HOW TO SUBMIT BIRD LISTS TO THE MCCG BIRD PROGECT 2012 - 2017

The MCCG Bird Project 2012 - 2017 will be greatly enhanced by many members of the MCCG submitting lists, repeatedly throughout the five years, of every bird seen at a particular time and a particular site within the Catchment. The greater the number of members involved and the more sites recorded, and the more repeated lists, the greater the enrichment of the Project. Repeated lists are necessary for measuring change in bird species richness.

There are two main ways of submitting bird lists that will feed directly into the Project. Firstly, and preferably, the data can be submitted electronically through the eBird website (http://ebird.org/content/ebird/).

Secondly, the bird lists, if necessary, can be submitted by email to the MCCG Secretary using a WORD/EXCEL file.

METHOD A: USING THE eBird WEBSITE: http://ebird.org/content/ebird/

There are three ways to submit your birdlists through the eBird website so that your data feeds directly into the MCCG Bird Project. Firstly, you register for free at the eBird website; and secondly you take one of these three steps:

- If you have a list of bird species for any one of the nine smaller sites listed below and submit it through eBird for that site, it will be included in the Species List at the Moggill Creek Catchment Site.
- If you have a list of birds for a new site in the Catchment, for example your home, a public park, your favourite walk in the bush, then on eBird you will be able to set up this new site. If you name your new site in a way that indicates that it is in the Catchment then it will be recognised and made a "child" of the Moggill Creek Catchment Site by the eBird Monitor. But it would be very helpful if you notified the MCCG Secretary or Jim Butler of your new site. We encourage you to set up new sites as it will enhance the usefulness of your data.
- If you have a bird list and cannot submit it to eBird by either of the two previous pathways then it can be placed directly at the Moggill Creek Catchment site itself through eBird.

Moggill Creek Catchment

This is an eBird site designed to collate all bird sightings within the Catchment Centre: -27°29′ 03″S 152°54′ 10″E or -27.48417S 152.90278E

This site incorporates the entire Moggill Creek Catchment. It covers 57.6 square kilometres and contains both public and private property. In the Catchment there are six habitats: Remnant Eucalypt Forest, Remnant Lowland Rainforest, Woodlands, Grasslands, Riparian Zones, Water Body and Wetlands; and parts of these suburbs: Kenmore, Kenmore Hills, Brookfield and Upper Brookfield.

This site automatically collates all lists and species from all sites within the Catchment.

Registered: 1 August 2012 (Moggill Creek Catchment Group)

Lists: 118 (August 2012)

Species: 162

There are at present nine sites which are in the Catchment and whose data is incorporated into the Moggill Creek Catchment Site's "Lists and Species". This automatic collation is achieved by features of the eBird software controlled by the monitors. All the data on the Moggill Creek Catchment site will be used to by the MCCG Bird Project to update the Current and Historical Bird Lists for the Catchment at regular intervals.

1. Gold Creek Reservoir 1' Cell (Incorporating the Gold Creek Reservoir Site) Centre: -27.45833°S 152.87499°E

Public property. Large waterbody and adjacent wetlands. Remnant dry eucalypt forest, lowland rainforest, riparian zones.

Registered: 29 March 2011 (Dez Wells – BirdLife Southern Queensland)

Lists: 55 Species: 144

Best Day List: 58 species, Mat & Cathy Gilfedder 21/03/2010.

2. 561/517 Haven Rd Upper Brookfield

Two Private properties. Land for Wildlife property surveyed by BirdLife Southern Queensland. Tall open forest with wattle and lantana understorey. Several dams.

Registered: 2 April 2009 (BirdLife Southern Queensland)

Lists: 7
Species: 77

Best Day List: 51 species, BirdLife Southern Queensland 10/10/2009.

3. Gap Creek Reserve

Several tracks wind through Dry Eucalyptus forest of Mount Coot-Tha.

Registered: 19 July 2008 (Dez Wells – BirdLife Southern Queensland)

Lists: 5
Species: 55

Best Day List: 44 species, Julie Sarna (1190) 05/12/2011.

4. Gold Creek Reservoir (Incorporated into the larger Gold Creek Reservoir 1' Cell)

Public property. Reservoir and surrounding tall remnant forest. Last 500m of road is good birding too.

Registered: 3 May 2008 (Alan Crawford)

Lists: 52 Species: 143

Best Day List: 58 species, Mat & Cathy Gilfedder 21/03/2010.

5. Kenmore

Public property. Suburb of Brisbane.

Registered: 2 July 2011 (Paul Brooks)

Lists: 3
Species: 22

Best Day List: 20 species, Kurtis Lindsay 03/04/2012.

6. Kingfisher Park, Kenmore

Public property: A local reserve. Access off Gem Rd. Riparian zone vegetation.

Registered: 28 September 2009 (Dez Wells – BirdLife Southern Queensland)

Lists: 3
Species: 3

Best Day List: 1 species, Birdline 26/09/2009.

7. Kittani St Upper Brookfield

Private property. Land for Wildlife property surveyed by BirdLife Southern Queensland. Habitat: Gallery rainforest gullies, Dry Vine scrub rainforest hill tops, Dry Eucalyptus on western slopes.

Registered: 25 January 2010 (BirdLife Southern Queensland)

Lists: 11 Species: 84

Best Day List: 46 species, BirdLife Southern Queensland 22/01/2011.

8. Rafting Ground Rd Reserve

Public property.Rafting Ground Reserve is located on Moggill Creek, one of the formerly rainforested tributaries of the Brisbane River. Historically, the reserve was used as a transport site for the logs (Hoop Pine, Crow's Ash, Yellowwood, White Beech and some Red Cedar) that were cut out of the Brookfield - Pullenvale 'scrubs' (the Qld colloquial term for rainforest vegetation). Rafting Ground Reserve itself is approximately 6ha in area and contains a remnant of the 'lowland warm subtropical rainforest' that commonly grew along the alluvial creek flats in the local area.

Registered: 10 July 2009 (Dez Wells – BirdLife Southern Queensland)

Lists: 2 Species: 35

Best Day List: 34 species, Paul Brooks 06/08/2011.

9. Smith's Scrub

Private property.Land for Wildlife propertysurveyed by BirdLife Southern Queensland .The scrub is classified as 'Araucariannotophyll/microphyll vine forest' (Webb) or Lowland warm subtropical rainforest with Hoop pine emergents' (McDonald & Elsol). It occupies about 7 hectares on a volcanic outlier. It lies on the south side of a ridge, the aspect making it unsuitable for farming. Since 1935 (when there was only 1 Hoop pine left) over 60 emergent Hoop pines have regenerated. Laurie Jessup (Old Herbarium) has identified 160 native species in the scrub. It is considered as the most important collection site in Brisbane by Queensland Museum entomologists.

Registered: 28 June 2009 (BirdLife Southern Queensland)

Lists: 8 Species: 69

Best Day List: 43 species, BirdLife Southern Queensland 17/01/2009.

N.B. The following eBird site is NOT included in the Moggill Creek Catchment site:

1. Moggill Creek Mouth 1'Cell

This large Cell includes the Brisbane River and Suburbs on the eastern side of river which are outside the Catchment.

METHOD B: USING THE MCCG SECRETARY

If you have a bird list it can be submitted to the Project through the MCCG Secretary. The most convenient way would be to email a Word/Excel file to the Secretary containing the list of birds and the date and site where the birds were seen. Please list all birds seen. The data received by the Secretary will be entered into the eBird website.