

Knoxfield Blue-billed Duckling Sightings

Two new families of Blue-billed Ducklings have been sighted on the dam at Development Victoria's Knoxfield development site during late January 2022. We are actively monitoring their progress under the watchful eye of our ecologists. This is only the second time over the last five years that we have seen evidence of breeding of the ducks on site, which provides limited breeding habitat to protect this important species.

There are no works being undertaken onsite which could impact any potential duck breeding, and any visitors to the site always maintain a safe distance from the breeding area to avoid disturbance to the ducklings and other wildlife.

Our plans for this site, include an improved wetland area - giving a sustainable home to a variety of species, including the Blue-billed Duck, and creating a new community space for everyone to safely enjoy.

We want to give the Blue-billed Duck and other species the best opportunity to thrive on site. To achieve this, the new wetlands have been designed with the ducks at front of mind, backed by comprehensive advice from experts in this area.

Our priority is to protect the Blue-billed Ducks and enhance their natural habitat, and we look forward to seeing the population of this threatened species continue to grow once Knoxfield's new wetlands are complete.

Ecologist's Reports

Development Victoria's ecologist, Ecocentric Environmental Consulting, has been undertaking regular assessments on the site since 2014 and formal monitoring of flora and fauna since 2017 - including assessing any breeding activity of the Blue-billed Duck. This regular monitoring focuses on Blue-billed Duck and other significant species. The ducklings which have recently been sighted by members of the community, have now been verified by our ecologist.

You can read our ecologist's monitoring reports below, with this document updated regularly to keep the community informed of the wildlife which has been spotted within the development site.

Ecologist's Reports are available below for the following dates:

- 18 June 2022
- 13 May 2022
- 21 April 2022
- 5 April 2022
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- 24 February 2022
- 16 February 2022
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- 3 February 2022
- 29 January 2022
- 24 January 2022
- 21 January 2022
- 20 January 2022
- 18 January 2022
- 5 January 2022

Report Date – 18 June 2022

Location: Knoxfield Development Site

Weather: 10% Cloud – 13C

Time: Afternoon

Scientific Name	Common Name	Count	Notes
<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	Common Myna	7	
<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	Pacific Black Duck	15	
<i>Anthochaera carunculata</i>	Red Wattlebird	2	
<i>Cacatua sanguinea</i>	Little Corella	12	
<i>Chenonetta jubata</i>	Australian Wood Duck	10	

<i>Cracticus tibicen</i>	Australian Magpie	9	
<i>Fulica atra</i>	Eurasian Coot	20	
<i>Gallinula tenebrosa</i>	Dusky Moorhen	5	Juveniles
<i>Hirundo neoxena</i>	Welcome Swallow	30	
<i>Manorina melanocephala</i>	Noisy Miner	5	
<i>Oxyura australis</i>	Blue-billed Duck	5	x2 adult female plus x3 adult male; as a group in SW corner of the dam
<i>Phalacrocorax varius</i>	Pied Cormorant	1	
<i>Platycercus eximius</i>	Eastern Rosella	25	
<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>	Spotted Turtle-Dove	1	
<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	Common Starling	12	
<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	Australasian Grebe	6	
<i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i>	Rainbow Lorikeet	2	

Report Date – 13 May 2022

Location: Knoxfield Development Site

Weather: 100% overcast – 16C

Time: Morning

Scientific Name	Common Name	Count	Notes
<i>Acanthiza lineata</i>	Striated Thornbill	1	
<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	Common Myna	6	
<i>Anas castanea</i>	Chestnut Teal	2	Pair

<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	Pacific Black Duck	30	
<i>Anthochaera carunculata</i>	Red Wattlebird	7	
<i>Cacatua sanguinea</i>	Little Corella	8	Overflying
<i>Chenonetta jubata</i>	Australian Wood Duck	12	
<i>Cracticus tibicen</i>	Australian Magpie	4	
<i>Fulica atra</i>	Eurasian Coot	25	
<i>Gallinula tenebrosa</i>	Dusky Moorhen	10	
<i>Hirundo neoxena</i>	Welcome Swallow	7	
<i>Manorina melanocephala</i>	Noisy Miner	4	
<i>Oxyura australis</i>	Blue-billed Duck	6	3 male and 3 female as a group roosting on water and diving, no pairing behaviour.
<i>Phalacrocorax varius</i>	Pied Cormorant	1	
<i>Platycercus eximius</i>	Eastern Rosella	9	
<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>	Purple Swamphen	2	Pair, but not in Typha
<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>	Spotted Turtle-Dove	1	
<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	Australasian Grebe	6	
<i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i>	Rainbow Lorikeet	25	
<i>Vanellus miles</i>	Masked Lapwing	3	

