

BIRD REPORT, 1964

INTRODUCTION by BRIAN GLOVER

In this, the second annual review of bird records for South Australia, it is pleasing to report a marked increase in the number of contributors and the volume of contributions. It is hoped that this trend will continue. All records submitted have been entered on cards, as were those for 1963, and these cards are accessible to members for study. Continued over a period of years the accumulated records should yield much valuable information on our birds. The published records in this report are only those which add to or reinforce the information given by H. T. Condon's "A Handlist of the Birds of South Australia with Annotations" (*S.A. Ornith.*, 23, 1962, pp. 85-150), and Supplement in this issue, plus reports of unusual numbers of birds, rarities and other items of special interest.

The more information supplied with a record the more valuable it becomes. Although the basic information required for the Bird Report is of locality, date and numbers (or densities) for each species, any other information supplied will be included in the card index, and even if not used in the published report, is available for anyone working on an appropriate investigation or could be published separately in this journal.

Additional information could include, for example:

Habitat (with special emphasis if this varies throughout the year).

Nesting details (site, clutch, incubation and fledgeling periods, nesting success, etc.).

Dates of arrival and departure of migrants and nomads (the dates concerning movements of the majority are of as much or greater importance than of the first and last individual).

Times of year that song is heard.

Variations in numbers throughout the year, and compared with previous year(s).

This list could be extended considerably, but those observers interested in extending their bird study beyond the purely identification stage are advised to consult such books as P. A. Bourke's "Elementary Bird Study" (Australian), James Fisher's "Watching Birds" (British) and J. J. Hickey's "A Guide to Bird Watching" (American). Those par-

ticularly interested in the nesting activities of birds may be interested in the R.A.O.U. Nest Record Scheme (see *Emu*, 63, 1964, p. 424).

It cannot be stressed too strongly that the value of any bird record is basically entirely dependent upon correct identification. It is far better to ignore a bird entirely than to make a guess at its identity. It is your Editor's desire that all records published be authentic, but not being personally familiar with the abilities of all the contributors, discretion must be used in accepting certain records.

In working through the records received for 1964, a number have been found that for various reasons are unacceptable on face value. It has only been possible to query some of these. Some, upon further information being supplied by the contributor, appear genuine; others do not. Some records appear to be wrong identifications due to careless observing, whilst two cases were discovered where wrong names had been written on the Bird Report forms. There are also cases where observers appear to have reported all birds of certain genera under the same species name, e.g., all small grebes as Little Grebes.

Observers contributing bird records are asked to follow the following suggestions:—

(a) Use Condon's Handlist as a basis for distribution.

(b) If a species is very rare, is difficult to identify, or is observed far outside its recorded range, sufficient field notes should be submitted to satisfy the Editor, and anyone else wishing to use the record, that the identification was correct.

(c) Check all names on Bird Report forms.

With respect to (b) above, observers should remember the following as being "traps for young players."

Male Brown Goshawks and female Collared Sparrowhawks are almost impossible to separate in the field; reports of either of these species should be accompanied by reasons for identification.

The two small grebes are very much alike in non-breeding plumage and should be named specifically only if the observer is

absolutely certain of their identity. Report "small grebes" rather than guess. The Editor would be grateful to any observer who can submit a reliable method of separating either of the above two pairs of difficult species.

Young Black-faced Cuckoo-Shrikes superficially resemble Little Cuckoo-Shrikes and have often been mistaken for them; young Nankeen Night Herons are sometimes mistaken for Brown Bitterns.

SUMMARY OF THE REPORT.

Perhaps the most notable ornithological feature of 1964 was that seven new species were added to the South Australian Birdlist, viz.:—

Broad-billed Prion.
Cattle Egret.
Grey-tailed Tattler.
Long-toed Stint.
White-winged Black Tern
Leaden Flycatcher, and
Satin Flycatcher.

These are reported but briefly, being treated more fully elsewhere in this issue.

Several rarely-recorded species were reported, notably Black-tailed and Bar-tailed Godwits, Lesser Knot and White-fronted Warbler.

A number of nomads and migrants reported to be very numerous in 1963 were much less so in 1964, but this appears to be part of the normal pattern for such species.

Of the ca. 400 species now on the State list 292 (73%) were reported for 1964, an increase of 33 on the amended 1963 total. Of the 100 or so species not reported are some which occur, or are believed to occur, within the areas covered by observations in this report. The following list which is by no means complete may stimulate observers to search for these species:—Little Bittern, Brown and King Quail, Spotless Crake, Australian Dotterel, Southern Skua, Swamp Parrot, Masked and Winking Owls, Azure Kingfisher, Spotted Quail-Trush, Grey-crowned Babbler, Grass-Wrens (*Amytornis*), Mallee Emu-Wren, Red-lored Whistler, Regent Honeyeater, Spotted Bower-Bird and Apostle-Bird.

Additional information on birds recorded during 1964 may be found in part 3 of this volume (pp. 40-42, 44-48, 50).

INTERPRETATION OF REPORT:—

The Checklist number and nomenclature used are those of H. T. Condon's "A Handlist of the Birds of South Australia with Annotations" (*S.A. Ornith.*, 23, 1962, pp. 85-150), and Supplement in this issue, although some vernacular names have been changed to retain names in common usage (see Editorial, *ibid.*, 24, 1964, p. 35).

Each locality is followed in brackets by the abbreviation (capital letters without full-stops) of the region of the State in which it occurs.

The observer's initials (capital letters with full-stops) are usually in brackets at the end of a record or following several records by the same observer.

An asterisk preceding the Checklist number signifies that all records received are included in the report.

Square brackets around a record indicate that there is some doubt as to the species reported.

REGIONS OF THE STATE:—

AP Adelaide Plains
EP Eyre Peninsula
KI Kangaroo Island
LN Lower North
MLR Mount Lofty Ranges
MM Murray Mallee
NE North-East
NW North-West
SE South-East
YP Yorke Peninsula

A map and brief descriptions of these regions are included in Bird Report, 1963 (*S.A. Ornith.*, 24, 1964, pp. 23-32).

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1. EMU.

Berri area (MM), many young recorded, "Certainly more than have been seen since 1956; both years were good for rainfall and feed" (K.B.M.); Paruna (MM), ca. 200 on Aug. 29; Overland Corner (MM), 50+ shot, Aug. (D.M.); Ashville (MM), ca. 20 seen throughout cooler months (J.E.); Salt Creek area (MM), ca. 25 (W.H.); Younghusband Pen. (MM), 6 adults about 2 miles from Murray Mouth, March 1 (S.H.); Naracoorte district (SE), present all year; groups of up to 30 fairly common in suitable places (A.A.).

6. LITTLE PENGUIN.

Nesting at Lipson Cove, Rabbit or Round Is. and Garden Is., Coffin Bay (EP), in Sept. and Oct. (D.B.).

*7. GREAT CRESTED GREBE.

