

Avian Crossword

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Across

- 4 **G**ee, sounds like the Tom's prey has left (8)
 10 "overall impression or character a bird gives" (4)
 13 **A** cove sat confused (6)
 14 Hearing organ (3)
 15 **H** starts a name for *Pomatostomus halli* (plural) (5,8)
 17 **K**ay could be Great, Red sounds negative and tied (4)
 18 **B**ad start then grain (ship) account (8)
 20 Knockout two from 17 across
 23 Male editor: take note! (4)
 25 Start dead, start out, twice flightless extinct bird (4)
 26 Hog era? (6)
 29 Be at start for migratory gastronome (8)
 31 Sounds like a turn about (4)
 32 Hello! Start *Himantopus*! (2)
 33 + (4)
 35 Greek letter sounds like last bit of 29 across (3)
 36 **S**awn confused after Wayne or Dane (4)
 38 Bit of carpet (3)
 39 "area surrounding the cloaca" (4)
 41 Heron loses Ron, that man (2)
 43 Bill (3)
 44 Extinct bird loses mother across the river from Echuca (3)
 46 **P**olar bird used gun in P.E. (7)

- 47 *Sphecotheres* (7)
 48 Not out! (2)
 49 One ring in Kookaburra (4)
 50 Apple-seed and start Inland Thornbill together to get *Anthus* (5)
 51 **I**t's a *Theskiornis*! (4)
 52 Meadow ... (3)
 54 Is a Diamond Firetail such a bird? (3)
 57 **M**arch on confused reigning king or queen (7)
 61 **X** one to be 58 across with one who eats the produce of bees but the scientific name of Flying Coachman (10)
 64 **R**eally uncommon (4)
 66 Location (2)
 66 Smell, smell back, why? (5)
 67 Off oil ore (6)
 68 Let tart mix it (7)
 69 **N**ot only an Enid Blyton character! (5)

Down

- 1 **J**ay starts a can, a lily-trotter (6)
 2 **D**o start which, Asian or Long-billed, your majesty? (9)
 3 Confused fewer with north north round beginning, bird of tropical Queensland's rainforest gullies (8)
 5 Period within feral (3)
 6 **Y**ell e.g. owls confused *Tringa* (10)
 7 Carbon monoxide or methane at start of gastropod (3)
 8 GPS satellites used by birders are in or bit out (5)
 9 Recede is web backwash (3)
 11 Frozen water (3)
 12 **Z**ed start store ops for Blightbird (Grape-eater) (9)

- 15 **H**awker loses queen to a bird of prey (4)
 16 Account every bird has (4)
 19 Bittern loses ten (4)
 21 Poem ends manucode (3)
 22 *Eudynamys* (4)
 24 Period of time (3)
 27 Inland Thornbill starting thing (2)
 28 Adult male (3)
 29 Little piece before *Sterna* (7)
 30 **T**ale confused waterbird (4)
 33 **E**agle made up beginnings for flightless bird (3)
 37 Writer plucked female Mute Swan (3)
 39 **V**al starts seeing a "bird found in an area that is not its normal range or habitat" (7)
 40 A wader may be found near water retreating in a web built by spider (3)
 41 Chook (3)
 42 **Q** *Coturnix* (5)
 43 Get Weary! (4)
 45 **O** A Grim gets Rock Warbler! (6)
 46 Pat it around rainbow perhaps (5)
 47 **F**ur Ma left confused over the Southern Ocean (6)
 53 **C**ould this silly one coo over an intersection? (4)
 55 Old performance is precise (5)
 56 Owl genus (3)
 58 *Macronectes* for Dame Melba? (5)
 59 *Larus marinus* (Great Black-backed Gull) (3)
 60 Pastime for a raptor? (5)
 62 Roost (4)
 63 Frozen rain (4)