Report Date – 21 April 2022

Location: Knoxfield Development Site

Weather: 90% Cloud – Light shower mist, 11C

Time: Morning

Scientific Name	Common Name	Count	Notes
<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	Common Myna	6	
<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	Northern Mallard	1	
<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	Pacific Black Duck	35	
<i>Anthochaera carunculata</i>	Red Wattlebird	9	
<i>Chenonetta jubata</i>	Australian Wood Duck	25	
<i>Corvus mellori</i>	Little Raven	5	
<i>Cracticus tibicen</i>	Australian Magpie	11	
<i>Crinia signifera</i>	Common Froglet	1	NE corner of dam
<i>Egretta novaehollandiae</i>	White Faced Heron	1	
<i>Fulica atra</i>	Eurasian Coot	15	Juveniles
<i>Gallinula tenebrosa</i>	Dusky Moorhen	15	Juveniles
<i>Grallina cyanoleuca</i>	Magpie-lark	4	
<i>Hirundo neoxena</i>	Welcome Swallow	50	
<i>Manorina melanocephala</i>	Noisy Miner	4	
<i>Oxyura australis</i>	Blue-billed Duck	6	3 male and 3 female; one pair may have been showing mating behaviour (male was bobbing head and shepherding)
<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>	Purple Swamphen	2	Pair in Typha
<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>	Willie Wagtail	1	
<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>	Spotted Turtle-Dove	1	
<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	Common Starling	4	
<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	Australasian Grebe	15	

<i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i>	Rainbow Lorikeet	2	
<i>Vanellus miles</i>	Masked Lapwing	1	

Report Date – 5 April 2022

Location: Knoxfield Development Site

Weather: 60% Cloud – 65% Humidity, 17C

Time: Morning

Scientific Name	Common Name	Count	Notes
<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	Common Myna	6	
<i>Anas gracilis</i>	Grey Teal	2	Pair
<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	Northern Mallard	1	
<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	Pacific Black Duck	30	
<i>Anthochaera carunculata</i>	Red Wattlebird	2	
<i>Cacatua sanguinea</i>	Little Corella	2	
<i>Chenonetta jubata</i>	Australian Wood Duck	30	

<i>Corvus mellori</i>	Little Raven	4	
<i>Cracticus tibicen</i>	Australian Magpie	7	
<i>Egretta novaehollandiae</i>	White Faced Heron	1	
<i>Fulica atra</i>	Eurasian Coot	16	Juveniles
<i>Gallinula tenebrosa</i>	Dusky Moorhen	12	Juveniles
<i>Grallina cyanoleuca</i>	Magpie-lark	1	
<i>Hirundo neoxena</i>	Welcome Swallow	23	
<i>Manorina melanocephala</i>	Noisy Miner	8	
<i>Oxyura australis</i>	Blue-billed Duck	5	Male, 4 females - were in SW corner, moved to SE over an hour - feeding independently
<i>Phalacrocorax sulcirostris</i>	Little Black Cormorant	1	
<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>	Purple Swamphen	1	Dominating Typha
<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>	Willie Wagtail	3	
<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	Common Starling	3	
<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	Australasian Grebe	15	Juveniles
<i>Vanellus miles</i>	Masked Lapwing	2	

Report Date – 25 March 2022

Location: Knoxfield Development Site

Weather: 80% Cloud – 66% Humidity, 18C

Time: Morning

Scientific Name	Common Name	Count	Notes
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<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	Common Myna	7	
<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	Northern Mallard	1	
<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	Pacific Black Duck	30	
<i>Cacatua galerita</i>	Sulfur-crested Cockatoo	18	
<i>Cacatua sanguinea</i>	Little Corella	2	
<i>Chenonetta jubata</i>	Australian Wood Duck	30	Juveniles
<i>Corvus mellori</i>	Little Raven	1	
<i>Cracticus tibicen</i>	Australian Magpie	9	
<i>Fulica atra</i>	Eurasian Coot	15	Juveniles
<i>Gallinula tenebrosa</i>	Dusky Moorhen	8	Juveniles
<i>Hirundo neoxena</i>	Welcome Swallow	8	
<i>Manorina melanocephala</i>	Noisy Miner	3	
<i>Oxyura australis</i>	Blue-billed Duck	6	Single male, 5 females as 2 pairs and a single (likely family group now (partially) fledged) - no discernible size difference; all diving approx. 25-30 sec periods). Dispersed across dam as pairs or singles
<i>Platycercus eximius</i>	Eastern Rosella	6	
<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>	Purple Swamphen	1	In Typha
<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>	Willie Wagtail	3	
<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>	Spotted Turtle-Dove	2	
<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	Common Starling	3	
<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	Australasian Grebe	8	Juveniles
<i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i>	Rainbow Lorikeet	5	

