



BRANCH NEWS

KEEPING MEMBERS EVERYWHERE
IN TOUCH

SOUTH-EAST BRANCH

The May meeting was held at the home of Jim and Lynne Jackway, Mt Gambier, in much cooler weather, so members enjoyed the large open fire under the pergola. The assortments of casseroles for lunch were delicious.

Jim and Lynne gave an interesting slide show on birds they have seen on camping trips to Glendinning (Rocklands Dam) and the Kimberleys. Thanks for all the time you both spent preparing the show. There were some great photos.

Sam Aslin was lucky again winning the Meal Draw and Jennie Bohner won the Members' Draw.

Jean Ridley reminded members to be extra vigilant with security at their aviaries, after she experienced a theft of Diamond Fire-tails.

The July meeting will be held at Andy and Jennie Bohners', on Sunday 6th July, with a BBQ lunch.

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YORKE PENINSULA BRANCH

We had four guests attend our meeting on May 4th which was held at the home of Wendy Koenecke at Pt. Turton. Three of those guests have decided to become members, one a full member and two associates. So our little group is slowly swelling in numbers and we are very happy.

Our members are busy organising aviary visits around the Southern Yorke Peninsula for our next get together on Sunday 6th July. We intend to start at Minlaton and continue through to Stansbury, on to Coobowie, across to Edithburgh, down to Yorketown and over to (depending on the time available) Warooka and finish up at our house in Brentwood for tea. Members came up with quite a few names of non-members who keep birds in these towns, and I will be contacting them in the next few weeks and with any luck we may also persuade them to join our Branch.

Hopefully, the weather will not be too awful on the day planned.

**For further information contact the Branch Secretary
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MID-NORTH BRANCH

Our day started at 10am on Saturday, 3rd May at Peter & Kossies' place at Balaklava viewing their aviaries and having morning tea. Then it was on to Alan Black's, he was also having a Garage Sale with many of us picking up some bargains. We then headed off to Blyth, 35kms down the road, where we visited John & Margaret Williams. A few members acquiring some plants, tasting some "White Sapote" which we all thought were Custard Apples.

Lunch & a short meeting was held in the Blyth Reserve. Then, quickly rushing around the corner to Ian Robert's Gallery and Cinema. Only 10 members went to the Movie (what a laugh) I had a great sleep that night - it's true what they say, "laughter is the best medicine". It was good weather & a good day. Thanks to Peter & Kossie for organising some parts of the day & morning tea.

NEXT MEETING: Sunday, 15th June. 12.30 BBQ Lunch at Ron & Peg Roddas'. Please bring a Salad & Sweet & usual raffle prize. Guest Speaker - Trevor Harrowfield. **SEED ORDER.**

COMING EVENT: Saturday, July 26th. Aviary visits to PORT PIRIE & SURROUNDS. Lunch and BBQ Tea Supplied at a cost of \$18 per head. Please bring a raffle prize. **SEED ORDER.** Numbers attending to Sandra please at June meeting.

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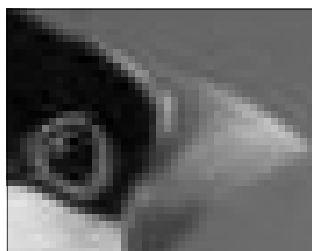
The Save The Gouldian Fund Open Day 2008 Saturday, 18th of October—Cooranbong N.S.W.

If you enjoyed Mike Fidler's talks last December, or if you missed out, this is your opportunity to see the scientific work and breeding methods of The Save The Gouldian Fund project first hand.

The entrance fee is just \$25, which can be sent to:

John Butler, 1696 Wine Country Drive, North Rothbury, N.S.W., 2335

Further information can be obtained by: Phoning John on (02) 4938 3552



WHAT BIRD IS THIS?

OK, all you bird experts, let's see if you have an eye for a bird. Try and guess, research or compare, this image with other photos, or your own collection, to come up with what type of bird this is.



WHAT BIRD WAS IT?

So, how did you go with guessing this bird from the last magazine?

Answer:

Fringilla coelebs
CHAFFINCH