

## **MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF BIRDS SA**

held on 20 January 2017 at the  
CHARLES HAWKER CONFERENCE CENTRE, WAITE ROAD, URRBRAE

### **OPENING**

David Paton (President) opened the general meeting of Birds SA at 7:55 pm.

### **MINUTES**

Barbara Wheaton moved that the "Minutes of the General Meeting held on 25 November 2016 as posted on the website be accepted". Seconded by Merinda Hyland. Carried.

### **NEW MEMBERS**

Gregory Moss - Hope Valley  
Cate Moss - Hope Valley  
Margaret Marshall & David Balloch - Aldinga Beach  
John Pumpa - Sefton Park  
Ann Hentschke - Victor Harbor  
Heather Cosh – Modbury  
Dani Austin & Sam Ryan - Kingston Park  
Manfred Feuser - Lilydale, Victoria  
Carole Anne Fooks & Geoffrey Higgs – Campbelltown  
Scott Perry - Adelaide

David Paton gave a warm welcome to all the new members and hoped they spend a long and happy time bird watching.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

David Paton said that the latest journal is on the table and it will save postage if you pick it up.

### **SPEAKER**

Daniel Rogers introduced Randall Johnson to talk on "Translating the Landscape Assessment Framework for the Adelaide and Mount Lofty Ranges into targeted restoration action." Before Randall started to speak in detail about the topic he apologized to those who listened to this talk at the recent Natural Resources Management Science Conference in Adelaide late last year.

Areas covered in his talk were How Much?; Where? And What?. Randall discussed examples of restoration at Frahns Farm, Monarto; the Relationship between 'vegetation condition' and ground-foraging woodland bird habitat resources; Grassland reptiles; Trees for Life Paddock Tree Project; and Restoration Strategies for Beautiful Firetail on Deep Creek Leaslands.

### **BIRD CALL**

Graham Carpenter reported more Yellow-tailed Black Cockatoos flying over the city and also at the Kooyonga Golf Course.

Other sightings:

Red-tailed Tropicbird – West Beach

Yellow-tailed Black Cockatoo – Scott Creek  
Sulphur-crested Cockatoo (exploring nest hole) – Magill  
Freckled Duck – Rymill Park, Adelaide  
White-throated Gerygone – near Warren CP  
Black-chinned Honeyeater – Port Elliott  
Reef Egret – Middleton Rocks  
Crested Shrike-tit – Port Elliott  
Musk Duck – Magazine Road, Dry Creek  
White-bellied Sea Eagle – Waitpinga, Swan Reach  
Latham's Snipe, Blue-billed Duck, Musk Duck, Pelican – Laratinga Wetlands, Mount Barker  
Tawny Frogmouth – Sturt Gorge RP

### **FIELD TRIPS**

Lynton Huxley summarised the upcoming excursions for the next few months –  
Sunday, 29 January – Riverglades and Rocky Gully Wetlands  
Saturday, 11 February – Laratinga Wetlands  
Thursday, 16 February – Magazine Road Wetlands, Dry Creek

Details of all the excursions are on the notice board.

The Easter campout will be a bush camp near Kingston, S.E.

### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

John Hatch brought up the clearance of gum and pine trees at Glenside for the new housing development and suggested we write a letter to the relevant people.

### **CLOSE AND NEXT MEETING**

David Paton closed the meeting at 9:05 pm. The next meeting will be on 24 February 2017.

Signed..... Date.....