

Classified Summarised Notes, North Island, 1 July 2000 to 30 June 2001

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Abbreviations: ad/s adult/s; ARC Auckland Regional Council; asl above sea level; B Beach; CA Conservation Area; c/b colour banded; cen census; ch/s chick/s; Ck Creek; DoC Dept. of Conservation; E Estuary; ER Ecological Reserve; F Forest; FP Forest Park; GBI Great Barrier Island; GC Golf Course; H Harbour; HQ Head Quarters; imm/s immature/s; I/s Island/s; juv/s juvenile/s; km/s kilometre/s; Lag Lagoon; L Lake; max maximum; min minimum; ml/s mile/s; Mt Mount; NP National Park; No/s. number/s; nth north; pr/s pair/s; Pen Peninsula; Pt Point; Rd Road; Res Reserve; R River; RM River mouth; RP regional park; sth south; sp species; SP sewage ponds/oxidation ponds; SR Scenic Reserve; Stm Stream; V Valley; W West.

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SYSTEMATIC LIST

North Island brown kiwi *Apteryx australis mantelli*
[FN] Stoney Ck Rd; 2 in headlights on 17/9 (LMo). [BP] Injured birds from Houputa R, near Omaio on 25/8 and Tutaetoko on 25/4 (WHS). [VP] Waimarino F; 35 (12 prs + 11 singles) between 5-30/3, 1 female roosting in 7 year

old pruned pines on 25/7 (KO). [G/W] Waipai swamp, Urewera NP; 1 male calling 3/9 (GAF et al). [T] Egmont NP; 1 male at The Dome on 13/7 (WAP).

Little spotted kiwi *Apteryx owenii*

[W] Kapiti I; 1 ch active in daylight on 20/3 (CMM).

NZ dabchick *Poliiocephalus rufopectus*

[FN] Henderson Bay Rd; 22 on 26/9 (VH). [A] Sth Kaipara Lakes; 83 on 25/4 (OSNZ,JMB cen). L Karaka; 6 ads, 4 chs on 9/5 (SC). L Kereta; 9 on 17/4 (MJT et al), 9 on 9/5. Chelsea Lakes, Birkenhead; 1 on 24/6 (MPG). Western Springs; 2 prs breeding 23/2-25/4 (GAP,SPC,JLS), 2 ads, 1 ch on 14/4 (BP). Mangere SP; 12 on 31/4, 19 on 1/6 (HRC). [SA] Wattle Downs, Manurewa; 2 ads, 2 chs on 12/1 & 30/1 (BM). [BP] Tauranga H; 2 on small pond near Katikati on 14/6 (J Taylor per KOW). Te Maunga; 5 prs & 3 chs on 18/11 (MSh). [VP] Raetihi SP; 9 on 29/6/00 (KO). [G/W] L Whakamarino, Tuai; 2 on 29/4. Putere Lakes; 9 on 20/5 (GAF). [T] Mangamahoe L; 1 on 4/4 (BAH). Umutekai CA; 1 on 9/6 (OSNZ). Waiau L, Opunake; 1 on 22/4 (BAH) & 21/5 (OSNZ). [M] Present at Pukepuke Lag. & L Horowhenua, bred at Foxton No. 2 L & L Omanu (JL&MM). [HB] Ahuriri E; 17 on 27/5 (OSNZ cen), max winter count lower than past years ((MT). [Wr] Kourarau Dam; 2 on 6/4 (CES). White Rock; 1 on 25/4 (WG). Carterton; 1 on 7/3 (BB).

Australasian little grebe *Tachybaptus novaehollandiae*

[N] Uretiti B; 2 on quarry ponds on 1/1 (CLB). [A] Sth Kaipara Lakes; 41 on 25/4 (OSNZ,JMB cen). L Kareta; 20 on 17/4 (MJT et al). L Karaka; 5 ads on 9/5 (BP). [M] Foxton B SP; 1 in breeding plumage on 28 & 29/10, accepted by RBC UBR 11/01 & UBR 11A/01 (JLM,IS,BMS).

Wandering albatross *Diomedea exulans*

[M] Himatangi B; 1 exhausted bird on 5/10 (M Wong). [W] Cook Strait; 2 juvs on 18/11 (RSN).

Northern royal albatross *Diomedea epomophora sanfordi*

[M] Foxton B; 1 on 24/6 (JL&MM). [W] Cook Strait; 2 on 18/11 (RSN).

Black-browed mollymawk *Diomedea melanophris*

[M] Foxton B; 1 on 24/6 (JL&MM). [HB] Napier; behind trawler off Marine Parade, 4 on 23/5, 1 on 27/5 & 4 on 28/5 (BMS).

Shy mollymawk *Diomedea cauta*

[M] Foxton B; Several records in winter & spring with max of 15+ on 23/7 (IS,JL&MM). [HB] Napier; behind trawler off Marine Parade, 1 on 8/11 (BMS).

NZ white-capped mollymawk *Diomedea cauta steari*

[T] Waiongana E; 3 offshore on 13/10. Komene Rd B; 1 offshore on 17/10. Kahihi Rd, Okato; 2 offshore on 4/7. Cape Egmont; 2 offshore on 17/10. Oaonui; 1 offshore on 31/7 (BAH).

Salvin's mollymawk *Diomedea cauta salvini*

[W] Cook Strait; 2 on 18/11 (RSN).

Grey-headed mollymawk *Diomedea chrysostoma*

[M] Foxton B; 1 on 23/7, only second record in past 10+ years (IS).

Buller's mollymawk *Diomedea bulleri*

[W] Cook Strait; 2 juvs on 18/11 (RSN).

Flesh-footed shearwater *Puffinus carneipes*

[T] Sugar Loaf Is; 9 rafted up at 1810 hours on 24/3 (BAH). [HB] Napier; off Marine Parade, 10+ on 19/11. Cape Kidnappers; 60+ feeding on 21/11 (BMS).

Buller's shearwater *Puffinus bulleri*

[N] Pataua B; c250 close inshore on 7/2 (HCS,PRS). [G/W] Portland I; c50 a minute flying between island and end of peninsula 0800 to 1030 hours, plus 325 rafted up at 1640 hours on 1/1 (GAF). [T] Awakino E; 8 offshore on 7/5 (BAH). [HB] Napier; off Marine Parade, 1-2 on 19/11 (BMS).

Sooty shearwater *Puffinus griseus*

[T] Waiongana E; 100's flying west on 17/11 (PJF).

Short-tailed shearwater *Puffinus tenuirostris*

[T] Awakino E; 16 offshore on 15/5 (BAH).

Fluttering shearwater *Puffinus gavia*

[FN] Surville Cliffs; c10000 on 7/1 (GRP). [SA] Kaiaua; 1000's on 26/3 (L Hamilton per SC). [BP] Off Whakatane; very large flocks about boat during May (WMH). [G/W] Awapuni, Gisborne; c300 feeding close to shore on 18/11. Portland I; c20 feeding close to shore on 21/12 (GAF). [T] Waiongana E; 1000's offshore on 2/6 (PJF). Rahotu-Cape Egmont; 1000's inshore on 10/7 & 30/5 (BAH). [M] Recorded all year, max 1000+ on 24/3 off Foxton B (JL&MM,IS). [HB] Napier; behind trawler off Marine Parade, c10 on 8/11, c30 on 11/11 & c10 on 19/11. Cape Kidnappers; 100+ feeding on 21/11 (BMS). [W] Petone-Ngauranga, Wellington H; present July-Oct & Mar-June, max 20 in Aug (AMM).

Hutton's shearwater *Puffinus huttoni*

[G/W] Portland I; c220 feeding close inshore on 21/12, steady movement south of birds between 1530 & 1730 hours on 12/1 (GAF).

Common diving petrel *Pelecanoides urinatrix*

[M] Foxton B; c6 just beyond surf on 25/12, only second record here (JL&MM). [W] Mana I; 6 ads with eggs on 28/9 (CMM,GAT), 3 eggs, 4 chs on 2/11, 12 in colony on 20/6 (CMM).

Black (?) petrel *Procellaria* sp.

[M] Foxton B; 1 on 10/9 (IS) & 25/12 (JL&MM).

Grey petrel *Procellaria cinerea*

[T] Manihi Rd coast; 1 on 22/5 (BAH).

Cape pigeon *Daption capense*

[M] Foxton B; 1 on 23/7, only 5th record in region (IS). [W] Cook Strait; 1 on 18/11 (RSN).

Antarctic fulmar *Fulmarus glacialisoides*

[W] Cook Strait; 1 on 18/11 (RSN).

Northern giant petrel *Macronectes halli*

[W] Mana I; 1 ad offshore on 28/9 (CMM). Cook Strait 1 juv on 18/11 (RSN).

Giant petrel *Macronectes* sp.

[N] Hen I; 8 feeding on stranded Brydes whale carcass on

2/9 (K Hawkins per GRP). [T] Waiongana E; 2 offshore on 7/10, 1 on 13/10 (BAH). Oakura; 1 approached boat on 2/6 (JBH). Kaihihi Rd, Okato; 1 offshore on 4/7, 3 on 15/9 (BAH). [M] Foxton B; several sightings in winter & spring, max 20+ on 23/7, most presumed to be *M. halli* (JL&MM,IS). [HB] Napier; off Marine Parade, behind trawler, 4 on 6/11, 5+ on 8/11, 1 on 28/5 (BMS).

Prion *Pachyptila* sp.

[M] Foxton B; c100 on 23/7 (JL&MM).

Cook's petrel *Pterodroma cookii*

[A] Little Barrier I; 1000's seen feeding NE of island on 1/12 (ESK). Mt Albert; 1 seen & heard flying west to east at 0330 hrs on 29/7 (GAP).

Black-winged petrel *Pterodroma nigripennis*

[FN] Cape Maria van Diemen; many flying around in Jan (LMe). [G/W] Portland I; c30 over colony at dusk, 172 occupied burrows by 20/1 (GAF).

Grey-faced petrel *Pterodroma macroptera gouldi*

[A] Nth Piha Cliffs; 20 breeding prs on 23/8 (MFG).

White-faced storm petrel *Pelagodroma marina*

[A] Little Barrier I; 100's, some feeding on 2/12 (ESK). [W] Mana I; 1 in burrow on 2/11 (CMM).

Blue penguin *Eudyptula minor*

[G/W] Portland I; pr with young bird 21/12 (GAF).

Fiordland crested penguin *Eudyptes pachyrhynchus*

[W] Wairaka, Pukerua Bay; 1 imm on 15/1, later died, record accepted by RBC UBR 61/01 (CMM).

