

## *Seychelles Bird Records Committee*

The following records have been accepted by Seychelles Bird Records Committee:

### **Herald Petrel *Pterodroma heraldica***

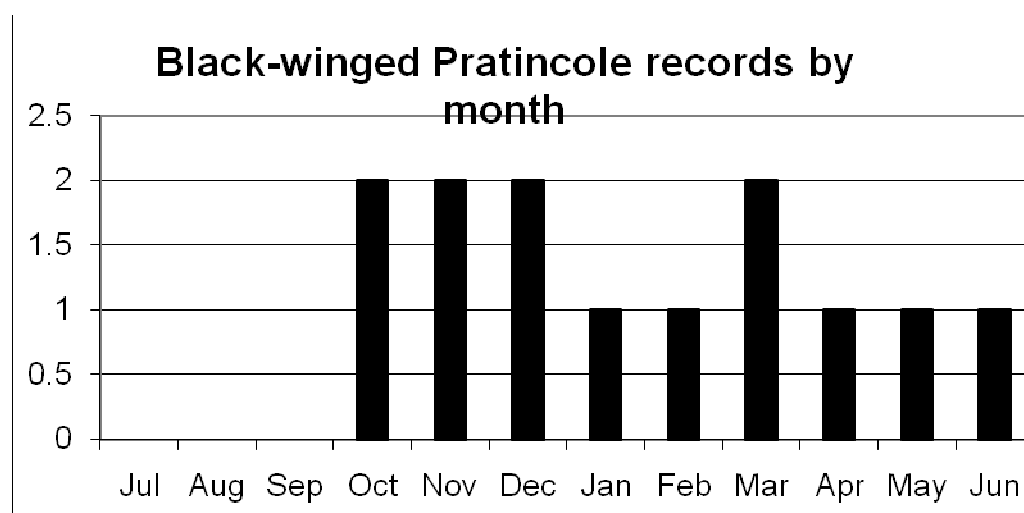
One dark morph at the hill, Cousin 10-11 June 2009 (DJR Andrews, J Love, M Hammers). This is the first record for Seychelles.

### **Black-bellied Storm Petrel *Fregetta tropica***

One behind the IDC store, Alphonse Island found alive but later died 30 June 2010 (A Nahaboo, J Michel, C Freminot). This is the first record for Seychelles.

### **Black-winged Pratincole *Glareola nordmanni***

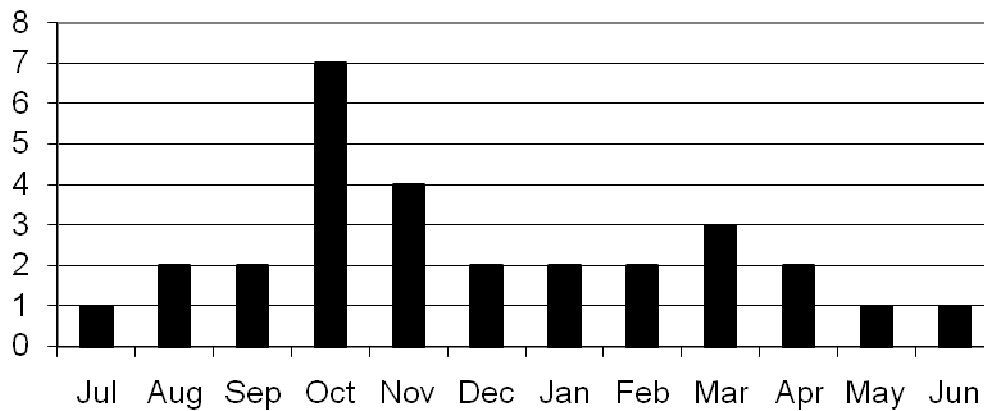
One at open grass near the marina, Frégate 25-27 March 2010 (G Canning). This is the 10<sup>th</sup> record for Seychelles.



### **Oriental Pratincole *Glareola maldivarum***

Two at the airstrip, Praslin on 24 November 2008 (H Kisbye). This is the 15<sup>th</sup> record for Seychelles.