<i>Vanellus miles</i>	Masked Lapwing	2	
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Report Date – 17 March 2022

Location: Knoxfield Development Site

Weather: 50% Cloud – 93% Humidity, 13C

Time: Morning

Scientific Name	Common Name	Count	Notes
<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	Common Myna	5	
<i>Anas gracilis</i>	Grey Teal	2	
<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	Northern Mallard	1	
<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	Pacific Black Duck	30	Juveniles
<i>Chenonetta jubata</i>	Australian Wood Duck	30	Juveniles

<i>Corvus mellori</i>	Little Raven	3	
<i>Cracticus tibicen</i>	Australian Magpie	3	
<i>Egretta novaehollandiae</i>	White Faced Heron	1	
<i>Fulica atra</i>	Eurasian Coot	14	Juveniles
<i>Gallinula tenebrosa</i>	Dusky Moorhen	6	Chicks and juveniles
<i>Grallina cyanoleuca</i>	Magpie-lark	1	
<i>Hirundo neoxena</i>	Welcome Swallow	45	
<i>Manorina melanocephala</i>	Noisy Miner	3	
<i>Ocyphaps lophotes</i>	Crested Pigeon	2	
<i>Oxyura australis</i>	Blue-billed Duck	4	Female and 3 juveniles (observed at northern embankment east of outlet structure at day break (7am) No males, no other females
<i>Phalacrocorax varius</i>	Pied Cormorant	2	
<i>Platycercus eximius</i>	Eastern Rosella	6	
<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>	Willie Wagtail	3	
<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>	Spotted Turtle-Dove	1	
<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	Australasian Grebe	7	Chicks and juveniles
<i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i>	Rainbow Lorikeet	2	
<i>Vanellus miles</i>	Masked Lapwing	3	

Report Date – 10 March 2022

Location: Knoxfield Development Site

Weather: 10% Cloud – 80% Humidity, 13C

Time: Morning

Scientific Name	Common Name	Count	Notes
<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	Common Myna	4	
<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	Northern Mallard	1	
<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	Pacific Black Duck	25	
<i>Cacatua galerita</i>	Sulfur-crested Cockatoo	18	Foraging Swamp Gum on north embankment
<i>Cacatua sanguinea</i>	Little Corella	4	

<i>Chenonetta jubata</i>	Australian Wood Duck	5	
<i>Cracticus tibicen</i>	Australian Magpie	7	
<i>Egretta novaehollandiae</i>	White Faced Heron	1	
<i>Fulica atra</i>	Eurasian Coot	12	Juveniles
<i>Gallinula tenebrosa</i>	Dusky Moorhen	8	Chicks and juveniles
<i>Grallina cyanoleuca</i>	Magpie-lark	3	
<i>Hirundo neoxena</i>	Welcome Swallow	60	
<i>Microcarbo melanoleucos</i>	Little Pied Cormorant	2	
<i>Manorina melanocephala</i>	Noisy Miner	8	
<i>Ocyphaps lophotes</i>	Crested Pigeon	2	
<i>Oxyura australis</i>	Blue-billed Duck	4	Female and 3 juveniles (at edge of Typha in morning sun) - no males
<i>Platycercus eximius</i>	Eastern Rosella	11	
<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>	Purple Swamphen	1	
<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>	Willie Wagtail	4	
<i>Strepera graculina</i>	Pied Currawong	9	Came into site as a group
<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>	Spotted Turtle-Dove	1	
<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	Australasian Grebe	9	Chicks and juveniles
<i>Vanellus miles</i>	Masked Lapwing	3	

Report Date – 4 March 2022

Location: Knoxfield Development Site

Weather: 29C – 50% humidity, Breezy

Time: Morning

Scientific Name	Common Name	Count	Notes
<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	Common Myna	6	
<i>Anas castanea</i>	Chestnut Teal	2	Pair
<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	Northern Mallard	1	
<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	Pacific Black Duck	30	
<i>Anthochaera carunculata</i>	Red Wattlebird	1	
<i>Cacatua sanguinea</i>	Little Corella	5	
<i>Chenonetta jubata</i>	Australian Wood Duck	50	Juveniles

