



# The Whistler

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## From the Editor's desk

Welcome to the spring edition of The Whistler. Spring is often a full and rich time for Field Naturalists with lengthening days, warming temperatures and increased activity in nature. The main fungi season makes way for wildflowers and birdlife and many of our members head off on their own trips to enjoy nature's bounty, although the current weather is making travel and nature study a challenging endeavour indeed! In saying that, the orchid and wildflower season is reportedly one of the best of recent years. Marine life is also more active with warmer water in the bay.

After a slow start, fungi season kicked into gear with good rainfall across the state in late autumn. Our excursions over the cooler months gave members great rewards with fungi foraging high on the agenda and many diverse species found in the field.

Starting with Bruce Fuhrer's expert leadership for the May excursion to Toolangi, our resident "fungi experts" have been kept busy in the field by other members asking "which one is that?".

This has highlighted one of the greatest qualities of the Ringwood Field Naturalists Club - the sharing of knowledge. Our members are always more than happy to discuss and help one another identify something, whether it be a mushroom, a plant, a bird or anything for that matter. That's what being a Field Naturalist is all about.

Jack Airey  
Editor



"What are they looking at?"

Some of our members investigating the rock pools at Cape Schanck while on our April excursion led by Eleanor and Warwick Dilley.

The Club has an excursion every month of the year (except December) and visits a variety of locations to cater for all interests. You can find the excursion reports in the **Out and About** section from page 5. Lists of sightings from excursions are in the **Appendix** from page 14.

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## President's Report

We must be doing something right. Members continue to enjoy our regular meetings and outings both near and far.

Again we have had a wonderful and varied program of speakers. In most cases we are able to discern what the speaker is going to talk about. Dean Ingwersen on Regent Honeyeaters and Bruce Fuhrer on Thallose Liverworts were easy to recognize. We had little or no idea what we were in for when Tamara Camilleri came to talk about Mid-Palaeozoic Ostracoda of Victoria. But she kept us entertained and provided information we could relate to. At the conclusion we had had a terrific talk giving us all a fairly detailed look at the very small world of the seed or mussel shrimp.

Our Show and Tell member's night was also a great success with a wide range of interesting bits and pieces. Thanks to all for participating.

As usual we have had enjoyable outings both near and far. Thanks to all who undertook the tasks of running the excursions from checking out the venue, coordinating on the day and the write-up. We also had 2 very successful weekends away, spring 2015 at Phillip Island and autumn 2016 at Glenrowan. A big thank you to Alan and Hazel Veevers and Jack Airey.

Again, though, we need to say thank you to Alison Rogers for all her hard work in compiling our programs.

Presentation of images by Club members is still a highlight for many members - seeing what others can photograph and where they have been. A number of our outside speakers have commented on our images. They are impressed with the standard of photographs, the knowledge of members and the variety of subjects. Once again though, thanks to David Hewitt for his time and patience as projectionist. Also thanks to members who provide these images, it helps to make the meetings.

As said over the years, the Committee members help in the running of the Club and they are thanked for their contributions. A special note of thanks should be made to Eleanor Dilley who undertook the Secretarial duties again. Thanks Eleanor.

As always a few other people need to be thanked for their work. To Ray Wall for his work as Treasurer and to Loris Peggie for undertaking again the role of auditor, thank you. Thanks also to Jack Airey for his time and efforts in preparing our newsletter, keeping the website up-to-date and spreading the word through his Facebook contributions.

The only down-side for the year was the passing of our friend Ruth Christensen in June. She was a great friend and a hard worker and a member of the Club for many years.

Looking ahead, apart from our normal program including a weekend at Portland later in the year, we will be busy setting up for a SEANA weekend in spring 2017. We have a sub-committee working towards this camp to be held at the Little Desert Lodge. This will be in lieu of our normal Club weekend and hopefully members can get there, and maybe help out a little.

Again, thank you to all members for making this Club what it is and I look forward to another great year.

Peter F Rogers  
President



## Club News

### Vale – Ruth Christensen

In June this year we lost a valued Club member Ruth Christensen. Along with husband Geoff, Ruth joined the Club in 1993 not long after they had moved to North Ringwood.

It only took Ruth a couple of years before she became interested in helping to run the Club. She joined the Committee in 1994. The next year she undertook the duties of Club Treasurer, a position she held for the next 8 years. From 2003 until 2008 she remained on the Committee. In addition to all of this Ruth ran our library from 2004 until 2011, maintaining a detailed catalogue of all the books. As we know she was very dedicated and took all her tasks seriously.



