

ZIMSKO GNIJEŽĐENJE MALE UŠARE *Asio otus* U ĐAKOVU*Winter breeding of the Long-eared Owl *Asio otus* in Đakovo***MARIN VITMAN**

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Dana 9.veljače 2019. godine zabilježeno je gniyežđenje male ušare *Asio otus* u Đakovu. Mala ušara je redovita gnejzdarica Đakovačkih parkova te je prisutna tijekom cijele godine, a obično se gniyezdi od ožujka pa sve do lipnja. U Europi je početak inkubacije najčešće u ožujku, a najranije u veljači (GARNER i MILNE 1997, SERGIO i sur 2008). Međutim, 8. veljače 2019. godine je zapažen prizivajući zov mladih u noćnim satima. Dana 9. veljače 2019. godine u popodnevним satima istraženi su obližnji parkovi te je pronađeno gniyezdo sa mladima starosti oko 3 tjedna (Slika 1). S obzirom na starost mladih ptica te da inkubacija kod ove vrste traje 25-30 dana (BWPi 2006), može se zaključiti da se par počeo gniyezditi u razdoblju od 20. do 30.11.2018. godine.

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SUMMARY

On 9 February 2019, nesting of the Long-eared Owl *Asio otus* in Đakovo was recorded. The Long-eared Owl is a common resident breeder of Đakovo and its usual breeding season lasts from March until June. On 8 February 2019 the beginning call of chicks was heard during the night hours. On 9 February 2019 a nest with circa 3-week-old chicks was found in a nearby park. Taking into consideration the age of the chicks and the fact that the incubation in this species lasts 25-30 days we can conclude that the nesting began in the period between 20 and 30 November 2018.



Slika 1. Mlada mala ušara *Asio otus* u Đakovu, 9. veljače 2019. (Fotografija: M.Vitman)
Figure 1. Long-eared Owl *Asio otus* chick in Đakovo, on 9 February 2019 (Photo: M.Vitman)