

Notes from Kaj Halberg in Nepal, Nov. 85 (Manang - Kali Gandaki - Ghorapani - Gandrung - Pokhara - Chitwan) and April - June 87 (Everest area - Chitwan - Pokhara - Langtang area)

Little Green Heron 1, Rapti, nov. 85

Cattle Egret sev. 100 pairs in trees near Phewa Lake, Pokhara, May 87
many breeding, Ministry of Culture, Ktm, May 87

Little Egret more than 100 pairs in trees near Phewa Lake, Pokhara, May 87.

Night Heron sev, breeding, near Yak & Yeti, Ktm, May 87.

Openbill 4-5, Rapti, May 87. Nov. 85. 2, Rapti, May 87.

White-necked Stork 2, Rapti, May 87. 2, Rapti, Nov. 85.

Black Stork 15, Rapti, Nov. 85.

Black-necked Stork 1, Rapti, May 87.

Lesser Adjutant 1, Rapti, May 87. 5-6, Rapti, Nov. 85.

Bean Goose 1, Rapti, 28 Nov. 85 (quite small, a little bigger than Ruddy Shelduck (seen together), bill very small, feet pinkish, upper wing-coverts paler than rest of wing. At first thought to be a Pinkfooted Goose, but it might be race rossicus).

Lesser Whistling Teal 20-40 daily, Rapti, May 87.

Pintail 1, upper Langtang Valley, June 87.. 3, Rapti, Nov. 85.

Gadwall 10, Rapti, Nov. 85.

Wigeon 1, Rapti, May 87.

Shoveller 1, Rapti, May 87.

Red-crested Pochard 1, Rapti, Nov. 85.

Goosander 14, Rapti, Nov. 85.

Common Sparrowhawk 1, Ghorapani, Nov. 85.

Golden Eagle 1, Namche, Apr. 87.

Steppe Eagle 1, Ghorapani, Nov. 85, 1, Ghandrung, Nov. 85, 10, Rapti, Nov. 85.

Large Grey-headed Fish-Eagle 2-3, Rapti, Nov. 85 (photo available).

King Vulture 3, Pokhara, May 87.

Black (Cinereous) Vulture 1, Rapti, Nov. 85.

Griffon Vulture 2, Pokhara, May 87. 1, Rapti, Nov. 85.

Longbilled Vulture 10-15, Pokhara, May 87.

Lammergeier seen Namche, Tengboche, Pokhara, upper Langtang valley, 87.
Tortorre, Manang, Thorung La, Muktinath, Larjung, Rukse Chara, Dana, 85.

Osprey 1 daily, Rapti, May 87. 4-5, Rapti, Nov. 85.

Tibetan Snow Cock heard, Thorung La, Nov. 85.

Chukar 3, Manang, 15-16, Muktinath, 30, Kagbeni, all Nov. 85.

Black Partridge common, Rapti, May 87.

Blood Pheasant common, Namche - Tengboche, Apr. 87.

Monal common, Namche - Tengboche, Apr. 87. A few, Lukla, Apr. 87.

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Cheer Pheasant 1 male, Lete Khola, 13 Nov. 85.

Demoiselle Crane 1, Jomosom, Nov. 85. 2, Rapti, Nov. 85.

Lesser Florican 1 female, Rapti, 3 May 87 (also seen by english birdwatcher Miles (sir-name not known)).

Ibisbill at least 10, (probably breeding, upper Langtang valley, June 87.

Small Pratincole common, probably breeding, Rapti, May 87.

Grey-headed Lapwing 1, Rapti, May 87.

River Lapwing 4-5 breeding, Rapti, May 87.

Green Sandpiper 2, Pokhara, May 87. 25-30, Rapti, Nov. 85.

Temmincks Stint 6, Rapti, May 87. 150-200, Rapti, Nov. 85.

Great Black-headed Gull 1 juv. daily, Rapti, May 87. 2 daily, Rapti, Nov.85.

Herring Gull 1 ad., Rapti, Nov. 85.

Brown-headed Gull 1 imm., Pokhara, May 87.

