

SQUATTER PIGEON

Scientific Name: *Geophaps scripta scripta*

Atlas Number: 122

DESCRIPTION:

Squatter Pigeons are medium-sized ground-dwelling pigeons. They are brown with black and white markings on the face and a blue-grey breast bordered below by a white 'V'. The mottled brown wings have a metallic green and purple patch.



photo by Charles Dove

Distribution

Found from north Queensland to the North West Slopes of NSW and extending down to the Liverpool Plains and Dubbo. Today they are very rare in the southern parts of their range. Critically endangered in NSW.

Habitat and ecology

Grassy woodlands and plains, preferring sandy areas and usually close to water. Feed on the ground, on seeds of grasses, herbs and shrubs, as well as insects and nest on the ground.

Threats

Clearing and fragmentation of grassy woodland habitat for agriculture and development. Overgrazing of habitat by domestic stock and feral rabbits. Trampling of nests by domestic stock. Predation by feral cats and foxes. Illegal shooting.

Recovery strategies

A targeted strategy for managing this species has been developed under the Saving Our Species program; click here for details. For more information on the Saving Our Species program:

<https://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/topics/animals-and-plants/threatened-species/saving-our-species->

ACTIVITIES TO ASSIST THIS SPECIES:

Assist with the control of feral rabbits, cats and foxes.

Manage fire in areas of potential habitat to maintain native grass cover.

Exclude grazing during the spring breeding season at sites where Squatter Pigeons have been seen.

Protect grassy woodland areas from clearing, fragmentation or development. Expand and reconnect smaller fragments of habitat.

Report any sightings of the Squatter Pigeon in NSW to your local Bird Club.

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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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AUGUST ACTIVITIES

VIRTUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday 10th August

7pm for 7.30pm start

IBOC will be conducting another virtual meeting using Zoom, officially starting at 7:30 pm. Please note that the meeting will once again start at 7:00 pm to allow folks to catch up a bit and join before the business starts. We have permission from the Australian Wildlife Conservancy to show 'Tracking Down the Red Goshawk' in conversation with Dr. Richard Seaton, and upcoming events will be discussed and unusual sightings shared. We are pleased to see more members joining in the action! Note: to use Zoom, you need a tablet, mobile or laptop/computer and should download the Zoom app and make sure Ken Brown has your email at membership@iboc.org.au ; if you require any additional assistance in getting set up, feel free to contact Jann Gowans at info@iboc.org.au or 4285 9070.

Please RSVP Jann if you would like to join the meeting ASAP.

MIDWEEK WALK

Wednesday 12th at 9am

leader Andrew Knowlson

The August Mid-Week Walk will be held at 9.00am on Wednesday 12 August 2020. The walk will start at the Murra Murra Road end of the track leading to Mullet Creek and Jerretts Point at Kanahooka. The start of this track adjoins a small parking bay and play equipment location. Morning tea will be held at Lakeside Reserve, Lakeside Drive, Kanahooka which adjoins Lake Illawarra and where there are toilets which is a short drive away.

If weather looks doubtful, contact Andrew Knowlson – mobile 0427757109.

WEEKEND WALK

Saturday 15th at 9am

leaders Alan & Anne Cousins

Royal National Park - Audley

N.B. this walk has been changed from the published venue as Fitzroy Falls attracts a lot of visitors and social distancing may be difficult. Meet at 9am in the main car park at Audley Visitor Centre.

Take the Princes Highway to the top of Bulli Pass and then the Princes Motorway. The road closure on Lawrence Hargrave Drive and Stanwell Tops (Bald Hill) is scheduled to be complete on 9th August. If you wish to travel to Audley through the National Park please check before setting off on your journey to see if the work is complete or the road reopened. (details are on the Live Traffic app.) otherwise use the Princes Motorway from the top of Bulli Pass and enter the Park at either the Waterfall or Farnell Avenue, Loftus entrance. Follow the road north from the Waterfall entrance or Farnell Avenue to the Audley Visitor Centre car park. Farnell Avenue goes straight there.

