

1. CHECKLIST to the BIRDS of THE GROYNES RESERVE

(4th update to August 2007)

Fifty bird species have been recorded at the Groynes in recent times, including 30 native species. Some 26 species are classed as wetland birds in that they occur mainly in water, wetland or wet grassland environments. A further 24 species are non-wetland birds, occupying mainly woodland, grassland and open country environments.

- **Australasian Little Grebe**^ *Tachybaptus novaehollandiae* V #
- **Black Cormorant**^ *Phalacrocorax carbo* S #
- **Little Cormorant**^ *Phalacrocorax melanoleucos brevirostris* S #
- **White-faced Heron**^ *Ardea novaehollandiae novaehollandiae* S #
- **White Heron**^ *Egretta alba* V #
- **Royal Spoonbill**^ *Platalea regia* V #
- **Black Swan**^ *Cygnus atratus* Rb *
- **Canada Goose** *Branta canadensis maxima* S **
- **Feral (Greylag) Goose** *Anser anser* Rb *
- **Paradise Shelduck**^ *Tadorna variegata* Rb #
- **Mallard** *Anas platyrhynchos platyrhynchos* RS *****
- **Grey Duck**^ *Anas superciliosa superciliosa* S *
- **Grey Teal**^ *Anas gracilis* S *
- **New Zealand Shoveler**^ *Anas rhynchotis* Rb *
- **New Zealand Scaup**^ *Aythya novaeseelandiae* Rb ***
- **Harrier**^ *Circus approximans* S #
- **Pukeko**^ *Porphyrio porphyrio melanotus* Rb *
- **Australasian Coot**^ *Fulica atra* Rb **
- **Marsh Crane**^ *Porzana pusilla* status? – probably present
- **Pied Stilt**^ *Himantopus himantopus leucocephalus* V #
- **Spur-winged Plover**^ *Vanellus miles novaehollandiae* Rb *
- **Black-backed Gull**^ *Larus dominicanus dominicanus* S *
- **Red-billed Gull**^ *Larus novaehollandiae scopulinus* S #
- **Black-billed Gull**^ *Larus bulleri* S **
- **New Zealand Kingfisher**^ *Halcyon sancta vagans* S #
- **Welcome Swallow**^ *Hirundo tahitica neoxena* Rb ***

Non-wetland birds

- **California Quail** *Callipepla californica brunnescens* Rb *
- **Ring-necked Pheasant** *Phasianus colchicu* Rb? #

- **Kereru (NZ Pigeon)** *Hemiphaga novaeseelandiae* V #
 - **Rock Pigeon** *Columba livia* Rb? *
 - **Kea**^ *Nestor notabilis* V #
 - **Shining Cuckoo**^ *Chrysococcyx lucidus lucidus* Sb? *
 - **Little Owl** *Athene noctua* Rb #
 - **Skylark** *Alauda arvensis* Rb *
 - **New Zealand Pipit**^ *Anthus novaeseelandiae* S #
 - **Dunnock** *Prunella modularis* Rb **
 - **Blackbird** *Turdus merula* Rb **
 - **Song Thrush** *Turdus philomelos* Rb *
 - **Bellbird**^ *Anthornis melanura* S #
 - **Grey Warbler**^ *Gerygone igata* Rb *
 - **South Island Fantail**^ *Rhipidura fuliginosa fuliginosa* Rb *
 - **Silvereye**^ *Zosterops lateralis lateralis* Rb ****
 - **Yellowhammer** *Emberiza citrinella* Rb *
 - **Chaffinch** *Fringilla coelebs* Rb **
 - **Greenfinch** *Carduelis chloris* Rb **
 - **Goldfinch** *Carduelis carduelis* Rb ***
 - **Redpoll** *Carduelis flammea* Rb ****
 - **House Sparrow** *Passer domesticus* Rb **
 - **Starling** *Sturnus vulgaris* Rb ***
 - **White-backed Magpie** *Gymnorhina tibicen hypoleuca* Rb *
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