

Annual Report

2016

birds are in our nature



President's Report

2016 was another good year for BirdLife Australia. We continued to champion the protection of Australia's birds and their habitats through a mixture of birding activities, on-ground conservation, science and research, policy development and advocacy.

We can only achieve outcomes through long-term sustainability. This means expanding our membership and supporter base as well as increasing philanthropic support, while striving to contain our costs and become even more efficient.

I am therefore pleased to report that in 2016, BirdLife Australia moved towards a sustainable financial position, achieving significant improvement in our underlying result (before bequests). Our supporter base has almost quadrupled to 100,000 over the last four years, meaning greater philanthropic support, growth in membership and more volunteers.

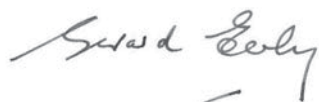
The Board is greatly encouraged — we're on the right track to achieve the ongoing sustainability needed to meet our goals.

But there's much more to be done. Despite our efforts, the threatened species list grew even longer last year, and the number of birds on the brink of extinction is seriously concerning.

Strategic planning in 2016 focused, therefore, on conservation impact: aligning our engagement and program priorities better; using our research to inform interventions and practice adaptive management; more strategic mobilisation and empowerment of our members, donors and volunteers; and better collaboration with other non-government organisations, communities, land managers and governments to bring about meaningful change.

BirdLife Australia's members and supporters engage with the organisation for many different reasons, but improving the conservation status of Australia's birds gives us all a common purpose. Our challenge is to ensure our award-winning communications products and channels, such as Australian Birdlife, continue to evolve and meet the needs of this growing and diverse movement for birds and nature to achieve the goals of the strategy.

Finally, I would like to thank my fellow directors who – as volunteers – apply their expertise and energy to plan, guide and oversee the organisation's strategy and development. Thanks also to our wonderful staff and leadership team and the many members, donors and volunteers who made such a positive difference Australia's birds and their habitats during 2016.



Gerard Early, President





CEO's Report

Making an impact together

The 2016 annual report is full of terrific examples where you — whether as a volunteer, employee, donor or member — stepped-up to help BirdLife Australia make a real impact. Thank you for being such wonderful champions for Australia's birds and nature.

BirdLife Australia has a unique model for conservation, combining robust science, practical intervention and community action.

It's cost-effective. Guided by robust Conservation Action Plans (CAPs), our program resources are invested carefully to ensure we achieve the best outcome from every conservation dollar. A CAP is a transparent and collaborative planning and adaptive management tool which articulates what it will really take to stop the extinction of our most endangered birds.

It's collaborative. Isolated islands of conservation cannot deliver the change we need — a broad and coherent strategy is what's needed — so we work together; collaborating with the expanding BirdLife Network and like-minded partners across Australia. Community groups, governments, researchers, land managers, zoos and other conservation organisations are all partners in the implementation of our conservation programs.

It's evidence-based. Science always underpins everything we do. However, simply presenting the facts is, sadly, often no longer enough to achieve a positive change. Because nature is constantly coming under attack from poor decisions and bad policies, our success in bringing about change must, at least in part, also rely on advocacy, and engaging people through effective communications and campaigns.

BirdLife Australia is increasingly engaging the community to explain why people should care about declining populations of birds and how they can help reverse the trend. In 2016, our campaigns included formulating a comprehensive plan to protect migratory shorebirds and stopping an urban growth plan for the extinction of Carnaby's Black-Cockatoo in Western Australia's Perth-Peel region.

We can stop extinctions, but we need your help. Thank you for helping BirdLife Australia stand-up for birds and nature.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul Sullivan'.

Paul Sullivan, Chief Executive Officer

Year in Review

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Advocacy saves Tootgarook Swamp from developers

Tootgarook Swamp, Port Philip's largest shallow, freshwater wetland, is to be preserved as a wetland. The area is no longer earmarked for residential development following presentation of BirdLife Australia Atlas data showing the wetland was a bittern hotspot and home to 125 bird species, including threatened shorebirds. The Mornington Peninsula Shire Council quashed the application for residential development thanks in part to the rigorous data collected by BirdLife Australia's citizen scientists for the Tootgarook Swamp Population Monitoring project.