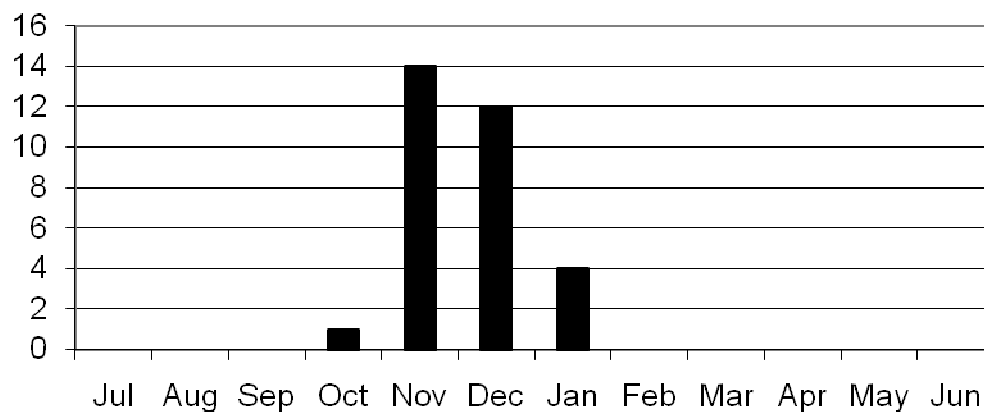
### Oriental Pratincole records by month



### Eurasian Hobby *Falco subbuteo*

One immature at the airstrip, Desroches 3-4 January 2010 (L Thompson, D Jupiter).  
This is the 25<sup>th</sup> record for Seychelles.

### Eurasian Hobby records by month



### Reed Cormorant *Phalacrocorax africanus*

One adult at Cinq Cases, Grand Terre, Aldabra on 16 February 2010 (S Balderson)  
This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> record for Seychelles.

### Glossy Ibis *Plegadis falcinellus*

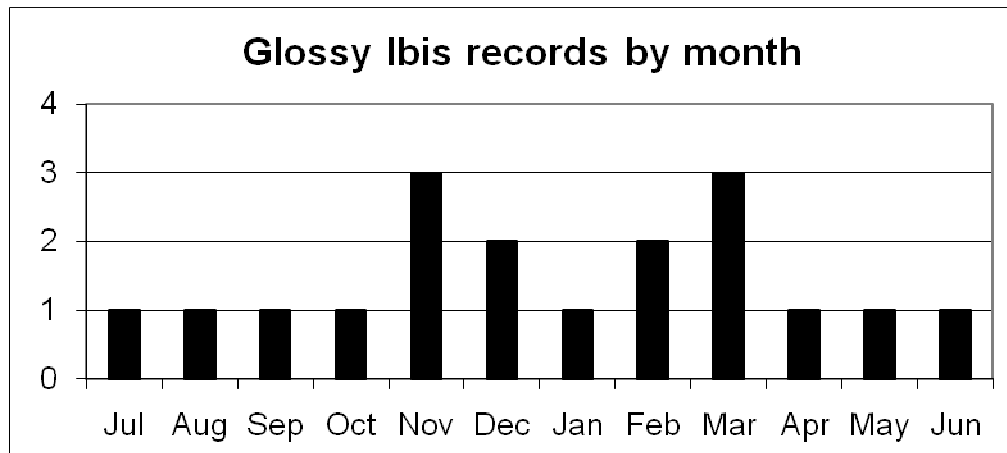
7-8 at La Passe harbour, La Digue on 23 March 2010 (I Rasmussen, R & M McGrath, F & H Cornelius)

Three including at least one adult breeding at grounds of Ephelia Resort, Port Launay, Mahé 25-26 March 2010 (I Rasmussen, R & M McGrath, F & H Cornelius)

One at Plaisance, Mahe on 17 June 2010 (RM Mason)

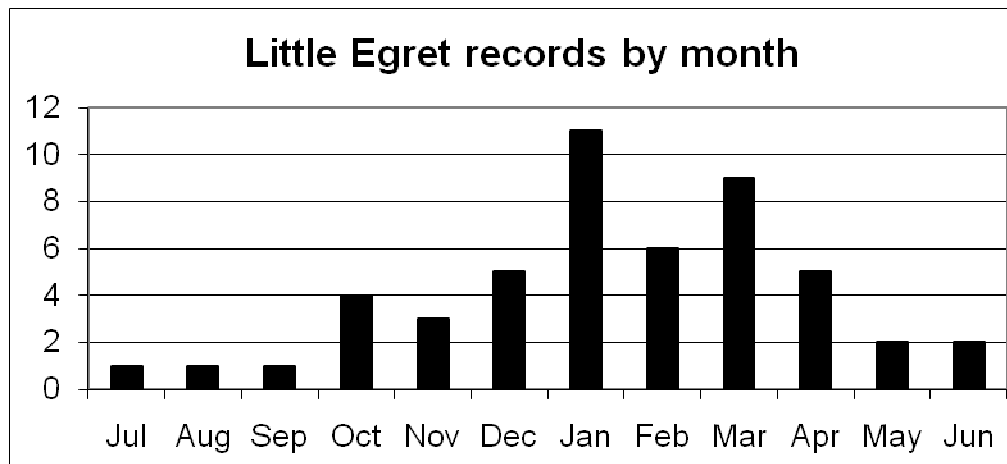
One at Eden Island on 3 April, two on 19 April, four on 20 April three on 23 April and two on 22 June and subsequent dates until at least 6 November 2010, one remaining to 6 November 2010 (G Rocamora, A Solé, B Ochoa, H Leal, AP Skerrett, J Mortimer, R Syfret).

