

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

February and March 2012

Compiled by Betty Hudson

Species	Number	Date	Location	Habitat	Observer
Brown Cuckoo-Dove	3	19.02.12	Jamberoo	Garden	Betty Hudson
Brown Cuckoo-Dove	1	5.03.12	Wyalla Rd Jamberoo	Bushland	Tony Loader
Brown Cuckoo-Dove	1	18.03.12	Black Ash Reserve Bellawongarah	Rainforest	IBOC
Topknot Pigeon	4	24.02.12	Balgownie	Rainforest Garden	Wal Emery
Australasian Gannet	1	14.03.12	Bass Point	Off Shore	IBOC
Square-tailed Kite	2	6.03.12	Towradgi	Overhead	Jack Baker & JeanClarke
Square-tailed Kite	1	11.03.12	East Corrimal	Overhead	Tom & Joan Wylie
Square-tailed Kite	1	8.03.12	Balgownie	Overhead	Wal Emery
Whistling Kite	1	23.02.12	Tarrawanna	Overhead	Anne & Alan Cousins
Brown Goshawk	1	9.03.12	Albion Park Rail	Overhead	Peter Fackender
Grey Goshawk	1	24.02.12	Albion Park	Garden	Christine Shipp by email
Swamp Harrier	1	5.03.12	DunmoreSwamp Road	Low over paddock	Brian & Barbara Hales
Swamp Harrier	1	14.03.12	Bassett Park Shellharbour	Over Swamp	IBOC
Nankeen Kestrel	1 juv	14.03.12	Bass Point	Perched in dead tree	IBOC
Australian Hobby	1	10.03.12	Albion Park Rail	Overhead	Peter Fackender
Buff-banded Rail	1	2.03.12	Albion Park Rail	Grass over fence	Brian & Barbara Hales
Buff-banded Rail	1	14.02.12	Wollongong	Botanic Garden	Terry Edwell
Sooty Oystercatcher	2	14.03.12	Bass point	on rocky shore	IBOC
Kelp Gull	1	14.03.12	Bass Point	Shore	IBOC
Yellow-tailed Black-Cockatoo	7	11.03.12	Berkeley	Overhead on Freeway	Tera Wheway
Pheasant Coucal	1	18.02.12	Carrington Falls	Heard	Jack Baker & JeanClarke
Eastern Koel	1 f	2.03.12	Albion Park Rail	Garden	Brian & Barbara Hales
Azure Kingfisher	1	12.03.12	Balgownie	Creek behind house	Bill Zealey
Sacred Kingfisher	1	7.03.12	Oak Flats	Perched on chair in garden	Sylvia Garlic
Dollarbird	1	6.03.12	Killalea Minnamurra River	Mangroves	Paul Nesbit
Superb Lyrebird	4	18.03.12	Black Ash Reserve Bellawongarah	Rainforest	IBOC
Green Catbird	1	6.03.12	Balgownie	Rainforest Garden	Wal Emery
Satin Bowerbird	1 f	2.03.12	Albion Park Rail	Clothes line in garden	Brian & Barbara Hales
Yellow-throated Scrubwren	1	11.03.12	Austinmer	Rainforest Garden	Meri Stefanidakis
Yellow-throated Scrubwren	1	18.03.12	Black Ash Reserve Bellawongarah	Rainforest	IBOC
Yellow-throated Scrubwren	1	18.03.12	Fitzroy Falls	Rainforest	IBOC
Eastern Whipbird	1	11.03.12	Unanderra	Lantana in reserve behind house	Shane Spence
Varied Sittella	Few	18.03.12	Fitzroy Falls	Rainforest	IBOC

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Grey Shrike-thrush	2	2.03.12	Albion Park Rail	Garden table	Brian & Barbara Hales
Rufous Fantail	1	18.03.12	Black Ash Reserve Bellawongarah	Rainforest	IBOC
Black-faced Monarch	1	18.03.12	Fitzroy Falls	Rainforest	IBOC
Rose Robin	2 f	18.03.12	Fitzroy Falls	Rainforest	IBOC
Golden-headed Cisticola	1	14.03.12	Bassett Park Shellharbour	Reedbed by swamp	IBOC
Indian Ringneck	1	26.02.12	Brownsville	Garden	Mariane Newhouse by email

Notes:

The Indian Ringneck is an escapee that is reportable to Dept Agriculture as a potential pest.

The Pheasant Coucal is a rare visitor to the Illawarra, as are the Square-tailed Kites which have been reported more frequently in recent years.

The large number of reported Brown Cuckoo-Doves is probably due to the availability of berries for their food at this time of year, especially Bleeding Heart Tree.

Please keep your sightings coming.

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