Ruth was a great one for bringing something to show at our General Meetings, having found information to share with members about the specimen. She was always bringing spiders or bugs in jars from her garden or her wanderings.

Members also knew they could always ask her a question and she would impart information to the best of her knowledge. I suppose mostly we will remember her love of Australian bush flora. She used to lament on excursions that she could never see a small bird through binoculars and would never remember the name of a fungi. But she certainly could remember plant names. In later years she was not able to attend excursions and hadn't been on a weekend away for some time, but she was always interested in where we had been and what we had seen.

Her interest in the environment also saw Ruth an active member of The Friends of Loughie's Hill, where she dedicated hours in helping restore and preserve bushland remnants.

She was also involved with The Nature Photography group. Although this was mainly Geoff's thing, she continued to attend weeks away until a couple of years ago. Her last time away with this group was to the High Country exploring the flora of the Alpine Meadows. I suspect the last few years were not so much for the photography angle but more to catch up with friends, enjoy their photography and being out in the bush somewhere.

Ruth may be gone, but she will not be forgotten. Her love of nature will linger on in those who were fortunate enough to know her.

By Peter Rogers

### Field Care Day

Sunday the 31<sup>st</sup> of July was National Tree Planting Day and the Club joined the Osborne Peninsula Landcare Group for a morning of revegetation planting in Warrandyte. We've been working with the Osborne Peninsula group for the last 5 years and members enjoy the opportunity to get out and get their hands dirty for a good cause. The morning tea spread that the Landcare group put on is also a strong drawcard!



Two of our tree planters at work



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## The Committee

The Ringwood Field Naturalists Club Committee is a group of volunteer members who dedicate not an insignificant amount of their spare time to the management and running of the Club. It's a testament to the prosperity of our Club that we have a full 10-member committee. The Committee is extremely well-supported by the wider member community who volunteer time to lead excursions & camp-outs, give talks, and help in other areas.

At the September AGM the existing Committee was re-elected for the 2016-17 period:

<b>President</b>	Peter Rogers	
<b>Vice President</b>	Alan Veevers	
<b>Immediate Past President</b>	Jack Airey	
<b>Secretary</b>	Eleanor Dilley	
<b>Treasurer</b>	Ray Wall	
<b>Committee</b>	David Hewitt	Bob Tucker
	Roger Needham	Hazel Veevers
	Alison Rogers	

An interesting note - this will be the 8<sup>th</sup> year (4<sup>th</sup> term) that Peter Rogers will be President of the Club, making him the longest serving President in the Club's history.

## The Ringwood Field Naturalists Club online

As I'm sure you know the Club has its own website which you can find at [www.rfnc.org.au](http://www.rfnc.org.au). It has all sorts of useful information both about the club - such as upcoming events, the library book list and member's reports - and about nature in general like on the **Natural History** page ([www.rfnc.org.au/links.html](http://www.rfnc.org.au/links.html)).

We're also on Facebook, where you can find excursion reports and lots of photos. Just go to [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com) and search for "Ringwood Field Naturalists Club Inc."

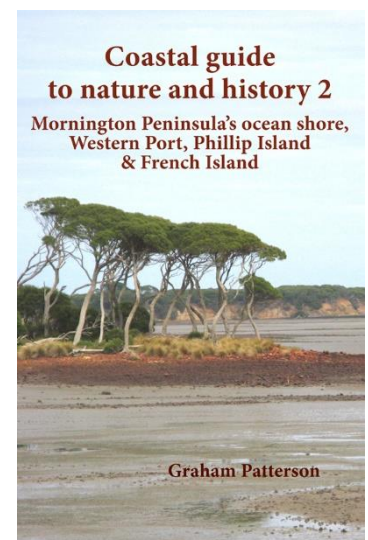
## In the Library

With spring and the warmer weather our interests may turn towards our familiar seaside; however, there is always something new to learn! If you are heading for Mornington Peninsula, Phillip Island or French Island, Graham Patterson's book, Coastal Guide to Nature and History 2, may be of interest.

The book covers the history, geology and wildlife as well as the interaction between humans and nature. The book takes a journey around the coast beginning on Mornington Peninsula's ocean shore at Point Nepean then heading east towards Flinders. It covers Western Port coast around to San Remo as well as the shores of Phillip Island and French Island.

