

Aasheesh Pittie

From: Steven Gregory <sgregory.avium@ntlworld.com>
To: <aasheesh@vsnl.in>
Cc: Edward Dickinson <asiaorn@ftech.co.uk>
Sent: Sunday, January 26, 2003 8:12 PM
Subject: Re: Skinner

Entered in Papers

Dear Aasheesh and Edward,

I can find little more than that which is in the standard references:

Deignan, in Peters (1964:286) informs us (confirmed by Wolters (1980:390)) that the spelling, when introduced, was Curzonia, and that the work "List Birds Brit. India" would appear to have been privately published, hence the location "St. Mary Cray, Kent". Neither the work nor the name(s) are listed in the Nomenclator Animalium.

Richmond, Generic names applied to birds (1927:11) identifies the author as "E. R" [= K. L.] Skinner, and the full title: A List of the Birds of British India, 1905. Richmond, in a footnote, states that Baker, Journ. Bombay Nat. Hist Soc., XXVII, 3, 1921, p. 454, emended the spelling to Cursonia, although Deignan considers Baker's use of Cursonia in 1922, a lapsus. Baker's citation (1930:48) differs from Deignan's in that "Introd. pt. vi." comes "pp. [1], 6."

Hope this helps,

Kind Regards,

Steven

----- Original Message -----

From: "Edward Dickinson" <asiaorn@ftech.co.uk>
To: "Steven Gregory" <sgregory.avium@ntlworld.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 25, 2003 8:49 PM
Subject: Fw: Skinner

> Dear Steven,
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> This one is out of my area of competence. Could you please take up with
> Aasheesh and copy me in?

● Many thanks.

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> yours aye,
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> Edward

> ----- Original Message -----

> **From:** "Aasheesh Pittie" <aasheesh@vsnl.in>
> **To:** "Dickinson, Edward" <asiaorn@ftech.co.uk>
> **Sent:** 23 January 2003 08:47
> **Subject:** Skinner

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> Dear Edward,

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> Baker's FBI vol. VII p. 48, gives the following reference, of which I have
> no idea. Could you tell me what its full citation is?

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> Cursonia Skinner, List Birds Brit. India, Introd., pt. vi, Sept. 1905; new
> name for Gypsophila, preoccupied in Botany (is thus free in Zoology).
>
> What is this work by Skinner??

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28/Jan/03

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From: Steven Gregory <sgregory.avium@ntlworld.com>
To: Aasheesh Pittie <aasheesh@vsnl.in>
Cc: Dickinson, Edward <asiaorn@ftech.co.uk>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2003 7:00 PM
Subject: Re: Skinner

Dear Aasheesh,

As *Curzonina* was introduced as a nomen novum for *Gypsophila Oates*, 1883, the type species is the same. i.e. *Turdinus crispifrons* Blyth, 1855, now *Napothera crispifrons* (Blyth, 1855).

The Richmond citation is:

Generic names applied to birds during the years 1916 to 1922, inclusive, with additions to Waterhouse's "Index Generum Avium", Charles W. Richmond. Proceedings U. S. National Museum, No. 2664. Vol. 70, Art. 15 (1927), p. 11.

Kind Regards,

Steven

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From: "Aasheesh Pittie" <aasheesh@vsnl.in>
To: "Steven Gregory" <sgregory.avium@ntlworld.com>
Cc: "Dickinson, Edward" <asiaorn@ftech.co.uk>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2003 1:09 PM
Subject: Re: Skinner

Dear Steven [and Edward],

Many thanks for the interesting information. Now I wonder where the Type for this genus is from?

Also, Edward, could you please send me the full citation for Richmond's paper, quoted by Steven in his email? Thanks!

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Best wishes and regards!

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"Vivat, crescat, floreat Ornithologia Indiae."
E. Mayr, Rec. Indian Mus., 1952, L(I): 2.
[May Indian Ornithology live, grow and flourish.]

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"A Bibliographic Index to the Ornithology of the Indian Subcontinent" ***

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<http://www.bsaponline.org>

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Cc: Edward Dickinson
Sent: Sunday, January 26, 2003 8:12 PM
Subject: Re: Skinner

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From: "Steven Gregory" <sgregory.avium@ntlworld.com>
To: "Edward Dickinson" <asiaorn@ftech.co.uk>; "Aasheesh Pittie" <aasheesh@vsnl.in>
Sent: 02 August, 2003 5:03 AM
Subject: Re: Heliopais

Dear Edward and Aasheesh,

Volume 1 of the Bull.B.O.C. covered meetings of the club from the inception on the 5th of October 1892 until the 21st of June 1893. These meetings were reported in ten bulletins for this first year. Everything was in Roman numerals -- Volume number, bulletin numbers and pages, which last were through numbered per volume.

In bulletin VII (March 28th, 1893), on p. xxxvii, is the following:

"Dr. Sharpe proposed for the Burmese species the new generic name of

Heliopais, gen. n.

H. similis generi 'Heliornis' dicto, sed digitis tantum ad basin palmatis nec flavo fasciatis distinguendus.

Typus. Podica personata, Gray."

