Regent Honeyeater Captive Release & Community Monitoring Project – Update #28

Hi everyone (Regent Honeyeater email group), Update #28 - 18 months post release

If you're a Regent

- You've have had a hard time getting through Autumn & Winter due to the big dry and associated lack of flowering (Mugga Ironbark blossom was almost non-existent this year).
- You might have even left or at least not yet returned to NE Vic/Sthn NSW during that time?

White Box Watch

- But if you are around now you'd be feeding on patchy but in some areas (relatively) bountiful White Box flowering.
- You'd also be plunging several times daily into a nearby Park or farm dam.
- Or even dipping into a bird bath on properties with flowering natives (e.g. Grevillea or Bottlebrush or later flowering planted Ironbark).

Recent Regent Re-sightings

1. Whorouly

Four (+?) Regents (all 2017 release cohort) were recently recorded near Whorouly - feeding on flowering White Box.



One of the four leg band confirmed birds included the male Orange Metal White Pink (OMWK), last recorded during the August National survey weekend in Chiltern















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2. Warby Ranges

Mauve Green Orange Metal (UPOM) – now sporting only one Green band on its left leg – was last seen on 1st May 2017. This is sensational news as one could have assumed this bird had died relatively soon after its April 2017 release.

3. Killawarra

White Orange Red Metal (WORM) is another sensational find. This is a 2015 release bird - last seen in August 2016 (in Chiltern).

PTO: re: Map showing recent Regent re-sightings.



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