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#### PINK EARED DUCK

Scientific Name: Malacorhynchus membranaceus Atlas Number: 213

#### **DESCRIPTION:**

The Pink-eared Duck is a small duck with a huge square-tipped grey bill and strongly barred brown flanks. It has a large brown eye patch on a white finely barred face. There is a small pink patch behind the eye. Upper parts are brown, underparts white barred dark



brown. The upperwing is brown with a white trailing edge and the underwing linings are white, finely barred brown. In flight, there is a bold white crescent on the rump.

#### Similar species:

The Pink-eared Duck is not mistakeable for any other duck.

#### Distribution:

The Pink-eared Duck is found throughout Australia but only occasionally in Tasmania.

#### Habitat:

The Pink-eared Duck is found in timbered areas near water. It prefers shallow, temporary waters, however open wetlands support large flocks. It is a highly dispersive and nomadic species.

#### **Seasonal movements:**

Pink-eared Ducks are birds of the inland swamps and will fly great distances in search of water. Huge flocks often reach the coast in dry years.

#### Feeding:

Pink-eared Ducks feed in shallow warmish waters. The highly specialised bill is fringed with fine lamellae (grooves) to filter out the microscopic plants and animals which make up the bulk of its diet.

#### **Breeding:**

Breeding can take place all year round and is dependant on floodwaters. The nest is a rounded mass of down placed in a hollow or on a stump above the water. Pink-eared Ducks usually take over nests built by other birds, especially the Eurasian Coot and the Black-tailed Native Hen. Pink-eared Ducks form monogamous, probably life-long pair-bonds. The female incubates the eggs, and both parents brood the young.

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#### Founded in 1977

#### Club's Aim:

To join together people with a common interest who wish to further their knowledge and enjoyment of the bird life around them.

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### **JULY ACTIVITIES**

#### **GENERAL MEETING**

Club Meeting 7.30pm Monday 10th July 2023

Fairy Meadow Community Hall, Cnr. Cambridge Ave and Princes Hwy. Fairy Meadow.

A presentation by Mr Michael O'Connor on Joseph Banks and I believe this is **done in character.** So should be an interesting look at things past.

Please bring a plate of 'goodies' and a mug for supper after the meeting.

#### **MIDWEEK OUTING**

Midweek Walk Wednesday 12th July 2023

Leaders Pam Hazelwood

Puckey's Estate - 9.00am start.

Meet at 9 am in car park of Fairy Meadow Surf Club at eastern end of Elliotts Road. This is a relaxing walk south through coastal vegetation to the Lagoon where we will have our morning tea either looking over the beach or the lagoon depending on weather conditions. We will then return to our starting point.

In the event of inclement weather contact Pam

#### **MONTHLY OUTING**

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2023

Jerra Dam - Meet at 9.00 am

Leaders Alan & Anne Cousins

Meet at 9am at Jerrara Dam, Mount Brandon Road. Proceed to Jamberoo roundabout, take the first exit into Allowrie Street which runs through the village and follow on to Jamberoo Road, follow to Jerrara Road which is on the right on the last bend before Swamp Road and continue to Mount Brandon Road, the dam is signposted, the entrance to the dam is a fair way up on the left. as the gate is now permanently closed due to vandalism so parking is on the green outside.

Bring morning tea and lunch, we will carry morning tea and return to the picnic area by the amenities for lunch.

In the event of inclement weather contact Alan Cousins at 0413 869534 by 8am

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#### **NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Next Committee Meeting** 

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2023 7.00pm

Committee Meeting via Zoom

## NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 22th July

For all articles & photos in the next IBOC newsletter PLEASE E-mail contributions: To Charles Dove Email <a href="mailto:newsletter@iboc.org.au">newsletter@iboc.org.au</a> or post to 55/303 Spring St, Kearney's Spring, Toowoomba QLD 4350.

#### CLUB REPORTS

#### JUNE MEETING

Monday 12th June

As is normal for me the meeting started with sightings but these reflected the cold weather, with not many birds reported.

We quickly moved on to when Pam Hazelwood showed a video on Australian Crakes and Rails. There was very good video of all the Crakes and Rails and the photographer had to be admired for the lengths they went to obtain this video. They travelled to a number of locations in different states, with early starts and long waits a common theme.

Good to see these rare shy birds we can only hope conditions have improved for them.

Thank you Pam for your time organizing this video and jumping up to skip the advertising.