River Tern 2, Rapti, Nov. 85.

Yellow-legged Green Pigeon 3, Rapti, May 87.

Snow Pigeon common, Namche - Tengboche, Apr. 87. common, upper Langtang valley
May- June 87. 25, Thorung Phedi, Nov. 85. 18, Muktinath, Nov.85.
30, Marpha, Nov. 85.

Speckled Wood Pigeon 11, Ghora Tabela, May 87. 3, Ghorapani, Nov. 85.

Ashy Wood Pigeon 1, Ghorapani, Nov. 85. 80, Landrung, Nov. 85.

Rufous Turtle Dove. common, Lukla - Namche, Apr. 87. very common, Shyabru,
May 87. a few, upper Langtang valley, June 87.

Red Turtledove 10, Rapti, May 87.

Alexandrine Parakeet common, Rapti, May 87. 1, Pokhara, May 87.

Blossom-headed Parakeet 10, Rapti, May 87.

Slaty-headed Parakeet 50, Landrung, Nov. 85.

Large Hawk-Cuckoo 1, Phakding, Apr. 87. 1, Godawari, May 87. fairly common,
upper Langtang valley, May-June 87.

Indian Cuckoo very common, Rapti, May 87. very common, Pokhara, May 87.
2, Godawari, May 87.

Common Cuckoo fairly common, Lukla - Tengboche, Apr. 87. 2-3, Rapti, May 87.
common, Pokhara, May 87. common, upper Langtang valley, June87.

Himalayan Cuckoo 2, Phakding, Apr. 87. 2, Shyabru, May 87.

Small Cuckoo 1, Langtang river, June 87. 10, Shyabru, June 87.

Lesser Coucal common, Rapti, May 87.

Brown Fish Owl 1, Rapti, May 87.

Jungle Owlet 2, Chitwan, Nov. 85.

Spotted Owlet heard, Pokhara, May 87.

Tawny Owl 1, Namche, Apr. 87.

Long-tailed Nightjar heard, Rapti, May 87.

Indian Nightjar 1, Shyabru, May 87.

Large Forktailed Swift 1, Rapti, May 87. common, Shyabru, May 87. colony of
c. 20 birds on cliffs betw. Shyabru and river Langtang.