Swan Reach (MM), a pair nesting, Dec. 3 (M.D.); Wellington (MM), punt operator caught about 6 in fish nets in late spring (J.E.); Goolwa (MM), one, July 6 (F.C.); Policeman's Point (MM); 300+, Oct. 10-12 (F.C. et al); Joanna (SE), 4 on Sept. 9—two nests on large gum swamp; Bool Lagoon (SE), 6 on Oct. 4 (A.A.).

9. HOARY-HEADED GREBE.

I.C.I. salt pans (AP), large numbers recorded Feb. to May, max. 650-700 on May 7 (D.P.); (no reports after May 17); Mannum (MM), 227 on April 25 (C.J.); L. Alexan-

drina (MM), common throughout year (J.E.), Naracoorte district (SE), very common and breeding freely on all large reedy swamps. Sept. 1 to Dec. 31 (A.A.).

*16. GIANT PETREL.

Nth. Glenelg (AP), one in Aug. (see *Sunday Mail* Aug. 8 and 15); Coffin Bay (EP), 2 on Sept. 19 (D.B.); off Sellick Beach (MLR), one seen in flight, July 12 (C.J.).

*17. CAPE PETREL.

Nth. Glenelg Beach (AP), one dead Sept. 29 (B.G.).

*18A BROAD-BILLED PRION.

Cowandilla (AP), one collected July 14 (see p. 71).

*19. MEDIUM-BILLED PRION.

Sellick Beach (MLR), 2 dead July 12, one dead July 25 (C.J.).

*20. DOVE PRION.

Nth. Glenelg Beach (AP), one dead July 16, one dead July 24 (B.G.); Sellick Beach (MLR), 3 dead July 25 (C.J.).

*29. MUTTON BIRD.

[Tennyson (AP), numbers of black birds flying offshore to the north during May 2 and 3, but not on several days before or after (regular watch kept), were almost certainly this species (E.S.)]; Nth. Glenelg Beach (AP), one dead May 27 (B.G.); Outer Harbour (AP), one dying April 26 (G.C.).

35. PELICAN.

Nesting Venus Bay (EP) (see *S.A. Ornith.* 24, 1964, p. 45); Nesting Coorong Islands (MM), Oct. 10-12; "14 advanced young on smallest island; about 200 less advanced young on beach of Island J and limited activity on ridge. 350-400 adults in area." (F.C., et al.).

36. AUSTRALIAN GANNET.

Several records from EP and MLR coasts, all of small numbers, except for 50 at Pt. Neill, June 15 (D.B.).

37. BLACK CORMORANT.

Millbrook Reservoir (MLR), small numbers most of year, max. 70+ on Jan. 13; Mt. Bold Res. (MLR), 45 on Jan. 7 (B.G.); Policeman's Point (MM), ca. 250, Oct. 10-12 (F.C. et al.).

38. LITTLE BLACK CORMORANT.

I.C.I. salt pans (AP), very common May 17 (F.C., G.C.); L. Alexandrina (MM), common all year (J.E.); Goolwa to Murray Mouth (MM), very common, March 15 (F.C. et al); Bool Lagoon (SE), 10 or 12 nests in teatree containing 4-5 fresh eggs, or young up to half-grown (A.A.).

39. BLACK-FACED CORMORANT.

A number of records, several of considerable numbers from EP by D.B., e.g., Cape Barrington, 2500+ on Oct. 15; English Is., ca. 5,000 young on April 11; Winceby Is., 700 birds, ca. 350 nests, some with eggs, on April 12. Coorong Islands (MM), 50+, Oct. 10-12 (F.C. et al.).

40. PIED CORMORANT.

I.C.I. salt pans (AP), 3-400 on March 1; several seemed to be sitting on nests (D.P., P.R.); ca. 130 nests, many with advanced young on May 7; ca. 30 birds, none nesting on Nov. 1 (D.P.); EP records by D.B. include Winceby Is., 300 birds, ca. 150 nests, some with eggs, April 12, and Coffin Bay, 300+ on Sept. 19.

41. LITTLE PIED CORMORANT.

I.C.I. salt pans (AP), maximum reported 100+ on March 12 (D.P.); Charlton Dam

(EP), 101+, nesting, very few young, Oct. 10; Minniribie (EP), 150+, Dec. 6 (D.B.); Bool Lagoon (SE), 150+ on Nov. 12 (young up to flying stage and some nests still with eggs—5-6 per clutch) (A.A.).

*42. DARTER.

Wellington (MM), one Aug. 19, one Oct. 18 (J.E.).

*43 LITTLE EGRET.

I.C.I. salt pans (AP), 11 on May 17 (F.C., G.C.); one on Oct. 21 and 26 (M.D.).

*44. PLUMED EGRET.

Bool Lagoon (SE), one on Jan. 11-12 (A.A., C.J.).

45. WHITE EGRET.

Bool Lagoon (SE), 100+ on Nov. 12; a few young just hatched; most nests with 4-5 eggs, some birds still building (A.A.).

*46. REEF HERON.

Port Kenny (EP), 2 in Aug. (C.J., M.W.); Garden Is., Coffin Bay (EP), 6 birds, 2 nests but no eggs, Sept. 19; Rabbit Is. (EP), 4 on Oct. 18 (D.B.).

46A. CATTLE EGRET.

Jamestown (LN) and EP (See *S.A. Ornith.* 24, 1964, pp. 40, 42 and p. 71 of this issue).

48. WHITE-NECKED HERON.

Adelaide (AP), one on River Torrens, West Parklands, July 13 (B.G.); Glenroy (SE), 50+ on Oct. 1 (colony nesting in large red gums on fairly deep swamp (A.A.).

*52. GLOSSY IBIS.

Adelaide Airport (AP), 2, Feb. (R.D.); L. Alexandrina (MM), seen several times Jan.-April (J.E.); Milang area (MM), 17 on Feb. 27 (B.G.) and Sept. 17 (J.E.); Bool Lagoon (SE), 80 birds; about 30 nests built low in teatrees under old nests of Straw-necked Ibis, most with 3-7 fresh eggs, Nov. 30 (A.A.); 26 banded Dec. 20 (M.W.).

53. WHITE IBIS.

Murray R., Goolwa to Murray Mouth (MM), 4-500, March 15 (F.C. et al); Bool Lagoon (SE), 100+ nesting with Straw-necked Ibis, Nov. 1 (A.A.).

54. STRAW-NECKED IBIS.

Bool Lagoon (SE), Aug. 16-Dec. 31, "More than ever—probably 200,000—and nested right-through teatree, and also on top of tussocks around margin of lagoon for first time noted by me" (A.A.); Tantanoola area (SE), common all the year, flocks of up to 1000, but more often between 10 and 50 (R.J.P.G.).

55. ROYAL SPOONBILL.

I.C.I. salt pans (AP), 71 on May 17 (F.C., G.C.); Bool Lagoon (SE), 60+, nesting Oct.-Dec. (A.A.).

56. YELLOW-BILLED SPOONBILL.

Naracoorte district (SE), nesting on all suitable red gum swamps, Sept.-Dec. (A.A.).

