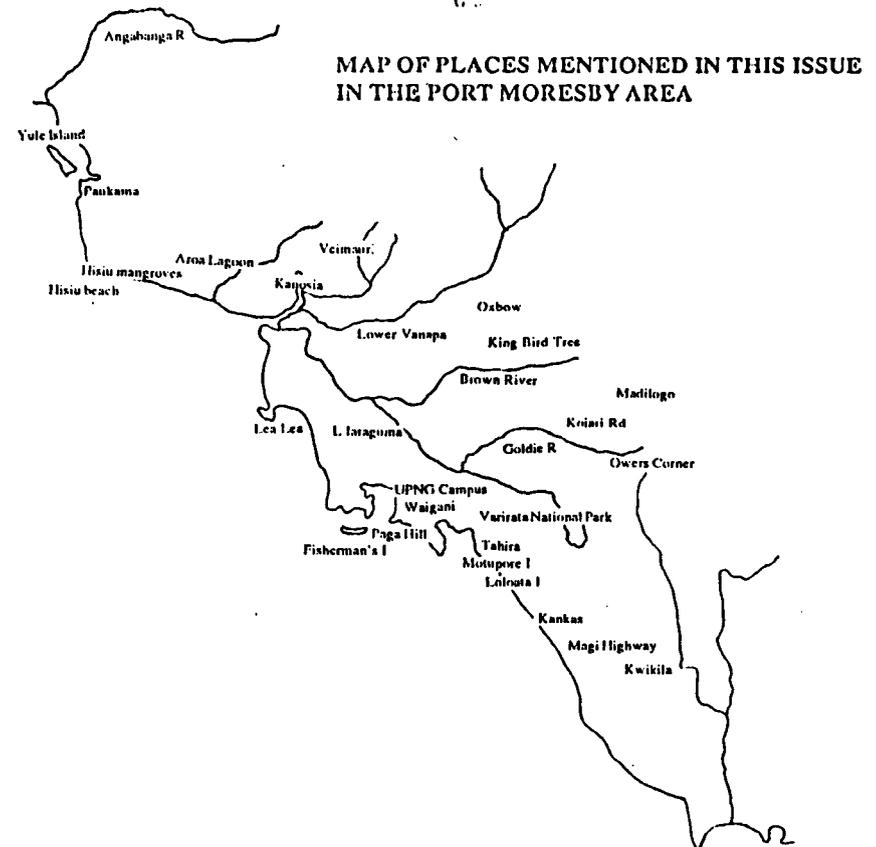
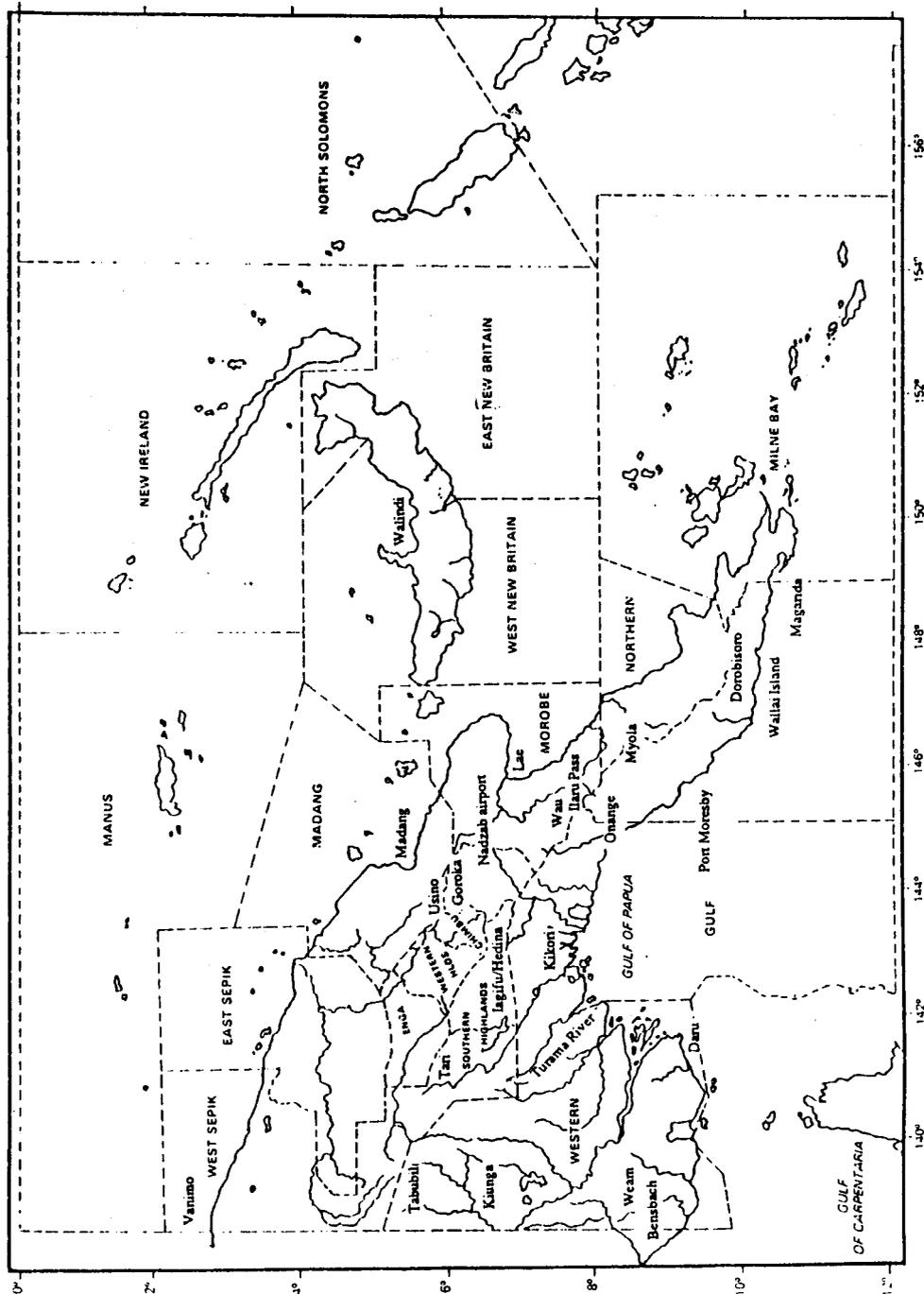


