



Birds by Common Name

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Blackbird, Common [I]	<i>Turdus merula</i>	Conspicuous, permanent resident, breeding.	U/S
Black-Cockatoo, Yellow-tailed	<i>Calyptorhynchus funereus</i>	Infrequent visitor, feeds on seeds and grubs. Largest parrot seen in the Creeklands.	O/T
Boobook, Southern	<i>Ninox novaeseelandiae</i>	Seen and heard during the entire year	T
Bronzewing, Common	<i>Phaps chalcoptera</i>	Rare sightings (latest: July, 2012).	G/U
Butcherbird, Grey	<i>Cracticus torquatus</i>	Common, permanent resident, breeding.	T
Chestnut Teal	<i>Anas castanea</i>	Occasional visitor to billabongs and creek.	W
Cockatiel [I]	<i>Nymphicus hollandicus</i>	Presumed aviary escapee.	T
Cockatoo, Gang-gang	<i>Callocephalon fimbriatum</i>	Regular visitor, seen mostly in autumn and winter.	O/T
Cockatoo, Sulphur-crested	<i>Cacatua galerita</i>	Seen and heard mostly in winter, occasionally breeding.	O/T
Cockatoo, Yellow-tailed Black-	<i>Calyptorhynchus funereus</i>	Infrequent visitor, feeds on seeds and grubs. Largest parrot seen in the Creeklands.	O/T
Coot, Eurasian	<i>Fulica atra</i>	Infrequent visitor.	W
Corella, Little	<i>Cacatua sanguinea</i>	A frequent visitor in recent years.	O/T/G
Corella, Long-billed	<i>Cacatua tenuirostris</i>	A fairly frequent visitor in more recent times – sometimes in flocks of up to 40 birds.	O/T/G
Cormorant, Great (Black)	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>	One sighting.	W
Cormorant, Little Black	<i>Phalacrocorax sulcirostris</i>	One sighting (Furness Park, 2012), probably a visitor from the lake.	W
Cormorant, Little Pied	<i>Phalacrocorax melanoleucus</i>	May be seen perched or paddling in or near creek.	W
Crow	<i>Corvus coronoides</i>	Commonly seen in area. See also Raven, Australian .	O/T
Cuckoo-shrike, Black-faced	<i>Coracina novaehollandiae</i>	Summer visitor.	T
Currawong, Grey	<i>Strepera versicolor</i>	Occasional visitor to the area.	O/T
Currawong, Pied	<i>Strepera graculina</i>	Regular winter visitor to area.	O/T



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Darter	<i>Anhinga novaehollandiae</i>	Australasian Darter first seen Autumn, 2019	W
Duck, Australian Wood	<i>Chenonetta jubata</i>	Breeding resident in Creeklands	W
Duck, Chestnut Teal	<i>Anas castanea</i>	Occasional visitor to billabongs.	W
Duck, Pacific Black	<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	Common visitor along creek, breeding.	W/O
Eagle, Wedge-tailed	<i>Aquila audax</i>	Observed overhead and then landed in a euc obscured by a mistletoe clump where it had landed 3/3/2022.	O/T
Eaglehawk	<i>Aquila audax</i>	Observed overhead and then landed in a euc obscured by a mistletoe clump where it had landed 3/3/2022.	O/T
Egret, Cattle	<i>Ardea ibis</i>	Observed once overhead (Bird Survey 28/4/2016)	O
Fairy-wren, Superb	<i>Malurus cyaneus</i>	Formerly resident and visitor to thickets along creek before habitat lost. Sighting of single female 24/4/2021.	U
Falcon, Brown	<i>Falco berigora</i>	Pair seen in area.	O
Falcon, Little	<i>Falco longipennis</i>	Regular visitor seen overhead, breeding.	O
Falcon, Peregrine	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	A very fast bird that may be seen flying overhead.	O
Fantail, Grey	<i>Rhipidura fuliginosa</i>	Irregular summer visitor.	T
Fantail, Rufous	<i>Rhipidura rufifrons</i>	Rare visitor.	T
Flycatcher, Restless	<i>Myiagra inquieta</i>	One reported sighting 1997.	U
Frogmouth, Tawny	<i>Podargus strigoides</i>	Breeding resident within Parkland.	T
Galah	<i>Cacatua roseicapilla</i>	Common, permanent resident, breeding	O/T/G
Goshawk, Brown	<i>Accipiter fasciatus</i>	Regular visitor usually seen overhead.	O
Grebe, Australasian	<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	Infrequent visitor.	W
Grebe, Little	<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	Infrequent visitor.	W
Greenfinch, European [I]	<i>Carduelis chloris</i>	Several birds seen feeding along creek.	U
Gull, Silver	<i>Larus novaehollandiae</i>	Occasionally seen passing overhead.	O