57. BLACK SWAN.

Buckland Park Lake (AP), large numbers Nov.-Dec., maximum reported 5-700, Dec. 13 (G.C., D.P.); large lagoon east of Black Springs (LN), 1500 on Sept. 12 (G.C.), 3-500 on Dec. 19 (D.P.); Hart's Lagoon, Waikerie (MM), 2000 during summer, small numbers rest of year (D.M.); Wellington lagoons (MM), 3-500 on March 5 (D.P.); Naracoorte district (SE), in hundreds and increasing (A.A.).

*61. CAPE BARREN GOOSE.

Thompson Beach (AP), 4 on Dec. 19 (R.F.); St. Francis Is. (EP), 18 adults and 3 broods of young on Aug. 27; Sibsby Is. (EP); 2 on April 11; Partney Is. (EP), 7, and Kirby Is. (EP), 4 on April 12 (D.B.); (see also *S.A. Ornith.* 24, 1964, p. 45). Flinders Chase (KI), ca. 200 on Oct. 3, near Rocky River homestead; not more than 6 of these were pinioned birds (D.P.); Poltalloch Plains (MM), 6 on Feb. 16, 4 on May 23 (J.E.); Mundoo Is. (MM), 12 on Jan. 28 (J.E.), 35 on Dec. 28 (B.G.); Mosquito Point, Goolwa Barrages (MM), 16 on Feb. 4 (J.E.); Salt Creek (MM), one recorded (W.H.); Stewarts Range (SE), 7 on Nov. 22 (A.A.).

62. GREY TEAL.

Generally abundant in parts of AP, EP, lower MM and SE; only small numbers reported from LN, MLR, and upper MM.

63. CHESTNUT TEAL.

Reports from AP, EP, MM and SE; maximum reported—I.C.I. salt pans (AP) 1-200, May 7; Buckland Park Lake (AP), 50-100, Dec. 13 (D.P.).

*66. BLUE-WINGED SHOVELER.

Onkaparinga River Gorge (MLR), 2 on June 6 (B.B.); L. Alexandrina (MM), uncommon (J.E.); Naracoorte district (SE), "Most seen for years; pairs breeding all through district" (A.A.); 9 miles south of Kingston (SE), one male, Oct. 11 (G.C.).

*67. PINK-EARED DUCK.

Hope Valley Reservoir (AP), one, March 10 (B.G.); I.C.I. salt pans (AP), 2 on tidal creek Dec. 13 (B.B.); Bool Lagoon (SE), ca. 30, Jan. 12 (C.J.); 200+, Sept. 9 (A.A.), 5 adults banded Nov.-Dec. (M.W.). (One of these was recovered at Lake Colac, Victoria, on Feb. 20, 1965, 179 miles from banding site.—M.W.).

*68. FRECKLED DUCK.

Lake Gurra, near Berri (MM), "numbers" in Dec. (K.B.M.); Naracoorte (SE), flocks of 20-30 on floodwaters, Sept.-Dec.; half-grown young seen Dec. 20 (A.A.).

69. WHITE-EYED DUCK.

Only one record from MLR (Happy Valley Res., 10+, Jan. 7.—B.G.) and none from AP (cf. Bird Report 1963) or upper MM, although reported as plentiful on L. Alexandrina (MM) (J.E.), and in the Naracoorte district (SE) (A.A.).

70. MANED GOOSE.

Millbrook Reservoir (MLR), present Jan.-July (B.G.), maximum reported 80+, March 19 (F.C.); L. Alexandrina (MM), common (J.E.).

*72. BLUE-BILLED DUCK.

Purnong (MM), 2 on Sept. 13 (F.C.); Mannum (MM), 2 on Nov. 1 (M.D.); Murray Bridge area, 10 on June 10 (C.J.); L. Alexandrina (MM), 6 caught in fish net (J.E.); near Salt Ck. (MM), 2 recorded (W.H.); Bool Lagoon (SE), 6 on Sept. 9; nest with 9 eggs in debris under teatree on Dec. 20 (A.A.).

74. BLACK-SHOULDERED KITE.

Numerous records from throughout southern portion of State.

76. BLACK KITE.

Southern records were—2 miles south of Lower Light (AP), one on Feb. 2 (R.G.); Purnong (MM), one on Sept. 13 (F.C.); and Milang (MM), one on Dec. 2 (J.E.).

83. LITTLE EAGLE.

A number of records from EP (D.B.); the only other records were—Millbrook Reservoir (MLR), one on March 9 (B.G.); near Sellick's Hill (MLR), 2 on March 29 (R.G.); Chauncy's Line (MM), one on Sept. 20 (G.C.); Milang area (MM), one on Feb. 27 (B.G.); a pair (one light, one dark) nesting (J.E.); Mosquito Ck. (SE), pair at nest, Oct. 2. Other pairs and single birds seen throughout the year (A.A.).

85. WHITE-BREASTED SEA-EAGLE.

Several records from EP (D.P.); only other report, Lake Plains (MM), one, April 15 (J.E.).

*86. SPOTTED HARRIER.

Sutherlands area (MM), 3 young banded (M.W.); Langhorne Ck. area (MM), seen often, spring and summer (J.E.).

87. SWAMP HARRIER.

A number of records of up to 6 birds from EP (D.B.); Langhorne Ck. area (MM), common throughout year (J.E.); Tantanoola area (SE), common all year (R.J.P.G.); Naracoorte area (SE), "Not as many this year" (A.A.). Few other records, all from AP, MM and SE.

88. OSPREY.

Several records from EP (D.B.).

[89. GREY FALCON.

"Hell's Hole," Caroline (SE), 2 on July 19 (P.P.)]

*90. BLACK FALCON.

Thistle Is. (EP), one on March 28 (D.B.); nested at Milang (MM), (J.E.).

*92. LITTLE FALCON.

Port Gawler (AP), one on Nov. 1 (D.P.); I.C.I. salt pans (AP), one on Feb. 20 (M.M., M.W.); recorded Langhorne Ck. (MM) (J.E.); Naracoorte district (SE), single birds seen March 25, Nov. 17 and Dec. 31 (A.A.).

*93. PEREGRINE FALCON.

St. Francis Is. (EP), 2 on Aug. 27 (D.B.); Lower EP, 2 on July 19 and Aug 1 (J.J.); Milang (MM), 2 on Oct. 25 (J.E.); near Salt Ck. (MM), 2 (W.H.); Naracoorte district (SE), seen occasionally throughout year; 2 pairs nested in hollow red gums (A.A.).

94. NANKEEN KESTREL.

University, Adelaide (AP), one carrying a House Sparrow in its claws (D.P.); Smithfield (AP), 10 hunting over a stubble paddock (G.C.).

95. MALLEE FOWL.

Nesting reported from near Berri (MM) (K.B.M.), Waikerie (MM) (D.M.), Chauncy's Line (MM) (J.E., G.C.), Salt Creek (MM) (W.H.) and Naracoorte district (SE) (A.A.). Birds also reported from Arno Bay (EP) (D.B.); Policeman's Point (MM) (F.C. et. al.) and Waltowa (MM) (J.E.).