- House Swift 10, Shyabru, June 87.
- Crested Tree Swift heard, Shyabru, May 87. 30, Rapti, Nov. 85.
- Storkbilled Kingfisher 1, Rapti, May 87. 1-2, Rapti, Nov. 85.
- Blue-bearded Bee-eater 1, Chitwan, Nov. 85.
- Great Barbet 10-15, Pokhara, May 87. 1, Godawari, May 87. common, Shyabru, May 87. 2, Ghorapani, Nov. 85. 1, Landrung, Nov. 85.
- Spotted Piculet 1, Dharapani (Marsyandi), Oct. 85.
- Black-naped Woodpecker 1, Godawari, May 87. 1, Rapti, Nov. 85.
- Himalayan Golden-backed W. 2, Rapti, May 87.
- Rufousbellied Sapsucker 1, Ghora Tabela, May 87. 1, Ghorapani, Nov. 85.
- Crimson-breasted W. 1, Ghora Tabela, June 87.
- Brown-fronted Pied W. 2, Shyabru, May 87.
- Fulvous-breasted Pied W. 10, Rapti, May 87. 2, Ghorapani, Nov. 85. 10, Rapti, Nov. 85.
- Grey-capped Pigmy W. 3-4, Rapti, May 87.
- Large Golden-backed W. 3-4, Rapti, May 87.
- Indian Pitta 1, Rapti, May 87.
- Sand Lark 50, Rapti, Nov. 85.
- Red-rumped Swallow 1, Rapti, May 87. common, Pokhara, May 87. 1, Mugling, Nov. 85.
- Nepal House Martin 10, Tengboche, Apr. 87. 100, Phakding, Apr. 87. 2-300, breeding, Shyabru, May 87 (same place as in 1980). 200, Lete Khola, Nov. 85.
- Tibetan Shrike 1, Lukla, Apr. 87. pair courting, Phakding, Apr. 87. 1, Shyabru, May 87. 1-3 daily, upper Langtang valley, May-June 87. 1, Bulbule (Marsyandi), Oct. 87.
- Black-headed Shrike 1, Sikha (Ghorapani), Nov. 85. 1, Pokhara, Nov. 85, 15-20, Rapti, Nov. 85.
- Golden Oriole 2-3, Rapti, May 87. pair, Pokhara, May 87.
- Ashy Swallow-Shrike 1, Rapti, May 87.
- Yellow-billed Blue Magpie 3, Lete Khola, Nov. 85. 6-7, Ghorapani, Nov. 85. 2, Ghandrung, Nov. 85.
- Red-billed Blue Magpie 2-3, Pokhara, May 87. 5, Bulbule (Marsyandi), Oct. 85.
- Himalayan Tree Pie 3, Pokhara, May 87. 10, Godawari, May 87. 2, Landrung, Nov. 85.
- Large Cuckoo-Shrike 2, Rapti, May 87. 1, Pokhara, May 87. 10, Rapti, Nov. 85.
- Dark Cuckoo-Shrike 1, Tengboche, Apr. 87. 1, Rapti, Nov. 85.
- Short-billed Minivet 1, Shyabru, June 87.
- Common Iora 10 (female on nest), Rapti, May 87.
- Orange-bellied Leaf-Bird 1, Dharapani (Marsyandi), Oct. 85.
- White-cheeked Bulbul 10, Godawari, May 87. 10, Tortorre (Marsyandi), Oct. 85. 20, Rukse Chara, Nov. 85. 4-5, Landrung, Nov. 85.
- Striated Bulbul 1, Landrung, Nov. 85.
- Rufous-bellied Bulbul 2, Landrung, Nov. 85.
- Brown-eared Bulbul 1, Godawari, May 87.

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- Spotted Babbler common (fledglings seen), Rapti, May 87.
- Rusty-cheeked Scimitar Babbler 2 (1 w. snail in bill), Shyabru, May 87.
- Yellow-breasted Babbler 2-3, Rapti, May 87. 10, Rapti, Nov.85.
- Yellow-eyed Babbler 1, Rapti, May 87.
- Striated Babbler 1, Rapti, May 87. 10, Rapti, Nov.85.
- Striated Laughing-Thrush 2, Langtang River, June 87.
- White-crested L.T. 7-8, Pokhara, May 87. heard, Godawari, May 87. heard,
~~Pokhara~~ Pothana (Landrung), Nov.85.
- Variegated L.T. fairly common, upper Langtang valley, May-June 87. 1, Pisang
(Marsyandi), Oct.85. 15-20, Lete Khola, Nov.85. 10, Rukse
Chara, Nov.85.
- Streaked L.T. common, Lukla - Namche, Apr. 87. common, Shyabru - Ghora Tabela,
May 87. 2, Chame (Marsyandi), Oct.85. 10, Ghandrung, Nov.85.
10, Landrung, Nov.85.
- Black-faced L.T. common, Lukla - Tengboche, Apr.87. a few, upper Langtang
valley, June 87. 10, Ghorapani, Nov.85.
- Redheaded L.T. 1, Ghora Tabela, May 87. 2, Landrung, Nov.85.
- Redbilled Leiothrix 7-8, Chame (Marsyandi), Oct.85.
- Hoary Barwing 2, Ghorapani, 3-4, Ghandrung, 1, Landrung, all Nov.85.
- Bar-throated Minla 10, Chame (Marsyandi), Oct.85. 4, Ghorapani, Nov.85.
- Yellow-naped Yuhina 10, Dharapani (Marsyandi), Oct.85. 80, Ghorapani, Nov.85.
30, Landrung, Nov.85.
- Stripe-throated Y. 5, Ghora Tabela, June 87. 100, Ghorapani, Nov.85. 20,
Landrung, Nov.85.
- Rufous-vented Y. 1, Tengboche, Apr.87. several, Langtang River, May 87.
5, Dharapani (Marsyandi), Oct.85.
- Chestnut-headed Tit-Babbler 10, Landrung, Nov.85.
- Brown Flycatcher 1, Tengboche, Apr.87.
- Orange-gorgetted F. 1, Tengboche, Apr.87. 1, Namche, Apr.87. 1, Phakding, Apr.87.
- Small Niltava 1, Shyabru, June 87.
- Pale Blue Flycatcher 2, Shyabru, May 87.
- Verditer f. 1, Rapti, Nov.85.
- Yellow-bellied Fantail 1, Lukla, Apr 87. a few, Langtang river, May 87.
1, upper Langtang valley, June 87. 4-5, Lete Khola, Nov.85.
- White-throated F. fairly common, Langtang river, May 87. 4-5, Chitwan, Nov.85.
- Paradise F. 10, Rapti, May 87.
- Dull Slaty-bellied Ground Warbler 4-5, Langtang river - Shyabru, June 87,
- Rufous-capped Bush Warbler 1, Namche, Apr.87. 1, Phakding, Apr.87.
1, upper Langtang valley, June 87.
- Grey-capped Prinia 10, Chitwan, Nov.85.
- Franklin's Prinia 4-5, Rapti, May 87.
- Yellow-bellied P. 1, Rapti, May 87.
- Brown Hill P. 3-4, Pokhara, May 87. several, Shyabru, May 87. 1, Landrung, Nov.85.