You can borrow the book by ordering it from the librarian via our website (see under Resources).

Bob Tucker – RFNC Librarian



ISBN: 978-0-9923217-2-7  
Paperback 168 pp, 14 x 234 x 152 mm  
RRP \$30.00





## Out and About

### Greens Bush & Cape Schanck

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2016

Leaders: Eleanor & Warwick Dilley

Seventeen members travelled to the Mornington Peninsula for the day to spend time in Greens Bush, a large piece of remnant bushland and a wildlife haven. The morning started with a few spits of rain, but fortunately these soon cleared away and the sun was out as the morning went on.

Early arrivals at the meeting point on Boneo Road were greeted by a pair of Wedge-tailed Eagles floating by to check us out, and they were spotted again in the late morning as we returned to the cars. In between we enjoyed walking through different habitats including crossing a tiny creek and seeing the tree ferns growing in the protected gully. After following the track up the hill, we came on a wonderful "hot spot" with plenty of woodland birds feeding on mistletoe, including a Mistletoebird and Crescent Honeyeaters.



Eastern Grey Kangaroos sharing their paddock with the other locals

After lunch in Fingal Picnic Ground on Cape Schanck Road, complete with a passing Collared Sparrowhawk, we drove down to Cape Schanck. Several of us braved the stairs down to the rocks below to check out rock pools, and were entertained on the way down by Singing Honeyeaters playing chasing games. We were also able to enjoy the spectacular views from the Cape.



After afternoon tea back in Fingal Picnic Ground, members went home after experiencing some of the variety the Peninsula has to offer.

By Eleanor & Warwick Dilley



Grey Shrike-thrush



Singing Honeyeater



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## Wirrawilla rainforest walk, Toolangi

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2016

Leader: Bruce Fuhrer

A large crowd gathered at the new parking area and picnic facilities adjacent to the Wirrawilla Rainforest Walk for the May excursion to hunt for fungi and bryophytes with Leader, Life Member Bruce Fuhrer.

With the weather turning on fine conditions we set off along the boardwalk following the creek and immediately began finding a range of interesting species. Photographers were soon stretched to the limit and Bruce was kept busy fielding a stream of questions and requests for identification. Members were fascinated by the variety of species and impressed by Bruce's outstanding ability to give most of them names, as well as a summary of their distinguishing features. With the boardwalk now cut off half way, we retraced our steps to the car park for lunch, finding more species on the return.



*Pseudohydnum gelatinosum* - Toothed Jelly Tongue



After lunch, everyone drove in convoy to the Mount Tanglefoot picnic ground and managed to add a significant number of species to the fungi list. The sight of Bruce on hands and knees rummaging in the leaf litter beneath the large tree ferns to emerge with yet another interesting specimen for examination was a highlight of the day.

*Hypholoma sublateritium* - Brick Caps

Members expressed their appreciation to Bruce and Irene for this memorable and informative contribution to the Club's programme with an enthusiastic vote of thanks.

By Judith Cooke (Photos by Jack Airey)



*Ascocoryne sarcoides* - Purple Jelly Drops



*Mycena albidocapillaris*





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## Sherbrooke forest

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2016

Leaders: Eeva & David Hewitt

After steady rain throughout the preceding day, 13 intrepid adventurers met at Sherbrooke picnic ground at 10am with the threat of more rain and a maximum temperature below 10° - ideal Lyrebird weather!

We spent the morning around the Sherbrooke Falls area. As the weather kept most tourists away we were fortunate to have good sightings of three Lyrebirds and a very obliging Bassian Thrush. Others birds were a bit scarce but fungi were in abundance and there were some particularly good examples of *Mycena interrupta*.



Bassian Thrush

After lunch we moved to the north end of the Lyrebird Walk and walked to Grant's Picnic Ground and back. Birds were even less common - although many Lyrebirds were calling none were sighted. Again plenty of fungi and ferns were evident.

The bird count for the day totalled only fifteen species, but we were spared any rainfall and had a very pleasant day.

By Eeva & David Hewitt



*Russula sp.*



*Mycena interrupta*



Superb Lyrebird





## The Ada Tree

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2016

Leader: Graeme Fernandes & Ray Wall

Our excursion was held on a cool, sunny day with nineteen members meeting at Starlings Gap in the Yarra Ranges east of Melbourne.