January

AFO goes online

AFO — Australian Field Ornithology, one of BirdLife Australia's long-running journals — became an exclusive online resource for members in 2016. AFO publishes the results of field research and other observations, some of which provide valuable information for use by BirdLife Australia's bird conservation interventions. A total of 53 articles were published online by AFO in 2016. Now listed on academic databases, AFO has an even wider reach.

February

Hooded Plovers fledge in good numbers

Providing a graphic demonstration that hands-on conservation interventions work, BirdLife Australia's Beach-nesting Birds project reported the 2015/16 Hooded Plover breeding season was one of the most successful in recent years. This was achieved largely through the efforts of our volunteer wardens who protect Hoody nests and chicks on Australian beaches each summer.





Marvels of Migration

The 'Marvel of Migration' promotion campaign set out to raise awareness among BirdLife Australia's (then) 80,000 supporters of the wonders and plight of migratory shorebirds, in conjunction with the Australasian Wader Studies Group (AWSG). Coinciding with the campaign, five Grey Plovers were fitted with light-weight radio-tracking devices for the first time, to determine exactly where they migrate to breed.

BirdLife Australia hosts Shorebirds Summit

Alarmed at the massive population declines detected by analysis of data collected by the Shorebirds 2020 project, BirdLife Australia used the launch of the Australian Government's Wildlife Conservation Plan for Migratory Shorebirds to bring together government representatives, conservation groups, eminent shorebird experts, and stakeholders in the East Asian-Australasian Flyway to agree a co-ordinated approach to address urgent shorebird conservation issues. The resulting Shorebirds Conservation Action Plan is a joint stakeholder plan for protecting migratory shorebirds across the Flyway.

Former Environment Minister Hon Greg Hunt addresses the Shorebirds Summit



March

Easter Health Check

BirdLife Australia's Key Biodiversity Area (KBA) program (formerly Important Bird and Biodiversity Areas) initiated its Easter Health Check to generate an annual snapshot of the conservation status of of the conservation status of Australia's nature hotspots. Conducted by a team of dedicated volunteer KBA Guardians, the Easter Health-checks have highlighted invasive animals, climate change and recreational use as the major threats to monitored KBAs. Over 50 organisations were identified as being involved with conservation actions in monitored KBAs.

April

Carnaby's 'megaroost' discovered during Great Cockey Count

The 2016 Great Cockey Count engaged around 1000 members of the community across the Perth-Peel Coastal Plain in WA. It uncovered a 'megaroost' of nearly 4900 Endangered Carnaby's Black-Cockatoos in a pine plantation north of Wanneroo, supporting 45 per cent of the Carnaby's recorded in the region — a crucial discovery for our campaign against the disastrous conservation outcomes of the WA Government's 'Green Growth Plan'.

ABEF grants awarded

ABEF — the Australian Bird Environment Foundation — awarded grants to practical, community-based research and projects including research into the effects of plastic ingestion in seabirds, a program to inspire young citizen scientists and BirdLife WA's Great Western Woodlands surveys which deliver tangible conservation impacts for Australia's birds and their habitat. In this way, the ABEF empowers community groups to become involved in practical 'on-ground' bird conservation.

May

Great Western Woodlands project releases groundbreaking report

The Great Western Woodlands (WA) project released a groundbreaking report detailing results of bird monitoring surveys conducted by hundreds of citizen scientists in the 16-million hectare tract of relatively intact woodlands of Western Australia. This report will be used to protect the woodlands from clearing, which has decimated bird populations in the wheatbelt and eastern Australia

EAGA wins prestigious award

The Eastern Alliance for Greenhouse Action (EAGA) project won a prestigious World Environment Day Award from the United Nations Association of Australia. BirdLife Australia is a vital player in EAGA, collaborating with the Australian Research Centre for Urban Ecology and Melbourne University to develop and implement bird monitoring surveys in the seven EAGA municipalities across Melbourne's eastern suburbs.

June



Indigenous Grant winners announced

In 2016, BirdLife Australia's Indigenous Grant for Bird Research and Conservation focused on migratory birds and Key Biodiversity Areas. Funded by proceeds from 'The Flyway Print Exchange', curated by Kate Gorringer-Smith, the award winners, the Dhimurru Aboriginal Corporation, will use the grant to conduct bird monitoring workshops before an Easter Health-check for the Higginson Island IBA.