Ross Gowans

#### **MIDWEEK OUTING**

Wednesday 14th June 2023 **Hooka Point Lake Illawarra** 

by Anna Knowlson

A good gathering of IBOC members were greeted by a cool clear but windy morning to gather by Lake Illawarra at Hooka Point. After finishing all the sign-on form we all headed off in a clockwise direction along the pathway. Several water birds were seen on the blue waters of the lake including the usual suspects Australian Pelicans, Silver Gulls, Australasian Grebes, Little Black and Little Pied Cormorant. On land Red Wattlebirds, Noisy Miner and Rainbow Lorikeets were observed at the beginning of the track up the hill to the lookout tower. From the tower there were good sightings of Pied Oystercatchers and Pied Stilts on the low island in the estuary of Hooka Creek. As we made our way downhill, we found the

smaller birds like Grey Fantail, Superb and Variegated Fairy-wrens, Yellow and Brown Thornbills and Red-browed Finch. Some had a fleeting glimpse of an Osprey also. Morning tea was set up in the sunshine out of the wind which was very pleasant. Afterwards we took the pathway along Hooka Creek and across the bridge towards the ovals. In the creek we saw Pacific Black Ducks, a Great Egret and a Striated Heron was spied in the casuarinas. The wind was too strong to go much further so we made our way back to the cars. We were surprised to find a total of 49 species was observed at this location which shows how important a habitat it is, not just a dog walking track.

Bird List for Hooka Poir	nt Park 14 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	14 Members	49 Species
Black Swan	Crested Tern	Yellow-tailed Black-Cockatoo	Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike
Pacific Black Duck	Australasian Darter	Little Corella	Golden Whistler
Chestnut Teal	Little Pied Cormorant	Sulphur-crested Cockatoo	Grey Butcherbird
Australasian Grebe	Pied Cormorant	Rainbow Lorikeet	Australian Magpie
Spotted Dove	Little Black Cormorant	Satin Bowerbird	Pied Currawong
Crested Pigeon	Australian Pelican	Variegated Fairywren	Willie Wagtail
Dusky Moorhen	Great Egret	Superb Fairywren	Grey Fantail
Pied Stilt	White-faced Heron	Noisy Miner	Magpie-lark
Australian Pied Oystercatcher	Striated Heron	Red Wattlebird	Australian Raven
Masked Lapwing	Australian White Ibis	Brown Thornbill	Common Blackbird
Silver Gull	Royal Spoonbill	Yellow Thornbill	Mistletoebird
Kelp Gull	Osprey	Brown Gerygone	Red-browed Finch
Caspian Tern			

eBird checklist numbers S141596465.

#### WEEKEND WALK

Saturday 17th June 2023

#### Wilton and Cordeaux Dam

By Ken & Sue Brown

To start the day,14 of us assembled half way along Lisa Road near Wilton on a good, wide mown verge with plenty of room to get the cars off the road. The car thermometer was indicating a chilly 5 degrees outside, but there was no wind and no clouds so the "feels like" temperature was a lot warmer when we got out and going in the sun. Turning into Lisa Road we had seen Eurasian Coots, Pacific Black Ducks and Chestnut Teal on the first dam. The dam near the cars had more waterbirds, including Australasian Grebes, a Little Pied Cormorant and a Hardhead. The paddocks over the road had Sulphur-crested Cockatoos and Wood Ducks feeding in the grass. As we started walking west down the road, we picked up Magpies, a Crested Pigeon, Eastern Rosellas and a Noisy Miner in the trees and on the ground. Some Galahs and Rainbow Lorikeets flew overhead. Towards the bottom of the hill an Eastern Yellow Robin displayed itself in different positions on a power pole and the connecting wires. Down here there were more trees and we found a number of other birds, including a Grey Butcherbird, a Common Bronzewing, large numbers of Yellow-faced Honeyeaters and a flock of Whitewinged Choughs. Near the end of the road where we turned to go back, a large black snake lay dead beside the road. There were no markings on it to show how it had met its end. On the way back we saw a male Golden Whistler to add to the female we had seen on the way down. Also, a male Satin Bowerbird and a pair of King Parrots.

