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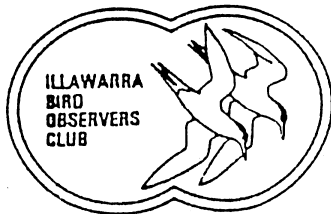
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This month's newsletter is prepared and produced by the Committee due to Charles Dove's emergency admission to hospital in Newcastle. We would like to wish him a speedy recovery as well as all other club members who are having health issues at present.

This issue is basic and limited to information essential for members for the month of September.



"One Good Tern Deserves Another"

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Restless Flycatcher

Willie Retreat, Macquarie Marshes

Photo Betty Hudson

IBOC has pleasure in welcoming all our New Members

SEPTEMBER ACTIVITIES

Club Meeting:

Monday 9th September

Leah Royle the Development Officer for Australian Wild Life Conservancy (AWC) will be talking on "Fighting Back: Restoring Northern Australian Bird Life".

7.30pm at Fairy Meadow Community Hall, Cnr. Cambridge Avenue & Princes Hwy Fairy Meadow.

Please bring a plate of "goodies" and a cup for supper after the meeting.

Midweek Walk

Wednesday 11th September

Koona Bay & Macquarie Rivulet

Leader Rupert Jarvis

Meet at 9.00am at Brian & Barbara Hales Place, 32 Shearwater Boulevard, Albion Park Rail. The walk is in 2 sections, both easy level walking. Bring morning tea.

Contact Rupert on 0403 392 635

Monthly Outing

Saturday 14th September

Danjerra Dam Yalwal nr Nowra

Leader Betty Hudson

Meet on Yalwal Road Nowra immediately over Flatrock Dam Crossing at 9.00am. Parking is beside the road.

From the Princes Highway turn right at the traffic lights for Greenwell Point and then turn left at the 2nd roundabout onto Albatross Road. Yalwal Road is shortly after the 1st roundabout.

We will stop at Flatrock Dam to look for birds and again at Bamarang Reservoir. 12km from Nowra, Yalwal road turns left, leaving the river and becoming gravel for 15km to reach Danjerra Dam picnic area. A walk from Yarramunmun Creek Bridge takes us to two further creek crossings and a track beside the creek. For those who wish to go the track continues climbing up the ridge & back to the road. Hopefully the blossom will be out and the honeyeaters plentiful. Bring morning tea and lunch which will be in the Picnic Area.

Contact Betty Hudson on 4236 0307 or on the morning mobile 0432 892 945

Committee Meeting

Monday 16th September

The next IBOC Committee Meeting will be at 7.30pm at Betty Hudson's home, 1 Drualla Road Jamberoo Ph 4236 0307

Any members with anything to raise are welcome to attend the meeting

Reminder Spring Camp Howlong Caravan Park 19-26th October 2013 ph 02 6026 5304
Full details in June's Newsletter or at www.iboc.org.au Hope to see you there

Newsletter

The deadline for Articles and Photos in the next IBOC Newsletter is 20th September 2013. Email contributions to Charles Dove newsletter@iboc.org.au or post to 2/39 Purry Burry Avenue Primbee 2502 or Phone 0407 422 302

Advance Notice Joint IBOC - Illawarra Ramblers Walk
Killalea State Park

Sunday 6th October

Leader Rupert Jarvis.

Several members of the Illawarra Ramblers have expressed an interest in bird watching, and asked that a bird watching walk be included in their program. Rupert would like some participation by members of IBOC, so please give him a ring on 4233 1912 if you are able to come.

CLUB REPORTS

Report on the Outing to Australian Botanic Garden Mount Annan

Sunday 18th August 2013

Andrew Knowlson

13 Members arrived at 'The Australian Botanic Garden, Mount Annan' for the 10 am start to the day, the weather couldn't have been better and remained fine, sunny and warm all day (as was the good company).

The original custodians of the land were the Dharawal Aboriginal people; after being used as a dairy it was purchased by the Botanic Gardens and Domain Trust in 1984. Twenty Nine years on the gardens have great facilities and some well developed and vegetated areas which yielded 67 species of bird for the day from lakes and dams to grassland, creek corridors and rainforest gullies.

The highlights for the day included the Latham's Snipe (seen briefly by some!!), great close views of both Striated and Spotted Pardalotes, particularly bright Yellow Rumped Thornbills, Red Rumped Parrots and a small dam which yielded many birds including White Naped Honeyeater and Bell Miner among other birds.

The walk after lunch took us into the Connections Garden a well developed hill slope of many vegetation communities including a wide range of native pines. This part of the gardens is well worth the time with its diverse well established plantings cascading down the hill slope.

We all enjoyed the day and can recommend a trip to the Botanic Gardens at Mount Annan. Take your binoculars and a picnic and stay the day or visit the on-site eat in cafe. Anna and I will certainly be going back for another visit. Thanks for a great day Betty.