July

National Congress and Campout

The BirdLife Australia Congress, combined with Birds Queensland's annual Ornithological Conference at the University of Queensland, was the most successful yet, with over 200 people participating. A highlight was the talk by Dr Steve Murphy about some newly revealed secrets of the Night Parrot. The subsequent Campout at Murphys Creek in the Lockyer Valley provided excellent birding and an enjoyable time, despite the weather.

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August

Staff day at Clarkesdale

BirdLife Australia staff from across the country gathered for the annual event at our Clarkesdale Reserve, near Ballarat, to reconnect with one another, and work together to develop our 2017-22 strategy to deliver an even greater impact for bird conservation.

Threatened Mallee Birds CAP

The Threatened Mallee Birds Conservation Action Plan partnership secured funding to restore important habitat for Black-eared Miner and to progress plans for the establishment of insurance populations of Endangered Mallee Emu-wren and Black-eared Miner. BirdLife continues to work with land managers to improve fire management of Mallee bird habitat and in partnership with the Mallee CMA, BirdLife is raising community awareness of what makes Mallee birds special, and how the Mallee community can play a vital role in their conservation.





September

New Birdata unveiled

BirdLife Australia's long-awaited new Birdata website was unveiled to our army of citizen scientists. It provides a comprehensive, one-stop shop where our volunteers can quickly and easily upload data from monitoring surveys they've conducted and readily access information from all of our ongoing bird conservation projects. It's the face of conservation in the 21st century.

October

Fifth Whitley Award for Australian Birdlife

For the fifth year in a row, BirdLife Australia's flagship bird conservation magazine, Australian Birdlife, was awarded the prestigious Whitley Award by the Royal Zoological Society of New South Wales. The award recognises Australian Birdlife as the best natural history periodical in Australia in 2016.

Third successful Aussie Backyard Bird Count

The Aussie Backyard Bird Count continues to grow in popularity. Over 61,000 people took part (up by around 50 per cent on 2015 figures), making it one of the most popular citizen science activities in Australia. Altogether they counted nearly 1.4 million birds, comprising 583 different species. Rainbow Lorikeets were once again the most commonly reported species.

Twitchathon goes national

Australia's premier birdwatching race, the Twitchathon, went national for the first time. A total of 109 teams of birdwatchers formed across all states to see as many birds as they could in either a 24-hour or 12-hour period, raising upwards of \$32,000 - much-needed funds for local and regional bird conservation actions.

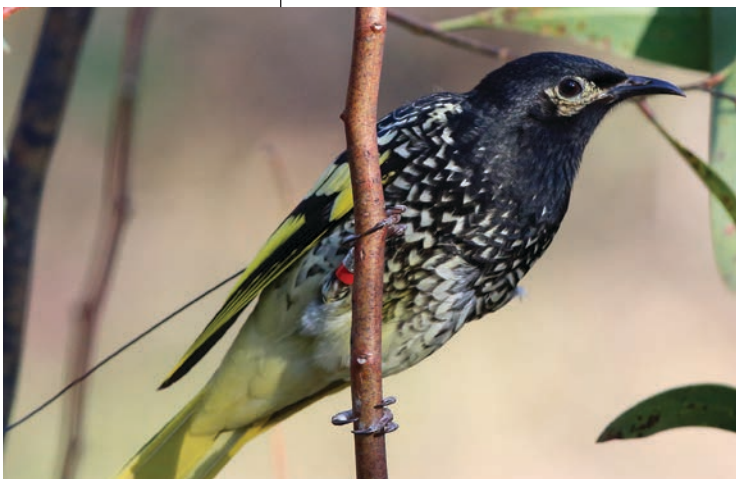


Adelaide Bird Sanctuary declared a national park

The South Australian government gazetted the Adelaide International Bird Sanctuary as a national park, adding impetus to BirdLife Australia's campaign to have the former Moolap saltworks, near Geelong, to become Victoria's first International Bird Sanctuary. An overwhelming 71 per cent of the submissions they received in public consultation were in favour of conserving the site for the birds.

