

Bird Observers Outings for 2016

21st February at 7am

Buderim Forest Park, Lower carpark, Lindsay Road entrance, BUDERIM.

We will follow the rainforest boardwalk, a pleasant walk that is flat and mobility equipment friendly. For the fit and active a steep path at the end of the boardwalk climbs up to Serenity Waterfalls.

Coordinated by: Judith.

17th April at 7am

187 Lower Landershute Road, PALMWOODS

Richard and Trish have acreage that has been extensively replanted with trees and shrubs in recent years. The property is hilly; however, excellent bird observing is able to be done from the comfort of a verandah chair.

Coordinated by: Judith.

19th June at 8am

99A Beerburrum Road, DONNYBROOK

This is a private working cattle property with lovely bush areas and wonderful dams. Shirley has invited us to enjoy the birdlife of the area. The recommended route is via Exit 157 from the Bruce Highway. Once on Pummicestone Road, it is 6.2 klms to the Donnybrook Road turnoff. Travel 3 klms on Donnybrook Road, then turn left into Burke Road (there is a small sign to Beerburrum). Take the first turn left (maybe 100 metres along) into Beerburrum-Donnybrook Road. Travel about 1 km to the second house on the left, number 99A.

Coordinated by Robyn.

21st August at 8am

Maroochy Wetlands Sanctuary, Sports Road, BLI BLI

This month we are returning to our favourite, our very own Wetlands Sanctuary. If you have not visited this gem for a while there has been significant upgrades thanks to our Council. Prepare to be impressed.

Overnights 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, October: mini extended outing.

LOCKYER VALLEY; staying at ESK

Accommodation Esk Caravan Park, 26 Hassall Street, Esk. Phone 5424 1466. Web site www.eskcaravanpark.com.au This is a lovely spot, away from main roads, with some good

grassy areas along the creek, and a selection of cabins, with camping and caravan options available. When booking, please mention the MWS Group. If we have sufficient people, we may receive a small discount.

On the way to Esk on Tuesday, we will meet at Aston Park, Kilcoy for lunch at 12.30, and then go to a couple of birding sites before proceeding to Esk in plenty of time to set up. Coming from the coast on the D'Aguillar Highway, cross over Kilcoy Creek, then take the first turn left (Seib Street), immediately taking the gravel track into Aston Park. Toilets are on the other side of the highway. Whilst staying in Esk, we plan to spend a couple of days in the Lockyer Valley, and probably another day at Ravensbourne NP and Cooby Dam. [No specific walking tracks or botanical sites have been chosen, but those with particular interests always find something for themselves.] This is a self-catering outing. We would leave for home Saturday.

Coordinated by: Robyn

18th DECEMBER at 7am.

Park Lakes 2 area, Yandina - Bli Bli Road, BLI BLI.

This new development is an extension of Park Lakes which has proved to be a birding hotspot.

It features floating wetlands creating natural open spaces with Australian native plant species, fish and birdlife. The floating wetland treatment system, made from 100% recycled and eco-friendly materials cleans the water and keeps the lake healthy.

Coordinated by: Judith

Detailed information will be sent to all contacts prior to each outing.

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