

Seychelles Bird Records Committee

The following records were accepted during April 2011

Eleonora's Falcon *Falco eleonora*

One immature found exhausted at the IDC Indian village, Alphonse on 23 December 2010, died 25 December 2010 (J Michel).

One immature at the hotel garden, Alphonse on 20 January 2011 (N Manuel, J Michel, R Jeanne, A Nahaboo, A Duhec).

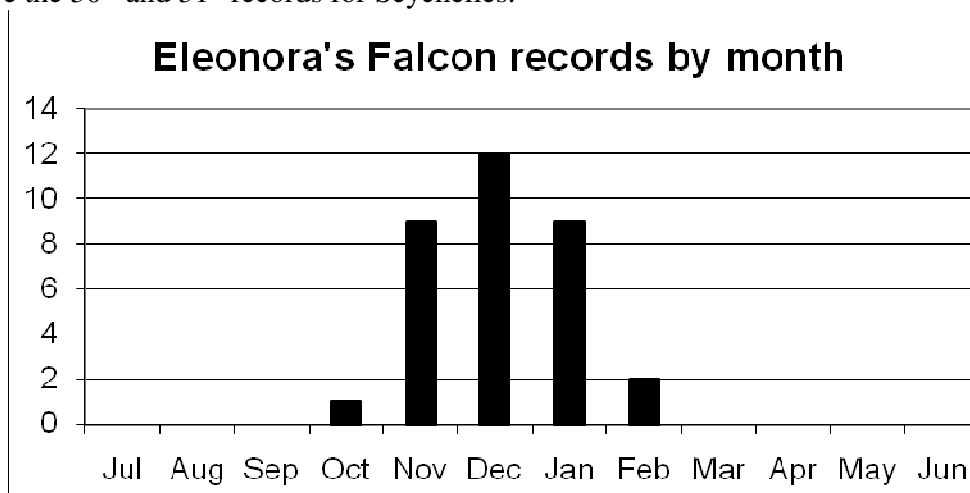


Photo: Juan Michel



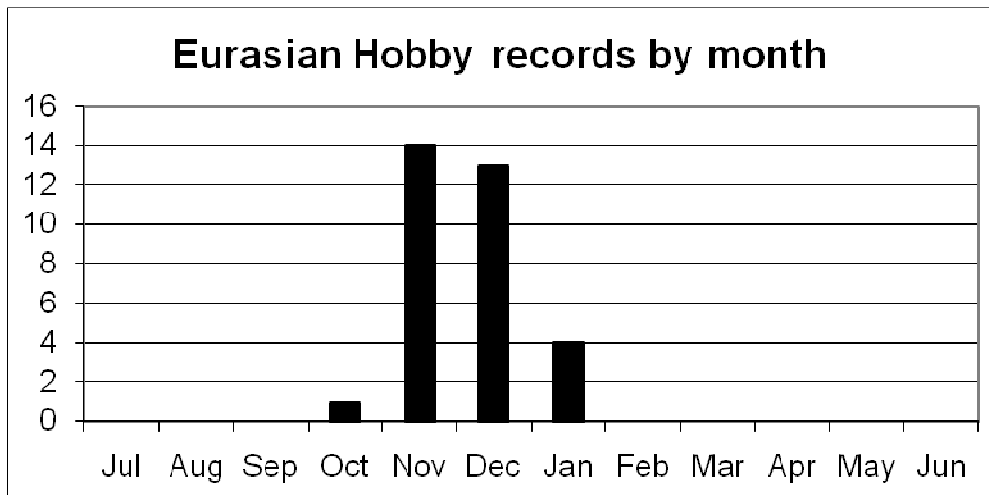
Photo: Aurélien Nahaboo

These are the 30th and 31st records for Seychelles.



Eurasian Hobby *Falco subbuteo*

One immature at Bird Island December 1972 (CJ Feare). Chronologically, this is the first record for Seychelles, but has only just come to light. There are now 26 Seychelles records.



Western Marsh Harrier *Circus aeruginosus*

One nominate race female collected at Mahé, Seychelles January or March 1888, specimen at Cambridge Museum (JJ Lister). Chronologically, this is the first record for Seychelles. There have been two subsequent records.

Cuckoo sp. *Cuculus sp.*

One at L'Habitation, Cerf Island on 26 January 2011 (E Palmer). This is the 30th record for Seychelles in this category.

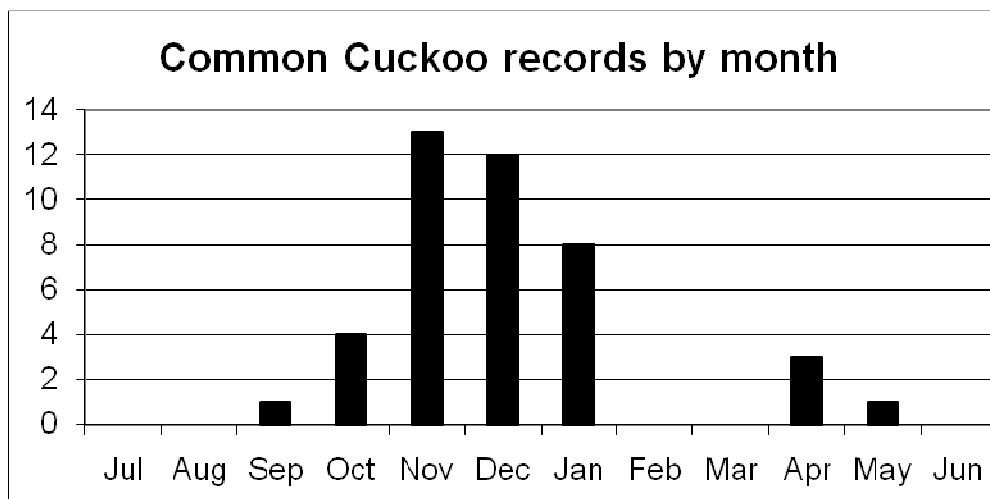
Common Cuckoo *Cuculus canorus*

One immature at La Cour, Aride on 1 December 2010 (C Bresson, L Calabrese, S Agricole).



Photo: Licia Calabrese

This is the 38th record for Seychelles.



Eurasian Scops Owl *Otus scops*

One at the staff accommodation, Frégate 17 January-2 February 2011 (G Canning, J Gane).
This is the 7th record for Seychelles.



Photo: Greg Canning

Ortolan Bunting *Emberiza hortulana*

One at Bird island 13-14 November 1972, accepted with a caveat re Cretzchmar's Bunting (RJ Raines). Chronologically, this is the first record for Seychelles but has only just come to light. There have been two subsequent records.