



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

- 4th Friday Birds & Botany – No Birds and Botany
- 6th – Committee Meeting
- 20th Tuesday Social Meeting – Members Night – Rob Quinan showing and talking about Mallee Fowl Surveys done at Yathong Nature Reserve recently.
- 25th 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

- 5th Tuesday Committee meeting
- 8th Friday Bird & Botany – Goonoo SCA to check out burnt area along Frosts Road. Trip Leader: Janice Hosking. RSVP to 0447 001 803.
- 19th Tuesday Social Meeting – AGM and members night. All positions are vacant.
- 24th 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

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

MAY

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

JUNE

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

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

JULY

- 2nd Committee Meeting
- 12th Friday B&B: Goonoo, Western side up to see the Yellow-plumed Honeyeaters. Meet at 8:30am at Gipps Street. Trip Leader: Rob Quinan 0499 040 803
- 16th Tuesday Social Meeting – Mike Sutherland to update us on the ASM Dubbo Project (Toongi mine). 7:00pm start. Language room, 2nd floor Community Arts Building, WPCC.
- 21st Sunday Field Trip. Glossy Black survey Trip Leader: Janice Hosking 0447 001 803 – details have been emailed. Meet in Gipps St at Western Plains Cultural Centre at 2:45pm!

AUGUST

- 6th Committee meeting
- 9th Friday B&B – Beni Forest. Meet at 8:30am am at Gipps Street. Trip Leader: Luke Tomlin 0474 754 678
- 20th Tuesday Social Meeting – Identification of difficult birds – Luke Tomlin and Rob Quinan. 7:00pm start. Language room, 2nd floor Community Arts Building, WPCC.
- 25th Sunday Field Trip – Goobang National Park – Rob Quinan 0499 040 803. Meet at 8:30am at Gipps Street.

SEPTEMBER

- 3rd Committee Meeting
- **7th Wattle Grove Working Bee – Meeting Rivercare at 8:30am**
- 13th Friday B&B – Goonoo via Cobborah to Mendooran. Hope to find Diamond Finches nesting at the cemetery. Meet at 8:30am at Gipps Street. Trip Leader: Jada Parsons 0435 125 911
- 17th Tuesday Social Meeting – Colin Bower, co-author of 'Orchids of Central Western NSW'.
- **18th Wednesday – extra field trip - Goonoo with Colin Bower and Orange Field Nats. Trip Leader Rob Quinan 0499 040 803. Meet at 8:30am at Gipps Street.**
- **21 Saturday Field Trip - TWPZ Platypus Refuge tour. Because the tour doesn't start until 11am, Rob is going for a walk along the river around Sandy Beach. To join Rob, meet at 9am at Gipps Street. Otherwise 10:45am at the Zoo (more details to come) Trip Leader: Mel Hancock 0408 433 493**
- **22nd Sunday Field Trip – Burrendong Arboretum 60th Anniversary celebrations. There will be a plant sale and morning tea. Cash only. Meet at 9:00am in Gipps St or 10am at the arboretum. Please RSVP to Mel 0408 433 493**

OCTOBER

- 1st Committee Meeting
- 11th Friday B&B - Dunedoo Reserve to find some orchids. Meet at 8am at Gipps Street. Trip Leader: TBA

- 15th Tuesday Social Meeting – Committee Night: Since Janice has left, a number of committee members have stepped up and taken on the projects that Janice managed. The committee will present to members who is doing what role and give an update on the projects.
- 20th Sunday Field Trip – Orange – Orchids with Colin Bower and Orange Field Nats. **Trip Leader Rob Quinan 0499 040 803. Meet at 8:00am at Gipps Street.**

NOVEMBER

- 1st Orange Field Nats 50th Anniversary - dinner is at Groundstone in Orange. More details to come.
- 2024-25 Great Inland Glossy Count – if you would like to participate in the survey, please contact Mel Hancock via contact@dubbofieldnats.org.au or 0408 433 493.
 - Pilliga Forests - Saturday 2 November 2024 (signup by COB 30/10/24)
 - Goonoo NP - Saturday 9 November 2024 (signup by COB 6/11/24)
- 5th Committee Meeting
- 8th Friday B&B Bird Hide at STP, and DRC River Reserves.
- 19th Tuesday Social Meeting - TBA
- 24th Sunday Christmas Party - TBA

DECEMBER

- 3rd 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

