

TORRESIAN CROW

Scientific Name: *Corvus orru*
 Atlas Number: 692

DESCRIPTION:

The Torresian Crow is a large glossy black crow with short throat hackles (feathers). The feathers of the head and neck have white bases. The eye is white with a fine blue eye-ring. Immature birds are duller black with a brown eye. When landing, this species characteristically shuffles its wings. It will be seen outside breeding season in large flocks. It has also



photo by Charles Dove

been called the Australian Crow.

SIMILAR SPECIES:

There are six members of the family Corvidae found in Australia: five native breeding species and one infrequent self-introduction. Three are called crows and three ravens, although there is really little difference. Most Australian species are similar in size and colouration, and can be difficult to tell apart. In some cases, identification is aided by the separate ranges of different species, but differences in plumage, habits and calls offer good clues for distinguishing them. The bases of the feathers of the crows are white, while those of the ravens are grey, although this is only useful if birds are held in the hand or if discarded feathers are found. The Torresian Crow's short staccato call and its habit of wing-shuffling can help to identify it from other crows.

DISTRIBUTION:

The Torresian Crow is found across northern Australia and in Western Australia, from Geraldton to Norseman. It is more common in coastal and tropical areas, being only patchily distributed inland. It is also found in Papua New Guinea, the Moluccas and New Britain. It is the most common corvid (crow or raven) of coastal towns from Forster, New South Wales to Brisbane, Queensland and also in Darwin, Northern Territory.

HABITAT:

The Torresian Crow is found on rainforest fringes, in open

forests and woodlands, taller scrublands, beaches and in dry areas, along watercourses with tall timber. It is also found around farms and in croplands. It requires tall trees for nesting.

SEASONAL MOVEMENTS:

Sedentary as adults, but immatures form nomadic flocks.

FEEDING:

The Torresian Crow eats the most grain, compared with other corvids, but will also eat fruit, insects and other invertebrates, eggs, garbage and carrion (dead animals). Often seen feeding along roads. Perches on the heads of crop plants or on tall artificial structures.

BREEDING:

The Torresian Crow forms monogamous breeding pairs that maintain a permanent territory. Both sexes build the nest, which is a bowl of sticks lined with grass, placed high in a tree (over 10 m) or artificial structure. The Torresian Crow's nest is made of finer material than the other corvid species'. Both parents share feeding duties.

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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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MAY ACTIVITIES

GENERAL MEETING

Monday 13th June 7.30pm start

Fairy Meadow Community Centre, Cambridge Avenue, Fairy Meadow

Speaker – **Geoff Saunders**

Geoff Saunders has worked as a Discovery Ranger for NSW National Parks and Wildlife for seven years, based mainly at Minnamurra Rainforest and Fitzroy Falls. A keen photographer and videographer, his work has enabled him to closely observe and record the habits of the Superb Lyrebird, from the dazzling courting displays of the males to the care of females for their chicks. This presentation will include some of his best videos, And he will share some of the insights he has gained into the lives of these remarkable birds.

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

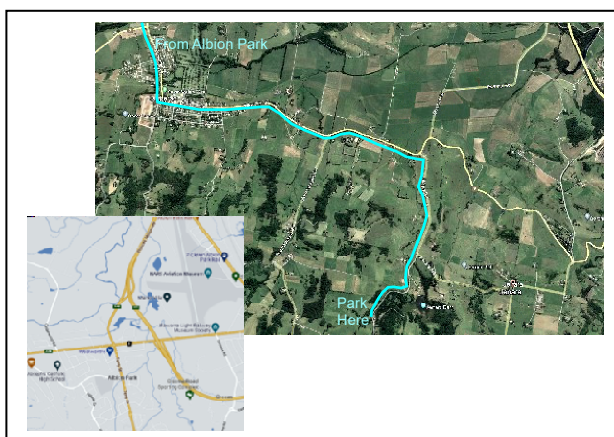
MIDWEEK OUTING

Wednesday 15th June 9am

Jerrara Creek Dam

Leaders Bill & Joan Zealey

We are trying to select walks that are suitable for the present wet period. The Jerrara Dam walk is an easy grade walk to the northern side of the reservoir (about 1.5km return). **Meet at 9.00am.** Bring morning tea. Be sure to bring plenty of insect repellent and sunscreen. We'll have a late morning tea back at the picnic ground, just inside the gate. Follow the M1 south and take the exit to Albion Park/Jamberoo. Continue across the Albion Park traffic lights (Terry Street) and proceed over the hill to Jamberoo. Turn left at Jamberoo Village and continue towards Kiama. Turn left into Jerrara Rd and follow the signs to the reserve. Park outside the gate.



