

Bird Checklist for Pacific Adventist University

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#	SPECIES	SCIENTIFIC NAME	STATUS 1984-1996	STATUS 1997-2005 & Sep 2008.
1	Australasian Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	Common	Uncommon, breeding in March-Jun 04 in Pond 3. P 2005.
2	Red-tailed Tropicbird	<i>Phaethon rubricauda</i>	1 dead 21.5.1991	Not recorded
3	Lesser Frigatebird	<i>Fregata ariel</i>		1 sighting 4.6.2000,
4	Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>		29 on 1-13.2.1998
5	Little Black Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax sulcirostris</i>	Very Common	Very Common < 180 roosting in Acacia trees by library.
6	Little Pied Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax melanoleucos</i>	Rare	Regularly one or two, <18 roosting on campus.
7	Australian Darter	<i>Anhinga novaehollandiae</i>	Common	Occasional
8	Pacific Heron	<i>Ardea pacifica</i>	Very Rare	No record
9	Great Egret	<i>Egretta alba</i>	Common	Present
10	Pied Heron	<i>Ardea picata</i>	Common	Periodically abundant usually a few present < 900
11	Intermediate Egret	<i>Egretta intermedia</i>	Very Common	Common
12	Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	Common	VC around horses & cattle & on farm following tractors while ploughing. 30.06.04
13	White-faced Heron	<i>Egretta novaehollandiae</i>	Very Rare	1 st Rec. 22.7.04 in Rice Paddy. Total 5 records.
14	Eastern Reef Egret	<i>Egretta sacra</i>		Present, (incl. two with grey backs).
15	Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	Rare	One bird found dead on road near Tanubada Pond 1967. (Mackay 1968).
16	Yellow Bittern	<i>Ixobrychus sinensis</i>		Common resident
17	Rufous Night-heron	<i>Nycticorax caledonicus</i>	Rare	8 Records
18	Black Bittern	<i>Ixobrychus flavicollis</i>	Very Rare	8 records 1-27 individuals Oct-Nov.
19	Glossy Ibis	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>	Very rare 00.2.1994	3 on 7.7.1999. 28 on 8.8.2002, 104 sightings <2008,
20	Australian White Ibis	<i>Threskiornis molucca</i>	Very Rare	4 recorded 01.12.2001 by R. Jones
21	Yellow-billed Spoonbill	<i>Platalea flavipes</i>		Seen most years
22	Royal Spoonbill	<i>Platalea regia</i>	Very Rare	Infrequent visitor, 9 recs.
23	Eastern Osprey	<i>Pandion cristattus</i>		8 records
24	Pacific Baza	<i>Aviceda subcristata</i>	Rare 5.9.1988	Seasonally common
25	Black Kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>	Common	Breeding
26	Whistling Kite	<i>Haliastur sphenurus</i>	Common	Breeding
27	Brahminy Kite	<i>Haliastur indus</i>	Rare	2 records
28	Spotted Marsh-harrier	<i>Circus spilonotus</i>	Very Rare 15.8.2003	0 records
29	Swamp Harrier	<i>Circus approximans</i>	Very Rare 16.11.1992	2 records 2002
30	Long-tailed Buzzard	<i>Henicopernis longicauda</i>		Moderately common
31	Variable (Grey) Goshawk	<i>Accipiter novaehollandiae</i>	Rare	2 records
32	Brown Goshawk	<i>Accipiter fasciatus</i>		9 records
33	Collared Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter cirrhocephalus</i>	Rare 13.9.1989/3 records	2 recs. 10.8.1999, Sept 2003
34	Gurney's Eagle	<i>Aquila gurneyi</i>		1 rec 28.4.1999
35	Wedge-tailed Eagle	<i>Aquila audax</i>		6 records
36	Little Eagle	<i>Hieraaetus morphnoides</i>	Very Rare	0 records
37	Brown Falcon	<i>Falco berigora</i>	Very Rare 13.8.1988	0 records
38	Australian Kestrel	<i>Falco cenchroides</i>	Very Rare	0 records

39	Oriental Hobby	<i>Falco severus</i>	Very Rare 13.8.1988	0 records
40	Australian Hobby	<i>Falco longipennis</i>		12 records
41	Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Very Rare, Roger Hicks/Present 17.2.1988	6 records
