

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Please tick where applicable. I am:

- Renewing my membership**
 Applying for new membership

Membership runs from January to December and new membership applications from October 1st will include the following year.

- Family \$40.00** **Student \$10.00**
 Single \$35.00 **Junior (under 18yrs) \$5.00**

HBOC relies on volunteers for the smooth running of the Club. Are you able to volunteer some time?

- Yes** **No**

Do you have any skills or experience that might be useful to HBOC eg publicity, online publishing, finance, legal, etc?

The **Annual Bird Report** and **The Whistler** are available to download in digital form from the HBOC website. Please indicate which publications you would like to receive printed hard copies of:

- Both** **ABR only** **Whistler only** **Neither**















- Tick here if you will pay by electronic transfer (details below). **Please include your name in the transaction AND return this completed form by post.**

Greater Building Society
BSB: 637000 Account No: 782260316
Account Name: Hunter Bird Observers Club Inc.

Alternatively, return this completed form with your money or cheque (cheques made payable to Hunter Bird Observers Club), either in person at a Club Night or by mail to the Honorary Treasurer, HBOC, PO Box 24, New Lambton NSW 2305.

- Tick here if you would you like to receive emails (daily or digest) from **Hunterbirding** – the region's bird news and discussion forum?
- Please tick here if you are also a member of **BirdLife Australia** (for Club reference only).

Benefits of membership

-  Support an organisation whose principal aim is the conservation of birds.
-  Meet people who share your interest.
-  Develop your bird identification skills.
-  Discover new and interesting habitats.
-  Learn more about the distribution and habits of local birds.
-  Receive our regular newsletter.
-  Receive email news items about interesting local sightings (via HBOC's Hunterbirding news and discussion forum).
-  You may receive an annual report about birds recorded in the Hunter Region during the year (ABR).
-  You may receive a high quality journal *The Whistler* that focuses on the birds of the Hunter Region.
-  Opportunity to attend HBOC outings, camps and surveys.
-  Opportunities to volunteer and make positive personal contributions towards the conservation of native birds.
-  Borrow from HBOC's library:
 - Books, journals, CDs, DVDs and tapes are available for free loan to members.
-  Access online bird images and members' galleries.
-  Receive special discounts for HBOC members, as available.



Hunter Bird Observers Club

Affiliated with BirdLife Australia

Membership Application and Renewal Form

Hunter Bird Observers Club Inc
PO Box 24, New Lambton, NSW 2305
ABN 62 415 889 446



hboc.org.au

Access the HBOC website by scanning this QR code with your smartphone camera.



Hunterbirding



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Aims of the Club

- To encourage and further the study and conservation of Australian birds and their habitat.
- To encourage bird observing as a leisure time activity.

Formed in 1976, the Hunter Bird Observers Club (HBOC) is the largest club in the Hunter Region that caters specifically for those with an interest in bird life in its natural habitat.

Bird watching requires minimal equipment, gets you outdoors, encourages you to see more of the country and provides opportunities for research and socialization.

The Hunter Region contains many bird watching sites of world significance, including two registered Ramsar sites (*Hunter Estuary Wetlands*, near Newcastle, and *Myall Lakes* further to the north) and six Key Biodiversity Areas (KBAs).

Club activities include

- Monthly field outings, usually held on Tuesday and Sunday mornings, that cater for every range of expertise.
- Camps, often on Public Holiday long weekends and midweek.
- Regular field surveys to record information about the local distribution of birds, which include shorebirds, waders, woodland birds & birds on some offshore islands.
- Monthly Club nights featuring guest speakers and general discussion:
 - Second Wednesday of each month (except January), 7pm at the Hunter Wetlands Centre, Sandgate Road, Shortland.
 - Visitors are most welcome.
- Working with other bird and environment groups, such as BirdLife, LLS, NPWS.
- Submissions on environmental issues.
- Working with local companies to achieve favourable environment outcomes .

Please complete all fields on this form whether you are joining the Club for the first time or renewing.

This form is also available online at: www.hboc.org.au - For members - Join or renew

I/We,
Name(s)*

Surname(s)

Address

Locality

State

Postcode

Telephone

Email

hereby apply to become a member/members of the Hunter Bird Observers Club Inc. In the event of my/our admission as member/members, I/we agree to be bound by the Constitution (*available on the website*).

Signature of Applicant(s) or guardian if under 18yrs

Date

*Preferred name for Club Night name tag.

Please turn over and complete the details on the reverse of this form.