By the time we got back to the cars we had spent an hour and a half on this one-kilometre stretch of road with a pleasing 35 species seen. It was time for morning tea and a comfort break, so we got into the cars and drove the few kilometres back to the Cordeaux Dam picnic area. Morning tea was quite noisy with the Red Wattlebirds all around us. After the break we put the chairs back in the cars and did a walk around the periphery of the large picnic area. There were plenty of birds, but mainly Red Wattlebirds. There were Magpies and Masked Lapwings on the grass, but the trees and gardens had only a few other species, including Brown Thornbills and Superb Fairy-wrens. When we got around to



At Picnic photo by Ken Brown

the bottom end of the picnic area, some of us decided to walk down to the dam wall and others elected to drive down. Sydney Water have restricted the walk to the road and the paths through the bush near the dam have now been closed. However, some spots alongside the road had sightings of White-browed Scrubwrens, Eastern Spinebills, New Holland Honeyeaters, Yellow Robins and a female Golden Whistler.

Those who had driven down to the dam (and those who had walked more briskly) were rewarded with a close sighting of a Rockwarbler when they started across the top of the dam wall. It was picking at insects on the concrete wall beside the path. After posing for the viewing and a photo it disappeared over the wall, but was found later by the slower walkers on the rocks below the far end of the wall. Welcome Swallows were flitting around the wall and there were Australasian Grebes and a Little Pied Cormorant in the water. There were enough cars driven down to give everyone a lift back up to the picnic area. The stragglers got a view of an Azure Kingfisher before they left the dam.



Rock Warbler photo by Emily Ho

Back at the picnic area we had a very pleasant picnic lunch in the warm winter sun before heading home at about 2.00 pm. We were very lucky to have perfect weather for a good day's walking and birding.

Bird List for Lisa Rd, Wilton & Cordeaux Dam 17 <sup>th</sup> June 2023 14 Members 45 Species						
Australian Wood Duck	Azure Kingfisher#	Superb Fairywren*	Golden Whistler*			
Pacific Black Duck	Laughing Kookaburra	Eastern Spinebill#	Grey Butcherbird			
Chestnut Teal	Galah	Lewin's Honeyeater#	Australian Magpie*			
Hardhead	Long-billed Corella	Yellow-faced Honeyeater*	Pied Currawong#			
Australasian Grebe*	Little Corella	Noisy Miner	Willie Wagtail			
Common Bronzewing	Sulphur-crested Cockatoo	Red Wattlebird*	Magpie-lark			
Crested Pigeon	Australian King-Parrot	New Holland Honeyeater#	White-winged Chough			
Eurasian Coot	Eastern Rosella	Spotted Pardalote	Australian Raven			
Australasian Swamphen	Rainbow Lorikeet	Rockwarbler#	Eastern Yellow Robin*			
Masked Lapwing#	Satin Bowerbird*	White-browed Scrubwren#	Welcome Swallow*			
Little Pied Cormorant*	White-throated Treecreeper*	Brown Thornbill# Silvereye#				
White-faced Heron						

eBird checklist numbers S142138485 & S142141232.
\*Present at both sites. #Present only at Cordeaux Dam.

## **IBOC SPRING CAMP 2023**

Wednesday 30 August to Sunday 3 September (5 nights)

**Location: Riverwood Downs Resort** 

311 Upper Monkerai Road, Monkerai – NW of Stroud

Phone: 1800 809 772

Cabin accommodation and Powered campsites available.

Spring Camp will be early this year and will be held over 5 nights again, arriving on a Wednesday and leaving on Monday morning.

Please make PHONE BOOKINGS for Cabins ASAP (preferably by the end of April or early May) as this Resort is popular and may book out quickly.

Also, when you are booking, please let the Resort know you are with the Illawarra Bird Observers Club (IBOC).

Once you have made your booking, please let me know by E-mail on knowlsons@bigpond.com.

### Anna Knowlson - IBOC Camp Coordinator

#### Links

From thieving parrots to boozy pigeons: why New Zealand is obsessed with its native birds <a href="https://www.theguardian.com/world/2023/may/26/from-thieving-parrots-to-boozy-pigeons-why-new-zealand-is-obsessed-with-its-native-birds?CMP=Share iOSApp Other">https://www.theguardian.com/world/2023/may/26/from-thieving-parrots-to-boozy-pigeons-why-new-zealand-is-obsessed-with-its-native-birds?CMP=Share iOSApp Other</a>

CSIRO PUBLISHING | Pacific Conservation Biology https://www.publish.csiro.au/PC/PC22051

This is a new video slide show featuring Birds of the Toowoomba Region by Charles Dove <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S7orVVQEyi4">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S7orVVQEyi4</a>

**Webinar about the monitoring of waterbird breeding** in the Murray-Darling Basin presented by the University of NSW Sydney's Centre for Ecosystem Science (UNSW-CES), the Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder (CEWH) and the NSW Department of Planning and Environment (DPE).

