

Results of The Blackburn Creeklands

Autumn Bird Survey, Saturday, 30th April, 2022

From 7.30 – 9.10 am. Total number in attendance: 28

Leaders: Pat Bingham (Birdlife Australia) & Ian Moodie (Whitehorse Council).

Area covered Blacks Walk flat section both sides bridge, Pakenham Street to Furness St Bridge (both sides creek). Weather sunny after heavy rain overnight, no wind. Bird calls everywhere.

	Species (common name)	H= heard only S= sighted	Number 5 or more = lots	
1	Rainbow lorikeet	S	Lots	Everywhere
2	Kookaburra	S	Lots	Blacks Walk, Kalang & Furness Parks
3	Magpie	S	Lots	Everywhere
4	Noisy Miner	S	Lots	Everywhere, nests seen
5	Galah	S	Lots	Blacks Walk, Furness
6	Little Corella	S	Lots	Kalang, Blacks Walk,
7	Little Raven	S	Lots	Blacks Walk, Kalang
8	Grey Butcher Bird	S	Lots	Blacks walk, Kalang, Furness
9	Musk Lorikeet	S	Lots	Blacks Walk, Kalang
10	Tawny Frogmouth	S	Lots	Blacks walk, Kalang, Furness
11	Welcome Swallow	S	Lots	Blacks walk, Kalang
12	Pardalote	H	2	Blacks walk
13	Gang Gang Cockatoo	S	4	Blacks Walk, Furness
14	Spotted Dove (I)	S	4	Blacks Walk, Furness
15	Crested Pigeon	S	2	Furness
16	Pied Currawong	S	Lots	Kalang, Blacks walk
17	King Parrot	S	Lots	Kalang, Furness
18	Magpie Lark	S	Lots	Blacks walk, Kalang, Furness
19	Brown Thornbill	S	4	Furness
20	Wood Duck	S	Lots	Blacks Walk
21	Australian Black Duck	S	Lots	Blacks Walk, Kalang(flying)
22	Red Wattle Bird	S(1), H(1)	2	Blacks W, Furness
23	Crimson Rosella	S	4	Furness, Kalang
24	Long Billed Corella	S	1	Furness
25	Indian Mynah (I)	S	2	Blacks Walk
26	Golden Whistler	S (female)	1	Kalang

(I) = introduced species

There was one unconfirmed sighting of a **Bell Miner** or **Bellbird**. Our rule is that we need two attendees to agree on a species before it is added to the list.

Bellbirds used to be common around the park – leading to central Blackburn being called the “Bellbird Area”. This is largely a real-estate concept now – the Bellbirds having migrated out of the area many years ago. Wouldn't it be great if they were making a return?