Australasian gannet *Morus serrator*

[A] Maori Rock, Mokohinau Is; c1000 nests on 27/12/00, c900 on 1/12. Gannet Rock; c1500 nests on 16/11 (ESK). Motutara I; 448 ads, 30 juvs on 20/11. Muriwai; 1960 ads, 126 juvs on 20/11 (ARC,BG cen). [G/W] Portland I; 125 feeding on 21/12 (GAF). [T] Awakino E; 50 offshore on 7/5 (BAH). Waiongana E; 47 offshore on 28/4 (PJF). Komene Rd B; 58 offshore on 17/10. Oaonui; 79 offshore on 22/5 (BAH). [M] Foxton B; max 50+ on 24/3 (JL&MM). [HB] Tukituki E; 5 fishing on 11/9 (KVT). Porangahau E; 11 on 9/6 (OSNZ cen).

Cape gannet *Morus capensis*

[HB] Cape Kidnappers; 1 in colony from 9/9 till 29/3 (BMS). This record presumably involves the same individual as that accepted by RBC under UBR 45/00 (GRP).

Black shag *Phalacrocorax carbo*

[N] Whangarei H; 13 on 12/11, 9 on 11/3, 2 on 30/6 (AJB,OSNZ cen). [A] Sth Kaipara H; 1 on 25/11, 14 on 23/6 (ACR,OSNZ cen). [SA] Clarks B; 1 took 4 eels in quick succession on 16/7 (SC). [Wk] L Waahi; 85 on 8/4 (PDB et al). Hamilton L; max 17+5 juvs on 10/12 (BAF et al). [HB] Ahuriri E; 21 on 11/11, 31 on 27/5 (OSNZ cen).

Pied shag *Phalacrocorax varius*

[FN] Whatarau Bay; 87 on 6/1 (AJG). [N] Whangarei H; 56 on 12/11, 62 on 11/3, 104 on 30/6 (AJB,OSNZ cen). Nth Kaipara H; 4 on 11/11, 35 on 23/6 (DEC,OSNZ cen). [A] Tawharanui Pen; 17 ads on 2/2 (SPC). Sth Cove,

Kawau I; 16 nests on 13/9 (LMA). Sth Kaipara H; 34 on 25/11, 20 on 23/6 (ACR,OSNZ cen). Sth Kaipara Head Lakes; 85 on 25/4 (JMB,OSNZ cen). Waiheke I; 18 nests at Waikorariki Bay on 10/4, 38 on Awaawaroa Bay wharf on 8/8 (ESK). [SA] Seagrove; 15 on 26/11 (SC). [Wk] L Hakanoa; 8 incl. 2 on nests on 5/4 (BHS). Raglan H; 81 on 23/6. Kawhia H; 75 on 11/11 incl. 15 nests at Oparau R, 164 on 23/6 (OSNZ cen). [BP] Panepane Pt, Matakana I; 25 on 16/6 (L&GB). Maungatapu, Tauranga H; 25 in pohutukawa trees on 29/1 (PCML). [T] Awakino E; 1 on 4/6. Mokau E; 1 from 15/5 to 7/6. Tongaporutu E; 1 on 15/5 (BAH). Waiongana E; max 2 from 10/9 to 16/6 (PJF). [HB] East Clive; 1 imm on 27/5 (OSNZ cen). [W] Mana I; 1 imm on 28/9 (CMM). Makara B; 7 nests on 31/3 (RGP). Shandon GC, Petone; 4 on 28/4 & 13/5, 5 on 16/6 (AMM,JAW). Petone-Ngauranga, Wellington H; 1 on 13/7, 10/10 & 26/3 (AMM).

Little black shag *Phalacrocorax sulcirostris*

[A] Sth Kaipara Heads Lakes; 16 on 25/4 (JMB,OSNZ cen). Rocky Bay, Waiheke I; 112 on 30/7 (ESK). Western Springs; 1 bird feeding ch on nest in colony of pied & little shags on 13/10 (GAP,JLS). Tamaki E; c150 regularly during April & May (LMA,ESK). Mangere Bridge; 12 on 22/6 (BM). [SA] Clarks B; 30 flock hunting on 20/6 (SC). Ohuka B; 27 on 5/6 (BM). [Wk] Meremere; 140 on 19/7. Churchill Rd, Rangiriri; 22 on 19/7 (PDC). Hamilton L; max 18 on 10/9, min 2 on 10/12 (BAF et al). Kawhia H; 82 on 23/6 (OSNZ cen). [BP] Papamoa; up to 3 in drain stocked with mosquito fish 14/3-17/5 (PCML). Ohiwa H; max c100 on 24/6 (NO). [M] Manawatu E; max 25 on 1/7 (JL&MM). L Omanu; c30 nests, c100 birds in Jan-April (IS). [HB] Ahuriri E; 202 on 11/11. East Clive; 26 on 27/5. Porangahau E; 20 on 11/11, 39 on 9/6 (OSNZ cen). [W] Petone-Ngauranga, Wellington H; seen July-Nov & May-June, max 70 on 31/5 (AMM).

Little shag *Phalacrocorax melanoleucos brevirostris*

[FN] Whatarau Bay; 5-6 prs breeding on 6/1 (AJG). [A] Sth Kaipara Head Lakes; 31 on 25/4 (JMB,OSNZ cen). [Wk] Raglan H; 27 on 23/6 (OSNZ cen). [HB] Ahuriri E; 27 on 11/11, 35 on 27/5. East Clive; 23 on 27/5 (OSNZ cen). [W] Petone-Ngauranga, Wellington H; seen every month, max 27 in May, min 2-3 in Nov-Jan (AMM).

Spotted shag *Stictocarbo punctatus punctatus*

[A] Sth Kaipara H; 3 at Tapora on 25/11 (ACR,OSNZ cen). Waiheke I; max 30 nests on 17/10 at Hook's Bay; sightings of 1-6 at Te Matuku on 6/12, Awaawaroa Bay on 2/6, Waiheke Channel on 10/4. Tarahiki I; 76 nests, some chs on 30/10, max 145 nests on 17/10. Tamaki Strait; 1 feeding with fluttering shearwaters on 8/8 (ESK). [T] Waiwakaiho E; 1 male in breeding plumage on 27/9 (DB). [M] Foxton B; 2 on 23/7 (IS). Manawatu E; 1 imm on 15/9 (JL&MM). [HB] East Clive; c38 on 11/9 (KVT), fewer than usual (MT). [W] Petone-Ngauranga, Wellington H; seen every month, max 7 in July (AMM).

White-faced heron *Ardea novaehollandiae*

[N] Whangarei H; 44 on 12/11, 59 on 11/3, 26 on 30/6 (AJB,OSNZ cen). Nth Kaipara H; 269 on 11/11, 153 on 23/6 (DEC,OSNZ cen). [BP] Matahui Pt; 80 on 27/5 (B&CC). Aerodrome Bay; c60 on 23/6 (L&GB). [M] Whirokino; 73 in 1 paddock on 23/6 (JL&MM). [HB] Ahuriri E; 74 on 11/11, 75 on 27/5 (OSNZ cen)

White heron *Egretta alba modesta*

[N] Nth Kaipara H; 4 on 23/6 (DEC,OSNZ cen). [A] Glorit, Kaipara; 1 on 23/6 (TW). [SA] Kuaotuna; 1 on 8/8. Greys B; 1 on 14/5 (BM). [BP] Matata; 2 on 8/4 (PCML). Tokata, Te Araroa; 1 on 22/11 (TB). [VP] Ohau Channel, L Rotorua; 1 on 28/3, 16/4 & 8/5-26/6. L Okaro; 1 on 15/2 (per KOW). [T] Barrett's Lag; 1 on 11/3 (MM). [HB] Waitangi E; 2 on 27/5 (OSNZ cen). Clive R; 1 on 14/4 (BMT). Tukituki E; 1 on 27/5 (OSNZ cen). [Wr] White Rock; 1 on 25/4 (WG).

Little egret *Egretta garzetta nigripes*

[A] Jordan's Farm, Kaipara; 1 on 23/6, accepted by RBC UBR 62/01 (SL,CMc,BJ). [M] Manawatu E; 1 present up to 15/10 (IS et al), 1 from 13/4 to 6/5, accepted by RBC UBR 60/01 (JL&MM).

Reef heron *Egretta sacra*

[FN] Pandora, Spirits Bay; 1 on 9/11 (GRP). Nth Cape; 1 on 30/7 (AVH). Ruamanawa, Parengarenga H; 1 on 10/3 (AJG). Houhora H; 2 on 3/6 (AVH). Takerau Bay, Berghan Pt; 1 on 5/2 (AJG). Aroha I, Kerikeri Inlet; 1 on 21/1 (SC). [N] Whangarei H; 2 on 12/11, 1 on 11/3 (AJB,OSNZ cen). Waipu E; 2 on 3/2 (GNG,MKT). [A] Matakana Sandspit; 1 on 5/6 (SPC). Kawau I; 1 on 1/1 (DAL). Shakespear P, Whangaparaoa Pen; 1 on 22/10 (SC). Opopo Bay, Waiheke I; 2 on 15/10. Brown's I; 2 on 7/11 (ESK). Baddleleys B; 1 on 2/1 (MPG). [Wk] Raglan H; max 2 on 14/11. Aotea H; max 2 on 11/11. Kawhia H; max 1 on 23/6 (OSNZ cen). Kiritihere B; 1 on 15/4 (BHS). [BP] Areodrome Bay; 1 on 29/1 (PCML) and 16/6 (L&GB). Maketu E; max 2 on 20/10 (TB). Little Waihi; 1 on 5/3 (E&RW). Pukehina Spit; 1 on 26/5 (L&GB). Waiau E; 1 on 13/11 (WHS). [G/W] Portland I; pr feeding 2 juvs on 16/1 (GAF). [T] Mokau E; 1 on 27/8 (BAH). Waiongana E; max 2 on 8/10 (PJF). Sugar Loaf Is; pr breeding on 29/11, 3 on 10/2 (BAH). [W] Mana I; 2 on 28/9 (CMM). Wellington H; 1 at Eastbourne on 28/8, 1 Ngauranga-Petone Aug-Nov & Jan-Apr; (AMM,RNC).

