

## PORT FAIRY PELAGIC REPORT - 9TH July 2016

# BIRD SWING BIRDING & Wildlife TOURS



**Date:** 9/07/2016

**Departure Time:** 0700Hrs

**Out of the river:** 0708Hrs

**Return Time:** 1600Hrs

**Boat Speed:** 12Knots

**Course:** 210°

**Conditions:** Swell to 1Mtr peaks to 1.5Mtrs, & moderated to very flat seas, no wind, slightly choppy, 40% cloud & sunny

**Leaders:** Neil Macumber

**Notes:** Total Sea Bird Species Seen: 23

Total Mammals Species Seen: 1+

# Two groups of Albatross totalling about 80 birds sat on the water approx. 200mtrs from the boat, mainly Shy Albatross and a few Black-browed Albatross.

- Unidentified whale spout very high, possible Blue, Fin or Sei Whale. Seen close to shore & west of Griffith Island, disturbed by small boats returning to river?!

Stops	Time	Depth	Coordinates	
1st Stop - arrive	0953Hrs	100Fth	38°46.54S	141°51.34E
1st Stop - depart	1109Hrs	100Fth	38°47.332S	141°50.638E
2nd Stop - arrive	1141Hrs	230Fth	38°49.791S	141°48.392E
2nd Stop - depart	1217Hrs	229Fth	38°49.902S	141°48.520E
3rd Stop - arrive	1239Hrs	107Fth	38°47.783S	141°50.773E
3rd Stop - depart	1310Hrs	105Fth	38°47.784S	141°50.689E

Birds Seen	Inshore	Offshore	1st Stop	2nd Stop	3rd Stop	Offshore	Rtn Inshore
Little Penguin							1,1
Albatross Species						1	
Royal Albatross - Northern			1				
Shy Albatross	1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1	1,1on water,1,1,1,1	45	80 # see ↑	12		1
Black-browed Albatross	1		5				
Indian Yellow-nosed Albatross	1,1						
Buller's Albatross							
Giant Petrel Species	1						1,2

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Northern Giant Petrel			1				
Fairy Prion		4,2		5	3		2
Fulmar Prion (BARC Submission)					1		
Slender-billed Prion							
Sooty Shearwater			1				
Short-tailed Shearwater			1	1			
Fluttering Type Shearwater	6,8,10,20,20,10,5,120, 250,200,200,5	70,10,500+,200				500	
Hutton's Shearwater	1						
Grey-Backed Storm-Petrel			?		1		
Wilson's Storm-Petrel			?				
Australasian Gannet	1,4,1			2			1,1,2,2
Pacific Gull							
Kelp Gull							1 in river
Silver Gull							4 in river
Tern Species					3 Small	1	
Crested Tern	3,3		4				2,1,3
Antarctic Tern (BARC Submission)			2 Twice				
Arctic Tern				2 with Wh-fr.			
White-Fronted Tern	4			1 with Arctic			

Mammals Seen	Inshore	Offshore	1st Stop	2nd Stop			Return Trip
Cetacean Species							1 Spout seen
Australian Fur Seal	1,1,						1,1,1,1,1 in river