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Heron, Nankeen Night	<i>Nycticorax caledonicus</i>	Occasional visitor from the lake sanctuary	W
Heron, White-Faced	<i>Egretta novaehollandiae</i>	Permanent breeding resident of area.	W
Heron, White-Necked	<i>Ardea pacifica</i>	Observed feeding in creek.	W
Hobby, Australian	<i>Falco longipennis</i>	Regular visitor seen overhead, breeding.	O
Honeyeater, White-Plumed	<i>Lichenostomus penicillatus</i>	Occasionally seen resident of area.	T
Ibis, Australian White or Sacred	<i>Threskiornis molucca</i>	Infrequent passage migrant.	W/O
Ibis, Straw-necked	<i>Threskiornis spinicollis</i>	Rare visitor – an immature bird first seen February, 2014.	W/O
Kingfisher, Sacred	<i>Todiramphus sanctus</i>	May be seen on occasions near creek or woodland.	W
King- Parrot, Australian	<i>Alisterus scapularis</i>	Common/regular visitors.	T
Kookaburra, Laughing	<i>Dacelo novaeguineae</i>	Common, breeding resident.	T
Lapwing, Masked	<i>Vanellus miles</i>	Common spring visitor, breeding	G
Lark, Magpie-	<i>Grallina cyanoleuca</i>	Permanent resident in park area.	T/S
Lorikeet, Little	<i>Glossopsitta pusilla</i>	Seen feeding in association with other lorikeets.	T
Lorikeet, Musk	<i>Glossopsitta concinna</i>	Sizeable numbers seen during eucalypt flowering.	T
Lorikeet, Purple-Crowned	<i>Glossopsitta porphyrocephala</i>	Seasonal visitor seen associating with other lorikeets.	O/T
Lorikeet, Rainbow	<i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i>	Common, permanent resident, breeding.	O/T
Lorikeet, Scaly-breasted [I]	<i>Trichoglossus chlorolepidotus</i>	Regular visitor seen with other lorikeets usually during eucalypt flowering. Population is presumed to have originated with aviary escapes.	T
Magpie, Australian	<i>Gymnorhina tibicen</i>	Conspicuous, permanent resident, breeding.	T/G
Magpie-lark	<i>Grallina cyanoleuca</i>	Permanent resident in park area.	T/S



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Martin, Tree	<i>Hirundo nigricans</i>	Sighted in area.	O
Miner, Bell	<i>Manorina melanophrys</i>	Gave the area its name, but not currently in residence.	T
Miner, Noisy	<i>Manorina melanocephala</i>	Conspicuous, permanent resident, breeding.	T
Mistletoebird	<i>Dicaeum hirundinaceum</i>	Occasionally seen feeding in mistletoe blossom.	T
Moorhen, Dusky	<i>Gallinula tenebrosa</i>	Occasional visitor seen feeding along the creek.	W
Myna, Common [I]	<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	Common, permanent resident, breeding.	T/G/S
Needletail, White-throated	<i>Hirundapus caudacutus</i>	Summer migrant preceding stormy weather changes.	O
Night Heron, Nankeen	<i>Nycticorax caledonicus</i>	Occasional visitor from the lake sanctuary	W
Oriole, Olive-backed	<i>Oriolus sagittatus</i>	Irregular visitor.	U
Owl, Barking	<i>Ninox connivens</i>	Regularly heard at night but not sighted.	T
Owl, Powerful	<i>Ninox strenua</i>	Rare visitor - Sighted in Furness Park 2000 and in 2010.	T
Pardalote, Spotted	<i>Pardalotus punctatus</i>	Infrequent and inconspicuous visitor often heard rather than seen.	T
Pardalote, Striated	<i>Pardalotus striatus</i>	Can be nomadic, hence this bird is a rarely seen visitor.	T
Parrakeet, Rose-Ringed [I]	<i>Psittacula krameri</i>	Single presumed aviary escapee of Afro-Asian origins has frequented Furness Park over the last few years.	T
Parrot, Australian King-or King-	<i>Alisterus scapularis</i>	Common/regular visitors.	T
Parrot, Port Lincoln [I]	<i>Barnardius zonarius</i>	Rare visitor possibly related to a feral population in the Dandenongs	T
Parrot, Red-rumped	<i>Psephotus haematonotus</i>	Sighted in area.	T/G
Parrot, Swift	<i>Lathamus discolor</i>	Rare winter migrant that feeds in the park	O/T
Parrot, Western Ringneck [I]	<i>Barnardius zonarius</i>	Rare visitor possibly related to a feral population in the Dandenongs . Resident for a few years in Furness Park with Lorikeets.	T
Pelican, Australian	<i>Pelicanus conspicillatus</i>	Seen flying overhead. First noted 2020, one bird flying toward Jells Park..	O
Pigeon, Common Bronzewing	<i>Phaps chalcoptera</i>	Originally rare sightings , now more common	G/U