Thus the citation is Bull.B.O.C., I [1], VII [7, 28 March 1893], p. xxxvii.

I have a spreadsheet of the entire publication history of the 'Bulletin' but this is very much 'work in progress' coupled with the scanning of this series, to be released later with a .pdf facsimile.

Kind regards,

Steve

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From: "Edward Dickinson" <asiaorn@ftech.co.uk>
To: "Aasheesh Pittie" <aasheesh@vsnl.in>
Cc: "Steven Gregory" <sgregory.avium@ntlworld.com>
Sent: Friday, August 01, 2003 9:17 PM
Subject: Re: Heliopais

> Dear Aasheesh,

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> Well my files are confusing and have omissions and almost certainly contain

> some errors! In 1893 and 1894 I have the following BBOC articles in my

> EndNote files (and the volume, issue and page numbers look woefully adrift

> in some cases -- and I suspect that only small Roman numerals were in use

> throughout this period, but I may be proved wrong -- indeed if I looked up

> my own photocopies they might actually tell me this if nothing else):

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> Pleske, T., 1893. [Some new species of tits]. -- Bull. Brit. Orn. Cl., 3

> (xiii): xiii.

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> Seebohm, H., 1893. [A new species of Merula]. -- Bull. Brit. Orn. Cl., 1:

> xxv-xxvi.

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> Sharpe, R.B., 1893. [Birds from Mt. Kalulong, Sarawak collected by Mr.

> Hose]. -- Bull. Brit. Orn. Cl., (10): 54-55.

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> Sharpe, R.B., 1893. [A new species of Spilornis from Sarawak]. -- Bull.

> Brit. Orn. Cl., 1 (10): 55.
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 > Sharpe, R.B., 1893. [On a collection of birds found by Mr. A. H. Everett
 in
 > ... the Sulu Archipelago.]. -- Bull. Brit. Orn. Cl., 3 ??? (12): ix-x.
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 > Sharpe, R.B., 1893. [A new species of Rhipidura from the island of Dammar]
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 > # # . -- Bull. Brit. Orn. Cl.
 >
 > Sharpe, R.B., 1893. # # # [Types of the species of Hainan birds described
 by
 > Mr. Styan]. -- Bull. Brit. Orn. Cl.
 >
 > Whitehead, J., 1893. [Exhibited Cryptolopha xanthopygia]. -- Bull. Brit.
 > Orn. Cl., 6.
 >
 > Ogilvie-Grant, W.R., 1894. [New species of Philippine birds]. -- Bull.
 Brit.
 > Orn. Cl., 3: 49-51.
 >
 > Ogilvie-Grant, W.R., 1894. [Descriptions of two new species from northern
 > Luzon.]. -- Bull. Brit. Orn. Cl., 4 (2).
 >
 > Seebohm, H., 1894. [A new Blackbird]. -- Bull. Brit. Orn. Cl., 3: li.
 >
 > Sharpe, R.B., 1894. [Various note on the bitterns and herons.]. -- Bull.
 > Brit. Orn. Cl., 3: 30-33.
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 > To this we should add your Heliopais reference and ask for help.
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 > My friend Steven Gregory may be able to help si I am copying this to him
 in
 > the hope that he'll agree to sort me (us) out!!
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 > yours aye,
 >
 > Edward
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 > ----- Original Message -----
 > From: "Aasheesh Pittie" <aasheesh@vsnl.in>
 > To: "Dickinson, Edward" <asiaorn@ftech.co.uk>
 > Sent: 31 July 2003 03:13
 > Subject: Heliopais
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 > Dear Edward,
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 > In which volume of BBOC did Sharpe describe the genus Heliopais?
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 > I have a xerox copy of a title page with "Volume II. July 1894" and some
 > loose sheets (pp. xxxvi-xxxvii), with "Heliopais, gen. n." on page xxxvii.
 > My worry is that the title page and the separate pages may not be related
 > (through paginated). Could you please check this for me?
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 > Ripley (1982) gives: "Heliopais Sharpe, 1893, BBOC 1: 37." (p. 99).
 > Baker (1930, vii: 482) states: "Heliopais Sharpe, BBOC, vol. vii, p. 37,
 > 1893."
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 > Best wishes and regards!
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 > Aasheesh Pittie

Aasheesh Pittie

From: "Steven Gregory" <sgregory.avium@ntlworld.com>
To: "Aasheesh Pittie" <aasheesh@vsnl.in>
Sent: 02 August, 2003 7:01 PM
Subject: Re: Further help with BBOC

Dear Aasheesh,

I have inserted the volumes, bulletins and pages within your e-mail below.

Steve

----- Original Message -----

From: "Aasheesh Pittie" <aasheesh@vsnl.in>
To: "Gregory, Steven" <sgregory.avium@ntlworld.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 02, 2003 5:17 AM
Subject: RFI: Further help with BBOC

Dear Steve,

I have a couple of more papers from the BBOC, whose citation I am not confident of, which I hope you will clarify for me. These are given below.