42	Spotted Whistling Duck	<i>Dendrocygna guttata</i>	Very Rare	Present, Numbers have increased now common Max=84.
43	Wandering Whistling Duck	<i>Dendrocygna arcuata</i>	Very Common	Very common
44	Plumed Whistling Duck	<i>Dendrocygna eytoni</i>		6 seen 21 Jun. - 16 Jul. 2005. 4 seen 2006.
45	Radjah Shelduck	<i>Tadorna radjah</i>	Very Rare	UC, 6-8 Aug-Oct 2005, 22 Oct 2008 R. Jones,
46	Green Pygmy-goose	<i>Nettapus pulchellus</i>	Common	Common then Rare 2002>
47	Australian Wood Duck	<i>Chenonetta jubata</i>	Very Rare 00.2.1994	0 records
48	Grey Teal	<i>Anas gibberifrons</i>	Rare	Frequent visitor, when Australia has drought conditions.
49	Pacific Black Duck	<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	Common	Common
50	Hardhead Duck	<i>Aythya australis</i>	Rare	0 records
51	Orange-footed Scrubfowl	<i>Megapodius reinwardt</i>		MKT, M.Darius & C.Sauka 2002,2003,2005, 1 current nest mound on property.
52	Brown Quail	<i>Coturnix australis</i>	Rare	Present
53	Red-backed Button-Quail	<i>Turnix maculosa</i>	Very Rare 22.11.1988	5 records
54	Buff-banded Rail	<i>Rallus philippensis</i>	Common	Uncommon due to cat plague,
55	White-browed Crake	<i>Porzana cinerea</i>	Common	Bred 1998 lost 2003, periodic residency since.
56	Baillon's Crake	<i>Porzana pusilla</i>		30/06/04 Ian Burrows P3
57	Bush-hen	<i>Amaurornis olivaceus</i>	Common	Fairly common, Uncommon in 2005, 2-4 in 2008,
58	Dusky Moorhen	<i>Gallinula tenebrosa</i>	Very Common	Very common
59	Purple Swamphen	<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>	Common	Very common
60	Comb-crested Jacana	<i>Irediparra gallinacea</i>	Very Common	Breeds in small numbers
61	Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus leucocephalus</i>	Rare	5 records >2002
62	Australian Pratincole	<i>Stiltia isabella</i>	Very Rare 00.7.1994	0 records
63	Masked Lapwing	<i>Vanellus miles</i>	Very Common	94 in 1998 but Declining since then.
64	Grey Plover	<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>	Very Rare migratory	0 records
65	Pacific Golden Plover	<i>Pluvialis dominica</i>	Common migratory	Common summer migrant
66	Little Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>	Very Rare Migratory	4 records.
67	Little Curlew	<i>Numenius minutus</i>	Very Rare migratory	Six 17.11.2005, 1 remained to 5.12.05, 1 Sep/Oct 2008.
68	Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>	Very Rare migratory	1 obs 27.10.2004; 2 on 31.10.2004, <5 obs 8 days Nov & Dec 2005.
69	Marsh Sandpiper	<i>Tringa stagnatilis</i>		2 recs 28 Sep 2004 & 31.11.04 in experimental paddy.
70	Wandering Tattler	<i>Tringa incana</i>		1 rec 23.10.2001,
71	Grey-tailed Tattler	<i>Tringa brevipes</i>	2 birds 9.10.2003	4 records
72	Common Sandpiper	<i>Tringa hypoleucos</i>	Common migratory	Small numbers every summer
73	Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>	Very Rare migratory	9 records 2002>
