



Ceylon Bird Club Rarities and Records Committee

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Recent CBCRRC decisions

A) Reports accepted as first record of species for country, and subsequent records of same species

White-faced Storm-petrel *Pelagodroma marina*
At sea off South-Western coast on 14 November 2008.

Black-bellied Storm-petrel *Fregetta tropica*
At sea off Western coast on 7 October 2007.

Greater Spotted Eagle *Clanga clanga*
In Kumana National Park on 20 November 2015, at Kiralakele Sanctuary on 8 January 2017,
and in Udawalawe National Park on 16 February 2017.

Eurasian Hobby *Falco subbuteo*
Near Sigiriya in December 2005, in Udawalawe National Park on 29 January 2011, and at
Karapitiya on 5 December 2014.

Long-tailed Skua *Stercorarius longicaudus*
At sea off Mirissa on 25 March 2010.

Black Tern *Chlidonias niger*
In Bundala on 11 December 2013.

European Roller *Coracias garrulus*
At Palatupana on 31 October 2009, and in Udawalawe National Park on 30 July 2012.

Greater Short-toed Lark *Calandrella brachydactyla*, ssp. *dukhunensis*
At Udawalawa on 14 January 2012.

Northern House Martin *Delichon urbicum*
In Horton Plains National Park on 3 February 2013, at Palatupana on 21 March 2017, and at
Udawalawe on 5 February 2018.

Blue-and-White Flycatcher *Cyanoptila cyanomelana* at Sinharaja Forest Reserve on 3 March
2014, and at Hakkala Botanic Gardens on 17 March 2018.

Rufous-tailed Rock Thrush *Monticola saxatilis*
At Udawalawe on 15 January 2018.

Siberian Stonechat *Saxicola maurus*

At Wekunagoda, Galle District on 29 February 2008, and at Embilikala, Bundala on 30 January 2015.

Whinchat *Saxicola rubetra*

In Udawalawe National Park on 8 February 2015.

Western Crowned Warbler *Phylloscopus occipitalis*

At Sigiriya on 5 February 2010.

Grey-necked Bunting *Emberiza buchanani*

Near Puttlam on 16th December 2008, and at Yala National Park on 18th November 2017.

Red-headed Bunting *Emberiza bruniceps*

In Udawalawe National Park on 20 January 2002.

B) Rare species accepted

Comb Duck *Sarkidiornis melanotos*

In Yala National Park on 20 February 2003.

Grey-headed Lapwing *Vanellus cinereus*

At Palatupana on 31 January 2009, and at Ratnapura on 18 January 2014.

Slender-billed Gull *Chroicocephalus genei*

At Sangupiddi on 8 February 2015.

Blue-eared Kingfisher *Alcedo meninting*

Near Kokkilai Lagoon on 25 December 2015.

Eurasian Wryneck *Jynx torquilla*

At Yala National Park, Block I on 1 December 2009.

Yellow-rumped Flycatcher *Ficedula zanthopygia*

At Tanamalwila on 3 January 2012.

Blue-throated Flycatcher *Cyornis rubeculoides*

In Wilpattu National Park on 6 February 2015, and in Tambuttegama on 5 November 2016.

Rufous-tailed Scrub-robin *Cercotrichas galactotes*

At Nuwara Eliya on 16 February 2013.

Black-headed Bunting *Emberiza melanocephala*

In Yala National Park, Block I on 04 January 2010.

C) New species accepted provisionally, for Appendices

White-checked Tern *Sterna repressa*

At Bundala National Park on 13 December 2008. Accepted into Appendix I.

White-throated Needletail *Hirundapus caudacutus*
Near Tanamalwila on 22 February 2007. Accepted into Appendix I.

D) Reports rejected of new species

Mallard *Anas platyrhynchos*
Near Mannar on 20 November 2011. (Note: Proved to be birds of domesticated origin.)

Silver-backed Needletail *Hirundapus cochinchinensis*
In Yala National Park, Block I on 10 December 2014.

E) Reports rejected of rare species

Eurasian Wryneck *Jynx torquilla*
In Yala National Park, Block I on 27 November 2017.

Dusky Warbler *Phylloscopus fuscatus*
At Nuwara Eliya on 23 January 2011.