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Welcome to this month's newsletter.

## December Activity Report

For the activity, we had Matt, Ken, Tamara, Jay, Caitlin Anita, Rose, Beryl and Darren. We had apologies from Joelle, Graeme, Mike, Cathy, Gordon and Mike W.

Before the day's activity the Bird Book group had a meeting to discuss further developments with the book. The work progresses well towards having it published later next year.

After the bird book discussions were finished the group moved on to discuss other matters. Matt was happy to report that a powerful owl nest has been located. The nest involves a breeding pair and a hatchling.



Parks Victoria have requested a meeting with representatives from FMNP to discuss insurance and the replacement of bridges. We will try to have this meeting in early February 2024.

Jay suggested that the group should have snake bite kits for activities. After a little discussion it was decided to organize two snake bite kits and full first aid kit for future activities.

After the meeting Matt and Beryl moved off to set up for lunch, while Rose, Caitlin, Tamara and Darren walked around Foster's Gully. While the group walked around, they completed some track maintenance and cut lots of bracken from the track. During the walk a wallaby and kookaburra were captured by Caitlin and the rest of the group learned a lot about Caitlin's recent adventures in Japan.

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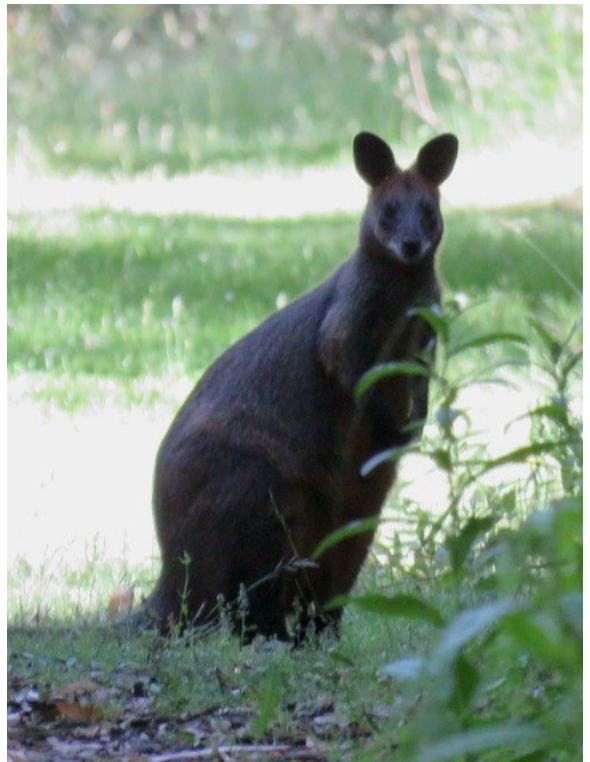
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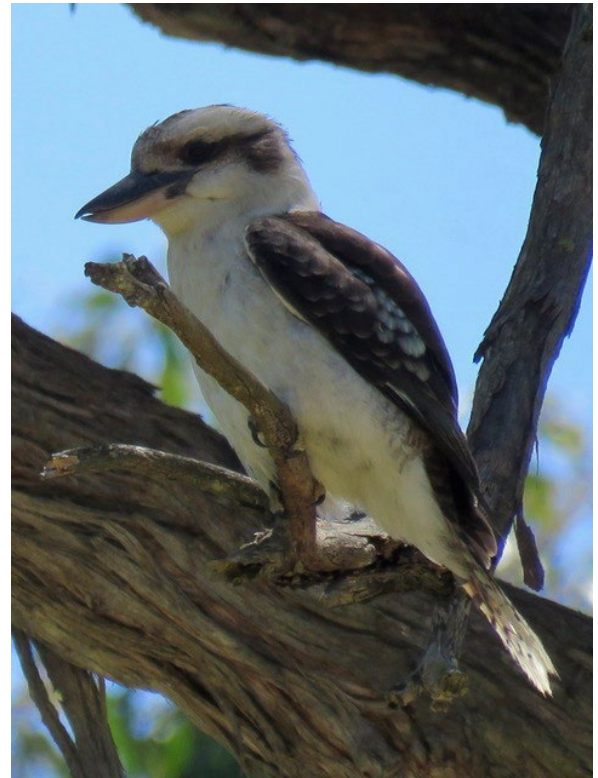
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After the mornings activities the group gathered at Matt's for the end of year barbeque. Sadly, we could not have the barbeque in the Kerry Road picnic area since there is no barbeque there. Thanks goes to Matt and Kerry who hosted the barbeque. Thank you to everybody who brought a plate to share.

A big thanks goes to everybody in the group for your efforts in 2023.

### **January Activity**

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> January 10.00am

The group will meet in the Junction Road car park to complete the annual survey of the nesting boxes. You will need to bring your lunch along with clothing and footwear suitable for the weather conditions on the day.