<i>Columba livia</i>	Rock Dove	1	
<i>Corvus mellori</i>	Little Raven	4	Large mob east of site
<i>Fulica atra</i>	Eurasian Coot	20	Chicks and juveniles
<i>Gallinula tenebrosa</i>	Dusky Moorhen	10	Juveniles
<i>Grallina cyanoleuca</i>	Magpie-lark	3	
<i>Hirundo neoxena</i>	Welcome Swallow	130	121 counted on powerlines on southern bank (hot, midday roosting)
<i>Manorina melanocephala</i>	Noisy Miner	9	
<i>Oxyura australis</i>	Blue-billed Duck	5	Single male, plus 4 females in a loose group (presumably family group now fledged / partially fledged). Female rejected male advances.
<i>Phalacrocorax sulcirostris</i>	Little Black Cormorant	1	
<i>Phalacrocorax varius</i>	Pied Cormorant	2	Diving
<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>	Willie Wagtail	2	
<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	Australasian Grebe	7	
<i>Unknown</i>	Unidentified bird of prey	1	Nankeen Kestrel or Australian Hobby
<i>Vanellus miles</i>	Masked Lapwing	2	

Report Date – 24 February 2022

Location: Knoxfield Development Site

Weather: Light breezes, humid, 22 degrees.

Time: Morning

Scientific Name	Common Name	Count	Notes
<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	Common Myna	10	
<i>Anas castanea</i>	Chestnut Teal	5	
<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	Northern Mallard	1	
<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	Pacific Black Duck	19	
<i>Anthochaera carunculata</i>	Red Wattlebird	3	
<i>Cacatua galerita</i>	Sulfur-crested Cockatoo	5	
<i>Cacatua sanguinea</i>	Little Corella	2	
<i>Chenonetta jubata</i>	Australian Wood Duck	10	
<i>Corvus mellori</i>	Little Raven	1	
<i>Cracticus tibicen</i>	Australian Magpie	7	
<i>Dacelo novaeguineae</i>	Kookaburra	1	
<i>Eolophus rosicapilla</i>	Galah	10	
<i>Fulica atra</i>	Eurasian Coot	14	Juveniles
<i>Gallinula tenebrosa</i>	Dusky Moorhen	3	
<i>Grallina cyanoleuca</i>	Magpie-lark	2	
<i>Hirundo neoxena</i>	Welcome Swallow	30	
<i>Manorina melanocephala</i>	Noisy Miner	3	
<i>Oxyura australis</i>	Blue-billed Duck	6	Female with 3 ducklings (60% growth and with adult plumage); single male and single female (diving in SW corner, no pairing activity)

<i>Phalacrocorax varius</i>	Pied Cormorant	2	Diving
<i>Platycercus eximius</i>	Eastern Rosella	6	
<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>	Willie Wagtail	3	
<i>Strepera graculina</i>	Pied Currawong	1	Heard only
<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>	Spotted Turtle-Dove	2	
<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	Common Starling	13	
<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	Australasian Grebe	5	Chicks and juveniles
<i>Threskiornis spinicollis</i>	Straw-necked Ibis	4	
<i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i>	Rainbow Lorikeet	1	

Report Date – 16 February 2022

Location: Knoxfield Development Site

Weather: Light breezes, 18 degrees.

Time: Morning

Scientific Name	Common Name	Count	Notes
<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	Common Myna	13	
<i>Anas castanea</i>	Chestnut Teal	5	
<i>Anas gracilis</i>	Grey Teal	2	
<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	Northern Mallard	1	
<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	Pacific Black Duck	16	Juvenile
<i>Anthochaera carunculata</i>	Red Wattlebird	2	
<i>Aythya australis</i>	Hardhead	1	
<i>Cacatua sanguinea</i>	Little Corella	9	
<i>Chenonetta jubata</i>	Australian Wood Duck	11	Juvenile
<i>Corvus mellori</i>	Little Raven	2	