Bring and carry morning tea, lunch will be back at the car park/picnic area. We will walk along Lady Carrington Drive with the Hacking River on our right. This is a return journey over the same ground.

After lunch, if members wish to remain in the park there is a short walk on the other side of the causeway to the right.

In the event of inclement weather contact Alan & Anne Cousins on 0413 869 534 by 7.30am

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING ON ZOOM

Monday on the 17th at 11am

The next committee meeting will be on Zoom on 17 August at 11:00 am. Any member is welcome to attend and raise any issues or questions but must let Ken Brown know in order to attend.

Any members with anything they wish to raise are welcome to log on.

NEWSLETTER

DEADLINE 24th August 2020

For all articles & photos in the next IBOC newsletter PLEASE E-mail contributions:
To Charles Dove newsletter@iboc.org.au
or post to 1/13 Horrocks Crescent, Kearney's Spring, Toowoomba QLD 4350.

Illawarra Bird Observers Club Reports

Meeting 13th July

by Ross Gowans

So, 2020 rolls along at its own pace, some have turned into hermits and grasp a little freedom when they can.

Luckily, you are a member of IBOC and have the chance to see your friends at our Zoom meeting and possibly learn something new.

For the July meeting, after putting up with the rambling of your president we were able to present a webinar from the Glossies in the Mist Facebook page. The presenter of the webinar and researcher Lauren Hook also came online to answer questions and fill gaps.

The webinar was about nest box research and their findings, this included preferred material, location and monitoring. The preferred monitoring is achieved using cameras that use Mobile phone networks and send images in real time. These cameras have delivered images of visitors ranging from Pink Galahs to Antechinus, all dropping by to have a look at the new dwellings in the neighbourhood.

If you wish to see more about the Glossies, go to Glossies in the Mist on Facebook; <https://www.facebook.com/glossiesinthemist/> they are available there to view.

MID-WEEK WALK

Jerrara Dam, Wednesday 15th July

By Jann Gowans

It was a sad day as we gathered for a bird walk, as long-time friend and birder extraordinaire, Tom Wylie, was laid to rest. I suspect all those present would be attending his service, if not for the restrictions and risks during these COVID-19 times. Instead, when we settled in for morning tea, we had a quiet moment of reflection for Tom. The weather was certainly chilly and grey but 11 of us persevered. The locked gate led us to carry morning tea and we all parked outside it. We were thankful to hear the usual sounds of Brown Gerygones accompanying our walk. A Golden Whistler couple greeted us as we entered the forest and skirted puddles. Highlights included a Bassian Thrush just beyond the second gate (where one has been seen before) and a Shining Bronze-cuckoo. A Black Swan couple had a nearly full-grown Cygnet and those who ventured down to the dam identified a pair of Hardheads that were mere specks from the viewpoint. As everyone came through the turnstile by the dam viewpoint, a misty rain started and became more persistent, encouraging a quick retreat back to the cars. A respectable list of 34 species was tallied for the 2.9 km walk and we all had an enjoyable morning. I would like to note that I recently read something about possible plans by Kiama Council to put a caravan park (!) at Jerrara dam which seems somewhat impractical, to say the least! Let's hope development does not ruin this lovely spot.



Pics courtesy Bruce Coyte

Bird List for Jerrara Dam Walk 15 th July 2020		11 Members	34 Species
Black Swan	Laughing Kookaburra	Eastern Whipbird	Grey Fantail
Hardhead	White-throated Treecreeper	Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike	Willie Wagtail
Little Pied Cormorant	Superb Fairy-wren	Golden Whistler	Australian Raven
Purple Swamphen	Variiegated Fairy-wren	Rufous Whistler	Silvereye
Galah	Brown Gerygone	Grey Shrike-thrush	Welcome Swallow
Rainbow Lorikeet	Brown Thornbill	Australasian Figbird	Red-whiskered Bulbul
Australian King-Parrot	Eastern Spinebill	Olive-backed Oriole	Bassian Thrush
Crimson Rosella	Lewin's Honeyeater	Australian Magpie	Red-browed Finch
Shining Bronze-Cuckoo	New Holland Honeyeater		

