

2024 Environment Lalendar



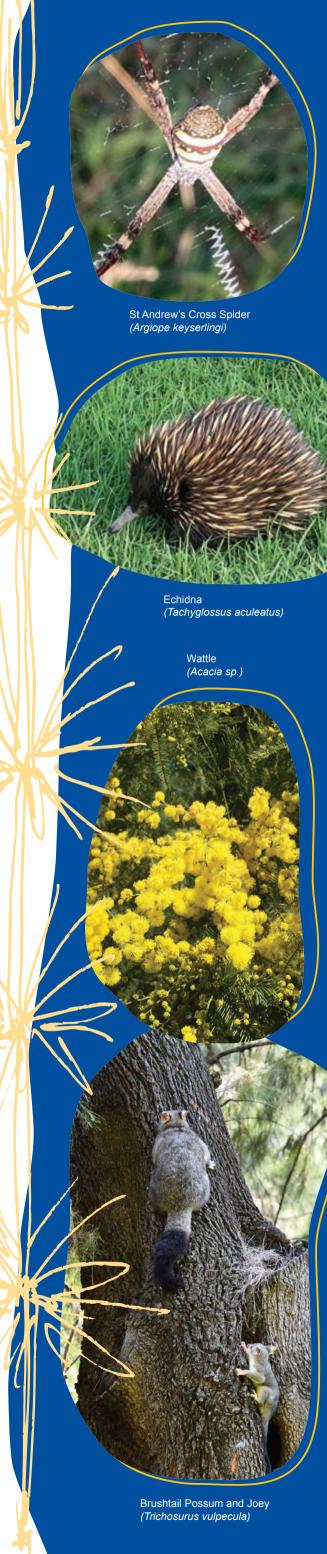
### Fairfield City Council's Free Environmental Workshops

To book a free weekend workshop, visit www.fairfieldcity.nsw.gov.au/events and go to the date the workshop is on or contact Fairfield City Council on 9725 0222. Booking for each event opens one month before the scheduled date.

Workshops	Date and time	Location	Description
In the Night Sky	23 January 2:00 – 4:00 pm	Gough Room in Whitlam Library	Here is a chance to find out about the creatures that are flying around in our night skies. This workshop will focus on microbats and mega bats. This workshop is your opportunity to get up close and personal with these animals. The workshop concludes with fun activities relating to all the creatures that you have just encountered.
Grow Me Instead – Weed Identification and Control	24 February 9:00 – noon	Horsley Park Community Hall	Did you know our gardens are the greatest source of environmental weeds? Learn what plants in your garden can spread to our precious natural areas, how they spread and how we can prevent this from happening. Look at alternative plants that serve the same function as those classified as environmental weeds. You will also receive some free native plants for your garden.
Nocturnal Mini Beasts	1 March 6:30 – 9:30 pm	Fairfield Park	Join us on a citizen science project. A guided adventure through Fairfield Park. We will investigate the mini beasts within the park, using a UV insect light trap, we will also go spotlighting to see what else comes out at night. Learn how to record the information in Australia's fauna data bases.
Breakfast with the Birds workshop	23 March 7:30 – 11:00 am	Upper Prospect Creek	Join Aimee from Ecohort on a walk and talk as he highlights the variety of birdlife that abounds. Please wear comfortable shoes, sun smart clothing, and bring water and binoculars. Please note that this walk is on uneven ground. Brunch will be provided.
Backyard Habitat for Kid's workshops	13 April 9:00 – noon	Nalawala	A fantastic workshop designed to introduce kids to the local animals and bugs that live alongside us. Workshop includes building nest boxes for a variety of local animals.
Fairfield's Hidden Nightlife – Spotlighting	19 April 6:00 – 9:00 pm	ТВА	Have you ever wondered what creatures come out at night?  Come for a night walk along one of Fairfield City's creeks and use your senses to explore what Fairfield City has to offer. You will need to wear warm clothes, mosquito repellent and bring a spotlight or torch.
Guided Walk – Cabramatta Creek	15 June 9:00 – 11:00 am	Irelands Bridge Reserve	Come and be inspired with our natural biodiversity along Cabramatta Creek as well as the past management practices around creek lines of Fairfield City. Learn about the Aboriginal and European history of the river with Jennifer Farrer from Boronia Tours.
Backyard Habitat for Kid's workshops	11 July 9:00 – noon	Nalawala	A fantastic workshop designed to introduce kids to the local animals and bugs that live alongside us. Workshop includes animal presentation.
Propagation for Kids workshop	18 July 9:00 – noon	Nalawala	A terrific workshop focused on teaching kids how to propagate and grow their own vegetables. Learn to grow herbs and vegetables – grow your own instant veggie garden.
Breakfast with the Birds workshop	31 August 7:30 – 11:00 am	End of Bowden Street	Join Aimee from Ecohort on a walk and talk as he highlights the variety of birdlife around us. Please wear comfortable shoes, sun smart clothing, and bring water and binoculars. Please note that this walk is on uneven ground. Brunch will be provided.
Frogs of Fairfield City	20 September 6:00 – 9:00 pm	Upper Prospect Creek, Park on Davis Road	Come and listen to a talk on frogs in the local area and learn how frogs are the indicators of the health of the environment.  The evening will conclude with a stroll to see what frogs we have in Fairfield City.
Propagation for Kids workshop	5 October 9:00 – noon	Nalawala	A terrific workshop focused on teaching kids how to propagate and grow their own local native plants - grow your own micro forest.
Guided Walk	26 October 9:00 – 11:00 am	Cutler Road	Learn about the natural biodiversity along the river as well as the past management practices around creek lines of Fairfield City. Learn about the Aboriginal and European history of the river with Jennifer Farrer from Boronia Tours. The walk will start at the end of Cook Avenue, Canley Vale.
Volunteer Christmas Party	23 November 10:00 am – 1:00 pm	Nalawala	Christmas Party and guided walk for Fairfield City Council's Environmental Volunteers – Save the Date!

