

**Illawarra Bird Observers' Club Inc
MEMBERS' MONTHLY SIGHTINGS**

January/February 2011

Compiled by Betty Hudson

Species	Number	Date	Location	Habitat	Observer
Brown Cuckoo-Dove	1	23.01.2011	Hyams Creek Jamberoo	Rainforest regrowth	Betty Hudson
Brown Cuckoo-Dove	1	4.02.2011	Coledale Eco-centre Morrison Ave	Rainforest	IBOC
Topknot Pigeons	40+	4.02.2011	Coledale Eco-centre Morrison Ave	Rainforest	IBOC
Pacific Baza	2	1.02.2011	Cope Place Bulli	Rainforest	Roger Truscott
White-bellied Sea-Eagle	1	16.02.2011	Currenbene Creek Huskisson	Estuarine	Betty Hudson
Grey Goshawk	1	11.02.2011	Fred finch Park Berkeley	Overhead	Charles Dove
Nankeen Kestrel	1	10.02.2011	Windang Island	Overhead	Charles Dove
Peregrine Falcon	1	15.02.2011	Farmborough Hts	Overhead	Andrew Wood
Pacific Golden Plover	120+	16.02.2011	Shoalhaven Heads Wetlands	Wetlands	Betty Hudson
Red-capped Plover	30+	16.02.2011	Shoalhaven Heads Wetlands	Wetlands	Betty Hudson
Double-banded Plover	1	16.02.2011	Shoalhaven Heads	Beach Dunes	Betty Hudson
Greater Sand Plover	1	6.02.2011	Windang	Estuary	Charles Dove
Eastern Curlew	25	16.02.2011	Shoalhaven Heads Wetlands	Wetlands	Betty Hudson
Eastern Curlew	1	8.02.2011	Purry Purry Point Primbee	Lake	Charles Dove
Ruddy Turnstone	1	16.02.2011	Shoalhaven Heads Wetlands	Wetlands	Betty Hudson
Ruddy Turnstone	7	11.02.2011	Bellambi Harbour	Kelp-rocks	Charles Dove
Red-necked Stint	30+	16.02.2011	Shoalhaven Heads Wetlands	Wetlands	Betty Hudson
Red-necked Stint	3	6.02.2011	Windang Island	Estuary	Charles Dove
Little Tern	8	8.02.2011	Purry Purry Point Primbee	Lake	Charles Dove
Little Tern	1	11.02.2011	Purry Purry Point Primbee	Lake	Charles Dove
Yellow-tailed Black-Cockatoo	3	7.02.2011	Bellambi Dunes	Dune Woodland	Anne & Alan Cousins
Gang-gang Cockatoo	3	Early Jan	North Nowra	Garden	Sheila Emery
Gang-gang Cockatoo	1	4.02.2011	Berry Showground	Parkland	Hales &Garlick's
Gang-gang Cockatoo	1	8.02.2011	Berry Township	Residential	Brian Hales
Horsfield's Bronze-Cuckoo	1	4.02.2011	Coledale Ecocentre Morrison Ave	Rainforest	IBOC
Shining Bronze-Cuckoo	1 imm	12.02.2011	Purry Purry Point Primbee	Casuarina	Charles Dove
Azure Kingfisher	1	31.01.2011	Shearwater Bld AlbionPark Rail	Garden	Brian Hales
Azure Kingfisher	1	13.02.2011	Top of Paynes Rd W Dapto	Rainforest	Ian McKinley
Sacred Kingfisher	1	12.02.2011	Primbee	Casuarina	Charles Dove
Dollarbird	2+2Imm	8.02.2011	Albion Park Rail	Residential	Peter Fackender
Yellow-throated Scrubwren	1	4.02.2011	Coledale Ecocentre Morrison Ave	Rainforest	IBOC
White-winged Triller	1	4.02.2011	Primbee	Casuarina	Charles Dove
Crested Shrike-tit	1	4.02.2011	Coledale Ecocentre Morrison Ave	Rainforest	IBOC
Olive-backed Oriole	1	4.02.2011	Coledale Ecocentre Morrison Ave	Rainfoest	IBOC
Rufous Fantail	4	4.02.2011	Coledale Ecocentre Morrison Ave	Rainforest	IBOC
Black-faced Monarch	2	4.02.2011	Coledale Ecocentre Morrison Ave	Rainforest	IBOC
Golden-headed Cisticola	10+	15.02.2011	Commaditchi Lagoon	Grassland	Charles Dove
Australian Reed-Warbler	10+	15.02.2011	Commaditchi Lagoon	Reedy Grassland	Charles Dove
Bassian Thrush	1	4.02.2011	Coledale Ecocentre Morrison Ave	Rainforest	IBOC