96. STUBBLE QUAIL.

Langhorne Ck. area (MM), common throughout year (J.E.); Naracoorte district (SE), "Not as numerous as last year. Many are caught by feral cats." (A.A.); Tantanoola area (SE), common in spring, rare during other months (R.J.P.G.).

*(—) RINGNECK PHEASANT.

Strathalbyn district (MM), one on April 13 (F.C.).

*99. PAINTED QUAIL.

Near Salt Ck. (MM), ca. 3 recorded (W.H.); Joanna (SE), 2 seen, others heard calling, Oct. 4 (A.A.).

*100. RED-BREASTED QUAIL.

Belvidere (MM), 2 on Jan. 3 (J.E.).

101 LITTLE QUAIL.

Very few records, from EP, LN, and MM only. (cf. Bird Report 1963).

102. PLAIN WANDERER.

Waikerie area (MM), 5 (one large bird, brightly colored, 4 slightly smaller, plain, in mallee), Aug. 22 (D.M.).

*103. BROLGA.

[Poltalloch Plains (MM), unconfirmed report of 2 in Aug. (J.E.)], Bool Lagoon (SE), 4 on Jan 11-12 (C.J.), 126 on March 31, feeding along dry watercourse (A.A.); Hynam (SE), 2 nesting in open swamp, Aug. 15 (A.A.).

*104. LEWIN WATER-RAIL.

Wooley's Lake, Beachport (SE), one banded Jan. 12 (M.W.).

*105. BANDED LANDRAIL.

Buckland Park Lake (AP), one on Oct. 12 (D.P.); Winceby Is. (EP), one on May 28

(M.W.); Langhorne Ck. area (MM), several (J.E.); "Ngeringa" Frances (SE), one in garden for two days in July, later found dead (E.L.).

*106 SPOTTED CRAKE.

I.C.I. saltpans (AP), one banded Feb. 22 (M.W.); Port River (AP), 4 in mangroves, March 3 (B.B.); Langhorne Ck. area (MM), 7 in March, one in April (J.E.); Naracoorte district (SE), numerous on all watercourses throughout year (A.A.); Ocean Salt Fields, Price (YP), one on March 28 (M.W.).

*107. MARSH CRAKE.

Naracoorte district (SE), numerous on all watercourses throughout year (A.A.).

109. BLACK-TAILED NATIVE HEN.

Port River (AP), 23 on Sept. 6 (B.B.); near Taylorville (MM), ca. 200, Sept. 6 (D.M.); Lake Alexandrina (MM), common throughout year (J.E.); Finnis (MM), very common in spring (J.E.); Naracoorte-Joanna-Bool Lagoon district (SE), fairly plentiful, but not in large flocks, July-Dec. (A.A.).

112. COOT.

Mannum (MM), 906, April 25 (C.J.); Wellington Lagoons (MM), 1000+, March 5 (D.P.), hundreds in Aug. (J.E.); Naracoorte district (SE), "In hundreds everywhere, June-Dec., and still nesting (eggs and small young) on Dec. 31" (A.A.).

*113. BUSTARD.

Angas Plains (MM) one throughout Aug.; reports of one or two in the Strathalbyn and surrounding areas several weeks previously (J.E.).

*114. PAINTED SNIPE.

Bool Lagoon (SE), 7 on Jan 12; reports of single birds being shot, Nov. 4 and 18 (A.A.).

115. PIED OYSTERCATCHER.

Outer Harbour (AP), maximum reported 31, Feb. 15 (B.B., M.D.); Goolwa Beach (MM), 25 on June 25 (B.G.).

116. SOOTY OYSTERCATCHER.

Outer Harbour (AP), maximum reported 68, Feb. 15 (B.B., M.D.); common around coast and rocky islands off EP (D.B.).

119. BANDED PLOVER.

Glenelg Sewage Treatment Works (AP), nest with 3 eggs on lawn; hatched Oct. 31 (B.G.).

*120. GREY PLOVER.

Outer Harbour (AP), 4 on Sept. 19 (B.B.); Port Kenny (EP), one on May 22 (F.C.).

*121. PACIFIC GOLDEN PLOVER.

Outer Harbour (AP), 10 on Feb. 9 (M.D.) and Feb 15 (B.B.); Port River (AP), one on Sept. 13 (B.B.); [Langhorne Ck. area (MM), 2 on Oct. 29 (J.E.)]; River Murray (Goolwa to Muray Mouth) (MM), 8 on March 15 (F.C. et al.).

*122. HOODED DOTTEREL.

Arno Bay (EP), one on June 21, 5 on Sept. 12 (D.B.); Waitpinga Beach (MLR), 2 on April 26 (F.C. et al.); Maslin Beach (MLR), 2 on July 4 (C.J.); Policeman's Point (MM), a pair with nest and 3 eggs, Oct. 10-12 (F.C. et al.).

*124. DOUBLE-BANDED DOTTEREL.

English Is. (EP), 4, April 11 (D.B.); Langhorne Creek area (MM), one on Feb. 15 and April 12; Lake Alexandrina (MM), 100+ throughout March (J.E.).

128. RED-KNEED DOTTEREL.

Royal Park (AP), 8 in samphire behind treatment works for two months from Jan. 18, 2 on Sept. 6 (B.B.); Ramco Lagoon (MM), much less than in 1963 (D.M.); Lake Alexandrina (MM), common throughout year (J.E.); lagoon near Strathalbyn (MM), 14+ on Feb. 12 (B.G.); Bool Lagoon (SE), ca. 100 on Jan. 11-12 (C.J.).

131. EASTERN CURLEW.

Outer Harbour (AP), max. reported 50+, Feb. 2 (B.B.); I.C.I. saltpans (AP), max. reported 15 in March (D.P., P.R.).

*134. BLACK-TAILED GODWIT.

Outer Harbour (AP), one on Feb. 2 (M.D.), 2 on Nov. 8 (G.C.), and Nov. 29 (M.D.); Buckland Park Lake (AP), 33-35 on Dec. 13 (F.C., G.C., D.P. et al.); Dog Lake, Strathalbyn (MM), ca. 50 on April 4, 61 on April 12 (J.E.).

*135. BAR-TAILED GODWIT.

Outer Harbour (AP), 11, 8, 2, 5 and 5 on Feb. 2 and 9, April 26 and Nov. 8 and 29 resp. (G.C., M.D.).

*136. WOOD SANDPIPER.

Lake Alexandrina (MM), one to 9 during wader season (J.E.).

136A. GREY-TAILED TATTLER.

I.C.I. saltpans (AP), see p. 72. Sight records considered to be this species were from Outer Harbour (AP), one on Feb. 10 (B.G.) and Sept. 6 (G.C.).

137. GREENSHANK.

I.C.I. saltpans (AP), max. reported 60-80 on March 1 (D.P., P.R.); Tantanoola area (SE), one on July 10; "First known sighting in area" (R.J.P.G.).

*138. MARSH SANDPIPER.

L. Alexandrina (MM), 2 on Aug. 29, 6 on Oct. 4 (J.E.).

*139. COMMON SANDPIPER.

