

Byron Bird Buddies (BBB)

Monitoring, Bird Surveys & Presentation Program - January to June 2025

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 provided. If it's raining the event may also be cancelled. The Calendar also includes outing dates for other groups in the Northern Rivers (if known), any questions please contact the 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 Activities - byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com Mobile 0428864378. **All welcome.**

Wet Weather Policy – Take a risk or phone 0428864378

NSW Far North Coast Birding Groups

- **Byron Bird Buddies** – bird monitoring, education & conservation projects in Byron Shire. BBB is a **Special Interest Group of Brunswick Valley Landcare (BVL)**. **Membership of BBB is by joining BVL** <https://brunswickvalleylandcare.org.au/get-involved/become-a-member/>
- **Richmond/Brunswick Birdwatchers (RBB)** - (not incorporated) Conducts fortnightly bird-watching outings. Contact richmondbrunswickbirdwatchers@gmail.com
- **Ballina BirdLife National Shorebird Monitoring** – monitoring shorebirds in Richmond River Estuary. Contact- Hans Wohlmuth hwohlmuth@gmail.com
- **BirdLife Northern NSW (BLNNSW) Branch** of BirdLife Australia – National Bird Conservation Organisation Contact – convener Richard Harris. Email: rha06927@outlook.com - ph. 0438 133 334.
- **BirdLife Northern Rivers (BLNR)** - sub-branch of BirdLife Northern NSW. All BirdLife Australia members are members - especially suits members north and west of Evans Head to Qld border. Conducts monthly birdwatching outings in Northern Rivers and a number of conservation projects in the Tweed area. Contact: northernriversbl@gmail.com

Date & Time	Where	Why
January 2025		
BBB – Byron Wetlands and Vallances Rd Interim Report for Byron Shire Council for 2024 (Jan & Vicki) & Beach-nesting Bird Report for 2024-2025 (Jan & Reid)		
Saturday 18th 07.00 Start	Snipe Count - Seapeace & Byron Wetlands & Belongil Ponds - two groups, Meet at Seapeace gate (Vicki leader contact davvix1@gmail.com) – or Byron Wetlands & Belongil Ponds (Jan Leader - byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com). - Must Register	BBB – Latham’s Snipe survey - Contact byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com Mobile 0428864378
Monday 20th 07.00 Start	Seapeace - Private property -. Need 12 people to cover the site Must register for details	BBB – Full site survey , Contact byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com Mobile 0428864378
Tuesday 21st 9.30am	Cockatoos & Curlews – 6th meeting Tweed Civic Centre	BBB – by invitation
Friday 24th 07.00 Start	Belongil Estuary & Byron Wetlands – Meet at Byron Wetlands & then Elements Carpark end of Bayshore Drive - (09.30-11.00) - byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com Mobile 0428864378 Advised to register	BBB - BirdLife National Shorebird Monitoring High Tide 04.55 -1.48m Low Tide-11.49 -0.73
Saturday 25th 07.00 start	Brunswick River & Brunswick Salt Marsh. Meet end of North Head Rd. byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com Mobile 0428864378 Advised to register	BBB - BirdLife National Shorebird Monitoring 05.5 -1.54 Low Tide 12.52 0.64

February 2025



World Wetlands Day (WWD), celebrated every year on 2 February, marks the date of the adoption of the Convention on Wetlands in the Iranian city of Ramsar on the same day in 1971. **The focus for 2025 WWD is on Wetlands and People** – it is urgent that we raise national and global awareness about wetlands in order to reverse their rapid loss and encourage actions to

conserve and restore them. BBB will be conducting a guided walk and presentation at Byron Wetlands on Sunday Feb.2nd. <https://www.worldwetlandsday.org/> Wetlands are the source of amazing biodiversity and are critical for the planet's sustenance. Let us all pledge to support, conserve and preserve them in every way

