

Australia

10 SEPT - 29 SEPT

1989

W. Australia

10 Sept

Lv. Helena Valley 13:00

Clear, mild, calm 6920000

Birds 1. ~30 wht Bl Cuckoos

2. Maple-lark

3. Kinglet

4. Weebill

5. Y-R T-bill

6. Tree Martin

7. Galax

8. Purple Sunup Hen

9. 28 Parrot

10. Maple

11. ~~Bl~~ ~~Chickadee~~ ~~Switzer~~

12. White-faced Heron

13. Little Black Cormorant

14. Little Pied Cormorant

15. Sacred ibis

16. Straw-necked Ibis

17. Whistling Kite

18. Coot

19. Nankeen Kestrel

20. Osprey

69452 BUSSETON

gas 21.00


21. Darter
- 22 MT Duck
- 23 Musk Duck
- 24 Wood Duck
- 25 Teal
26. Black Duck
- 27 Black Swan
- 28 Red-capped Parrot
- 29 Grey Fantail
- 30 Western Warbler
- 31 Silver Gull
- 32 Caspian Tern
- 33 White-fronted Tern
- 34 Red-billed Tropicbird
- 35 Banded Plover
- 36 Grey Currawong
- 37 White-browed Scrubwren
- 38 Golden Whistler
- 39 Silvereye
- 40 New Holland HE
- 41 Red Wattlebird
- 42 Welcome Swallow

13 Sept Cape Naturaliste  
(Sugarloaf Rock)

Silver gulls nesting - one Tropicbird

2 Humpback whales watched for ~ 1/2 hr  
~ 1 km offshore - rolling in  
water showing tail flukes, SFms

← Sm. dorsal fin



Lots of white pattern on flukes  
rest of body looks black -  
may have been ad. and young,  
as 2<sup>nd</sup> individual looked much  
smaller.

16 Sept N Bass Strait 11:00 AM  
69557.0

16 Sept 89

W? Brown Thornbill

W Striated Pardalote

(Golden Whistler Song)

ANTS:

Jannah Forest (actually woodland)  
25 km NW Manungup along Vasse Hwy

collected 4 series of ants

LA89-1 brown powderies ~ 10 mm

LA89-2 yellow small phaidole w. brood

LA89-3 2 or 3 ♀♀ plus w/w yellowish brown

LA89-4 ~ 4 med. sized active, black w/w

~ 10 Wh-Tailed Black Cockatoos 2 km E.

Manungup - some perched in pines

(another group ~ 35 km NW Manungup)

