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## **Objectives**

To facilitate and promote the knowledge of natural history, and to encourage the preservation and protection of the Australian natural environment, especially that of the Murrumbidgee River Valley



**Australasian  
Darter  
Janet Hume**



**Glossy Black  
Cockatoo  
Graham Russell**

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Sunday 28 April**

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**Tell me, I forget  
Show me, I remember  
Involve me, I understand  
Ancient Chinese Proverb**

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**FIELD TRIPS** NORMALLY TAKE PLACE ON THE FOLLOWING WEEKEND; (Leeton, Griffith, Narrandera areas) AND ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH (Wagga Wagga area)

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## Welcome to the April issue

I hope you are all looking forward to getting out more now that the weather is cooler and we have had some rain to bring everything back to life.

Our general meeting will be a little different this month as we have chosen to include a visit by author Andrew Skeoch. He is one of Australia's best known nature sound recordists and author of *Deep Listening to Nature*. His presentations will guide you into hearing the languages of nature; developing your auditory awareness, identifying species by ear, recognising behaviours and repertoire, and finding empathy with the voices of other beings. Hearing an interview with him on Riverina radio was most engaging so I'm looking forward to hearing his presentation. Please note that this will be a day earlier than usual on **Wednesday 10 April at 6:30pm** at the Leeton library.

He can also be heard in Narrandera earlier that day and the next day, 11 April in Wagga Wagga see details in coming events, registration is required.

On the following Saturday our outing to local wetlands will include an invitation to the attendees. An opportunity to introduce ourselves to prospective members.

Finally, a big thank you to all contributors without whom there would be no newsletter.

Please note that for the next issue I will be away when it is due to be compiled so I'm asking for contributions a little earlier, Sunday 28 April so I compile most of it before I leave.

Enjoy your month and make the most of Autumn, **Rowena**.

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## Call for Applications for MFN Environment Fund Grants

The Fund was set up to provide financial assistance for projects delivering the enhancement of biodiversity, conservation or enhanced understanding of the natural environment within the region covered by the Murrumbidgee Field Naturalists Club (MFN).

Applications are now open to interested individuals or groups to apply for funding and forms can be obtained by contacting the club secretary via our email address: [murrumbidgeefieldnaturalists@gmail.com](mailto:murrumbidgeefieldnaturalists@gmail.com)

Or use the link that Murrumbidgee Landcare have kindly provided <https://mli.org.au/mfn-environmental-grants/>

Applications close on 1<sup>st</sup> May and the Environmental Grants Committee of the club will consider all applications and notify people of the result of their respective application after the closing date.

## Glossy Black Cockatoo Census, March 2024

**TOTAL COUNT** for Narrandera and Brobenah Hills was 40 individuals.

**Conclusion:** We recorded a lot of male birds with a few of last year's juveniles. This may indicate that the females are sitting on nests somewhere and when they are sitting on eggs they generally do not leave their nests even to drink. Therefore the count has been conducted too late this year.

These birds are really hard to survey as the Narrandera and Brobenah Hills are largely on private land and the areas where they are found are rugged and difficult to get to.

Generally these other birds people recorded were found in the same areas as Glossy Black Cockatoos were.

Raptors: Kestrel, Black shouldered Kite.

Parrots: Eastern Rosella, Mallee Ringneck, Galah, Red Rump.

Passerines: Raven, White-winged Chough, Mud Lark, Magpie, Grey-crowned Babbler, Grey Fantail, Willy Wagtail. Noisy Miner, Rainbow Bee-eater, Black-faced Cuckoo-Shrike.

Pigeons: Crested Pigeon, Peaceful Dove, Common Bronzewing.

Honeyeaters: Striped Honeyeater, White-plumed Honeyeater, White-eared Honeyeater, Singing Honeyeater.

Water birds: Australasian Grebe, Little Pied Cormorant, Hardhead and ducklings, Grey Teal.

Double-barred Finch and some other little brown birds were seen.