74	Latham's Snipe (Australian)	<i>Gallinago hardwickii</i>	Very Rare migratory	Summer migrant (def rec. April, 2001)
75	Swinhoe's Snipe (Chinese)	<i>Gallinago megala</i>	Rare migratory	2 records
76	Black-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa limosa</i>	Very Rare Migratory	0 records
77	Bar-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa lapponica</i>	1 found dead 10.9.1994	0 records
78	Sharp-tailed Sandpiper	<i>Calidris acuminata</i>	Rare, migratory	Uncommon becoming common in Rice paddy 2002>.
79	Pectoral Sandpiper	<i>Calidris melanotos</i>		1 in rice paddy c Sharp-tailed Sandpipers 16.12.2002
80	Red-necked Stint	<i>Calidris ruficollis</i>		1 in paddy rice plots 14.11.2002
81	Whiskered Tern	<i>Chlidonias hybridus</i>	Very Rare	0 records
82	Gull-billed Tern	<i>Chlidonias nilotica</i>	Rare 13.11.1993	0 records

83	Black Noddy	<i>Anous minutes</i>	Very Rare 30.8.1988	0 records
84	Rock Pigeon	<i>Columba livia</i>	Rare 24.11.1990	1 or 2 flocks semi feral birds, though cats are eating the young of those that nest in homes. 5 seen Oct 2008, 2 seen 28.4.2002 & 5.12.2005,
85	Slender-billed Cuckoo-Dove	<i>Macropygia amboinensis</i>		0 records
86	Black-billed Cuckoo-Dove	<i>Macropygia nigrirostris</i>	Very Rare 12.2.1988	2 records 28.11.1999, 24.3.2004
87	Great Cuckoo-Dove	<i>Reinwardtoena reinwardtii</i>		Uncommon becoming MC 2003>
88	Emerald Dove	<i>Chalcophaps indica</i>	Very Rare	2 records Nov. 2001
89	Stephan's Dove	<i>Chalcophaps stephani</i>		Very common
90	Peaceful Dove	<i>Geopelia striata</i>	Very Common	2-4 resident
91	Bar-shouldered Dove	<i>Geopelia humeralis</i>	Rare	Moderately common, Sep/Oct 2008,
92	Orange-fronted Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus aurantiifrons</i>	Very Rare	Regular, breeding
93	Orange-bellied Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus iozonus</i>	Rare	1 on 19.05.2000
94	Ornate Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus ornatus</i>		1 on 18.8.2005.
95	Pink-spotted Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus perlatus</i>		Imm M concussed on Library window 1.6.05.
96	Superb Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus superbis</i>		1 record 02.11.2003
97	Wompoo Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus magnificus</i>		1 on 26.10.1999, 1 on 5.11.2005,
98	Zoe Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula zoeae</i>		Common
99	Pied Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula bicolor</i>	Rare 5.9.1988	60 records
100	Greater Streaked Lory	<i>Chalcopsitta scintillata</i>	Very Rare 25.11.1989	Very Common
101	Rainbow Lorikeet	<i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i>	Very Common	2 records 25.3.2002, & 4 at Whiskey Crk 10.10.2008,
102	Dusky Lory	<i>Pseudeos fuscata</i>		0 records
103	Western Black-capped Lory	<i>Lorius lory</i>	Very Rare	Common in mango season
104	Red-cheeked Parrot	<i>Geoffroyus geoffroyi</i>	Common	70 recorded 19.09.02
105	Blue-collared Parrot	<i>Geoffroyus simplex</i>		3 recs Apr 2004, Most days Sep/Oct 2008,
106	Eclectus Parrot	<i>Eclectus roratus</i>	Very Rare 2 over campus	18.2.01, 28.03.04, 25.9.2008,
107	Oriental Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus saturatus</i>	Very Rare 00.12.1989	Common & very annoying between 0100h & 0600h
108	Brush Cuckoo	<i>Cacomantis variolosus</i>	Rare migratory	1 record 6.2.1998
109	Chestnut-breasted Cuckoo	<i>Cacomantis castaneiventris</i>		3 records
110	Fan-tailed Cuckoo	<i>Cacomantis flabelliformis</i>		5 records
111	Shining Bronze-cuckoo	<i>Chrysococcyx lucidus</i>	Very Rare	8 records
112	Malay Bronze-cuckoo	<i>Chrysococcyx minutillus</i>		1 recorded 14.4.2002
113	White-crowned Koel	<i>Caliechthrus leucolophus</i>		Infrequent April
114	Common Koel	<i>Eudynamis scolopacea</i>		Regular passage migrants
115	Channel-billed Cuckoo	<i>Scythrops novaehollandiae</i>	Very rare migratory	Declining due to cat plague,
116	Pheasant Coucal	<i>Centropus phasianinus</i>	Very Common	1 seen 14.03.1998
117	Lesser Black Coucal	<i>Centropus bernsteini</i>		Rare, heard 20-23.4.02
118	Grass Owl	<i>Tyto capensis</i>		1-2 resident
119	Barn Owl	<i>Tyto alba</i>	Very Common	Resident pair
120	Barking Owl	<i>Ninox connivens</i>	Rare	88 records
121	Papuan Boobook	<i>Ninox theomacha</i>	Very Rare	6 resident pairs
122	Papuan Frogmouth	<i>Podargus papuensis</i>	Common	0 records
123	White-throated Nightjar	<i>Eurostopodus mystacalis</i>	Rare	34 records
124	Papuan Nightjar	<i>Eurostopodus papuensis</i>	Frequently Heard 1998,99,	Several resident pairs, 3 nests with eggs/yng found 2003.