After a morning cuppa we spent some time botanising and bird watching, including sightings of 3 Lyrebird mounds. Unfortunately, we only saw the Eastern Yellow Robin, compared to our 2007 visit, when Flame and Pink Robins were spotted. Most members were able to see the Lyrebird scratching amongst the leaf litter around the carpark. A good range of fungi species were also observed after some much needed recent rain.

From here we drove on to the Ada Tree Reserve where we had our lunch. After lunch we set off along the muddy Island Creek walk towards the Ada Tree. We meandered through cool temperate rainforest of Myrtle Beech, Sassafras and Tree ferns. Our attention soon turned to fungi which we identified with some success.

After reaching this amazing Mountain Ash (*E. regnans*) we stopped for a short break to admire this giant. The tree is estimated to be over 300 years old, 15 metres in circumference at 1.5 metres above ground level and approximately 76 metres high.



The Ada Tree

We returned to the carpark via the Federal Mill Road through Mountain Ash, Balm Mintbush and Hazel Pomaderris, completing our 3 km circular walk. We finished the day with a clear sighting of a Lyrebird near the carpark & then enjoyed another cuppa.

Our thanks to Ray Wall for organizing the key to the gate on Federal Mill Road. This enabled us to transport a couple of members to within 150 metres of the Ada tree and give a lift back to the car park for those that were a little sore and weary.

By Graeme Fernandes (Photos by Jack Airey)

*Aleurina* sp.  
Ground Cup



*Heterotextus miltinis*  
Yellow Jelly Bells



*Dawsonia superba* - Giant Moss





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## Mt Worth State Park

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2016

Leaders: Alison & Peter Rogers

With a miserable weather forecast, it was a pleasant surprise to find 21 members in the Moonlight Creek Visitor Area. Although cool, especially amongst the tree ferns, the rain held off and a dry excursion was had.



Large-billed Scrub-wren

There was a short walk along Gardiners Mill Track. Taking the Giants Circuit, we wound our way through soft and rough tree ferns with plenty to find along the way. Members were intrigued by the climbing *Fieldia (Fieldia australis)*, the huge *Eucalyptus regnans* called the Standing Giant, the fungi scattered along the path as well as numerous ferns. A Large-billed Scrubwren was very obliging sitting still long enough for many members to have a decent look.

In our normal way, a simple 30-minute walk around the Giants Circuit took our members around 90 minutes to complete. Returning to the main track we took a short walk to Trevorrow's Mill Site to view some of the rusty relics before returning to the cars. Back at the cars we suddenly realised 2 hours had passed in beautiful surroundings.

With a backdrop of Silver Wattle (*Acacia dealbata*) in full bloom and an Olive Whistler making the rounds, members had an enjoyable lunch in the Moonlight Creek Picnic Area. Further to this some members witnessed a territorial dispute with 2 Lyrebirds pursuing one another around a small clearing near the cars.

The afternoon concluded with a short return walk along the Moonlight Creek Walk to Maslin's Mill.

By Alison & Peter Rogers (Additional photos by Jack Airey)

*Bisporrella citrina*



### New Victorian plant identification website

There's a new website from the Royal Botanic Gardens Victoria called VICFLORA. It's a current and comprehensive guide to the wild plants of Victoria.

You can find the website at [vicflora.rbg.vic.gov.au](http://vicflora.rbg.vic.gov.au) or from our website Links page [www.rfnc.org.au](http://www.rfnc.org.au).



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## Boomers Reserve

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2016

Leaders: Hazel & Alan Veevers

Twenty-six members assembled at the Blue House Road entrance and were well entertained by a pair of Wood Ducks investigating nest hollows high in a nearby tree. Starting on the down-hill track, many different wild flowers were seen including Bulbine Lilies, Pink Heath, Love Creeper, various Wattles and Pea bushes as well as numerous Orchid species. These included several types of Greenhood, Pink Fingers, lots of Waxlips and Green Comb Spider Orchids. The gully at the bottom of the hill provided a "hot spot" for birds, with a Fan-tailed Cuckoo calling lustily beside the path, Varied Sittellas, a male Rufous Whistler, Golden Whistlers and a Scarlet Robin among the species seen. A Shining Bronze-Cuckoo giving its distinctive call was easily heard but much harder to locate.