Sharpe, R.Bowdler (1894): Untitled ["Dr. Sharpe also communicated the diagnoses of some apparently new genera of Cranes (_Gruidae_)..."]. Bulletin of the British Ornithologists Club II(July): xxxvii. <Not seen.>

No Bulletin was issued in July 1894. Volume 3 ran from Oct. 30th, 1893 to Jun. 30th, 1894. p. xxxvii is in Bulletin no. XVII (30 April). pp. xxxvii-xxxix are an untitled section -- "Dr. Bowdler Sharpe made some remarks on the classification of Herons..." Xanthocnus, gen. nov. p. xxxvii; Erythrophoyx, gen. nov. p. xxxviii; Melanophoyx, gen. nov. p. xxxviii; Mesophoyx, gen. nov. p. xxxviii; Leucophoyx, gen. nov. p. xxxix; Erythocnus, gen. nov. p. xxxix.

I can see nothing on 'Cranes' in the immediate vicinity of this page, nor in vol. 4.

Bull.B.O.C., 3, XVII (30 April), pp. xxxvii-xxxix.

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Blanford, W.T. (1895): Untitled ["Dr. W.T. Blanford, F.R.S., communicated a note on the two Sarus Cranes of the Indian Region..."]. Bulletin of the British Ornithologists Club 5(30): vi-vii. . <Xerox copy held.>

> Bull.B.O.C., 5, XXX (30 November), pp. vi-vii.

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Sharpe, R.Bowdler (1895): Untitled ["Dr. Sharpe exhibited, on behalf of Dr. J.E.T. Aitchison, F.R.S., a pair of Himalayan Woodpeckers (_Dendrocopus himalayensis_), shot by him in his garden at Murree..."]. Bulletin of the British Ornithologists Club V(xxxi): xiv. <Not seen.>

> Bull.B.O.C., 5, XXXI (30 December), p. xiv.

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Thanks!

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From: "Steven Gregory" <sgregory.avium@ntlworld.com>
To: "Aasheesh Pittie" <aasheesh@vsnl.in>
Sent: 10 August, 2003 1:25 PM
Subject: Re: BBOC

----- Original Message -----

From: "Aasheesh Pittie" <aasheesh@vsnl.in>
 To: "Gregory, Steven" <sgregory.avium@ntlworld.com>
 Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2003 4:45 AM
 Subject: RFI: BBOC

Dear Steve,

Could you please check the volume number, issue number and date of publication for these references for me? Thanks!

Ref: 13775:

Hartert, E. (1893): Untitled ["Mr. Hartert remarked that the locality given by Mr. Ogilvie Grant for *Lophophorus sclateri*..."]. *Bulletin of the British Ornithologists' Club* *I*?(13)(July): xii. <Xerox copy held.>

<3, xiii, p. xii.>

<30 December 1893>

Ref: 22077:

Sharpe, R.B. (1894): [On *Tachybaptus ruficollis*]. *Bulletin of the British Ornithologists' Club* *4*: 4. <Not reviewed.>

<Dr. Sharpe also made some remarks on the Grebes of the genus *Tachybaptus*>

<*Tachybaptus capensis*, sp. n.>

<*Tachybaptus albipennis*, sp. n.>

<4, xx, p. iv.>

<31 October 1894>

Ref: 15809:

Oates, E.W. (1894): [*Ixulus clarkii*]. *Bulletin of the British Ornithologists' Club* *III*: 41. <Not seen.>

<*Ixulus clarki*, sp. n.>

<3, xviii, p. xli.>

<26 May 1894>

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 Best wishes and regards!

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From: "Steven Gregory" <sgregory.avium@ntlworld.com>
To: "Aasheesh Pittie" <aasheesh@vsnl.in>
Sent: 10 August, 2003 2:12 PM
Subject: Re: BBOC

----- Original Message -----

From: "Aasheesh Pittie" <aasheesh@vsnl.in>
 To: "Gregory, Steven" <sgregory.avium@ntlworld.com>
 Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 1:09 AM
 Subject: RFI: BBOC

Dear Steve,

Could you please check for me the date of publication of these 2 references and the veracity of the other details? Thanks!

Ref: 13268 / B-526:

Robinson, H.C. & Baker, E.C. Stuart (1928): Untitled ["Messrs. H.C. Robinson and E.C. Stuart Baker exhibited a series of Bustard-Quails..."]. *Bulletin of the British Ornithologists' Club* XLVIII(cccxx)(January?): 58-62. <Xerox copy held (incomplete).>

<p. 60. *Turnix suscitator interruptens*, subsp. nov.>
 <p. 60. *Turnix suscitator pallescens*, subsp. nov.>
 <p. 62. *Turnix suscitator isabellinus*, subsp. nov.>
 <48, cccxx, pp. 58-62.>
 <26 January 1928>

Ref: 19062 / B-527:

Baker, E.C. Stuart (1928): Untitled ["Mr. E.C. Stuart Baker described the following new subspecies of *Chalcophaps indica* ..."]. *Bulletin of the British Ornithologists' Club* XLVIII(cccxx)(January?): 58. <Xerox copy held.>

<p. 58. *Chalcophaps indica robinsoni*, subsp. nov.>
 <48, cccxx, p. 58.>
 <26 January 1928>

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 Best wishes and regards!

Aasheesh Pittie

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