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Good afternoon Anthony and Amy- excuse my subject quote but how true - I included it in a note to Professor Richard Kingsford (UNSW) re his ongoing work on establishing platypus numbers.

To the point - on re - reading my submission I noted with horror that I had not included my address, although you do have, of course, my e-mail address!
There is no need for me to remain incognito so I have included it at the top of this email.

Correspondence with Richard also allowed me to realise that although we had sought out the 'old' Crighton ecology doc. for a species list to include with submissions, I had also been asked to include an updated version of local faunal spp. observed over the last few years in the Shearwater/Riverside environs. Entirely anecdotal of course - I do however have a phascogale and feather tail glider in my freezer - found dead, most likely as a result of the hideously hot weather we have experienced this year. Other spp. mentioned in my list have been written up in our local papers (NOTA and Messenger). The birds would be of most interest to Dr. Kingsford.

Kind Regards,

Ronnie Nichols

Recent faunal species Shearwater/Riverside at Tea Gardens NSW - many of these are threatened by habitat fragmentation.

Mammals:	Birds:
Squirrel Glider	Glossy Black Cockatoo
Myotis sp.	Yellow Tailed Black Cockatoo
Feather tailed Glider	Pheasant Coucal
Spot tailed Quoll - this one had a write up in our paper as did my:-	Azure Kingfisher and his hollow tree neste, Kookaburra relative
Brush tailed Phascogale	Powerful Owl
Long nosed Potoroo	Wedge tail Eagle
Long nosed Bandicoot	Eastern Spinebill
Brown Antechinus	Rail sp.
Swamp Wallaby (Wallabia bicolor)	Quail sp.
Common Wallaroo (Macropus robusta)	Yellow Robin
Red necked Wallaby (Macropus r. banksianus)	Satin Bower Bird
Eastern Grey Kangaroo	Scaly breasted Lorikeet

Brush tail Possum	Eastern Rosella
Wallum Froglet (these are in North Sheawater too and help explain no cats there!)	King Parrot
Important Riverside macro Flora:	White headed pigeon
Koala feed Eucalypt spp.	Wonga Pigeon
Cabbage Palm (<i>Livistona australis</i>)	Crested Pigeon
Melaleuca spp.	Whistling Kite