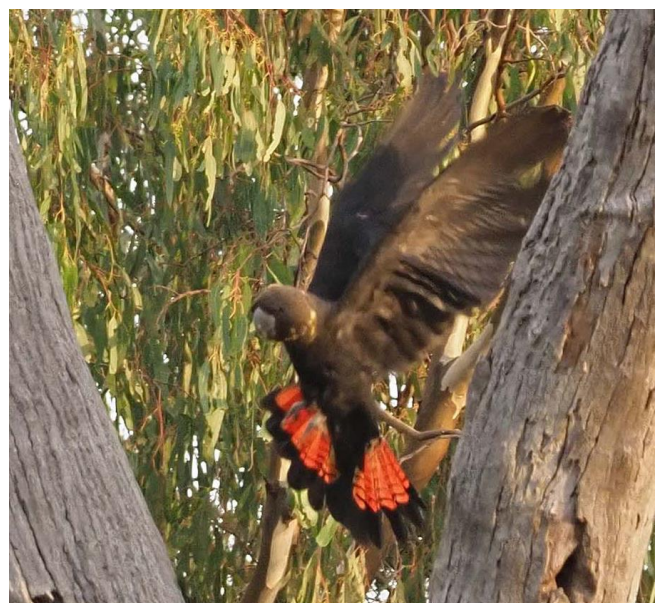
Mammals: Eastern Grey Kangaroo and Black Wallaby.

It rained in Griffith and their count was postponed to the following week. [It has since been cancelled. Ed]

Thank you to the people who spent their afternoon, spent some fuel and diligently filled out the forms. Thank you also to the landholders who allowed us on their properties.

**Nella Smith**

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Eastern Grey Kangaroo with muddy 'gloves' after drinking at dam, Pomingalarna – Janet Hume

White-winged Choughs, young at Mundarlo – Janet Hume



## MFN's Tuesday Evening Bird Walks

Our evening bird walks around Wagga Wagga have been successful and well attended during the month of March. With from 6 to 8 attendees each outing.

Visiting Flowerdale Lagoon, Marrambidya Wetlands, Lake Albert Wetlands and "Hildasid".

We have once again been pleased to offer those new to birding the use of our group's binoculars at each outing.

Exciting to see the change in the bird population with the cooler months approaching.

Highlights have been seeing 50 plus pelicans at Flowerdale Lagoon, 11 Australasian Darter (7 male) and a White-throated Treecreeper at Marrambidya Wetland and 3 juvenile Nankeen Night Heron and a Great Cormorant at the Lake Albert Wetland. And a Tailed Emperor Butterfly at Hildasid.



Images:  
 Pelicans at Mundarlo – Kelly Price (top)  
 Tailed Emperor Butterfly at Hildasid – Sarah Danckert (above)  
 Eastern Rosella at "Birramil", Lloyd (left)  
 White-throated Treecreeper at Marrambidya (right)  
 Brown-headed Honeyeater, Wirraminna, Burrumbuttock (below) - Janet Hume

### Bird list for the month



Australasian Darter, Australasian Grebe, Australian Magpie, Australian Pelican, Australian Raven, Australian Reed-warbler, Australian Wood Duck, Australian White Ibis, Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike, Black-shouldered Kite, Blue-faced Honeyeater, Brown Falcon, Brown Goshawk/Collared Sparrowhawk, Cattle Egret, Common Blackbird, Common Starling, Crested Pigeon, Crimson Rosella (yellow), Dusky Moorhen, Dusky Woodswallow, Eastern Rosella, Eurasian Coot, European Goldfinch, Galah, Great Egret, Grey Fantail, Grey Shrike-thrush, Grey Teal, Laughing Kookaburra, Little Black Cormorant, Little Corella, Little Pied Cormorant, Magpie-lark, Masked Lapwing, Noisy Minor, Pacific Black Duck, Plumed Egret, Purple Swamphen, Rainbow Lorikeet, Red-browed Finch, Red-rumped Parrot, Silvereye, Straw-necked Ibis, Superb Fairy-wren, Welcome Swallow, Sulphur-crested Cockatoo, Yellow-billed Spoonbill, Welcome Swallow, White-faced Heron, White-plumed Honeyeater, White-throated Treecreeper, White-winged Chough, Willie Wagtail.

Janet Hume

## NSW Koala Summit 2024

Leigh Mathieson, Lee Reavely and Joanne Connolly were invited to attend the NSW Koala Summit 2024 held at Taronga Zoo in Sydney on Friday 22 March along with 150 stakeholders from various backgrounds to come together to review the NSW Koala Strategy and shape actions that governments, community groups, businesses and individuals can take to conserve koalas in NSW. Representatives from state government (Hon Penny Sharpe MLC), NSW National Parks & Wildlife Service, NSW Transport, Landcare, Firesticks Alliance, local councils, private landholders, university wildlife researchers, conservation NGOs, WIRES and other koala carer groups were present. The summit was structured around a mix of keynote speakers and workshop sessions around 10 themes (protecting koala habitat; restoring koala habitat (Leigh's theme); land-use planning; empowering first nations communities (Lee's theme); mitigating vehicle strike; supporting wildlife rehabilitators & emergency response (Jo's theme); combatting disease; managing fire; adapting to climate change; monitoring research and data).