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Australian Brush-turkey	1	6.03.11	Lower Fire Trail Bulli	Rainforest	Terry Newham
Brown Quail	1	7.03.11	Pelican View Reserve Lake South	Scrub	Charles Dove
Brown Cuckoo-Dove	2	11.03.11	Regal Hts Albion Park	Garden	Bruce Coyte
White-headed Pigeon	1m	24.02.11	Balgownie	Garden	Terry Edwel
White-headed Pigeon	1j	12.03.11	Jamberoo	Back Verandah	Betty Hudson
Topknot Pigeon	4	20.03.11	Bulli Pass	Overhead	Richard Miller
Tawny Frogmouth	1	27.02.1	Primbee	Casuarina	Charles Dove
Tawny Frogmouth	1	19.03.11	Thirlmere Lakes NP	Open Forest	IBOC
White-bellied Sea-Eagle	1	20.03.11	Purry Burry Point Primbee	Overhead	Charles Dove
White-bellied Sea-Eagle	2	21.03.11	Coalcliff Beach	Overhead	Mike Morphett
Brown Goshawk	1	8.02.11	Dapto	Garden	Tera Wheway
Brown Goshawk	41	16.03.11	Greenhouse Park Wollongong	Revegetated Area	IBOC
Collared Sparrowhawk	1	24.02.11	Balgownie	Garden	Terry Edwel
Nankeen Kestrel	1	6.03.11	Gerrington	Open Heathland	Dove's & Garlick's
Nankeen Kestrel	1	16.03.11	Greenhouse Park Wollongong	Revegetated Area	IBOC
Australian Hobby	1	20.03.11	Heritage Park Windang	Overhead	Charles Dove
Little Black Cormorant	147	3.03.11	Off Picnic Island Lake South	Lake	Charles Dove
White-faced Heron	54	3.03.11	Off Picnic Island Lake South	Lake	Charles Dove
Australian Pied Oystercatcher	8	3.11.11	Off Picnic Island Lake South	Lake	Charles Dove
Sooty Oystercatcher	2	7.03.11	Windang Island	Tidal Rocks	Charles Dove
Double-banded Plover	9	7.03.11	Northern Warilla Beach	Foreshore	Charles Dove
Black-fronted Dotterel	1	2.03.11	Bellambi	Lagoon	Charles Dove
Black-fronted Dotterel	3	11.03.11	Couridjah Lake Thirlmere Lakes NP	Small Lake	Betty Hudson
Black-fronted Dotterel	3	19.03.11	Couridjah Lake Thirlmere Lakes NP	Small Lake	IBOC
Eastern Curlew	12	3.03.11	Off Picnic Island Lake South	Lake	Charles Dove
Grey Tailed Tattler	3	7.03.11	Windang Island	Tidal Rocks	Charles Dove
Ruddy Turnstone	2	12.03.11	Woonona Point	Rock Platform	Nerida Hudspith
Ruddy Turnstone	12	2.03.11	Sandon Point Woonona	Rock Platform	Richard Miller
Red-necked Stint	4	7.03.11	Northern Warilla Beach	Foreshore	Charles Dove