Cattle egret *Bubulcus ibis coromandus*

[FN] Paua; 4 on 8/11 (GRP). Waipapakauri; max 12 on 5/11. Unahi; 2 on 5/11 (AV&LH). Aurere; max 70 on 24/7, min 21 on 7/11 (DPSJ). [N] Bayly's B; 4 on 6/11. Aratapu, Pouto Pen; 36 on 17/7 (GNG,MKT). Nth Kaipara H; c21 on 23/6 (DEC,OSNZ cen). Waipu; 20 on 12/9 (CLB). [A] Evan's Rd, Kaipara; 5 on 25/4 (GAP,TW). Parakai, Kaipara; 31 on 30/6 (GAP et al). [SA] Waiau Pa; 1 on 1/5 (WHO). [Wk] Whangarata Rd, Tuakau; 2 on 3/9 (DID,NJD). Ngaroto; max 29 on 2/7. Rangiriri; 26 on 2/5 (PDC). Numbers well down on previous years (DJR). [VP] Ohau Channel, L Rotorua; 3 on 16/4 (per KOW). [T] Tongaporutu; 1 on 1/6 (GC). Waiongana; 1 on 23/6 (PJF). Waiau L, Opunake; 7 on 21/5 (BAH). [Wg] Whangaehu R; c20 in July/Aug & 10 on 22/6 (IS). [M] Manawatu E; 1 on 15/12 (R&PS). [HB] Clive; 12 during Aug-Sept, 7 on 26/5 (BMT). [Wr] Carterton; 3 on 6/9 (CC).

Australasian bittern *Botaurus poiciloptilus*

[FN] Waiharara; 4 on 4/12 (VH). [A] Sth. Kaipara Lakes; 3 on 25/4 (JMB,OSNZ cen). L Karaka, Kaipara; 1 on 30/6 (SPC,EL). Waionake School, Kaipara; 1 on 30/6. Waitoki; 1 on 12/5 (DAP). Leighton's Pond; 1 on 12/7 (GAP,KRB,JMB). [SA] Hahei; 1 on 31/5 (BM). [Wk] L Waahi; 2 on 8/4 (PDB et al). Patetonga L; 1 on 6/8 (ASR,JMR). Kaihere Rd near Kerepehi turnoff; 1 in mid Dec (RS). [BP] Ohiwa H; 1 on 28/1 (WHS). [VP] L Rotoiti; 1 on 16/10 (TB).

Orakei Korako V; 1 on 22/4 (MSn). Motuopa swamp, L Taupo; 1 mid June (MSa). [G/W] Opoutama; 1 seen regularly from 25/4 to 26/6 (DSF,MAF,GAF). [T] Mohakatino swamp; 1 on 14/6 & 27/6 (BAH). Hawken's Lag; 1 on 13/11 (BAH,MJD). [HB] Ahuriri E; 1 on 27/5 (OSNZ cen). Te Awanga L; 1 on 5/10 (BMT). East Clive; 1 on 4/9 (BMT,MT), 1 on 26/11 (JGH,CFM). [Wr] L Pounui; 1 on 18/4 (DS). Whareama; 1 on 18/5 (CES).

Royal spoonbill *Platalea regia*

[FN] Unahi Wharf, Rangaunu H; max 114 on 17/9 & 166 on 24/6 (AV&LH), min 9 on 9/11 (GRP). Rawene; 3 on 27/7 (GNG,MKT). Aroha I, Kerikeri Inlet; 3 in June (DRT). [N] Port Whangarei; 82 (17 juvs) on 6/8 (GRP), 10 on 12/11 (OSNZ cen), 4 over summer (GRP), 7 on 17/3 (GNG,MKT), max of 116 on 26/6 (KMH,GPP), 112 (33+ juvs) on 27/6 (GRP), 114 on 30/6 (AJB,OSNZ cen). Waipu E; 4 on 20/5 (GRP). [A] Mangawhai H; 2 during 1st week of Nov. and 3 about same time of year in 1999 (KMH), 1 on 10/4 (GAP,GG). Nth Kaipara H; 7 on 11/11 (DEC,OSNZ cen). Matakana; 1 on 5/6 & 22/6 (SPC). L Karaka; 1 on 17/4, first here (TB et al). Shelly B, Kaipara H; 20 on 12/7 (GAP,KRB,JMB), 24 on 23/6 (KRB). Western Springs; 3 on 23/12, 2 roosting, 1 building stick platform in tree near waters edge (GAP,JLS). Mangere SP; max of 109 on 24/6, highest yet (TW). Wattle Downs; max 22 on 30/8 (KH). Gordon Rd, Manukau; 18 on 1/6 (AMH). [Wk] Raglan H; max 23 in late Oct (RT,AA). Kawhai H; 45 on 18/7 (BAW,BWW,BHS), 19 at Green I on 11/11 & max 88 on 23/6 (OSNZ cen). L Ngaroto; 1 on 15/1 (BHP). [BP] Pukehina B; 5 on 29/9 (R Libby per KOW). Papamoia; 9 flying past on 11/7 (PCML). [VP] Ohau Channel, L Rotorua; 2 on 11/11 (F Thompson per KOW). Tokaanu Bay, L Taupo; 2 on 26/1 (CS,MSa). [G/W] Wherowhero Lag; 11 on 23/5 (GAF). Whakaki Lag; max 45 on 30/7 (GAF,REH). [T] Mokau E; max 3 on 5/1 (BAH). Mohakatino E; 1 on 30/12 (PJF). Mimi E; 2 on 4/11 (JMcL). Urenui W; 1 on 27/6. Waitara E; max 4 on 14/4 (BAH). Waiongana E; 1 from 8/12 to 13/4 (PJF). Komene Dune L; 1 on 4/12 (BAH). [M] Manawatu E; max 45 on 20/5 (JL&MM et al). [HB] Ahuriri E; 10 on 23/10, 21 on 3/2 (JGH,CFM), building up during April from 48 on 1/4 to 85 on 25/4 (M&PWT), 72 on 27/5 (OSNZ cen). Porangahau E; 5 on 12/11 (OSNZ cen). [Wr] Allsops Bay; 4 on 5/4 (JL). Onoke Spit; 24 on 17/12 (CES). [W] Hadfield Stm, Pekapeka; 2 on 4/12 (M Buchler per IJL). Waikanai E; 12 on 4/7 (SPC), 1 on 5/2 (AMM,JAW). Pauatahanui Inlet; 5 on 25/9 (VK,WAW), 2 on 5/2 (AMM,JAW), 5 on 24/6 (CMM). Makara E; 1 on 16/12 (SS). Totara Bridge, Upper Hutt; 1 on 9/10 (MSn). Hutt E; max of 7 on 23/12 (RNC).

Mute swan *Cygnus olor*

[G/W] Tiniroto L; 1 on 29/4 (GAF). [M] Hokowhitu Lag; 2 birds resident (IS). [HB] L Tutira; 3 on 4/1 (BMT), not often seen here (MT).

Black swan *Cygnus atratus*

[FN] Paua; 482 on 4/3 (AJG). [A] Sth Kaipara Lakes; 134 on 25/4 (JMB,OSNZ cen). [Wk] L Waahi; 297 on 8/4 (PDB et al). Aotea H; 149 on 11/11. Kawhia H; 160 on 11/11, 406 on 23/6 (OSNZ cen). L Rotorua, Taharoa; c100 on 25/12. L Harihari, Taharoa; c60 on 26/12 (SPC). [BP] Matahui Pt; c1000 on 18/11 (PCML). Omokoroa B; 120 on 16/6 (E&RW). Aerodrome Bay; 49 on 14/9 (L&GB). [G/W] L

Whakamarino, Tuai; 226 on 29/4 (GAF). [M] L Omanu; max 180 on 5/8 (JL&MM). [HB] Ahuriri E; 163 on 11/11, 359 on 27/5. Porangahau E; 715 on 9/6 (OSNZ cen).

Canada goose *Branta canadensis*

[FN] Kenana; 5 on 16/11 (AJG). [A] Sth Kaipara Lakes; 8 on 25/4 (JMB,OSNZ cen). [SA] Clarks B; 9 on 6/7 (SC). [Wk] L Rotongaroiti; 77 on 25/7 (ASR,JMR). L Waahi; 895 on 8/4 (PDB et al). Hamilton L; 52 on 10/6 (BAF et al). [BP] Omokoroa GC; 102 on 16/6 (E&RW). [G/W] Putere Lakes; 51 on 22/7. Portland I; 3 prs with young on 2/12 (GAF). [M] Recorded at Hokowhitu Lag, Pukepuke Lag & L Horowhenua. L Omanu; max 110 on 6/1 (JL&MM). [HB] Porangahau E; 21 on 12/11, 131 on 9/6 (OSNZ cen).

Paradise shelduck *Tadorna variegata*

[A] Sth Kaipara Lakes; 372 on 25/4 (JMB,OSNZ cen). [Wk] L Waahi; 315 on 8/4 (PDB et al). Raglan H; 185 on 17/2 (WI&AR). Kawhia H; 50 on 11/11 (OSNZ cen). L Harihari, Taharoa; 139 on 26/12 (SPC). [M] L Omanu; 80 on 14/4 was biggest flock in region (JL&MM). [W] Kaitoke Water Works, Upper Hutt; 80+ on 31/12 (MSn).

Blue duck *Hymenolaimus malacorhynchus*

[BP] Mangorewa Gorge; pr well away from river on 12/10 (per KOW). [VP] Te Unuunuakapuataeariki Stm, Karioi F; faecal sign early Feb (KO). Ngatuhua Stm, Mamaku F; 1 on 20/4 (B Mankelow per KOW).

Mallard *Anas platyrhynchos*

[A] Sth Kaipara Lakes; 254 on 25/4 (JMB,OSNZ cen). [Wk] Raglan H; max 119 on 23/6 (OSNZ cen). Forest L; Hamilton; max 382 on 13/5 (ABC). Hamilton L; max 2273 on 13/5 (BAF et al). Te Koutu L, Cambridge; max 900 on 9/7 (JR et al). Kawhia H; max 181 on 23/6 (OSNZ cen). [BP] Te Maunga; c250 on 18/11 (MSh).

Grey duck *Anas superciliosa superciliosa*

[A] Sth Kaipara Lakes; 82 on 25/4 (JMB,OSNZ cen). [VP] Waimarino F; 4 prs on forestry dams on 31/5 (KO). [G/W] Mangapoiki, Wairoa; 75 on farm lake on 10/6 (GAF,REH). [T] Waiongana E; max 7 on 17/7 (PJF). Meeting of the waters SR; 7 on river on 31/3 (DGM).

Grey teal *Anas gracilis*

[A] Sth Kaipara Lakes; 384 on 25/4 (JMB,OSNZ cen). [SA] Kidds, Manukau H; 30 on 24/2 (DAL). [Wk] Waikato R; 12 on oxbow nth of Huntly on 25/7 (ASR,JMR). [G/W] Mangapoiki, Wairoa; 85 on farm lake on 10/6 (GAF,REH). [T] Waiiau L, Opunake; 28 on 22/4 (BAH). Hawea SP; 11 on 13/11 (BAH,MJD). [M] Manawatu E; only max of 160 this year on 29/4 (JL&MM,IS). [HB] Ahuriri E; 30 on 11/11 (OSNZ cen), c80 on 6/1 (KVT), 386 on 27/5 (OSNZ cen).