WEEKEND WALK

Barren Grounds Nature reserve, Sunday 19th July

By Alan Cousins

17 members gathered and we set off along the track towards the Stone Bridge keeping to the social distancing of 1.5m as advised by the authorities. We passed the old accommodation building which although not used for a long time is in remarkably good condition and proceeded along the open landscape track where the wind always seems to blow and the ground has nearly always wet puddles and boggy areas due to it being a flood plain. Along this track Bruce saw an Eastern Bristlebird. As usual this area was a little devoid of bird life but once we entered the bush area a few birds showed themselves. e.g. White-throated Treecreeper, Striated Thornbill, Eastern Spinebill and a lot of New Holland Honeyeaters.

Bird List for Barren Grounds	19 th July 2020	17 Members	17 Species
Crimson Rosella	Striated Thornbill	Little Wattlebird	Pied Currawong
Turquoise Parrot (heard)	Eastern Spinebill	Red Wattlebird	Grey Fantail
Superb Lyrebird m	Yellow-faced Honeyeater	Rufous Whistler m	Eastern Yellow Robin
White-throated Treecreeper	New Holland Honeyeater	Grey Shrike-thrush	Silvereye
Eastern Bristlebird			

NOTICES & ARTICLES OF INTEREST

Latest COVID-19 Update

Fellow IBOC friends,

The committee continues to monitor the situation and adapt as best we can! As of our most recent committee meeting, we are continuing both midweek walks and monthly outings, unless advice changes. We are trying to pick spots that make social distancing possible. Spring camp is still planned for 12-19 September in Sawtell. A revised copy of the program should be available on the website but please check if you are unsure of activities (items in the newsletter would be more updated). At this stage, there is still no word on the possible opening of the Fairy Meadow community hall and cleaning protocols may mean the committee decides NOT to resume meetings there (please talk to a committee member if you have a strong view on this). Virtual meetings will continue on Zoom for the foreseeable future. Please note that it is your personal responsibility to continue to follow the current NSW health advice and restrictions and also continue to physically distance and wash hands! Please do not attend any events in person if you have any cold or flu symptoms, especially fever and/or cough. Changes may occur to advice after the newsletter is compiled, so always check and obey the latest government advice.

Please continue to stay safe, sane and well!

And as always, please continue to stay safe, sane and well!

Jann

Vale: Tom Wylie

by Neil Wheway

9th July 2020

Today was a sad day for the Illawarra Bird Observers Club with the passing of Tom Wylie after a long illness in hospital.

Tom was an active long serving club member and very keen and active bird watcher along with Joan. His participation with aspects in all club activities and will be greatly missed, as committee member recording bird sightings on walks and camps. In the early days when the club was bush camping, he would arrive a few days early to have the camp set up for when members arrived. In the latter years when the club began using caravan parks, again early arrival driving around looking for suitable walks with plenty of birds. We must not forget his prowess at the Christmas Barbecue.

He was very welcoming to new members and would always help identifying for them with his extensive knowledge, who can forget his call of the "Tommy Bird". It was at mine and Tera's first camp at Lake Cargelligo that he helped us. We were on our own, along with Barbara Hales, with no other experts around, we saw a bird; after opening our new bird books we ticked the Black Honeyeater. Later at Tom's reading of the days bird list we proudly announced our find, alas no he said if we wanted it accepted it would cost \$10. Later we showed the others where we had sighted it. We then started to become bird watchers and he stills owes Barbara Hales and myself \$10 each.

Tera and I have had many camps, trips away and walks, we have spent many enjoyable hours, days and weeks away with Tom and Joan We will miss his friendship and company. There are so many wonderful stories in our memories one that springs to mind is the *Pacific Blue Whistler* that was spotted at Leeton. We must never forget sipping glasses of Port he was a great club member and a very special friend to Tera and myself.