Little Tern	4	11.03.11	Purry Burry Point Primbee	Lake	Charles Dove
Kelp Gull	1	7.03.11	Windang Island	Tidal Rocks	Charles Dove
Yellow-tailed Black-Cockatoo	1	8.03.11	Tarrawanna Village Green	Native Trees	Anne Cousins
Fantailed Cuckoo	1 imm	26.02.11	Primbee	Casuarina	Charles Dove
Brush Cuckoo	1	19.03.11	Thirlmere Lakes NP	Open Forest	IBOC
Southern Boobook	1	28.02.11	Primbee	Casuarina	Charles Dove
Azure Kingfisher	1	10.03.11	Hyams Crrek Jamberoo	Riverine	Betty Hudson
Sacred Kingfisher	1	6.03.11	Gerrington	Wetland	Dove's & Garlick's
Superb Lyrebird	1	8.03.11	Excelsior Thirroul	Forested Areas	Mike Morphett
Superb Lyrebird	1	13.03.11	Excelsior Thirroul	Forested Areas	Mike Morphett
Green Catbird	2	20.03.11	Bulli Pass	Garden	Richard Miller
Satin Bowerbird	2	7.03.11	Back Yard/Creek Tarrawanna	Residential	Sue & Ken Brown
White-throated Gerygone	1	19.03.11	Thirlmere Lakes NP	Open Forest	IBOC
Yellow-tufted Honeyeater	few	19.03.11	Thirlmere Lakes NP	Open Forest	IBOC
Bell Miner	Few	12.03.11	Marshall Mt Road	Forest	Andy & Anna Knowlson
Eastern Whipbird	Several	14.03.11	Mt Kembla Track	Forest	Andrew Wood
Australian Logrunner	1	4.03.11	West of Firetrail Bulli	Rainforest	Ian McKinlay
Crested Shrike-tit	2	13.03.11	Excelsior Thirroul	Forested Area	Mike Morphett
Rufous Whistler	1	13.03.11	Mt Kembla Ring Track	Forest	Andrew Wood
GreyShrike-thrush	1	9.03.11	AlbionPark Rail	Garden	Brian & Barbara Hale (1st record in this garden)
Australasian Figbird	18	10.03.11	Primbee	Garden	Ron Imisides
Australasian Figbird	Few	16.03.11	Greenhouse Park Wollongong	Revegetated Area	IBOC
Rufous Fantail	1	19.03.11	Thirlmere Lakes NP	Open Forest	IBOC
Leaden Flycatcher	1 f	24.02.11	Balgownie	Garden	Terry Edwel
Leaden Flycatcher	1	16.03.11	Greenhouse Park Wollongong	Revegetated Area	IBOC
Black-faced Monarch	1	4.03.11	Escarpment Firetrail Bulli	Rainforest	Ian McKinlay
Black-faced Monarch	2 imm	13.03.11	Excelsior Thirroul	Forested Areas	Mike Morphett
Eastern Yellow Robin	Many	13.03.11	Mt Kembla Ring Track	Forest	Andrew Wood
Golden-headed Cisticola	1	16.03.11	Greenhouse Park Wollongong	Crrek reeds	IBOC
Bassian Thrush	1	4.03.11	Escarpment Firetrail Bulli	Rainforest	Ian McKinlay