It is now available on the UNSW website.

## ARTICLES AND NOTICES OF INTEREST

### **PAPER NAUTILUS**

Thought this might be of interest to bird club people My son David found this intact shell near Coniston beach on Sunday 18th June

It's quiet a rare find.

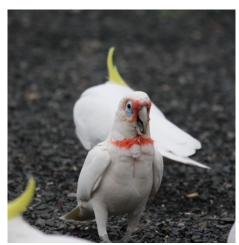
from Joan Wiley



Please see below my photo of the Tawny frogmouth that has been visiting us recently and also a photo of the Long-Billed Corella a first-time visitor for my backyard!!

Kind regards Carly Weatherly







**First Photo** "First time seeing an Australian fig bird! This is my back neighbour's tree, not sure what it is but it attracts a lot of birds

**Second photo:** - Long-billed Corella in my backyard! There were 2 of them! Amongst about 20 Cockatoos! **Last photo -** the Tawny Frogmouth that I FINALLY got see, I'd heard him and seen him perching on our shed but never managed to get a light on him.

## Alive and well or washed up on our local beaches Mike Morphett





Last month (May 23) at Coledale Beach a lone foraging-focused Sooty Oystercatcher made its way slowly along the foreshore, checking out rocks and seaweed, while a Masked Lapwing, one of a pair, was content to rest on its mini-rock platform for quite some time, checking out whatever moved





This month (June 16) a ten-armed cephalopod (squid or cuttlefish?), minus an eye, was washed up at high tide on Coniston Beach. It would be interesting to know the backstory. Perhaps preyed upon by one of our visiting Albatrosses, sadly diminishing in numbers. Sadder still is the periodic phenomenon of perishing long-distance migrating Shearwaters that end up on our local beaches, sapped of fat reserves. I came across this bird November 17, 2019 among countless others.



On a lighter note: Back on Coledale Beach the two depressions (with diameters the size of two-dollar and one- dollar coins) in this sandstone pebble, lying in the sand just above the tideline, caught my eye. From my picture, Ann and Bob Young, my go-to local geologists, formed the view they once housed small pebbles. To me the pebble had the appearance of a misshapen cookie with the chocolate smarties extracted by someone's finger and thumb. Whilst such confectionery might date back to 1949, the lost smaller pebbles probably go back eons.

## The Cat Problem: based on the Page 1 photo in The Western Herald, 4 May 2023, By Nancy Robinson

In response, Nancy Robinson (of Ellerslie Station, located north of Bourke near Engonia). wrote to the NSWBA Secretary, Michael Moody, as follows:

"I was interested to read about your visit to Bourke in the last Western Herald.

When recording some of the history of the Spinifex country near the Enngonia and east of there with help from John and Ruth Walter with the bird list, we have recorded many different birds in this area.

The long drought put a lot of pressure on some of these birds, one has not been recorded since the drought, hopefully it may return. As a result of wild dog baiting in the area very few foxes are seen, this has enabled ground birds to increase.

Now we have a huge problem, in the whole of the Western Division of NSW, with a plague of wild cats they threaten every bird and small native animal and reptile in this area. Over the past two weeks I have trapped and shot 10 cats at my house, and I know I have not disposed of them all yet. I'm reliably told wild cats are in large numbers in North Bourke, eating water birds, however they are along the Darling River doing the same.

When we travel at night, we see many cats along the roads. If these cats are not controlled many of the birds, we treasure will have problems surviving. Please do not under estimate the problem, its large, and if no action is taken many birds will become endangered or even extinct. Many people are trying to control them in their areas, but the problem is large and in a large area of NSW, particularly in the National Parks.

Over the years I have saved many native birds from injuries and it saddens me to see piles of feathers in the bush. The question is: What can we do? We need to have an attractant/decoy, many forms/types of traps, professional shooters going along the public roads (under Police guidelines). Initiate trapping, shooting, poisoning programs (like the wild dog program but focused on wild cats). Many landholders would be willing to carry out these procedures, particularly members of wild dog groups who cover a large area of NSW. Research needs to be carried out on the best ways of attracting the cats to baits and traps. These are just a few suggestions I have: urgent action needs to be taken now, not next month, next year or never. I hope this information will assist your group to understand the issues wild cats present to our beautiful birds.