February 2025		
Date & Time	Where	Why
Sunday 2nd 9am	Byron Wetlands – Celebrating World Wetland Day – Guided Walk and PowerPoint Presentation. Morning Tea provided	BBB - Must Register - byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com Numbers Limited
Wednesday 5 th 08.00 -	Upper Crystal Creek – private property richmondbrunswickbirdwatchers@gmail.com	RBB– outing and survey
Sunday 9 th 08.00 - 12.00	Mebbin National Park – meet at the Mebbin NP – Cutters Camp Day-use area carpark. northernriversbl@gmail.com	BLNR survey & outing - Must Register–
Tuesday 11th 07.00 start	Vallances Road - Mullumbimby – off Coolamon Scenic Drive (Mullum/Ocean Shores end) Drive to the pond at the bottom of hill & wait.	BBB — Morning Survey Must Register- Contact Vicki davvix1@gmail.com
Saturday 15th	Love the Planet Festival – Mullumbimby Civic Centre - BBB – stall, guided walk & Talk??	
Tuesday 18 th 0.07am start	Byron Wetlands – meet at the gate (if no key) or park in carpark inside. - Contact Vicki - davvix1@gmail.com	BBB – Morning survey - for BSC report - Must Register
Wednesday 19 th - 08.00	To be advised - next outing is decided at the end of each survey. richmondbrunswickbirdwatchers@gmail.com	RBB – birdwatching – Birddata entry -
MARCH 2025		
Birds in Backyards Program is a research, education and conservation program of BirdLife Australia focused on the birds that live where people live. You can learn about birds, participate in surveys or projects, and create habitat and take action for our feathered neighbors. www.birdsinbackyards.net .		
Birds in Backyard – Autumn Survey begins March 1 st & ends April 30th - check out the website https://www.birdsinbackyards.net/		
Sunday 2nd	Clean-up Australia Day - BBB & Volunteers – Be involved - do your own thing or find an event close to you - https://www.cleanup.org.au/events . - Vicki will be leading a BBB event at Vallances Road. To register contact - davvix1@gmail.com	
Wednesday 5 th 08.00 -	To be advised - next outing is decided at the end of each survey. richmondbrunswickbirdwatchers@gmail.com	RBB – birdwatching – Birddata entry -
Sunday 9 th 08.00 start	Private Property Tintenbar – Must Register with Bruce for address & details. Contact northernriversbl@gmail.com .	BLNR – birdwatching – Birddata entry & BBB spreadsheet
Tuesday 11 th 7am start	Byron Hinterland – Federal Private property – Contact Jan for address & details byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com	BBB - survey for owner Must Register
Wednesday 19 th - 08.00 -	To be advised - next outing is decided at the end of each survey. richmondbrunswickbirdwatchers@gmail.com	RBB – birdwatching – Birddata entry -
Monday 24 th 07.00 am start	Seapeace - Private property – Need 12 people to cover the site Must Register for address and details	BBB – full site survey for owner. Contact byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com
Tuesday 25 th 08.00	Gondwana – Private Property. Contact BBB for address & details byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com	BBB - survey for owner Must Register

