

Dubbo Field Nats 2020 Calendar of Activities

NOTE: RSVP must be advised to Trip Leaders in advance of all Birds and Botany, Field Trips & Campouts.

JANUARY

- **2020 Shorebirds Survey – Sewerage Treatment Plant (STP).** Meet at STP, Boothenba Road at 8.00am. RSVP to Trip Leader Janice Hosking: 0447001803. Join us to start your Dubbo Big Year 2020 Birdwatching Challenge!
- **25/26/27 Sat/Sun/Mon Long Weekend Campout – Coolah Tops.** Take a cool rest from the Dubbo plains heat in the cooler climate of this higher altitude. RSVP to Trip Leader Janice Hosking: 0447001803

FEBRUARY

- **18th Tuesday Social Meeting Guest Speaker** – Marie Ryan on her North Queensland birding trip.
- **23rd Sunday Field Trip Annual Glossy Black Cockatoo Survey**, Goonoo Forest. People interested in helping in this 26th year of the survey, please contact Trip Leader Janice Hosking: 0447001803 for dam allocation and further details.

MARCH

- **13th Friday Birds & Botany - River Reserves.** Meet at Gipps Street at 8.15am; bring morning tea/lunch, chair, binoculars, camera, water, hat, suitable shoes, insect repellent and sunscreen. RSVP to Trip Leader Janice Hosking: 0447001803
- **17th Tuesday Social Meeting - Annual General Meeting** followed by **Guest Speaker** - Mel Hancock slide show of photos from Red Centre.
- **22nd Sunday Field Trip - Sam Poo TSR (Travelling Stock Route) on Golden Highway;** named after Australia's only Chinese Bushranger captured in the area in 1865. Meet at Gipps Street at 8.00am; bring morning tea/lunch, chair, binoculars, camera, water, hat, suitable shoes, insect repellent and sunscreen. RSVP to Trip Leader Anne McAlpine - 0448387441

APRIL

- **3rd Friday Birds & Botany** (earlier due to Easter holidays) - **Breelong National Park.** Meet at Gipps Street at 8.30am; bring morning tea/lunch, chair, binoculars, camera, water, hat, suitable shoes, insect repellent and sunscreen. RSVP to Trip Leader Janice Hosking: 0447001803
- **21st Tuesday Social Meeting - Guest Speaker:** Mark O'Riordan - Taronga Western Plains Zoo
- **26th Sunday Field Trip - Taronga WP Zoo behind the Scenes Enclosures.** Meet at Gipps Street at 8.30; bring morning tea/lunch, chair, binoculars, camera, water, hat, suitable shoes, insect repellent and sunscreen. RSVP to Trip Leader: Tim Hosking – 0438 600 837

MAY

- **8th Friday Birds & Botany - Down Newell Highway to Gundong Road return to Dubbo via Obley Rd.** Meet at Gipps Street at 8.30am; bring morning tea/lunch, chair, binoculars, camera, water, hat, suitable shoes, insect repellent and sunscreen. RSVP to Trip Leader Janice Hosking: 0447001803
- **19th Tuesday Social Meeting - Guest speaker: TBC**
- **24th Sunday Field Trip - Join with Rivercare for a working bee (weeding etc) at STP.** Meet at Bird Hide at 9.00am; bring morning tea and chair. RSVP to Trip Leader: TBC

JUNE

- **12th Friday Birds & Botany - Jones Creek Reserve: a good opportunity to possibly add the Golden Whistler to your Dubbo Big Year 2020 Birdwatching Challenge list.** Meet at Gipps Street at 9.00am; bring morning tea/lunch, chair, binoculars, camera, water, hat, suitable shoes, insect repellent and sunscreen. RSVP to Trip Leader Janice Hosking: 0447001803.
- **16th Tuesday Social Meeting - Guest Speaker:** Kerry Palmer – A journey through the NT
- **21st Sunday Field Trip - Goan Creek Road, Ballimore.** Meet at Gipps Street at 9.00am; bring morning tea/lunch, chair, binoculars, camera, water, hat, suitable shoes, insect repellent and sunscreen. RSVP to Trip Leader Anne McAlpine: 0448387441

