

"teaching" in which adult birds stimulated a search and capture response in the food-begging birds? Butcherbirds may be predisposed towards this behaviour because of their habit of caching food, but we have never observed food caching by sittellas. The sample size is too small to draw any firm conclusions, but the observations were suggestive.

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Two additional species of butterfly recorded from Rottnest Island – About 1430 hrs on 4 November 1998, in the Botanic Golf Course, Rottnest Island, I observed a small lycaenid butterfly feeding, wings closed, from the flowers of chenille honey-myrtle (*Melaleuca huegelii*). Through my binoculars I could see the quite plain undersides of the wings, the forewing coppery in colour, the hind wing more greyish, with two small black spots near the tornus. I was in no doubt that this was the Two-spotted Line-blue (*Nacaduba biocellata*), a species I know well. Although I had a good

look only at this one specimen, further small lycaenid butterflies that I saw flying round this and other shrubs of chenille honey-myrtle may have been the same species.

About 1500 hrs on the same day, on Parker Point Road near McCallum Avenue, I saw two specimens of another species of butterfly well known to me, the Meadow Argus (*Junonia villida*). As they settled on the ground or on the flowers of peppermints (*Agonis flexuosa*) planted by the roadside, I gained a good look at their outspread wings, displaying their distinctive eye-spots, and was in no doubt as to their identity.

Neither of these butterflies is included in the fourteen species previously recorded for Rottnest Island, although both are known from Garden Island [A.A.E. WILLIAMS. 1997. The butterflies (Lepidoptera) of Garden and Rottnest Islands, Western Australia. *Australian Entomologist* 24: 27-34]. My records increase the number of butterfly species recorded on Rottnest Island to sixteen.

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