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Bassian Thrush	1	11.03.11	Excelsior Thirroul	Forested Area	Mike Morphet
Bassian Thrush	1	13.03.11	Mt Kembla Ring Track	Forest	Andrew Wood

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April May 2011

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Species	Number	Date	Location	Habitat	Observer
White-headed Pigeon	25+	2.05.11	Keith Irvine Oval Jamberoo	Beneath Figtrees	Betty Hudson
Cattle Egret	8	07-May-11	Primbee	Foreshore Jetty	Charles Dove
Striated Heron	1	10-May-11	Primbee	Lake Foreshore	Charles Dove
White-bellied Sea-Eagle	2	3.05.11	Bellambi Hind Dune	Dune Forest	Anne & Alan Cousins
White-bellied Sea-Eagle	1	13-May-11	Primbee	Overhead	Charles Dove
Brown Goshawk	2	08-May-11	Primbee	Overhead	Charles Dove
Grey Goshawk	3	04-May-11	Primbee	Casuarinas'	Charles Dove
Nankeen Kestrel	1	13.05.11	Red Gum Estate Figtree	Light Pole	Colin Markham
Peregrine Falcon	2	29.04.11	Bulli Pass	Rainforest	Roger Truscott
Black-winged Stilt	6	07-May-11	Primbee	Lake Foreshore	Charles Dove
Sacred Kingfisher	1	3.04.11	Rail Corridor Austimer	Railside Vegetation	Bruce O'Brien
Yellow-faced Honeyeater	20+	05-May-11	Primbee	Casuarinas'	Charles Dove
White-plumed Honeyeater	10+	07-May-11	Primbee	Casuarinas'	Charles Dove
Bell Miner	Numerous	14.04.11	Nepean River Cycleway Camden	Riverine	Mike Morphett
Noisy Friarbird	1	8.05.11	Towradgi Park	Garden	Jack Baker
White-naped Honeyeater	10+	05-May-11	Primbee	Casuarinas'	Charles Dove
Olive-backed Oriole	4	14.04.11	Kings Bush Reserve Camden	Riverine	Mike Morphett
Spangled Drongo	1	12.04.11	Primbee	Casuarina	Charles Dove
Black-faced Monarch	2 Juv	11.04.11	Primbee	Casuarina	Charles Dove
Rose Robin	1	18-May-11	Blackbutt Forest	Bushland	C & J Dove - T Edwell
Bassian Thrush	2	15.05.11	Excelsior Thirroul	Forested Area	Mike Morphett
Red-browed Finch	6	13.05.11	Red Gum Estate Figtree	Urban	Colin Markham

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May - June 2011

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Species	Number	Date	Location	Habitat	Observer
Wonga Pigeon	1	20-Jun-11	Mt Keira	Backyard	Val Dolan
Tawny Frogmouth	1	15-Jun-11	Garden	Figtree P/S	Tera Weyay
Black-browed Albatross	6	22-Jun-11	Off Bellambie Boat Harbour	Overhead	Charles Dove
Australasian Gannet	4	12-Jun-11	Shellharbour Harbour	Overhead	Charles Dove
Cattle Egret	5	24-Jun-11	Bellambie Lagoon	Bushland Scrub	Charles Dove
Pacific Baza	3	23-Jun-11	Transgrid Elec.Substation, Yalla	Woodland	Lucas McKinnon
White-bellied Sea-Eagle	3	19-Jun-11	Huskisson	Forest	Hales/Garliks
Nankeen Kestrel	1	16-Jun-11	Fairy Meadow	Lampost	Anne Cousins
Peregrine Falcon	1	14-Jun-11	Purry Burry Point Primbee	Overhead	Charles Dove
Australian Pied Oystercatcher	5	23-Jun-11	Windang	Sand Dunes	Charles Dove
Sooty Oystercatcher	3	24-Jun-11	Windang Island	Rocky ledge	Charles Dove
Ruddy Turnstone	6	12-Jun-11	Bellambie Harbour	Shoreline	Tom Wylie
Whiskered Tern	1	22-Jun-11	Bellambie Lagoon	Overhead	Charles Dove
Yellow-tailed Black-Cockatoo	4	16.06.11	Thirroul	Urban Garden	Mike Morphett
Gang-gang Cockatoo	2A 2J	18-Jun-11	Daharwal	Heathland	IBOC
Gang-gang Cockatoo	4A 1J	19-Jun-11	Huskisson	Forest	Hales/Garliks
Green catbird	1	13-Jun-11	Tarrawanna	Garden	Peg Mckinnlay
Satin Bowerbird	1	24-Jun-11	Bellambi Dunes	Bush	Anne Cousins
Satin Bowerbird	1	12-Jun-11	Balgownie	Garden	Neil McKinlay
Southern Emu-wren	7	24-Jun-11	Pelican Point -Lake Illawarra St	Scrub	Charles Dove
White-plumed Honeyeater	2	19-Jun-11	Bellambie Dunes	Sand Dunes	Tom/Joan Wylie
Crested Shrike-tit	1	17-Jun-11	Thirroul	Forest	Mike Morphett
Golden Whistler	1	3.6.11	Figtree	Urban Garden	Colin Markham
Australasian Figbird	5+	28.5.11	Kiama	grounds	Betty Hudson
Spangled Drongo	1	10-Jun-11	Primbee Sand Dunes	Bush	Charles Dove
Rose Robin	1	10-Jun-11	Primbee Sand Dunes	Bush	Charles Dove
Eastern Yellow Robin	1	08-Jun-11	Albion Park Rail	Garden	Barbara Hales
Bassian Thrush	1	28.5.11	Thirroul	forest	Mike Morphett

