

Bird Census at Lake Claremont

17 January 2021

Note:

The morning the bird census was conducted was warm with a gusting easterly breeze, which inhibited observation of the smaller birds.

The lake was dry except for a small shallow patch of water in the southern part (see photo). The bushland is tinder dry.

158 individuals of 24 species were observed. This is lower than our average summer census, which has sometimes been conducted when there has been water in the lake. Unsurprisingly, no waterfowl were present.



Lake Claremont Bird Census	Summer 2021	Summer average
	17/01/21	
Common Name		
Blue-billed Duck		0.2
Pink-eared Duck		4.6
Black Swan		5.1
Australian Shelduck		6.1
Hardhead		0.2
Australasian Shoveler		1.8
Pacific Black Duck		77.5
Domestic Duck (Mallard)		0.0
Grey Teal		31.9
Chestnut Teal		0.1
Freckled Duck		0.0
Musk Duck		0.0
Australian Wood Duck		2.9
Australasian Grebe		3.4
Hoary-headed Grebe		0.6
Rock Dove		0.0
Spotted Dove	6	2.7
Laughing Dove		1.8
Horsfield's Bronze Cuckoo		0.0
Pallid Cuckoo		0.0
Southern Boobook		0.0
Tawny Frogmouth		0.0
Buff-banded Rail		0.5
Australian Spotted Crake		0.6
Baillon's Crake		0.1
Spotless Crake		0.0
Purple Swamphen	22	12.4
Dusky Moorhen		2.6
Black-tailed Native-hen		0.0
Eurasian Coot		26.0
Red-necked Avocet		3.7
Black-winged Stilt		31.1
Banded Stilt		0.0
Black-fronted Dotterel		1.1
Red-kneed Dotterel		2.2
Masked Lapwing		0.0
Terek Sandpiper		0.0
Sharp-tailed Sandpiper		0.2
Long-toed Stint		0.0
Common Greenshank		0.0
Marsh Sandpiper		0.0
Wood Sandpiper		0.1
Silver Gull		36.2
Caspian Tern		0.0

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Australian Pelican		0.0
Australian Little Bittern		0.0
Nankeen Night-Heron		0.1
White-necked Heron		0.1
Great Egret		0.2
White-faced Heron		2.2
Australian White Ibis	2	3.0
Straw-necked Ibis	2	5.6
Yellow-billed Spoonbill		0.1
Glossy Ibis		0.0
Little Pied Cormorant		1.1
Great Cormorant		0.0
Little Black Cormorant		0.0
Pied Cormorant		0.0
Australasian Darter	1	0.0
Black-shouldered Kite		0.4
Whistling Kite		0.1
Swamp Harrier		0.0
Brown Goshawk		0.1
Collared Sparrowhawk		0.0
Nankeen Kestrel		0.0
Australian Hobby	1	0.0
Rainbow Bee-eater		0.0
Sacred Kingfisher	1	0.1
Laughing Kookaburra	3	1.8
Red-tailed Black-Cockatoo	3	0.1
Carnaby's Black-Cockatoo	3	0.4
Galah	9	6.1
Long-billed Corella		0.5
Little Corella	15	21.2
Australian Ringneck		3.1
Rainbow Lorikeet	22	21.8
Purple-backed Fairy-wren		0.0
Splendid Fairy-wren		0.0
Brown Honeyeater		1.5
New Holland Honeyeater	5	0.3
White-cheeked Honeyeater		1.3
Western Spinebill		0.1
White-fronted Chat		0.0
Red Wattlebird	9	17.1
Western Wattlebird		0.0
Singing Honeyeater	6	5.0
Spotted Pardalote		0.0
Striated Pardalote		0.3
Western Gerygone	3	0.3
Weebill	2	0.9
White-browed Scrubwren		0.0
Yellow-rumped Thornbill		0.0

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Inland Thornbill		0.0
Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike		0.6
Rufous Whistler		0.0
Australian Magpie	10	12.2
Grey Butcherbird		1.8
Willie Wagtail	11	15.5
Grey Fantail	1	0.1
Australian Raven	12	14.0
Magpie-lark	6	10.1
Little Grassbird		0.6
Brown Songlark		0.0
Australian Reed-Warbler		2.9
Tree Martin		7.3
Welcome Swallow		15.4
Silvereye	3	7.8
Species	24	27.7
Individuals	158	401.1

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