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Blyth's Reed Warbler 4-5, Rapti, May 87.

Chiffchaff 1, Chitwan Nov.85.

Tickell's Leaf W. common, Namche - Tengboche, Apr.87. several, upper Langtang valley, June 87.

Orange-barred L.W. common, upper Langtang valley, June 87. 5-6, Landrung, Nov.85.

Yellow-browed L.W. common, Namche - Tengboche, Apr.87. common, Langtang valley, May 87.

Yellow-rumped L.W. 10, Dharapani, (Marsyandi), Oct.85. 4-5, Ghorapani, Nov.85.

Grey-faced L.W. 1, Lete Khola, Nov.85. 1, Ghorapani, Nov.85.

Greenish L.W. common, upper Langtang valley, June 87.

Crowned L.W. 10, Lukla, Apr.87. 2-3, Larjung, Nov.85. 1, Ghorapani, Nov.85. 1, Landrung, Nov.85.

Allied Flycatcher-Warbler 10, Lukla, Apr.87, 1, Phakding, Apr.87. fairly common, Langtang River, May 87.

Yellow-bellied F.W. 1, Lete Khola, Nov.85.

Black-faced F.W. 1, Langtang river, June 87. 4-5, Ghorapani, Nov.85. 1, Landrung, Nov. 85.

Goldcrest common, Namche - Tengboche, Apr.87. common, Kali Gandaki, Nov.85.

Stoliczka's W. 5, Muktinath, 2, Marpha, Nov. 85.

Bluestart common, Namche - Tengboche, Apr. 87. a few breeding, upper Langtang valley, June 87. 10, Ghorapani, Nov.85. 1, Landrung, Nov.85.

Shama fairly common, Rapti, May 87.

Blue-headed Redstart 1, Manang, 1, Kalopani, 2, Lete Khola, all Nov, 85.

White-throated R. 2, Manang, 5, Muktinath, Nov. 85.

Güldenstädt's R. 3, Muktinath, 1, Kagbeni, Nov. 85.

Little Forktail 1, Shyabru, May 87. 2, Rukse Chara, Nov. 85.

Spotted F. 2, Ghorapani, 1, Landrung, Nov. 85.

Black-backed F. 2, Tortorre (Marsyandi), Oct.85. 1, Rukse Chara, Nov.85.

Slaty-backed F. 1, Shyabru, June 87.

Plain-backed Mountain-Thrush 1, Namche, Apr.87.

Long-tailed M.T. 10, Tengboche, Apr.87.

Tickell's T. 1 singing, Shyabru, May 87.

Collared Blackbird 1 singing, Lukla, Apr. 87.

