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WATTLED PLOVER *VANELLUS SENEGALLUS* IN TANZANIA

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Reynolds (1977) points out that Mann (1976) erred in missing published records of this species in Tanzania. Vesey-Fitzgerald and I (1960) described this bird as resident in the Rukwa Valley, found in any month in varying numbers. It has also been seen in the dry season on the Ufipa Plateau (southwest Tanzania), and I have seen one at Ngare Nanyuki, north of Mt Meru, on 27 December 1965.

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SLENDER-BILLED GULLS *LARUS GENEI* AND OTHER PALAEARCTIC GULLS  
AT LAKE TURKANA, DECEMBER 1976

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Whilst based at the Fishing Lodge, Ferguson's Gulf, Lake Turkana, from 23-28 December 1976, I was able to record five species of Palaearctic gull. Some 400-500 Black-headed Gulls *L. ridibundus* were present each day. These were best seen early in the morning when they gathered in a single flock, or in smaller parties, at fish remains along the spit shore. About 80 per cent. of these birds were adults, and most of the rest in their second year. All were in non-breeding plumage, with a dark mark behind the eye, a dusky tipped red bill and red legs.





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