

***Ischnura kellicotti* Williamson**

**Lilypad Forktail**

**15 May - 14 Sep**

**Uncommon**

**MALE: 24-31.5 mm (1.0-1.3 in.) FEMALE: 24.5-31 (1.0-1.2)**

**Small**

**MALE:** Head: large blue postocular spots. Face: mostly blue. Thorax: blue w/ middorsal/shoulder stripes black. Abdomen: black w/ blue in S1-2 (& black pattern)/S8-9 (black lateral stripe). Tip of abdomen bent down when at rest. Stigmas: FW in mature adult blue on top, black on bottom; HW tan.

**FEMALE:** Blue/black becoming gray-bluish w/ pruinosity w/ age. (Less common color for Male: orange.) Head: eye spots aqua. Eyes: black above, lime green below. Thorax: dull green w/ dark stripes. Abdomen: dark w/ bronze cast; S8-10 dorsally greenish-blue w/ scattered dark areas. Stigmas: tan, diamond-shaped. *Orange form: generally rust-brown.* Eyes: black above, dull gold below.

**JUVENILE:** Male blue-purple markings/amber wings. S2 w/ blue rings, S10 rarely all black; amber wings rare.

**Habitat:** Ponds; seldom away from fairly large patches of white or yellow water lilies.

**Reproduction:** Mate on lily pads. Female oviposits alone. Larvae on underside of floating leaves of *Nuphar advena* (spatterdock), *Nymphaea odorata* (water lily), *Potamogeton* (pondweed), etc.

**Notes:** Old name: Kellicott's Forktail. Waterlily Locations: Mayfield Ave. at MD 108, Meadowridge Cemetery, Lake Elkhorn, Centennial, Gateway (HoCo bldg), but *I. kellicotti* has only been seen at the two locations below.

**Locations:** Elkhorn - L, Centennial - L

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