- 52 White-throated Gerygone
- 53 Striated Thornbill
- 54 Yellow-rumped Thornbill
- 55 Brown Thornbill
- 56 Spotted Pardalote
- 57 Striated Pardalote
- 58 Eastern Spinebill
- 59 Lewin's Honeyeater
- 60 Yellow-faced Honeyeater
- 61 White-eared Honeyeater
- 62 Yellow-tufted Honeyeater
- 63 Bell Miner
- 64 Noisy Miner
- 65 Little Wattlebird
- 66 Red Wattlebird
- 67 Crescent Honeyeater
- 68 New Holland Honeyeater
- 69 White-naped Honeyeater
- 70 Noisy Friarbird
- 71 Eastern Whipbird
- 72 Varied Sittella
- 73 Black-faced Cuckoo-Shrike
- 74 White-bellied Cuckoo-shrike
- 75 White-winged Triller
- 76 Crested Shrike-tit
- 77 Golden Whistler
- 78 Rufous Whistler
- 79 Grey Shrike-thrush
- 80 Olive-backed Oriole
- 81 Dusky Woodswallow
- 82 Grey Butcherbird
- 83 Australasian Magpie
- 83 Pied Currawong
- 85 Rufous Fantail
- 86 Grey Fantail
- 87 Willie Wagtail
- 88 Australian Raven
- 89 Little Raven
- 90 Leaden Flycatcher
- 91 Restless Flycatcher
- 92 Black-faced Monarch
- 93 Magpie-Lark

- 94 White-winged Chough
- 95 Jacky Winter
- 96 Scarlet Robin
- 97 Flame Robin
- 98 Rose Robin
- 99 Eastern Yellow Robin
- 100 Eurasian Skylark
- 101 Australian Reed-Warbler
- 102 Silvereye
- 103 Welcome Swallow
- 104 Tree Martin
- 105 Common Blackbird
- 106 Common Starling
- 107 Mistletoebird
- 108 Double-barred Finch
- 109 Red-browed Finch
- 110 Diamond Firetail
- 111 House Sparrow
- 112 Australasian Pipit
- 113 European Goldfinch

This list is only an indication of what might be found. Please add your additional sightings here:

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May 2014

BIRD ROUTE NO 3

Bega Valley Shire

Latitude: 36° 55' 42" Longitude: 149° 38' 47''

WYNDHAM ROCKY HALL BURRAGATE Circuit

Wyndham is a sleepy town on a major route connecting Bombala with the coast at Pambula. Link roads radiate from Wyndham to Rocky Hall, Burragate and Candelo.



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Bird Route No 3 Wyndham/Rocky Hall/Burragate

This Route takes you on a 42 km round trip through open farmland and woodland with a backdrop of purple mountains.

Leaving Wyndham stay on the main road (Mt Darragh Road) heading towards Bombala. After 1.9 km turn left into New Buildings Road which winds through open farmland and provides opportunities to stop and bird watch **but remember to park with care** as the locals travel the road with confidence and do not expect parked cars.

Stop before or after the first wooden bridge (Pretty Point on Mattaganah Ck) and wander around into the left. Continue on and look for suitable spots to pull off and walk along the road. One long straight stretch with a remnant creek running on the left of the road will provide Yellow-tufted and White-naped Honeyeaters and other seasonal birds.

As the road begins to wind downwards there is a good patch of woodland on both sides of the road then it opens out to fields before reaching the Towamba River. Crossing via the high bridge brings you to the locality of New Buildings. Turn right into Big Jack Mountain Road and travel towards Rocky Hall.

The first narrow creek crossing might be good for a pause. Then continuing on watch the fences and paddocks for Australasian Pipits, Scarlet Robins, Brown Falcon and Finches.

Crossing tiny Basin Creek you will see a rotunda up on the left at the Rocky Hall cemetery. Almost right opposite the cemetery gate is the entry to the Reserve, hardly noticeable, but you can drive in and explore the area. Sit at the picnic table and listen to the variety of birds before wandering parallel to the road - Gang-gang Cockatoo, White-naped and Yellow-tufted Honeyeaters, Rose Robin, Dusky Woodswallows, Channel-billed Cuckoo and White-winged Chough. Roadside and the cemetery area could turn up Diamond and Double-barred Finches and you can open the cemetery gate and wander in.

Options from here: 1. Leave Reserve and turn <u>right</u> continuing 10 km through Rocky Hall Village for Striated Pardalote and Flame Robin, to reach Big Jack Rest Area with a peaceful picnic area and hidden toilet. 2. Leaving the Reserve turn <u>left</u> and re-trace your steps to New Buildings, then continue straight ahead with the Towamba River on your left. Some 8.5 km from New Buildings is the small locality of Burragate with a sports oval on the left. A visit to Jingo Creek, just 3.4 km from Burragate along the road to Towamba, is optional. Cross Jingo Creek and park safely at the side of the road and roam 100 metres or so each way looking for finches, Yellow-tufted Honeyeaters and raptors over the fields.

Return to Burragate and turn right into Burragate Road beside the sports oval. Travel 7.7 km then park near the large National Park sign to Stanton Rock on the left and walk about 100 metres along the dirt road through some dry eucalypt forest for a different suite of birds.

Continue along the Burragate Road for another 3.7 km to return to Mt. Darragh Road. Either turn right to Pambula or left to Wyndham.

Birds to look out for on this route: (Arranged in the order of Christidis and Boles 2008)

- 1. Stubble Quail
- 2. Brown Quail
- 3. Australian Wood Duck
- 4. Pacific Black Duck
- 5. Australasian Grebe
- 6. Spotted Dove
- 7. Common Bronzewing
- 8. Peaceful Dove
- 9. Wonga Pigeon
- 10. Tawny Frogmouth

11 White-throated Needletail 12. White-faced Heron 13. White-bellied Sea-Eagle 14. Whistling Kite 15. Brown Goshawk 16. Collared Sparrowhawk 17. Wedge-tailed Eagle 18. Nankeen Kestrel 19. Brown Falcon 20. Australian Hobby 21. Peregrine Falcon 22. Purple Swamphen 23. Dusky Moorhen 24. Masked Lapwing 25. Glossy Black-Cockatoo 26. Yellow-tailed Black-Cockatoo 27. Gang-gang Cockatoo 28. Galah 29. Sulphur-crested Cockatoo 30. Rainbow Lorikeet 31. Musk Lorikeet 32. Australian King Parrot 33. Crimson Rosella 34 Fastern Rosella 35. Channel-billed Cuckoo 36. Horsfield's Bronze-Cuckoo 37. Shining Bronze-Cuckoo 38 Pallid Cuckoo 39. Fan-tailed Cuckoo 40. Brush Cuckoo 41. Boobook Owl 42. Azure Kingfisher 43. Laughing Kookaburra 44. Sacred Kingfisher 45. Dollarbird 46. Superb Lyrebird 47. White-throated Treecreeper 48. Satin Bowerbird 49. Superb Fairy-wren 50. White-browed Scrubwren 51. Brown Gerygone