

The Official Checklist.

MEMBERS will be glad to know that the long-expected Official Checklist of the Birds of Australia, second and revised edition, is now available. An extended notice will appear in the next part of *The Emu*.

It is regretted that on account of a great increase of costs, it was not possible to issue to each member the checklist as a Supplement of *The Emu*.

The Federal Treasurer, Dr. Earle Page, has been asked to assist the R.A.O.U. by paying the printing bill of the Government Printer of Victoria. This bill proved to be £400. It is expected that at the most about 600 copies will be effectively used, so that the cost of printing amounted to 13s. 4d. per effective copy.

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The Appendix by Mr. H. Wolstenholme, B.A., M.B.O.U., giving origin, derivation, meaning and pronunciation of the scientific names, will interest all members.

CHECKLIST APPENDIX.

Mr. H. Wolstenholme sends the following note :—

The names *Carterornis*, *halmaturina* and *morgani* were unfortunately omitted from the Checklist Appendix.

Carterornis (see *carteri*) Part D of Appendix.

Halmaturinus (*Zosterops halmaturina*) is the adjective formed from *Halmaturus*, a generic name of one of the kangaroo tribe, and therefore used to signify "belonging to Kangaroo Island, South Australia." *Halmaturus* is compounded from the Greek words *halma* (*halmatos*), a leap, and *oura*, tail.

Morgani (*Acanthiza morgani*) is in honour of Dr. A. M. Morgan, Honorary Ornithologist of the Museum, Adelaide, South Australia.

In Part E of Appendix the following words should appear as shown here :—

Ac-anth-orn'-is, *Das-y-orn'-is*, *E-rēm-i-orn'-is*, *ae-qui-noct-i-ā'-lis*, *Æg-o-thē'l-ēs*, *Ap-tēn-o-dŷ'-tēs*, *Scē'n-o-poe-ē'-tēs*, *cor-ōn-ōid'-ēs*, *cal-lā'-i-nus*, *Cyr'-to-stom'-us*, *flā-bell-i-form'-is*, *Gel-o-chel-ī'-don*, *gī-gan-tē'-us*, *hu-mer-ā'-lis*, *Loph'-o-lāi'm-us*, *Meg-a-pod'-i-us*, *sa'-cra*, *Sē-mi-pal-mā'-ta*, *sē-mi-tor-quā'-tus*. And on page 138 *Melior'nis* and *Pel'-a-go-dro'm-a*.