<i>Cracticus tibicen</i>	Australian Magpie	12	
<i>Egretta novaehollandiae</i>	White Faced Heron	1	
<i>Eolophus rosicapilla</i>	Galah	9	
<i>Fulica atra</i>	Eurasian Coot	13	
<i>Gallinula tenebrosa</i>	Dusky Moorhen	5	
<i>Hirundo neoxena</i>	Welcome Swallow	25	
<i>Manorina melanocephala</i>	Noisy Miner	8	
<i>Ocyphaps lophotes</i>	Crested Pigeon	1	
<i>Oxyura australis</i>	Blue-billed Duck	5	Female with 3 juveniles (moulting to adult feathers); solitary male. Female and juveniles resting in Typha (Purple Swamp Hen sitting nest, not harassing BBD).
<i>Phalacrocorax varius</i>	Pied Cormorant	2	
<i>Platycercus eximius</i>	Eastern Rosella	3	

<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>	Purple Swamphen	1	
<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>	Willie Wagtail	3	
<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>	Spotted Turtle-Dove	1	
<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	Common Starling	3	
<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	Australasian Grebe	18	Chicks and juvenile
<i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i>	Rainbow Lorikeet	2	
<i>Vanellus miles</i>	Masked Lapwing	2	

Report Date – 11 February 2022

Location: Knoxfield Development Site

Weather: Gusty winds, 21 degrees.

Time: Morning

Scientific Name	Common Name	Count	Notes
<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	Common Myna	4	
<i>Anas castanea</i>	Chestnut Teal	2	
<i>Anas gracilis</i>	Grey Teal	1	
<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	Northern Mallard	1	
<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	Pacific Black Duck	20	Chicks and juveniles
<i>Anthochaera carunculata</i>	Red Wattlebird	1	
<i>Cacatua sanguinea</i>	Little Corella	12	
<i>Chenonetta jubata</i>	Australian Wood Duck	20	
<i>Cracticus tibicen</i>	Australian Magpie	4	
<i>Fulica atra</i>	Eurasian Coot	20	Juveniles

<i>Gallinula tenebrosa</i>	Dusky Moorhen	10	Juveniles
<i>Grallina cyanoleuca</i>	Magpie-lark	1	
<i>Hirundo neoxena</i>	Welcome Swallow	4	
<i>Ocyphaps lophotes</i>	Crested Pigeon	6	
<i>Oxyura australis</i>	Blue-billed Duck	6	Female with 3 ducklings/juveniles in SE corner, plus single male, single female. Water level low (approx. 200mm deep), BBD family 'muddy', single adults diving at margin of 4m section. Family in SE corner, all diving.
<i>Phalacrocorax varius</i>	Pied Cormorant	1	
<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>	Purple Swamphen	1	
<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>	Willie Wagtail	2	
<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	Australasian Grebe	20	Chicks and juveniles

Report Date – 8 February 2022

Location: Knoxfield Development Site

Weather: Light breezes, 17 degrees.

Time: Morning

Scientific Name	Common Name	Count	Notes
<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	Common Myna	10	
<i>Anas castanea</i>	Chestnut Teal	5	
<i>Anas gracilis</i>	Grey Teal	6	
<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	Northern Mallard	1	
<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	Pacific Black Duck	20	Juveniles
<i>Cacatua sanguinea</i>	Little Corella	7	
<i>Chenonetta jubata</i>	Australian Wood Duck	20	
<i>Corvus mellori</i>	Little Raven	2	
<i>Egretta novaehollandiae</i>	White Faced Heron	1	
<i>Fulica atra</i>	Eurasian Coot	15	Juveniles

<i>Gallinula tenebrosa</i>	Dusky Moorhen	15	Juveniles
<i>Grallina cyanoleuca</i>	Magpie-lark	4	
<i>Hirundo neoxena</i>	Welcome Swallow	25	
<i>Microcarbo melanoleucos</i>	Little Pied Cormorant	1	
<i>Manorina melanocephala</i>	Noisy Miner	4	
<i>Ocyphaps lophotes</i>	Crested Pigeon	2	
<i>Oxyura australis</i>	Blue-billed Duck	6	Female with 3 ducklings, single female and single male (male spotted briefly early). Family remained in SE corner. All active and diving.
<i>Phalacrocorax sulcirostris</i>	Little Black Cormorant	1	
<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>	Purple Swamphen	1	
<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>	Willie Wagtail	3	
<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>	Spotted Turtle-Dove	3	

<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	Common Starling	2	
<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	Australasian Grebe	20	Chicks and juveniles
<i>Threskiornis molucca</i>	Australian White Ibis	1	
<i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i>	Rainbow Lorikeet	2	
<i>Vanellus miles</i>	Masked Lapwing	3	

Report Date – 3 February 2022

Location: Knoxfield Development Site

Weather: Partly cloudy, 16 degrees. Moderate winds.

