

Entry

Location: Darwin - Kakadu - Darwin Multi day trip (Northern Territory)

Date: Monday, 17 October 2011

Notes: Day 5 - Started off with the 6.45am Yellow Waters Cruise followed by a buffet breakfast. Some good sightings, especially the Little Kingfisher. Then it was back to Darwin via the Old Jim Jim Road, with a fruitful stop at the South Alligator River crossing.

Back on Arnhem Highway, we made a brief stop at the Mary River excavation pits (in search for Gouldians) then a lunch stop at Fogg Dam and walk around Palmerston SF set up camp at Lee Point CP just after 7pm.

Number of Observers: 2

Photos

White-bellied Sea-Eagle



Little Pied Cormorant



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Azure Kingfisher



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Birds (78)

Megapodes <i>Megapodiidae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Orange-footed Scrubfowl <i>Megapodius reinwardt</i>			At Fogg Dam.
Magpie Goose <i>Anseranatidae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Magpie Goose <i>Anseranas semipalmata</i>			On Yellow Waters Cruise.
Ducks, Geese, and Waterfowl <i>Anatidae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Plumed Whistling-Duck <i>Dendrocygna eytoni</i>			On Yellow Waters Cruise.
Wandering Whistling-Duck <i>Dendrocygna arcuata</i>			On Yellow Waters Cruise.
Radjah Shelduck <i>Tadorna radjah</i>			At Palmy Ponds.
Green Pygmy-goose <i>Nettapus pulchellus</i>			Old Jim Jim Road.
Grebes <i>Podicipedidae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Australasian Grebe <i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	5		At Palmy Ponds.

Pigeons and Doves <i>Columbidae</i>		Count	Flying over	Notes
Peaceful Dove <i>Geopelia striata</i>				All areas.
Bar-shouldered Dove <i>Geopelia humeralis</i>				Seen in all areas.
New Zealand Parrots <i>Strigopidae</i>		Count	Flying over	Notes
Rose-crowned Fruit-Dove <i>Ptilinopus regina</i>	2			At Fogg Dam. Good sightings at la after having heard them at several locations. Well done Peter on finding them!
Australasian Darter <i>Anhingidae</i>		Count	Flying over	Notes
Australasian Darter <i>Anhinga novaehollandiae</i>				On Yellow Waters Cruise.
Little Pied Cormorant <i>Phalacrocoracidae</i>		Count	Flying over	Notes
Little Pied Cormorant <i>Microcarbo melanoleucos</i>				On Yellow Waters Cruise.
Hérons, Egrets, and Bitterns <i>Ardeidae</i>		Count	Flying over	Notes
Intermediate Egret <i>Ardea intermedia</i>				On Yellow Waters Cruise. Old Jim Jim Road.
Cattle Egret <i>Ardea ibis</i>				On Yellow Waters Cruise.
Pied Heron <i>Egretta picata</i>				On Yellow Waters Cruise. At Fogg Dam. And one hundred or more at Palmerston SP.
Little Egret <i>Egretta garzetta</i>				On Yellow Waters Cruise.
Nankeen Night-Heron <i>Nycticorax caledonicus</i>				On Yellow Waters Cruise.
Ibises and Spoonbills <i>Threskiornithidae</i>		Count	Flying over	Notes
Glossy Ibis <i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>				On Yellow Waters Cruise. At Fogg Dam.
Australian White Ibis <i>Threskiornis molucca</i>				On Yellow Waters Cruise.
Straw-necked Ibis <i>Threskiornis spinicollis</i>				Old Jim Jim Road.
Eastern Osprey <i>Accipitridae</i>		Count	Flying over	Notes
White-bellied Sea-Eagle <i>Haliaeetus leucogaster</i>				On Yellow Waters Cruise.
Whistling Kite <i>Haliastur sphenurus</i>				Seen in all areas.
Brahminy Kite <i>Haliastur indus</i>	2			One immature and one mature, at Palmy Ponds.
Falcons and Caracaras <i>Falconidae</i>		Count	Flying over	Notes
Brown Falcon <i>Falco berigora</i>	1			Juvenile. At Fogg Dam.
Rails, Gallinules, and Coots <i>Rallidae</i>		Count	Flying over	Notes
Purple Swamphen <i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>	1			On Yellow Waters Cruise.
Thick-knees <i>Burhinidae</i>		Count	Flying over	Notes
Bush Stone-curlew <i>Burhinus grallarius</i>	1			At Lee Point Caravan Park. Photo taken in car headlights.
Plovers and Lapwings <i>Charadriidae</i>		Count	Flying over	Notes
Pacific Golden Plover <i>Pluvialis fulva</i>	23			At Palmy Ponds.
Black-fronted Dotterel <i>Elsayornis melanops</i>	1			At Palmy Ponds.