Brown teal *Anas chlorotis*

[N] Northland trend counts of 104 & 92 in Jan & Feb, significant drop from last year (GRP). [W] Mana I; nest with 5 eggs on 28/9, 1 duckling on 2/11, rest failed. Karori Sanctuary, Wellington; 4 prs released on 3/11 (CMM).]

NZ shoveler *Anas rhynchos variegata*

[A] Sth Kaipara Lakes; 182 on 25/4 (JMB,OSNZ cen). Mangere SP; 100's on 6/5 (RC). [Wk] Raglan H; 10 on 17/2 (WI&AR). Te Koutu L, Cambridge; 15 on 9/7 (JR et al). [BP] Te Maunga; 12 on 18/11 (MSh). [T] Waiiau L, Opunake;

28 on 22/4 (BAH). [M] Manawatu E; max of c500 on 24/6 (JL&MM). [HB] Ahuriri E; 94 on 11/11, 507 on 27/5 (OSNZ cen). [Wr] Oparua Spillway; 300 on 5/4 (JL).

NZ scaup *Aythya australis*

[A] Strakas Refuge, Waiwera; 15 on 2/2 (SC). Western Springs; 2 ads & 5 juvs on 16/4 (GAP,SPC). [Wk] L Rotoroa, Taharoa; 13 on 25/12. L Harihari, Taharoa; 9 on 26/12 (SPC). L Taharoa; 1 on 8/4 (HJC). Awaroa R, Kawhia H; 2 + 2 juvs on 8/1 (PWS,ORW). [G/W] L Whakamarino, Tuai; 42 on 29/4. Tiniroto L; 65 on 29/4 (GAF). [T] Mangamahoe L; max 72 on 24/6. Ratapiko L; max 96 on 9/7. Hawea SP; 5 on 13/11 (BAH). [M] Hokowhitu Lag; 6-8 birds resident (IS). [Wr] Henley L; 100+ on 1/2 (AH). [W] Waikanae E; 4 on 4/7 (SPC).

Australasian harrier *Circus approximans*

[Wk] Gordonton; 1 on 24/11 preying upon silvereye nest, not known if eggs or chs (DJR).

NZ falcon *Falco novaeseelandiae*

[Wk] Phillips Rd, Aotea; 1 on 5/11 (AA). [BP] Ohiwa H; 1 chasing a blackbird on 29/3, 1 female with broken wing caused by gunshot on 13/6 (WMH,WHS, P McLaren per KOW). Ohope B; 1 on 21/5 shot (R Tully per KOW). [VP] Ohakune; 1 in central town on 10/3 and through winter (KO). [G/W] Wairoa; 1 seen regularly chasing feral pigeons form 1/9 to 10/10 (GAF,DSF). [T] Waitoitoi B; 1 on 23/9 (OSNZ). Aotuhia; 1 on 16/5 (BAH). Collier's Covenant, Mangamingi; 4 (2 ads, 2 juvs) on 31/1(RH). Rotorangi L; 2 on 16/4 chasing harrier (BAH). [M] Ohakea; 1 on 30/3 & 24/4 (IS). Levin; 1 on 25/12 & 26/12 (B Tyler). [HB] Haverlock Nth-Te Mata Peak; 1 on 7/9 (BMT). Tutaekuri R Gorge; 1 on 25/2 (AMcA). Kuripapango Lakes; 1 on 29/10 (BMS,IS). [Wr] Palliser Bay; 4 on 23/12 (BB). Masterton; 1 on 27/12 (CES). [W] Te Marua, Upper Hutt; 1 Sept-Dec (MSn). Mahina Bay, Wellington H; 1 on 25/12 (EMG). Wellington; 1 at Karori Sanctuary on 2/6 (AMM,JAW) & 1 at Seatoun Heights on 24/11 (BDB).

California quail *Callipepla californica brunnescens*

[FN] Aroha I, Kerikeri Inlet; pr & 11 chs on 22/1 (SC). [HB] Clifton; 50+ on 24/3 (BMT). [Wr] Waiohine; 8 on 9/11, 11 on 7/2 (JD).

Brown quail *Synoicus ypsilophorus*

[A] Kaipara Sth Head; 12 on 9/5 (BP). Te Atatu; 2 on 1/11 (DAP). [Wk] Cambridge Wallace Res; family group on 13/7 (SC).

Peafowl *Pavo cristatus*

[A] L Kereta; 22 on 9/5 (BP).

Banded rail *Gallirallus philippensis assimilis*

[A] Wenderholm; 1 on 11/7 & 22/1 (SC) & 30/1 (DAP). Man o' War Bay, Waiheke I; 1 on 26/7 (ESK). [BP] Kaituna W/L Res; 1 on 14/12 (KOW). Maketu E; 1 on 23/12 (TB). Ohiwa H; 1 on 22/10 (JAB).

Spotless crane *Porzana tabuensis plumbea*

[FN] Aroha I, Kerikeri Inlet; seen several times during year (DRT). [A] Constable Rd, Kaipara Sth Head; 1 on 30/6/00 (TW). [VP] L Tarawera; 1 in lagoon, Spencer Rd on 11/2 (A Garrick per KOW). [G/W] Mangapoiki, Wairoa; 1 calling on 15/10 (GAF,REH). [T] Mohakatino

swamp CA; 1 on 6/10 (BAH). Colin Bird's, Kaka Rd; 1 on 22/10 (BAH,PJF). Rotokare L; max 4 on 10/7 (BAH,DGM). [M] Recorded at L Omanu, Foxton No. 2 Lake & Round Bush SR (JL&MM).

Marsh crane *Porzana pusilla affinis*

[A] Hedleys, Kaipara H; 1 on 17/2 (DAP). [Wk] L Ngaroto; 2 on 2/7 (BHS,BAF,PDC), 1 on 24/7 (ASR,JMR).

Pukeko *Porphyrio porphyrio melanotus*

[BP] Te Maunga; 45 on 18/11 (MSh). [T] Egmont Village; 1 chasing adult rabbit on 8/10 (W&RM). [W] Sth Karori Rd; 1 with dead duckling in bill heading for reeds on 29/10 (RSN).

Australian coot *Fulica atra australis*

[Wk] Forest L, Hamilton; max 8 on 13/8, min 3 on 11/2 (ABC). Hamilton L; max 42 on 10/9, min 17 + 1 juv on 10/6 (BAF et al). [VP] Ameku W/L Res, Waimarino F; 1 on 31/5, first record here (KO). [G/W] L Whakamarina, Tuai; 66 on 29/4. Tiniroto L; 11 on 29/4 (GAF). [T] Mangamahoe L; max 14 on 14/3 & 4/4 (BAH). [M] Hokowhitu Lag; c40 birds resident (IS). [Wr] Henley L; 5 on 1/2 (AH).

South I pied oystercatcher *Haematopus ostralegus finschi*

[FN] East B; 156 on 9/1 (AV&LH). [N] Whangarei H; 307 on 12/11, 1658+ on 11/3, 619 on 30/6. Ruakaka E; 217 on 30/6 (AJB,OSNZ cen). Nth Kaipara H; 742 on 11/11, 6424 on 23/6 (DEC,OSNZ cen). [A] Sth Kaipara H; 2530 on 25/11, 13934 on 23/6 (ACR OSNZ cen). [SA] Clarks B; first migration flights seen heading sth on 21/6 (SC). Matarangi Spit; max c875 on 3/2 (BM). [Wk] Raglan H; max 453 on 23/6 (OSNZ cen). L Ngaroto; 4 flying by on 21/1 (ASR,JMR). Aotea H; max 337 on 11/11. Kawhia H; max 3803 on 23/6 (OSNZ cen). [BP] Tauranga H; 414 on 18/11, c612 on 23/6 (OSNZ cen). Maketu E; max 140 on 14/1 (PCML). Ohiwa H; max 400 on 5/7 (WMH). [G/W] Wherowhero Lag; 48 on 23/5 (GAF). [T] Mokau E; max 21 on 28/5. Rohotu-Oaonui coast; 115 flying nth in small flocks on 19/1 & again on 29/1 (BAH,WvG). [M] Manawatu E; max 92 on 13/1 (IS,JL&MM).

Variable oystercatcher *Haematopus unicolor*

[FN] Henderson Bay; 26 on 28/10 (AJG). East B; 65 on 9/1 (AV&LH). Tokerau B; 10 on 5/11 (LH). Aroha I, Kerikeri Inlet; 4 on 21/1 (SC). [N] Whangarei H; 8 prs nesting in upper harbour on 28/9; 1 pr raised albino ch which was seen many months later on airport (GRP), 91 on 12/11, 71 on 11/3, 51 on 30/6. Ruakaka E; 95 on 12/11, 86 on 11/3, 105 on 30/6 (AJB,OSNZ cen). Waipu E; c40 prs, 54 nests, 124 eggs, 49 hatched, 23 fledged (TM,KMH,GRP), 60 on 12/11, 243 on 11/3, 102 on 30/6 (AJB,OSNZ cen). Nth Kaipara H; 3 on 11/11 (DEC,OSNZ cen). [A] Mangawhai H; c30 prs, 30 nests, 57 eggs, 17 known to have hatched, 4 poss. 13 fledged (KMH,GRP), 147 on 10/4 (A&MM et al). Omaha, Whangateau; 48 on 26/6 (SPC,OSNZ cen). Brown's I; max 63 on 14/12 (ESK). [SA] Port Waikato; 27 on 17/1 (GRP). Matarangi Spit; max c180 on 3/4 (BM). [Wk] Kawhia H; 14 on 11/11 (OSNZ cen). [BP] Tauranga H; 52 on 18/11, 49 on 23/6 (OSNZ cen). Matakana I; 60 prs breeding 6/12 (BMu). Omokoroa; max 22 on 16/6 (E&RW). Maketu E; max 63 on 5/3 (E&RW). Little Waihi; 72 on 18/11 (PCML). Ohiwa H; max 250 on 27/5 (WMH). [G/W] Portland I; max 47 on 14/1, pr with white ch on

17/1 (GAF). [T] Mokau E; max 14 on 24/6. Pungaereere Stm; 10 on 11/9 (BAH). [M] Manawatu E; max 12 on 15/10, 25/12 & 27/1 (JL&MM). [Wr] Ngawi; 2 on 12/11 (JD) & 27/4 (WG). Onoke; 2 on 26/11 (CES). Mataikona; 2 on 20/5 (BW). [W] Waikanae E; 60 on 25/6/00 (MSn), 28 on 4/7 (SPC). Petone-Ngauranga, Wellington H; seen every month, max 12 in Feb (AMM).

