



# Dubbo Field Naturalist & Conservation Society Inc.

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## 2024 CALENDAR

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**NOTE: RSVP must be advised to Trip Leaders in advance of all Birds and Botany, Field Trips and Campouts.**  
**All Social Nights will now commence at 7pm**

### FEBRUARY

- 4<sup>th</sup> Friday Birds & Botany – **No Birds and Botany**
- 6<sup>th</sup> – Committee Meeting
- 20<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Social Meeting – Members Night – Rob Quinan showing and talking about Mallee Fowl Surveys done at Yathong Nature Reserve recently.
- 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday Field Trip - Luke Tomlin Property adjacent to Beni SCA. Meet at 8am at Gipps Street. Trip Leader: Janice Hosking. RSVP to 0447 001 803

### MARCH

- 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Committee meeting
- 8<sup>th</sup> Friday Bird & Botany – Goonoo SCA to check out burnt area along Frosts Road. Trip Leader: Janice Hosking. RSVP to 0447 001 803.
- 19<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Social Meeting – **AGM** and members night. All positions are vacant.
- 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday Field Trip – Trip to Ros and Keith Orchard's property, 204L Peak Hill Road. Meet at 8am at Gipps Street. Trip Leader: Janice Hosking. RSVP to 0447 001 803.

### APRIL

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday New Committee meeting
- 12<sup>th</sup> Friday Birds & Botany, Goonoo Southern Area. Trip Leader TBA
- 16<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Social Meeting – Guest Speaker: member Jada to tell us all about fungi.
- 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday Field Trip to Narromine Wetlands. May see White-winged Fairywrens and Magpie Geese. Meet at 8am at Gipps Street. Trip Leader: TBA

### MAY

- 7<sup>th</sup> Committee meeting
- 10<sup>th</sup> Friday B&B - Wongarbron Tank – meet at 8:30am at Gipps Street. RSVP to trip Leader Rob Quinan 0499 040 803.
- 21<sup>st</sup> Tuesday Social Meeting – Dr Kimberly Maute will be our speaker – “Birds”.
- 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday Field Trip – Burrendong Arboretum. Meet at 8:30am at Gipps Street. Trip Leader: Mel Hancock 0408 433 493.

### JUNE

- 7<sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting
- 14<sup>th</sup> Friday B&B – Jones Creek Reserve 9am Gipps Street, Trip Leader: Jada Parsons 0435 125 911
- 18<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Social Meeting – Dry Creek Farm – Environmentally friendly weed solutions.

- 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Field Trip – Dry Creek Farm – Mudgee. Meet at 8:30am at Gipps Street. Trip Leader: Mel Hancock 0408 433 493

## JULY

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Committee Meeting
- 12<sup>th</sup> Friday B&B: Goonoo, Western side up to see the Yellow-plumed Honeyeaters. Meet at 8:30am at Gipps Street. Trip Leader: TBA
- 16<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Social Meeting – Mike Sutherland – ASM Dubbo Project (Toongi mine)
- 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday Field Trip. Glossy Black survey – more details to come. Trip Leader: TBA

## AUGUST

- 6<sup>th</sup> Committee meeting
- 9<sup>th</sup> Friday B&B – Down to Obley to visit member Amy Kerr's property. **This has been postponed. A new location will be chosen soon.** Meet at 8am at Gipps Street. Trip Leader: TBA
- 20<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Social Meeting – Identification of difficult birds – Luke Tomlin and Rob Quinan
- 25<sup>th</sup> Campout - Phoebe Maroulis' property near Byrock. **This has been postponed. A new location will be chosen soon.** Trip Leader: Mel Hancock 0408 433 493 and Jada Parsons 0435 125 911.

## SEPTEMBER

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Committee Meeting
- 1<sup>st</sup> Wattle Grove Working Bee – Meeting Rivercare at 8:00am
- 13<sup>th</sup> Friday B&B – Goonoo via Cobborah to Mendooran. Hope to find Diamond Finches nesting at the cemetery. Meet at 8:30am at Gipps Street.
- 17<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Social Meeting – Colin Bower, co-author of 'Orchids of Central Western NSW'.
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Field Trip – Orange - Orchids. More details to come. Trip Leader to be Advised.

## OCTOBER

- 1<sup>st</sup> Committee Meeting
- 11<sup>th</sup> Friday B&B - Dunedoo Reserve to find some orchids. Meet at 8am at Gipps Street. Trip Leader: TBA
- 15<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Social Meeting – Platypus Refuge talk with James and Steve from TWPZ.
- 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday Field Trip – TWPZ Platypus Refuge tour. Meet at 8am at Gipps Street. Trip Leader: Mel Hancock 0408 433 493

## NOVEMBER

- 5<sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting
- 8<sup>th</sup> Friday B&B Bird Hide at STP, and DRC River Reserves.
- 19<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Social Meeting - TBA
- 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday Christmas Party - TBA

## DECEMBER

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday Committee meeting – Planning for 2025

### Dress Code for Field Trips

To cover our insurance commitments, we have a dress code that we request you follow when on field trips.

- Sturdy covered shoes
- Long trousers
- Long sleeve shirt
- Hat
- Binoculars
- Day pack with water, food, sunscreen, insect repellent. Maybe a jacket if the weather could be cool or wet.
- Medication you might need
- Emergency contacts

