FURTHER RECORDS FOR THE FLINDERS RANGES

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In this journal, Vol. XXI, No. 5, April, 1955, the author reported species seen in the northern Flinders Ranges, from Parachilna Gorge south to the Wilpena area. The following identifications were made on a similar trip to Wilpena Pound and Bunyeroo Gorge on May 2, 1958, and extend the former list:—

Common Bronzewing Pigeon (Phaps chalcoptera)—Bunyeroo Gorge.

Pacific Heron (Notophoyx pacifica)—Bunyeroo Gorge.

Brown Hawk (Falco berigora)—Bunyeroo Gorge.

Laughing Jack (Dacelo gigas)—Bunyeroo G.

White-backed Magpie (Gymnorhina hypoleuca)—Wilpena and Bunyeroo Gorge. Several birds in both localities.

The following species were recorded on a previous trip but in localities other than those listed below:—

Peaceful Dove (Geopelia placida).—Bunyeroo Gorge.

Spur-winged Plover (Lobibyx novae-hollan-diae)—Wilpena.

Red-rumped Parrot (Psephotus haematonotus)—Bunyeroo.

Elegant Parrot (Neophema elegans)—Bunyeroo Gorge.

Blue and White Wren (Malurus leuconotus)
—Bunyeroo Gorge.

Chestnut-tailed Thornbill (Acanthiza uropygialis)—Bunyeroo Gorge.

Zebra Finch (Taeniopygia castanotis)—Wilpena and Bunyeroo Gorge.

In the week prior to the above observations the author spent a short time in the following areas, further south: A—Along the Wilmington-Quorn road (April 26); B—Along the Quorn-Wilson road, Wilson being situated 11 miles south of Hawker (April 26); C—The plain around Hawker and the hills six miles to the north-west (April 28-30, 1958); D—Arkaba Station, situated southwest of Wilpena Pound (April 27). The species listed below are referred to the above localities.

Emu (Dromaius novae-hollandiae)—D. Crested Pigeon (Ocyphaps lophotes)—C.

Black Duck (Anas superciliosa)—D.

Wedge-tailed Eagle (Aquila audax)—B, C, D.

Fork-tailed Kite (Milvus migrans)—C.

Grey Falcon (Falco hypoleucus)—C.

Brown Hawk (Falco berigora)—C.

Kestrel (Falco cenchroides)-B, C, D.

Little Corrella (Kakatoe sanguinea)—A, B, C, D.

Galah (K. roseicapilla)—A, B, C, D.

Ringneck Parrot (Barnardius barnardi)—

Red-rumped Parrot (Psephotus haematonotus)—C, D.

Elegant Parrot (Neophema elegans)—C.

Swallow (Hirundo neoxena)—C.

White-backed Swallow (Cheramoeca leucosterna)—A.

Tree Martin (Hylochelidon nigricans)—A, C, D.

Grey Fantail (Rhipidura flabellifera)—A. Willy Wagtail (R. leucophrys)—A, C.

Red-capped Robin (Petroica goodenovii)—C. Rufous Whistler (Pachycephala rufiventris)

Rufous Whistler (Pachycephala rufiventris —A, D.

Magpie Lark (Grallina cyanoleuca)—A, D. Ground Cuckoo-shrike (Pteropodocys maxima)—C.

Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike (Coracina novae-hollandiae)—A, C.

White-browed Babbler (Pomatostomus superciliosus)—C, D.

White-fronted Chat (Epthianura albifrons)

—C, D.

Brown Weebill (Smicrornis brevirostris)—C. Eastern Whiteface (Aphelocephala leucopsis):—C, D.

Yellow-tailed Thornbill (Acanthiza chrysor-rhoa)—A, D.

Brown Songlark (Cinclorhamphus cruralis)
—D.

Blue and White Wren (Malurus leuconotus)
—C.

Purple-backed Wren (M. assimilis)—A.
Mistletoe Bird (Dicaeum hirundinaceum)—

Red tipped Pardalote (Pardalotus ornatus)

—C, D.

White-plumed Honeyeater (M. penicillata)

Yellow-throated Miner (Myzantha flavigula)
—C, D.

Spiny-cheeked Honeyeater (Acanthagenys rufogularis)—A, C.

Pipit (Anthus australis)—A, B, C, D. Zebra Finch (Taeniopygia castanotis)—C, D. Raven (Corvus coronoides)—A, B, C, D.

Little Crow (Corvus bennetti)—C. Identified only after careful consideration of points listed in (1).

Black-backed Magpie (Gymnorhina tibicen)
—A, B, C, D.

*White-backed Magpie (G. hypoleuca)—A, D. Where species are marked * above, the author considers that the record suggests an extension to the range of the species concerned, as expressed in (2).

The following notes refer to introduced,

species:

House Sparrow (Passer domesticus)—Ob-served north to Hawker and the area C above.

Starling (Sturnus vulgaris)—Seen in several localities from Quorn to Hawker, and also in area C above.

Goldfinch (Carduelis carduelis)—Only recorded at Hawker.

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