

EXTENSION OF RED-BREASTED BABBLER'S RANGE

On 17th September, 1970, Stephen Walker and Rex Ellis saw a small group of babblers, some at least with red breasts, fifty miles east of Kingoonya. These they identified as Red-breasted Babblers (*Pomatostomus temporalis intermedius*, a sub-species of the Grey-crowned Babbler). This observation was made some 230 miles south of the species' known limits of distribution.

Other recent records come from an area about 150 miles further south-east, and twenty-five miles north of Kimba. 'Babblers with reddish breasts with a clear line of demarcation' were twice reported on 12th-13th October, during the S.A.O.A. campout, by Messrs. M. S. McNamara, J. McNamara and Gordon Leiblich. They were again seen at later dates by Gordon Leiblich.

White-browed Babblers (*Pomatostomus superciliosus*) were also reported in both localities. Members visiting these regions should take careful note of all babblers, and make a full description of any with reddish breasts.

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