

Byron Bird Buddies (BBB)
Monitoring & Presentation July to December 2017
www.byronbirdbuddies.com.au

General Info - This program may change, but will be up-dated as much as possible. If you wish to attend any outing, please phone or email the contact number provided. If it's raining the event may also be cancelled. Mobile phone will be turned on for the day but it's not a guarantee that your call will be received. The Calendar also includes outing dates for other groups in the Northern Rivers, any questions please contact number provided.

What To Bring - Always wear covered shoes and bring water, hat, sunscreen and insect repellent and something to eat for morning or afternoon tea and lunch if it's over the lunch period.

Contact - for all BBB & BVBW Activities - byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com or 02 66803279 or Mobile 0428864378

Wet Weather Policy – Take a risk – or phone 0428864378 - the BVBW policy is at the bottom of this program & also applies to BBB outings

Other NSW Far North Coast Birding Groups

- **Brunswick Valley Birdwatchers (BVBW)** - (not incorporated) Fortnightly bird-watching outings – see dates below. Contact BBB for information -.
- **BirdLife Northern Rivers (BLNR) (ex-Tweed Bird Observers)** – a sub-branch of BirdLife Northern NSW (BLNNSW). - will especially suit BirdLife members north of Evans Head. The group conducts a monthly monitoring program in Northern Rivers and assists with a number of conservation projects in the Tweed area. Contact tweedbirds@bigpond.com or please call Linda Brannian on 0409 833 888
- **Ballina BirdLife Shorebird 2020** – monitoring shorebirds in Richmond River Estuary. Contact- Hans Wohlmuth hwohlmuth@gmail.com
- **BirdLife Northern NSW (BLNNSW)** - sub-branch of BirdLife Australia – National Bird Conservation Organisation – contact Richard Jordan - northernnsw@birdlife.org.au
- **Northern Rivers Regional Shorebird Group** – platform for Community groups, Shire Councils, interested people and NPWS to discuss shorebird issues in the Northern Rivers. – Contact BBB - byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com



July 2017		
KEY: Purple shading – BBB survey days for BirdLife Shorebird 2020 (Shorebird 2020) and Byron Shire Council STP monitoring Project (BSC) & other BBB activities		
Date & Time	Where	Why
Saturday 1 st	Ballina - all shorebird sites. Contact hwohlmuth@gmail.com for time & roster	Ballina - Shorebird 2020
Sunday 2 nd - 08.00	Belongil – Low tide – 09.08. - 0.47m high tide 15.56 - 1.35m	BBB – Shorebird 2020 survey
Sunday 2 nd - 10.30	Byron Wetlands – approx 10.30 for a full 4 - 6hr survey	BBB – Shorebird 2020 survey + all site survey if time allowsable
Monday 3 rd - 08.00	Brunswick River Low tide 09.58 - 0.46m - High tide 16.52 - 1.43m -	BBB – Shorebird 2020 survey
Monday 3 rd - 10.30	Brunswick Salt Marsh	BBB – as above
Wednesday 5 th 08.00 - 13.00	Casino Wetlands - Meet at the rest-stop (Albert Park) and toilets on east side of Casino	BVBW – outing and survey for Birdlife Atlas
Saturday & Sunday 8 th & 9 th 07.30 - 12.00	Uralian NR – details to come – private arrangements	Lyrebird survey – organized by Mike Fitzgerald
Sunday 9 th 07.30 - 12.00	Victoria Park NR – near Alstonville	BLNR – survey & meeting http://www.birdlife.org.au/location/s/birdlife-northern-nsw/birdlife-northern-rivers - then click on 'Events'
Friday 14 th 16.30 – 18.00 (6pm)	Byron Wetlands – Wallum Place - off Bayshore Drive – Byron Bay -1 st left after IGA shopping Centre - meet at the gate	BBB – evening survey for BSC project
Sunday 16 th 10am	Casino – Jabiru Geneebeinga Wetlands	Friends of Jabiru Geneebeinga Information and picnic day
Monday 17 th 1pm	Ocean Shores	BBB – presentation to Ocean Shores Garden Club
Wednesday 19 th 08.00 - 13.00	Suffolk Park – Old STP walk track	BVBW – outing and survey for Birdlife Atlas
Sunday 23 rd 8.30	Environmental /bird Soundscape workshop	BBB- By Invitation through BBB Face book page
Sunday 23 rd 14.00	Byron Wetlands contact leoneconnable@gmail.com	BBB – Introduction to Bird for Artists
Wednesday 26 th 14.00 (2pm)	Belongil Estuary	Re-construct fence and put up signs in preparation for 2017 breeding season
Thursday 27 th Start time to be confirmed	Goonengerry NP	Lyrebird Survey – please email byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com - if interested for start time
Monday 31 st Start time to be confirmed	Wilsons Creek	Lyrebird Survey - please email byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com - if interested for start time
BBB – Last week of July – Preparation for Shorebird breeding season and return of migrating shorebirds - place signage at beach access points & commence monitoring of Pied Oystercatcher & Beach Stone-curlew breeding sites. Prepare the 2017-2018 BBB online Excel spreadsheets & commence recording breeding observations. Please, contact Jan at byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com if you wish to participate in a nesting bird-watch during the beach-nesting bird season – August to Dec.		