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June - July 2011

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Species	Number	Date	Location	Habitat	Observer
Hardhead	40+	10-Jul-11	Korrongula Reserve	Water	Charles Dove
White-bellied Sea-Eagle	1	09-Jul-11	Primbee	Overhead	Charles Dove
Whistling Kite	1	05-Jul-11	Primbee	Overhead	Charles Dove
Brown Goshawk	1	11-Jul-11	Primbee	Casurinas	Charles Dove
Peregrine Falcon	1	11-Jul-11	Primbee	Casurinas	Charles Dove
Kelp Gull	2	17-Jul-11	Sandon Point	Rock Platform	Mike Morphett
Southern Emu-wren	3	02-Jul-11	Pelican Point -Lake Illawarra St	Scrub	Charles Dove
Striated Thornbill	1	19-Jul-11	Bellambi	Sand Dunes	Alan Cousins
White-naped Honeyeater	20+	12-Jul-11	Primbee Dunes	Forest	Charles Dove
Crested Shrike-tit	1	01-Jul-11	Excelsior Thirroul	Forest	Mike Morphett
Bassian Thrush	2	12-Jul-11	Primbee Dunes	Ground	Charles Dove
Bassian Thrush	2	17-Jul-11	Excelsior Thirroul	Forest	Mike Morphett
Bassian Thrush	1	01-Jul-11	Excelsior Thirroul	Forest	Mike Morphett