In the event of inclement weather Phone Bill on 0414747644.

NOTE All IBOC members should carry and be prepared to produce their proof of COVID vaccination.

MONTHLY OUTING

Saturday 18th June at 9am

Leaders Alan & Anne Cousins

White Sands Walking Track (Greenfields Beach to Plantation Point)

Meet at 9am at Greenfields Beach car park

Follow Princes Highway from Wollongong to Jervis Bay left lane turning and travel approximately 12Km's (avoid left turn to Huskisson), take the left turn off roundabout to Vincentia (The Wool road) at Vincentia roundabout take the second exit going east on Elizabeth Drive, follow the road to the end and turn left into Sutton Street which is Greenfields Beach car park.

Bring morning tea and lunch. We will carry morning tea and return to Greenfields Beach for lunch.

There are facilities at Greenfields Beach picnic area, Blenheim Beach and Plantation Point.

In the event of inclement weather contact Alan or Anne on 0413 869 534 by 8am

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

Next Committee Meeting

Monday 20th June 2022 7.00pm

Committee Meeting via Zoom

NEWSLETTER

DEADLINE 27th June

For all articles & photos in the next IBOC newsletter PLEASE E-mail contributions:

To Charles Dove Email newsletter@iboc.org.au

or post to 1/13 Horrocks Crescent, Kearney's Spring, Toowoomba QLD 4350.

CLUB REPORTS

MEETING REPORT

Monday 9th May 2022

What with everything being so fluid these days, a change was required for a presentation at our meeting. Luckily, Pam Hazelwood stepped into the breach with a good idea; so with a couple of my and Knowlson's photos included, Toowoomba and beyond was born. Using mainly her own photos taken during the camp, Pam wove in another theme: that of bird identification. The photos Pam had trouble IDing were shown and members present asked to offer their possible IDs, very interactive.

Moving on, the talk followed our flood-dodging travels into South-Western areas of Queensland, including Roma, Myall Gardens (you will have to Google that one) Cunnamulla then south to Cobar and onto Willcania and Broken Hill. During a lot of this travel, staying in front of floods and avoiding where possible, some impressive thunderstorms.

Whilst heading to Broken Hill, we took a morning tea break at Dolo Hill rest area, the only place on our travels where no birds were sighted.

Our furthest destination was Fowlers Gap as guests of the Dawson's; Terry and Lyndal kept us busy, showing us around the property, which at roughly 25km x25km is extensive. Terry explained his research on the property and I can now see why he is proud to show it to people. After a quiet but busy Easter, we dispersed: the Gowans and Knowlsons left for the White Cliffs area; this turned into another adventure you would need to ask about. The Tuesday after Easter saw paths crossing and stories exchanged plus a long drive back to Cobar in the midst of yet more thunderstorms.

After going down to beautiful Lake Cargelligo, we again crossed paths with clan of the Winnebago and enjoyed some dry weather. Many photos taken and bird sightings enjoyed. A good presentation enjoyed by those present. Thank you again Pam.

Ross Gowans

MID-WEEK WALK

 Wednesday 11th May 9am

Bellambi

leaders Bill & Joan Zealy

Due to the closure of the Mt Keira Ring track after all the rain, we went to Bellambi. Eight IBOC members walked past Magpie-larks and Masked Lapwing to the lagoon. As the mouth was open, there was only a thin band of water, and an extensive mud flat, but nonetheless a good variety of waterbirds including two Royal Spoonbills.

We walked back along the woodland edge into Bott Reserve. Not a lot of birds around, a few lorikeets and honeyeaters in banksias just starting to bloom, so we headed for the beach. Here were terns, gannets and Sooty Oystercatchers, as well as Silver Gulls and a solitary Kelp Gull. As we returned to the cars, two kestrels appeared. The rain held off, even for morning tea and altogether we saw 41 bird species.

