

Sixth Supplement to the Checklist

Pygoscelis papua (Forster) 1781 (*Comment. Götting.*, 140, pl. 3) Gentoo Penguin, is added to the Australian list as an accidental visitor.

Reference: W. B. Alexander, *Emu*, 26, 1926, 137.

No. 6. *Megapodius reinwardt* becomes **Megapodius freycinet** Gaimard, 1823 (*Bull. Gen. Univ. Annon.*, 2, 451; Waigou Is.).

Reference: E. Mayr, *Amer. Mus. Novitates*, 1006, 1938.

No. 51. *Porzana plumbea* becomes **Porzana tabuensis** (Gmelin) 1789 (*Syst. Nat.*, 12 ed., 1, 717) on the score of priority.

Reference: D. Amadon, *Amer. Mus. Novitates*, 1175, 1942.

No. 110. *Chlidonias leucopareia* becomes **Chlidonias hybrida** (Pallas) (*Zoogr. Rosso. Asiat.*, 11, 338, 1811) on the score of priority.

Reference: Witherby, Jourdain, Ticehurst and Tucker, *Handbook of British Birds*, 1, 1941, 199, and G. M. Mathews, *Emu*, 33, 1934, 322.

Sterna hirundo Linnæus, 1758 (*Syst. Nat.*, 10 ed., 1, 137; Europe) Common Tern, is added to the Australian list as an accidental visitor.

Reference: K. A. Hindwood, *Emu*, 44, 1944, 41-43.

Procelsterna cerulea F. D. Bennett (*Narr. Whaling Voy.*, 1840, 2, 248; Christmas Is., Pacific Ocean) Grey Noddy, is added to the Australian list as an accidental visitor.

Reference: T. Iredale, *Emu*, 28, 1929, 290-291; K. A. Hindwood, *Emu*, 49, 1949, 62-63.

No. 143. *Charadrius ruficapillus*, Red-capped Dotterel, becomes **Charadrius alexandrinus** Linnæus, 1758 (*Syst. Nat.*, 10 ed., 1, 150; Egypt), as it is considered a race of the Old World bird.

Reference: O. Neumann, *Novitates Zoologicae*, 35, 1929, 212-216; J. L. Peters, *Check-List of Birds of the World*, 2, 1934, 250.

No. 149. *Numenius cyanopus* becomes **Numenius madagascariensis** Linnæus, 1766 (*Syst. Nat.*, 12 ed., 1, 242; Madagascar, error = Macassar).

Reference: O. Neumann, *Ornith. Monatsber.*, 37, 1929, 150; *Anz. Ornith. Gessell. Bayern*, 2, 1932, 150.

No. 161. *Erolia testacea* (Vroeg) becomes **Erolia ferruginea** (Pontoppidan) 1763 (*Danske Atlas*, 1, 624) on the score of priority.

Reference: E. Stresemann, *Ornith. Monatsber.*, 49, 1941, 21.

The American Pectoral Sandpiper, **Erolia melanotos**

Previous Supplements were published as follows: vol. 41, 1941, 87-88 and 213; vol. 44, 1944, 151-153; vol. 46, 1946, 70; vol. 47, 1947, 157.

(Vieillot) 1819 (*Nouv. Dict. d'Hist. Nat.*, 34, 462; Paraguay) is added to the Australian list as a casual visitor.

Reference: A. Brooks, *Auk*, 53, 1936, 81.

No. 170. *Rostratula australis* becomes *Rostratula benghalensis* (Linnaeus) 1758 (*Syst. Nat.*, 10 ed., 1, 153; Asia) as it is considered a race of that species.

Reference: E. Hartert, *Die Vögel der palaarktischen Fauna*, 2, 1921, 1671-1674; J. L. Peters, *Check-List of Birds of the World*, 2, 1934, 230.

No. 172. *Glareola maldivarum* becomes *Glareola pratincola* (Linnaeus) 1766 (*Syst. Nat.*, 12 ed., 1, 345—"Habitat ad littora Europae australioris; in Austriæ pratis apricis") as it is considered a race of that species.

Reference: A. C. Meinertzhagen, *The Ibis*, 1927, 492-494; J. Delacour, *Birds of Malaysia*, 1948.

No. 190. *Notophoxyx aruensis* becomes *Notophoxyx picata* (Gould) 1845 (*Proceedings Zoological Society of London*, 62; Port Essington, N.T.) as the latter name is not considered pre-occupied by *Ardea picta* Raffles, 1822.

Reference: G. M. Mathews, *Systema Avium Austral.*, part 1, 1927, 198; J. L. Peters, *Check-List of Birds of the World*, 1, 1931, 102.