August 2017		
BBB – commence monitoring of Pied Oystercatcher & Beach Stone-curlew breeding sites and record site visit on BBB online Excel spreadsheet. Please, contact Jan at byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com if you wish to participate in a nesting bird-watch during the beach-nesting bird season – August to Dec.		
Wednesday 2nd 08.00 - 13.00	To be advised	BVBW & BBB – outing and survey for Birdlife Atlas
Tuesday 12th	Details to be advised or contact Leonie leoneconnable@gmail.com	BBB – Introduction to Birds for Artists
Sunday 13th 07.30 - 12.00	Mt Jerusalem NP – meeting at Main Arm Store	BLNR – survey & meeting http://www.birdlife.org.au/location/s/birdlife-northern-nsw/birdlife-northern-rivers - then click on 'Events'
Wednesday 16th 08.00 - 13.00	To be advised	BVBW – outing and survey for Birdlife Atlas
Wednesday 23rd 2pm - 7.30pm	Vallances Road – meet at the small pond at bottom of hill along Vallances Rd and then proceed to the STP gate at end of the road. byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com	BBB – evening survey, 4-6h for BSC project
Sunday 27th 10am – 12md 13.00 – 14.00	Byron Wetlands - bring your own drinks and lunch Please book - byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com	BBB – for beginners and people new to birds Walk – starts 10am to 12md – Presentation – Birds of the Wetlands Part 2 starts 13.00 please book
Wednesday 30th 08.00 - 13.00	To be advised byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com	BVBW birdwatching outing and survey for Birdlife Atlas

September 2017		
BBB – continue monitoring of Pied Oystercatcher & Beach Stone-curlew breeding sites and record site visit on BBB online Excel spreadsheet. Contact Jan at byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com		
International Shorebird Week – Contact byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com		
Monday 4th 8am – 10.30 approx	Byron Wetlands – end of Wallum Place off Bayshore Drive, Byron Bay (1 st left after IGA Shopping Centre), meet at the gate	BBB – shorebird survey International Shorebird Week
Monday 4th 11.30 – 14.00	Belongil Beach – meet at North Beach car park at end of Bayshore Drive byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com	BBB – shorebird survey International Shorebird Week
Tuesday 5th 8am – 11.00	Brunswick River – meet at the end of North Head Road – Brunswick NR	BBB – shorebird survey International Shorebird Week
Tuesday 5th 13.00 – 15	Vallances Road – meet at small pond, bottom of hill along Vallances, then proceed to the STP gate at end of the road.	BBB – shorebird survey International Shorebird Week
Tuesday 12th	Details to be advised or contact Leonie leoneconnable@gmail.com	BBB – Introduction to Birds for Artists -
Week-end 8th – 10th	BIGNET - Meeting Urunga – platform for NSW Bird Conservation Groups. For further information contact byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com	
Wednesday 13th 08.00 – 13.00	To be advised –	BVBW – outing and survey for Birdlife Atlas &
Week-end 15th -17th BirdLife Northern NSW – campout Lightening Ridge – for inquiries contact Ashley Carlson ph (02) 6557 5393 (AH), or ashley.carlson@midcoast.nsw.gov.au or http://www.birdlife.org.au/locations/birdlife-northern-nsw/campouts-nn		
Wednesday 27th 08.00 – 13.00	To be advised or email byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com	BVBW – survey for Birdlife Atlas
Friday 29th 8am -13.00	Byron Wetlands	BBB – morning survey for BSC project