6940.9 turn off Manungup - Broken  
Rd. towards Manungup

13:30 Manungup

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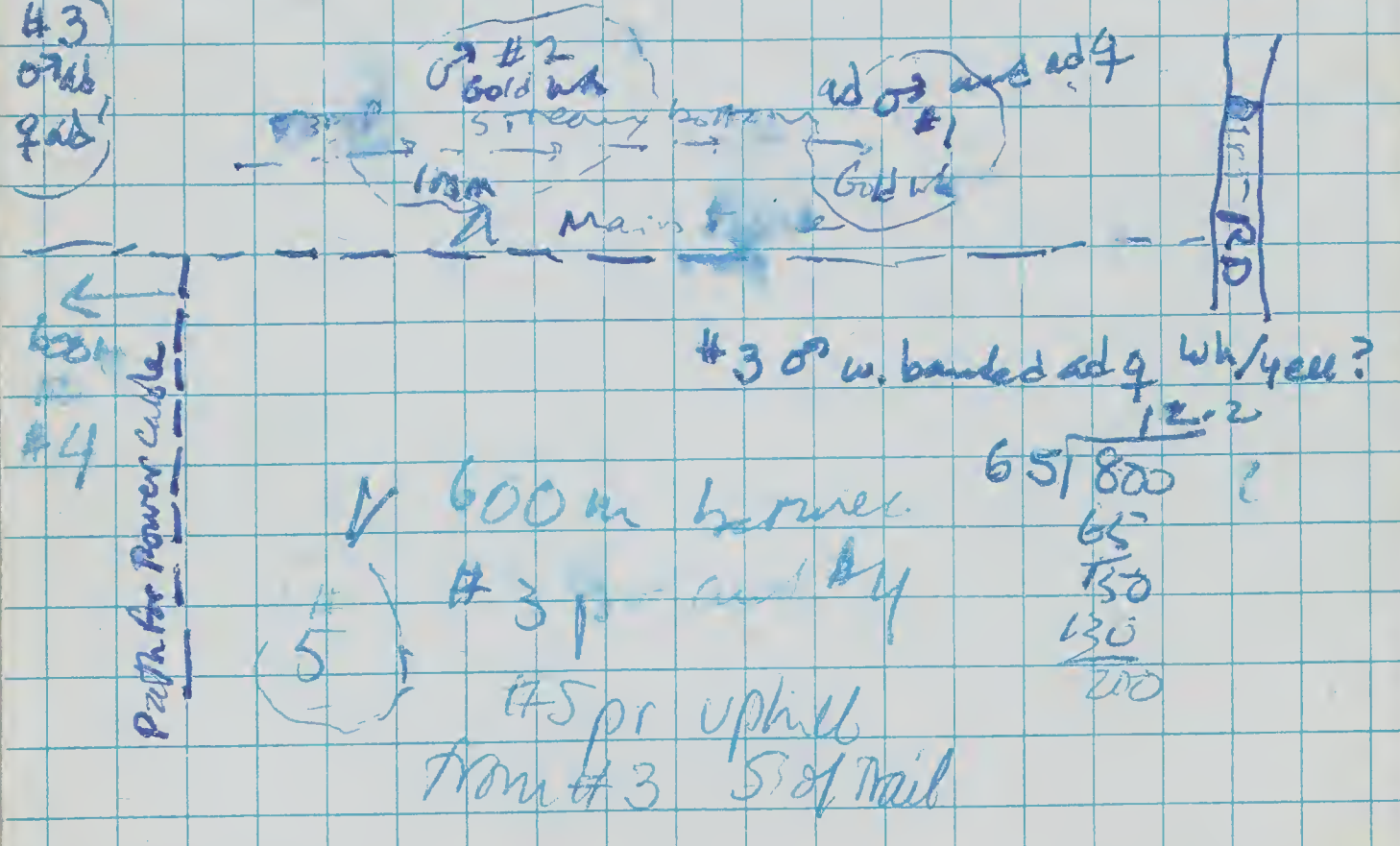
17 SEPT 89 SMITH BR SR NATURE RESERVE

10 km SE Manungup

Overcast, cool

- |                      |                               |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Spotted Pardalote    | Manungup                      |
| 3 Carwary's Cockatoo | Natterbird                    |
| W. Rosella           | <del>Butte</del> Fant. Cuckoo |
| Or Fantail           | BK-F Cuckoo-Shrike            |
| Kookaburra           | Restless FC                   |
| Austr. Raven         | Str. Pardalote                |
| W. Rosella           | Wh-naped HE                   |
| Chest-urged? Wren    | Wh-b Swallow                  |
| Golden Whistler      | W. Warbler                    |
| Gr Shrike-Thrush     | Wh-br Robin                   |
| Brush Bronzewing     | W. Yellow Robin               |

~ 3 Fairy obs - on ♂ Golden Whistler #1 (w. ad g.)  
~ 12 " " " " #2 (w. juv)



17-20

26 Sept - cont'd  
Dura hopping East  
I took photos of:

1. growth of weeds around ant hill
2. Hakea-Jam "orchard" at N. edge of reserve
3. mystery nestling being reared by Jacky Winters

Bird sightings (new):

