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Chatham Island Coot *Fulica chathamensis* Forbes 1892

Forbes (1892) described a large coot from Chatham Island dune deposits. Forbes originally thought it was identical to *F. newtoni* from Mauritius. Milne-Edwards pointed out several differences, which prompted Forbes to describe this new species.

SUB-FOSSIL SPECIES

This species is considered to have become extinct since human settlement in the 14th century.