125	Large-tailed Nightjar	<i>Eurostopodus archboldi</i>	Rare/Present	
126	Uniform Swiftlet	<i>Collocalia vanikorensis</i>	Very Rare	Uncommon

127	Glossy Swiftlet	<i>Collocalia esculenta</i>	Rare	1 record 1.7.01
128	White-throated Needletail	<i>Hirundapus caudacutus</i>	Very Rare	11 records of < 51 birds Spr/Aut Migrants.
129	Fork-tailed Swift	<i>Apus pacificus</i>	Very Rare 04.3.1990	0 records
130	Blue-winged Kookaburra	<i>Dacelo leachii</i>	Common	Several resident pairs
131	Rufous-bellied Kookaburra	<i>Dacelo gaudichaud</i>		3 records
132	Common Paradise-kingfisher	<i>Tanysiptera galatea</i>	Very Rare 24.9.1988	0 records
133	Buff-breasted Paradise-kingfisher	<i>Tanysiptera sylvia</i>		2 recorded 25.07.04, 06.06.04
134	Forest Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon macleayii</i>	Rare migratory	Present
135	Sacred Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon sancta</i>	Common migratory	Common winter migrant
136	Little Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo pusilla</i>	Very Rare	0 records
137	Azure Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo azurea</i>	Very Rare	4 recorded
138	Common Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>	Very Rare summer 1990/91	Present, common < 03. 03-04 Absent due to loss of trees.
139	Yellow-billed Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon torotoro</i>		2 present in 2003, 11 records
140	Hook-billed Kingfisher	<i>Melidora macrorrhina</i>		1 recorded 21.07.04
141	Rainbow Bee-eater	<i>Merops ornatus</i>	Common part migratory	Breeders present and winter migrants < 500 roosting
142	Dollarbird	<i>Eurystomus orientalis</i>	Rare migratory	Resident
143	Hooded Pitta	<i>Pitta sordida</i>		Periodic visitor. 48 records (mostly heard only) = tramp species between Gallery forest patches.
144	Singing Bushlark	<i>Mirafra javanica</i>	Very Rare	1 record 25.11.2001
145	Pacific Swallow	<i>Hirundo tahitica</i>	Very Common	C until 2001 when nest sites reduced then Mod Common.
146	Red-rumped Swallow	<i>Hirundo daurica</i>		Nov. 2000 – Feb. 2001, Dec. 2002 – Feb. 2003
147	Tree Martin	<i>Hirundo nigricans</i>		5 records in three of eight years
148	White-bellied Cuckoo-shrike	<i>Coracina papuensis</i>	Rare	Common
149	Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike	<i>Coracina novaehollandiae</i>	Rare	Fairly common winter migrant, & local breeder.
