

# Learn About Birds

## *and get involved with citizen science*

- Ever wanted to be involved in bird watching but don't know where to begin?
- Want to be able to identify a bird that moves quickly through the bush in front of you?
- Have an **interest in science, or natural history?**
- Keen on improving your knowledge of birds and **contributing to scientific research?**
- Are you fit and enjoy the outdoors?

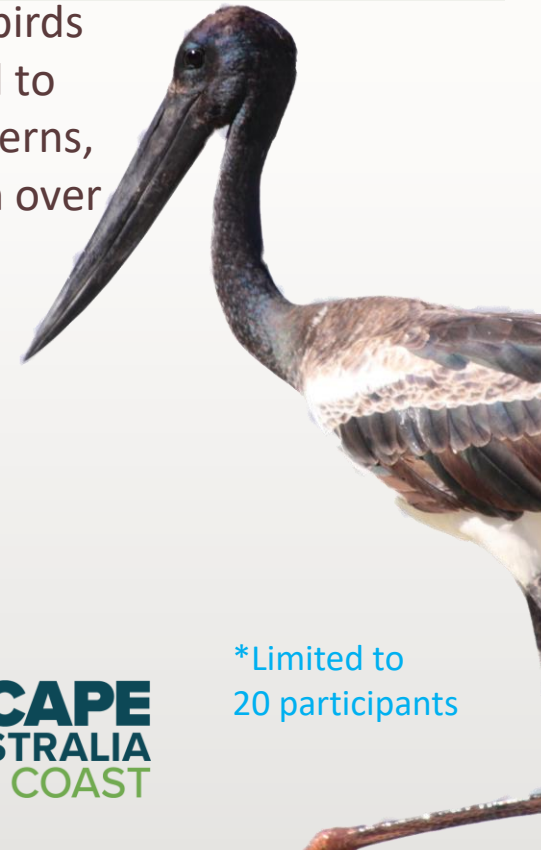
### **This FREE 10-session bird monitoring course\* might be for you!**

Our course can help you gain the level of skills and knowledge necessary to survey birds that most people take years to nurture and develop! Learn the many skills needed to identify and count birds above and beyond seeing them. Learn their calls, flight patterns, behaviours, habitat use and more. You will need to commit to four hours per session over ten sessions. Dr Greg Kerr is a behavioural ecologist and teacher with a desire to help people appreciate the complexity of biodiversity in our region and to facilitate citizen science programs.

**Where:** Group Training Employment (GTE), 175 Commercial St West, Mt Gambier

**When:** 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> October, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> November 2024.

**How:** Phone Jess Bouchier 0438 671 356 or email [jess.bouchier@nqt.org.au](mailto:jess.bouchier@nqt.org.au) to book



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## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Each session begins with a field walk, followed by a 1 hr indoor presentation and tea break, and finishes with a 2 hr group ID session

**Tue 1<sup>st</sup> Oct 17:00-21:00** Welcome. Bird Classification. Binoculars and Field Equipment. Practice identification of Raptors.

**Tue 8<sup>th</sup> Oct 17:00-21:00** 1 Hr bird walk then Getting to know your birds, Topography, markings. Practice waterbird identification

**Tue 15<sup>th</sup> Oct 17:00-21:00** 1 Hr bird walk then ID by call: Audio recorders and microphones. Bush and open country birds (BOCB) - ground dwellers, aerial birds

**Sun 20<sup>th</sup> Oct 08:30-12:30** 1 Hr bird walk then Dealing with constant change: ID of birds at different life stages. BOCB - large passerine perching birds

**Mon 21<sup>st</sup> Oct 17:00-21:00** 1 Hr bird walk then What bird moves like that: Identifying birds by behaviour. BOCB - larger non-passerine birds

**Sun 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov 08:30-12:30** 1 Hr bird walk then ID by location: Distribution, movement patterns, habitat use, BOCB - smaller perching birds

**Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Nov 17:00-21:00** 1 Hr bird walk then Recording Field Notes: How to add to the body of knowledge. BOCB - smaller perching birds cont'.,

**Mon 11<sup>th</sup> Nov 17:00-21:00** Walk 1 Hr bird walk then Conservation of birds and monitoring methods: Surveying birds, BOCB - smaller perching birds cont'.

**Sun 17<sup>th</sup> Nov 08:30-12:30** 2 Hr Survey Practice - Collecting, entering and storing data: Practice conducting 2ha/20min surveys in the field, using survey and bird apps.

**Tue 19<sup>th</sup> Nov 17:00-21:00** Evolution of Birds. Identifying birds of the shoreline: waders, gulls, terns.- Identifying seabirds. Making your own georeferenced maps. Data entry (using BirdLife database) and where to from here.

***This course is offered free of charge; however, it is limited to 20 participants.***



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