On behalf of Illawarra Bird Observers and Tera and myself we pass our condolences to Joan and the Wylie family.



Thanks, Tom, for all the great memories

What can I feed the birds in my garden?

For Rainbow Lorikeets and other honeyeaters –

These birds feed mainly on nectar from flowers. This food source is quite complex and is supplemented with protein from pollen and insects. The digestion system of these birds cannot cope with processed sugar, seed, bread etc except in very small quantities. Do NOT feed honey or sugar mixes to these birds as it reduces their desire to seek out nectar from flowers. They become undernourished and more susceptible to disease. Vitamin deficiency can cause foot and leg paralysis and poor feather growth. In summer these artificial mixtures deteriorate very quickly and become an ideal source for spreading bacterial infections amongst birds using communal feeding dishes. Previously, in winter, lorikeets dispersed in search of blossoms, but as a result of artificial feeding, many are staying in the colder climates and breeding throughout the winter. Winter babies have great difficulty surviving the cold. Other problems of artificial feeding are overpopulation and competition for limited nesting sites, which results in the crowding out of smaller and less aggressive species. Artificially fed birds may become dependent on humans and lose their fear of predators.

For seed-eating parrots – eg Rosellas, Sulphur Crested Cockatoos, Galahs.

These parrots require a variety of seeds and plant material in their diet. The common practice of artificial feeding, and particularly the feeding of sunflower seed, has resulted in many of these birds suffering a nutritional imbalance. Imbalanced diets often result in poor bone and feather development which may severely impede the animal's ability to fly and reduce its life expectancy. The spread of disease is magnified in artificially fed populations. This is due to the close contact



between birds at the feeding site and the over-use of scarce nesting sites. Beak and Feather Disease is rampant in Sulphur Crested Cockatoos in the Sydney area. It is a highly contagious disease for which there is no known cure. Birds die a cruel death when most of their feathers drop out and their beaks grow too long to allow them to eat. Feeding parrots results in their over-familiarisation with humans and not all humans treat them kindly. There is also a heightened risk of negative interactions between birds and the general population. For example, parrots that appear to be tame may be approached by children who are unaware of how damaging their bite can be. Cockatoos and Corellas are regarded as pests in some areas of Sydney, although they are protected animals. Their playful behaviour often results in damage to property. Encouraging large flocks of these birds through artificial feeding exacerbates the problem.

For Kookaburras, Magpies, Currawongs and Butcher Birds –

These birds mostly eat meat, not beef or mince, but whole spiders, mice and cockroaches. Their diet is the whole animal, including fur, bones and organs rich in vitamins, minerals and fibre, all essential for healthy growth. Beef is a very poor source of calcium and many of the birds that come into care suffer from calcium deficiency. An over-abundance of these species causes a reduction in the small bird population on which they prey. This is why we now rarely see, for example, Blue Wrens and Finches in our gardens. Humans too often upset the balance of nature.

So in summary.....

Please consider the birds' welfare, as well as your own pleasure, by providing clean water, plenty of bushy, flowering native plants and a safe, cat-free environment and sit back and enjoy the birds. Remember it is unnecessary and cruel to feed our native birds.

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Birdwatching increased tenfold last lockdown. Don't stop, it's a huge help for bushfire recovery

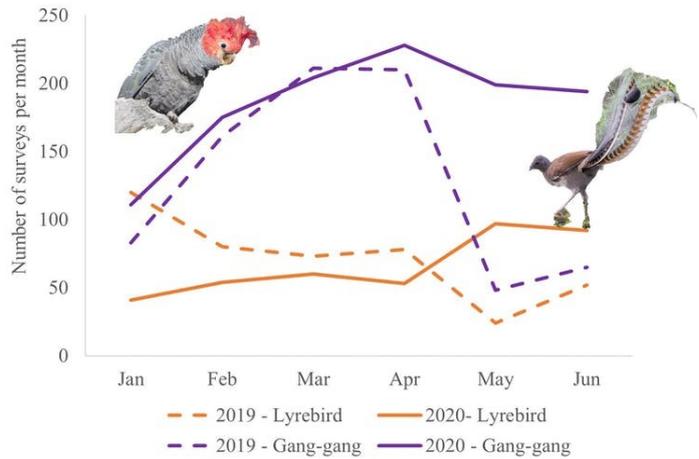
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Record rates of birdwatching