October 2017 – Daylight Saving starts 2am Sunday 1/10/17		
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Sunday 8th 07.30 – 12.00	Vallances Road – meet at the gate at end of Vallances Road byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com	BLNR + BBB , survey & meeting http://www.birdlife.org.au/locations/birdlife-northern-nsw/birdlife-northern-rivers - then click on 'Events'
Wednesday 11th 08.00 - 13.00	To be advised or email byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com	BVBW – survey for BirdLife Atlas
Big Scrub Day - Sunday 14th https://bigscrubrainforest.org.au/?page_id=3804		Note – BBB stall
Monday 23rd – Commencement of Australia Bird Week & annual Backyard Bird Count – BBB will develop a special program for the week that will include displays, presentations and surveys of some of our habitats and bird species providing an opportunity for people to learn about local birds in their habitat. A Program to be advised end of September		
Wednesday 25th 08.00 - 13.00	To be notified – contact byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com	BVBW – survey for BirdLife Atlas

November 2017		
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Wednesday 1st 8.00 – 12.30	Byron Wetlands & Belongil Estuary off Bayshore Drive – Byron Bay -1st left after IGA shopping Centre - meet at the gate	BBB – Shorebird 2020 survey high tide 0700 1.34m low tide – 12.47 - 0.37m
Thursday 2nd 08.00 - till finished about 2pm	Brunswick River Brunswick Salt Marsh & Vallances Rd - meet end of North Head Road Brunswick NR - then to beach, oyster lease, saltmarsh & Ferry Reserve	BBB – Shorebird 2020 survey High tide 07.44 - 1.48m Low tide 13.36 - 0.29m
Wednesday 8th 08.00 – 13.00	To be advised – contact byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com	BVBW – survey for BirdLife Atlas
Sunday 11th 7.30 -12.00	Mebbin NP tweedbirds@bigpond.com	BLNR – survey & meeting http://www.birdlife.org.au/locations/birdlife-northern-nsw/birdlife-northern-rivers
Wednesday 22nd 08.00 – 13.00	To be advised or email byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com	BVBW – survey for Birdlife Atlas
Wednesday 29th 16.00 (4pm) to 20.00 (8pm)	Byron Wetlands – end of Wallum Place off Bayshore Drive, Byron Bay (1 st left after IGA Shopping Centre), meet at the gate	BBB – evening survey, 4-6h for BSC project
December 2017		
Wednesday 7th 08.00 to 13.00	To be advised or email byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com	BVBW – year break-up & Xmas party
Saturday 13th 16.00 (4pm) to 20.00 (8pm)	Vallances Road – meet at the small pond at bottom of hill along Vallances and then proceed to the STP gate at end of the road. byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com	BBB – evening survey, 4-6h for BSC project
Sunday 11th 07.30 -12.00	Rocky Creek Dam tweedbirds@bigpond.com	BLNR – year break-up & Xmas party & survey & meeting http://www.birdlife.org.au/locations/birdlife-northern-nsw/birdlife-northern-rivers - then click on 'Events'
Merry Xmas and all the best for 2018 – May bird habitats increase		