Joan Zealy

WEEKEND OUTING

 Saturday 15th May 2022

Barren Grounds Nature Reserve

Leader Alan Cousins

The day was reasonable as 15 members gathered in the car park/picnic area. After the usual preliminaries-we took the trail to the Shoalhaven Lookout via the Illawarra lookout which as we noted at the entrance to the track was closed presumably due to the bad weather that we have had. On reaching the said track to the Illawarra lookout and most of the track being

very wet and muddy several members decided to return to the car park to do some bird spotting around the area, however, one thoughtful member went back for their gumboots!!! The remainder of us continued along the track for another few Km's stopping for morning tea on the way. The bird life was very scarce and the track was starting to become a steep downward trek so we decided to return for lunch. We had decided that due to COVID we would not share food for the impending Biggest Morning Tea at lunchtime.

During lunch a table was very kindly provided and set up by Ken for us to place a collection box for AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA in support of the Cancer Council New South Wales which we had not been able to take place at the Autumn camp in April/May. A fantastic response to aid research for this dreadful disease raised an amazing \$400 which we have donated to this great cause.

As the weather had deteriorated during this time, we decided to call it a day. The bird count was a bit low probably due to the weather but the following list has all of the species seen (The Eastern Bristlebird was a great addition to the list)

Many thanks to all who attended including our new members and their lovely children.

Bird List for Barren Grounds 15 th March 2022		15 Members	24 Species
Topknot Pigeon	Variagated Fairywren	New Holland Honeyeater	Pied Currawong
Yellow-tailed Black-Cockatoo	Eastern Spinebill	Eastern Bristlebird	Grey Fantail
Crimson Rosella	Lewin's Honeyeater	Large-billed Scrubwren	Australian Raven
Satin Bowerbird	Yellow-faced Honeyeater	Brown Thornbill	Eastern Yellow Robin
White-throated Treecreeper	Little Wattlebird	Golden Whistler	Silvereye
Southern Emu-wren	Red Wattlebird	Rufous Whistler	Red-browed Finch

eBird checklist number S110443509.

From BirdLife Australia (19 May 2022)

Intact native forests are important for birds and tourism

In May 2022, a motion was agreed to in the NSW Parliament that acknowledged the significant contribution nature tourism and birdwatching makes to regional communities – and that these economic activities rely on healthy forests.

The motion was a wonderful, yet symbolic, gesture by the NSW Parliament.

To really protect the healthy forests and wildlife that people come from all over the world to our state to see, we need more than that.

[Will you sign this e-petition to the NSW Parliament calling for an end to destructive native forest logging?](#)

For many of us, nature is where we go to escape our busy lives and the beautiful forests, birds and other wildlife are the biggest drawcards for the places that we visit, such as the South Coast of NSW. As well as supporting tourism, these natural places are the homes for precious birds like the Critically Endangered Swift Parrot and Endangered Gang-gang Cockatoo.

The NSW Parliament has a decision to make. It can continue to prop up the declining native forestry industry with government subsidies and risk destroying the natural values that bring people into regional areas.

Or it can invest in the future job creation, economic benefits, and climate benefits that intact forests can provide to our communities.

[You can sign the e-petition here](#)

Election Blue

(Sun-Herald, May 22, 2022)

Herald resident colourist Nick Miller tells us the colour teal originated from the Eurasian Teal; the smallest of the family known as “dabbling ducks”. In the 17th century, teal duck grease was recommended as a treatment for “cold distemper of the nerves”.

And when startled, a teal can shoot straight out of the water almost vertically, executing corkscrew swerves and bolting for the horizon at 80km/h.

IBOC Spring Camp - 3rd to 9th September 2022

North Haven Reflections Holiday Park - just north of Laurieton
109 The Parade North Haven 2443
Phone: 02 6559 9193
Email: northhaven@reflectionsoliday.com.au
www.reflectionsolidayparks.com.au

A group booking is being held on the cabins (8 only available) and 6 powered sites. With a group discount being offered. Members will need to book independently and pay a deposit of one night's accommodation fee to secure your accommodation.