#### Yours faithfully

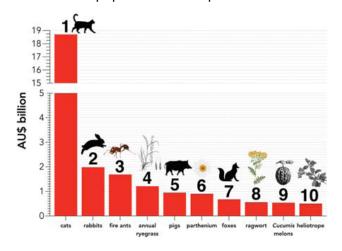
Nancy Robinson, Ellerslie, Bourke NSW. 02 68747488. malcolm\_robinson@bigpond.com [NB: During the early 1900s, the Robinson family owned several farming properties in the Western Division, including Toorale and Nocheleche, both of which are now managed by the NSW NPWS.]



The photo opposite shows a feral cat squatting in a bird's nest on Strezlecki Track, in northeast South Australia. Feral cats are an enormous problem for wildlife throughout Australia. They occupy most parts Australia and researchers estimate there are as many as 10 million feral cats living in Australia. That means there is more than 1 cat per sq. km. across the entire landscape. Predation by feral cats is deemed to а key threatening the NSW process by Scientific Committee because feral cats pose a

significant threat to small native mammals and ground-dwelling/ground- nesting birds. Feral cats have already played a leading role in 34 mammal extinctions here since 1788 including some species of hopping-mice and other small rodents, the hare-wallaby, bettong and bandicoot and have seriously impacted populations of the bilby, mala and numbat. They are a key reason for population declines of at least 123 other threatened native species.

A study, published in the journal 'Biological Conservation' in May 2019, gives a clear idea of the impact all cats have on native birds. That study concluded that feral cats killed 316 million birds a year, and pet cats killed around 61 million birds each year. Over 99% of native birds from 338 different species were reported to be killed. Of which 71 were recognized threatened species. The most at risk are small- to medium-sized birds, birds that nest and hunt on the ground, and those on remote islands or in arid areas. The study concluded that about 4% of the total bird population were predated to cats each year.



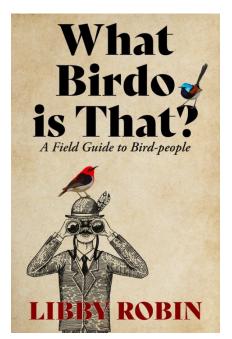
## **Australian Invasive Species Control Outlays**

Australia's governments spend over \$1 billion on feral cat control annually. Nancy's email indicates that such expense and effort is having little or no effect and she proposes some alternatives to address the issue. The problem is that despite investing lots of dollars, control is actually quite difficult. Broadscale and landscape level control is expensive and seems limited in effectiveness, while trapping and shooting are small scale control methods.

### What Birdo is that?

# A Field Guide to Bird-people By Libby Robin Birds and the humans who love them.

The idea that a bird is good news and needs all our support is probably the only thing amateur birdos, professional zoologists and 'birdscapers'-people who redesign their gardens to support birdlife-have in common. But together they form a conservation community that cares about the future of birds and their habitats, who are working to heal the damage wrought by those who don't notice birds. What Birdo is That? reveals how bird-people in Australia have gone about their craft across the years. Its stories come from wild places - at sea as well as on the land-from dusty archives, from restoration projects, gardens and urban wastelands. They are human stories, but the birds themselves interject and interrupt any self-important anthropocentrism. They educate. They counter the imperialism of the ever-expanding economies of the new millennium. They turn up in unexpected places, giving surprise and joy. This field guide to Australia's bird-people provides a basis for understanding the complex relationship between people and birds in a land of extremes at the forefront of changing climate and habitats.



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### Monthly Sightings: May/June 2023