Australasian pied stilt *Himantopus himantopus leucocephalus*

[FN] Paua; 198 on 4/3 (AJG). [N] Whangarei H; 327 on 12/11, 816 on 11/3, 427 on 30/6 (AJB,OSNZ cen). Nth Kaipara H; 211 on 11/11, 1876 on 23/6 (DEC,OSNZ cen). [A] Sth Kaipara H; 1800 on 23/6 (ACR,OSNZ cen). [SA] Clarks B; 190 on 24/6 (SC). [Wk] Raglan H; 94 on 23/6. Aotea H; 700 on 23/6. Kawhia H; 405 on 23/6 (OSNZ cen). [BP] Matahui Pt; 75 on 27/5 (B&CC). Omokoroa; 75 on 16/6 (E&RW). Kaituna Cut; max 70 on 14/11 (PCML). Ohiwa H; max 60 on 24/6 (WMH). [T] Waiongana E; max 58 on 23/3 (PJF). Bell Block SP; max 62 on 12/1 (BAH). [M] Manawatu E; max c300 on 6/5 (JL&MM,IS). [HB] Ahuriri E; 306 on 11/11, 381 on 27/5 (OSNZ cen).

Black stilt *Himantopus novaeseelandiae*

[A] Sth Kaipara H; 3 + 3 smudgies on 23/6 (ACR,OSNZ cen); Taporā; 1 at Big Sand I on 26/5 (GG et al); Hedley's 1 on 17/4, 7 year old bird (GAP et al); Jordan's Farm; 2 on 12/5 (ACR). [Wk] Kawhia H; 7 on 23/6 (OSNZ cen). [BP] Matahui Pt; 2 on 27/5 (B&CC).

NZ dotterel *Charadrius obscurus aquilonius*

[FN] Nth Cape Beaches; 27 on 27/8 (VH,AV&LH,DRT). [N] Whangarei H; 6 prs nesting in upper harbour on 28/9 (GRP), 7 on 12/11, 25 on 11/3, 24 on 30/6. Ruakaka E; 4 on 12/11, 6 on 11/3, 44 on 30/6 (AJB,OSNZ cen). Waipu E; c16 prs, 27 nests, 50 eggs, 14 hatched, 12 fledged (TM,KMH,GRP), 28 on 12/11, 27 on 11/3, 56 on 30/6 (AJB,OSNZ cen). Nth Kaipara H; 2 on 11/11, 4 on 23/6 (DEC,OSNZ cen). [A] Mangawhai H; c30 prs, 30 nests, 59 eggs, 23 hatched, 8 prob. 15 fledged, 123 on 12/3 (KMH,GRP), 126 on 10/4. Omaha, Whangateau; 55 on 6/4. Big sand I, Kaipara H; 63 on 7/4. Whangapoua B, GBI; 51 on 9/4. Te Matuku Bay, Waiheke I; 17 on 10/4. Brown's I; 34 on 9/4. Auckland Airport; 27 on 26/3 (DAP,OSNZ cen). Sth Kaipara H; 30 on 25/11, 63 on 23/6 (ACR,OSNZ cen). Don McKinnon Drive, Albany; 5 incl. ch on 7/1 on construction earthworks, 5 kms inland (DAP). [SA] Kidds, Manukau H; 9 on 24/2 (SC). Clifton B, Whitford; 19 on 26/3 (BK). Port Waikato; 5 on 17/1 (GRP). Grey's B; 4 on 23/8 (BM). Matarangi Spit; max 68 on 4/3 (BM). Opoutere E; 17 prs on 30/9 (WH). Taputapuata; max 16 on 3/7. Wharekaho B; max 6 on 22/12 (BM). [Wk] Steel Camp Ck, Taharoa; 4 on 20/12 (SPC), 2 + 1 juv in Jan (per BAW). [BP] Matakana I; 33 prs + 26 chs on 11/12 (BMu). Maketu E; max 16 on 5/3 (E&RW). Ohiwa H; 6 prs breeding on 18/11 (WMH). Waioeka E; 6 ads, 4 chs on 13/11. Waiaua E; max 12 on 13/11 (AG,AHS). [G/W] Wherowhero Lag; 4 on 11/12 (CFM,JGH), 4 chs on 12/12 (GAF). Oraka E; 2 prs nesting 12/12 (CFM,JGH). [T] Pungaereere Stm; 2 from 31/7 to 29/8, 3 on 11/9, nest on 1/12, 4 on 11/11, 6 on 7/2 (BAH).

Banded dotterel *Charadrius bicinctus bicinctus*

[FN] Paua; 280 on 4/3. Karikari Bay; 6 on 12/9 (AJG). Tokerau B; 2 on 5/11 (LH). Taipa E; 2 on 19/3 (AJG). [N]

Whangarei H; 302 on 11/3, 288 on 30/6. Ruakaka E; 184 on 30/6 (AJB,OSNZ cen). Nth Kaipara H; 28 on 23/6 (DEC,OSNZ cen). [A] Mangawhai H; 149 on 10/4 (A&MM et al). Whangapoua B, GBI; 38 on 15/4 (ACR). Omaha, Whangateau; 65 on 26/6 (SPC,OSNZ cen). Big Sand I, Kaipara H; 312 on 7/4 (GAP et al). Papakanui Spit; 110 on 8/4 (GAP,TW). Sth Kaipara H; 291 on 23/6 (ACR,OSNZ cen). Auckland Airport; 150 on 8/2 (HRC). [SA] Kidds, Manukau H; 351 on 24/2. Seagrove; 180 in ploughed paddock on 24/6 (SC). Matarangi Spit; max 166 on 3/4 (BM). [Wk] Aotea H; 42 on 23/6. Kawhia H; 450 on 23/6 (OSNZ cen). [BP] Tauranga H; 432 on 16/6. Aerodrome Bay; 62 on 23/6 (L&GB). Maketu E; max 60 on 4/2 (MSh). Ohiwa H; max 200 on 12/4 (WMH,WHS). [VP] Tokaanu, L Taupo; 1 on boat ramp in Aug (MSa). [G/W] Portland I; max 65 roosting on 7/6 (GAF). [T] Waiongana E; max 64 on 18/3 (PJF). Pungaereere Stm; max 12 on 6/6. Oaonui Dunes; max 33 on 6/6 (BAH). [M] Manawatu E; max 150+ on 11-24/3 (JL&MM,IS). [HB] Ahuriri; field near airport, c206 on 27/6 (OSNZ cen). [Wr] Onoke; 12 on 26/11 (CES).

Black-fronted dotterel *Charadrius melanops*

[SA] Mangere SP; pr nested, raised 2 chs, 1 on 11/1 (HRC). [Wk] Kiritihere B; 1 on 15/4 (BHS). [T] Waiongana E; 1 from 8/10 to 21/10 (PJF). Oaonui Stm mouth; 2 on 6/6 & 19/6 (BAH). [M] Ohakea; 2 on airfield on 24/5, the first seen here (IS). [Wr] Kaiwhata R; 4 on 16/3 (TWy). Henley L; 2 on 1/2 (AH). Te Whiti; 4 on 7/1 (TCD).

Shore plover *Thinornis novaeseelandiae*

[G/W] Portland I; 5 prs nesting, fledged 6 chs, max 34 roosting on 7/6, translocated population (GAF).

Wrybill *Anarhynchus frontalis*

[FN] Kokota Spit, Parengarenga H; 67 on 28/5 (AJG,LM). East B; 15 on 26/5. Tokerau B; max 5 on 5/4 (AJG). [N] Whangarei H; 26 on 11/3, 81 on 30/6 (AJB,OSNZ cen). [A] Whangapoua B, GBI; 7 on 15/4 (ACR). Sth Kaipara H; 180 on 26/5 (ACR,OSNZ cen); max counts, 133 at Jordan's Farm on 10/2 (GNG,MKT) & 135 at Big Sand I, Taporā on 7/4 (GAP et al). [SA] Kidds, Manukau H; 650 on 24/2. Seagrove; 500 in ploughed paddock on 24/6 (SC). [G/W] Wherowhero Lag; 28 on 23/5 (GAF). [T] Waiongana E; max 2 on 31/1 (PJF). Komene Dune L; 1 on 1/11 (BAH). [M] Manawatu E; 36 in July, min 1 in Nov/Dec, climbing to max of 42 on 6/2, then c35-39 till end of June (IS,JL&MM). [HB] Porangahau E; 7 on 12/11, 39 on 9/6 (OSNZ cen).

Pacific golden plover *Pluvialis fulva*

[FN] Aroha I, Kerikeri Inlet; 12 on reef on 22/1 (SC,DRT). [N] Whangarei H; 17 on 12/11, 67 on 11/3 (AJB,OSNZ cen). [A] Whangapoua B, GBI; 1 on 15/4 (ACR). Big Sand I; Kaipara H; max 51 on 25/11 (ACR,OSNZ cen). [SA] Kidds, Manukau H; 23 on 22/2. Clarks B; 20 on 1/1 (SC). Matarangi Spit; 1 on 9/6 (BM). [BP] Kaituna Cut; max 30 on 14/1 (PCML). Maketu E; max 23 on 18/12 (TB). Ohiwa H; max 14 on 11/2 (WMH). [G/W] Waiapoa E; 25 on 18/11 (GAF). [T] Waiongana E; 6 on 22/10 (BAH), 5 on 5/3 & 7/4 (PJF). Pungaereere Stm; 3 from 1/12 to 5/3 (BAH). [M] Manawatu E; 1 on 2/10 climbing to max of 14 from 26/2 to 25/3, only 2 by 13/4 (JL&MM,IS). [HB] Ahuriri E; 29 on 26/11 (JGH,CFM).

Spur-winged plover *Vanellus miles novaehollandiae*

[N] Whangarei H; 24 on 12/11, 75 on 11/3, 62 on 30/6 (AJB,OSNZ cen). Nth Kaipara H; 50 on 11/11, 16 on 23/6 (DEC,OSNZ cen). [A] Don McKinnon Drive, Albany; 61 on 7/1 (DAP). [Wk] Okoko Rd, off Kawhia Rd; c150 on 22/2 (HJC). [BP] Kaituna Cut; c180 on 6/12 (PCML). Waioka E; max 30 on 13/11 (WHS).