**Photo (left to right): Joanne Connolly, Leigh Mathieson and Lee Reavely (members of Narrandera Koala Regeneration Advisory Committee).**

Koalas in NSW face a range of threats, including habitat loss, fragmentation and degradation, climate change, disease, declining genetic diversity, vehicle strike, bushfire, and dog attack. Over the three koala generations (15-21 years) prior to the 2019-2020 Black Summer bushfires, koala populations were estimated by the NSW Chief Scientist to have declined 26%. The 2020 Legislative Council inquiry into NSW koala populations and habitat concluded that without action, koalas in NSW could be extinct by 2050. The goal of the NSW Koala Strategy is to reverse this trend and instead to double the number of koalas in NSW by 2050.

We invite you to have your say:

Reviewing the NSW Koala Strategy discussion paper is open for feedback until 26 April 2024 and can be obtained from <https://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/topics/animals-and-plants/threatened-species/programs-legislation-and-framework/nsw-koala-strategy/reviewing-the-nsw-koala-strategy>

**Joanne Connolly**

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## Item from the Inbox

### BirdLife Australia

[Birdly - Bird identification app](#)

Discover and identify Australia's Birds with the country's leading bird research and conservation NGO covering 938 species! BirdLife Australia's Birdly app is a game changer for Australian bird identification for beginners and experts alike. The Birdly app is not just a bird book on your phone, it is Australia's first bird identification guide specifically designed and built as an app only. It is making the most of cutting-edge AI technology for bird image (700+ species) and sound recognition (60+ species) as well as 200 videos and 200 images in 3D.

Birdly is the new benchmark in Bird ID and a must have for every budding and experienced birder.

## My April observations

Over this last month I have made a couple of sightings which I consider significant and would like to share with you.

The first was at work near Grong Grong. I noticed a flock of birds I wasn't familiar with. I'm not a birdo but am starting to think I know a lot of the usual ones. These ones puzzled me. I made sure I had my bino's with me the next day in case they were still around. They were, but I still had to look at an app/field guide to work out what they were.

They were quite distinctive but having never seen them before, I didn't recognise them as **Indian Mynas** the day before. I knew these are a terribly invasive species and were spreading. So, I checked with Nella if these were a sighting. She said they would be - everyone knows they are coming but recording their progress is worthwhile. Nella said they prefer urban areas but some of the ones I saw looked very content riding around on the backs of sheep in a rural environment.



When I passed my second sighting at 9:00pm on the Old Wagga Road, I thought I saw something that looked a lot like a **wombat** but figured a pig would be more likely on this floodplain location. I turned around and parked where I thought I saw it. There I couldn't see any indication of it. I wasn't going to venture into the long grass on that warm evening trying to track it, so was standing on my ute tray with a pretty good torch but just couldn't spy it. I was ready to give up thinking "Nothing to report here tonight" but then I saw it at the base of an old tree. It was undoubtedly a wombat just standing by a burrow under the tree.

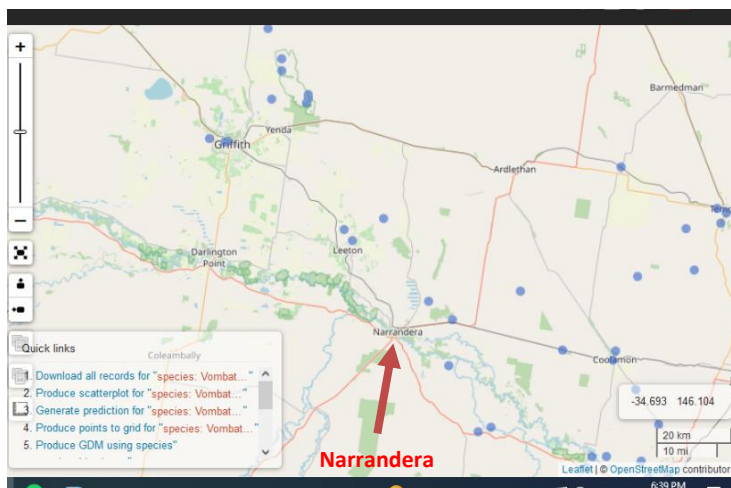
I took a poor photo and put it on iNaturalist to record its location. iNaturalist suggested various possums as species suggestions (it's usually more helpful!), but I was confident in calling it a wombat. Another user verified it (even with the poor photo), so it'll go into the Atlas of Living Australia as a record.