- 2 Tawny-crowned HE (nr. Jacky W. high in trees newly nesting) flying around

pr. White-eared HE S edge along Brown Rd.  
pr. Br-headed HE nr. Jacky Winters

Overall Bird list for  
Main study area 23-26 Sept 89

1. Kestrel - sev.
2. Bk-sh Kite - 2
3. Spotted Harrier - 1
4. Galah - abund
5. Pt. Lincoln Parrot - abund
6. Mulga Parrot - sev.
7. Elegant Parrot - 2
8. Little Corella - sev. groups nr. Kellenberrin
9. Wh-faced Heron - 1 Trayning
10. Mountain Duck (w. 1 downy young) - ~~2~~
11. Pallid Cuckoo - sev.
12. Harsheld's Bronze-cuckoo - sev.
13. Shining Bronze Cuckoo - 2
14. Pallid Cuckoo - 1
15. C. Bronzewing - sev.
16. Crested Pigeon - abund.
17. Dm. Pigeon - scattered localities
18. Peaceful Dove - Kellenberrin
19. Bk-f Cuckoo-shrike - comm.
20. Ww Triller - comm.
21. Red-capped Robin - comm.
22. Jackson Winter - 1 pr (nesting)
23. Richards P. pit - comm
24. W-f Chat - 2 or 3
25. Ruf. Whistler - comm

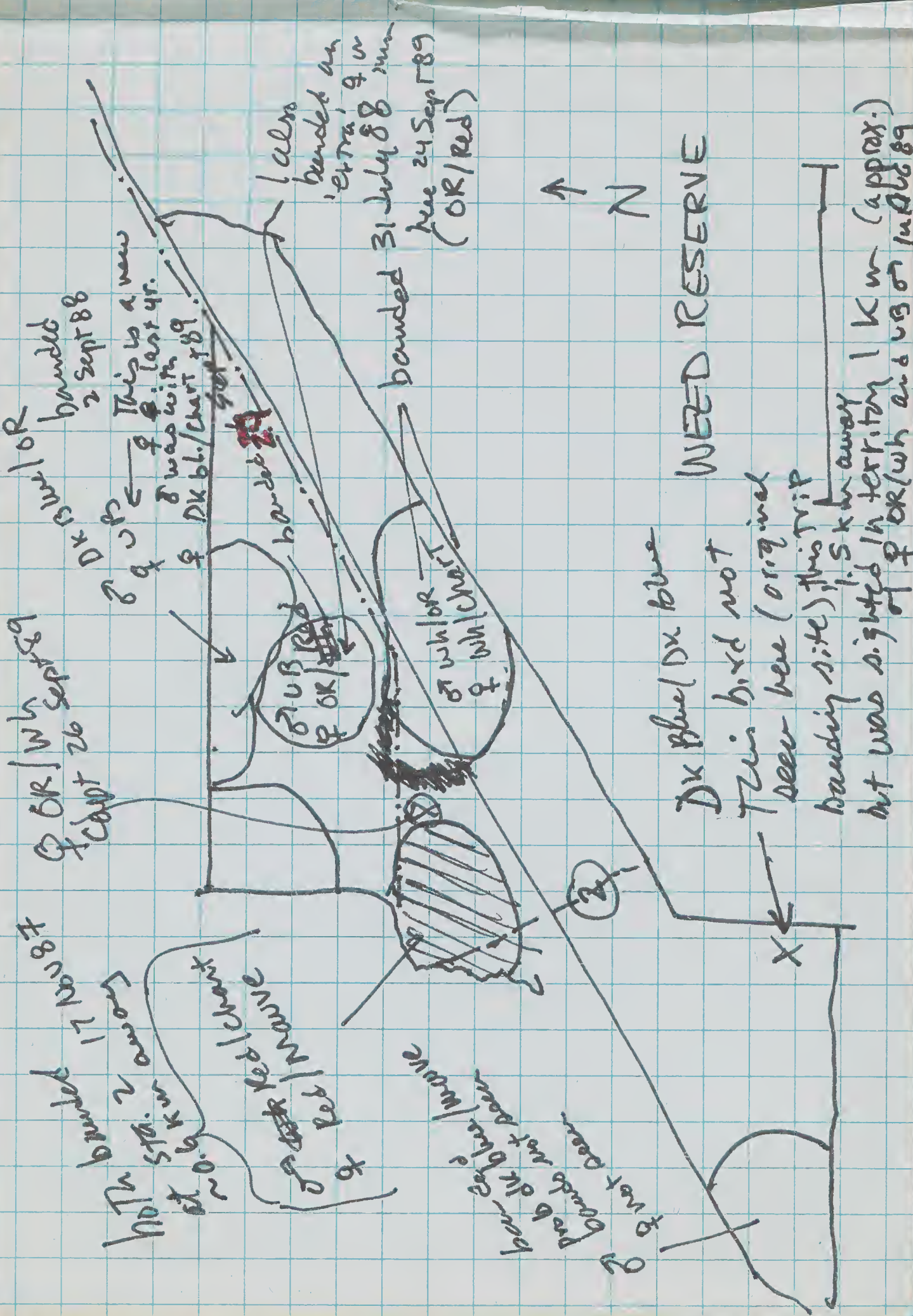
26. Grassh Thrush - comm
27. Cr. Bellbird - comm.
28. Y-r T-bill - abund.
29. G-r T-bill - comm.
30. Inl. T-bill - sev.
31. W. Warbler - comm
32. Willie Wagtail - comm.
33. Grey Fantail - 1 pr. (weeds)
34. Blue-br Wren - 1 group (weeds)
35. Varied Sittella - 2 or 3 sm. groups
36. Str. Pardalote - comm.
37. BrTE - abund.
38. Wg TE - abund.
39. Red Wattlebird - 3 (weeds)
40. Spiny-cheeked TE - sev. (weeds)
41. Wh-eared TE - 2 (Durokoppin E.)
42. Br-headed TE - 2 (Durokoppin E.)
- \*<sub>43</sub> Tawny-crowned TE - 2 (.. ..)
44. Austr. Magpie-lark - comm
45. Austr. Magpie - abund.
46. Grey Butcherbird - sev.
47. Pied Butcherbird - comm.
48. Austr. Raven - abund.
49. \* Little Crow - flock of 50 at Trayning
50. Yell-Thr. Miner - abund.
51. Weebill - abund.
52. Tree Martin - comm.
53. Welcome Swallow - sev. (Joans)