Turnstone *Arenaria interpres*

[FN] Paua; 1240 on 4/3. Henderson Bay; 50 on rocks on 28/10 (AJG). East B; 210 on 7/2 (AV&LH). [N] Waipu E; 17 on 12/11, 26 on 11/3 (AJB,OSNZ cen). [A] Sth Kaipara H; 109 on 25/11 (ACR,OSNZ cen); max 631 at Big Sand I on 10/4 (GAP et al). [SA] Seagrove; 7 on 24/6 (SC). Kidds, Manukau H; 22 on 23/4 (BK). Clarks B; 12 on 23/10 (SC). [Wk] Aotea H; 2 on 11/1, 1 on 23/6. Kawhia H; 6 on 11/11 (OSNZ cen). [BP] Matakana I; c140 on 18/11 (B&CC). Maketu E; max 9 on 4/12 (TB). Ohiwa H; 2 on 17/10 & 14/11 (WMH,WHS). [G/W] Portland I; max 186 roosting on 1/1 (GAF). [T] Waiongana E; first on 25/11, max 3 on 29/11 (PJF). [M] Manawatu E; only 1 this year from 10/12 to 17/12 (IS). [HB] Waitangi E; 1 on 5/10 (KVT). Porangahau E; 3 on 12/11 (OSNZ cen).

Japanese snipe *Gallinago hardwickii*

[M] Manawatu E; up to 2 between 16/9 & 26/3, accepted by RBC UBR 10/01, UBR10A/01, UBR 10B/01 & UBR 51/01 (JL&MM,IS et al).

Lesser knot *Calidris canutus canutus*

[FN] East B; 60 on 9/1 (AV&LH). Taipa E; 2 on 19/3 (AJG). [N] Whangarei H; 1927 on 12/11, 115 on 11/3. Ruakaka E; 1250 on 11/3 (AJB,OSNZ cen). Nth Kaipara H; 81 on 11/11 (DEC,OSNZ cen). [A] Mangawhai H; 229 on 18/11 (GAP,OSNZ cen). Sth Kaipara H; 8317 on 25/11 (ACR,OSNZ cen). [SA] Seagrove; 1200 in ploughed paddock on 24/6 (SC). [BP] Kaituna Cut; 50 on 14/1. Maketu E; max 80 on 18/11 (PCML). [T] Komene Dune L; 1 on 1/11 (BAH). [M] Manawatu E; built up from 14 on 29/9 to max of 290 on 30/12, down to 2 on 6/5 (JL&MM,IS). [HB] Ahuriri E; 4 on 2/12 (M&PWT). Porangahau E; 2 on 12/11 (OSNZ cen).

Curlew sandpiper *Calidris ferruginea*

[A] Kaipara H; 1 at Big Sand I on 7/4 (GAP et al) & 1 at Jordan's Farm on 10/2 (GNG,MKT). [SA] Kidds, Manukau H; 11 on 10/2 (DAL), 8 on 24/2 (SC) & 23/4 (BK). Miranda; 1 on 23/10 (DAL). [M] Manawatu E; 1 from 4/11 to 25/11 (IS,JL&MM).

Sharp-tailed sandpiper *Calidris acuminata*

[A] Mangere SP; 7 on 1/1 (HRC), 14 on 13/2 (MJT). [SA] Kidds, Manukau H; 1 on 24/2. Miranda; 2 on 23/10 (SC). [BP] Maketu E; 4 on 5/3 (E&RW). [M] Manawatu E; 1 Nov-Dec, 3 from 29/12 to 15/1, then 2 on 23/1 & 1 on 19/3 (IS,JL&MM et al).

Pectoral sandpiper *Calidris melanotos*

[SA] Miranda; 2 on 23/10 (SC).

Red-necked stint *Calidris ruficollis*

[FN] Aroha I, Kerikeri Inlet; 7 in Dec (DRT). [A] Sth Kaipara H; 9 on 25/11 (ACR,OSNZ cen); max at Big Sand I 8 on 7/4 (GAP et al). [SA] Kidds, Manukau H; 21 on 10/2, 30 on 24/2, 4 on 23/4 (DAL,SC,BK). Miranda; 1 on 23/

10 (SC). [BP] Maketu E; 1 on 20/10 & 18/12 (TB). [M] Manawatu E; 2 from 3/9 to Dec, 3 on 3/12, max 4 from 13/1 to 13/4, 1 on 29/4 (JL&MM,IS). [HB] Porangahau E; 10 on 12/11, 4 on 9/6 (OSNZ cen).

Eastern curlew *Numenius madagascariensis*

[A] Sth Kaipara H; 1 on 25/11 (ACR,OSNZ cen); max 2 at Big Sand I on 14/1, 10/3 & 11/3 (GNG,MKT et al). [BP] Maketu E; 1 on 20/10, 5/11 & 18/12 (TB,PCML).

Asiatic whimbrel *Numenius phaeopus variegatus*

[T] Rahoitu-Oaonui coast; 1 from 11/9 to 22/5 (BAH).

Whimbrel *Numenius phaeopus*

[FN] Aroha I, Kerikeri Inlet; 1 on 22/1 (SC,DRT). [N] Whangarei H; 11 on 29/8, 41 on 12/11 (GRP), 2 on 30/6 (KMH,GRP). [A] Sth Kaipara H; 11 on 25/11, 2 on 23/6 (ACR,OSNZ cen); max 25 at Jordan's Farm on 23/3 (ACR). [SA] Gordon Rd, Awhitu Pen; 1 on 10/12 (AMH). Waihou RM; 18 on 14/1 (DAL,AMH). [BP] Ohiwa H; 2 on 18/9 (WMH,AMc), 6 on 28/11 (R Tully per KOW), 8 on 12/4 (WMH). [G/W] Maungawhio Lag; 3 on 9/12 (DSF,MAF).

Eastern bar-tailed godwit *Limosa lapponica baueri*

[N] Whangarei H; 2865 on 12/11, 720 on 11/3, 375 on 30/6. Ruakaka E; 18 on 12/11, 3000 on 11/3. Waipu E; 104 on 12/11, 103 on 11/3 (AJB,OSNZ cen). Nth Kaipara H; 2023 on 11/11, 87 on 23/6 (DEC,OSNZ cen). [A] Mangawhai H; 345 on 18/11 (GAP,OSNZ cen), 359 on 12/3 (GRP,KMH,AVW). Whangapoua B, GBI; 8 on 15/4 (ACR). Sth Kaipara H; 19167 on 25/11, 985 on 23/6 (ACR,OSNZ cen). Omaha; 260 on 17/1 (GRP). Shoal Bay, Waitemata H; 260 on 7/1 (DAP). [SA] Seagrove; 3000 on 26/11 (SC). Port Waikato; 109 on 17/1 (GRP). Matarangi Spit; max c1400 on 2/12 (BM). [Wk] Raglan H; max 705 on 14/1. Aotea H; max 2250 on 11/11, min 130 on 23/6. Kawhia H; max 3500 on 11/11, min 550 on 23/6 (OSNZ cen). [BP] Tauranga H; c8300 on 18/11 (OSNZ cen). Kaituna Cut; 200 on 5/11. Maketu E; max 830 on 14/1. Little Waihi; max 600 on 18/11. Ohiwa H; max 3500 on 22/10 (PCML). [T] Mokau E; max 3 on 18/10 (BAH). Mimi E; 2 on 23/9 (OSNZ). Waiongana E; max 7 from 22/10 to 2/1 (PJF). Rahoitu coast; 20 on 27/10 flying sth. Pungaereere Stm; max 4 on 19/12 (BAH). [M] Manawatu E; 45 overwintered, max 450+ on 24/12, then 40+ overwintering (JL&MM,IS). [HB] Ahuriri E; 197 on 23/10, max summer count (JGH,CFM). Porangahau E; 428 on 12/11, 29 on 9/6 (OSNZ cen). [W] Pauatahanui Inlet; 17 on 21 & 22/10 (JAW,AMM,GWdL).

Siberian tattler *Tringa brevipes*

[T] Waiongana E; 1 from 8/10 to 7/11, accepted by RBC UBR 66/01 (PJF).

Brown skua *Catharacta skua lonnbergi*

[M] Foxton B; 1 on 25/7, 2 on 29/10, accepted by RBC UBR 59/01 (JL&MM).

Arctic skua *Stercorarius parasiticus*

[A] Goat I; 1 harassing fluttering shearwaters on 2/12 (ESK). [BP] Mt Maunganui; 1 on 29/10 (TB). Papamoa; 1 dark phase on 6/4 (PCML). Ohope; 2 (1 light, 1 dark phase) on 12/3 (WMH). [G/W] Portland I; 5 attending fish work-up on 21/12 (GAF,REH). [T] Sightings at Sugar Loaf Is & Komene Rd B over summer, max 4 at Patea

stacks on 15/1, latest sighting 2 at Waiongana E on 28/4 (BAH,PJF). [M] Foxton B; present in Oct-April, max 7 on 10/3 (JL&MM,IS).

Southern black-backed gull *Larus dominicanus*

[N] Whangarei H; 316 on 12/11, 998 on 11/3, 290 on 30/6. Waipu E; 46 on 12/11, 62 on 11/3, 38 on 30/6 (AJB,OSNZ cen). [A] Sth Kaipara H; 35 on 27/11/99, 54 on 25/11, 62 on 23/6 (ACR,OSNZ cen). [Wk] Kawhia H; 173 incl. 32 nests at Te Motu I, 9 nests at Oparau R, Ellis Pt & 6 nests Te Motu shellbank on 11/11 (OSNZ cen). [BP] Panepane Pt, Matakana I; 9 on 16/6, nos. well down since control carried out (L&GB). [Wr] Onoke; 200+ with chs on 12/12 (CES). [W] Waikanae E; c200 on 4/7 (SPC).

Red-billed gull *Larus novaehollandiae scopulinus*

[N] Whangarei H; 236 on 12/11, 76 on 11/3, 549 on 30/6 (AJB,OSNZ cen). Nth Kaipara H; 14 on 11/11, 423 on 23/6 (DEC,OSNZ cen). [A] Mangawhai H; c32 prs, 32 nests, 59 eggs, 30 chs prob. fledged (KMH,GRP). Sth Kaipara H; 590 on 23/6 (ACR,OSNZ cen). Cape Rodney; 50 nests on 24/12/99. Goat I; c30 nests on 2/12. Opakau I, GBI; c60 nests on 1/12. Tara Rocks, Kawau I; 100 nests on 23/12/99, c100 nests on 3/12. Motutapu I; 50 nests at Home Bay on 7/12/99 & 100 nests at Administration Bay on 10/12/99. Koi I, Waiheke I; 33 nests on 30/10/99, c50, several nests on 22/10. Okahu Bay; c90 nests on wave break on 12/12 (ESK). [Wk] Kawhia H; 131 on 11/11 (OSNZ cen). [BP] Matahūi Pt; 92 on 27/5 (B&CC). Tauranga H; 305 on 16/6 (OSNZ), Sulphur Pt; c200 nesting on 18/11 (GH). Ohiwa H; 40 nesting in black billed gull colony on 18/11 (WMH,PCML). [G/W] Portland I; 122 ads & juvs at colony on 12/1 (GAF). [Wr] Castlepoint; 200 nesting on 15/12 (CES). [W] Waikanae E; c150 on 4/7 (SPC).