JULY

- 10th Friday Birds & Botany - **Godwins Lane, via Mogriguy; return to Dubbo south along Newell Highway**. Meet at Gipps Street at 9.00am; bring morning tea/lunch, chair, binoculars, camera, water, hat, suitable shoes, insect repellent and sunscreen. RSVP to Trip Leader Janice Hosking: 0447001803
- 21st Tuesday Social Meeting - **Guest Speaker: TBC**
- 26th Sunday Field Trip - **Boggy Cowal, Narromine**. Meet at Gipps Street at 9.00am; bring morning tea/lunch, chair, binoculars, camera, water, hat, suitable shoes, insect repellent and sunscreen. RSVP to Trip Leader: TBC

AUGUST

- 14th Friday Birds & Botany - **Goobang National Park**. Meet at Gipps Street at 8.30am; bring morning tea/lunch, chair, binoculars, camera, water, hat, suitable shoes, insect repellent and sunscreen. RSVP to Trip Leader Janice Hosking: 0447001803
- 18th Tuesday Social Meeting - **Guest Speaker: Staff from Birdlife Australia**
- 23rd Sunday Field Trip - **Goonoo National Park/State Conservation Area**. Meet at Gipps Street at 8.30am; bring morning tea/lunch, chair, binoculars, camera, water, hat, suitable shoes, insect repellent and sunscreen. RSVP to Trip Leader: TBC

SEPTEMBER

- 1st Tuesday – **National Wattle Day**
- 11th Friday Birds & Botany - **Sewerage Treatment Plant (STP) – view the Migratory Waders arriving from the Northern Hemisphere**. Meet at STP, Boothenna Road at 8.00am. Morning tea at Devil's Elbow; bring morning tea/lunch, chair, binoculars, camera, water, hat, suitable shoes, insect repellent and sunscreen. RSVP to Trip Leader Janice Hosking: 0447001803
- 15th Tuesday Social Meeting - **Guest Speaker: Fish Report – TBC**
- 18/19/20 Fri/Sat/Sun - **Campout: Lake Cargelligo** - more details to come. RSVP to Trip Leader: TBC

OCTOBER

- 9th Friday Birds & Botany - **Drive west of Newell Highway towards Collie**. Meet at Gipps Street at 8.00am; bring morning tea/lunch, chair, binoculars, camera, water, hat, suitable shoes, insect repellent and sunscreen. RSVP to Trip Leader Janice Hosking: 0447001803
- 20th Tuesday Social Meeting - **Guest Speaker: Arboretum – TBC**
- 25th Sunday Field Trip – **Burrendong Arboretum & Botanic Gardens**. Meet at Gipps Street 8.00am; bring morning tea/lunch, chair, binoculars, camera, water, hat, suitable shoes, insect repellent and sunscreen. RSVP to Trip Leader: TBC
- **TBC – Birdlife Australia's Twitchathon**

NOVEMBER

- 13th Friday Birds & Botany - **Walk along the river**. Meet at Sir Roden Cutler Park at 8.00am; bring morning tea/lunch, chair, binoculars, camera, water, hat, suitable shoes, insect repellent and sunscreen. RSVP to Trip Leader Janice Hosking: 0447001803
- 17th Tuesday Social Meeting - **Guest Speaker – TBC**
- 22nd Sunday Field Trip - **Little River**. Meet at Gipps Street 8.00am; bring morning tea/lunch, chair, binoculars, camera, water, hat, suitable shoes, insect repellent, sunscreen. RSVP to Trip Leader: TBC
- 30th Monday – **Last day of Dubbo Big Year 2020 Birdwatching Challenge**

DECEMBER

- **Christmas Celebration – TBC**
- **Results and Celebration of Dubbo Big Year 2020 Birdwatching Challenge**