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APRIL 2025		
Daylight Saving Ends 2am Sunday 6th April (move clocks back 1 hr.)		
Do KBA Easter check report (Jan) 19/4/24 & biannual survey for KBA areas in Northern Rivers recommences – Mt Jerusalem NP (Wilson's Creek, Koonyum Range & Middle Ridge Road) Goonengerry NP & Upper Coopers Creek Property) Cowan Creek Road – Nightcap NP – Mt Nardi & Rummery Park & Rocky Creek Dam with assistance of RBB		
Tuesday 1st 9.30am	Cockatoos & Curlews – 7th meeting Tweed Civic Centre	BBB – by invitation
Wednesday 2nd - 08.00 start	To be advised - next outing is decided at the end of each survey.	RBB – birdwatching – Birddata entry -
Monday 7th 08.00 -13.00	NPWS – Volunteers with Lee Middleton at Byron Wetlands	BBB – Presentation and Guided Walk
Sunday 13th 8am start	Uki – Private property. For direction and details. Contact northernriversbl@gmail.com	BLNR survey & outing Must Register
Tuesday 15th 16.00 (04.00pm) start	Vallances Road - Mullumbimby – off Coolamon Scenic Drive (Mullum/Ocean Shores end) Drive to the pond at the bottom of hill & wait. Contact Vicki - davvix1@gmail.com	BBB – Evening survey–for BSC reporting - Must Register
Wed. 16th - 08.00 start	To be advised - next outing is decided at the end of each survey.	RBB – birdwatching – Birddata entry -
Tuesday 22nd 16.00hr (04.00pm) start	Byron Wetlands – meet at the gate (if no key) or park in carpark inside. - Contact Vicki - davvix1@gmail.com	BBB – Evening survey - for BSC report - Must Register
Wed. 30th 08.00 -13.00	To be advised richmondbrunswickbirdwatchers@gmail.com	RBB – outing decided at the end of previous survey.
MAY 2025		
Tue 6th 08.00	Private Property – Emerald Valley- Goonengerry Must Register for address & details	BBB – 1st survey for owner
Sunday 11th 08.00 start	Rocky Creek Dam (KBA) – For direction and details. Contact northernriversbl@gmail.com	BLNR survey & outing. Must Register
Tuesday 13th 08.00 start	Left Bank Road - Must Register for address & detail sbyronbirdbuddy@gmail.com	BBB – private property survey. (To be confirmed)
Wed. 14th 08.00 – 13.00	To be advised or email richmondbrunswickbirdwatchers@gmail.com	RBB outing decided at the end of previous survey.
Sunday 18th 08.00 start	Mt Nardi- Nightcap NP (KBA) – meet at the carpark end of Newton Drive byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com	BBB – survey walking track & Mt Matheson Loop
Tuesday 20th 08.00 start	Goonengerry NP (KBA) – meet at the carpark end of Garrong Rd	BBB – survey North & south boundary Trail – if possible
Thursday 22nd 8am start	BBB Special to celebrate Biodiversity Day (May 22nd) & Threatened Species Day (May 16th) – Tallowwood & Brunswick River - New Track for BBB. Details will be included in the May update. Guided Walk & picnic Please Register for details byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com	
Wed. 28th 08.00 – 13.00	To be advised or email richmondbrunswickbirdwatchers@gmail.com	RBB outing decided at the end of previous survey.
June 2025		
Tuesday 3rd 08.00	Vallances Road - Mullumbimby – off Coolamon Scenic Drive (Mullum/Ocean Shores end) – Drive to the pond at the bottom of hill & wait	BBB – Morning survey for BSC reporting. Must Register contact Vicki davvix1@gmail.com
Saturday 7th	World Environment Day – Guided Walk and Presentation at Byron Wetlands – Details in the May update	
Sunday 8th	Nashua – Private property – For direction and details. Contact northernriversbl@gmail.com	BLNR survey & outing. Must Register

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Wed. 11 th – 13.00	To be advised or email richmondbrunswickbirdwatchers@gmail.com	RBB outing decided at the end of previous survey.
Sunday 15 th	Boatharbour – private property. Please Register for details byronbirdbuddy@gmail.com	BBB (to be confirmed)
Tuesday 17 th 08.00 start	Byron Wetlands Must Register - contact Vicki davvix1@gmail.com	BBB – Morning survey, for BSC reporting -
Tuesday 24 th 9.30am	Cockatoos & Curlews – 8 th meeting Tweed Civic Centre	BBB – by invitation
Wed. 25 th 08– 13.00	To be advised or email richmondbrunswickbirdwatchers@gmail.com	RBB outing decided at the end of previous survey.
Thursday 26 th	Arakwal NP – tracks & details to be decided More information in the June update	BBB