Masked Lapwing <i>Vanellus miles</i>			Seen in all areas.
Jacanas <i>Jacanidae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Comb-crested Jacana <i>Irediparra gallinacea</i>			On Yellow Waters Cruise, Old Jim Jim Road, and Fogg Dam.
Sandpipers and Allies <i>Scolopacidae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Eastern Curlew <i>Numenius madagascariensis</i>	1		At Palmy Ponds on the mudflats.
Common Sandpiper <i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	17		At Palmy Ponds.
Gulls, Terns, and Skimmers <i>Laridae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Whiskered Tern <i>Chlidonias hybrida</i>			On Yellow Waters Cruise and at F Dam.
White-winged Black Tern <i>Chlidonias leucopterus</i>			At Palmy Ponds. Several seen with 'headphones', among the Whisker Terns.
Cockatoos <i>Cacatuidae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Red-tailed Black-Cockatoo <i>Calyptorhynchus banksii</i>	30+		Old Jim Jim Road.
Little Corella <i>Cacatua sanguinea</i>			On Yellow Waters Cruise.
Parrots <i>Psittacidae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Rainbow Lorikeet <i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i>			Seen in all areas.
Red-winged Parrot <i>Aprosmictus erythropterus</i>			At Palmy Ponds.
Kingfishers <i>Alcedinidae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Azure Kingfisher <i>Ceyx azureus</i>			On Yellow Waters Cruise.
Little Kingfisher <i>Ceyx pusilla</i>	4		On Yellow Waters Cruise.
Tree Kingfishers <i>Halcyonidae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Blue-winged Kookaburra <i>Dacelo leachii</i>			Old Jim Jim Road, with fish.
Forest Kingfisher <i>Todiramphus macleayii</i>			On Yellow Waters Cruise and at F Dam.
Bee-eaters <i>Meropidae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Rainbow Bee-eater <i>Merops ornatus</i>			Seen in all areas.
Rollers <i>Coraciidae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Dollarbird <i>Eurystomus orientalis</i>			Old Jim Jim Road.
Bowerbirds <i>Ptilonorhynchidae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Great Bowerbird <i>Ptilonorhynchus nuchalis</i>	1		At Palmy Ponds.
Fairywrens <i>Maluridae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Red-backed Fairy-wren <i>Malurus melanocephalus</i>			At Palmy Ponds.
Thornbills and Allies <i>Acanthizidae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Green-backed Gerygone <i>Gerygone chloronota</i>	2		Old Jim Jim Road.
Honeyeaters <i>Meliphagidae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
White-gaped Honeyeater <i>Lichenostomus</i>			On Yellow Waters Cruise. Old Jim

<i>unicolor</i>			Jim Road.
Bar-breasted Honeyeater <i>Ramsayornis fasciatus</i>			On Yellow Waters Cruise.
Rufous-banded Honeyeater <i>Conopophila albogularis</i>			On Yellow Waters Cruise.
Dusky Honeyeater <i>Myzomela obscura</i>			Old Jim Jim Road.
Red-headed Honeyeater <i>Myzomela erythrocephala</i>			At Palmy Ponds. Males, females & immature males.
Brown Honeyeater <i>Lichmera indistincta</i>			At Palmy Ponds.
Helmeted Friarbird <i>Philemon buceroides</i>			At Palmy Ponds.

Cuckoo-shrikes <i>Campephagidae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
White-bellied Cuckoo-shrike <i>Coracina papuensis</i>			Seen in all areas.
White-winged Triller <i>Lalage sueurii</i>	1		Male in breeding plumage, at Fogg Dam.
Varied Triller <i>Lalage leucomela</i>			Old Jim Jim Road.

Whistlers and Allies <i>Pachycephalidae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Rufous Whistler <i>Pachycephala rufiventris</i>			At Fogg Dam.

Old World Orioles <i>Oriolidae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Yellow Oriole <i>Oriolus flavocinctus</i>			Old Jim Jim Road.

Woodswallows <i>Artamidae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
White-breasted Woodswallow <i>Artamus leucorhynchus</i>			At Palmy Ponds.
Black-faced Woodswallow <i>Artamus cinereus</i>	4		At Fogg Dam.

Bellmagpies and Allies <i>Cracticidae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Pied Butcherbird <i>Cracticus nigrogularis</i>			Old Jim Jim Road.

Fantails <i>Rhipiduridae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Arafura Fantail <i>Rhipidura dryas</i>	2		On Yellow Waters Cruise. And Old Jim Jim Road. At Palmy Ponds.
Northern Fantail <i>Rhipidura rufiventris</i>			On Yellow Waters Cruise. At Palm Ponds.
Willie Wagtail <i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>			On Yellow Waters Cruise.

Crows, Jays, and Magpies <i>Corvidae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Torresian Crow <i>Corvus orru</i>			Old Jim Jim Road.

Monarch Flycatchers <i>Monarchidae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Broad-billed Flycatcher <i>Myiagra ruficollis</i>	1		On Yellow Waters Cruise. Female
Leaden Flycatcher <i>Myiagra rubecula</i>		✓	At Palmy Ponds. Female, tail fluttering.
Shining Flycatcher <i>Myiagra alecto</i>			On Yellow Waters Cruise. Female Palmy Ponds.
Restless Flycatcher <i>Myiagra inquieta</i>			On Yellow Waters Cruise.
Magpie-lark <i>Grallina cyanoleuca</i>			Seen in all areas.
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Australasian Robins <i>Petroicidae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Lemon-bellied Flycatcher <i>Microeca flavigaster</i>			At Palmy Ponds. Several immature amongst them.
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Mangrove Robin <i>Peneonanthe pulverulenta</i>			At Palmy Ponds. Heard only.
Buff-sided Robin <i>Poecilodryas cerviniventris</i>	1		On Yellow Waters Cruise.

Waxbills and Allies <i>Estrildidae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Double-barred Finch <i>Taeniopygia bichenovii</i>			At Palmy Ponds.
Crimson Finch <i>Neochmia phaeton</i>			On Yellow Waters Cruise, and at Fogg Dam. At Palmy Ponds.

Mammals (1)

Horses <i>Equidae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Horse <i>Equus caballus</i>	9		Brumbys seen on Yellow Waters Cruise.

Reptiles (3)

Crocodiles <i>Crodylus</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Estuarine Crocodile <i>Crocodylus porosus</i>	10+		On Yellow Waters Cruise.

Dragons <i>Agamidae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Gilbert's Dragon; Ta-ta Lizard <i>Amphibolurus gilberti</i>			Saw many at Fogg Dam.

Colubrid Snakes <i>Colubridae</i>	Count	Flying over	Notes
Common Tree Snake <i>Dendrelaphis punctulata</i>	2		On Yellow Waters Cruise.