

*Bird Notes.*

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By Robert Crompton, Stonyfell Road, Burnside.

Under date of 17th December, 1935, wrote that:—"We have had a pair of White-winged Trillers (*Lalage tricolor*) about my house for several weeks, apparently nesting, although I have not found the nest. The male is very savage, driving off the Wattle-Birds (*Anthochaera*) and Magpie-Larks (*Grallina cyanoleuca*), and attacking the White-backed Magpies (*Gymnorhina hypoleuca*)."

A. Allen Simpson, C.M.G., of "Undelcarra," Lockwood Road, Burnside, wrote to him on the 16th December, 1935:—"You may be interested to know, as an item of ornithological interest, that two pairs of Kookaburras (*Dacelo gigas*) have twice nested at my place this year, in one case bringing up two families. They selected for their residences two hollow willow trees on the banks of the Second Creek. I think this is a very rare occurrence on the foothills or plains. Other infrequent nest-builders have been a pair of Banded Landrails (*Hypotaenidia philippensis*) and Eastern Spinebills (*Acanthorhynchus tenuirostris*), the former in some high grass amongst my orange trees."

On 23rd March, 1936, Mr. Simpson advised that in the previous week the Kookaburras had again nested, and that Red Wattle-Birds (*Anthochaera carunculata*) were also nesting again.

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