*Caladenia praecox* - Early Caladenia

On the ridge of the next hill a large section had recently been enclosed by a tall fence to protect the area from grazing by deer and rabbits or trampling by humans. Inside, additional smaller roofed cages were in use, protecting special species from birds, especially White-winged Choughs. Although it was disappointing not to be able to see the rarer spider orchids close up, everyone understood that it was a necessary action to preserve the species in the longer term. Roofing tiles and pieces of corrugated iron had been placed at intervals inside the fenced area to provide habitat for Fat-tailed Dunnarts and Small-eyed Snakes. Nonetheless, there were lots of the more common orchids outside the fence, affording excellent photo opportunities.

Returning to Blue House Road by a different route, a side track towards Bulwidj Reserve was briefly explored. More orchids were found there, including several Plumed (Bearded) Greenhoods which were protected in small cages.

Lunch was taken in St Andrews, but unfortunately it started to rain and this persisted throughout the afternoon. Regardless of the inclement weather, most of the intrepid members drove to the top of One Tree Hill and took a walk along the ridge. The orchids were again plentiful with large numbers of Early Caladenia and Pink Fingers flowering. There were many leaves and shoots of sun orchids visible, but, not surprisingly, none were in flower. Fungi, mosses and lichens clearly benefited from the damp conditions. Not many birds were seen at this location, perhaps because there was little cover for them.



St Andrews lunch spot

Overall, it was a most enjoyable day in the bush with good bird sightings, lots of orchids and many other Spring flowers.

By Hazel & Alan Veevers (Additional photo by Jack Airey)

Lichen and moss  
One Tree Hill







## Member's Articles

### Black House Spider

*Badumna insignis* (formally *Ixeuticus robustus*)

I decided a full day in the garden was required. A few light showers of rain had fallen and softened the earth and I opted for my gum boots which had not been worn since last winter. All our old garden shoes are under a veranda and because of a porch light which attracts insects I often discover interesting spiders attracted to the insects. A *Deinopis subrufa* (an Ogre-faced Spider in the net-casting spider family) lived for some time in this area under the porch step.

I shook my gum boot and nothing appeared and then shook them again and out tumbled a female Black House spider. The web, strangely enough, was not on my gum boot, but on an old pair of my husband's slippers so that I had no warning of any spider residing in my boot. The web was messy with dust and the literature states the female does not leave the web – not so in this case!



The bite from this spider can be painful and has been recorded as quite serious with pain followed by vomiting, giddiness, nausea and swelling in some people. All other Black House spiders I have found in the past were around window frames or on the recesses of our timber home. We live close to bushland and have a bushland garden at the rear of the house. Eucalypts, logs and rocks form the major part of the landscaping.

The female of this species has a body length of 18mm, the male up to 12mm. As I have been fascinated by spiders for a long time and have collected them so as to learn more about them (then releasing them back to where they came from) I found the discovery of this unexpected visitor a learning curve to ALWAYS look inside the shoes stored on the back veranda.

What happened to the spider? It fell through the base boards and now resides under the house in a much safer place than in my gumboot!

By Cecily Falkingham

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### Tree Kangaroos

We are all familiar with the iconic Australian kangaroos and wallabies which can be seen, in most parts of the country, jumping along or just lazing around. But what about that other macropod, the tree-kangaroo, that spends much of its life in rainforest trees?

In a recent trip to the Atherton Tablelands we were thrilled to have several sightings of Lumholtz's Tree-kangaroos. The first one was curled near the top of a very tall tree and, from a distance, looked like a large dark brown koala.



Lumholtz's Tree-kangaroo



Next day, on the borders of the Nerada Tea Plantation, we had really good views of a breeding pair, the female having a joey in her pouch. They were much lower down this time so we were able to observe the adaptations which, unlike the ordinary kangaroo, enable them to live an arboreal lifestyle. Briefly, these are:

- They have an exceptionally long non-prehensile pendulous tail which acts as a counterbalance when sitting on tree branches,
- They have short, broad hind feet with spongy soles and long curved claws used for climbing, in a similar way to koalas,
- They are the only kangaroo that can move itself backwards, a necessary ability in their chosen habitat. Also, they can move their legs independently, not just hop like other kangaroos,
- Their teeth are adapted for shearing leaves rather than grinding grass.

At breeding times, the male Lumholtz's Tree-kangaroo gets a reddish tinge to his fur whereas the female's fur remains a paler greyish brown.



