# Passage Island Cay #3, Bird Checklist

## Chesterfield Group, New Caledonia

19 55 44s 158 24 40e

Compiled by Michael K. Tarburton, Pacific Adventist University, PNG.

swiftlet@optusnet.com.au

[You are welcome to communicate, just re-type above address into your e-mail program]

#	Common Name	Scientific Name	Ecol. Status	Abundance	References
1.	Masked Booby	Sula dactylatra personata	Res	8 birds present Dec 1990,	1,
2.	Brown Booby	Sula leucogaster plotus	Res	6 birds Dec 1990,	1,
3.	Black-naped Tern	Sterna sumatrana	Res	2 birds Dec 1990,	1,

#### **KEY**

### **Ecological status**

End = Endemic to Island unless otherwise stated, **Res bre** = Resident breeder, **Res** = resident ie breeding not proven or not likely. For seabirds it means they have or should be found in that area: note other refs. **Vag** = Vagrant, **Res/mig** = Part of population migratory, **Sum mig** = Summer migrant, **Win mig** = Winter migrant, **Spr/Aut mig** = Passage migrant in Spring and Autumn, **Intro** = Introduced.

#### Abundance

R = rare, S = scarce, UC = uncommon, MC = moderately common, LC = locally common, C = common, VC = very common, A = abundant P = present.

Colour coding applies only to one species on a particular list. eg. An abundance comment in red for the Brown Booby refers to the Ref # in Red for that species only.

Alternate Island Names & alternate common Bird Names are recorded in two separate spreadsheet files.

#### **REFERENCES**

1. Bourne, W.R.P., Davis, A.C.F. & McAllan, I.A.W. 2005. The birds of the southern Coral Sea including observations by HMS Herald in 1858-60. Atoll Research Bull 541, 237-263.