94 Rufous ~~Bitter~~ Songbirds

Additional species seen N. of Bancubbin → edge of cultivation N. of Beacon

- \* Mallee Fowl
- Redthroat
- Golden Whistler
- White-fronted Honeyeater
- Red-tailed Black Cockatoo - Song groups
- Little Falcons - 1 over field

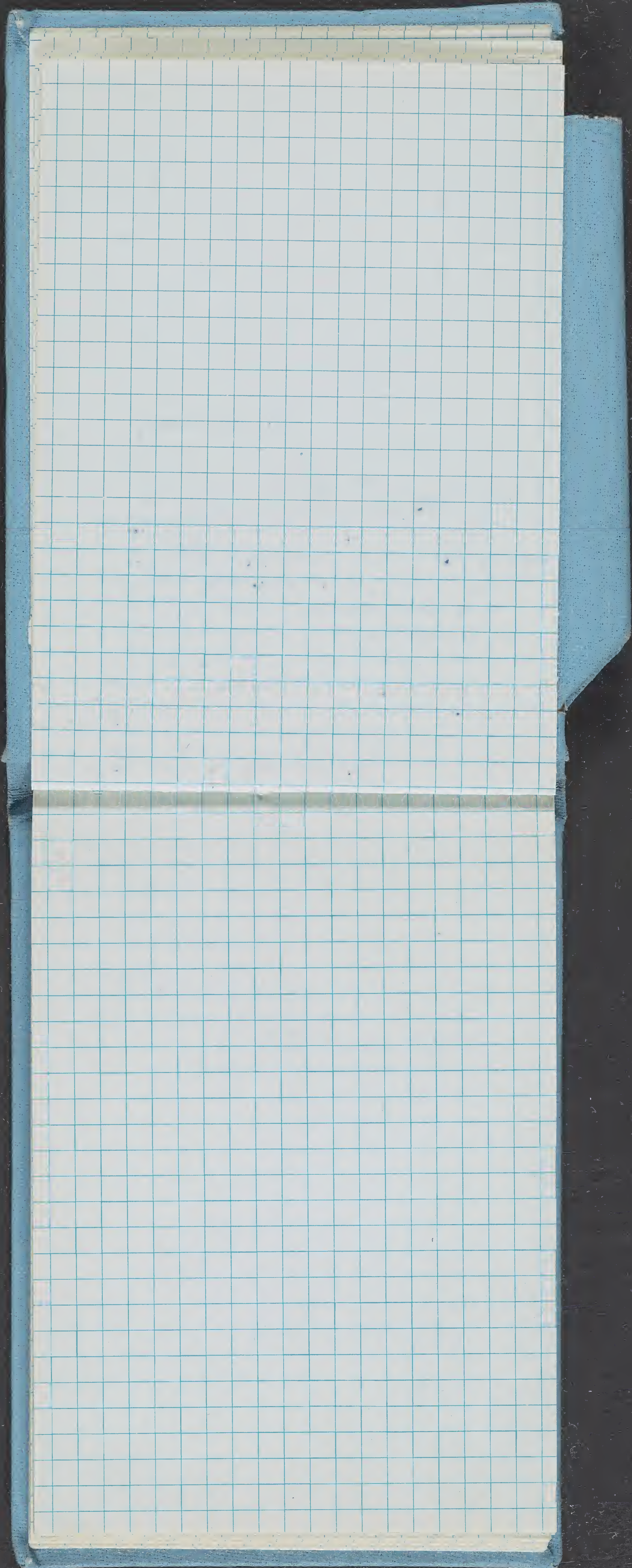
Lilac-colored feather-looking bush where I've been banded is called Thryptomene