This raises the number of Seychelles records to 10.



**Little Egret *Egretta garzetta***

One at the South Beach lagoon, Cousine 5 February-3 March 2010 (K Jolliffe, K Phillips, S-M Jolliffe). This is the 26<sup>th</sup> record for Seychelles.



**Lesser Kestrel *Falco naumanni***

One female at the IDC village, Desroches on 8 March 2010 (P Summerton). This is the 6<sup>th</sup> record for Seychelles.

**Pratincole sp. *Glareola sp.***

One at lighthouse point, Desroches on 1 March 2010 (P Summerton). This is the 20<sup>th</sup> record for Seychelles in this category.

**Sandwich Tern *Sterna sandvicensis***

One at the beach, Cousine 16 May 2010 (K Jolliffe, D Nell). This is the 5<sup>th</sup> record for Seychelles.

**Common Cuckoo *Cuculus poliocephalus***

One at Cousine 21 January-20 February 2010 (K Jolliffe, K Phillips, S-M Jolliffe). This is the 36<sup>th</sup> record for Seychelles.

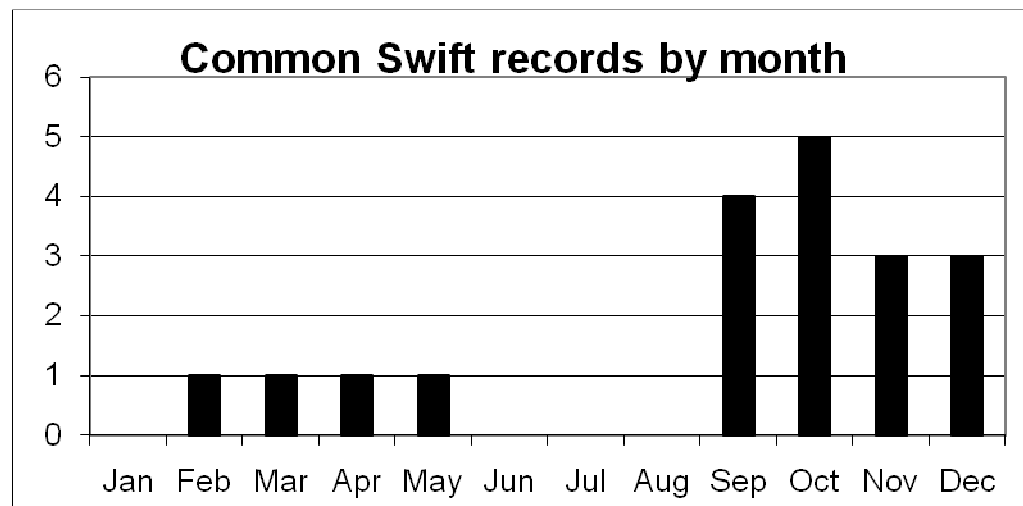
**Lesser Cuckoo *Cuculus poliocephalus***

One at Seychelles Golf Course, Anse aux Pins, Mahé 13 January-27 February 2010, two present on the final date (E Palmer, AP Skerrett). This is the 15<sup>th</sup> record for

Seychelles.

**Common Swift *Apus apus***

One at Muraille Bon Dieu, Desroches on 5 February 2010, accepted with caveat (P Summerton). This is the 19<sup>th</sup> record for Seychelles.



**Little Swift *Apus affinis***

One at the east plateau, North Island on 24 January 2009 (M Mounac, A Saunders). This is the 5<sup>th</sup> record for Seychelles.

