

## THE ORIENTAL PRATINCOLE *Glareola maldivarum* IN BALI

By Victor Mason

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On 22 November 1983, Frank Jarvis and I observed a flock of Oriental Pratincoles in flight and on the ground, at Sidakarya near Sanur in South Bali (co-ordinates 115 deg 14', 8 deg 43'S). The flock remained in the area until 27 December and consisted of about 300 birds, all of which appeared to be adult with black-bordered throats.

On 16 November 1986, Morten Strange observed and photographed a flock of 106, flying south along the Prapat Agung peninsula of Bali Barat National Park. They were about 500 meters in from the coast, fairly high and calling continuously.

Finally, on 17 December 1986, Peter Lansley reported 31 flying north at Suwung (near Sidikarya, *op cit.*).

It seems likely that this species has been overlooked on Bali in the past, and that it is a regular passage migrant with a variable transit period.

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## THE LONG-LEGGED PRATINCOLE *Stiltia isabella* IN BALI

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On 6 July 1987, two adult Long-legged Pratincoles *Stiltia isabella* were observed on grass sward surrounding the runway of Denpasar airport in Bali. The long legs, upright stance, pale brown colouration and long wings in relation to the tail were diagnostic. The birds were seen only on the ground. The observer is familiar with both this species and the superficially similar Oriental Pratincole *Glareola maldivarum*. This appears to be the first record for Bali, although not unexpected in view of earlier records from both Java and Borneo.

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