I.C.I. saltpans (AP), one on Feb. 22 (B.G.) and March 1 (D.P., P.R.); Millbrook Reservoir (MLR), one on Feb. 24 (B.G.); Hindmarsh Is. (MM), one on barrage, March 5 (D.P.).

140. CURLEW SANDPIPER.

All records from AP and lower Murray R. area (MM). L. Alexandrina (MM), common throughout year; ca. 2000 on June 13 (J.E.); River Murray (MM), very common between Goolwa and Murray Mouth, March 15 (F.C. et al.).

141 RED-NECKED STINT.

Most records from AP and lower Murray River area (MM), of flocks of up to 300 birds. Tumby Bay (EP), 400+ on Sept. 19 (D.B.); Lake George, near Beachport (SE), 50-100,000 on Dec. 26-29 (D.M.).

141A. LONG-TOED STINT.

L. Alexandrina (MM), one to 12, March-April, one on Oct. 4 (J.E.). See p. 72.

142. SHARP-TAILED SANDPIPER.

Most records from AP and lower Murray River area (MM), of up to 200 birds.

*144 LESSER KNOT.

Outer Harbour (AP), one on Feb. 2 (B.B.)

*146. JAPANESE SNIPE.

L. Alexandrina (MM), odd birds during wader season (J.E.).

*148. BANDED STILT.

I.C.I. saltpans (AP), 100+ on Feb. 22 (B.G.), common May 17 (F.C., G.C.); Outer Harbour (AP), 2 on Feb. 2 (B.B.), ca. 375 on April 26 (G.C.), 69 on May 21 and 6 on July 12 (J.T.); Port River (AP),

65 on March 21 (J.N.); Warrow (EP), 2500+ on Aug. 22 (D.B.); Ramco Lagoon (MM), 2 reported to D.M., Aug. 22; Mulgandawa (MM), 200 on Sept. 13 (stayed several weeks) (J.E.); Narrung turn-off (MM), ca. 1500 (J.E.).

149. RED-NECKED AVOCET.

I.C.I. saltpans (AP), max. reported 4-500 on April 23 (D.P.); L. Alexandrina (MM), common throughout year (J.E.).

*150 SOUTHERN STONE-CURLEW.

Little Toolunka Flat, near Waikerie (MM), a pair regularly seen Jan.-May; Hart's Lagoon, Waikerie (MM), regularly heard calling at night Sept.-Oct. (D.M.); Langhorne Ck. area (MM), single birds April 22, June 14 (dead) and July 14 (J.E.).

152. AUSTRALIAN PRATINCOLE.

A number of records near Adelaide (AP) during Jan.-March; max. reported 14 on an oval at Nailsworth on Jan 2 (R.B.); L. Alexandrina (MM), common Jan.-Feb. (J.E.).

155. ARCTIC SKUA.

Several records off EP, April and Oct. (D.B.).

157. SILVER GULL.

Nesting records by D.B. from EP include Sibsby Is., 100 nests visible; Winceby Is., 50 nests visible—eggs to flying young; Kidby Is., 30 nests visible (all April 12); Goat Is., 700 nesting Sept. 19, but none nesting on Garden Is.; Lipson Cove, 700+ nesting Oct. 10; Rabbit Is., 2000+, and Cape Donnington 1000+, nesting Oct. 18. Trevarrow Is. (MM), ca. 1000 occupied nests at all stages, Oct. 10-12 (F.C. et al.); Naracoorte area (SE), breeds on islands in Lochaber Swamp and other surrounding swamps (A.A.).

157A WHITE-WINGED BLACK TERN.

L. Alexandrina (MM), 12 on Dec. 27 (J.E.). See pp. 68, 73.

158. MARSH TERN.

Naracoorte district (SE), large breeding colonies on all reedy swamps (A.A.).

*159. GULL-BILLED TERN.

Murray R. between Murray Bridge and Tailem Bend (MM), one adult and one immature, Jan. 10 (C.J.); L. Alexandrina (MM), odd birds May-June (J.E.); Naracoorte-Moyhall Road (SE), 28 on Nov. 10,

Flying young seen Dec. 30 (A.A.); Lake George, Beachport (SE), 24 young banded Jan. 12 (M.W.).

160. CASPIAN TERN.

Lipson Cove (EP), 250 on Sept. 19 (D.B.).

165. CRESTED TERN.

Jones Is. (EP), 500+ nesting Aug. 24, Lipson Cove (EP), 2000+ nesting Dec. 20 (D.B.); Beachport (SE), "vast numbers" breeding in Dec.; more than in 1963 (D.M.).

166. FAIRY TERN.

I.C.I. salt pans (AP), ca. 180 on March 22 (D.P.), 180-200 on May 17 (F.C., G.C.); Bluff Is., Coorong (MM), 174 young banded (M.W.).

*169. DIAMOND DOVE.

Cooltong (MM), less comon than Peaceful Dove (K.B.M.).

174. CRESTED PIGEON.

South Parklands, Adelaide (AP), a flock of 24, Feb. 29 (G.C.).

176. BURMESE SPOTTED DOVE.

Berri (MM), "First River Murray report from Master R. Tucker" in Oct. (K.B.M.); Waikerie (MM), reported twice to D.M. up to Aug.; Langhorne Creek area (MM), common all year, mainly near towns but spreading (J.E.).

178. MUSK LORIKEET.

South of Riverton (LN), a number in flowering gums, Nov. 28; "Owner said that this year there were very few compared with normal" (D.M.); Nuriootpa (MLR), 4 on March 30 (R.G.).

179. PURPLE-CROWNED LORIKEET.

Waikerie (MM), several records, May, June and Oct. (D.M.).

*180. LITTLE LORIKEET

Caves Range (SE), 4 on Sept. 27 (A.A.); Tantanoola area (SE), uncommon (R.J.P.G.).

*181. RED-TAILED BLACK COCKATOO.

Comaum (SE), 12 on Oct. 11, feeding on stringybark seeds (A.A.).

183. YELLOW-TAILED BLACK COCKATOO.

Salt Ck. (MM), ca. 100; feed on banksia (W.H.); Tantanoola area (SE), common all year, generally around pine forests. Flock of ca. 5000 in Nov. (R.J.P.G.).

*186. PINK COCKATOO.

North-east of Renmark (MM), 2 in May (B.G.); north of Waikerie (MM), 2 nesting, Sept. (D.M.).

187. LITTLE CORELLA.

Laura (LN), 400+ on Jan 8; Jamestown (LN), 500+ on Jan. 13. Numerous throughout this area in small to large flocks. Numbers represent largest single flocks observed (F.C.); Yacka (LN), ca. 100 on March 24 (B.G.); Berri area (MM), common, mainly in redgum creeks in northern pastoral lands, occasionally along Murray R. (K.B.M.).

188. CORELLA.

Naracoorte area (SE), present throughout year; a flock of 200 observed feeding on oats put out for sheep (A.A.).

