



# Birds New Zealand Auckland Regional Programme 2023

JULY 2023 – JAN 2024 (V3)

*Meetings held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of every month (except January),  
7.30pm at Unitec Institute of Technology (Mt Albert, Entry 4, Building 115).*

All visitors welcome. \$3 koha is appreciated.

## **Further information on meetings, venues and activities:**

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## **JULY**

- 04 Monthly meeting 7.30pm: Richard & Lesley Gardner (Birds NZ) Dotterel minding at Te Henga/Bethells Beach.**
- 08 Muriwai beach patrol 9.30am: Contact Mel Galbraith (4801958).
- 09 Ambury Park Guided Bird Walk 3.00pm (HT1523 3.8m) *Ornithological helpers needed, ideally with binoculars &/or telescopes.* Contact Ian McLean (021535121).

## **AUGUST**

- 01 Monthly meeting 7.30pm: Graham Lowther (Birds NZ) Lifting the lid off Muriwai Beach: an exposè of an environmental disaster.**
- 12 Muriwai beach patrol 9.30am: Contact Mel Galbraith (4801958).

## **SEPTEMBER**

- 05 Monthly meeting 7.30pm: Gaia Dell Ariccia (Akld Council) A long term regional program to restore seabirds in Auckland: challenges, finding & perspectives.**
- 09 Muriwai beach patrol 9.30am: Contact Ian McLean (021535121).
- 23 Pūweto spotless crane monitoring 7:30am (HT1308 2.9m), Harbourview-Orangihina Park, Te Atatu Peninsula: Contact Trina Smith (021352995).
- 24 Shakespear Regional Park Survey, 9.30am: Contact Neil Davies (0210719468 or [nandh.davies@slingshot.co.nz](mailto:nandh.davies@slingshot.co.nz)).

## **OCTOBER**

- 01 Ambury Park Guided Bird Walk & **Kia Ora Kuaka** Talk 11.00am (HT1243 4.3M) *Ornithological helpers needed.* Speaker: Adrian Riegen. Contact Ian McLean (021535121).
- 03 Monthly meeting (online only via Zoom) 7.30pm: Ilse Corkery (DOC) The development of a captive rearing program for tara-iti/NZ fairy tern & update.**
- 07 Muriwai beach patrol 9.30am: Contact Ian McLean (021535121).
- 07-08 Motutapu Island Survey. Accommodation at the Motutapu Outdoor Education Camp. Contact Ian McLean (021535121).
- 22 Pakiri beach patrol 9.30am: Contact Ian McLean (021535121).
- 29 Spring Michael Taylor Memorial Guided Walk at Cornwall Park 10.00am Contact Ian McLean (021535121).

## NOVEMBER

- 04 Muriwai beach patrol 9.30am: Contact Ian McLean (021535121).
- 07 **Monthly meeting 7.30pm: Michael Fox (Auckland University) Bringing burrowing seabirds back: ecological restoration in New Zealand.**
- 18 Mangawhai Wader Census (HT1152 3.2m): Contact Gwenda Pulham (0210553365).
- 19 Firth of Thames Wader Census (HT1243 3.2m): Contact Adrian Riegen (8149741).
- 25 Kaipara Wader Census (HT0940 3.9m): Contact Adrian Riegen (8149741).
- 26 Manukau (HT1032 4.1m) & Waitemata (HT0707 3.2m) Wader Census: Contact Adrian Riegen (8149741).
- 28-30: **Australasian Ornithological Conference (AOC) 2023 in Brisbane.**

## DECEMBER

- 05 **Monthly meeting 7.30pm: Annual quiz & shared supper** (Adrian Riegen Quiz Master).
- 09 Muriwai Beach Patrol: Contact Mel Galbraith (4801958)
- 17 Ambury Park Guided Bird Walk 2.00pm (HT1447 4.0m) *Ornithological helpers needed, ideally with binoculars &/or telescopes.* Contact Ian McLean (021535121).

## JANUARY 2024

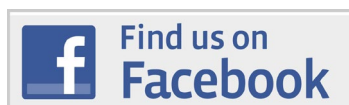
- 08-13 Birds NZ Youth Camp – Makarora
- 20 **Annual Summer Picnic: [Matuku Link](#) - Meet at 10am and bring your lunch.** Matuku Link is 37 hectares of wetland and native bush at 111 Bethells Road, Te Henga, West Auckland. Possible sightings include bittern, spotless crane, fern bird and brown teal. *(Some walks further afield may be organised afterwards? Onehunga HT1901)*  
Contact Chris Thompson (021426839) for details and carpooling [chrisandpeter@hotmail.com](mailto:chrisandpeter@hotmail.com).



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