

# AOC2025 program

Monday 17 November	
09:00-16:00	WORKSHOPS
10:00-16:00	Mapping the sensitivity of Australia's Avifauna to renewable energy infrastructure using the free online siting tool AviStep: A vital first step in achieving nature-safe renewable energy projects. <b>Organisers: Tris Allinson (BirdLife International), Dr Golo Maurer, Dr Yuna Kim (BirdLife Australia)</b>
10:00-12:00	Citizen Advocacy: Native Vegetation Protection for Birds in WA <b>Organisers: Viv Read and Mark Henryon (BirdLife WA Advocacy Committee)</b>
17:30-19:00	Registration and Sundowners at UWA tavern

Tuesday 18 November				
06:30-08:30	Morning bird walk			
08:00-09:00	Registration at UWA Business school			
09:00-09:30	<b>Welcome</b> by BirdLife Australia CEO Kate Millar and <b>Opening of AOC</b> by Rob Davis <b>Welcome to Country by Simon Forrest</b> , Wadjuk Nyoongar Elder and accompanying dance group			
09:30-10:00	<b>Opening Plenary Session: Kristal Cain</b> <i>Chasing birds and shiny squirrels: Challenging unchallenged assumptions and asking unasked questions</i>			
10:00-10:30	Morning tea			
10:30-12:30	Concurrent Sessions			
	Behavioural Ecology	Avian ecotoxicology & disease preparedness	Recent advances in Australasian shorebird science	Applications of and advances in EcoAcoustics and bioacoustics
12:30-13:30	Lunch			

12:40-13:20	Lunchtime workshops			
	Key Biodiversity Area - help shape the sites for birds in Australia	Mortality addition to Birddata: tracking the fate of the birds we love	The Hitchhiker's Guide to Sound Localisation	Atlas of Living Australia: Your gateway to Birddata
13:30-15:00	Concurrent Sessions			
	Behavioural Ecology	Birds on Country: Indigenous knowledge & conservation of birds	Recent advances in Australasian shorebird science	Applications of and advances in EcoAcoustics and bioacoustics
15:00-15:30	Afternoon tea			
15:30-16:30	Concurrent Sessions			
	Behavioural Ecology	Conservation-industry partnerships	Open Forum	Applications of and advances in EcoAcoustics and bioacoustics
16:45-17:30	Panel Discussion: Finding the balance - collaboration with the energy sector for advancing bird conservation			
17:30-18:30	Poster session 1			
18:30-21:30	Student meet and greet Quiz night at UWA Tavern			

Wednesday 19 November	
06:30-08:30	Morning bird walk
09:00-09:30	<b>First Plenary Session: Heather Ketebeang</b> <i>Avifauna of Palau: Protecting birds, preserving heritage, and inspiring hope</i>
09:30-10:00	<b>Second Plenary Session: Dejan Stojanovic</b> <i>A decade of Orange-bellied Parrots</i>
10:00- 10:10	<b>AVISTEP Launch</b> with Kate Millar (BirdLife Australia), Jarrod Pittson (Fortescue), Tris Allison (BirdLife International)
10:10-10:30	Morning tea

10:30-12:30	Concurrent Sessions			
	Research and conservation of Australia's threatened birds	Open Forum / Evolution of birds in Australasia	Temperate woodland birds conservation and recovery	Seabird conservation
12:30-13:30	Lunch			
12:40-13:20	Lunchtime workshops and meetings			
	The Good, the Bad, (and the Messy) of Species Recovery	Multi-Spot Sampling, INTELINK, and the Path from Supervised to Unsupervised Learning for Behavior Recognition	Birds on Farms goes digital: Helping landholders create bird-friendly farms across Australia	EMU board meeting (by invitation only)
13:30-15:30	Concurrent Sessions			
	Research and conservation of Australia's threatened birds	Evolution of birds in Australasia	Open Forum	Seabird conservation
15:00-15:30	Afternoon tea			
15:30-16:30	Concurrent Sessions			
	Research and conservation of Australia's threatened birds	Evolution of birds in Australasia	Open Forum	Seabird conservation
16:30-17:30	POSTER SESSION 2			
16:30-17:30	MEETINGS			
	AOCOC meeting (by invitation only)			Seabird AGM
18:30-22:00	CONFERENCE DINNER at THE AVIARY			

Thursday 20 November				
06:30–08:30	Morning bird walks			
09:00–10:30	Concurrent sessions			
	Research and conservation of Australia's threatened birds	From plans to action: Overcoming barriers in species recovery	Behavioural Ecology	Applications of and advances in EcoAcoustics and bioacoustics / Open forum
10:30–11:00	Morning tea			
11:00–12:30	Concurrent Sessions			
	Windfarms and birdlife	Urban birds	Behavioural Ecology / Open Forum	Long-term monitoring
12:30–13:30	Lunch			
13:30–14:00	Awards ceremony			
14:00–14:30	Serventy Plenary: <b>Richard Fuller</b> <i>Crossing continents, confronting change: Australia's migratory birds</i>			
14:30–14:35	Announcement of AOC2027			
14:30–15:00	Afternoon tea			
15:00–16:30	Concurrent Sessions			
	Windfarms and birdlife	Urban birds	Behavioural Ecology	Long-term monitoring / Open Forum
17:00: 17:30	MOVIE SCREENING - <i>Night calling documentary by Owl Friendly Margaret River and Capes Foundation</i>			

Friday 21 November		
	FIELD TRIPS (Bookings are required)	
09:00-17:30	Wadejmup (Rottnest Island)	Full-day
15:00-18:00	Peel-Harvey Estuary cruise	Half-day
7:00-11:00	Victoria Dam walk	Half-day
16:00-17:00	Kaarakin Black Cockatoo Conservation Centre Tour	1 hr
14:00-16:00	Boola Bardip (Western Australian Museum) Bird Collections Tour	2 hrs
Saturday 22 November		
	FIELD TRIPS (Bookings are required)	
9:00-17:30	Wadejmup (Rottnest Island)	Full-day
15:00-18:00	Collins Road half-day walk	Half-day
Saturday 22 November - Monday 24 November		
	Glenbrook Country Retreat, Margaret River	Long-range excursion