Time: Morning

Scientific Name	Common Name	Count	Notes
<i>Acanthiza pusilla</i>	Brown Thornbill	1	
<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	Common Myna	2	
<i>Anas castanea</i>	Chestnut Teal	3	
<i>Anas gracilis</i>	Grey Teal	2	
<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	Northern Mallard	1	
<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	Pacific Black Duck	25	
<i>Cacatua galerita</i>	Sulfur-crested Cockatoo	25	
<i>Cacatua sanguinea</i>	Little Corella	6	
<i>Chenonetta jubata</i>	Australian Wood Duck	18	
<i>Cracticus tibicen</i>	Australian Magpie	7	

<i>Cracticus torquatus</i>	Grey Butcherbird	2	
<i>Egretta novaehollandiae</i>	White Faced Heron	1	
<i>Eolophus rosicapilla</i>	Galah	12	
<i>Fulica atra</i>	Eurasian Coot	20	
<i>Gallinula tenebrosa</i>	Dusky Moorhen	20	
<i>Grallina cyanoleuca</i>	Magpie-lark	1	
<i>Hirundo neoxena</i>	Welcome Swallow	10	
<i>Manorina melanocephala</i>	Noisy Miner	2	
<i>Ocyphaps lophotes</i>	Crested Pigeon	4	
<i>Oxyura australis</i>	Blue-billed Duck	5	1 female, 4 ducklings occurring as a family group. The five birds moved from the eastern bank to the western bank along the boundary of the southern bank. All birds active and diving.
<i>Platycercus eximius</i>	Eastern Rosella	2	

<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>	Willie Wagtail	1	
<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	Common Starling	5	
<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	Australasian Grebe	15	
<i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i>	Rainbow Lorikeet	2	
<i>Vanellus miles</i>	Masked Lapwing	2	

Report Date – 29 January 2022

Location: Knoxfield Development Site

Weather: Cloudy, humid, drizzle. 18 degrees, light winds.

Time: Morning

Scientific Name	Common Name	Count	Notes
<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	Common Myna	1	
<i>Anas castanea</i>	Chestnut Teal	8	
<i>Anas gracilis</i>	Grey Teal	2	
<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	Northern Mallard	1	
<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	Pacific Black Duck	20	
<i>Cacatua galerita</i>	Sulfur-crested Cockatoo	3	
<i>Chenonetta jubata</i>	Australian Wood Duck	16	
<i>Corvus mellori</i>	Little Raven	2	
<i>Cracticus tibicen</i>	Australian Magpie	7	
<i>Dacelo novaeguineae</i>	Kookaburra	3	

<i>Fulica atra</i>	Eurasian Coot	25	
<i>Gallinula tenebrosa</i>	Dusky Moorhen	20	
<i>Grallina cyanoleuca</i>	Magpie-lark	1	
<i>Hirundo neoxena</i>	Welcome Swallow	30	
<i>Manorina melanocephala</i>	Noisy Miner	1	
<i>Microcarbo melanoleucos</i>	Little Pied Cormorant	1	
<i>Ocyphaps lophotes</i>	Crested Pigeon	5	
<i>Oxyura australis</i>	Blue-billed Duck	8	Two families. Family 1: 1F and 4 ducklings Family 2: 1F, 1M and 1 duckling Family 1 stayed near the northern bank for the entire survey period. Family 2 stayed near the southern bank. The male spent some time with Family 2 but also ranged away at times. All birds including ducklings active and diving throughout the survey.
<i>Phalacrocorax sulcirostris</i>	Little Black Cormorant	1	

<i>Platycercus eximius</i>	Eastern Rosella	5	
<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>	Purple Swamphen	1	
<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>	Willie Wagtail	2	
<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>	Spotted Turtle-Dove	3	
<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	Australasian Grebe	20	
<i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i>	Rainbow Lorikeet	3	
<i>Vanellus miles</i>	Masked Lapwing	1	

Report Date – 24 January 2022

Location: Knoxfield Development Site

Weather: Light cloud cover, 25 degrees, light northerly winds.

