 2004 on Caribou Island in the extreme SE corner of the district