Front cover photo: Judy Tester (Tawny Frogmouth)

Photos by: Paul Jones (St Andrew's Cross spider), Anna Milenou (echidna), Michael Kacprzak (Wattle), Daniel Flood (Brushtail possum and joey)



Events	Date and time	Location	Description
Clean Up Australia Day	3 March All day	Various sites in Fairfield City	Be a part of the largest community based environmental initiative in the country by cleaning up your local area. Visit www.cleanupaustraliaday.org.au to find a site or register your own.
Community Nursery Open day	9 March 9:00 am – 3:00 pm	Fairfield Community Nursery, Nalawala Sustainability Centre Fairfield Showground	Come and explore our community nursery and gardens site, meet the volunteers, pick up some free native plants plus get some plant and gardening advice, enjoy the native animal display and so much more. Gates will be open from 9am. A great experience for the whole family.
Earth Hour	25 March 8.30 – 9.30 pm	Your house	Join millions of people worldwide by turning off all lights and non-essential electrical appliances such as TVs, computers and phone chargers for one hour.
National Tree Day	28 July 9:00 – noon	Baragoola Street, Fairfield West	National Tree Day is Australia's largest community tree planting event. By planting trees, you will be joining thousands of individuals in making a difference, connecting people with nature, beautifying neighbourhoods and inspiring positive environmental change. BBQ lunch will be provided.
Fairfield Community Nursery Open Day	21 September 9:00 am – 3:00 pm	Fairfield Community Nursery, Nalawala Sustainability Centre Fairfield Showground	Come and explore our community nursery and gardens site, meet the volunteers, pick up some free native plants plus get some plant and gardening advice, enjoy the native animal display and so much more. Gates will be open from 9am. A great experience for the whole family.
Spring Clean Drop Off Day	TBC	Fairfield Showground	Bring along your unwanted bulky household items and garden waste to Council's free collection day. This event is for Fairfield City Council residents only.
Asbestos Collection Week	TBC	Your property	Register with Fairfield City Council to have asbestos removed from your property. The asbestos must be appropriately packaged.
Chemical Clean-Out Drop Off Day	TBC	Fairfield Showground	Safely dispose of your hazardous and electronic materials at Council's free drop off day.