compiled by Darryl Goldrick

SPECIES	$N^{\underline{0}}$	DATE	LOCATION	HABITAT	OBSERVER
White-necked Heron	1	31/05/2023	Russell Vale Golf Course	flying from dam edge	lan McKinlay
Eastern Great Egret	1	31/03/2023	Hewitts Ck Thirroul	lagoon	lan McKinlay
Australian Wood Duck	4	7/06/2023	Lighthorse Park, Woonona	bank & lagoon	Mike Morphett
Eurasian Coot	60+	7/06/2023	Blue Lagoon, Woonona	on water	Mike Morphett
Intermediate Egret	1	7/06/2023	Lighthorse Park, Woonona	riparian reeds & grass	Mike Morphett
Northern Mallard	2	7/06/2023	Blue Lagoon, Woonona	riparian grass & water	Mike Morphett
Pacific Black Duck	6	7/06/2023	Blue Lagoon, Woonona	water	Mike Morphett
Hardhead	4	7/06/2023	Blue Lagoon	lagoon	Mike Morphett
Australasian Grebe	3	7/06/2023	Blue Lagoon, Woonona	lagoon	Mike Morphett
White-headed Pigeon	2	6/05/2023	Kooloobong Oval	park edge trees	lan McKinlay
Brown Cuckoo-Dove	7	29/05/2023	Thirroul	backyard	Mike Morphett
Sooty Oystercatcher	2	21/06/2023	Tasman Sea off Sea Cliff Bridge	in flight southbound	Mike Morphett
Sooty Oystercatcher	2	28/03/2023	Bellambi Beach	Lagoon edge	lan McKinlay
White-Faced Heron	1	6/07/2023	Carters Lane Kemps reserve	Creek	Carly Weatherly
White-faced Heron	1	21/06/2023	Balgownie	Back lawn	Pam Hazelwood
Little Egret	1	19/06/2023	west side of Bulli Showground	rank grasses beside Slacky Creek	Mike Morphett
Little Egret	3	20/06/2023	east side of foot of Bulli Pass	rank grasses on old safety ramp	Mike Morphett
Little Egret	1	23/06/2023	Russell Vale	Memorial Drive verge	Mike Morphett
Yellow-tailed Black-Cockatoo	2	20/06/2023	Kiama in sky above	Bushland	Alan and Anne Cousins
Yellow-tailed Black-Cockatoo	5	21/06/2023	Excelsior Mine site, Thirroul	eucalypts edge	Mike Morphett
Black-shouldered Kite	1	1/06/2023	McCauleys Hill, Thirroul	top of Norfolk Pine, cliff edge	lan McKinlay
White-bellied Sea-Eagle	2	7/06/2023	Austinmer	in flight	Mike Morphett
White-bellied Sea-Eagle	1	31/03/2023	Uni of Wollongong	flying west	ian McKinlay
White-bellied Sea-Eagle	2 juv	10/05/2023	Thirroul	Flying north over suburb	lan McKinlay
Galah	4	6/06/2023	Corrimal	Backyard	Carly Weatherly
Nankeen Kestrel	1	6/07/2023	Corrimal	Flying over house	Carly Weatherly
Nankeen Kestrel	1	22/06/2023	Swamp Road Jamberoo	Overhead on wire	Alan and Anne Cousins
Nankeen Kestrel	2	28/03/2023	Bott Park, Bellambi	open field	lan McKinlay
Nankeen Kestrel	1	9-10/6/2023	Lake Illawarra South	Powerline djoining Reserve	Darryl Goldrick
Purple Swamphen	5	7/06/2023	Lighthorse Park	grass riparian	Mike Morphett
Purple Swamphen	4	7/06/2023	Bellambi Gully Creek nr Thomas Collaery Place	riparian	Mike Morphett
Dusky Moorhen	11	7/06/2023	Blue Lagoon, Woonona	water	Mike Morphett
Laughing Kookaburra	5	8/06/2023	Corrimal	Creek near Corrimal pool	Carly Weatherly
Superb Lyrebird	1	11/06/2023	Cascade Falls walking track	Next to the creek	Calry Weatherly
Satin Bowerbird	2	6/06/2023	Corrimal	Backyard	Carly Weatherly
Superb Fairy-wren	10	7/06/2023	Farrahars Creek nr Harrison Drive, Woonona	riparian grasses	Mike Morphett
Brown Thornbill	2	16/06/2023	Thirroul	backyard	Mike Morphett
Black-faced Cuckoo-Shrike	2	29/05/2023	Bulli Grevillea Park	forset canopy	Mike Morphett
Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike	1	22/06/2023	Swamp Road Jamberoo	Overhead wire	Alan and Anne Cousins
Australasian Figbird	5	28/05/2023	Corrimal	Backyard	Carly Weatherly
Grey Butcherbird	2	1/06/2023	Fernhill	Our garden	Robyn and John Cashman
Pied Currawong	3	6/06/2023	Corrimal	Backyard	Carly Weatherly
Grey Fantail	1	24/06/2023	Thirroul	backyard (Last seen here July 2022)	Mike Morphett
Australian Raven	1	7/06/2023	Corrimal	Sitting on sports field lighting	Carly Weatherly
Eastern Yellow Robin	1	7/06/2023	Bellambi Gully Creek, nr Harrison Drive	riparian treeline	Mike Morphett

Email all your bird sightings to Darryl Goldrick at to email click sightings

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