Please let them know you are with IBOC when booking.

NOTE:

This booking for IBOC will only be held until the first week in July.

Powered Sites average rate per night \$31.66 with group discount.
Cabin prices vary according to type and size of cabins. Check for group discount when booking.

Cabins Example:

5 Deluxe (1 Queen bed + 2 singles) = approx \$1050 for 7 nights
3 Standard (Queen bed + 1 single) = approx \$758 for 7 nights

A variety of habitats will be covered in the camp program over the week including Heathland coastal, Lakeshores, Cattai Wetlands and Crowdy Bay National Park.

Bird Walks will start on Sunday 4th September with last walk on Friday 9th September.

Please let Anna & Andrew Knowlson know when you have made your booking either at a monthly meeting or by Emailing: knowlsons@bigpond.com

Links

Masked owl habitat concerns fail to stop tailings dam work in Tarkine rainforest

The Bob Brown Foundation loses its Federal Court bid to halt preliminary works for a controversial mine tailings dam inside the takayna/Tarkine rainforest in Tasmania's west. [Read the full story](#)
Shared from [ABC app](#)

Processionary caterpillars can make you itch, but are a 'sacred' link to the winter mullet season

Residents across south-east Queensland are noticing the processionary caterpillar on the move. For First Nations people, these hairy creatures are one of the signs ahead of the upcoming winter mullet season. [Read the full story](#)
Shared from [ABC app](#)

Repeated mass emperor penguin chick deaths prompt dire climate change warning

Every emperor penguin chick born in the second-largest colony in Antarctica dies for three years running, sparking a serious warning from the researchers observing them. [Read the full story](#)
Shared from [ABC app](#)

Helmeted Honeyeaters fly free into their new forest home – YouTube

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i6Kr_dFrIbs

Shearwater shock: Dozens of dead birds found in coastal town for fourth straight year

The cause of the latest shearwater kill at Port Fairy's Griffiths Island remains a mystery, with council workers reporting no signs of fox or dog attacks on the deceased birds. [Read the full story](#)
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Wild summer sparks record pelican breeding season as 30,000 birds look for mates

These 30,000 pelicans are eating up to 30 tonnes of food a day at a rare breeding event in the central west of New South Wales. [Read the full story](#)
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FROM OUR MEMBERS

THE PROS AND CONS OF COMPILING A BIRDER'S LIST OF AUSTRALIAN SPECIES

Mike Morphet

Avian aficionados love keeping records of the birds on land or water or in the air they've positively seen and heard on their walks and travels; sometimes with a question mark against a species they reluctantly can't say for sure. Some birders prepare themselves with a printout of species already recorded with authority for the target area which they can instantly put a tick against. Better still if they can add a new species at the bottom of the list. And even better if the printout is kept inside a weather-proof transparent cover. Others will be content to write down in full in a notebook each species encountered as they go along. To avoid missing out on a sighting (known as 'dipping'), some will resort to entering their own shorthand, very often acronyms. This last strategy, however, can cause some confusion and misinterpretation, when a non-birder tries to decipher such home-made hieroglyphs, especially when dealing with Australian species. Here are just a few of the possible pitfalls: -

