

Birds Queensland Meeting

Thursday 4 July 2024



Birds Queensland's next monthly meeting is at 7.30 pm on Thursday 4 July 2024, at the Warner Hall, Merthyr Road Uniting Church, 52 Merthyr Road, New Farm.

Birds Queensland videos presentations. Members will be notified when these videos are available for viewing online.

Nicola Sockhill - Level-up urban conservation by increasing vegetation complexity

Urban greenspaces act as sanctuaries for many bird species, so effective management is crucial to conservation outcomes, but decision-making is not always based on scientific evidence. Based on citizen science (eBird) data, Nicola will describe research into the influence of vegetation complexity on the composition of bird species within urban greenspaces in Brisbane. The research investigated how greenspaces can support bird diversity, for both city-wide and tailored species management, as well as how key management strategies affect birds in urban greenspaces. This was found to be incongruent with traditional urban conservation strategies.



Above left, Bush Stone-curlew © Zebedee Muller. Above right, Kermadec Petrel © Raja Stephenson

Nikolas Haass - Tubenoses in the Coral Sea off Queensland – identification, abundance and phenology

In his talk Nikolas will focus on the tubenoses in the Coral Sea off Queensland. He will give a comprehensive overview of all species documented in Queensland waters and comment on their abundance and phenology: many species occur regularly in the area but in different seasons, others are uncommon to rare visitors, and some are vagrants. He will also provide guidance on their identification. Finally, he will turn to the fun part of the presentation: a tubenose ID quiz!