

Illawarra Bird Observers Club Inc  
MEMBERS' MONTHLY SIGHTINGS

**July 2009**

**Compiled By Martin Cocker**

Many of you have been at Shoalhaven Heads this month and been rewarded with healthy numbers of wintering waders. Nigel Jackett has appended his records with the following comments:

*“Of interest, Rex Worrell and I briefly saw a bird-of-prey during the count that may have been a Black Falcon. It flew from the dunes onto Comerong Island where we lost sight of it. We regularly see Peregrine Falcons and Australian Hobbys here, but this was black on top, and paler underneath, with a longer tail than a Peregrine. Flew much too fast for a Brown Falcon as well. Just thought you could mention to people to keep an eye out if they are visiting there anytime soon. It would be a fantastic bird to confirm!”*

Indeed it would so please lift your eyes above the mud flats when next you are visiting!

Many thanks for all your records! Please send in your sightings to [cocker@speedlink.com.au](mailto:cocker@speedlink.com.au) and don't forget that these lists are on our website [www.iboc.org.au](http://www.iboc.org.au). Good Birding!

SPECIES	No.	DATE	LOCATION	HABITAT	OBSERVER
Brush-turkey	1	14-Jul	Mt. Keira Ring Track	Forest	Terrill Nordstrom
Brown Quail	6	11-Jul	Swamp Road Berry	Rural	Bob Ashford
Musk Duck	2	25-Jun	Thirlmere Lakes	Lake	Elizabeth Hudson
Cape Barren goose	2	July and prior	Bomaderry Treatment Works	Paddock	Dianne Perry
White-headed Pigeon	2	16-Jul	Wollongong	Urban	Terrill Nordstrom
Emerald Dove	1	14-Jul	Mt. Keira Ring Track	Forest	Terrill Nordstrom
Black Browed Albatross	3	18-Jul	Black Head Gerroa	Coastal	Bob Ashford
Yellow Nosed Albatross	1	18-Jul	Black Head Gerroa	Coastal	Bob Ashford
Southern Giant Petrel	1	10-Jul	Off Bulli	Coastal	Tom Wiley
Fluttering Shearwater	20	18-Jul	Black Head Gerroa	Coastal	Bob Ashford
Cattle Egret	300	21-Jun	Gerringong	Paddock	Martin and Penny Potter
Little Egret	14	21-Jun	East Woonona	Paddock	Mike Morphett
Royal Spoonbill	30	21-Jun	Whyjuck Bay, Lake Illawarra	Estuarine	Lorraine Pincus
Eastern Osprey	1	06-Jul	Kanahooka Point	Lake	Martin Cocker
White-bellied sea-eagle	1	16-Jul	Primbee	Bush	Charles Dove
White-bellied sea-eagle	1	18-Jul	Black Head Gerroa	Coastal	Bob Ashford
Brown Goshawk	1	16-Jul	Primbee	Bush	Charles Dove
Brown Goshawk	1	20-Jul	Kiama from H'way	Rural	Bob Ashford
Grey Goshawk	1	18-Jul	Black Head Gerroa	Coastal	Bob Ashford
Grey Goshawk	1	18-Jul	Lothlorien/Bellawongarah-White Phase	Bush/Paddock	Bob Ashford
Grey Goshawk	1	30-Jun	Kembla Grange	Rural	Joan Wiley
Wedge-tailed Eagle	1	14-Jul	Mt. Keira Ring Track	Forest	Terrill Nordstrom
Wedge-tailed Eagle	1	20-Jul	Kiama from H'way	Rural	Bob Ashford
Little Eagle	11	28-Jun	Killalea SRA	Forest	Josh Coyte

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Peregrine Falcon	1	16-Jul	Primbee	Bush	Charles Dove
Pied Oystercatcher	13	05-Jul	Windang Estuary	Estuarine	Lorraine Pincus
Sooty Oystercatcher	2	05-Jul	Windang Estuary	Estuarine	Lorraine Pincus
Red-capped Plover	18	26-Jun	Shoalhaven Heads	Estuarine	Nigel Jackett
Red-capped Plover	11	05-Jul	Windang Estuary	Estuarine	Lorraine Pincus
Double-banded Plover	6	21-Jun	Shoalhaven Heads	Estuarine	Martin and Penny Potter
Double-banded Plover	64	26-Jun	Shoalhaven Heads	Estuarine	Nigel Jackett
Double-banded Plover	38	05-Jul	Windang Estuary	Estuarine	Lorraine Pincus
Bar-tailed Godwit	44	21-Jun	Shoalhaven Heads	Estuarine	Martin and Penny Potter
Bar-tailed Godwit	95	26-Jun	Shoalhaven Heads	Estuarine	Nigel Jackett
Bar-tailed Godwit	50+	05-Jul	Windang Estuary	Estuarine	Lorraine Pincus
Eastern Curlew	6	26-Jun	Shoalhaven Heads	Estuarine	Nigel Jackett
Gull-billed Tern	1	21-Jun	Shoalhaven Heads	Estuarine	Martin and Penny Potter
Turquoise Parrot	1	26-Jun	St. Josephs High School Albion Park	Parkland	Bruce Coyte
Fan-tailed Cuckoo	1	21-Jun	Budderoo Firetrail	Bush	Elizabeth Hudson
Eastern Barn Owl	1	08-Jun	Bomaderry/Coolangatta	Paddock	David Marshall
Logrunner	2	14-Jun	Corrimal Escapment	Forest	Wal Emery
Logrunner	1	03-Jul	Balgownie Escarpment	Forest	Wal Emery
Spotted Quail-thrush	2	25-Jun	Thirlmere Lakes	Bush	Elizabeth Hudson
White-winged Triller	1	08-Jun	Bomaderry/Coolangatta	Paddock	David Marshall
Beautiful Firetail	2	21-Jun	Budderoo Firetrail	Bush	Elizabeth Hudson