Birdwatchers have recorded numerous iconic birds affected by the fires while observing COVID-19 restrictions. They've been recorded in urban parks and city edges, as well as in gardens and on farms. In April 2020, survey numbers in BirdLife Australia's Birds in Backyards program jumped to 2,242 – a tenfold increase from 241 in April 2019.

Change in the number of area-based surveys by Australian citizen scientists over the first six months of 2019 compared with 2020. Data sourced from BirdLife Australia's Birddata database.

Similarly, reporting of iconic birds impacted by the recent bushfires has increased. Between January and June, photos and records of gang-gang cockatoos in the global amateur citizen science app [iNaturalist](#) increased by 60% from 2019 to 2020. And the number of different people submitting these records doubled from 26 in 2019 to 53 in 2020.



Read more: [Want to help save wildlife after the fires? You can do it in your own backyard](#)

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NSW buys outback station in state's largest single property purchase for a national park

[ABC Broken Hill](#) By [Saskia Mabin](#)

Narriearra Station covers more than 150,000 hectares across far north west New South Wales. (Supplied)

It's the vast embodiment of outback beauty and heartbreak — a sweeping western NSW cattle station that is, by turns, arid no-man's land and lush waterbird haven, home to ancient Indigenous artefacts, the ghostly trail of Burke and Wills and now the nation's newest national park.

Key points:

Narriearra station is the state's largest single-land purchase for conservation. The area is home to 25 threatened species and valuable wetlands. Narriearra has significant Aboriginal artefacts and campsites used by Burke and Wills. "It can be very good and then it can be vile," said Bill O'Connor, 84, owner of Narriearra station, which has just become the largest block of private land bought for a national park in the state's history. With nearby Sturt National Park, Narriearra will create a conservation area of close to half a million hectares, or twice the size of the Australian Capital Territory. The 153,415-hectare station sits in the north-west corner of the state, with the dog-proof fence of the NSW-Queensland border forming its northern boundary. Bill O'Connor says life hasn't always been easy on Narriearra station. (Supplied: Morgan O'Connor) Flowing south from Queensland, the Bulloo River ends on the station in an expansive floodplain and wetlands that attract tens of thousands of water birds during inland flooding. The property is also home to Indigenous artefacts, tools and stone arrangements. Explorers Burke and Wills traversed it in 1860, with an engraved post marking one of the ill-fated expedition's two camp sites.



In one family for a century

Mr O'Connor, whose father purchased the property in 1919, said life there hadn't always been easy and, although the landscape hosted a diverse array of flora and fauna, nature wasn't always kind. "There's a strong connection to the land through all my brothers and sisters and of course my children — most of them have spent a fair bit of their time here anyway, if not all," Mr O'Connor said. He said he'd tried to sell Narriearra to the Government when it seemed impossible to make a living off the land, but this time he had been approached with an offer. "It was still in a bad way as far as drought went — they'd have to borrow a lot of money to get back in to stock — so it just looked like the best way out of it was to sell," he said. The acquisition of Narriearra Station by NSW National Parks will see a focus on protecting the Grey Grasswren bird. (Supplied: Jeff Hardy) Minister for Energy and Environment Matt Kean said the Government's acquisition of the property would ensure about 25 threatened animal species and important wetlands were preserved. "I set a target

of 200,000 hectares of new pasture that we will add [to national parks] during my term as the Minister for Environment," Mr Kean said. "We've now beaten that target and I hope that we'll continue to go even further."