No. 203. *Chenopsis atrata* becomes *Cygnus atratus*, there being insufficient differences to warrant retention of the genus *Chenopsis*.

Reference: Delacour and Mayr, *Wilson Bulletin*, 57, 1945, 8.

The genera *Querquedula* and *Spatula* are included in the genus *Anas*, there being insufficient grounds for retention of the first two genera.

No. 209. *Querquedula querquedula* becomes *Anas querquedula*.

No. 210. *Querquedula castanea* becomes *Anas castanea*.

No. 211. *Querquedula gibberifrons* becomes *Anas gibberifrons*.

No. 212. *Spatula rhynchotis* becomes *Anas rhynchotis*.

Spatula clypeata becomes *Anas clypeata*.

Reference: Delacour and Mayr, *Wilson Bulletin*, 57, 1945, 3-55.

No. 215. *Nyroca australis* becomes *Aythya australis* (Eyton) on the score of priority.

Reference: Witherby, Jourdain, Ticehurst and Tucker, *Handbook of British Birds*, 3, 1939, 331, 286; B.O.U. Committee, *Ibis*, 1939, 522.

Nos. 220 and 221. The goshawks are placed in the genus *Accipiter* Brisson, 1760, as no clear characters have been found to separate the genus *Astur* Lacepede, 1799, from the genus *Accipiter*.

No. 220. *Astur novæ-hollandiæ* becomes *Accipiter novæ-hollandiæ*.

No. 221. *Astur fasciatus* becomes *Accipiter fasciatus*.

Reference: E. Hartert, *Die Vögel der palaarktischen Fauna*, 2, 1914, 1145-1151; J. L. Peters, *Check-List of Birds of the World*, 1, 1931, 205.

No. 242 *Ninox boobook*, no. 243 *Ninox ocellata*, no. 244 *Ninox lurida* and no. 245 *Ninox novæ-seelandiæ* are considered conspecific and, on the score of priority, are listed under the last name.

Reference: G. M. Mathews, *The Birds of Australia*, 5, 1916, 313-314; J. L. Peters, *Check-List of Birds of the World*, 4, 1940, 138-140. *Ninox yorki* N. W. Cayley, 1929, *Emu*, 28, 162; Cape York, N.Q., and *Ninox ooldeæensis* N. W. Cayley, 1929, *Emu*, 28, 163; 407 miles East-West Line, S.A., are not recognized as specifically distinct and should be treated as synonyms of *Ninox novæ-seelandiæ*.

No. 261 *Opopsitta cozeni*, no. 262 *Opopsitta leadbeateri* and *Opopsitta marshalli* T. Iredale, 1946, *Emu*, 46, 1; N.Q. are considered to be forms of *Opopsitta diophthalma* (Hombron & Jacquinot), 1841 (*Ann. Sci. Nat.*, 16, 318; south coast of New Guinea).

Reference: J. L. Peters, *Check-List of Birds of the World*, 3, 1937, 166; E. Mayr, *Emu*, 47, 1947, 54-55.

Page 55. While it was considered by the Committee of the second (1926) edition of the *Checklist* that the genus *Apus* Scopoli, 1777, was not invalidated by the prior *Apos* Scopoli, 1777, for a genus of crustacea, the name *Micropus* for the Fork-tailed Swift was used to conform with British and American usage. The Checklist Committees of the B.O.U. and A.O.U., however, now accept the use of *Apus* Scopoli, 1777, so the family name of the swifts is altered from Micropodidae to Apodidae and no. 335 *Micropus pacificus* (Latham), 1801, becomes *Apus pacificus* (Latham), 1801.

No. 361. *Rhipidura flabellifera* being but a mutant of *Rhipidura fuliginosa* (Sparrrman), 1787 (*Mus. Carlson*, fasc., 2, no. 47; South Is., N.Z.), the latter becomes the valid species name.

Reference: E. Stresemann, *Journ. für Orn.*, 71, 1923, 512-516.

Coracina gascoynensis Ashby, 1930, *Emu*, 30, 190; Gascoyne River, W.A., is considered a race of no. 424 *Coracina novæ-hollandiæ*.

No. 430. *Lalage tricolor* White-winged Triller becomes *Lalage sueurii* (Vicillot), 1818 (*Nouv. Dict. d'Hist. Nat.*, 20, 270), as it is considered a race of that species.

Reference: E. Mayr, *Emu*, 40, 1940, 112.

Calamanthus winiam A. G. Campbell, 1927, *Emu*, 27, 80; Winiam, south Nhill, Vict., is considered to be a race of no. 502 *Calamanthus campestris*.