Time: Morning

Scientific Name	Common Name	Count	Notes
<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	Australasian Grebe	11	
<i>Cracticus tibicen</i>	Australian Magpie	3	
<i>Threskiornis molucca</i>	Australian White Ibis	2	
<i>Chenonetta jubata</i>	Australian Wood Duck	16	
<i>Oxyura australis</i>	Blue-billed Duck	7	Two families comprising one female and four ducklings, and one female and one duckling. Both families stayed near the northern bank for the entire survey period, with little activity (only occasional diving by the smaller family). No males observed.
<i>Anas castanea</i>	Chestnut Teal	2	
<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	Common Myna	3	

<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	Common Starling	2	
<i>Ocyphaps lophotes</i>	Crested Pigeon	4	
<i>Platycercus eximius</i>	Eastern Rosella	1	
<i>Fulica atra</i>	Eurasian Coot	12	Including several semi-mature birds
<i>Anas gracilis</i>	Grey Teal	4	Including one duckling
<i>Microcarbo melanoleucos</i>	Little Pied Cormorant	1	
<i>Grallina cyanoleuca</i>	Magpie-lark	3	
<i>Vanellus miles</i>	Masked Lapwing	1	
<i>Manorina melanocephala</i>	Noisy Miner	2	
<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	Northern Mallard	1	
<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	Pacific Black Duck	28	Six ducklings
<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>	Purple Swamphen	13	Including several semi-mature birds
<i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i>	Rainbow Lorikeet	20	

<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>	Spotted Turtle-Dove	1	
<i>Hirundo neoxena</i>	Welcome Swallow	20	
<i>Sericornis frontalis</i>	White-browed Scrubwren	1	Heard in adjacent Blind Creek
<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>	Willie Wagtail	2	

Images Captured – 24 January 2022



Report Date – 21 January 2022

Location: Knoxfield Development Site

Weather: Light breeze, 20 degrees

Time: Morning

Scientific Name	Common Name	Count	Notes
<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	Common Myna	20	
<i>Anas castanea</i>	Chestnut Teal	5	
<i>Anas gracilis</i>	Grey Teal	2	
<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	Northern Mallard	1	
<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	Pacific Black Duck	20	
<i>Anthochaera carunculata</i>	Red Wattlebird	1	
<i>Chenonetta jubata</i>	Australian Wood Duck	20	
<i>Corvus mellori</i>	Little Raven	5	
<i>Cracticus tibicen</i>	Australian Magpie	5	
<i>Egretta novaehollandiae</i>	White Faced Heron	1	

<i>Fulica atra</i>	Eurasian Coot	20	
<i>Gallinula tenebrosa</i>	Dusky Moorhen	20	
<i>Grallina cyanoleuca</i>	Magpie-lark	10	
<i>Hirundo neoxena</i>	Welcome Swallow	60	
<i>Manorina melanocephala</i>	Noisy Miner	10	
<i>Ocyphaps lophotes</i>	Crested Pigeon	2	
<i>Oxyura australis</i>	Blue-billed Duck	7	Female with 4 ducklings (all diving) and two males (as a pair but away from female). Female and chicks on northern dam flank - out at 6am
<i>Platycercus eximius</i>	Eastern Rosella	5	
<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>	Purple Swamphen	1	Dominating Typha area
<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>	Willie Wagtail	2	
<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>	Spotted Turtle-Dove	1	

<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	Common Starling	10	
<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	Australasian Grebe	20	
<i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i>	Rainbow Lorikeet	5	
<i>Vanellus miles</i>	Masked Lapwing	4	
<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>	Fox	1	Cub at culvert adjacent DELWP fence

Report Date – 20 January 2022

Location: Knoxfield Development Site

Weather: Still, 25 degrees

Time: Morning

Scientific Name	Common Name	Count	Notes
<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	Common Myna	10	
<i>Anas castanea</i>	Chestnut Teal	6	
<i>Anas gracilis</i>	Grey Teal	2	
<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	Northern Mallard	1	
<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	Pacific Black Duck	20	Ducklings
<i>Cacatua sanguinea</i>	Little Corella	2	
<i>Chenonetta jubata</i>	Australian Wood Duck	20	Ducklings
<i>Cracticus tibicen</i>	Australian Magpie	10	
<i>Egretta novaehollandiae</i>	White Faced Heron	1	
<i>Fulica atra</i>	Eurasian Coot	20	Chicks & nesting