Many of our members have seen wombat burrows at Cocoparra or at "Yarrabimbi" in the Colinroobie Hills so we know they are in the area, but they are a very infrequent sighting. A couple of wombat sightings out past Hay:

<https://www.facebook.com/riverinalls/posts/pfbid0zQpbdrrR11WmxsHcoj1f3FCMQ8CrWWhiFtTyhCmCFnYf25XXuuWbnzvnDVyD9kgVl> made the local news in February.

I looked up the Atlas for local wombat sightings and there are a few records going back to the 1990's showing their presence.

I've checked out what I thought was its burrow a few times since and I think it was just taking temporary refuge under the tree. I haven't noticed any major disturbance or increased scats at the entrance.



Glenn Currie

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## Member Observations

First an addition to the last issue, one of the photos from Graham Russell I included in the Rocky Waterholes report was from elsewhere. He had sent it with the ones from the outing. As he had a little story to go with it here it is again:

**Graham Russell** – I have also attached a photo of a Striated Thornbill and its adopted offspring either a juvenile Horsfield's or Shining Bronze Cuckoo, not sure which. The interesting thing about observing these two was that it wasn't the Cuckoo that was making all of the noise but it was the Thornbill that when it caught an insect would call for the Cuckoo, so he/she was actively seeking to feed the Cuckoo despite it being at least twice its weight. This photo was taken at Currango Homestead above Tantangara Dam on the 28-01-2024.



## Eastern Stone Gecko

**Andrew Thompson on his property ("Yarrabimbi")** on 24 March, an Eastern Stone Gecko *Diplodactylus vittatus* (also known as Wood Gecko). Identified by the Atlas of Living Australia (ALA). It is found throughout most of NSW and into SA, Vic & Qld in a variety of habitats. It is ground-dwelling and relies on rocks and fallen timber for cover hence the common names. There seems to be quite a variation in the tail, some photos show a continuation of the body pattern. We did first send a photo to iNaturalist which gave a different identification which we didn't think matched to the picture in Cogger's *Reptiles and Amphibians* book.



Rowena Whiting (Photo & text)

## Tracking the Australian Painted-snipe

Matt Herring has sent an update to his and his team's tracking ventures.

You may remember Gloria was first ever APS to be tracked back last October; unfortunately they appear to have lost contact with her however she has led them to be able to fit a harness to another bird, Marcelina. They have been helped along the way by various volunteers, some of whom have sensor cameras on their properties.

Here's a final update and tribute to our glorious Gloria, the first ever APS to be tracked. It features the unexpected value of dryland roosts and how she led us to Marcelina, who recently flew 1000 km to near Birdsville. Three cheers for Gloria!

<https://paintedsnipe.com.au/2024/04/02/gloria-update/>

Marcelina has covered a 1000km – her harness was fitted near Balranald in early January and she is now at the just south of Birdsville. They are known to travel north for the winter months. The story is continuing...

<https://paintedsnipe.com.au/2024/03/31/marcelina-1000-km-flight-to-near-birdsville/>

For more regular updates, please follow us on social media or check the Facebook news feed on our homepage at <https://paintedsnipe.com.au/>



## Nature Journaling

**Margaret Strong** brought the topic of nature journaling to our attention. She told us about the Paperbark writer, Paula Peeters who recently held a workshop in Canberra. Some of her colouring books can be downloaded - worth while looking at 'Connecting with Nature – Nature Journals'. Margaret also referred to an article Eric Whiting had written in our newsletter (#310 Dec 2022). At this time I heard from a couple of previous club members: I had filed their comments under my 'filler' category – time to bring them to light and share. Rowena.

### **Louise Atkinson with information from Paula's website**

"Her website includes a fantastic free booklet "Introduction to Nature Journaling" as well as a free Riverina Grassland Ramblings colouring book.

"Nature Journaling is a fun, relaxing practice that helps you connect more closely with nature. It can be used for scientific observation and recording, art inspiration, or just being in the moment and observing nature. It requires no special skills or expensive purchases. It's been around for centuries, but is having a worldwide resurgence (And yes, it is for adults).