Bird watchers' paradise

Dr Barry Traill, Australian director of conservation organisation, Pew Charitable Trusts, said the sale of Narriearra station was "very special" for threatened water birds, in particular the Grey Grasswren. "Nearly 90 percent of its habitat in New South Wales is on Narriearra station," Dr Traill said. **The Grey Falcon** is another threatened bird species that will be protected through the purchase of Narriearra Station. *(Supplied: Angus Emmott)* Dr Traill said the purchase would also encourage greater tourism to the outback, which was often overlooked by governments. "Outback Australia is one of the great remaining intact natural places on Earth and we don't often think of that in that way . . . that's something that's now rare and special in the world," he said.

"There are millions of people that are very keen on bird watching in Australia and just having some species like the grey grasswren is a magnet for people to go out to the landscape and spend some local dollars and help the community through tourism," said Dr Traill.

Land council welcomes 'good news' Roxann Robertson from the Tibooburra Local Aboriginal Land Council said the purchase of Narriearra station was good news for the future of conservation. The Government invited the land council to be involved in naming the new national park. Ms Robertson said the land council had always had a good relationship with national parks authorities and she had "no doubt" that would continue as ownership of Narriearra station shifted hands.



There's never a dull moment in our back garden when this satin bowerbird is around. The flower was a from a snapdragon. *Mike Morphett*

Links

Emus do a runner, leaving a WA town bereft

A marauding mob of emus clears out from a town in WA's South West and locals are once again divided as to whether they should return. [Read the full story](#)

The spacing of these galahs gives away their relationship status. But what's with the cockatoo?

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Tiny swift parrot finds flock after accidental journey to Lord Howe Island

The bird, found exhausted and very thin in a chook pen after flying nearly 600km off course, is successfully rehabilitated and released on the mainland. [Read the full story](#)

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Critically endangered swift parrot released after surviving 600km journey to Lord Howe Island

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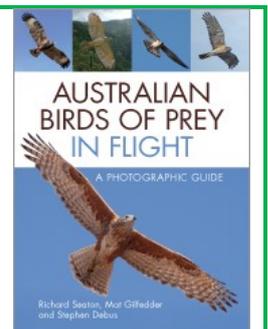
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Identify the eagles, hawks, kites and falcons flying high above you with this photographic guide.

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MONTHLY SIGHTINGS :- June - July 2020

