

Birds Queensland Meeting

Thursday 5 September 2024



Birds Queensland's next monthly meeting is at 7.30 pm on Thursday 5 September 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.

Lyanne Brouwer - The ecology of the Black-throated Finch.

With the decline of its former range by more than 80% since the 1970's, the Southern Black-throated Finch (*Poephila cincta cincta*) is listed as endangered. Much is unknown about the life-history, movement and space use of these finches. This hampers efforts to manage the subspecies and protect it from further threats. Lyanne's presentation will include information on a monitoring program carried out on the Townsville coastal plains to study movement and breeding biology of Southern Black-throated Finches. The program will provide detailed insights about space use across the landscape and over time, which is critical to the design of management plans.



Above, Southern Black-throated Finch (Poephila cincta cincta), © Matt Wright

Left, Flock Bronzewings (Phaps histrionica), © Marie Tarrant

Andrew Ley - Birds Queensland in the Channel Country, 2013-2024.

Andrew has been visiting the Channel Country since 1994. Surveys have centred around four major national parks in the area: Diamantina, Bladensburg, Welford and Idalia. Since 2013, 11 Birds Queensland expeditions to the area has made a major contribution to this data collection. Andrew and his colleagues have published the findings in 19 papers and notes in the literature, with more to come.