- Mountain Drongo *Chaetorhynchus papuensis*
10 Jul, 2, Boundary trail, Varirata NP (NW); 14 Jul, several, Boundary trail & Gare's Lookout trail, Varirata NP (NW); 23 Jul, 2, Boundary trail, Varirata NP (RH); 30 Jul, 1, Veimauri (NW).
- Torrent-Lark *Grallina bruijnii*
23 - 24 Aug, 1 pair, Manamena Creek & 3 pairs, Ua Ule Creek, Kokoda trail, Cen (RH); 19 Sep, 1, Ambua Lodge, Tari, SHP (CE); 19 Sep, 1 pair, Banari Rd, Tari, SHP (IB,CE).
- Great Wood-Swallow *Artamus maximus*
16 Jul, 10, Onange, Cen (RGS).
- Black Butcherbird *Cracticus quoyi*
3 Jul, 2, Varirata NP (CE); 19 Sep, 1, Banari Rd, Tari, SHP (CE).
- Mountain Peltops *Peltops montanus*
14 Jul, 1, Boundary trail, Varirata NP (NW); 21 Aug, 1, Efogi, Cen (RH).
- White-eared Catbird *Ailuroedus buccoides*
6 Aug, 2, Circuit trail, Varirata NP (CE).
- Archbold's Bowerbird *Archboldia papuensis*
18 Sep, 1 male, Tari Gap, SHP (IB).
- Macgregor's Bowerbird *Amblyornis macgregoriae*
20 Aug, 1 bower discovered on ridge above Myola, Oro. The moss rim of the bower was decorated with black wood (rotting not burnt), black beetle wing-cases, and (mostly) black butterfly wings (RH); 18 Sep, 1 male, orange crest visible, Banari Rd, Tari, SHP (IB,CE).
- Crested Bird of Paradise *Cnemophilus macgregorii*
18 Sep, 2 females, Tari Gap, SHP (IB).
- Loria's Bird of Paradise *Cnemophilus loriae*
16 Sep, 2 females, Ambua Lodge, Tari, SHP (IB); 17 Sep, 1 male, old Tari rd, SHP (IB).
- Glossy-mantled Manucode *Manucodia atra*
24 Sep, 2, Kupiano, Cen (RGS).
- Crinkle-collared Manucode *Manucodia chalybata*
23 Jul, 1 carrying nesting material, Varirata NP (RH); 24 Sep, 2, Circuit trail, Varirata NP (CE).
- Trumpet Manucode *Manucodia keraudrenii*
Aug 88, display flight at King Bird Tree (FGI); 11 Sep, 2, Lower Vanapa (CE).
- Short-tailed Paradigalla *Paradigalla brevicauda*
16 & 17 Sep, 1, Ambua Lodge, Tari, SHP (IB).
- Twelve-wired Bird of Paradise *Seleucidis melanoleuca*
13 Aug, 1 female, ringed, King Bird Tree (IB); 11 Sep, 1 male, Lower Vanapa (CE).
- Brown Sicklebill *Epimachus meyeri*
Aug 88, 1, Ilaru Pass, Mor (TP); 17 Sep, 1 male seen & 5 heard, Old Tari Rd, SHP (IB, CE).
- Ribbon-tailed Astrapia *Astrapia mayeri*
17 & 18 Sep, single males and immatures, Tari Gap, SHP (IB,CE).
- Stephanie's Astrapia *Astrapia stephaniae*
Aug 88, full adult males feeding on *Shefflera* fruit, Tari, SHP (FGI); Aug 88, 8, including 4 in one tree, Ilaru Pass, Mor (TP); 16 Sep, 1, Myola, Oro (RGS); 18 Sep, 2 females, Banari Rd, Tari, SHP (IB).
- Superb Bird of Paradise *Lophorina superba*
16 Jul, 4, Onange, Cen (RGS); Aug 88, female feeding juv at c. 1900 m, below Ambua Lodge, Tari, SHP (FGI); Aug 88, 5, Ilaru Pass, Mor (TP); 9 Sep, 1 male, Goldie R (IB); 16 Sep, 1 male, Ambua Lodge, Tari, SHP (CE); 18 & 19 Sep, 1 male, Banari Rd, Tari, SHP (IB, CE).
- Carola's Parotia *Parotia carolae*
Jul 88, feeding on *Shefflera* fruit, Tabubil, Wes (FGI).