190. COCKATIEL.

The large numbers that visited southern S.A. during spring of 1963 departed early in 1964. In spring the species reappeared over a large area (AP, LN, MLR, MM, SE and YP) but in much smaller numbers.

*191. ROCK PEBBLER.

Waikerie-Taylorville (MM), occasional small flocks of 8-12, July-Sept.; Little Tootunka Flat near Waikerie (MM), 2 possibly nesting in same limb as a pair of Cockatiel; north-east of Berri (MM), 2 on Oct. 18 (D.M.).

196. MALLEE PARROT.

Occurs at least as far south as the Salt Ck. area (MM) (resident and common, W.H.) and Padthaway and Lochaber (SE) (resident, breeds, A.A.).

200. BLUE BONNET.

Few records, the most southerly being Milang and Mulgandawa (MM), single individuals seen (J.E.), and Salt Ck. area (MM), ca. 4 (W.H.).

*201. SCARLET-CHESTED PARROT.

North-west of Monash (MM), reported to K.B.M. in Oct.

*204. BLUE-WINGED PARROT.

Nth. Glenelg (AP), 3 on Sept. 16, 2 on Sept. 24 (B.G.); Sutherlands (MM), 2 on Sept. 20 (B.G.), up to 50 seen on several days in Oct. (E.B.); Winkie (MM), 3, May (K.B.M.); 40 miles east of Salt Ck. (MM), ca. 10, June (W.H.); Lochaber (SE), one on March 7, Bool Lagoon (SE), one on April 4

(A.A.); Compton (SE), 2, nesting, May 7, Kongorong (SE), 2 on Nov. 8, excavating hollow in post (P.P.); Tantanoola area (SE), common March-April until early Dec.; mainly small flocks but flock of 100 seen during April (R.J.P.G.).

205. ELEGANT PARROT.

Waitpinga Beach (MLR), 20+ on Feb. 15; appears to be resident and relatively numerous (B.G.); Langhorne Ck. area (MM), common all year (J.E.); Salt Ck. area (MM), ca. 50; also along coast (W.H.).

206. ROCK PARROT.

Outer Harbour (AP), max. reported 59, April 26 (G.C.); no reports after April. Reported from several localities in EP, mostly small numbers, also 500+ at Rabbit Is., Oct. 18, and 50+, nesting, Garden Is., Sept. 19 (D.B.).

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*207. SWIFT PARROT.

Hawthorndene (MLR), ca. 6 on Sept. 2 and 3 (B.G.).

208. BUDGERYGAH.

The very large numbers reported in 1963 mostly left the southern part of the State early in 1964, and smaller numbers returned in spring over a much smaller area (AP, LN and MM), the only report of large numbers being from near Taylorville (MM) of ca. 5000 feeding on a speargrass plain, Dec. 15 (D.M.).

211. PALLID CUCKOO.

Appeared to be more numerous than in 1963, and recorded from many areas in southern portion of State, from late May.

212. FANTAILED CUCKOO.

Few records, from MLR, MM and SE.

*213. BLACK-EARED CUCKOO.

Sutherlands (MM) one on Sept. 20 (B.G.); Chauncy's Line (MM), one on July 29 (M.D.); Jervois (MM), Sept. 19 (M.W.); Joanna (SE), one young being fed by a pair of *Hylacola*, Oct. 3 (A.A.).

*215. GOLDEN BRONZE-CUCKOO.

Koolburra area (MM), one on Sept. 19 (M.W.); Naracoorte (SE), seen from early spring to end of year; breeds (A.A.).

224. SPOTTED NIGHTJAR.

Saint Kilda (AP), one during March (M.W.); near One Tree Hill (MLR), one flushed from road, April 12 (G.C.).

*225. SPINE-TAILED SWIFT.

Tantanoola area (SE), 4+ on March 25, before thunderstorm (R.J.P.G.).

229. RED-BACKED KINGFISHER.

Hilltown (LN), one on Jan. 28 (F.C.); Hartley (MLR), 2 on Jan. 19 (J.E., R.C., L.P.); Waikerie area (MM), large numbers in mallee country during summer, but not seen after April (D.M.).

231. RAINBOW BIRD.

One of a breeding pair banded near Gawler (AP) in Dec. 1963, nesting only 10 yards from 1963 burrow on Dec. 2, 1964, with an unbanded mate (M.W.).

233. SKYLARK.

The exact range of this introduced species should not be difficult to discover because of its distinctive song, which may be heard most of the year (April to Jan.). On the Adelaide Plains it was reported inland as far as Thorndon Park, Northfield and Gawler (B.G.). All other records from lower MM, Langhorne Ck. (J.E.), Hindmarsh Is. (D.P.), and Policeman's Point (F.C. et al.).

*234. HORSEFIELD BUSHLARK.

Langhorne Ck. area (MM), common all year except winter (J.E.); Bool Lagoon plains (SE), plentiful, but the only area it inhabits in the Naracoorte district (A.A.).

235. WELCOME SWALLOW.

One banded as a brood of 4 at St. Kilda (AP), recovered at Kimba (EP), 168 miles distant (M.W.).

*240. GROUND CUCKOO-SHRIKE.

Gawler Ranges (EP), 7 on Aug. 22 (M.D.); Calperum (MM), 6 in Sept. (K.B.M.).

*242. LITTLE CUCKOO-SHRIKE.

Langhorne Ck. (MM), one in Aug. (specimen to S.A. Museum) (J.E.); Caves Range (SE), 2 on Sept. 5; Padthaway (SE), 2 on Sept. 12 (A.A.).

243. WHITE-WINGED TRILLER.

Not reported from many areas in which plentiful in 1963. All records from MM—Berri, common early, scarce later (K.B.M.); Langhorne Ck., first seen in early Oct; common early, scarce later (J.E.); Salt Ck. area, 4 (W.H.).

244. BLACKBIRD.

Clare (LN), one male May 8; Telowie Gorge (LN), one male Sept. 18 (B.G.); Blackwood (MLR), 4 broods (4, 3, 3, 1) reared in garden by same pair (C.J.); Langhorne Ck. area (MM), common all year (J.E.); Policeman's Point (MM), well established in coast wattle and teatree areas, Oct. 10-12 (F.C. et al.); 7 miles east of Salt Ck. (MM), a few in thick teatree scrubs (W.H.); Moorak (SE), one calling Aug. 30 (P.P.); Tantanoola area (SE), uncommon, all year (R.J.P.G.); Beachport (SE), large numbers in Jan., only odd birds in Dec. (D.M.).

*245. GROUND THRUSH.

Beachport (SE), one on Dec. 27 (D.M.).

247. WEDGEBILL.

Eremophila Flat, north-east of Berri (MM), one bird, three times in Sept. (J.M.); all other records from Upper LN.

252 SOUTHERN SCRUB ROBIN.

Waikerie area (MM), one banded May 29, 2 banded Aug. 22 (D.M.); Padthaway (SE), one in teatree, Sept. 12; Jip-Jip Rocks (SE), one in mallee, Aug. 26 (A.A.).

