

NSW ORNITHOLOGICAL RECORDS APPRAISAL COMMITTEE (ORAC)

REVIEW LIST

(Revised January 23, 2018)

The following list comprises birds that are considered rare in NSW based on reported observations over a preceding ten year period to a maximum average of 1.5 records per year. NSW ORAC encourages anyone sighting these species to take comprehensive notes, photographs where possible and to supply substantiation by other observers where appropriate. Details of the sighting should be forwarded to the Secretary of NSW ORAC by way of an Unusual Record Report (URR) Form available electronically from the Secretary, Roger McGovern, at roglou@bigpond.net.au or by mail via 1/67 Cremorne Road, Cremorne NSW 2090.

This list does not include any of those species on the Birdlife Australia Rarities Committee (BARC) Review List. In order to maintain consistency with the BARC Review List, the NSW ORAC Review List taxonomy is based on the IOC Checklist v7.3

Common Ostrich	<i>Struthio camelus</i> (1)
Cape Barren Goose	<i>Cereopsis novaehollandiae</i>
Cotton Pygmy Goose	<i>Nettapus coromandelianus</i> (9)
Green Pygmy Goose	<i>Nettapus pulchellus</i>
Northern Shoveler	<i>Anas clypeata</i>
Garganey	<i>Anas querquedula</i>
Fiordland Penguin	<i>Eudyptes pachyrhynchus</i>
Macaroni Penguin	<i>Eudyptes chrysolophus</i>
Southern Royal Albatross	<i>Diomedea epomophora</i>
Northern Royal Albatross	<i>Diomedea sanfordi</i>
Sooty Albatross	<i>Phoebetria fusca</i>
Light-mantled Albatross	<i>Phoebetria palpebrata</i>
Salvin's Albatross	<i>Thalassarche salvini</i>
Grey-headed Albatross	<i>Thalassarche chrysostoma</i>
Southern Fulmar	<i>Fulmarus glacialisoides</i>
Blue Petrel	<i>Halobaena caerulea</i>
Salvin's Prion	<i>Pachyptila salvini</i>
Kerguelen Petrel	<i>Aphrodroma brevirostris</i>

Great-winged Petrel	<i>Pterodroma macroptera</i>
Soft-plumaged Petrel	<i>Pterodroma mollis</i>
Mottled Petrel	<i>Pterodroma inexpectata</i>
Black-winged Petrel	<i>Pterodroma nigripennis</i> (2)
Grey Petrel	<i>Procellaria cinerea</i>
Little Shearwater	<i>Puffinus assimilis</i> (2)
Grey-backed Storm Petrel	<i>Garrodia nereis</i> (10)
Pied Heron	<i>Egretta picata</i>
Great Frigatebird	<i>Fregata minor</i>
Red-footed Booby	<i>Sula sula</i>
Black-faced Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax fuscescens</i> (3)
Red Goshawk	<i>Erythrotriorchis radiatus</i>
Red-backed Buttonquail	<i>Turnix maculosus</i>
Black-breasted Buttonquail	<i>Turnix melanogaster</i>
Asian Dowitcher	<i>Limnodromus semipalmatus</i>
Little Curlew	<i>Numenius minutus</i>
Common Redshank	<i>Tringa tetanus</i>
Little Stint	<i>Calidris minuta</i>
Long-toed Stint	<i>Calidris subminuta</i>
Red-necked Phalarope	<i>Phalaropus lobatus</i>
Oriental Pratincole	<i>Glareola maldivarum</i>
Common Gull-billed Tern	<i>Gelochelidon nilotica</i> (affinis)
Fairy Tern	<i>Sternula nereis</i> (4)
Bridled Tern	<i>Onychoprion anaethetus</i>
Roseate Tern	<i>Sterna dougalli</i>
Black-naped Tern	<i>Sterna sumatrana</i>
Flock Bronzewing	<i>Phaps histrionica</i> (5)

Squatter Pigeon	<i>Geophaps scripta</i>
Torresian Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula spilorrhoea</i>
Purple-crowned Lorikeet	<i>Glossopsitta porphyrocephala</i>
Bourke's Parrot	<i>Neopsephotus bourkii</i>
Elegant Parrot	<i>Neophema elegans</i>
Orange-bellied Parrot	<i>Neophema chrysogaster</i>
Scarlet-chested Parrot	<i>Neophema splendida</i>
Double-eyed Fig Parrot	<i>Cyclopsitta diophthalma</i>
Australian Swiftlet	<i>Aerodramus terraereginae</i>
Eyrean Grasswren	<i>Amytornis goyderi</i>
Thick-billed Grasswren	<i>Amytornis modestus</i> (6)
Purple-gaped Honeyeater	<i>Lichenostomus cratitius</i>
Black-eared Miner	<i>Manorina melanotis</i>
Banded Honeyeater	<i>Cissomela pectoralis</i>
Dusky Honeyeater	<i>Myzomela obscura</i>
Banded Whiteface	<i>Aphelocephala nigrincincta</i>
Red-lored Whistler	<i>Pachycephala rufogularis</i> (7)
Shining Flycatcher	<i>Myiagra alecto</i>
House Crow	<i>Corvus splendens</i>
Pink Robin	<i>Petroica rodinogaster</i> (8)
Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>
Canary White-eye	<i>Zosterops luteus</i>
Metallic Starling	<i>Aplonis metallica</i>
Song Thrush	<i>Turdus philomelos</i> (2)
Olive-backed Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris jugularis</i>
Painted Finch	<i>Emblema pictum</i>
Black-throated Finch	<i>Poephila cincta</i>

NOTES:

- 1) except for the known population in the Barham region
- 2) except for Lord Howe Island
- 3) except for the far South Coast
- 4) except south of Sydney
- 5) except for the Upper and Lower far western region of NSW
- 6) except for the known population near Packsaddle
- 7) except for Yathong, Nombinnie and Round Hill
- 8) except for the far South Coast and the Southern Highlands
- 9) except within 100km from the Queensland border
- 10) except for sightings south of Ulladulla

COMMENTS ON THIS REVISION:

- Oriental Plover has been removed from the list due to the number of records in the past few years
- Great-winged Petrel has been added to the list since being split from Grey-faced Petrel
- Black-winged Petrel has been added to the list (except for Lord Howe Island) as there have been only five reports of this species since 2000
- Common Gull-billed Tern has been added to the list although still recognised by the IOC as a sub-species. There have been two reports of this taxon in NSW in 2017 which will be reviewed by NSW ORAC