To Get to Fremantle

rt on Kalamunda Rd left onto Riehung  
to end - turn left - turn rt  
at 1st traffic light (Hale St.) -  
go to its end - turn rt. Welshpool  
Rd - 1st left (Williams) go to  
Albany Hwy turn rt. into Albany - take  
1st left Nicholson Rd - go 3-4 km  
to High St. - turn rt. - go through  
2 lights - 3rd light Vahlund St  
go left - go to end of Vahlund -  
turn rt. South St. - goes into  
Fremantle.



MASTER LIST OF BIRDS FOR SITE #1

10.5 km E. Yellowdine

1. Common Bronzewing \*
2. Black-eared Cuckoo
3. Horsfield's Bronze-Cuckoo
4. Pallid Cuckoo
5. Port Lincoln Ringneck \*
6. Purple-crowned Lorikeet \*
7. Western Rosella \*
8. Tree Martin
9. Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike
10. Jacky Winter
11. Gilbert's Whistler \*
12. Rufous Whistler
13. Grey Shrike-Thrush \*
14. Crested Bellbird \*
15. Willie Wagtail \*
16. Thornbill sp (prob Y-rumped)
17. White-winged Triller \*
18. Yellow-plumed Honeyeater \*
19. Red Wattlebird \*
20. Spiny-cheeked HE \*
21. Chestnut Quail-Thrush \*
22. Rufous Treecreeper \*
23. Dusky Woodswallow \*
24. Striated Pardalote
25. Grey Butcherbird
26. Pied Butcherbird
27. Australian Raven

\* nest-netted

MIST-NET RESULTS / 1ST AFTERNOON

		Σ
Yellow-plumbed HE	6N, 3RR	9
Rufous Treecreeper	5N	5
Spiny-cheeked HE	3N	3
Willie Wagtail	1N, 1RR	2
Red Wattlebird	2N	2
Pt. Lincoln Ringer	2N	2
Dusky Woodswallow	2N	2
Crested Bellbird	1N	1
Purple-crowned Lorikeet	1N	1
Gilbert's Whistler	2RR	2
w.w. Triller	1N	1
Chestnut Quail-Thrush	1N	1
Grey Shrike-Thrush	1N	1
Common Bronzewing	1N	1
Grand totals:	14 spp	33

Other spp. seen or heard: Jacky Winter Raven, Rufous Whistler, Black-eared Cuckoo, Horsfield's Bronze-Cuckoo, Tree Martin, B-f Cuckoo-shrike, Striped Pardalote, Grey Butcherbird, Pied Butcherbird, Thornbill sp. (prob. 4-rumped)  
 Σ = ~~20 spp~~ 27 spp.

28 Sept

197.3 Southern Cross 06:00  
 Shell Station

209.8 Ghooli  
 219.1 Start good mallee  
 226.9 good mallee  
 229.6 Yellowwattle  
 240.1 Banding site

opened mist nets 6:30 - 7:00  
 weather: scattered clouds, cool, st. breeze  
 lots of bird activity

♀ Chestnut Quail-Thrush calls - Rabbitt-like harsh squawk and a very low, high pitched piercing 'seep'.

opened nets ~~06:30-06:50~~  
 new spp. today at banding site:

W. Rosella - netted  
 Pallid Cuckoo - heard  
 we netted 12 birds today (7 spp)

closed nets 9:55 - 10:25  
 TOTAL for yesterday + today: 15 spp

43 individuals netted in all

41.0 Leave Site #1

51.5 Yellowdine

53.0 Track to S. into mallee  
no good

59.2 back on hwy

61.5 track N of S.

C 300m W. Sign to Yellowdine  
Scoping S. to Yellowdine

Site #2 5 km W. Yellowdine (S. side  
of hwy)

area of F: dense bushes - 15m tree  
w. scattered small mallee trees and medium-  
sized Melaleuca and Salicornia gums. Much  
more open than site #1 - no really large  
gums - mallee mostly 3-4m; largest  
trees up to 15m, but most < 10m.

We set up 10 mist nets, beginning at 11:25  
and finishing at 12:35.

Birds: Fan-tailed Cuckoo, Black-eared  
Cuckoo; BK. f. Cuckoo-shrike, Str. Pardalote,  
Weebill, \* Int. Thornbill, \* Gr Shrike Thrush, \*  
Br HE, Spiny-cheeked HE, Red Wattlebird,  
Wh-eared HE, Raven, Gr Currawong  
Red-capped Robin, Willie Wagtail

We closed nets 3:45 - 4:00 PM  
having caught only 8 birds (4 Int. T-bill,  
2 Br HE, Gr Shrike Thrush, Weebill)

\* mist-netted

2.0 1st site

2.4 hwy

6.2 First clearings

29 Sept 1st. Bother Cross 06:07  
29.0

Mist-netting

1 Striated Pardalote

3 Redthroat

1 Fan-tailed Cuckoo

2 Br HE (1 killed in net by Brown goshawk)

Wh-eared HE

~~1~~ Inland Thornbill  
Spiny-cheeked HE

also heard or seen: 2 Golden Whistler,

~~1~~ <sup>sev</sup> Weebill, R-C Robin <sup>sev</sup>

Br Goshawk, Spiny-cheeked HE, Red Wattlebird

2 S. Scrub Robin, Regent Parrot,

1 Galah, sev Str. Pardalotes, 1 Austr. Raven

Salmu Gum



Site # 2

area characterized by 1-1.5 m tall shrubs moderately dense (possible to weave one's way through most areas without smashing bushes). Emergent small, thin mallee - usually single trunks 3-4 m tall; scattered taller (to 12 m) also melaleuca 3-5 m tall.