*257 CRIMSON CHAT

Rawnsley Park, 25 miles north of Hawker (NE), 2 on Nov. 4 (N.G.).

*258. ORANGE CHAT.

Hallett (LN), 15 on Jan 16 (F.C.); Rawnsley Park (NE), 2 on Nov. 4 (N.G.); one mile north of L. Bonney (MM), one on Oct. 18 (D.M.); Morpena Stn. (NE), Sept. 9 (K.B.M.).

260. WHITE-THROATED WARBLER.

Mount Burr Forest, and Furner (SE). See p. 75.

262. WEEBILL.

Telowie Gorge (LN), Sept. 18 (B.G.).

*275. REDTHROAT.

Recorded from Olary (LN) (B.G.); Morgan (MM), (D.M.); and Eremophila Flat, north-east of Berri (MM) (K.B.M.).

281. RUFOUS SONGLARK.

Very few records. Apparently much less common than in 1963.

282. RUFOUS BRISTLE-BIRD.

Extends along the Coorong to at least Policeman's Point (MM), "Possibly common; seen 3 times, heard frequently in coast wattle thickets, Oct. 10-12" (F.C. et al.).

*287. SOUTHERN EMU-WREN.

Comaum (SE), 4 in thick undergrowth on edge of a swamp, Sept. 7 (A.A.).

290. SUPERB BLUE WREN.

One immature male, banded at Chain of Ponds (MLR), Aug. 14, 1963, recovered at Gumeracha (MLR), 4 miles distant, June 27, 1964 (M.W.). Along the Murray River (MM), is common from the eastern border to the vicinity of Overland Corner and Woolpunda, is absent from Waikerie and Morgan (being replaced by the Purple-backed Wren), but again becomes common south of Swan Reach (B.G., D.M., K.B.M.).

*291. BLACK-BACKED WREN.

South-west of Waikerie (MM), one male banded, Nov. 7 (D.M.); Peebinga-Pinnaroo area (MM), one on Oct. 10 (M.W.).

[*295 BLUE-BREASTED WREN.

Two miles south of Port Lincoln (EP), 8 birds in female-type plumage in light coastal mallee were probably this species—based upon known ranges of the Purple-backed and Blue-breasted Wrens (F.C.)].

300. SCARLET ROBIN.

Parilla (MM), one female, May 7 (F.C.); Langhorne Ck area (MM), common all year (J.E.); Salt Creek area (MM), common (W.H.).

302. FLAME ROBIN.

First recorded early April from the Langhorne Ck. area (MM) (J.E., R.C.) and the Naracoorte area (SE) (A.A.); last seen early Aug., Langhorne Ck. area (J.E.), Aug. 28, Naracoorte area (A.A.) and Aug. 30, Moorak (SE) (P.P.); unusual locality records are Gladstone area (LN), one on June 23, and Parilla (MM), one on May 7 (F.C.).

305A. LEADEN FLYCATCHER.

Beaumont (AP). See p. 73.

305B. SATIN FLYCATCHER.

Langhorne Ck. (MM). See p. 73.

314. OLIVE WHISTLER.

Policeman's Point (MM), 2 banded May 19; Beachport (SE), 3 banded Dec. 26 (D.M.).

315. GREY SHRIKE-THRUSH.

"Ngeringa," Frances (SE), a pair nested in an old paint tin on garage wall; 3 eggs, 2 young fledged (E.L.).

316. EASTERN SHRIKE-TIT.

Eremophila Flat, near Berri (MM), one seen Sept. 19 and 20. First known record for Murray R. in S.A. (K.B.M.).

*322. WHITE-BROWED TREE-CREEPER.

26 miles north-east of Renmark (MM), one banded May 28 (D.M., K.B.M.).

324. SPOTTED PARDALOTE.

Salt Ck. area (MM), 2 nests discovered (W.H.); Naracoorte district (SE), plentiful all year (A.A.); Tantanoola area (SE), single birds all year (R.J.P.G.).

325. YELLOW-TAILED PARDALOTE.

Waitpinga (MLR), one immature banded Feb. 15 (B.G.); a few on April 26 (F.C. et al.); Tantanoola area (SE), seen occasionally (R.J.P.G.).

328. GREY-BACKED SILVEREYE.

Blewitt Springs (MLR), very large numbers, May to July; 3-400 noted in an olive orchard (C.J.); Waikerie (MM), huge numbers from Nov. 1963 until end of April 1964, then only odd birds to end of Aug. (D.M.); Coorong (MM) and Beachport (SE), vast numbers seen (2667 banded); retraps show big influx of new birds from Dec. 1963 to March 1964 (D.M.); Wooley's Lake (SE), a bird banded Jan 12, recovered Port Fairy (Vict.) May 22, 138 miles from banding point (M.W.).

331. BLACK HONEYEATER.

In the Berri and Waikerie areas (MM) was much less numerous than in 1963 (D.M., K.B.M.); the only report of any numbers of this species was of "many," 11 miles south-west of Waikerie (D.M.); Peebinga (MM), 3 banded Oct. 6-10 (M.W.).

[*334. FUSCOUS HONEYEATER.

Berri (MM), honeyeaters believed to be of this species recorded 3 or 4 times. D. M. Cornish who knows the species fairly well considered that it was without doubt the Fuscous Honeyeater. The bird has been seen

from within a few feet and the somewhat similar Yellow-fronted Honeyeater is well known and has been handled whilst banding (K.B.M.).]

*337. YELLOW-FRONTED HONEYEATER.

Telowie Gorge (LN), numerous on Sept. 18 (B.G.); Berri area (MM), uncommon, inhabiting dense mallee well inland (K.B.M.); banded at Peebinga (MM), Oct. 6-11 (M.W.)

338. PURPLE-GAPED HONEYEATER.

Block F scrub, Hundred of Munderoo (LN), recorded Oct. 15 (F.C.).

340. WHITE-PLUMED HONEYEATER.

Numerous in roadside mallee between Blyth and Lochiel (LN) on April 14 (B.G.).

344. BLACK-CHINNED HONEYEATER.

In MLR recorded only from the Blackwood-Hawthorndene area (throughout the year) (B.G., C.J.); also reported from SE.

347. STRIPED HONEYEATER.

Berri area (MM); occasionally occur on river flats, and not uncommon in mallee, mulga and "oak" (K.B.M.); not recorded in Waikerie area (MM) during the period 1960-64, but "could be said to be common north of Renmark" (MM) (D.B.M.).

351. WHITE-FRONTED HONEYEATER.

Eremophila Flat, near Berri (MM), very few in spring compared with large numbers in 1963 (K.B.M.); Parilla (MM) 2 on May 7 (F.C.).

354. NOISY MINER.

Several in roadside mallee between Yacka and Koolunga (LN) on March 17 (B.G.).

355. YELLOW-THROATED MINER.

Two Wells (AP), a flock on July 11 (B.B.); Weapons Research Establishment, Salisbury (AP), a few present throughout the year (G.C.).

*356. BLACK-EARED MINER.

