

2024 Winter Surveys of Waterbirds, Shorebirds & Raptors of Willaura Wetlands & Lake Bolac							
Wetland	Buninjn	Watgan	Muirhd	Green	Walker	Brady	Bolac
Observer	RB	RB	RB	RB	RB	RB	RB,DL
Survey date	02/07	02/07	02/07	28/06	27/06	27/06	30/06
Time started	1000	0930	1245	0900	1145	0900	0945
Duration (mins)	150	15	45	150	115	160	285
Water depth (max.)	mod	0	mod	low	v low	v low	high
Water % cover overall	70	0	80	40	33	30	90
SHOREBIRDS/WADERS							
Banded Stilt	505						
Black-fronted Dotterel						34	4
Black-winged Stilt	30			9		9	
Double-banded Plover	30			51			
Masked Lapwing	10			130	37	12	14
Red-capped Plover	11			17		3	
Red-kneed Dotterel	13						
Red-necked Avocet					14		
Red-necked Stint				1			
GANNETS, PELICAN & CORMORANTS							
Australian Pelican							14
Great Cormorant							1
Little Black Cormorant	6						21
Little Pied Cormorant	6			6	1	1	2
CRANES, CRAKES, DUCKS, GREBES, GEESE, SWANS							
Australasian Shoveler	115			52	51	101	
Australian Shelduck	110		60	80	24	36	5
Australian Wood Duck			6		65		
Black Swan	160		5	1500	8	335	5
Blue-billed Duck	175						1250
Brolga				14	2	335	
Chestnut Teal	2440		405	210	210		156
Eurasian Coot	5		22	440		2020	197
Great Crested Grebe							9
Grey Teal	910		210	735	185	785	50
Hardhead	180						25
Hoary-headed Grebe	5		33	30	2	20	685
Musk Duck	4		10				73
Pacific Black Duck	102		65	60	4	30	90
Purple Swamphen	20						103
HERONS, EGRETS, IBIS, SPOONBILLS							
Australian White Ibis				5		10	3
Great Egret	3						12
White-faced Heron	1			1		2	13
White-necked Heron				1			1
Yellow-billed Spoonbill	13		15	3	1	9	2
GULLS & TERNS							
Silver Gull	30		4	2	1	7	158
RAPTORS							
Black-shouldered Kite							2
Brown Goshawk							1
Swamp Harrier				1		2	
Wedged-tailed Eagle						2	
Whistling Kite				1		4	4
OTHER SPECIES ASSOCIATED WITH WETLANDS							
White-fronted Chat	3			P		20	

RB = Rod Bird, DL = Diane Luhrs

Buninjn = Lake Buninjon; Watgan = Watgania Rd Swamp; Muirhd = Lake Muirhead ; Green = Green Swamp; Walker = Walker Swamp; Brady = Brady Swamp; Bolac = Lake Bolac