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July - August 2011

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Species	Number	Date	Location	Habitat	Observer
Musk Duck	2	19-Aug-11	Shell Cove	Wetland	Darryl Goldrick
White-headed Pigeon	1	03-Aug-11	Thirroul	Garden	Mike Morphett
White-headed Pigeon	2	06-Aug-11	Thirroul	Garden O'head	Mike Morphett
Wonga Pigeon	1	15-Aug-11	Penrose Forest	Swamp forest	IBOC
Topknot Pigeon	2	04-Aug-11	Primbee	Fig Tree	Charles Dove
Topknot Pigeon	12	11-Aug-11	Primbee	Fig Tree	Charles Dove
Topknot Pigeon	2	10-Aug-11	Rocklow Creek	Riverine	IBOC
Cattle Egret	100+	19-Aug-11	Swamp Rd	Farmland	Darryl Goldrick
Pacific Baza	Dead	27-Jul-11	Calderwood	Road kill	Per comm Denis Wilson
Whistling Kite	1	19-Aug-11	Swamp Rd	O'head	Darryl Goldrick
Brown Goshawk	1	04-Aug-11	Thirroul	Garden O'head	Mike Morphett
Nankeen Kestrel	1	09-Jul-11	Bellambi	Dunes	Alan/Anne Cousins
Nankeen Kestrel	1	05-Aug-11	Wollongong	Science Centre	Alan/Anne Cousins
Double-banded Plover	30+	09-Aug-11	Lake Illawarra Entrance sth Sandy Beach		Charles Dove
Yellow-tailed Black-Cockatoo	6	19-Aug-11	Lake South	Casuarinas- lake	Darryl Goldrick
Gang-gang Cockatoo	2	15-Aug-11	Penrose Forest	Swamp forest	IBOC
Musk Lorikeet	1	01-Jul-11	Dapto	Avondale Rd	Tera Wheway
Pale-headed Rosella	1	13-Aug-11	Horsley	Parkland	Richard Fackender
Shining Bronze-Cuckoo	1	01-Aug-11	Pelican View Res,Lake Sth	Bushland	Charles Dove
Shining Bronze-Cuckoo	1	10-Aug-11	Rocklow Creek	Casuarina forest	IBOC
Azure Kingfisher	1	15-Aug-11	Penrose Forest	Swamp forest	IBOC
Rockwarbler	2	31-Jul-11	Tallowa Dam	Rock Shelf	Mike Morphett
Striated Thornbill	1	09-Jul-11	Bellambi	Dunes	Alan/Anne Cousins
Scarlet Honeyeater	several	15-Aug-11	Penrose Forest	Swamp forest	IBOC
Scarlet Honeyeater	1m	04-Aug-11	Balgownie	Backyard ?	Terry Edwel
Brown-headed Honeyeater	1	15-Aug-11	Penrose Forest	Swamp forest	IBOC
Varied Sittella	several	15-Aug-11	Penrose Forest	Swamp forest	IBOC
Crested Shrike-tit	3m	01-Jul-11	Slackey Flat,Bulli	Bushland	Joan Wiley
Crested Shrike-tit	1	01-Jul-11	Bulli	Backyard	Joan Wiley
Golden Whistler	1M	01-Jul-11	Dapto	Avondale Rd	Tera Wheway
Australasian Figbird	20+	04-Aug-11	Primbee	Fig Tree	Charles Dove
Double-barred Finch	7	03-Aug-11	Primbee	Grassland	Charles Dove
Double-barred Finch	2	06-Aug-11	Primbee	Grassland	Charles Dove
Red-browed Finch	12	08-Aug-11	Thirroul	Street Nature- st	Mike Morphett
Australasian Pipit	1	09-Aug-11	Lake Illawarra Entrance sth	Walkway	Charles Dove

