



Pomislil sem na kakšnega malega glodalca in velel Dejanu, ki je stal v bližini šopa, naj bo pri miru. Čez nekaj časa je temna kepica vnovič pokukala iz šopa in ugotovil sem, da gre za eno izmed manjših tukanic. Seveda sem imel pripravljeno digiskopijo in uspelo mi je narediti enajst posnetkov te ptice. Kljun je bil zelene barve, baza pa rdeča, kar je bil zanesljivo znamenje, da gre za malo tukanico. Pritlikava tukanica *Porzana pusilla*, ki je izredno redka in mali podobna, ima v spomladanskem času kljun zelene barve in brez rdeče baze (glej sliko).

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KNOT *Calidris canutus*

Veliki prodnik – en osebek opažen 3.9.2005 v območju Stonskih solin (UTM BN62, J Dalmacija, Hrvaška) med hranjenjem v družbi dveh srpkljunih prodnikov *Calidris ferruginea*

During my visit to the Ston salt pans (UTM BN62, S Dalmacija, Croatia) on 3 Sep 2005, a specimen of Knot was noticed. The bird was feeding on the wet, muddy surface together with two Curlew Sandpipers *Calidris ferruginea*. This is a rare visitor to the coastal region of Croatia during the autumn [RUCNER, D. (1998): Ptice hrvatske obale Jadrana. – Hrvatski prirodoslovni muzej, Ministarstvo razvitka i obnove, Zagreb]. During that day, the following birds were noticed in addition to the mentioned species whilst feeding: three Greenshanks *Tringa nebularia*, three Ringed Plovers *Charadrius hiaticula*, one Little Ringed Plover *Charadrius dubius*, one Little Stint *Calidris minuta*, two Little Egrets *Egretta garzetta*, six Grey Herons *Ardea cinerea* and one Pygmy Cormorant *Phalacrocorax pygmeus*.

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ZLATOVHRANKA *Coracias garrulus*

Roller – an adult spotted on 1 Aug 2005 sitting on a *Tamarix* *Tamarix* sp. bush in the southern part of Kolansko blato on the island of Pag (UTM VK92, Dalmatia, W Croatia).

Dne 1.8.2005 sva med vožnjo po južnem delu Kolanskega blata na otoku Pagu opazila odrasel osebek zlatovranke. Posedala je na vrhu tamariske *Tamarix* sp. Večkrat se je spreletela, nato pa odletela proti skrajnemu jugu Kolanskega blata. Kljub primernemu datumu se ni vedla teritorialno. Zlatovranka je redka selivka obalnega območja, ki na otoku Pagu še ni bila opažena. Prav tako gre za zgoden jesenski podatek [RUCNER, D. (1998): Ptice hrvatske obale Jadrana. – Hrvatski prirodoslovni muzej, Ministrstvo razvitka i obnove, Zagreb.]

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ROLLER *Coracias garrulus*

Zlatovranka – dne 15.6.2006 je bil opažen en osebek v bližini vasi Hreljin (UTM VL61, blizu Kraljevice, Z Hrvaška) na hrvaški obali; na tem območju je bila zlatovranka zadnjič opažena pred 45 leti

One of the authors, Boris Ende, recorded the Roller on 15 Jun 2006 in the area not far from the village of Hreljin some 5 km northeast of Kraljevica in the Croatian Littoral (UTM VL61). The bird was sitting on electric wires above the railway, from where it occasionally alighted on the ground and low surrounding vegetation to catch grasshoppers. The observation took about two hours, from 11.30 to 13.30 h. During that time, the bird was foraging for food, but did not move away, which indicates that it did not feed the young. Several visits to the same area were paid in the coming days aiming at taking photographs of the bird, but the bird could not be found any longer. RUCNER (1998) reported on the flock of Rollers dwelling in Soline Bay on the island of Krk in August 1950 [RUCNER, D. (1998): Birds of the Croatian coast of Adriatic. Croatian Natural History Museum, Zagreb]. The specimen from this flock was shot for the *Scientific collection of bird skins* of the Institute of Ornithology where it is kept today, and the flock is most likely the same as the one described in more detail including the closest location and date: Klimno (the island of Krk, UTM VL70), 29 Aug 1950. Catalogue form of the bird species from the mentioned collection was published in *Ornithology in Croatia* [SUŠIĆ, G., RADOVIĆ, D. & BARTOVSKY, B. (1988): Scientific collection of bird skins of the Institute of Ornithology of the Yugoslavian Academy