ABT	American Ballet Theatre	Australian Brush-turkey
AD	Anno Domini	Australian Darter
AK	(Kalashnikov's) automatic rifle	Azure Kingfisher
AM	Amplitude modulation; Anti-meridiem; All-mountain (biking)	Australian Magpie
AWD	All-wheel drive	Australian Wood Duck
BC	Before Christ	Baillon's Crake; Baudin's Cockatoo; Brush Cuckoo; Black Currawong; Bush Canary
BF	Best/boyfriend; Brought forward	Black Falcon; Banded Finch; Beautiful Firetail; Blue Flycatcher
BO	Body odour	Black Oystercatcher; Barking or Barn Owl
BS	Bachelor of Surgery; Bulldust	Banded Stilt; Barn Swallow; Black Swan; Brown Skua; Buller's Shearwater
DH	Dear/donor husband; a stupid male	Duck Hawk; Dusky Honeyeater
DR	Doctor; Digital recorder	Dusky Robin
EC	European Commission/Council or Emergency contraception	Eastern Curlew; Eurasian Coot
FM	Frequency modulation	Fairy Martin; Frilled Monarch
GB	Great Britain	Golden or Great Bowerbird; Grey Butcherbird
GI	Galvanized iron; Government/general issue; Ground Infantry	Glossy Ibis
GP	General practitioner	Gentoo Penguin
GST	Goods & services tax	Grey Shrike-thrush
HB	Hard black (pencil)	Hall's Babbler
IE	Information technology	Intermediate Egret
KG	Kilogram	Kelp Gull
LSO	London Symphony Orchestra	Lesser Sooty Owl
MP	Member of Parliament	Macaroni Penguin; Mulga Parrot
OBS	Open broadcaster software	Olive-backed Sunbird
PB	Personal best	Pacific Baza
PC	Politically correct; Police constable	Pheasant Coucal; Pied Currawong or Cormorant
REF	Referee; Reference; Robotech Expeditionary Forces	Red-eared Firebird
SCC	Squamous cell carcinoma	Sulphur-crested Cockatoo
SD	Secure digital card	Spangled Drongo; Spotted Dove
SG	Specific gravity; Secretary General; Star of Gallantry; Sexy girl	Sabine's or Silver Gull; Striated Grasswren or Pardalote; Superb or Swift Parrot
SH	Siberian High (meteorology); Suslin hypothesis (mathematical set theory); So high	Spotted or Swamp Harrier; Scarlet or Singing or Striped Honeyeater
SP	Starting price (horserace betting)	Salvin's Prion; Spinifex Pigeon; Swift Parrot
SW	Southwest; Shortwave	Speckled Warbler
TB	Tuberculosis	Tooth-billed Bowerbird
TC	Turbocharger; Total communication or cost	Torresian Crow
WA	Western Australia	Wandering Albatross

PLEASE NOTE

Volunteer required for managing Name Tags and Attendance Register at the Monthly Hall Meetings (Ken Brown) – Neil Wheway has withdrawn from this role. Action: Seek a Volunteer at the next Hall Meeting.

'NOT WORTH THE RISK':

HEALTH AUTHORITIES HAVE WARNED AGAINST EATING WILD MUSHROOMS

By AAP • April 14, 2021 continues into 2022 *edited*

Health authorities are strongly advising against foraging for wild mushrooms, warning that mushrooms found in the wild or in your backyard can be toxic. With recent rain creating ideal conditions for mushrooms to pop up in the wild, health authorities are advising against the foraging trend, warning that eating wild fungi can be fatal.

"We strongly advise against foraging for mushrooms and encourage people to only eat store bought mushrooms,"

"Alarmingly there have been many calls regarding adults who ate wild mushrooms as food and many calls regarding cases of mushrooms being ingested for recreational purposes," Ms Adamo said.

"People don't realise that this could be deadly," she said. Many mushrooms growing in the wild can cause serious poisoning, including the Death Cap mushroom, which if eaten can lead to potentially fatal organ damage. "It is never recommended to pick and eat wild mushrooms, as it is very difficult to identify which mushrooms are safe to eat," Ms Adamo said. Poisonous mushrooms in Australia can look like edible mushrooms from Europe and Asia and changes in the appearance of mushrooms during the life cycle make it difficult to identify. Toxic mushrooms can also grow in a spot where previously only edible mushrooms grew "so the fact you have safely eaten mushrooms growing in that spot previously is no guarantee that it is safe to pick mushrooms again", Ms Adamo warned.

Cooking or boiling wild mushrooms also does not make them safe to eat.

"Eating wild mushrooms is not worth the risk," she said.



Terracota Mushroom - Lactarius eucalyp



Gilled Mushroom



Aseroe rubra - anemone stinkhorn



Ileodictyon cibarium - white basket fungus

Images by Charles Dove

With the continued rain in Queensland similar reports are being made as the abundance and variety of wild Fungi in parks has proved tempting too many to indulge in so called "wild exotic mushrooms" with devastating results – you really need to respect and resist if you do not know and treat them all as being poisonous.