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September/October 2011

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Species	Number	Date	Location	Habitat	Observer
Australian Painted Snipe	5	17-Oct-11	Koona Bay	Saltmarsh	CDove/TEdwell/Gowans
Australian Painted Snipe	8	21-Oct-11	Koona Bay	Saltmarsh	C Dove/BHales
Australian Painted Snipe	6	19-Oct-11	Koona Bay	Saltmarsh	Darryl Goldrick
Bar-tailed Godwit	40+	26-Sep-11	Hooker Park,Lke Sth	Foreshore	CDove/R Imisides
Bar-tailed Godwit	3	08-Oct-11	Purry Burry Point	Foreshore	C Dove
Brown Cuckoo-Dove	1	11-Oct-11	Figtree	Garden	Colin Markham
Channel-billed Cuckoo	1	23-Sep-11	Thirroul	O'head	Richard Miller
Channel-billed Cuckoo	1	24-Sep-11	Albion Park	O'head-Woolies	Brian Hales
Common Greenshank	1	26-Sep-11	Hooker Park,Lke Sth	Foreshore	C Dove/R Imisides
Common Greenshank	1	08-Oct-11	Purry Burry Point	Foreshore	C Dove
Crested Shrike-tit	2	10-Oct-11	Thirroul	Excelsior Mine S	Mike Morphet
Curlew Sandpiper	1	20-Sep-11	Primbee	Sandbar	C Dove
Eastern Koel	1	21-Sep-11	Primbee	Paperbark Tree	C Dove
Eastern Koel	3	28-Oct-11	Lake Illawarra Sth	Eucalypt Trees	Darryl Goldrick
Glossy Ibis	1	21-Oct-11	Haywards Bay	Foreshore	C&J Dove/Tedwell
Latham Snipe	15	16-Oct-11	Koona Bay	Saltmarsh	Dove.BHales.SGarlick
Little Black Cormorant	150+	08-Oct-11	Purry Burry Point	Lake Illawarra	Charles Dove
Little Eagle	1	21-Oct-11	Haywards Bay	O'head	C&J Dove/Tedwell
Nankeen Night-Heron	5	16-Oct-11	Macquarie Rivulet A.P.Rail	Eucalypts	Charles Dove
Red Knot	7	26-Sep-11	Hooker Park,Lke Sth	Foreshore	C Dove/R Imisides
Red Knot	17	08-Oct-11	Purry Burry Point	Foreshore	C Dove
Red-necked Stint	3	29-Sep-11	Lake Illawarra Entrance	Beach	C Dove
Red-necked Stint	4	18-Oct-11	Purry Burry Point	Foreshore	C Dove
Red-rumped Parrot	3	1/2 Oct-11	Wollongong	Old Court House	Peter Butler
Ruddy Turnstone	6	06-Oct-11	Woonona Point	Rock Platform	Nerida Hudspith
Sacred Kingfisher	1	22-Sep-11	Primbee	Powerline	C Dove
Sharp-tailed Sandpiper	50+	20-Sep-11	Primbee	Sandbar	C Dove
Southern Emu-wren	2m/f	26-Sep-11	Pelican View Res.Lke Sth	Scrub	C Dove/R Imisides
Striated Heron	1	06-Oct-11	Tallawarra	O'head	Nerida Hudspith
Stubble Quail	1m	22-Sep-11	Thirroul	Garden	Richard Miller
Topknot Pigeon	2	1/2 Oct-11	Figtree	Byrong Creek Br	Peter Butler
Topknot Pigeon	12	03-Oct-11	Thirroul	O'head	Richard Miller
Whistling Kite	1	06-Oct-11	Tallawarra	O'head	Nerida Hudspith
White-fronted Chat	2m/f	19-Oct-11	Koona Bay	Foreshore	C Dove
White-headed Pigeon	2	1/2 Oct-11	Figtree	American Creek	Peter Butler
White-necked Heron	1	05-Oct-11	Koona Bay	Samphire	Deon Hales

Remarks: Some exciting and somewhat unexpected 'visitors' have graced our district this month.

The Painted Snipe (Rare-Nomadic) at Koona Bay is the biggest surprise-up to 8 in total. The last sightings were in single birds in 1970, 1971 and 1986 at Macquarie Rivulet, Wollongong (?) and Shellharbour Swamp (Marina site presumably) respectively. These birds are usually associated with the inland areas and freshwater environs not the saltwater/brackish conditions that prevail at Koona Bay.

The Glossy Ibis (Rare-Nomadic) has been sighted in the Illawarra in the 70's and 80's – the last recorded sightings were in small numbers at Tallawarra and Killalea in 2001-2-3-7. Their appearance is more likely to occur in drought years.

The Pink-eared Duck (Scarce-Nomadic) were last recorded in 1985/86 and 1999 (Primbee Peninsular?) Again generally only visits the coastal areas during inland droughts.

One could not really describe the inland areas as presently being in a drought-like state, which makes the sightings and presence of these birds in the Illawarra as particularly Unusual.

Well done to those who made these sightings. I encourage members who come across any such unusual encounters to share it with other members so they in turn can experience what could well be 'a lifer' for them

Darryl Goldrick – Vice President/Records Officer.