Male

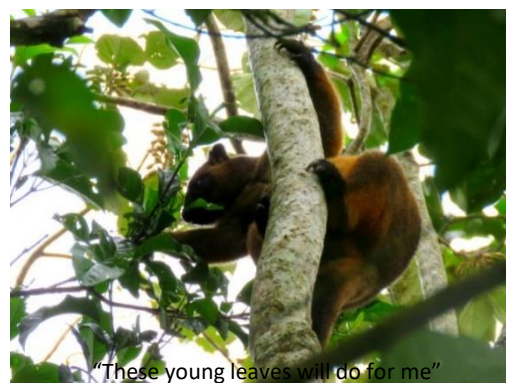


Female with joey in pouch

It was raining as we watched the mother keep pushing the joey's head back down into her pouch every time it tried to get out. Dad just continued to feed on the leaves of the tree he was occupying a short distance away from the family.



Climbing for food



"These young leaves will do for me"

We thoroughly enjoyed getting such a good look at these wild animals, making the experience a highlight of our trip. An excellent starting point to find out more about these unusual creatures is [www.tree-kangaroo.net](http://www.tree-kangaroo.net) which is the website of The Tree-Kangaroo and Mammal Group Inc.

By Hazel & Alan Veevers



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### *Sea Star*

*A soft breeze shimmers, water ripples  
exposed on the reef, rock pools glitter*

*sea urchins, anemones and the cry of the plover  
and colourful crabs scuttle for cover*

*a magical rock pool teeming with life  
no camera does justice to creatures so rife*

*a glittering sea star, sapphire blue  
my search through the field guides offers no clue*

*this mysterious sea star the experts agree  
is a species created by nature's decree*

*on a remote rock platform way out to the sea  
the call of the seabirds – my camera and me.*



*Cecily Falkingham 2016*

## **Have you been on a trip? Or maybe seen a rare bird?**

How about submitting an article for The Whistler? We're interested in anything relating to Australian Natural History - a photo, a paragraph, a page, a poem - it's up to you.

You can send submissions to [editor@rfnc.org.au](mailto:editor@rfnc.org.au).

## **Dates to Remember**

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> - Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2016**

**RFNC Spring Camp-out at Portland**  
Based at Narrawong Holiday Park

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> - Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

**SEANA Autumn Camp-out - Sale**  
Hosted by the Sale & District FNC and Latrobe Valley FNC

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

**RFNC Autumn Camp-out at Alexandra**  
Based at Breakaway Twinrivers Caravan Park

**1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month  
February to December**

**Friends of FJC Rogers Reserve**  
Working bee 12:00-2:00pm



## Appendix

### Greens Bush & Cape Schanck bird list – 32 species

Compiled by Eleanor & Warwick Dilley

<b>Greens Bush</b>	Singing Honeyeater
Wedge-tailed Eagle	Common Bronzewing
Little Wattlebird	Silvereye
Red Wattlebird	Crimson Rosella
Grey Currawong	White-browed Scrub-wren
Crescent Honeyeater	Grey Butcherbird
White-throated Treecreeper	Starling
White-eared Honeyeater	Common Myna
Grey Shrike-thrush	Blackbird
Grey Fantail	
Eastern Spinebill	<b>Fingal Picnic Ground</b>
Superb Fairy Wren	Collared Sparrowhawk
Brown Thornbill	<b>Cape Schanck</b>
Striated Thornbill	Australasian Gannet
Eastern Yellow Robin	Pacific Gull
Mistletoebird	Pied Cormorant
Golden Whistler	Superb Fairy Wren
Australian Magpie	White-eared Honeyeater
Little Raven	Singing Honeyeater
Mudlark	Grey Shrike-thrush

We also saw Eastern Grey Kangaroos, a Swamp Wallaby, a Fox, and a colony of feral Honey Bees in a tree.

### Sherbrooke forest bird list – 15 species

Compiled by Eeva & David Hewitt

Crimson Rosella	Eastern Spinebill	Grey Shrike-thrush
Australian King Parrot	White-throated Treecreeper	Little Raven
Eastern Yellow Robin	Superb Lyrebird	Pied Currawong
Bassian Thrush	Brown Thornbill	Laughing Kookaburra
Golden Whistler	White-browed Scrub-wren	Grey Butcherbird

### Mt Worth State Park bird list – 17 species

Compiled by Alison & Peter Rogers

Crimson Rosella	White-browed Scrub-wren	Laughing Kookaburra
Eastern Yellow Robin	Large-billed Scrub-wren	Grey Shrike-thrush
Olive Whistler	Superb Fairy-wren	Australian Magpie
Eastern Spinebill	Brown Thornbill	Australian Raven
Crescent Honeyeater	Grey Fantail	Eastern Whipbird
Superb Lyrebird	White-throated Treecreeper	