Berri area (MM); more common than Yellow-throated Miner in mallee—"have seen 50 in one flock come in to drink" (K.B.M.); Waikerie area (MM) one on Aug. 30 (D.M.).

359. LITTLE WATTLE-BIRD.

Nuriotpa (MLR), 6 on March 30 (R.G.).

362. GOLDFINCH.

Condon's *Handlist* does not include Eyre Pen. within the range of this species. Small numbers were recorded at Port Lincoln, Little Swamp, Lake Wangary, White's River, Charlton and Minniribie by D.B.

363. GREENFINCH.

Additional locality records for the South-East are from Moorak (odd birds) (P.P.), Tantanoola area (uncommon, all year) and Mt. Gambier (common, all year) (R.J.P.G.).

*366. BEAUTIFUL FIRETAIL.

Rocky River (KI), several in Oct. (D.P.); 7 miles east of Salt Ck. (MM), small groups; more plentiful nearer coast (W.H.); Policeman's Point (MM), 6+, Oct. 10-12 (F.C. et al.); Stony Well, Coorong (MM), 2 immature birds banded Dec. 26 (M.W.).

367. DIAMOND FIRETAIL.

Reports from several places in EP, LN, MLR, MM and SE, but appears to be generally uncommon.

368. ZEBRA FINCH.

Berri (MM), numerous in places, either in citrus plantations or plains inland; never in mallee (K.B.M.); Waikerie (MM), huge numbers March-April in groups of up to 2000 (50% immatures), which dispersed to groups of 10-20 after May, and were still evident up to Aug.; even seen in mallee (D.M.).

372. COMMON MYNAH.

Appears to be confined to the Kilburn-Blair Athol-Enfield area (AP), with a communal roost in a foundry where 84 were counted leaving on the morning of April 11 (G.C.).

*377. WHITE-BREASTED WOOD-SWALLOW.

Waikerie area (MM), a small flock recorded in mallee, with White-browed Wood-Swallows (D.M.).

378. MASKED WOOD-SWALLOW.

Seven miles south-west of Waikerie (MM), ca. 200 on Nov. 7, with White-browed Wood-Swallows; had disappeared by Nov. 21 (D.M.). Few other reports, from LN and MM.

379. WHITE-BROWED WOOD-SWALLOW.

All reports from MM. Both this and the previous species were much less widespread and in smaller numbers than in 1963.

380. BLACK-FACED WOOD-SWALLOW.

Langhorne Ck. (MM), one on June 29 (J.E.).

383. PIED BUTCHER-BIRD.

No records south of the Morgan to eastern border section of the Murray River.

384. GREY BUTCHER-BIRD.

Only record from MLR, Morialta Reserve, one on May 18 (G.C.); Langhorne Ck. area (MM), see *S.A. Ornith.*, 24, 1964, p. 44. Tantanoola (SE), common throughout year in town, rarer in surrounding districts (R.J.P.G.).

*389. LITTLE CROW.

Cowell (EP), one; Minnipa (EP), common, but less numerous than Ravens; Kimba (EP), more seen than Ravens—all May 19-22 (F.C.); Port Germein (LN), heard on Sept. 18 (B.G.); Jamestown (LN), 200 at slaughter yard, with Ravens, Jan. 16 (F.C.); Sutherlandlands (MM), heard on Sept. 20 (B.G.).

SPECIES RECORDED BUT NOT INCLUDED IN THE REPORT

8 Little Grebe, 47 White-faced Heron, 49 Nankeen Night Heron, 51 Brown Bittern, 60 Chestnut-breasted Shelduck, 64 Black Duck, 65 Mallard, 73 Musk Duck, 79 Whistling Kite, 81 Brown Goshawk, 82 Collared Sparrowhawk, 84 Wedge-tailed Eagle, 91 Brown Falcon, 110 Dusky Moorhen, 111 Bald Coot, 117 Spur-winged Plover, 123 Red-capped Dotterel, 127 Black-fronted Dotterel, 147 White-headed Stilt, 156 Pacific Gull, 168 Peaceful Dove, 170 Common Bronzewing, 171 Brush Bronzewing, 175 Rock Pigeon, 177 Blue Mountain Lorikeet, 185 White Cockatoo, 189 Galah, 194 Crimson, Adelaide and Yellow Rosellas, 195 Eastern Rosella, 197 Port Lincoln Parrot, 198 Red-rumped Parrot, 199 Mulga Parrot, 214 Horsefield Bronzewing, 217 Barn Owl, 219 Boobook Owl, 222 Tawny Frogmouth, 223 Owlet Nightjar, 228 Kookaburra, 230 Sacred Kingfisher, 236 White-backed Swallow, 237 Tree Martin, 238 Fairy Martin, 239 Pipit, 241 Black-faced Cuckoo-Shrike, 249 Chestnut Quail-Thrush, 254 White-browed Babbler, 255 Chestnut-

- crowned Babbler, 256 White-fronted Chat, 263 Whiteface, 266 Striated Thornbill, 267 Little Thornbill, 268 Brown Thornbill, 270 Chestnut-tailed Thornbill, 271 Dark Thornbill, 272 Buff-tailed Thornbill, 273 Yellow-tailed Thornbill, 274 Scrub-Wren (White-browed and Spotted), 276 Chestnut-tailed Ground-Wren, 277 Shy Ground-Wren, 278 Striated Field-Wren, 280 Brown Song-lark, 293 Blue-and-White Wren, 294 Purple-backed Wren, 296 Little Grassbird, 297 Reed Warbler, 298 Golden-headed Fantail Warbler, 299 Jacky Winter, 301 Red-capped Robin, 304 Hooded Robin, 305 Yellow-Robin (Southern), 306 Restless Flycatcher, 307 Grey Fantail, 309 Willie Wagtail, 310 Golden Whistler, 311 Rufous Whistler, 313 Gilbert Whistler, 317 Crested Bellbird, 318 Black-capped Sittella, 319 Brown Tree-Creeper, 321 White-throated Tree-Creeper, 323 Mistletoe Bird, 326 Striated Pardalote, 333 Singing Honeyeater, 335 Yellow-plumed Honeyeater, 336 Yellow-faced Honeyeater, 341 White-eared Honeyeater, 342 Blue-faced Honeyeater, 343 White-naped Honeyeater, 346 Brown-headed Honeyeater, 348 Eastern Spinebill, 349 Towny-crowned Honeyeater, 350 Crescent Honeyeater, 352 Yellow-winged Honeyeater, 357 Spiny-cheeked Honeyeater, 358 Red Wattle-Bird, 360 Little Friar-Bird, 364 Red-browed Finch, 369 House Sparrow, 371 Starling, 374 Magpie-Lark, 376 White-winged Chough, 381 Dusky Wood-Swallow, 382 Grey (Black-winged and Brown) Currawong, 385 White-backed and Black-backed Magpies, 388 Raven.

BIRD REPORT, 1964 — CORRECTION

Mr. K. B. Mack has reported that the miners reported by him as Black-eared Miners were actually Yellow-throated Miners. He has no personal record of the Black-eared Miner from the Berri area.