### **Environmental Volunteer Group workdays**

Volunteer Group	Date and time	Location/ Venue	Description
Fairfield Community Nursery	Every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9 am – noon	Fairfield Community Nursery, Nalawala Sustainability Centre Fairfield Showground	Fairfield Community Nursery offers volunteers a variety of experiences including plant identification, using different propagation methods, nursery maintenance and seed collecting. Come and be involved with a community group of like-minded residents.
Fairfield Indigenous Flora Park	3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month 9 am – noon	Christie Street, Prairiewood at the entrance to the Flora Park	The Fairfield Indigenous Flora Park Group was the pioneer environmental volunteer group in Fairfield City, established in 1991. The group are at a stage where native regeneration is greater than weed regeneration. They need your help to maintain this area and continue this regeneration. Tasks will include hand weeding, track maintenance, seed collecting and monitoring.

### **Sustainable Living Tips**

Visit www.fairfieldcity.nsw.gov.au/sustainableliving for tips on how to make your home more sustainable and save money.

As an added incentive to reduce your food waste, Fairfield City sells discounted composting and worm farming systems at the Administration Centre and online via Compost Revolution.

For more information, visit  $\underline{www.compostrevolution.com.au/fairfield} \ or \ contact \ Council.$ 

Sulphur Crested Cockatoo (Cacatua galerita)

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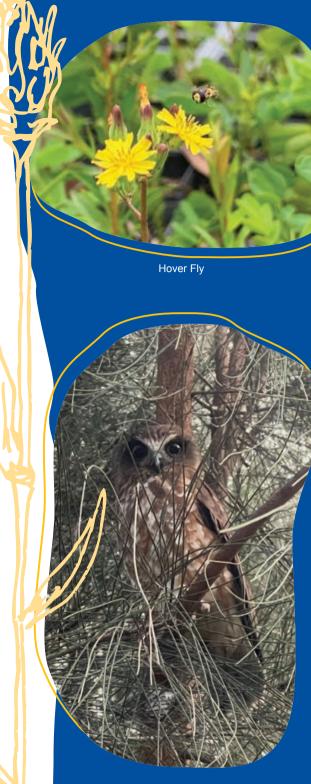
Photos by:

Rob Stevenson (Hover fly),

Eddie Ferry (Boobook Owl),

Helen Pollard (mushrooms),

Farid Shahbazi (Sulphur Crested Cockatoo)



Boobook Owl (Ninox boobook)



# Australian White Ibis (Threskiomis molucca)

Juvenile Australian Raven (Corvus coronoides)



Australian Emerald (Hemicordulia australiae)

## January 2024

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Photos by: Bob Ward

# (Brunoniella australis) Orchard Butterfly (Papilio aegeus) Sacred Kingfisher (Todiramphus sanctus) Australian Gipsywort (Lycopus australis)

# February 2024

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Sat	24	Grow Me Instead - Weed Identification and Control Lunar New Year
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# Grey Goshawk (Accipiter novaehollandiae) Fiery Skimmer (Orthetrum villosovittatum) Golden-headed Cisticola (Cisticola exilis)

### March 2024

Fri	1	Nocturnal Minibeasts
Sat	2	
Sun	3	Clean up Australia Day World Wildlife Day
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Fri	8	International Women's Day
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Photos by: Martin Ratcliff

Peron's Tree Frog (Litoria peronii)

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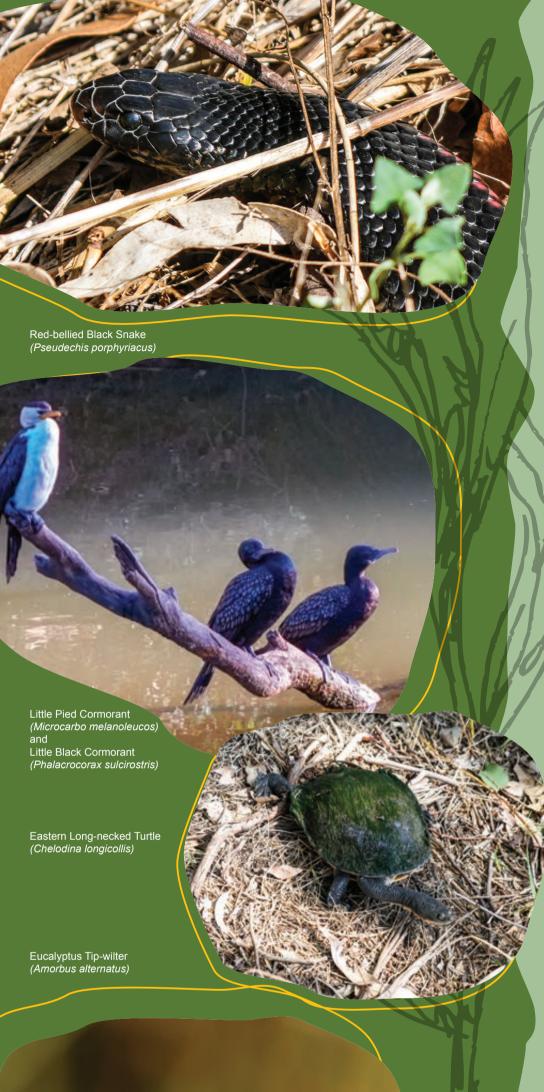
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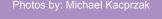