A nature journal is a place to explore your thoughts, feelings, curiosity and creative expression in response to nature. It may be writing a poem about your garden, recording the bloom times of different flowers through sketches or photographing chicks hatching. How you engage in your practice is up to you, the only requirement is to take some time, connect with nature and be curious through creativity!"

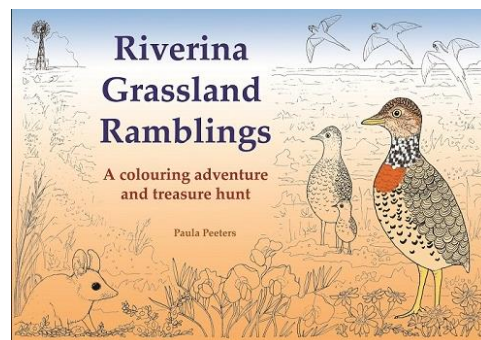


Image from Paula Peeter's website

Here is the link to Paula's website <https://www.paperbarkwriter.com/> go exploring!

### **And Kath Matthews who included a piece from Thomas Paine Bellchambers from *Nature: Our Mother*.**

"WHY I WRITE ON NATURE SUBJECTS. In my wandering up and down the fringe of settlement I noticed, with sorrow, that the lust of destruction threatened everywhere the extinction of much of our native life, both faunic and arboreal; ruthless destruction in the name of sport, that wantonly pulls the trigger on any living thing nothing being sacred —not even the mother birds with helpless broods of young. Commercial destruction, for plumes and skins, that complacently sees the young egrets starve in the nest, their parents murdered that they may be despoiled of their God-given beauty. There is also the destruction caused by the indiscriminate use of poison, which has gone on unchecked for years, doing irreparable mischief."

PS. I have just found this book is available to download from the National Library's Trove website. Rowena.

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## Other Event

### **15 April 10:00 am – 3:00 pm Malleefowl Field Day at Rankins Springs**

**Discover the fascinating world of Malleefowl in the Riverina and the vibrant land conservation of the Biodiversity Conservation Trust.**

Join Murrumbidgee Landcare at "Selby" where you will hear from Malleefowl experts and enthusiasts on their conservation efforts for this remarkable endangered bird.

Speakers include landholders Ron & Andrea Finch, Local Land Services' David Kellet and Lake Cowal Foundation's Malcolm Carnegie. Also hear from Cassie Douglas and Mason Crane about the efforts of the Biodiversity Conservation Trust toward preserving the Malleefowl, and what they can offer private landholders to enhance and conserve biodiversity on their property.

Morning tea and lunch will be provided. Please be sure to wear appropriate field clothes, shoes & hat.

For further information see [Malleefowl Field Day](#) or contact: Jenny Dwyer - [bidgeewest@mli.org.au](mailto:bidgeewest@mli.org.au) or 0408 629 553.





# MEMBERS' SIGHTINGS

These sightings are from members' observations. Please check with the relevant person before quoting any record.

## Significant sightings

<b>Brown-headed Honeyeater</b> [9]	Wirraminna, Burrumbuttock	02/03/24	S Danckert, J Hume
<b>Brown-headed Honeyeater</b> [5]	Pomingalarna, Wagga Wagga	11/03/24	S Danckert, J Hume
<b>Australasian Darter</b> [11] 7 male and 4 female	Marrambidya, Wagga Wagga	12/03/24	Janet Hume
<b>Indian Myna</b> [12]	Old Wagga Road, Grong Grong	15/03/24	Glenn Currie
<b>Speckled Warbler</b> [1]	Livingstone National Park	17/03/24	Sarah Danckert
<b>Red-capped Robin</b> [2]	Livingstone National Park	17/03/24	Sarah Danckert
<b>Crested Shrike-tit</b> [1]	Livingstone National Park	17/03/24	Sarah Danckert
<b>Dusky Woodswallow</b> [4]	Livingstone National Park	17/03/24	Sarah Danckert
<b>Yellow-tufted Honeyeater</b> [1]	Livingstone National Park	17/03/24	Sarah Danckert
<b>Common Wombat</b>	Old Wagga Road, Grong Grong	25/03/24	Glenn Currie
<b>Bluebonnet</b> [2]	"Mountain Dam" via Leeton	25/03/24	Dionee Russell
<b>Australian Pelican</b> [150+]	Mundarlo, 2090 Old Hume Highway	30/03/24	Janet Hume
<b>Nankeen Night-Heron</b> [3] Juv	Lake Albert Wetland, Wagga Wagga	19/03/24	S Danckert, J Hume

**Other sightings of note** These do not meet the criteria of significant sightings that the Committee are discussing – see Meeting minutes for details.