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Brown Quail	2	01-Nov-11	Haywards Bay	Swamp	Wal Emery
Pink-eared Duck	6	29-Oct-11	Purry Burry Point	Lake Illawarra	Charles Dove
Lewin's Rail	1	06-Nov-11	Killalea State Rec Park	Firetrail	Josh/Bruce Coyte
White-headed Pigeon	3	29-Oct-11	Koona Bay	Casuarina	CDove/W&H Emery
White-headed Pigeon	1	28-Oct-11	Thirroul	Garden	Mike Morphett
Royal Spoonbill	1	02-Nov-11	Wollongong	Tom Thumb Lag	Steve Dillon
Yellow-billed Spoonbill	1	30-Oct-11	Purry Burry Point	Lake Illawarra	Charles Dove
Pacific Baza	1	12-Nov-11	Balgownie	Garden	Wal Emery
Collared Sparrowhawk	1	12-14Nov11	Figtree	O'head	Joan Zealey
Buff-banded Rail	1	15-Nov-11	Lake South	Dunes	Charles Dove
Buff-banded Rail	1	14-Nov-11	Tarrawanna	Oval perimeter	AA Cousins
Australian Spotted Crake	1	01-Nov-11	Haywards Bay	Lagoon	Wal Emery
Sooty Oystercatcher	7	01-Nov-11	Austinmer	Rock Platform	Steve Dillon
Painted Snipe	1m+1f	28-Oct-11	Haywards Bay	Salt marsh	Wal Emery
White-fronted Tern	2	29-Oct-11	Windang	Foreshore	Charles Dove
Yellow-tailed Black-Cockatoo	3	07-Nov-11	Tarrawanna	Village Green tre	AA Cousins
Eastern Koel	2	12-Nov-11	Al Pk Rail-Koona Bay	Garden	Brian/Barbara Hales
Horsfield's Bronze-Cuckoo	1	28-Oct-11	Primbee	Casuarina	Charles Dove
Brush Cuckoo	3	28-Oct-11	Primbee	Casuarina	Charles Dove
Powerful Owl	1m+1f calling	30-Oct-11	Thirroul	Excelsior Mine Si	Mike Morphett
Powerful Owl	1 calling	28-Oct-11	Thirroul	TreeTop Glen	Steve Dillon
Green catbird	1	31-Oct-11	Thirroul	Excelsior Mine Si	Mike Morphett
Green catbird	1	02-Nov-11	Thirroul	Garden	Mike Morphett
Southern Emu-wren	1m	01-Nov-11	Haywards Bay	Swamp	Wal Emery
Large-billed Scrubwren	3	10-Nov-11	Thirroul	Excelsior Mine Si	Mike Morphett
Yellow-tufted Honeyeater	1	09-Nov-11	Al Pk Rail-Koona Bay	Garden	Brian/Barbara Hales
White-fronted Chat	1m+1f	01-Nov-11	Haywards Bay	Salt marsh	Wal Emery
Crested Shrike-tit	1	10-Nov-11	Thirroul	Excelsior Mine Si	Mike Morphett
California Quail	4	17-Nov-11	Towradgi	Suf Club Cyclew	Brian/Barbara Hales

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Species	Number	Date	Location	Habitat	Observer
Black-shouldered Kite	1	29-Nov-11	Bellambi	Powerline	Mike Morphett
Whistling Kite	1	05-Dec-11	Corrimal	O'head	Alan Cousins
Square-tailed Kite	1	20-Nov-11	Tarrawanna	O'head	Wal Emery
Square-tailed Kite	1	20-Nov-11	Balgownie	O'head	Terry Edwell
Australian Painted Snipe	2	19-Dec-11	Koona Bay	Salt marsh	B & B Hales
Ruddy Turnstone	9	09-Dec-11	Woonona	Rock Shelf	Ross Gowan
Ruddy Turnstone	16	11-Dec-11	Bellambi Harbour	Rock Shelf	Tom Wylie
Green Catbird	1	30-Nov-11	Balgownie	Garden	Hazel Emery
Satin Bowerbird	1Ad,1Juv	20-Dec-11	Thirroul	Garden	Mike Morphett
Superb Fairy-wren	2Ad,3Juv	28-Nov-11	Thirroul	Garden	Mike Morphett
Crested Shrike-tit	1	03-Dec-11	Balgownie	Garden	Terry Edwell