

SOUTHERN EYRE PENINSULA BIRDS

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Further to my account in this journal (Vol. 18, pp. 31-37) and re-examination of specimens in the South Australian Museum, the following additional remarks on certain species are made.

Square-tailed Kite (*Lophoictinia isura*)

This bird was recorded in my notes as the Black-breasted Buzzard (*Hamirostra melanosterna*), but following the opinion of Mr. H. T. Condon was listed as above. Comparisons since made between skins of the two species and reference to my field notes lead me to think that both diagnoses are doubtful. Both species have large areas of white in the wings which were not noted by me, and both may have orange-brown underparts. The Square-tailed Kite has been recorded from the Eucla district by McGilp; it has also been recorded from Innamincka, Lake Frome, and Blackwood (near Adelaide).

Southern Emu-Wren (*Stipiturus malachurus*)

As this species has not been previously reported from Eyre Peninsula, I wish to withdraw this record. A series of skins were compared with those of the Mallee Emu-Wren (*S. mallee*), and apart from the smaller size of the latter, the chief difference appears to be the rufous crown of the mallee form. This was not clearly observed by me.

Black-winged Currawong (*Strepera melanoptera*)

Although this bird has been recorded from Eyre Peninsula in the Cowell district, the birds seen by me invariably showed some white in the wings when in flight. This feature would make them the Brown Currawong (*Strepera intermedia*).