

Corvus sp. Crow and/or Raven.

Not common and the largest party seen was twenty at Pomona. Feeding large young in the nest along the Golden Sands road near Noosa Heads. Birds were seen chasing a White-breasted Sea-Eagle and on another occasion a Whistling Eagle. A bird was seen also making off with a hen's egg at Noosa.

Strepera gracula. Pied Currawong.

Scattered and not common. Seen on the Cooran Tableland, Montville, Como and Noosa Park. At Boreen Point birds were feeding young in the nest.

Cracticus nigrogularis. Pied Butcher-bird.

Mainly seen in the open forest country around Cooroy, Weyba Lake and Boreen Point. On the trip up the Noosa River three adults were seen with two large young out of the nest.

Cracticus torquatus. Grey Butcher-bird.

Odd birds only reported at Noosa Heads, Noosa Park and at Boreen Point. Seen feeding young at Neusa Vale near Kin Kin (G.B.).

Gymnorhina tibicen. Black-backed Magpie.

Well distributed in all areas visited. Two eggs of this species were found nearly 100 yards apart in a paddock at Pomona. At Boreen Point a pair had two young, one bird still in the nest. A nest was also observed in a large fig tree at Neusa Vale near Kin Kin (G.B.).

Streptopelia chinensis. Spotted Turtle Dove.

Until a specimen is taken the identity of this bird is in doubt—*chinensis*, *suratensis* or *tigrina*. It appeared to be much darker in colour than the southern bird, *suratensis*, and as the common bird about Brisbane is *chinensis* and a specimen of *tigrina* has also been taken there, it can only be assumed to be one of the three named. This bird was common in most settled areas visited.

Passer domesticus. House Sparrow.

Common in all settled areas.

Sturnus vulgaris. Starling.

Not common and only listed on five days of the Camp-out. Seen at Pomona, Noosa and Tewantin.

Albert Lyrebird in the Blackall Ranges.—On August 18, 1959, while staying at Caloundra, some relations and I made a trip to the Blackall Ranges. After passing through Montville, we travelled in a south-westerly direction for approximately four miles before we stopped the cars. Below us on the left-hand side was a patch of scrub about eighty acres in extent. This was joined to scrub further west by a small strip of scrub, forming a 'neck'.

In this patch of scrub, I heard the Albert Lyrebird (*Menura alberti*) calling. It appeared as though only one bird was there. The bird seemed to be about two hundred yards below us and was calling at periodic intervals.

After leaving this area, we returned to Montville and visited the Kondalilla National Park. A few hours were spent in this region but the Albert Lyrebird was not heard. In fact, all bird life in the Park was scarce.—LLOYD NIELSEN, Jandowae, Qld., 11/9/59.