<b>Red-browed Finch</b> [15]	Narrandera Wetlands	04/03/24	Alan Whitehead
<b>Grey Fantail</b> [2]	Narrandera Wetlands	13/02/24	Susan Whitehead
<b>Yellow Rosella</b> [3]	Narrandera Wetlands	13/02/24	Susan Whitehead
<b>White-throated Treecreeper</b> [1]	Marrambidya, Wagga Wagga	12/03/24	Janet Hume
<b>Black-fronted Dotterel</b> [2]	Springvale Dam, Wagga Wagga	15/03/24	Sarah Danckert
<b>Brown Thornbill</b> [1]	Livingstone National Park	17/03/24	Sarah Danckert
<b>Chestnut-rumped Thornbill</b> [3]	Livingstone National Park	17/03/24	Sarah Danckert
<b>Blue-faced Honeyeater</b> [8] Bathing in house gutter after rain, back to tree flutter and quick preen and back to the gutter to bath again.	Palla St, Griffith	16/03/24	Virginia Tarr
<b>Singing Honeyeater</b>	Hyandra Retirement Village, Griffith	03/24	Sue Chittick-Dalton
<b>Little Friarbird</b>	Hyandra Retirement Village, Griffith	03/24	Sue Chittick-Dalton
<b>Great Cormorant</b> [1]	Lake Albert Wetland, Wagga Wagga	19/03/24	S Danckert, J Hume



## What is it ?

A spider sack ?

It was hanging fairly high in the tree and threads could be seen going up the thin branch.

The circle shows what could be a spiderling.

# \*\*\*\* COMING EVENTS \*\*\*\*

Please note all outings are subject to weather conditions.

Please register with the nominated person so they can be contacted if there is a change in arrangements. Registering also means that the leader is better able to plan activities.

- 10 April Wednesday** **Monthly Meeting** at the **Leeton Library**, Sycamore St., Leeton at 6:30 pm.  
**Note change of day** **Author Talk by Andrew Skeoch**  
Andrew's presentations are accompanied by vibrant recordings and spectrogram analysis that shows the beauty of birdsong. You'll hear the environment around you in a whole new way.  
Please book with the library 6953 0945  
**Contact:** Dione Russell 0428 536 290  
**Email:** [murrumbidgeefieldnaturalists@gmail.com](mailto:murrumbidgeefieldnaturalists@gmail.com)
- 11 April Thursday** **Author Talk by Andrew Skeoch at Wagga Wagga Library 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm**  
See above for details and the Library events.  
Bookings are essential - 6926 9700
- 13 April Saturday** **Murrumbidgee Valley wetlands – McCaughey's Lagoon and Turkey Flat birdwatching and spotlighting.**  
**Meet:** McCaughey's Lagoon, Euroley Rd (just before Yanco Ag High School)  
**Time:** 4pm to dusk or later for spotlighting.  
**Bring:** binoculars, torch and supper.  
**Register:** Nella Smith [nella.smith@gmail.com](mailto:nella.smith@gmail.com) Phone 0428 890 537
- 28 April Sunday** **Copy for the May newsletter is due. Please send to Rowena. Note earlier date.**  
**Email:** [ericwhiting4@bigpond.com](mailto:ericwhiting4@bigpond.com). Phone: 6953 2612.
- 2 May Thursday** **Committee Meeting @ 7pm via Zoom**  
All members are welcome to participate.  
**Contact:** Dione Russell 0428 536 290 or the Club email.
- 5 May Sunday** **Murruguldrie State Forest**  
**Meeting** at 9am.  
**Bring:** morning tea & lunch.  
**Contact:** Sarah Danckert 0427 276 306 [spdanckert@gmail.com](mailto:spdanckert@gmail.com)
- 9 May Thursday** **Monthly Meeting** in the Yellow Room at the **Leeton Library**, Sycamore St., Leeton commencing at 7pm.  
**Topic:**  
Join in person if you can. Zoom will be available.  
**Bring along your 'show & tell'**  
**Contact:** Dione Russell 0428 536 290  
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- 13 June Thursday** **Monthly Meeting** in the Yellow Room at the **Leeton Library**, Sycamore St., Leeton commencing at 7pm.  
**Topic: Recycling and FOGO**  
**Presenter: Sarah Lavilles, Leeton Shire**  
Join in person if you can. Zoom will be available.  
**Bring along your 'show & tell'**  
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