**European Roller *Coracias garrulus***

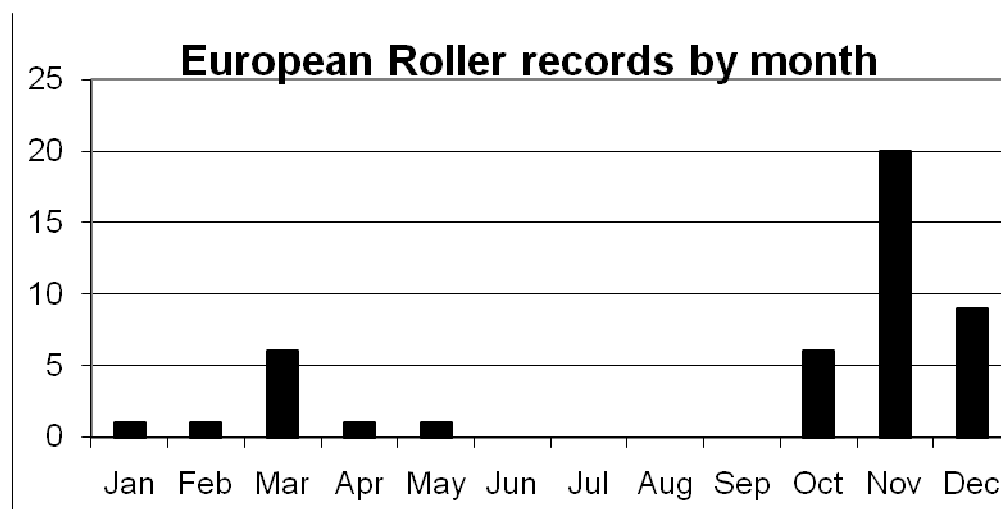
One at the IDC village, Desroches 7-19 February 2010 (P Summerton).

Later dates to be added if applicable.

One adult at the airstrip, Alphonse 10-14 March 2010 (A Nahaboo, J Michel, PA Adam).

One at the airstrip, Bird Island on 18 March 2010 (G Rocamora).

This brings the number of Seychelles records to 43.

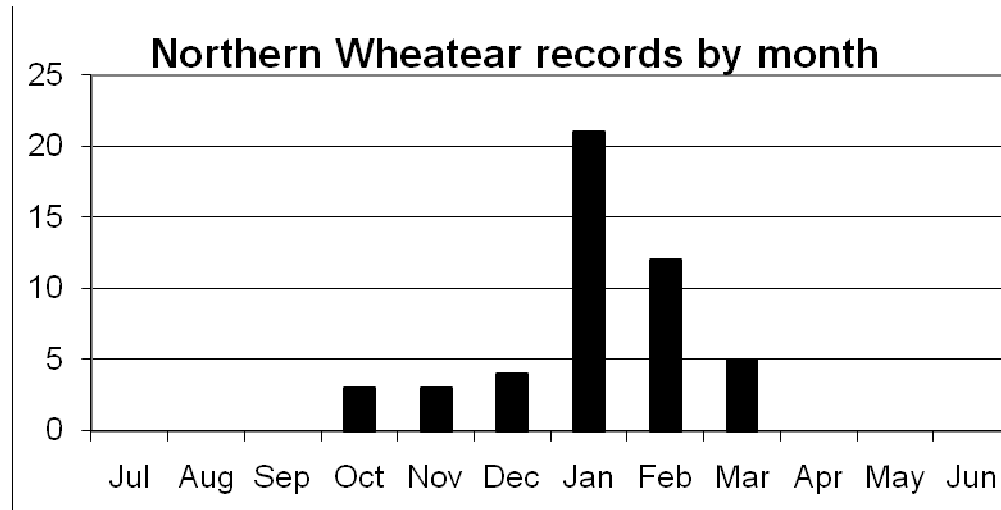


***Ficedula sp.***

One first winter Bird Island 13 November and 17 November 2009 (VE Phillips, NJ Phillips, R Bresson). This is the first record for Seychelles in this category.

**Northern Wheatear *Oenanthe oenanthe***

One male at the old settlement, Denis on 3 January 2010 (M Sur). This is the 47<sup>th</sup> record for Seychelles.



**Desert Wheatear *Oenanthe deserti***

One first-winter male race *oreophila* at the south beach, Cousine on 23-24 November 2009 (K Joliffe, S-M Joliffe). This is considered by SBRC to be probably the same the same bird observed on Bird Island 16-19 November 2009, the first record for Seychelles.