<i>Gallinula tenebrosa</i>	Dusky Moorhen	20	Chicks & nesting
<i>Hirundo neoxena</i>	Welcome Swallow	10	
<i>Manorina melanocephala</i>	Noisy Miner	5	
<i>Oxyura australis</i>	Blue-billed Duck	6	Female with 4 ducklings, solitary male. 3 of 4 ducklings duck-diving. Female and ducklings look to be about to roost on northern embankment attributable to impacts within Typha by Purple Swamp Hen.
<i>Phalacrocorax sulcirostris</i>	Little Black Cormorant	1	
<i>Phalacrocorax varius</i>	Pied Cormorant	1	
<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>	Purple Swamphen	2	
<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>	Willie Wagtail	2	
<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	Australasian Grebe	20	Chicks & nesting
<i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i>	Rainbow Lorikeet	1	
<i>Vanellus miles</i>	Masked Lapwing	3	

Report Date – 18 January 2022

Location: Knoxfield Development Site

Weather: No wind, 17 degrees

Time: Morning

Scientific Name	Common Name	Count	Notes
<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	Common Myna	2	
<i>Anas castanea</i>	Chestnut Teal	1	
<i>Anas gracilis</i>	Grey Teal	2	
<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	Northern Mallard		Likely to be present but I couldn't access NW due to BBD chicks
<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	Pacific Black Duck	20	Approx. 10 ducklings
<i>Anthochaera carunculata</i>	Red Wattlebird	2	
<i>Chenonetta jubata</i>	Australian Wood Duck	20	Approx. 5 ducklings
<i>Corvus mellori</i>	Little Raven	1	
<i>Cracticus tibicen</i>	Australian Magpie	20	

<i>Eolophus rosicapilla</i>	Galah	5	
<i>Fulica atra</i>	Eurasian Coot	20	Approx. 5 chicks
<i>Gallinula tenebrosa</i>	Dusky Moorhen	20	Approx. 10 chicks
<i>Grallina cyanoleuca</i>	Magpie-lark	5	
<i>Hirundo neoxena</i>	Welcome Swallow	30	
<i>Manorina melanocephala</i>	Noisy Miner	10	
<i>Ocyphaps lophotes</i>	Crested Pigeon	3	
<i>Oxyura australis</i>	Blue-billed Duck	7	x2 males, x1 female with 4 ducklings (approx. 1 week old); female and chicks emerged from Typha SW corner at 7am
<i>Phalacrocorax sulcirostris</i>	Little Black Cormorant	1	
<i>Phalacrocorax varius</i>	Pied Cormorant	1	
<i>Platycercus eximius</i>	Eastern Rosella	3	
<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>	Purple Swamphen	1	Building nest in Typha in SW corner;

			may have taken over BBD nest
<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>	Willie Wagtail	2	
<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	Australasian Grebe	20	
<i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i>	Rainbow Lorikeet	1	
<i>Vanellus miles</i>	Masked Lapwing	5	
<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>	Fox	5	Female with 4 cubs in culvert adjacent DELWP fence

Report Date – 5 January 2022

Location: Knoxfield Development Site

Weather: Light breeze, 21 degrees

Time: Morning

Scientific Name	Common Name	Count	Notes
<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	Common Myna	10	
<i>Anas castanea</i>	Chestnut Teal	6	x2 pairs (may be nesting in SE corner)
<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	Northern Mallard	1	
<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	Pacific Black Duck	20	
<i>Anthochaera carunculata</i>	Red Wattlebird	1	
<i>Chenonetta jubata</i>	Australian Wood Duck	5	
<i>Corvus mellori</i>	Little Raven	3	
<i>Cracticus tibicen</i>	Australian Magpie	5	
<i>Fulica atra</i>	Eurasian Coot	25	Nesting and chicks (nests also in Typha)

<i>Gallinula tenebrosa</i>	Dusky Moorhen	10	Nesting and chicks
<i>Hirundo neoxena</i>	Welcome Swallow	15	
<i>Manorina melanocephala</i>	Noisy Miner	10	
<i>Ocyphaps lophotes</i>	Crested Pigeon	3	
<i>Oxyura australis</i>	Blue-billed Duck		None observed
<i>Phalacrocorax sulcirostris</i>	Little Black Cormorant	2	Diving
<i>Platycercus eximius</i>	Eastern Rosella	10	
<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>	Purple Swamphen	1	Nesting in Typha
<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>	Willie Wagtail	2	
<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>	Spotted Turtle-Dove	3	
<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	Common Starling	5	
<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	Australasian Grebe	10	Nesting and chicks
<i>Threskiornis spinicollis</i>	Straw-necked Ibis	1	

<i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i>	Rainbow Lorikeet	5	
<i>Vanellus miles</i>	Masked Lapwing	3	