Grey-winged B. 2 singing, Shyabru, June 87. 4-5, Landrung, Nov. 85.

Black-throated T. 2, Braga (Marsyandi), Nov. 85. 40, Ghorapani, Nov. 85.

Red-throated T. 10, Muktinath, Nov. 85. 1, Larjung, Nov. 85.

Brown Dipper fairly common, Langtang River, May 87. 2, lower Kali Gandaki, Nov. 85. 1, Landrung, Nov.85.

Alpine Accentor 20, Namche, Apr. 87.

Altai A. 50, Thorung Phedi, Nov. 85.

Robin A. 2, Manang, 1, Muktinath, Nov. 85.

Rufous-breasted A. fairly common, Tengboche, Apr.87. ca. 5 (breeding), upper Langtang valley, June 87.

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Black-throated Accentor 2, Marpha, Nov. 85.

Sikkim Black Tit common, Namche - Tengboche. Apr. 87.

Brown Crested Tit fairly common, Namche - Tengboche, Apr.87. 1, upper Langtang valley, June.87. 2, Pisang (Marsyandi), Oct.85. 8, Larjung, Nov. 85. 14-15, Ghorapani, Nov. 85.

Yellow-cheeked Tit 4, Pokhara, May 87. 2, Godawari, May 87. 4-5, Tatopani, Nov.85.

Redheaded Tit common, lower Langtang valley, June 87. common, Kali Gandaki, Nov.85.

Wall Creeper 1, Manang, 1, Muktinath, 2, Marpha, 3, Tatopani, 1, Sikha (Ghorapani), all Nov. 85.

Eurasian Tree Creeper 2, Muktinath, Nov.85. 2, Larjung, Nov.85.

Nepal T.C. lo, Tengboche, Apr.87. 4, Ghorapani, Nov.85.

Rosy-breasted Pipit several, upper Langtang valley, June 87.

Citrine Wagtail 1, Rapti, May 87. 4, Rapti, Nov.85.

Grey W. 1, Shyabru, May 87. several, Langtang River, May 87. 1, Suikhet, Nov.85.

Large Pied W. 2-3, Rapti, May 87. 15-20, Rapti, Nov.85.

Fire-breasted Flowerpecker 15-20, Godawari, May 87. 10, Langtang River, May 87. 7-8, Landrung, 1, Pothana, Nov. 85.

Crimson-breasted Sunbird 1-2, Pokhara, May 87. 4, Tatopani, Nov. 85.

Fire-tailed S. 1, Namche, Apr.87. 1, Ghorapani, Nov.85. 1, Landrung, Nov.85.

Cinnamon Sparrow a few, Tukche, 2, Landrung, Nov. 85.

Tibetan Snow Finch 20, Thorung La, Nov. 85.

Red Munia 5, Rapti, Nov. 85.

Black-headed M. 4-5, Dharapani (Marsyandi), Oct. 85.

Chaffinch 1, Ghorapani, Nov. 85.

Allied Grosbeak 3-4, Ghorapani - Ghandrung, Nov. 85.

White-winged G. common, Tengboche, Apr.87.

Himalayan Goldfinch 50, Shyabru, June 87. 3, Pisang (Marsyandi), Oct.85, 1, Larjung, Nov.85.

Hodgson's Mountain Finch 10, Namche, Apr.87.

Common Rosefinch 3, Muktinath, Nov. 85.

Pink-browed R. 1, Lukla, Apr.87.

White-browed R. fairly common, Tengboche, Apr. 87.

Beautiful R. 2, Namche, common, Tengboche, Apr.87. 1, Ghora Tabela, June 87. 3, Pisang (Marsyandi), Oct.85. 10, Braga, Nov. 85.

Crossbill 15, Tengboche, Apr. 87. several, Larjung, Nov. 85.

Rock Bunting 3, Braga (Marsyandi), 10, Muktinath, 50, Tukche, 20, Larjung, all Nov. 85.

Little B. 1, Tukche, Nov. 85.

Crested B. 1, Pokhara, May 87. 1, Dunche, June 87. 3, Rapti, Nov. 85.