compiled by Darryl Goldrick

SPECIES	Nº	DATE	LOCATION	HABITAT	OBSERVER
White-headed Pigeon	1	5-Jul-20	Thirroul	backyard	Mike Morphett
Brown Cuckoo-Dove	1	22-Jul-20	Thirroul fire trail	tall forest, several calling	Ian McKinlay
Sooty Oystercatcher	2	12-Jul-20	Bellambi Harbour	rock platform	Mike Morphett
Bar-shouldered Dove	1	30-Jun-20	East Corimal	Fence beside Bellambi Lagoon	Ian McKinlay
Wonga Pigeon	1	19-Jul-20	Thirroul	backyard	Mike Morphett
Topknot Pigeon	2	22-Jul-20	East of Gibson track, Thirroul	tall forest	Ian McKinlay
White-necked Heron	1	10-Jul-20	Darkes Forest	roadside horse paddock	Ian McKinlay
Striated Heron	1	5-Jun-20	Hewitts Creek lagoon	roosting in Casuarina	Ian McKinlay
Striated Heron	1	30-Jun-20	East Corimal	feeder creek to Bellambi Lagoon	Ian McKinlay
White-faced Heron	1	12-Jul-20	Thirroul	Coast Street nature strip	Mike Morphett
Yellow-tailed Black-Cockatoo	8	15-Jul-20	Russell vale Golf course	overhead	Ian McKinlay
Yellow-tailed Black-Cockatoo	4	22-Jul-20	east of Gibson Track, Thirroul	Tall forest, under canopy,	Ian McKinlay
Australasian Darter	1	11-Jun-20	Bellambi Lake, East Corimal	dead tree, waterside	Ian McKinlay
White-bellied Sea-Eagle	1	11-Jun-20	Thirroul & Austinmer beaches	cruising beyond breaker line	Ian McKinlay
Grey Goshawk	1	11-Jun-20	McCauleys Hill, Thirroul	aerial	Ian McKinlay
Galah	8	17-Jul-20	W'gong cnr Bridge & Tate Sts	mown nature strip	Mike Morphett
Nankeen Kestrel	1	12-Jul-20	Bellambi Harbour	mobbled by Australian Raven	Mike Morphett
Australian Hobby	1	22-Jul-20	Flagstaff Point Wollongong	Sea cliffs	Chris. Cartledge
Long-billed Corella	2	8-Jul-20	Russell Vale Golf Course	grassy knoll	Neil McKinlay
Fan-tailed Cuckoo	2	5-Jun-20	McCauleys Beach	Casuarina forest	Ian McKinlay
Superb Lyrebird	1	22-Jul-20	west of Gibson track, Thirroul	rainforest	Ian McKinlay
Green Catbird	2	22-Jul-20	Thirroul fire trail	Tree/vine thicket	Ian McKinlay
Superb Fairy-wren	4	17-Jul-20	Wollongong	Tom Thumb Lagoon Wetlands	Mike Morphett
Variiegated Fairy-wren	2+	9-Jun-20	Bellambi Dunes	dune Coastal Wattles	Ian McKinlay
Yellow-throated Scrubwren	4	22-Jul-20	following Lyrebird	rainforest leaf litter	Ian McKinlay
White-browed Scrubwren	2	12-Jul-20	Thirroul	front garden	Mike Morphett
Large-billed Scrubwren	1	22-Jul-20	west of Gibson Track, Thirroul	Rainforest cedars	Ian McKinlay
Spotted Pardalote	1	9-Jun-20	Bellambi Dunes	hind dune forest	Ian McKinlay
Spotted Pardalote	1	22-Jul-20	Thirroul fire trail	Coral trees	Ian McKinlay
Yellow-faced Honeyeater	several	10-Jul-20	Darkes Forest	flowering Xanthorrhoea	Ian McKinlay
Little Wattlebird	1	17-Jul-20	Wollongong Greenhouse Park	trees near gardens	Mike Morphett
Red Wattlebird	2	10-Jul-20	Darkes Forest	heathland firetrail	Ian McKinlay
Brown-headed Honeyeater	1	10-Jul-20	Darkes Forest	Firetrail	Ian McKinlay
Australian Logrunner	2(m+f)	22-Jul-20	west of Gibson Tack, Thirroul	rainforest leaf litter	Ian McKinlay
Eastern Whipbird	2	10-Jul-20	Darkes Forest	Heath beside Firetrail	Ian McKinlay
Black-faced Cuckoo-Shrike	1	17-Jul-20	Wollongong Greenhouse Park	trees near gardens	Mike Morphett
Golden Whistler	1	19-Jun-20	Bulli Escarpment	Rainforest edge	Ian McKinlay
Golden Whistler	1	22-Jul-20	Thirroul fire trail	tall forest	Ian mckinlay
Olive-backed Oriole	1	19-Jul-20	Thirroul Coast Street	eucalypt canopy	Mike Morphett
Grey Butcherbird	1	17-Jul-20	Wollongong	Tom Thumb Lagoon Wetlands	Mike Morphett
Australian Magpie	6	17-Jul-20	W'gong Greenhouse Park	rank grass	Mike Morphett
Willie Wagtail	1	17-Jul-20	W'gong Greenhouse Park	rank grass	Mike Morphett
Australian Raven	7	17-Jul-20	Wollongong	Greenhouse Park	Mike Morphett
Magpie-lark	6	26/06/2020	North Wollongong	Foleys Lane nature strip	Mike Morphett
Magpie-lark	1	17-Jul-20	W'gong Greenhouse Park	puddle & rank grass	Mike Morphett
Welcome Swallow	4	17-Jul-20	W'gong Greenhouse Park	aerial	Mike Morphett

**Thank you to those members who posted their sightings to me for records and newsletter.
So, please email me or phone.**

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