

The South Coast Festival of Birds & Biodiversity 2019 Program -v23F

Festival website: <https://birdfestival.greenskills.org.au/>

Date	Title	Details
JANUARY 2019		
Mon 21 Jan – Fri 1 Mar	Gondwana Connections Art Exhibition Giant Paintings Mapping Special Country	Katanning Exhibition & Opening Art and Photographic Exhibition open: Tuesday 22 January -Friday 1 st March 2019 At the Katanning Public Library & Art Gallery 16 Austral Terrace, Katanning (open 10am to 5pm Monday to Friday, 10-1pm Saturday morning) Art Exhibition Opening Event: 4 pm Monday 21 January 2019
Wed 23 Jan - Mon 28 Jan	Chingarrup Fauna Monitoring & Citizen Science Australia Day Weekend	Wide range of fauna monitoring and environmental activities. With Eddy and Donna Wajon, and the Conservation Council Citizen Science Program, Free Event but people should come self-contained for camping and catering. For info and to register please contact Eddy Wajon at wajonpub@bigpond.com
Fri 31 Jan 1pm– Mon 4 Feb 11am	Balijup Fauna Citizen Science & Monitoring Weekend	Wide range of fauna monitoring and environmental activities. With Green Skills. and the Conservation Council Citizen Science Program, Free Event but people should come self-contained for camping and catering. For info and to register please contact Basil Schur 98483310 or bschur@greenskills.org.au
FEBRUARY 2019		
Sat 2 Feb 8 - 9am	World Wetland Day	"Meet the Birds of Lake Seppings" Join BirdLife for a short walk to learn more about wetland birds. Meet at Lake Seppings Drive parking area, MiraMar. Free event
Sat 2 Feb 9am - 1pm	World Wetland Day	Albany Town Square. Stalls and Events 9am to 1pm Includes 7 min films (5- 10 minutes each) on the Wetlands of Gondwana Link at Albany Library. Upstairs room of City of Albany Library Film screenings repeat hourly. Free.
Sunday 3 Feb	Annual Shorebird Survey \on South Coast	BirdLife's annual national summer shorebird (we include other waterbirds as well). For information contact Brad Kneebone 98452233
Wed 20 Feb 10am - 2pm	Lake Nunijup Wetland Citizen Science Survey	With Geraldine and Steve Janicke. For info contact Basil Schur 98483310 or bschur@greenskills.org.au Registration essential - https://birdfestival.greenskills.org.au/
Sun 24 Feb 9am- 1pm	Meet the Birds Along the Kalgan River	This tour will include a Biodiversity Walk along the Kalgan River led by Wayne Monks at Riverside Drive, Upper Kalgan. Bring along a packed lunch, sturdy shoes and binoculars. Meet at the Upper Kalgan Hall car park at start of the Luke Pen walk trail. Free event . Please register with Wayne Monks wmonks@westnet.com.au 0499113193
MARCH 2019		
Fri 1-Sat 30 Mar 10am -4pm daily	Birds and Wildlife Photography Exhibition	'Feathered & Furred - Celebrating South Coast Fauna' Photography Exhibition at Three Anchors (2 Flinders Pde, Middleton Beach) by award-winning WA nature photographer Georgina Steytler (www.georginasteytler.com.au) . Public Opening of exhibition: 6pm Friday 1st March . Free entry.
Sat 2 nd March 2-4pm	The Great Cocky Count- Denmark Workshop	The Great Cocky Count is a long-term citizen science survey run by BirdLife Australia and the biggest single survey for Black-Cockatoos in WA. On April 7 th 2019 volunteers will venture out to monitor known roost sites around WA to count Black-Cockatoos as they come in to their evening roosts. This workshop, at the Denmark Environment Centre meeting room, is aimed at helping people get involved in the Count. Please register you interest in attending the workshop with Melissa Howe at 0419014357 Email missliss.howe@gmail.com or with Rebecca Boyland, Southwest Black-Cockatoo Project Coordinator, BirdLife Australia at on 08 9287 2251 or rebecca.boyland@birdlife.org.au
Mon 4 Mar 8.30-10.30am	Lake Seppings Bird Walk	Meet at Lake Seppings car park off Golf Links Rd for a guided walk around the lake. Bring binoculars, sturdy footwear. recommended. Free event by BirdLife. For more info contact the local branch: albanybirds@hotmail.com
Tue 5 March 5:30pm - 6:30pm	Albany Library Talk "Fascination with Birds"	Anne Bondin (Birdlife Australia) will be the speaker. Free event at Albany Public Library, York Street, Albany 6330. Please register with the library: (08) 9841 9390
8 March to 5	Shorebird Print Exhi-	Exhibition of Shorebird Flyway and locally produced prints at Denmark