November

December



Regent Honeyeater recovery

A new record for the distance travelled by a captive-bred Regent Honeyeater when a captive-bred Regent Honeyeater was seen at Outtrim, in South Gippsland, 270 kilometres away from Chiltern in north-eastern Victoria, where it had been released into the wild in 2015. The Regent Honeyeater is a flagship species in BirdLife Australia's Woodland Bird Program.

Financial Statements

The BirdLife Australia group, including the Australian Bird Environment Foundation (ABEF), BirdLife branches, reserves and observatories, returned a surplus after bequests of \$0.318m in 2016, compared with a surplus of \$1.121m in 2015. This decrease was largely due to receiving significant bequests of \$2.199m in 2015.

The consolidated deficit before bequests of \$274k, including branches, has improved by \$804k. Significantly, the National Office underlying result before bequests has improved by \$607k (53%) on 2015.

Comparison of results	2013	2014	2015	2016	Improvement 13 to 14	Improvement 14 to 15	Improvement 15 to 16
National office result before bequests	(1,216)	(1,279)	(1,141)	(534)	(5%)	11%	53%
Branches, reserves, observatories	38	59	15	(171)			
BirdLife result before bequests	(1,178)	(1,220)	(1,156)	(705)	(4%)	5%	39%
ABEF	50	140	78	431			
Consolidated result before bequests	(1,128)	(1,080)	(1,078)	(274)	4%	0%	75%
Bequests	778	134	2,199	592			
Consolidated result after bequests	(350)	(946)	1,121	318			

The movement in the underlying National Office result is the result of:

- a \$2.2m bequest received in 2015, compared with 592k in 2016
- a 5.2% increase in revenue
- a 4.8% decrease in expenses, mainly a decrease employee cost of 4.8% and increased project activity

The result returned by branches, reserves and observatories was a deficit of \$171k due to prior year asset adjustments, compared with the small deficit delivered in 2015.

The increase in ABEF is due to gains on sales and rollover on investments.

BirdLife Australia has, to date, adopted a conservative approach to the release of unearned income. This will be reviewed in the context of a more programmatic approach to service delivery and in accordance with

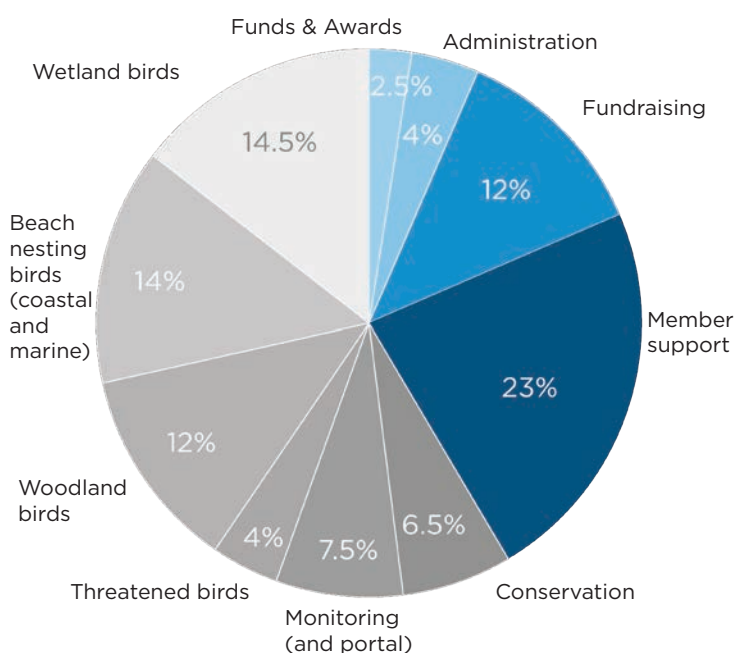
audit recommendations regarding funds being carried forward.