150	White-winged Triller	<i>Lalage sueurii</i>	Rare	0 records
151	Pied Chat	<i>Saxicola caprata</i>	Rare	First Oct. 2001, resident 2003-2005, 3 pairs 2005. Pr 2008,
152	Clamorous Reed-warbler	<i>Acrocephalus stentoreus</i>	Very Rare	0 records
153	Golden-headed Cisticola	<i>Cisticola exilis</i>	Rare	Present
154	Emperor Fairy-wren	<i>Malurus cyanocephalus</i>	Very Rare 22.11.1992	5 seen May & Jul 2004 by MKT and Terence
155	White-shouldered Fairy-Wren	<i>Malurus alboscapulatus</i>	Very Rare	Regular Resident
156	White-throated Gerygone	<i>Gerygone olivacea</i>	Very Rare	Moderately common in Eucalypts
157	Fairy Gerygone	<i>Gerygone palpebrosa</i>		Jul, Sep & Dec 2005.
158	Large-billed Gerygone	<i>Gerygone magnirostris</i>		2 obs 9.10.2008 with Phil Gregory.
159	Willie Wagtail	<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>	Very Common	Abundant
160	Leaden Flycatcher	<i>Myiagra rubecula</i>	Very Rare 13.9.1989	3 records,
161	Lemon-bellied Flycatcher	<i>Microeca flavigaster</i>		3 records
162	Shining Flycatcher	<i>Myiagra alecto</i>	Very Rare 9.2.1990	1 record 12.10.03
163	Jacky Winter	<i>Microeca leucophaea</i>		1 record 2.12.01
164	Chestnut-bellied Fantail	<i>Rhipidura hyperythra</i>		2 recorded March, May 2004
165	Black-faced Monarch	<i>Monarcha melanopsis</i>		1 on 06.06.06
166	Grey Shrike-thrush	<i>Colluricincla harmonica</i>	Very Common	Common
167	Papuan Flowerpecker	<i>Dicaeum pectorale</i>	Very Rare 25.4.1990	Breeding 29.9.2000, 6 records
168	Yellow-bellied Sunbird	<i>Nectarinia jugularis</i>	Common	2-3 breeding pairs
169	Dusky Myzomela	<i>Myzomela obscura</i>		3 records
170	Graceful Meliphaga	<i>Meliphaga gracilis</i>	Rare	0 records
171	Varied Honeyeater	<i>Lichenostomus versicolor</i>	Rare 4.10.1992	0 records

172	Yellow-tinted Honeyeater	<i>Lichenostomus flavescens</i>	Rare	Locally Common in Eucalypts & Albyzzia
173	Helmeted Friarbird	<i>Philemon buceroides</i>	Very Common	Common
174	Brown-backed Honeyeater	<i>Ramsayornis modestus</i>	Very Rare 01.12.1989	0 records
175	Rufous-banded Honeyeater	<i>Conopophila albogularis</i>	Very Common	Common
176	Streak-headed Honeyeater	<i>Pycnopygius stictocephalus</i>		4 records 2001, Mod Common 2005.
177	Long-billed Honeyeater	<i>Melilestes mearhynchus</i>		3 birds 8.10.2005,
178	Grey-headed Mannikin	<i>Lonchura caniceps</i>	Very Common	MC – decline noticeable due to mowing and clearing of food sp and refuge spp. 1 recorded 30.06.04
179	Grand Mannikin	<i>Lonchura grandis</i>		Uncommon, spasmodically common, 2000> VUC.
180	Chestnut-breasted Mannikin	<i>Lonchura castaneothorax</i>	Common	< 17 in 2001, UC since appropriate education. Back 2008.
181	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>		Locally common
182	Singing Starling	<i>Aplonis mysolensis</i>	Very Common	Visitor to fruiting fig, 1 bird seen 8x in Nov 2002
183	Metallic Starling	<i>Aplonis metallica</i>		Crepuscularly VC as <140 roost on campus.
184	Common Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>		2 present Mar-Jul 2005.
185	Yellow-faced Myna	<i>Mino dumontii</i>	Very Common	Fairly common.
186	Golden Myna	<i>Mino anais</i>	Common	Very common
187	Brown Oriole	<i>Oriolus szalayi</i>	Very Common	Moderately common
188	Australasian Figbird	<i>Sphecotheses vieilloti</i>	Very Rare	Nesting < 140 roosting
189	Spangled Drongo	<i>Dicrurus hottentottus</i>	Very Common	One resident pair along Whiskey Creek,
190	White-breasted Wood-swallow	<i>Artamus leucorhynchus</i>	Common	Common
191	Hooded Butcherbird	<i>Cracticus cassicus</i>	Very Common	Common breeder,
192	Black-backed Butcherbird	<i>Cracticus mentalis</i>	Very Common	Present in gallery forest, remnant rainforest & mango orchard
193	Fawn-breasted Bowerbird	<i>Chlamydera cerviniventris</i>	Common	Fluctuating in numbers C to VC.
194	Glossy-mantled Manucode	<i>Manucodia atra</i>		
195	Torresian Crow	<i>Corvus orru</i>	Very Common	

KEY

The scale of abundance ranges through Abundant, Very Common, Common, Present, Uncommon, Rare to Very Rare. Records were kept 1985-1996 by Pr Len Tolhurst (Dean: School of Theology), and 1998-2005 by Prof Mike Tarburton (Dean: School of Science & Technology).