Monthly Sightings: April/May 2022

compiled by Darryl Goldrick

SPECIES	Nº	DATE	LOCATION	HABITAT	OBSERVER
Australian Brush-turkey	1	20-May-22	Wollongong Botanic Garden	children's playground!	Mike Morphet
Australian Wood Duck	23	20-May-22	Wollongong Botanic Garden	in & outside Rose Garden	Mike Morphet
Sooty Oystercatcher	5	25-May-22	round Plantation Point, Vincentia	in flight	Mike Morphet
Crested Pigeon	5	20-May-22	Wollongong Botanic Garden	Duck Pond feeding area	Mike Morphet
Wonga Pigeon	1	1-May-22	Thirroul	front garden	Mike Morphet
Wonga Pigeon	1	6-May-22	Thirroul	backyard	Mike Morphet
Wonga Pigeon	2	23-May-22	Thirroul	front garden	Mike Morphet
Topknot Pigeon	several	7-May-22	Marshall Mount	Flying up valley	Andy-Anna Knowlson
Eastern Great Egret	3	8-May-22	Gerroa Beach	Lake	Alan and Anne Cousins
Striated Heron	1	29-Apr-22	Bellambi Lagoon (E Corrimal)	waters edge, low tide	Ian McKinlay
White-faced Heron	2	8-May-22	Gerroa Beach	Lake	Alan and Anne Cousins
White-faced Heron	3	15-May-22	East Woonona	grass parkland beside Collins Creek	Mike Morphet
Australasian Gannet	1 imm	24-May-22	off Mollymook Beach	in flight	Mike Morphet
Yellow-tailed Black-Cockatoo	3	4-May-22	Bulli CBD	In flight westbound	Mike Morphet
Yellow-tailed Black-Cockatoo	2	17-May-22	Cordeaux Heights	Creek gully	Wayne Green
Australasian Darter	1	13-May-22	Bellambi lagoon (E Corrimal)	branch over water	Ian McKinlay
Kelp Gull	2 Ad 2Juv	29-Apr-22	Bellambi Beach	resting on beach	Ian McKinlay
Pied Cormorant	3	8-May-22	Gerroa Beach	Lake	Alan and Anne Cousins
Australian White Ibis	~30	8-May-22	Lake Illawarra South	High School Oval	Darryl Goldrick
White-bellied Sea-Eagle	1	23-May-22	Narrawallee Inlet	overhead	Mike Morphet
White-bellied Sea-Eagle	2	24-May-22	Warden Head Reserve, Ulladulla	overhead	Mike Morphet
White-bellied Sea-Eagle	1 or 2	16//5/2022	west of Excelsior Fire Trail, Thirroul	heard calling from further up escarpment	Ian McKinlay
Collared Sparrowhawk	1	27/5/22	Hewitts Ave, Thirroul	suburban yard (photo from friend)	Ian McKinlay
Grey Goshawk	1	19-May-22	Unanderra	M1 Motorway light pole	Wayne Green
Grey Goshawk	1	5-May-22	Albion Pk Rail	Residential Yard	Peter Fackender
Wedge-tailed Eagle	1	19-May-22	Cordeaux Heights	Overhead, creek gully	Wayne Green
Nankeen Kestrel	1	29-Apr-22	Waniora Beach	on powerlines, back of beach	Ian McKinlay
Red-chested Button-quail	1	16//5/2022	suburban yard, Newbold Close, Thirroul	lawn edge & low garden (friend's phone video)	Ian McKinlay
Sulphur-crested Cockatoo	25	20-May-22	Warilla	Residential - powerlines	Darryl Goldrick
Sooty Oystercatcher	2	24-May-22	Bannisters Point, Mollymook	rock platform	Mike Morphet
Southern Boobook	1	17-May-22	Thirroul	southern edge of Excelsior Mine area	Mike Morphet
Brown Goshawk	1	6-May-22	Dapto	O'head	Terry Edwell-Joan Wylie
Azure Kingfisher	1	6-May-22	Dapto	Creek Edge	Terry Edwell-Joan Wylie
Sacred Kingfisher	1	6-May-22	Dapto	Near Lake	Terry Edwell-Joan Wylie
Satin Bowerbird	1f (heard m)	8-May-22	Shoalhaven Botanic Garden	Trees	Alan and Anne Cousins
Satin Bowerbird	1m	20-May-22	Wollongong Botanic Garden	Temperate Garden	Mike Morphet
Superb Fairy-wren	5	25-May-22	Plantation Point Reserve, Vincentia	park perimeter	Mike Morphet
Golden Whistler	1	27-May-22	Thirroul	backyard casuarina	Mike Morphet
Grey Shrike-thrush	1	24-May-22	The Bommie, Warden Head Res, Ulladulla	dune vegetation	Mike Morphet
Eastern Yellow Robin	1	1-May-22	Thirroul	backyard	Mike Morphet
Welcome Swallow	6+	8-May-22	Gerroa Beach	Overhead near bush	Alan and Anne Cousins
Welcome Swallow	6	20-May-22	Wollongong Botanic Garden	in flight above Duck Pond area	Mike Morphet
Welcome Swallow	19	25-May-22	Owen Street, Huskisson	telegraph wires	Mike Morphet
Welcome Swallow	several	1-May-22	Towradgi Beach	Skimming water for insects	Robyn/John Cashman
Bassian Thrush	1	7/8-May-22	Balgownie	Residential front lawn	Terry Edwell