### **Easter Monday** 2 Tue 3 Wed Thu 4 Fri 5 6 Daylight saving ends 8 9 Wed 10 Thu 11 Youth Week 12 Last day of school Bring It On! festival Backyard Habitat for Kids 14 Sun 15 Mon 16 Wed 17 18 World Heritage Day Fri 19 Fairfield City's Hidden Nightlife Fairfield Indigenous Flora Park Group 21 Sun 22 Mon Tue 23 Wed 24 25 ANZAC Day Fri 26 27 Sun 28 School resumes Mon 29 30

April 2024

### May 2024

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	Sat	18	Fairfield Indigenous Flora Park Group
	Sun	19	
	Mon	20	National Volunteer Week
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	Wed	22	International Day of Biological Diversity
	Thu	23	
	Fri	24	
	Sat	25	Culinary Carnival
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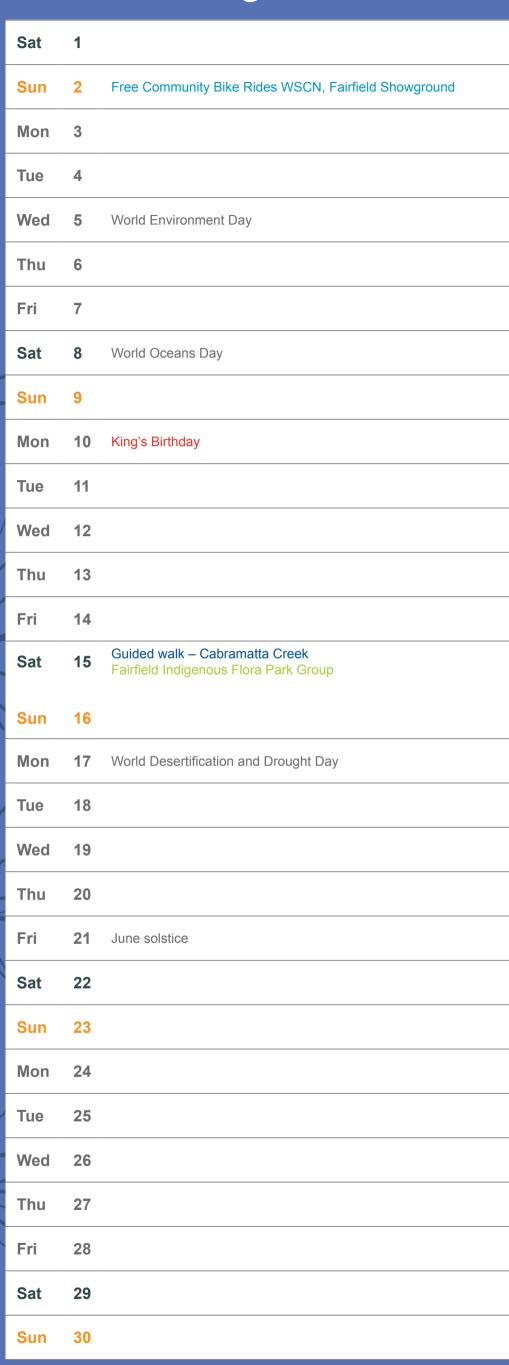




Eastern Blue-tongue (Tiliqua scincoides)