Black-billed gull *Larus bulleri*

[A] Sth Kaipara H; 66 on 27/11/99, 99 on 25/11, 15 on 23/6 (ACR,OSNZ cen). [BP] Ohiwa H; c80 nesting on 22/10 (PCML). [G/W] Wherowhero Lag; c50 nesting on 11/12 (JGH,CFM). [Wr] Te Whiti; 50 on 20/1 (AR). Konini; 60 on 11/10 (TCD).

White-winged black tern *Chlidonias leucopterus*

[M] L Omanu; 1 non-breeding ad from 9/12 to 4/1, also visited Manawatu E on 7/1, accepted by RBC UBR 12/01 (JL&MM,IS). Manawatu E; 2 imms on 17/12, accepted by RBC UBR 12A/01 (IS). [HB] Ahuriri E; 1 on 26/11 (JGH,CFM), present throughout Jan (BMS,BMT) and last seen 10/3 (BMS).

Black-fronted tern *Sterna albobristata*

[FN] Wairahoraho Stm, Karikari Bay; 2 on 26/5 (AJG). [Wk] Taharoa B; 2 juvs near white fronted terns on 14/2 (HJC). [BP] Rangitaiki RM; 5 on 19/6 & 12 on 30/6 (WMH). [T] Pungaereere Stm; 2 imms on 30/5 (BAH). [M] Foxton B; 1 on 25/7 (IS). Manawatu E; 1 juv on 10/3 (JL&MM). [HB] Waitangi E; c75 on 21/5, max winter count (M&PWT). [Wr] Castlepoint; 1 on 20/3 (CC). [W] Waikanae E; 1 in breeding plumage on 4/7 (SPC). Wainuiomata RM; 2 on 6/5 (RGP).

Caspian tern *Sterna caspia*

[N] Whangarei H; 59 on 12/11, 51 on 11/3, 36 on 30/6. Ruakaka E; 10 on 12/11, 6 on 11/3, 2 on 30/6. Waipu E; 11 on 12/11, 13 on 11/3, 6 on 30/6 (AJB,OSNZ cen). Nth

Kaipara H; 45 on 11/11, 36 on 23/6 (DEC,OSNZ cen). [A] Mangawhai H; 124 ads, 38 nests, c18 hatched, 9 fledged (KMH,GRP). Sth Kaipara H; 26 on 27/11/99, 49 on 25/11, 123 on 23/6 (ACR,OSNZ cen). Sth Kaipara Head Lakes; 2 on 25/4 (JMB,OSNZ cen). Kaitoke B, GBI; 11 incl. 1 juv on 20/2/00. Waiheke I; single nests at Awaawaroa Bay on 15/10 & Te Matuku Bay on 6/12 (ESK). [SA] Clarks B; 9 on 6/6 (SC). [Wk] L Waahi; 5 on 8/4 (PDB et al). Raglan H; 19 on 14/11, 16 on 23/6. Aotea H; 18 on 11/11, 5 on 23/6. Kawhia H; 17 on 11/11, 62 on 23/6 (OSNZ cen). [BP] Tauranga H; 88 on 18/11 (OSNZ cen). Matakana I; c150 breeding on 6/12 (BMu). Pukehina Spit; 13 on 26/5 (L&GB). Ohiwa H; 2 or 3 prs nested (WMH). [G/W] Whakaki Lag; 13 on 30/7. Portland I; 2 prs nesting on 12/11 (GAF). [T] Waiongana E; 7 on 16/6 (PJF). [M] Manawatu E; max 24 on 6/2 (IS). [HB] Waitangi E; 56 on 27/5. Porangahau E; 57 on 12/11, 8 on 9/6 (OSNZ cen). [Wr] Onoke Spit; 54 nesting on 12/12 (CES). Kaiwhata R; 2 on 16/3 (AH). Ngawi; 2 on 27/4 (WG).

White-fronted tern *Sterna striata*

[N] Pataua B; 200+ incl. 45 juvs on 7/2 (HCS,PRS). Ruakaka E; 232 on 11/3. Waipu E; 350 on 11/3 (AJB,OSNZ cen). Langs B; 26 incl. 5 juvs on 20/3 (AGo,RCr,PRS). Glinks Gully; 100+ on 18/4 (PRS et al). Nth Kaipara H; 16 on 11/11, 24 on 23/6 (DEC,OSNZ cen). [A] Mangawhai H; 1098 nests, 1302 eggs, c100 hatched, 3 prob. 43 fledged (KMH,GRP), red billed gulls seen taking chs on 4/1 (MRW,GAP,SPC). Sth Kaipara H; 986 on 25/11, 172 on 23/6 (ACR,OSNZ cen). Burgess I, Mokohinau I; 10 nests on 1/12. Goat I; c60 nests. Whangapoua E, GBI; 80 on 19/2/00 (PCC). Opakau I; 33 nests on 29/12/99. Cape Rodney; 50 nests on 24/12/99, c20 nests on 2/12. Tara Rocks, Kawau I; 16 nests on 24/12/99. Tiritiri Matangi I; c100 nests on 23/12/99, c50 nests on 4/12. David Rocks; 25 nests on 7/12/99. Motutapu I; 52 nests at Pig Bay on 10/12/99, 15 nests at Home Bay on 7/12/99, c30 nests at Sandy Bay on 5/12. Tarahiki I; 27 nests on 17/12/99. Koi I, Waiheke I; 10 nests on 5/12. Ponui I; 165 nests on 17/12/99. Motuihe I; 5 nests on 7/12/99 (ESK). Muriwai; 248 incl. 21 imms on 11 kms of beach on 10/6/00 (SPC). Okahu Bay; 62 nests on 9/12/99 & 59 nests on wave break on 12/12. Hobson Bay; 8 nests on dingy piles on 27/11. Half Moon Bay; 16 nests on marina breakwater on 22/11 (ESK). [Wk] Anglesea Street, Hamilton; 1 on 20/8 (BAF). [BP] Sulphur Pt; c150 nesting on 18/11 (GH). Kaituna Cut; 92 on 6/12. Maketu E; 122 on 5/11 (PCML). Ohiwa H; c400 nesting on 18/11 (WMH). Waiaua E; 77 on 14/6 (AG,WHS). [G/W] Wherowhero Lag; c600 at colony on 11/12 (JGH,CFM). Portland I; c1500 ads & chs on 12/1 (GAF). [T] Awakino E; max 223 on 7/5. Seaview Camp B; max 500 on 7/7 (BAH). Waiongana E; max 140 on 9/11 (PJF). Port Taranaki; max 250 on 5/10. Sugar Loaf Is; max 300 on 29/5. Stony R E; max 500 on 13/1 (BAH). Cape Egmont; 137 on 2/7 (JCM). Pungaereere Stm; max 435 on 10/7. Oaonui; max 450 on 2/7. Pihama; 300 on 22/4 (BAH). [M] Manawatu E; max 1000+ on 10/3 (JL&MM). [HB] Waitangi E; c800 on 13/8, courtship feeding observed but did not nest here (M&PWT). [Wr] Castlepoint; 200+ nesting on 15/12 (CES). [W] Petone-Ngauranga, Wellington H; max c100 on 5/3 (AMM).

NZ fairy tern *Sterna nereis davisae*

[N] Waipu E; 7 incl. 5 of previous seasons' chs on 11/7 (GRP), 2 on 12/11 & 11/3 (AJB,OSNZ cen), 2 prs, 3 nests, 5

eggs, 4 hatched, 2 fledged (TM,KMH,GRP). [A] Mangawhai H; 6 on 13/11/99 (GAP,OSNZ cen), 3 prs, 6 nests, 10 eggs, 3 hatched, 1 fledged; 1 pr of 3 year old birds didn't breed (KMH,GRP), 4 imms from 1999-2000 season seen over summer (KMH). Te Arai; 5 on 12/3 (GRP,KMH,AVW). Sth Kaipara H; 10 on 25/11 (Walker I & Papakanui Spit), 8 on 23/6 (Tabora & Walker I) (ACR,OSNZ cen); 19 (17 c/b) at Walker I on 27/4 & 19 (17 c/b) at Tauhoa R on 11/5 (GAP,SPC); Papakanui Spit; 1 pr + 1 solo female hatched 3 chs, 1 fledged; 1 captive reared in Auckland Zoo (LCB,SLG), 1 fledged ch c50 days old being fed by ads & attempting to hunt itself on 18/2 (GAP,SPC,TW). Omaha, Whangateau; 2 imms feeding on sandhoppers on 1/12 (GAP,SPC,JLS).

Eastern little tern *Sterna albifrons sinensis*

[N] Waipu E; 1 on 11/3 (AJB,OSNZ cen). [A] Sth Kaipara H; 44 on 25/11 (ACR,OSNZ cen); 29 on 25/2 & 24 on 25/3 at Walker I; 5 incl. 2 juvs at Tauhoa R on 27/4 (GAP et al). [SA] Kidds, Manukau H; 2 on 24/2 (SC,DAL). [M] Manawatu E; 1 on 4/11 (IS).

Grey ternlet *Procelsterna cerulea albivittata*

[FN] Princes Is, Three Kings Is; 10 seen from summit of Stella Rock on 14/2, accepted by RBC UBR 30/01 (GRP).

NZ pigeon *Hemiphaga novaeseelandiae*

[A] Shakespear P, Whangaparaoa Pen; 4 prs in kohekohe trees on 22/10 (SC). [SA] Pukekohe; 2 in silver birch trees on 28/4 (BM). [Wk] Rapurapu Stm; 14 feeding in tree lucerne on 5/1 (PDB). [BP] No.3 Rd, Te Puke; up to 3 feeding on guavas, *Idesia* & holly berries (PCML). [T] Rotokare L; max 15 on 30/11 & 28/2 (BAH,DGM). [Wr] Waiohine GC; 5 on 7/2 (JD). [W] Upper Hutt-Wellington Motorway; 8-9 on 2/10 (M Bridger per RSN).

