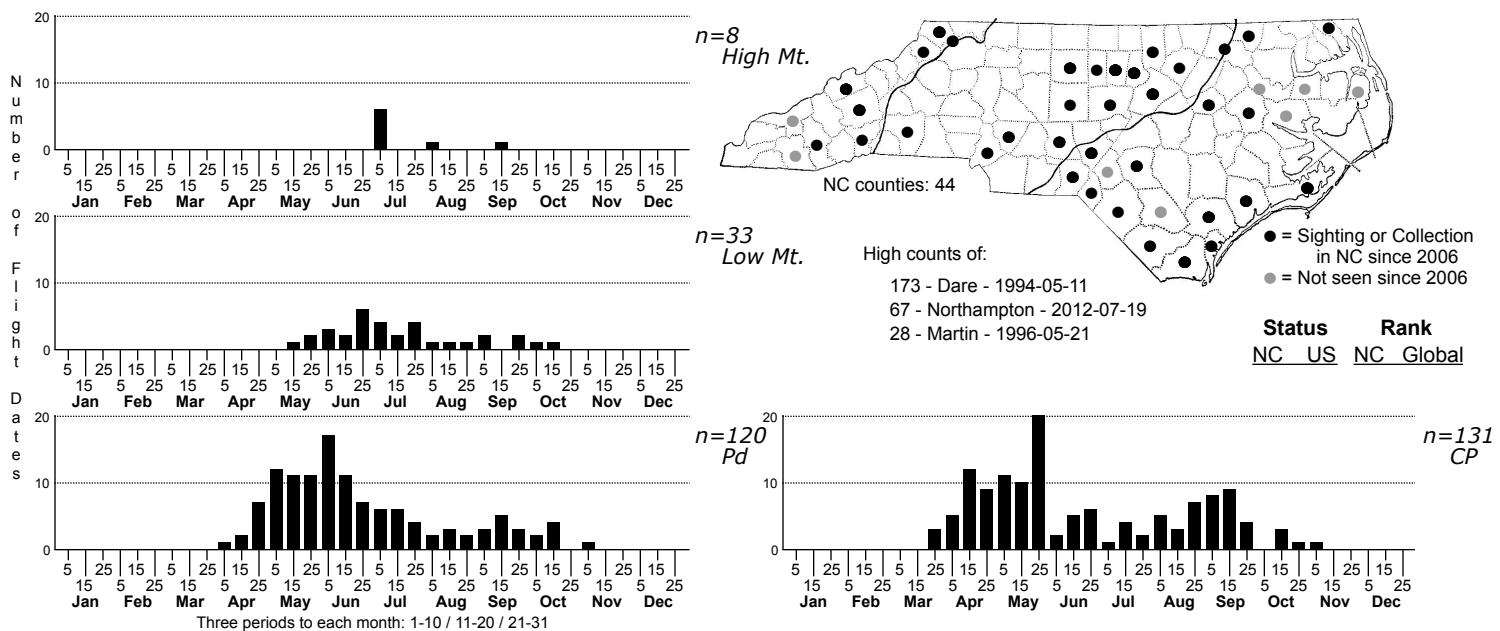


Renia adspersillus Speckled Renia



FAMILY: Erebidae SUBFAMILY: Herminiinae TRIBE: TAXONOMIC COMMENTS:

FIELD GUIDE DESCRIPTIONS:

ONLINE PHOTOS:

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, ADULTS:

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, IMMATURE STAGES: Wagner et al. (2011)

ID COMMENTS: The ground color is gray without any brown tint; paler in the spring and "mouse gray" (dark gray) in the summer (Forbes, 1954). The antemedian is strongly scalloped and excurved. The postmedian is dentate but not marked by dots. The subterminal is clay-colored and usually broken, with thick dots on the veins. It is also preceded but not followed by a dark shade. The reniform is yellow and outlined in black; sometimes entirely black. The hindwing is concolorous.

DISTRIBUTION: Occurs essentially statewide in North Carolina, but is uncommon at higher elevations in the Mountains.

FLIGHT COMMENT: Please refer to the flight charts.

HABITAT: Our records come from most types of habitat found in the state but with only a couple from the High Mountains. Both forested and open sites are used, and xeric as well as wet-to-mesic habitats.

FOOD: Larvae feed on dead leaves and other organic debris (Wagner et al., 2011).

OBSERVATION METHODS:

NATURAL HERITAGE PROGRAM RANKS: G4 SNR [S4S5]

STATE PROTECTION: Has no legal protection, although permits are required to collect it on state parks and other public lands.

COMMENTS: