

## TAXON SUMMARY

# Red-crowned Parakeet (Lord Howe Island)

1	Family	Psittacidae
2	Scientific Name	<i>Cyanoramphus novaeseelandiae subflavescens</i> Salvadori, 1891
3	Common Name	Red-crowned Parakeet (Lord Howe Island)
4	Conservation status	Extinct

### 5 Reasons for listing

The last record of this subspecies was in 1869.

### 6 Intraspecific taxa

*C. n. erythrotis* (Macquarie I.) is also Extinct. Other subspecies, all to some extent threatened, are found on the North and South Islands of New Zealand, Kermadec I. and Chatham I.

### 7 Past range and abundance

This subspecies of the Red-crowned Parakeet was endemic to Lord Howe I. It was common enough to be considered a pest, but only one pair was recorded in 1869 and none thereafter (Hindwood, 1940).

### 8 Ecology

The Red-crowned Parakeet must have lived in forest on Lord Howe I., but virtually nothing is known of its ecology.

### 9 Reasons for extinction

The Red-crowned Parakeet became a pest around the crops and gardens of the first settlement on Lord Howe I. Hunting and trapping to prevent this are the only reasons that have been suggested to explain its extinction (Hindwood, 1940, Hutton, 1991).

### 10 Bibliography

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