Barbary dove *Streptopelia roseogrisea*

[A] Muriwai; 2 on 30/6/00 (TW). Stanmore Bay; 2 breeding on 20/1 (GDH).

Spotted dove *Streptopelia chinensis*

[SA] Whitianga; 1 on 20/1 (BM). [BP] Te Tumu Rd, Maketu; 1 on 5/11. No.3 Rd, Te Puke; seen & heard throughout year (PCML).

Sulphur-crested cockatoo *Cacatua galerita*

[A] Hobsonville; 3 on 31/8 (JLS). [SA] Workman Rd, Kaiaua; 1 on 1/1 (DAL). [M] Present in Pohangina V & Totara Reserve (IS).

Galah *Cacatua roseicapilla*

[SA] Mangatawhiri; 10 on 13/5 (SC).

North I kaka *Nestor meridionalis septentrionalis*

[A] Matakana; 3 from 10/4 to 3/6 (SPC). Kingsland; 1 on 11/3 (MPG). Waiheke I; 3 at Waikopu Bay on 16/10 & 1 at Man o' War Bay on 26/7 (ESK). [SA] Orua Bay, Awhitu Pen; 1 on 21/1 (VMR). Point View Rd, Howick; 1 on window sill on 11/12 (SF), again in Jan (MF). Robertson Rd, Whitianga; 1 scratching bark on 18/4 (BM). [Wk] Cambridge; 3 flying over on 19/4. Leamington; 1 flying over on 26/4 (PDC). Pirongia; 15 kms from town in June/July 2000, feeding from tips of oak branches, harassed by magpies (BHW). Kakepuku; 1 on 5/6 (LWEH). [BP] Whakamarama; 1 in *Banksia* on 16 & 17/6 (E&RW). Whakatane; 1 in Jan (J Taylor per KOW). [VP] Kawaha Pt, L Rotorua; 3 winter 2000 & 2001

(per KOw). L Tarawera; 1 on 13/5 in Tarawera Rd (K Goodwin per KOw). [G/W] Wairoa; 1 in town gardens on 25/6 (DSF). [T] Waitaanga CA; 1 on 12/11 (BAH). [HB] Kaweka Flats; 2 on 10/6. Te Awanga; 1 seen numerous times during June (BMT). [Wr] Mt Holdsworth; 8 on 10/2 (AP).

Eastern rosella *Platycercus eximius*

[FN] Paua; 1 on 27/9 (BN). [VP] Managanuiateao V; 3 on 30/5 (KO). [T] Sightings at Panirau F, Ohura, Mokau R near Mahoenui, Mohakatino Rd, Waitaanga CA, New Plymouth, Meeting of the waters SR, Carrington Rd & Pitone Rd (BAH,PJF,DGM,MM,WJP,JBH). [M] Pohangina V; 1 or 2 seen (IS). [Wr] Masterton; 9 on 11/6 (CES). White Rock; 1 on 25/4 (WG).

Parakeet *Cyanoramphus* sp.

[W] Upper Hutt; 1 on 28/1 (GWdL).

Shining cuckoo *Chrysococcyx lucidus*

[FN] Kohumaru Rd, Mangonui; first heard on 20/9 (DMo), scarce this summer (AJG). [N] Mahuta Gap; first heard 7/10 (PRS et al). [Wk] Tauhei; first heard on 8/10 (DJR). [BP] No.3 Rd, Te Puke; first heard on 16/10 (PCML). [T] Inglewood; first heard on 12/9 (JBH). [M] Fielding; first record on 21/9 (IS). [Wr] Western Lake; first heard 21/9 (TCD). [W] Marchant Res, Kaitoke; first heard on 28/9 (AMM).

Long-tailed cuckoo *Eudynamis taitensis*

[FN] Kohumaru Rd, Mangonui; calling 20/9 & 10-12/3. Waihoanga Gorge, Puketi F; 2 brief calls on 23/9 (AJG). [SA] Awhitu Pen; 2 on 12/1 (VMR). Wairamarama; 1 on 16/1 (DW). [Wk] Chartwell, Hamilton; 1 on 22/11 (PDC). [BP] Toatoa; 1 being pursued by blackbird on 28/12 (WHS). [T] New Plymouth; 1 on 16/2 being chased by blackbirds (HE&MM). Egmont NP; first heard on 26/10 (BAH,DGM). [W] Kapiti I; 1 fledgling with flock of whiteheads just below summit on 20/3 (CMM).

Morepork *Ninox novaeseelandiae*

[FN] Kohumaru Rd, Mangonui; 2 calling at midday on 27/8 (AJG).

Kookaburra *Dacelo novaeguineae*

[A] Baddleleys B; 1 on 2/1 (NPG).

North I rifleman *Acanthisitta chloris granti*

[T] Egmont NP; 6 on 6/8 (OSNZ).

NZ pipit *Anthus novaeseelandiae novaeseelandiae*

[N] Dargaville West Coast; c30 over 50 kms (PRS et al). [A] Waikalabubu Bay, Motutapu I; 1 on 15/8. Owhiti Bay, Waiheke I; 1 on 18/10 & 15/11 (ESK). [SA] Coromandel; single birds at Amodea Bay on 6/8, Grey's B on 13/5 & near Opito Bay on 9/6 (BM). [BP] Papamoa; 1 on 29/7, 3/9 & 3/3 (PCML). [G/W] Portland I; 3 on 30/12 (GAF,REH). [M] Common in high country, normally absent in low country. Mangaheo Dam; 7 on 22/10 (IS). Singles sighted at Manawatu E on 23/2 (JL&MM) & 29/2 and Ohakea on 24/5 (IS). [HB] Kereru; 4 on 1/5 (JGH). [Wr] Western Lake; 3 on 14/11 (CES). [W] Camborne, Plimmerton; pr in urban area on 18/8 (LEK).

Blackbird *Turdus merula*

[SA] Clarks B; first song on 12/6 (SC).

Song thrush *Turdus philomelos*

[SA] Clarks B; first song on 15/4 (SC).

North I fernbird *Bowdleria punctata vealeae*

[FN] Paua, Parengarenga H; 2 on 4/3 (AJG). [A] Wenderholm RP; 2 on 30/10 (DAP). [SA] Whitianga; 1 at Wilderland swamp on 31/8. Matarangi SP; 1 on 3/4. Oturu Stm, Tairua; 1 on 31/3 (BM). [Wk] Mt Te Aroha; 1 on summit in March (DID,NJD). L Ngaroto; 2 on 24/7 & 21/1 (ASR,JMR). Rangitoto Station; 3 in March (DID,NJD). Maungatautari; 6 on nth track on 27/2 (ASR,JMR). [BP] Ohope Spit; 1 on 13/8 & 18/9 (WMH). [VP] Ameku Trig, Waimarino F; 1 pr in tree fern/manuka on 26/5 (KO). [T] Mokau E; 2 on 2/11. Mohakatino swamp CA; 1 on 6/10. Waitaanga CA; 2 on 12/11. Uruti CA; 1 on 12/4 (BAH). Colin Bird's, Kaka Rd; 3 on 22/10 (PJF). Rotokare L; max 6 on 3/8, 10/8 & 12/9. Egmont NP; 2 in Potaema Bog on 26/10 (BAH,DGM). Hawken's Lag CA; 2 on 13/11 (BAH,MJD). [HB] Napier-Taihape Rd; 1 on 29/10 (BMS,ISS). Ruahine FP; heard on 22/12 (JGH,CFM).

Whitehead *Mohoua albicilla*

[HB] Gwavas F; present on 20/10 (JGH).

North I fantail *Rhipidura fuliginosa placabilis*

[W] Mana I; 1 black phase on 28/9 (CMM). Melrose P, Wellington; pr, 1 black phase, other pied, with 4 pied juvs on 6/10 (PJR).

North I tomtit *Petroica macrocephala toitoi*

[Wk] Maungatautari; 8 on sth track on 25/2 & 6 on nth track on 27/2 (ASR,JMR). [T] Rotokare L; 3 on 19/7, rare on Taranaki ring plain (BAH,DGM).

North I robin *Petroica australis longipes*

[T] Uruti CA; 1 on 21/6. Rotorangi L; 7 on 16/4. Western and southern limit of this species in Taranaki (BAH).

Silvereye *Zosterops lateralis*

[SA] Clarks B; 50 feeding on lawn on 19/7 (SC).

Bellbird *Anthornis melanura melanura*

[A] Shakespear P, Whangaparaoa Pen; several on 22/10 (SC). Baddleleys B; 2 males from 24/12 to 3/1 (MPG). [BP] Papamoa; 1 in *Banksia integrifolia* on 9/6, only the third record here in 34 years (PCML).

Tui *Prothemadera novaeseelandiae novaeseelandiae*

[FN] Okahu Rd, Kaitaia; active in *Banksia* trees in 3 areas over period (AV&LH). [Wr] Masterton GC; big gathering of 60+ on 18/6 (CES). [T] Tongaporutu E; 10 feeding in kowhai on 14/9 (BAH). Inglewood; 1 feeding on worms with blackbirds on 27/9 (JBH). [W] Wellington; 1 chasing eastern rosella at Khandallah P on 28/10 (ORH).

Chaffinch *Fringilla coelebs*

[FN] Brodies Ck, Karikari Pen; small flock feeding in rough weedy area were all males on 23/4 (AJG). [SA] Clarks B; first song on 12/6 (SC).

Redpoll *Carduelis flammea*

[SA] Clarks B; 1 on 2/6 (SC). [Wr] Waiohine Gorge; 6 on 12/4 (JD).

House sparrow *Passer domesticus*

[G/W] Portland I; 100's in dense colony in boxthorn bushes on 22/12 (GAF,REH). [HB] Mangaroa; c1000 on rough pasture on 31/3 (KVT).

Starling *Sturnus vulgaris*

[Wr] The Cliffs, Ruamahanga R; roost of over 10000 on 15/6 (TCD).

Rook *Corvus frugilegus*

[VP] Turakino V, Tangawai; 50+ on 14/7 (KO). [G/W] Ruakituri; 21 on 29/4. Wairoa; max 109 on 23/5 (GAF).

[T] Waitara; 2 on 16/7 (G&LR). New Plymouth; 1 on 30/7 & 12/10 (BAH) & 10/4 (MM). [W] Kaitoke L, Upper Hutt; 1 on 27/5 (AMM,JAW). Lyall Bay, Wellington; 1 on 29/4 (PJR).

Australian magpie *Gymnorhina tibicen*

[FN] Kohumaru Rd, Mangonui; 2 arrived on 16/2, seen again on 10/4 but not again, rare here (AJG). [T] Manihi Rd coast; 2 feeding on goose barnacles on driftwood on 27/10 (BAH).

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