KBCB – WPSQ Bird observations: Kalinga & Benelong Parks 4/07/2010 Start 7:30 am

Leader: Dawn Muir and 3 other participants. Creek flow throughout consistent but low .

Observed birds arranged in order of list by Birds Queensland based upon work by Christidis & Boyles 2008

Common Name	Code
Australian Brush-turkey	8
Australian Wood Duck	
Pacific Black Duck	60+
Australasian Grebe	
Rock Dove	
Spotted Dove	
Crested Pigeon	
Intermediate Egret	
Australian White Ibis	
Straw-necked Ibis	7
Purple Swamphen	6
Dusky Moorhen	10
Bush Stone-curlew	4
Masked Lapwing	27
Galah	
Long-billed Corella	2+
Little Corella	350+
Sulphur-crested Cockatoo	
Rainbow Lorikeet	
Scaly-breasted Lorikeet	
Musk Lorikeet	
Pale-headed Rosella	
Pheasant-Coucal	
Laughing Kookaburra	
Striated Pardalote	O,H
Noisy Miner	

Common Name	Code
Grey Butcherbird	
Pied Butcherbird	
Australian Magpie	
Willie Wagtail	
Torresian Crow	
Magpie-lark	
Welcome Swallow	
Fairy Martin	
Common Starling	
Common Myna	
Total species observed:	**36**

The following codes indicate type of observation, if necessary; H = specific birdcall heard O = flying overhead
No numerical entry in the code column indicates at least one bird of the named species was detected.

General comments:

On 4 July, it was fine at Kalinga Park and remained quite a cool morning through to the end of the walk in Benelong Park. We noticed three Bush Stone-curlews on the tree-covered hill above the children's playground area in Kalinga Park. They were still there when we returned at the end of our walk but had moved deeper into cover. Several Straw-necked Ibis were seen including some with pale uncoloured neck feathers. Twenty-seven Masked Lapwings were observed in Shaw Park, and it was here we later saw the huge flock of Little Corellas. Two Long Billed Corellas were clearly visible amongst the flock. We observed a very determined Noisy Miner chasing a Striated Pardalote from tree to tree. The Keith Boden Wetland (Cressy Street) was looking under stress by over-population with many of the water birds being fed by local families. We saw widespread evidence of bread and wild bird-mix being used.

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