## June 2024





## July 2024

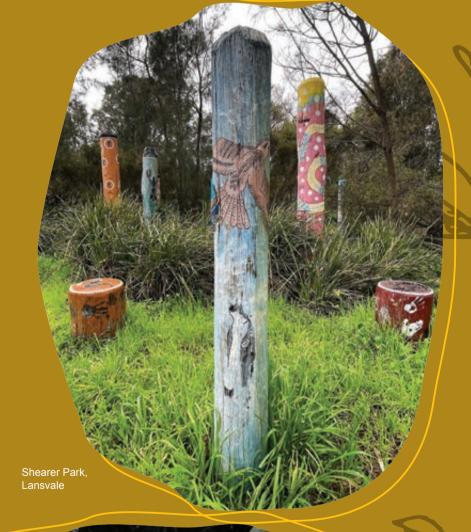
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	Sun	7	Free Community Bike Rides WSCN, Fairfield Showground
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	Thu	11	Backyard Habitat for Kids
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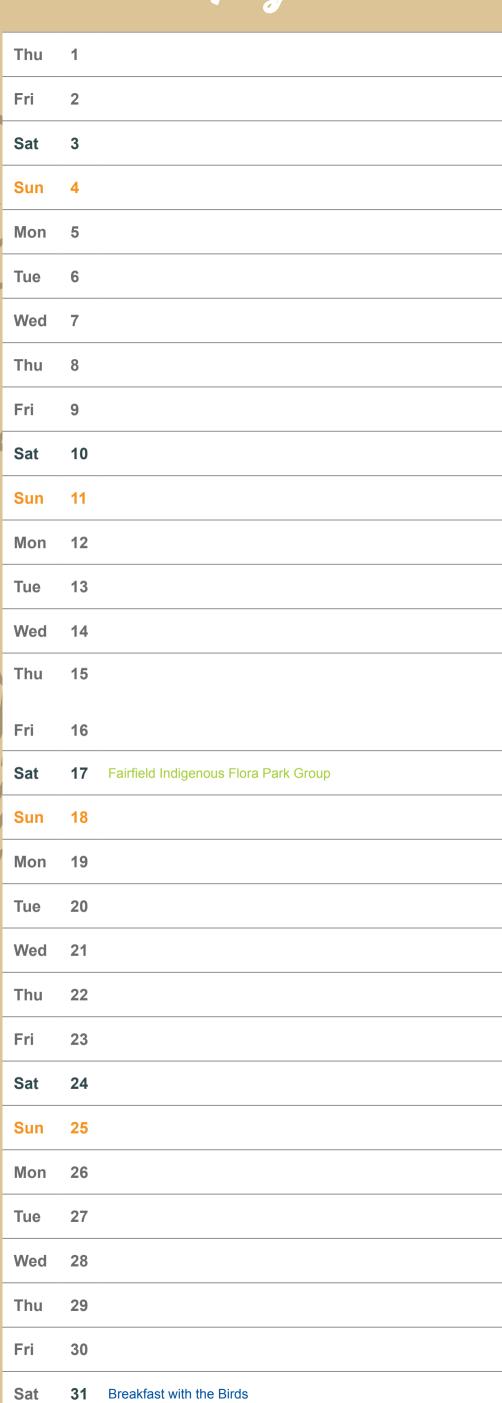