Key areas of focus in 2017 include:

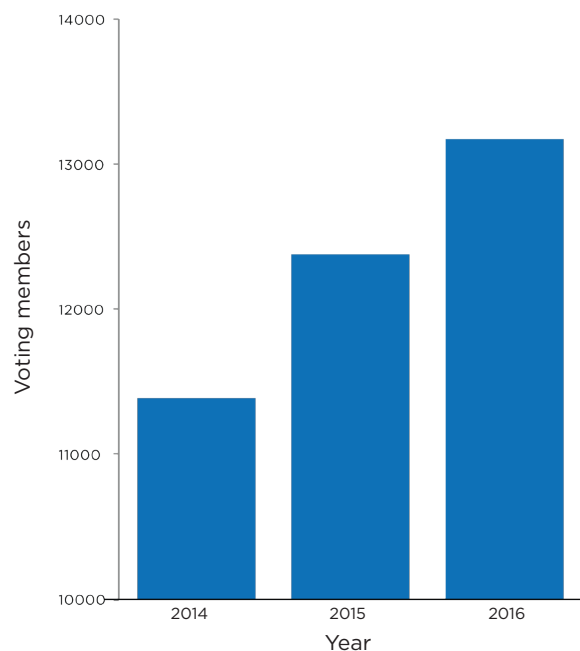
- continuing to organically grow donations, memberships and supporters to diversify income sources and reduce reliance on government grants.
- Improving reporting, cost controls and savings.
- Considerable improvements were achieved in 2016 in accounting processes, controls and reporting across the organisation.
- IT and system improvements to increase productivity, including acquisition of a new accounting system.

Birdlife Australia has continued to fund core research and conservation programs through the generosity of donors and by drawing on capital reserves, including the Atlas, conservation advocacy and network support.

Expenditure 2016



Voting Members



Directors List

Directors	Date Appointed	Qualifications & Experience	Directors Meetings	
			Eligible	Attended
Gerard Early (President)	May 2011	MPA, BA, Grad Dip Admin, PSM; Environmental and public sector consultant, formerly Deputy Secretary of the Australian Government Environment Department	4	4
John Barkla (Vice President)	February 2011	BEC, FCA, Chair of Audit & Risk/Australian Bird Fund Committee, Chair of Western Treatment Plant Biodiversity Conservation Advisory Committee for Melbourne Water as the representative of BirdLife Australia	4	4
Barry Baker	February 2011	PhD (UTAS), environmental consultant, member Research & Conservation Committee	4	2
Amanda Bamford	May 2016	BSc. (Hons) zoologist and science communicator, small business partner, President WA Naturalists' Club, Chair Herdsman Lake Regional Park CAC	3	3
Stuart Cooney	May 2013	PhD (ANU), BAppSc (Hons), ecological consultant, small business owner, ABEF Trustee, member of Awards Committee	4	4
Robert Davis	May 2011	University lecturer in Biology, PhD, small business owner and former ecological consultant	1	0
Robert Dunn	May 2011	MAppSc, BA (Hons), Grad Cert Ornithology, member Audit & Risk/Australian Bird Fund Committees	4	4
Fiona Hunt	October 2015	MMgmt, B Ed, Dip Teach, GAICD, Head of Strategy, Mahlab Media, Director Aitch.Co Consulting	4	1
Duncan MacKenzie OAM	May 2014	FRMAA, FMAA, FAIIM, FAICD, Chairman BirdLife Australia Gluepot Reserve, member OHS and Audit & Risk/Australian Bird Fund Committees	4	4
Martine Maron	December 2011	PhD (Monash), BSc (Hons), ARC Future Fellow and Associate Professor in Environmental Management, working group member for IUCN and UNEP, Chair of AOC Committee	4	3
David Reid OAM	May 2011	Marketing and strategic planning experience, Chair of OHS Committee	4	3
Alanna Vivian	May 2014	BA (Hons), LLB, practising lawyer, member of Audit & Risk/Australian Bird Fund Committees	4	4

Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December 2016

	Consolidated	
	2016	2015
	\$	\$
Revenue from Ordinary Activities:		
Research project income	2,827,642	2,409,131
Donations	1,409,127	1,603,889
Bequests	591,621	2,198,694
Subscriptions	809,300	778,486
Sales, courses and fees	750,633	855,921
Interest received	363,609	336,214
Received gain on sale of investments	502,015	-
Other income	36,393	28,393
Total Revenue	7,290,339	8,210,728
Expenditure from Ordinary Activities:		
Employee costs	3,988,968	4,116,359
Printing, stationery and magazine costs	780,095	739,022
Finance and administration costs	746,017	766,105
Research projects non-employee costs	803,011	715,442
Occupancy expenses	366,373	441,506
Travel expenses	231,955	261,913
Subscriptions	56,221	49,470
Total Expenditure	6,972,639	7,089,817
Operating surplus	317,700	1,120,911
Other comprehensive income		
Items that maybe reclassified to profit or loss	(76,358)	222,914
Unrealised gains/(losses) on investments		
Total comprehensive income for the year	241,342	1,343,825

