

ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS TO THE LIST OF THE BIRDS OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

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In the *S.A. Ornithologist*, IX, 55, 1927, J. Sutton published the Second Edition of the list of "Birds of South Australia." Later, XII, 188, 1934, he made 11 additions and two deletions. The present contribution includes the last-named, as well as other additions and corrections up to the present. The figures in parentheses placed after the vernacular names refer to the number of the species in the R.A.O.U. Official Check List, 1926.

The total number of species now known for the State is 385.

ADDITIONS (18).

35A. *Puffinus griseus*, Sooty Shearwater (70). *S.A. Ornithol.* XIII, 1935, 121.

46A. *Pachyptila belcheri*, Thin-billed Prion (not in R.A.O.U. List). Included on the authority of H. T. Condon

66A. *Sterna striata*, White-fronted Tern (114). *S.A. Ornithol.* X, 1930, 158.

68A. *Sterna fuscata*, Sooty Tern (120). *Emu*, VI, 1907, 138 (sight), and *S.A. Ornithol.*, XIV, 1937, 77.

77A. *Lobibyx miles* Masked Plover (134). Coward Springs, sight record by R. P. Cooper, *Emu*, XLI, 1941, 106.

90A. *Numenius phaeopus*, Whimbrel (150). *S.A. Ornithol.*, XII, 1934, 187 (sight).

100A. *Crocethia alba*, Sanderling (166). Given by Sutton, 1934, authority not quoted.

112A. *Ardea cinerea*, Grey Heron (183). Given by Sutton, 1934, authority not quoted (sight record).

118A. *Ixobrychus minutus*, Little Bittern (195). *S.A. Ornithol.*, XII, 1934, 184.

158A. *Ninox strenua*, Powerful Owl (248). In Captain S. A. White's collection

is a female Powerful Owl which had been brought in dead at the Reedbeds in July, 1892. Captain White believes that there is a skin in the S.A. Museum, collected on the Cooper, in the N.E. of the State. [The Museum Collection is at present not available, having been removed to a safe place.]

206A. *Hirundapus caudacutus*, Spine-tailed Swift (334). *S.A. Ornithol.*, XIV, 1938, 173. (Sight.) [Six previous reports are mentioned, but the references not given.]

219A. *Rhipidura rufifrons*, Rufous Fantail (362). *S.A. Ornithol.*, XII, 1934, 184.

233A. *Pachycephala olivacea*, Olive Whistler (405). *S.A. Ornithol.*, XV, 1940, 67.

239A. *Psophodes nigrogularis leucogaster*, Mallee Whipbird (422). *S.A. Ornithol.*, XIV, 1937, 3.

246A. *Cincoloma alisteri*, Nullarbor Quail Thrush (440). *S.A. Ornithol.*, XI, 1932, 149.

248A. *Pomatostomus rubeculus*, Red-breasted Babbler (444). Given by Sutton, 1934, authority not quoted.

287A. *Amytornis whitei*, Rufous Grass-wren (514). Given by Sutton, 1934, authority not quoted.

356A. *Struthidea cinerea*, Grey Jumper (675). Given by Sutton, 1934, authority not quoted.

DELETIONS.

The following species have been deleted by Sutton, 1934:

38. *Procellaria cinerea*, Grey Petrel.

205. *Eurostopodus mystacalis*, White-throated Nightjar.

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SIGHT OBSERVATIONS ONLY.

There are eleven species at present dependent upon sight observations only for their inclusion in this list:

51. *Diomedea chrysostoma*, grey-headed Albatross.
 53. *Phoebastria fusca*, Sooty Albatross.
 62. *Phaethon rubricaudus*, Red-tailed Tropic-bird.
 77A. *Lobibyx miles*, Masked Plover.
 90A. *Numenius phaeopus*, Whimbrel.
 112A. *Ardea cinerea*, Grey Heron.
 138. *Astur novae-hollandiae*, Grey (White) Goshawk.
 147. *Hamirostra melanosterna*, Black-breasted Buzzard.
 172. *Kakatoe tenuirostris*, Corella (Long-billed Cockatoo).
 327. *Geliciphila indistincta*, Brown Honeyeater.
 359. *Chlamydera guttata*, Western Bowerbird.

REMOVED FROM THE LIST OF SIGHT OBSERVATIONS ONLY.

64. *Gelochelidon nilotica*, Gull-billed Tern. Skin secured for identification, and 69 nests found on Yadlamalka Station, 50 miles N. of Port Augusta. *S.A. Ornithol.*, XII, 1933, 28.
 258. *Smicronis flavescens*, Yellow Weebill. Specimen obtained between Mount Daer and Etalileluli on S. Australian-Central Australian border. *S.A. Ornithol.*, XIV, 1938, 150.

SPECIES EXTINCT TOTALLY OR IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

2. *Dromaius diemenianus*, Kangaroo Island Emu. Totally extinct.
 225. *Petroica rodinogaster*, Pink Robin.

Extinct in S. Australia. Gould shot a specimen in 1839 "in a deep ravine under Mount Lofty" (*Handbook to the Birds of Australia*, I, 276). Doubtful sight records many years ago (*Emu*, XXXVI, 1937, 203).

INTRODUCED BIRDS ESTABLISHED IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

Streptopelia chinensis suratensis, Gmelin, Indian Dove. (Rapidly spreading during about the last ten years.)

Turdus merula, L., Blackbird. Liberated in 1879 and 1880-81. Seen at Mitcham in 1881.

Sturnus vulgaris, L., Starling. Liberated in 1880-81. (Seen, probably nesting, near Mt. Lofty about 1892.—J.B.C.)

Passer domesticus, L., House Sparrow. Imported in 1865. Seen at Magill in 1868, and said to be at Mt. Gambier in that year.

Carduelis carduelis, L., Goldfinch. Liberated in 1879, 1880-81.

Chloris chloris, L., Greenfinch. Liberated in 1879. (Seen at Parkside about 1896.—J.B.C.)

Pyromelana orix, L., Grenadier Weaver. First noticed about 1930 near Woods Point, Lower Murray River. Increased to about 15 to 20 by October, 1932. A pair building in a bed of reeds near Paradise, Adelaide, about latter date. *S.A. Ornithol.*, XII, 1933, 31.

Alauda arvensis, L., Skylark. Liberated in 1879 at Enfield, and later in other places.

[For the above information, except that for the Grenadier Weaver and portions in brackets, see J. Sutton, *Acclimatisation in South Australia*, *S.A. Ornithol.*, XIII, 1935, 92-103.]