March	bition	Butterfactory Art Gallery and Studios with accompanying print making workshop with Nikki Green in Feb/March 2019. Details TBC. Contact Basil Schur at 98483310 or bschur@greenskills.org.au
Sat, 9 March and Sun 10 March	Bird and Wildlife Photographic workshops	Photography Talk: Top Tips for Photographing Birds and other Animals. \$35 9.30am to 12 noon. Mini Bird Photography Workshops 2.30pm - 6.30pm \$125 (Max 5 people) near Lake Seppings) on both Saturday and Sunday, followed by image review at Three Anchors Cafe Gallery. With acclaimed WA nature photographer Georgina Steytler at the Green Skills Albany office, 38 Graham St, Albany. Majority of the profit will be donated to bird conservation. Registrations and details www.georginasteytler.com.au
Mon 11 Mar 9am – 10.30am	Get to know birds by their call	Meet at Lake Seppings car park off Golf Links Rd, Albany. Learn how to identify birds by their call. Bring binoculars, hat, sturdy footwear. Free event hosted by BirdLife For more info contact albanysbirds@hotmail.com
Tue 12 Mar 8am - 1pm	Go Birdwatching with BirdLife Australia	Join BirdLife's monthly excursion and learn all about shorebirds. Free event. Bring binoculars, lunch, sturdy footwear recommended. For more info contact the local branch: albanysbirds@hotmail.com . Meet at Wilson Inlet (end of Morley Road, Youngs Siding).
Tue 12-Wed 13 March overnight	Gondwana Link Bird and Eco Restoration Field Trip	Visits to Gondwana Link sites near Boxwood Hill, the Yongergnow Malleefowl Centre in Ongerup and more, with Dr Nic Dunlop, Vicky Bilney, Eddy and Donna Wajon and others. Bookings essential. Cost \$80 waged, \$44 unwaged. Don't let finances stop you from coming- contact Basil Schur, Green Skills 98483310 bschur@greenskills.org.au . Meet at 2pm Tue 12 March at Woolworths Car Park (next to Service Station). Return by 5pm Wed 13 March. Registration essential - https://birdfestival.greenskills.org.au/
Wed 13 March 5.30pm	Shadow puppet performance	Spike the Echidna by Little Wings Puppets – shadow puppet performance. A baby echidna in search of where he belongs... Combining shadow puppetry and physical comedy Spike is an interactive experience for a family audience. At Denmark Civic Centre. Cost6 & under: \$5 7-13 yrs: \$10 14-100 yrs: \$15. (Shadow Puppet workshop on Wed 13 March - TBC Bookings/info: www.denmarkarts.com.au
Thu 14 March 3pm - 8pm	Threatened Species Habitat Visit	Field trip to Waychinicup hosted jointly by BirdLife/Friends of the Western Ground Parrot focussing on endangered species of the Albany region. Guestspeaker: Regional ecologist Sarah Comer (DFCA). Meet at Lower King Bridge car park. Sturdy footwear recommended. Also bring water and something to snack on. Limited places. Cost: \$20. Booking required: https://www.trybooking.com/457411
Fri 15 th March 8.30am - 12.45pm	Festival of Birds Symposium in Albany	This main event of the South Coast Festival of Birds will be held at the University of WA, 35 Stirling Tce, Albany featuring high powered speakers including UWA's Professor Steve Hopper, Dr Nic Dunlop, Angela Sanders, Sarah Comer and others. Includes Panel and Discussions. Morning tea provided. Info contact Green Skills 98483310. Cost \$10 per person- pay at the door. Registrations at https://birdfestival.greenskills.org.au/
Tue 19 March – 29 April	Gondwana Connections Art Exhibition <i>Giant Paintings Mapping Special Country</i>	Cranbrook Exhibition & Opening Art and Photographic Exhibition at the Cranbrook Hub, off Great Southern Highway. Art Exhibition Opening Event: TBC
Tue 19 March 5:30pm - 6:30pm	Library Talk “ <i>Birds of Prey</i> “	Anne Bondin (Birdlife Australia) will be the speaker. Free event at Albany Public Library, York Street, Albany 6330. Please register with the library: (08) 9841 9390
Friday 22 nd March 5-6.30pm	Shorebird Print Exhibition- Opening Event	Exhibition Opening and Forum of Shorebird Flyway Print Exchange at Denmark Butterfactory Art Gallery and Studios Includes guest speaker is Kate Gorrington-Smith, a Melbourne based artist. Talks, Short film showing. Light refreshments. Contact Basil Schur at 98483310 or bschur@greenskills.org.au
8.30pm to 12noon Sat 23 March 2019	Artist and Photographic Shorebird Outing to Wilson Inlet	Outing to Morley Beach, Wilson Inlet for artists, photographers and others, with Basil Schur, Nikki Green and local shorebird experts. In attendance will be is Kate Gorrington-Smith, a Melbourne based artist and coordinator of the Shorebird Flyway Print Exchange project. Cost \$20/\$15concession holder (pay on day) For further info and registration details ; contact Contact Basil Schur at 98483310 or bschur@greenskills.org.au
Sat 23 & Sun 24 March 9am – 1:30pm	Bird ID Workshop	Learn how to identify birds in the field visiting local nature reserves with a guide. Hosted by BirdLife. (Max 10 participants) Cost per day: \$25 (all proceeds go to BirdLife's shorebird conservation program Shorebird 2020) For more info and to book contact the local branch: albanysbirds@hotmail.com
Sun 24 Mar 10am - 4pm	SunSmart Albany Kite Fiesta 2019	Join Michael and Jan Alvares of <i>Kite Kinetics</i> and Green Skills at Albany ANZAC Peace Park, Albany for some fun kite making and kite flying. Watch for the giant

