

Illawarra Bird Observers Club Inc
MEMBERS' MONTHLY SIGHTINGS

November 2008

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A short list this month, which may have something to do with the editor, as I am rushing to get away on holidays!! The number of Crake sightings and the Red-Kneed Dotterel numbers may be telling us something about what is going on inland although on a recent trip to Orange I was pleasantly surprised to see how green the grass and full the dams and creeks were. On my local patch it is interesting how the permanent opening of Lake Illawarra is changing the shorebird feeding areas as I have never seen so many Bar-tailed godwits as regulars to the Kanahooka Point area

Our records for the year are about the 700 mark so keep them coming in and I will provide a summary of the year's records in the New Year. In the meantime thanks again for all your contributions it has been a great start to my first year as Records Officer. I wish you all a very Happy Christmas and Prosperous New Year.

Good Birding!!

Species	No.	Date	Location	Habitat	Observer
Common Tern	8	02-Nov	Black Head Gerroa	Coastal	Bob Ashford
Red-capped Plover	2	26-Oct	Fred Finch Park	mudflat	David Winterbottom
Bassian Thrush	1	17-Nov	Bellawongarah	Rainforest/Open Paddock	Bob Ashford
Pink-eared Duck	1	15-Nov	Sheepwash rd/Illawarra Hway	Farm Dam	Bob Ashford
Emerald Dove	1	12-Oct	Balgownie	Garden	Terry Edwell
Striated Heron	1	20-Oct	Puckies Reserve	tidal creek	David Winterbottom
Striated Heron	1	10-Nov	Puckies Reserve	tidal creek	David Winterbottom
Striated Heron	1	17-Nov	Puckies Reserve	tidal creek	David Winterbottom
Collared Sparrowhawk	1	18-Nov	Woonana East	Garden (with prey)	Nerida Hudspith
Swamp Harrier	1	15-Nov	ss Vale	Rural	Bob Ashford
Buff-banded Rail	2	08-Nov	Figtree	Creekside	Joan Zealey
Baillon's Crake	1	07-Nov	Tallawarra Ash Pond	mudflat	Chris Brandis
Spotted Crake	3	07-Nov	Tallawarra Ash Pond	mudflat	Chris Brandis
Red-kneed Dotterel	6	07-Nov	Tallawarra Ash Pond	mudflat	Chris Brandis
Brush Cuckoo	1	16-Nov	Windang	Coastal Scrub	David Winterbottom
Azure Kingfisher	1	07-Nov	Fred Finch Park	Lake Edge	David Winterbottom
Large-billed Scrubwren	2	17-Nov	Bellawongarah	Rainforest/Open Paddock	Bob Ashford
Scarlet Honeyeater	Several	09-Nov	Bulli Old Mine Site	Forest	Roger Truscott
Crested Shrike-tit	2	09-Nov	Bulli Old Mine Site	Forest	Roger Truscott
Spangled Drongo	1	11-Nov	Fred Finch Park	Cassurina	David Winterbottom
Satin Flycatcher	2	09-Nov	Bulli Old Mine Site	Forest	Roger Truscott
Rose Robin	1	14-Nov	Bundeena, Kangaroo Valley	woodland	Bob Ashford

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