Statement of financial position as at 31 December 2016

	Consolidated	
	2016	2015
	\$	\$
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	4,378,246	3,329,200
Trade and other receivables	266,595	459,270
Property held for sale	1,011,126	-
Other assets	21,113	-
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	5,677,080	3,788,470
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Investments	4,382,622	5,057,996
Property, plant & equipment	900,976	2,027,014
Intangible assets	222,292	80,000
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	5,505,890	7,165,010
TOTAL ASSETS	11,182,970	10,953,480
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Trade and other payables	736,357	417,633
Provisions	812,153	715,636
Unearned income	2,663,397	2,515,541
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	4,211,907	3,648,810
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Provisions	85,896	158,830
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	85,896	158,830
TOTAL LIABILITIES	4,297,803	3,807,640
NET ASSETS	6,885,167	7,145,840
EQUITY		
Reserves	6,885,167	7,145,840
Retained surplus	-	-
TOTAL EQUITY	6,885,167	7,145,840

Statement of changes in equity for the year ended 31 December 2016

Consolidated	Retained Surplus \$	Unrealised Gains on Investments \$	General Reserves Investments \$	Other Reserves \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 January 2015	-	1,032,897	1,063,945	3,705,173	5,802,015
Surplus attributable to members	1,120,911	-	-	-	1,120,911
Transfers to and from reserves	(1,120,911)	222,914	1,120,911	-	222,914
Balance 31 December 2015	-	1,255,811	2,184,856	3,705,173	7,145,840
Surplus attributable to members	317,700	-	-	-	317,700
Transfers to and from reserves	(317,700)	(578,373)	2,952,509	(2,634,809)	(578,373)
Balance 31 December 2016	-	677,438	5,137,365	1,070,364	6,885,167

Statement of cash flow for the year ended 31 December 2016

	Consolidated	
	2016	2015
	\$	\$
Cash flows from operating activities		
Bequests	591,621	2,198,694
Receipts from ordinary activities	6,767,764	5,568,137
Payments to suppliers and employees	(7,390,516)	(6,696,031)
Interest received	363,609	336,214
Net cash provided by operating activities	332,478	1,407,014
Cash flows from investing activities		
Net acquisition of investments	872,743	872,813
Acquisition of intangibles, plant and equipment	(156,175)	138,636
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	716,568	1,011,449
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held	1,049,046	395,565
Cash at the beginning of the financial year	3,329,200	2,933,635
Cash at the end of the financial year	4,378,246	3,329,200

Honour Rolls

Life Members

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Susanna Ap-Thomas
David Ap-Thomas
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Noel Arnold
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Rosemary Balmford
Colin Barraclough
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Howard Plowright
Shelley Robertson
Len Robinson

Honorary Members

Patricia White

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Sid Cowling
Stephen Davies
Clive Minton AM
Mike Newman
Henry Nix AO

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Marjorie Andrews
David Ap-Thomas
George Baker
Michael Bamford
Colin Barraclough
Lionel Bloss
Ron Bone
Ian Boyd
Allan Briggs
Alan Brown
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We sadly note the passing of

Brian Bell
 Ian Dowling
 Charles Hibbert
 Tess Kloot
 Peggy Mitchell

Thank you!

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 The Estate of Hugh Robert Armstrong
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 The Estate of Margaret Clegg
 The Estate of Ruth Jacobs
 The Estate of Shirley Edith Poole

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BirdLife's vision is a world rich in biodiversity, where people and nature live in harmony. The partnership is driven by the belief that local people, working for nature in their own places but connected nationally and internationally through our global partnership, are the key to sustaining all life on this planet. This unique local-to-global approach delivers high impact and long-term conservation for the benefit of nature and people.

The BirdLife International partnership is widely recognised as the world leader in bird conservation. Rigorous science informed by practical feedback from projects on the ground in important sites and habitats enables this truly global partnership to implement successful conservation programmes for birds and all nature.

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