Bird List

Brown Quail	Purple Swamphen	Yellow-rumped Thornbill	Pied Currawong
Australian Wood Duck	Dusky Moorhen	Spotted Pardalote	Grey Fantail
Grey Teal	Eurasian Coot	Striated Pardalote	Willie Wagtail
Pacific Black Duck	Masked Lapwing	Eastern Spinebill	Australian Raven
Hardhead	Latham's Snipe	Yellow-faced Honeyeater	Magpie-lark
Australasian Grebe	Galah	White-plumed Honeyeater	Eastern Yellow Robin
Hoary-headed Grebe	Long-billed Corella	Bell Miner	Silvereye
Spotted Dove	Sulphur-crested Cockatoo	Noisy Miner	Welcome Swallow
Common Bronzewing	Rainbow Lorikeet	Little Wattlebird	Tree Martin
Crested Pigeon	Australian King Parrot	Red Wattlebird	Red-whiskered Bulbul
Bar-shouldered Dove	Eastern Rosella	White-naped Honeyeater	Common Starling
Little Pied Cormorant	Red-rumped Parrot	Eastern Whipbird	Common Myna
Little Black Cormorant	Laughing Kookaburra	Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike	Mistletoebird
White-necked Heron	Satin Bowerbird	Golden Whistler	Red-browed Finch
Eastern Great Egret	Superb Fairy-wren	Grey Shrike-thrush	Australasian Pipit
White-faced Heron	Brown Gerygone	Grey Butcherbird	European Goldfinch
Australian White Ibis	Yellow Thornbill	Australian Magpie	



Hoary-headed Grebe



Bell Miner

Photos Pam Hazelwood

Apology:

Apologies to Bill Zealey and Robin Cashman for being unable to include their reports in this month's Newsletter. They will appear next month. I was unable to contact either of them to get their reports sent to a new email address when my computer failed.

Report on the Talk by Joan & Bill Zealey on their recent trip to Darwin and the Eyre Peninsular
Report on the Midweek Walk to Bellambi Lagoon Wed 14th August

Bill Zealey
RobinCashman

MONTHLY SIGHTINGS: July –August 2013

Compiled by Darryl Goldrick

Freckled Duck	~ 120	7/08/2013	West Nowra	Flat Rock Dam	Sheila Emery
Brown Cuckoo-Dove	2	23/07/2013	Thirroul	Garden	Mike Morphett
Tawny Frogmouth	2	24/07/2013	Russell Vale	Car Park environs	Ian McKinlay
Tawny Frogmouth	1	12/08/2013	Tarrawanna	Garden	Peggy McKinlay
White-necked Heron	2	26/07/2013	Croome	Grassland	Darryl Goldrick
Cattle Egret	~100	26/07/2013	Croome	Grassland	Darryl Goldrick
Black-shouldered Kite	1	19/07/2013	Russell Vale	Over head	Mike Morphett
White-bellied Sea-Eagle	2	28/07/2013	Thirroul	Offshore	Ian McKinlay
Sooty Oystercatcher	6	7/08/2013	Huskisson	Rock Shelf	Sheila Emery
Yellow-tailed Black-Cockatoo	~70	27/07/2013	Cordeaux Dam	Over head	Ian McKinlay
Yellow-tailed Black-Cockatoo	32	4/08/2013	Balgownie	Forest	B&J Zealey
Yellow-tailed Black-Cockatoo	16	12/08/2013	Lake Illawarra	Over head-residential	Darryl Goldrick
Galah	2	19/17/2013	Bellawongarah	Garden	Ralph Stadius
Horsfield's Bronze-Cuckoo	1	9/08/2013	Mangerton	Forest gully in reserve	Ian McKinlay
Azure Kingfisher	1	7/08/2013	Flat Rock Creek		Sheila Emery
Superb Lyrebird	1	26/07/2013	Jamberoo Mt Road	Roadside	Darryl Goldrick
White-throated Treecreeper	1	26/07/2013	Fitzroy Falls	Woodland	Darryl Goldrick
Yellow-tufted Honeyeater	1 on nest	7/08/2013	Flat Rock Creek		Sheila Emery
Noisy Miner	2	2/07/2013	Bellawongarah	Garden	Ralph Stadius
Red Wattlebird	1	26/07/2013	Fitzroy Falls	Woodland	Darryl Goldrick
Red Wattlebird	2	22/07/2013	Thirroul East	Macauleys Hill	Ian McKinlay
Grey Shrike-thrush	1	26/07/2013	Fitzroy Falls	Woodland	Darryl Goldrick
Olive-backed Oriole	1	11/08/2013	Jamberoo	Garden	Betty Hudson
Olive-backed Oriole	numerous	09/08/2013	Mangerton	Forested gully	Ian McKinlay
Grey Butcherbird	1	26/07/2013	Croome	Power line	Darryl Goldrick
Pied Currawong	100+	July 2013	Bellawongarah	Forest	Ralph Stadius
Restless Flycatcher	1	11/08/2013	Jamberoo	Garden	Betty Hudson
Rose Robin	1m	17/07/2013	Balgownie	Garden	Terry Edwell
Eastern Yellow Robin	3	26/07/2013	Fitzroy Falls	Woodland	Darryl Goldrick
Bassian Thrush	1	26/07/2013	Fitzroy Falls	Woodland	Darryl Goldrick
Common Blackbird	1	28/07/2013	Thirroul	Garden	Mike Morphett

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