- Lawes' Parotia *Parotia lawesii*
Aug 88, 4, Ilaru Pass, Mor (TP); 18 Sep, 2 females (IB) & 19 Sep, 1 male (IB,CE), Banari Rd, Tari, SHP.
- King of Saxony Bird of Paradise *Pteridophora alberti*
17 Sep, 3 males displaying and 3 heard, 1 female, Old Tari Rd, SHP (IB).
- Magnificent Bird of Paradise *Cicinnurus magnificus*
9 Jul (CE), 10 Jul (NW), 1 female & 14 Jul (NW), several Boundary trail, Varirata NP; Jul 88, adult males and female plumaged birds feeding on *Shefflera*, Tabubil, Wes (FGI); 6 Aug, 1 female, Circuit trail, Varirata NP (CE).
- Emperor Bird of Paradise *Paradisaea guilielmi*
25 Sep, a few seen the usual spot nr Gain School on the Boana Rd, Mor, but no plumed male (GS).
- Blue Bird of Paradise *Paradisaea rudolphi*
Aug 88, 1 male & 1 female, Ilaru Pass, Mor (TP).
- Grey Crow *Corvus tristis*
17 Jul, 5 & 7 Aug, 4, Veimauri (RH).





RECENT OBSERVATIONS OCTOBER - DECEMBER 1988

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Abbreviations: ad = adult; Cen = Central Province; EHP = Eastern Highlands Province; I = Island; imm = immature; juv = juvenile; L = Lake; Mor = Morobe Province; NP = National Park; Oro = Northern Province; PAC = Pacific Adventist College; R = River; Rd = Road; SHP = Southern Highlands Province; SP = settling ponds; UPNG = University of PNG campus.

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| Dwarf Cassowary | <i>Casuarius bennetti</i> |
| 11 Dec, 1, Varirata NP (IB). | |
| Australian Pelican | <i>Pelecanus conspicillatus</i> |
| 9 Oct, 15+, L Iaraguma (CE, NW). | |
| Cattle Egret | <i>Egretta ibis</i> |
| 1 Dec, several in breeding plumage, Goldie River Barracks (NW); 24 Dec, 13, Kanosia, all in breeding plumage (RH). | |
| Little Egret | <i>Egretta garzetta</i> |
| 13 Oct, 11, Moitaka SP (IB). | |
| Eastern Reef-Egret | <i>Egretta sacra</i> |
| 26 Dec, 2, white phase birds, Yule I (RGS). | |
| Little Bittern | <i>Ixobrychus minutus</i> |
| 29 Dec, 1 heard, Moitaka SP (RH). | |
| Black Bittern | <i>Ixobrychus flavicollis</i> |
| 1 Oct & 20 Nov, 2, Oxbow (CE); 15 Nov (RGS), 8 Dec (RH) & 12 Dec (RGS), 1, Moitaka SP. | |
| Glossy Ibis | <i>Plegadis falcinellus</i> |
| 9 Oct, 1, L Iaraguma (CE). | |
| Royal Spoonbill | <i>Platalearegia</i> |
| 9 Oct, 6, L Iaraguma (CE); 22 Oct, 15, nr Magarida, Cen (IB). | |
| Osprey | <i>Pandion haliaetus</i> |
| 22 Oct, 1, Magarida, Cen (IB). | |
| Crested Hawk | <i>Aviceda subcristata</i> |
| 16 Oct, 1 engaged in spectacular aerial display of rising sharply and plunging down again, Markham - Labu Rd, Mor (GS); 10 Dec, 1, Varirata NP (RGS). | |

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WHERE TO FIND BIRDS IN AUSTRALIA

BY JOHN BRANSBURY

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16 composite plates.

This book represents a huge effort by the author in amassing a wealth of information on the location of Australian birds. It is undoubtedly one of the most valuable books for the birdwatcher in Australia ever to have been produced. It deals with individual states, presenting accounts of worthwhile birdwatching localities in travelling order. The accurate maps are an essential component of the book adding perspective to any planned trip. A list of "specialities" is given for each location along with information on access, camping, accommodation and transport. Snippets of local history, botany and places of scenic interest are included, conveying the author's obvious appreciation and concern for the environment.

There is a list of further reading for those wishing to pursue local knowledge more deeply, and the index cross-references species with localities. My only criticism is of the composite colour plates where some rather small pictures of birds seem unnecessary. I also wonder if the soft cover and binding will stand up to harsh field conditions and frequent use.

John Bransbury is to be congratulated on producing a first class work, guaranteed to increase the pleasure and petrol consumption of any serious travelling birdwatcher in Australia.

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