



# Hunter Bird Observers Club

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**The Club Aims: To encourage and further the study and conservation of Australian birds and their habitat, and to encourage bird observing as a leisure-time activity.**

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## Club Announcements

### HBOC Publicity Brochure

HBOC has a new brochure to publicise the activities and achievements of our club. To view this brochure produced by Rob Kyte [Click Here](#)



### Clean Up Australia Day

HBOC again participated in Clean Up Australia by cleaning up at Stockton sandspit. Thanks Tom Clarke for your organisation.

### Wilma Barden Memorial Grant

HBOC offers a grant to provide support for research projects that promote the study and conservation of birds in Australia and that are of relevance to the Hunter Region. For more details [Click Here](#) or contact Kristy Peters 0438 328 049

### Help Wanted

1. HBOC is looking for a **new moderator** for our Google group, hunterbirding. It mainly involves helping new applicants join the group and current members to unsubscribe or suspend their subscription. Plenty of assistance will be given. For more information contact Dan Williams, 0408 023 262
2. Are you familiar with **Facebook**? If so you might like to assist with HBOC's facebook page. For more information contact Margaret Clarke, 0412 616 030
3. There are still vacancies for a limited number of helpers at **Total Field Days** on Saturday and Sunday 1 and 2 May. For more information contact Helen McCall, [treasurer@hboc.org.au](mailto:treasurer@hboc.org.au)

### NEW MEMBERS

Jim Schmitzer,	Fletcher	Single
Anne-Marie Holley,	Hamilton	Single
Gayle Partridge,	Garden Suburb	Single
Yvonne van Netten,	Fennell Bay	Single
Victoria Dixon,	Waratah West	Student
Sarah Cooper,	Shortland	Student
Kate Lofting,	Hamilton North	Student

Welcome. We look forward to seeing you at meetings and outings

## Upcoming Activities

Directions for the Anzac Day camp at Baerami are now on the HBOC web site.

For a full list of upcoming activities [Click Here](#)

NOTE: we ask you to pre-register for outings, camps and club nights at the Wetlands Centre

## Easter Camp Report

The Easter camp at Whooley Tank produced some outstanding bird spotting and some less interesting mouse spotting [Click Here](#)

## Club Night Report

Dick Jenkin spoke about his trip to East Africa and showed some of his stunning photos. To read about his trip and view an album of his photos [Click Here](#)

## Walka Field Outing Report

It's always a good day of birding at Walka and this outing was no exception. [Read More](#)

## CCC Our Bushland

A new '*Birding Guide to the Cessnock Woodlands*' has been produced by HBOC in partnership with BirdLife Australia and Mindaribba Local Aboriginal Land Council (LALC) To read more and view a copy of the guide [Click here](#)

## Port Stephens Shorebird Habitat Project.

Commonwealth Environment Minister Sussan Ley visited to Port Stephens on 31<sup>st</sup> March to discuss shorebird action plans in our area. [Read More](#)

## Bignet Report

Bignet is a network of bird interest groups in NSW and the ACT that meets twice a year. For a summary of the March meeting [Click Here](#)

## Your Observations

Some Recent Observations [Click Here](#)