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Pigeon, Crested	<i>Ocyphaps lophotes</i>	Migrated here during long drought. Now commonly seen feeding on grasses.	
Pigeon, Feral or Homing [I]	<i>Columba livia</i>	Common suburban resident frequently seen flying overhead.	O/S
Plover, Spurwinged	<i>Vanellus miles</i>	Common spring visitor, breeding. Now known as the Masked Lapwing.	G
Quail, Stubble	<i>Coturnix pectoralis</i>	Has been observed occasionally in undergrowth.	U
Rail, Buff-banded	<i>Gallirallus philippensis</i>	Newly resident and breeding.	U
Raven, Australian	<i>Corvus coronoides</i>	Commonly seen in area.	O/T
Raven, Little	<i>Corvus mellori</i>	Commonly seen in area.	O/T
Ringneck Parrot, Western [I]	<i>Barnardius zonarius</i>	Rare visitor possibly related to a feral population in the Dandenongs .	
Robin, Pink	<i>Petroica rodinogaster</i>	Seen in thickets near creek in winter.	U
Robin, Scarlet	<i>Petroica multicolor</i>	Irregular visitor.	U
Rock Dove [I]	<i>Columba livia</i>	Common suburban resident frequently seen flying overhead.	O/S
Rosella, Crimson	<i>Platycercus elegans</i>	Frequent winter visitor.	T
Rosella, Eastern	<i>Platycercus eximius</i>	Common, permanent resident, breeding.	T/G
Rosella, Yellow	<i>Platycercus elegans flaveolus</i>	Rare visitor.	T
Scrubwren, White-browed	<i>Sericornis frontalis</i>	Common, permanent resident, breeding.	U
Shrike-thrush, Grey	<i>Colluricincla harmonica</i>	Rarely seen visitor - has a rich and varied song	U
SilverEye	<i>Zosterops lateralis</i>	Formerly common, but now rare, garden visitor seen in area along creek.	T/U
Sittella, Varied	<i>Daphoenositta chrysoptera</i>	Seen in area, always moves downwards on trunk of tree.	T
Sparrow, Eurasian Tree [I]	<i>Passer montanus</i>	Suburban street resident; less common than house sparrow.	T/U/S
Sparrow, House [I]	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	Common suburban street resident, breeding	U/S



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Spinebill, Eastern	<i>Acanthorhynchus tenuirostris</i>	Regular winter visitor to area.	T/U
Starling, Common [I]	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	Common, permanent resident, breeding.	T/G/S
Swallow, Welcome	<i>Hirundo neoxena</i>	Commonly seen flying over grassed area, chasing small insects.	O
Swamphen, Purple	<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>	First seen 2013.	U
Swan, Black	<i>Cygnus atratus</i>	Observed once flying overhead.	O
Swift, Spine-tailed	<i>Hirundapus caudacutus</i>	Summer migrant preceding stormy weather changes.	O
Thornbill, Brown	<i>Acanthiza pusilla</i>	Regular visitor to bush thickets.	T/U
Thornbill, Striated	<i>Acanthiza lineata</i>	Infrequent summer visitor, breeding.	T
Thrush, Song [I]	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>	Unobtrusive resident usually seen in winter.	U
Turtle-Dove, Spotted [I]	<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>	Common street resident.	G
Wattlebird, Little	<i>Anthochaera chrysoptera</i>	Frequent visitor.	T
Wattlebird, Red	<i>Anthochaera carunculata</i>	Common, permanent resident, breeding.	T
Whistler, Golden	<i>Pachycephala pectoralis</i>	Occasionally seen in neighbouring gardens	T
Wagtail, Willie	<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>	Common, permanent resident along creek.	T/U/G

[I] denotes an introduced species

Habitat Legend

W = associated with water in the creek
T = foliage/branches of medium to large trees
U = undergrowth and thickets along the creek
G = usually found on grassy areas in the park
S = Often seen on power lines, fences, rooves &c
O = Usually seen overhead.