

Appendix 3. The nomenclatural history of the Woodhen

English common names applied to the Woodhen include:

Lord Howe Island Woodhen; Lord Howe Island wood rail; Lord Howe Island Rail; Lord Howe Rail; Lord Howe's Rail; Lord Howe Wood Rail; Lord Howe Woodrail; Lord Howe Woodhen, Wood Hen, Wood-hen; Rufous-winged Rail; Rufous-winged Moorhen; Rufous-winged Wood-hen; Woodhen.

Scientific name combinations applied to the Woodhen include – the first publication for each name combination being listed:

- Ocydromus sylvestris* P. L. Sclater, 1870. *Proceedings of the Zoological Society of London* 1869(3): 472, pl. 35 [original description].
- Cabalus sylvestris* (P. L. Sclater) by Sharpe 1893. *Bulletin of the British Ornithologists' Club* 1(5): 28–54 [new combination].
- Tricholimnas sylvestris* (P. L. Sclater) by Mathews 1911. *Novitates Zoologicae* 18: 447 [new combination].
- Nesolimnas sylvestris* (P. L. Sclater) by Oliver 1911. *Transactions and Proceedings of the New Zealand Institute* 44: 215 [new combination].
- Sylvestronis sylvestris* (P. L. Sclater) by Mathews 1928. *Birds of Norfolk and Lord Howe Islands* (London: author): 4 [new combination].
- Tricholimnas conditicius* Peters and Griscom 1928. *Proceedings of the New England Zoological Club* 10: 102. Apaiang Island. Later, and probably erroneously, thought to be from the south-west Marshall Islands, probably Ebon (Walters 1987); but highly likely to in fact be an immature Woodhen *Gallirallus sylvestris* originally collected and taken from Lord Howe Island (Olson 1992) [synonym].
- Gallirallus sylvestris* (P. L. Sclater) by Olson 1973b. *The Wilson Bulletin* 85: 398 [new combination].
- Rallus sylvestris* (P. L. Sclater) by Ripley 1977. *Rails of the World* (Toronto: Fehely): 68 [new combination].