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## Protecting our Black Cockatoos

Thursday, **18<sup>th</sup> March 2021**

4.00pm - 6.30pm

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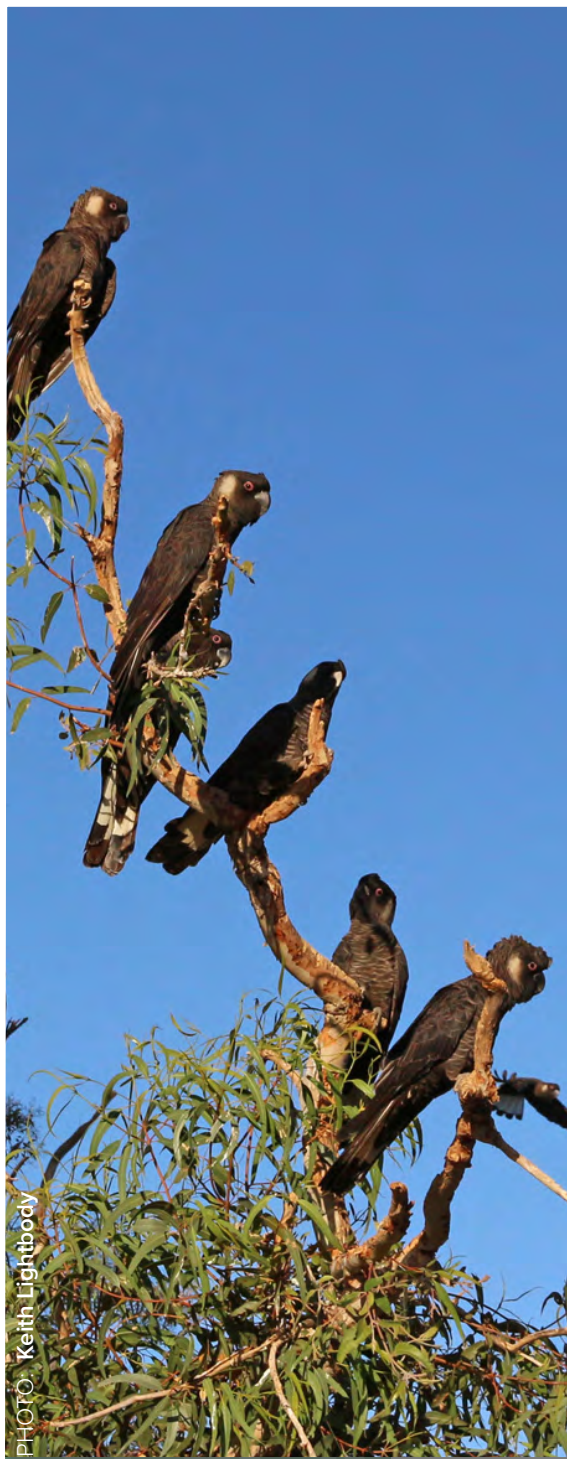
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## Protecting our **Black Cockatoos**

4:00	Registrations	
4:15	Welcome	<b>Megan LeRoy</b> PHCC
4:20	<b>Artificial hollows provide an effective short-term solution to the loss of natural nesting hollows for Carnaby's Cockatoo</b>	<b>Rick Dawson</b> Australian Black Cockatoo Specialists
4:50	<b>Black-Cockatoos and Citizen Science</b>	<b>Merryn Pryor</b> Birdlife
5:10	<b>Black Cockatoo Rehabilitation</b>	<b>Sam Clarke</b> Kaarakin
5:30	<b>Addressing Black Cockatoo Decline – Landcare SJ's community based approach</b>	<b>Francis Smit</b> Landcare SJ
5:50	Q&A	Panel Members
6:20	Light Supper	

### Our Presenters

**Rick Dawson PSM** is a consultant specialising in providing advice in nature protection matters. This follows 21 years' experience working as a Wildlife Officer in the Department of Biodiversity Conservations and Attractions in management and senior roles. In the past 23 years, Rick has published over 30 manuscripts and articles in relation to the conservation of black cockatoos and was awarded with a Public Service Medal (PSM) by the Governor General for his work in this area. Rick is a long term member of the Carnaby's and Forest Black Cockatoo Recovery Teams and has developed the ideal artificial nesting hollow for black cockatoos.

**Merryn Pryor** is a conservation biologist with a passion for native bird research, citizen science and education. She has previously worked for the Conservation Council of Western Australia on their citizen science bird survey program, and has experience through working and volunteering at Broome Bird Observatory, Kanyana Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre and with other wildlife conservation organisations. Merryn currently works for Birdlife Australia as the WA Black-Cockatoo Project Officer and is coordinating the 2021 Great Cocky Count, as well as other activities focused on Black-Cockatoo recovery and conservation.

(**Sam Clarke** on behalf of) **Kaarakin** is a not-for-profit organisation located in the hills in Martin, WA on a 41 acre property. Kaarakin specialises in the rescue, rehabilitation and release of all three endemic and threatened black cockatoos found here in the South West of Western Australia.

**Francis Smit** has a passion for forests and the unique ecosystem interactions of all life forms in them. Francis has been employed by Landcare SJ Inc. for over 15 years as Executive Assistant/Executive Officer to the Board. For the past ten years that role has included the development and marketing of the Cockatube artificial nestbox for Black Cockatoos. Initially in a community based approach to address local Black Cockatoo decline, the program now incorporates an Australia wide reach through an expanding network to enhance breeding habitat of declining Black Cockatoo species across the country.