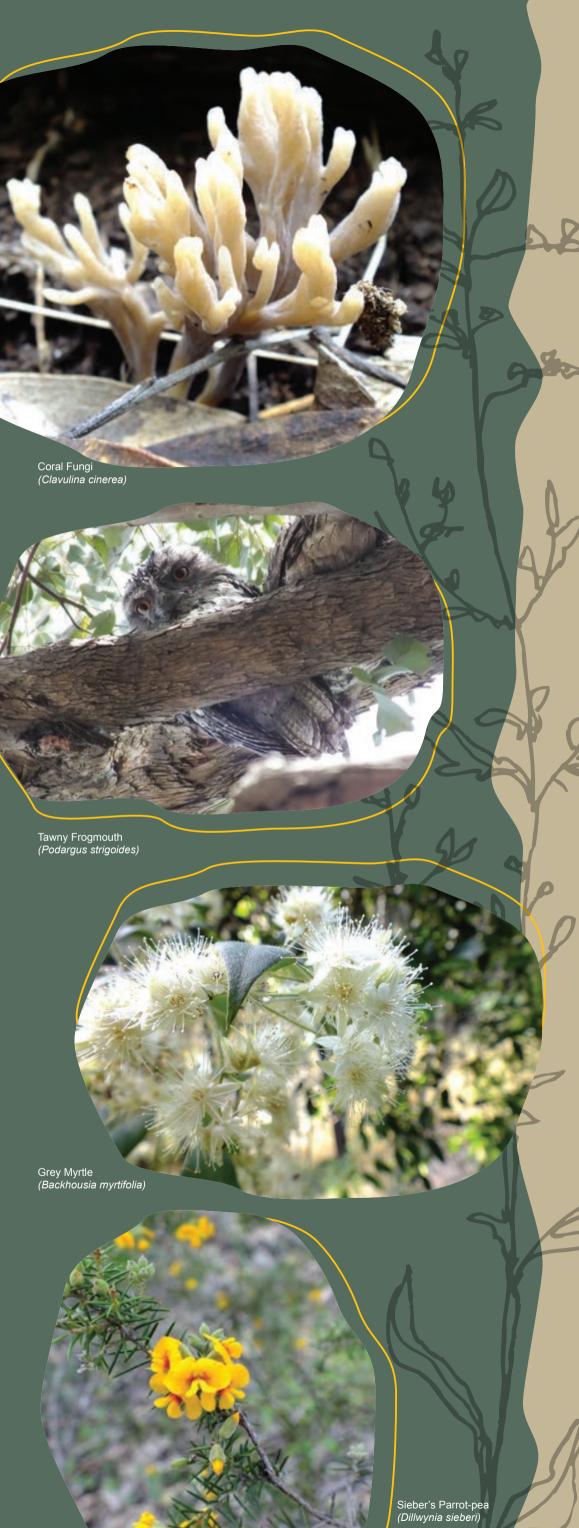
### August 2024





Eastern Long-necked Turtle (Chelodina longicollis)





### September 2024

	National	Biodi	versity Month
	Sun	1	Free Community Bike Rides WSCN, Fairfield Showground Wattle Day
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	Sat	7	National Threatened Species Day
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	Sat	14	Local Government elections
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	Fri	20	Frogs Indicators of a Healthy Environment
	Sat	21	Fairfield Community Nursery Open day Fairfield Indigenous Flora Park Group
	Sun	22	September equinox
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	Tue	24	World Rivers Day
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	Fri	27	Last day of school
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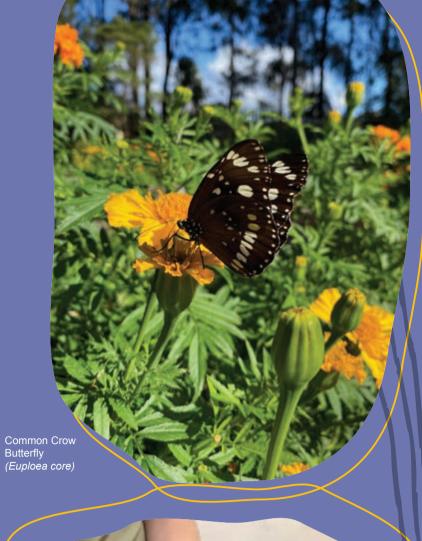
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# Grey Headed Flying Fox (Pteropus poliocephalus) Blue Banded Bee (Amegilla cingulata) Superb Fairy-wren (Malurus cyaneus) Australasian Figbird (female) (Sphecotheres vieilloti) Grass Dart (Ocybadistes sp.)

### October 2024

Tue	1	
Wed	2	
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Fri	4	World Animal Day
Sat	5	Propagation For Kids
Sun	6	Free Community Bike Rides WSCN, Fairfield Showground Daylight Saving starts
Mon	7	Labour Day World Habitat Day
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Photos by: Martin Ratcliff







Peron's Tree Frog (Litoria peronii)

### November 2024

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# Spiked Rice-flower (Pimelea spicata) Dusky Woodswallow (Artamus cyanopterus) Woolly Frogmouth (Philydrum lanuginosum)

### December 2024

Sun	1	Free Community Bike Rides WSCN, Fairfield Showground
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Thu	5	International Volunteer Day World Soil Day
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Ringtail Possum (Pseudocheirus peregrinus)

Silver Orb Spider (Leucauge)



Swamp Mahogany (Eucalyptus robusta)

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# COUNCIL WASTE SERVICES



### Below are the items ACCEPTED in Council's Waste Services













### Not sure which bin?

Scan to view an A to Z guide on recycling or call 02 9725 0222.





For more information contact Fairfield City Council:

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