

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF BIRDS SA

held on 25 August 2017 at the

CHARLES HAWKER CONFERENCE CENTRE, WAITE ROAD, URRBRAE

OPENING

John Gitsham (President) opened the general meeting of Birds SA at 7:50 pm and welcomed everyone. He said that Colin Rogers had run a workshop on wader identification for trainees prior to this meeting.

APOLOGIES

Rodney Attwood, Barbara Bansemer, Merilyn Browne, Graham Carpenter

ANNOUNCEMENT

John Gitsham announced the death of Rodney Attwood's wife Penny.

MINUTES

Bob Whatmough moved that the "Minutes of the General Meeting held on 28 July 2017 as posted on the website be accepted". Seconded by John Gitsham. Carried.

NEW MEMBERS

Stephen Ramm, Miles Ramm and Perdita Hope (Eden Hills)

Carola Sanders (Hahndorf)

Nina Leak (Mylor)

SPEAKER

John Hatch introduced the speaker Colin Rogers. Colin gave a talk on "Explaining the decline in migrant shorebirds in Dry Creek Saltfields (DCS) 1985-1986 to 2015-16".

CONSERVATION

The presentation by Lend Lease on the Northern Connector on Tuesday, 14 August was very successful with 35 members attending.

BIRD CALL (John Hatch)

Tawny Frogmouth – Anstey Hill Conservation Park

Red and Little Wattlebirds, Maned Duck – Lochiel Park, young have already fledged

Striated Pardalote – Anstey Hill Conservation Park

Australian Magpie – 26 at Young Street, Reynella

White Goshawk – Valley Lake, Mount Gambier

Fiordland Penguin – Port MacDonnell

Hutton's Shearwater, Antarctic Tern – off Port MacDonnell

Northern Shoveler – northern Coorong

Fairy Tern – Beacon 19 Boat Ramp, Coorong

Pink-eared Duck – Thompson Beach

Little Corella – Parklands Wakefield Road/East Terrace – feeding on olives

Black-tailed Nativehen – near Gawler, Lochiel Park, and Thorndon Park

FIELD TRIPS

Lynton Huxley that upcoming excursions are on the noticeboard. Next Sunday, Rod Tetlow will lead the trip to Charleston Conservation Park.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Peter Gower pointed out that Peter McKenzie was responsible for the photos in *The Birder*.

John Gitsham said that on 20 September Andrew Black and Peter Gower would launch their new book on grasswrens at the Holden Street Theatres, Hindmarsh.

John Gitsham gave thanks to Hazel Cowie and Karen Huxley for providing the food on Members' Night, 28 July.

John Gitsham provided details of the meeting he had recently with Adelaide International Bird Sanctuary Operations Coordinator, Ian Falkenberg.

CLOSE AND NEXT MEETING

John Gitsham closed the meeting at 9:20 pm. The next meeting is on 29 September 2017 and the speakers will be Andrew Black and Peter Gower.

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

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