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### Wirrawilla & Mt Tanglefoot fungi list - 64 species

Compiled by David Hewitt, Cecily Falkingham and Jack Airey

<i>Aleurodiscus sp.</i>	<i>Favolschia sp.</i>	<i>Mycena toyerlaricola</i>
<i>Antrodiella zonata</i>	<i>Ganoderma applanatum (australe)</i>	<i>Mycena viscidocruenta</i>
<i>Anthracophyllum archeri</i>	<i>Gymnopilus penetrans</i>	<i>Discomycete sp. (Orange staining)</i>
<i>Amanita sp.</i>	<i>Gymnopus dryophilus</i>	<i>Pholiota malicola</i>
<i>Armillaria hinnulea</i>	<i>Gymnopus sp.</i>	<i>Phylloporus clelandii</i>
<i>Armillaria luteobubalina</i>	<i>Hapalopilus nidulans</i>	<i>Pleurotopsis longinaqua</i>
<i>Armillaria sp. x 2</i>	<i>Hymenoscyphus sp.</i>	<i>Plurotus purpuro-olivaceus</i>
<i>Ascocoryne sarcoides</i>	<i>Hypholoma fasciculare</i>	<i>Psathyrella asperospora</i>
<i>Calocera sinsensis</i>	<i>Hypholoma sublateritium</i>	<i>Pseudohydnum gelatinosum</i>
<i>Clavaria corallino rosacea</i>	<i>Laccaria canaliculata</i>	<i>Rozites metallica</i>
<i>Clavaria cristata</i>	<i>Lachnum virgineum</i>	<i>Russula lenkunya</i>
<i>Clavicornana piperata</i>	<i>Lactarius eucalypti</i>	<i>Russula purpuroflava</i>
<i>Conchomyces bursiformis</i>	<i>Macrotyphula juncea</i>	<i>Russula sp. x 3</i>
<i>Conocybe filaris</i>	<i>Melanoleuca melaleuca</i>	<i>Ryvardenia campyla</i>
<i>Cordyceps cranstouni</i>	<i>Mycena aff. epipterygia</i>	<i>Scleroderma sp.</i>
<i>Cordyceps gunnii</i>	<i>Mycena albidocapillaris</i>	<i>Stereum ostrea</i>
<i>Cortinarius austroviolaceous</i>	<i>Mycena austrorida</i>	<i>Trametes versicolor</i>
<i>Cortinarius metallicus</i>	<i>Mycena cystidiosa</i>	<i>Tremella fimbriata</i>
<i>Cortinarius rotundispora</i>	<i>Mycena kuurkacea</i>	<i>Xylaria polymorpha</i>
<i>Cortinarius sp. x 2</i>	<i>Mycena maldea</i>	<i>Zelleromyces sp. x 2</i>
<i>Crepidotus sp.</i>	<i>Mycena sp. x 2</i>	
<i>Entoloma moongum</i>	<i>Mycena subgalericulata</i>	

### Boomers Reserve excursion bird list – 35 species

Compiled by Hazel & Alan Veevers

<b>Boomers Reserve</b>		
Australian Wood Duck	New Holland Honeyeater	Grey Shrike-thrush
Crimson Rosella	Spotted Pardalote	White-winged Chough
Galah	Striated Pardalote	Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike
Laughing Kookaburra	Superb Fairy-wren	Rufous Whistler
Collared Sparrowhawk	Grey Fantail	Golden Whistler
Fan-tailed Cuckoo	Brown Thornbill	White-throated Treecreeper
Shining Bronze-Cuckoo	Buff-rumped Thornbill	Australian Magpie
Red Wattlebird	Yellow-rumped Thornbill	Grey Butcherbird
Yellow-faced Honeyeater	Scarlet Robin	Little Raven
White-eared Honeyeater	White-browed Scrubwren	
White-naped Honeyeater	Varied Sitella	31 species @ Boomers
<b>St Andrews</b>		
Australian King Parrot	Eastern Rosella	Red Wattlebird
Crimson Rosella	Noisy Miner	
<b>One-tree Hill</b>		
Sulphur-crested Cockatoo	Spotted Pardalote	Australian Magpie
Red Wattlebird	Grey Shrike-thrush	Grey Butcherbird