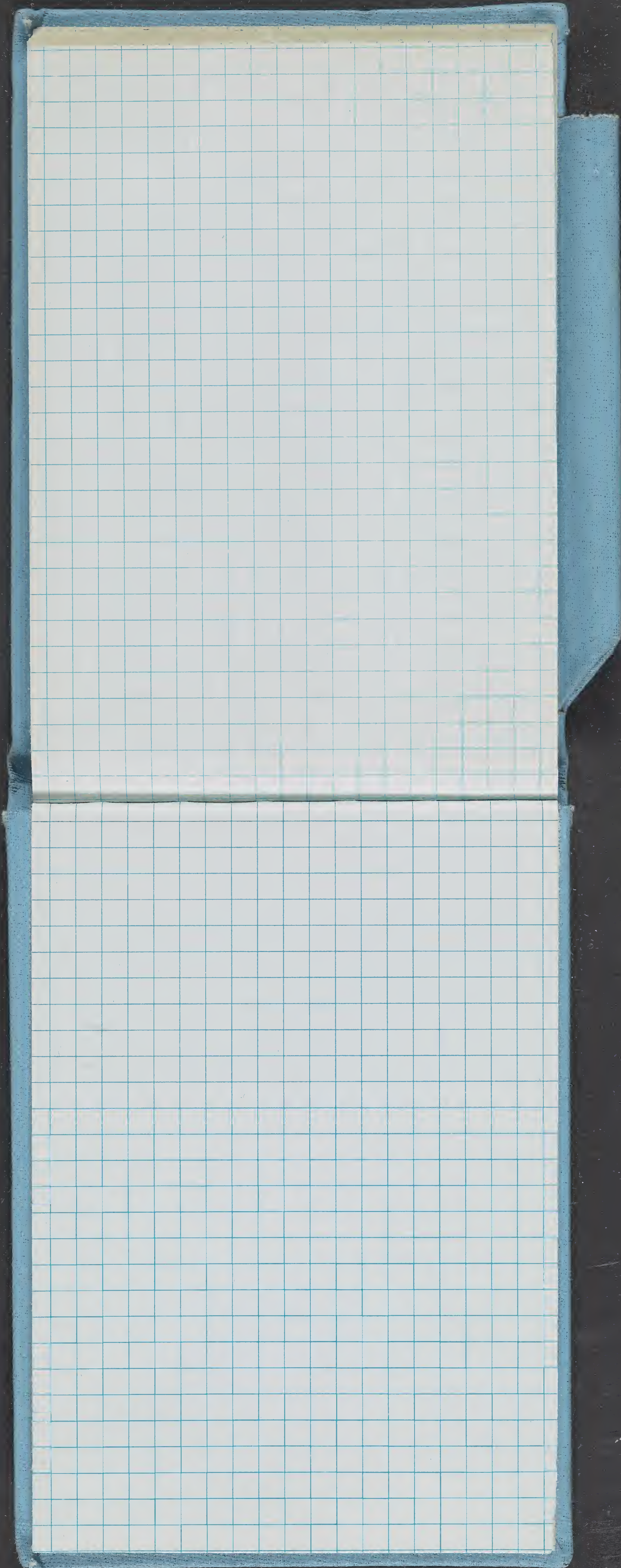
Master list of birds for Site # 2  
(5 km w. Yellowdine)

1. Galah
2. Regent Parrot
3. Fan-tailed Cuckoo \*
4. Black-eared Cuckoo
5. Redthroat \*
6. S. Scrub Robin
7. Red-capped Robin \*
8. Weebill \*
9. Inland Thornbill
10. Golden Whistler
11. Grey Shrike-thrush \*
12. Willie Wagtail
13. Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike
14. Brown Honeyeater \*
15. White-eared Honeyeater \*
16. Red Wattlebird
17. Spiny-cheeked Honeyeater \*
18. Grey Currawong
19. Grey Butcherbird
20. Australian Raven
21. Brown Goshawk
22. Striated Pardalote \*
23. Brown-headed HE
24. Purple-crowned Lorikeet

\* mist-netted

11:15 1/4 Site #2

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# LEFT IN AUSTRALIA

OCTOBER 1989

- Small canvas carry-bag
- 1 set of sheets + a pillowcase
- 2 towels
- 2 pairs socks

- Large styrofoam cooler
- 6-pack cooler
- 4 40' MIST NETS in cloth bags

- Set of small screwdrivers
- 1 roll blue flagging tape
- magic marker
- 30 gm Pesola (needs clip)
- Small nylon stuff sack
- 4 D-cells

- 1 microcassette (blank)
- 7 AA batteries
- endless loops of Golden, G. kerts, Prof Wh.

- Wind-up alarm clock
- 2 blank CSIRO notebooks

- Large loose-leaf binder w.  
miscellaneous papers, envelopes,  
graph paper, etc.

- maps of S. Wheat reserves
- tin of lemon drops
- Small stereo speaker

- ~ 25 Coffee Filters + home-wide ladder
- roll of strapping tape
- 7" x 4" x 2" Tupperware box

