

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

October 2010

Compiled by Martin Cocker

Species	Number	Date	Location	Habitat	Observer
Australian Brush-turkey	1 first sighting in area	07-Oct-10	Kangaroo Valley Rd. 2.5km west Princs H'way	Bush	Carla Jackett
Australian Brush-turkey	1	02-Oct-10	Mt. Kembla-rear of Bowling Club	Forest	Frank Carey
Striated Heron	1	03-Oct-10	Bevan's Island South Channel, Lake Illawarra	Estuarine	Lorraine Pincus
Royal Spoonbill	5	03-Oct-10	Why Juck Bay, Lake Illawarra	Estuarine	Lorraine Pincus
Pacific Baza	1 Heard Calling	01-Oct-10	Bellawongarah	Forest	Carla Jackett
Swamp Harrier	1	04-Oct-10	Korrungulla Swamp	Estuarine	Martin and Penny Potter
Australian Pied Oystercatcher	2	10-Oct-10	Shoalhaven Heads	Estuarine	Martin and Penny Potter
Sooty Oystercatcher	2	03-Oct-10	Windang Estuary	Estuarine	Lorraine Pincus
Sooty Oystercatcher	2	04-Oct-10	Windang	Coastal	Martin and Penny Potter
Pacific Golden Plover	1	09-Oct-10	Waniora Point Bulli	Coastal	Martin and Penny Potter
Pacific Golden Plover	60	10-Oct-10	Shoalhaven Heads	Estuarine	Martin and Penny Potter
Red-capped Plover	2	10-Oct-10	Shoalhaven Heads	Estuarine	Martin and Penny Potter
Bar-tailed Godwit	72	03-Oct-10	Why Juck Bay, Lake Illawarra	Estuarine	Lorraine Pincus
Bar-tailed Godwit	110	10-Oct-10	Shoalhaven Heads	Estuarine	Martin and Penny Potter
Bar-tailed Godwit	42	10-Oct-10	Why Juck Bay, Lake Illawarra	Estuarine	Martin Cocker
Bar-tailed Godwit	67	17-Oct-10	Why Juck Bay, Lake Illawarra	Estuarine	Martin Cocker
Eastern Curlew	1	03-Oct-10	Bevan's Island South Channel, Lake Illawarra	Estuarine	Lorraine Pincus
Common Greenshank	1	10-Oct-10	Why Juck Bay, Lake Illawarra	Estuarine	Martin Cocker
Common Greenshank	1	17-Oct-10	Why Juck Bay, Lake Illawarra	Estuarine	Martin Cocker
Red Knot	60	10-Oct-10	Why Juck Bay, Lake Illawarra	Estuarine	Martin Cocker
Red Knot	7	17-Oct-10	Why Juck Bay, Lake Illawarra	Estuarine	Martin Cocker
Red-necked Stint	10	10-Oct-10	Shoalhaven Heads	Estuarine	Martin and Penny Potter
White-fronted Tern	1	13-Oct-10	Off Wollongong Light House	Coastal	Frank Carey
Common Tern	2	03-Oct-10	Windang Estuary	Estuarine	Lorraine Pincus
Channel-billed Cuckoo	1 First heard	05-Oct-10	Thirroul	Overhead	Mike Morphett
Azure Kingfisher	4	10-Oct-10	Broughton Creek, Berry	Riverside	Tom Wylie
Laughing Kookaburra	1 Pure White	25-Sep-10	Shellharbour Village	Identical plumage to bird seen in Barrack Heights	Terrill Nordstrom
Sacred Kingfisher	1	17-Oct-10	Why Juck Bay, Lake Illawarra	Bush	Martin Cocker
Dollarbird	1 First sighting	01-Oct-10	North Nowra	Woodland	Sheila Emery
Bell Miner	12+	08-Oct-10	Sth Avondale Road, Dapto	Hillside/Valley	Bruce & Josh Coyte
Olive-backed Oriole	1 First sighting	01-Oct-10	Bellawongarah	Forest	Carla Jackett
Grey Currawong	1	23-Sep-10	Maddens Plains	Forest	Terrill Nordstrom
Leaden Flycatcher	1 First Sighting	03-Oct-10	Woodward Track, Sublime Point	Bush	Jill Molan
Black-faced Monarch	1 First sighting	01-Oct-10	Bellawongarah	Forest	Carla Jackett

Thankyou for your first sightings of many summer migrants. The numbers of waders are a welcome return. The Bell Miners are an unusual sighting so close to the coast, but this species is reported to be increasing. The White-fronted Tern is sometimes observed on rock platforms but most records are winter pelagic sightings. Grey Currawong sightings are invariably from the Maddens Plains area but are infrequently reported. Thankyou for all your sightings and please continue to send them to cocker@speedlink.com.au. Monthly sightings are also on the web: www.iboc.org.au