The birds are out there, so let's get amongst them - I look forward to your support. Darryl Goldrick

Visit IBOC website to email your sightings

<https://www.iboc.com.au/contact.html>

Sites

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Num	Date	Time start	Time end	Site		Lat / Long	Area	Number people	Number species	Recorded by/ Entered by	Conditions	Comment
				Short name	Full name							
1	26/03/2022			CVP - West Ck	Toowoomba Motor Village and West Creek				35			
2	27/03/2022	8:30	10:30	Lake Clarendon	Lake Clarendon		1 km	24	50	AK / KB	Overcast	19 members plus 5 others: S108436691
3	27/03/2022	10:45	11:45	Lake Galletly	Lake Galletly behind USQ		.5 km	24	24	AK / KB	Overcast	S108436988
4	27/03/2022	12:00	13:30	Lake Apex	Lake Apex picnic area and lakes		.5 km	19	26	AK / KB	Overcast and sunny	S108437255
5	28/03/2022	8:30	10:00	Duggan Park	Duggan Park, Leslie St, Toowoomba		.75 km	20	33	JG / KB	Misty rain	S108689254
6	28/03/2022	10:15	11:00	Neilson Park	Nielson Park, Ethan St		.5 km	20	15	AK / KB	Rain	Cut short due to rain; S108689419.
7	29/03/2022	8:30	10:00	Corey Park, Oakey	North of the west end of Lorimer St, Oakey		2.77 km	25	51	AK / KB	Overcast	S108689464
8	29/03/2022	11:45	12:30	Picnic Point	Picnic Point lookout and picnic area		.5 km	22	14	AK / KB	Drizzly rain	Two sites including short drive; S109062771
9	30/03/2022	8:30	10:00	Highfield Falls	Highfield Falls loop walk		1 km	23	31	AK / KB	Overcast	S109064549
10	30/03/2022	10:10	11:45	Peacehaven Park	Peacehaven Botanic Park, Highfield		.25 km	23	19	AK / KB	Intermittant rain & sun	S109065741
11	30/03/2022	11:50	1:45	William Park	William Park, Highfield		.5 km	23	14	AK / KB	Intermittant overcast & sun	S109066316
12	31/03/2022	8:30	11:30	Redwood Park	Redwood Park, from Warrego Highway entrance		1.5 km	21	37	AK / KB	Mainly sunny	S109069095
13	1/04/2022	8:30	14:00	Gus Beutel	Ravensbourne NP - Loop walk to north of Gus Beutel Lookout		1.05 km	21	38	AK / KB	Sunny	List includes both morning (8:30-10:25/.75 km) and afternoon (12:50-2:00/.3 km) walk; S109742611, S109742770
14	1/04/2022	10:30	12:45	Ravensbourne 2	Ravensbourne NP - Walk from first picnic area		.5 km	21	17	AK / KB	Sunny	S109074241
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