		kites including a whale and a Whale Shark! Free event. Kite Making kits available for \$6.
Wed 27 March 6pm	Film Night- Harvest Films <i>Local Films</i>	Orana Cinemas, Albany Contact Film Harvest at info@filmharvest.com.au for details.
Sat 30 March 9.00 - 11.30am To be Confirmed	Denmark Bird Outing & Talk <i>"Birds of the Forest and Home Garden"</i>	This field outing will visit the home of John Pate, a birdwatching enthusiast, who will give a talk about his observations about birds around his property. Cost \$10. Bring binoculars, hat, sturdy footwear and morning refreshment. Meet at 681 Mt Shadforth Road, Denmark. For info contact Basil Schur 98483310 or bschur@greenskills.org.au Registration at https://birdfestival.greenskills.org.au/
APRIL 2019		
Fri 5 -Sun7 April	Not Waste Festival – Denmark	Wide range of events and ties. Includes Biodiversity Sculpture Exhibition at Denmark Tip Shop, Wetland Centre and Sanctuary. For more info see- https://greenskills.org.au/denmark-tip-shop/not-waste-festival/
Sun 7 April 5.30pm – 7.30pm	The Great Cocky Count	The Great Cocky Count is a long-term citizen science survey and the biggest single survey for black-cockatoos in Western Australia. Registration at: http://www.birdlife.org.au/projects/southwest-black-cockatoo-recovery/great-cocky-count-swbc For more info: Southwest Black-Cockatoo Project Coordinator BirdLife Australia T 08 9287 2251 greatcockycount@birdlife.org.au birdlife.org.au
Wed 10 April 6pm	Film Night – Harvest Films <i>Film title TBC</i>	Orana Cinemas, Albany Contact Film Harvest at info@filmharvest.com.au for details.
Fri 19 - Fri26 Apr 9am – 5pm and Sat 27 Apr 9am – 11am	18th Annual Art in the Porongurups 2019	Friends of the Porongurup Range Art in the Porongurup Committee will hold this exhibition behind the historic Karribank buildings, 1983 Porongurup Rd, central to the Porongurup National Park, Twin Creeks Reserve, scenic walks and drives. Contact: judykelly@westnet.com.au or 0428 282 016. Entry Adults \$5, children free. Visitor participation welcome (weaving & decoration), free parking and toilets nearby. Artist in Residence Joanne Francis. (Formerly Art in the Park)
April	Boat Trip	Albany Pelagic trip with Daniel Mantle Details TBC

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