

# Birds of Tin Can Bay Foreshore

## Bird Walk (Site 8)



### **Pale-headed Rosella** (*Platycercus adscitus*)



### **Local Status – Uncommon**

Status relates only to the relative abundance of species on the Tin Can Bay Foreshore Bird Walk

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Colourful & gentle rosella with white or pale yellow head and blue cheek-patch, often visiting urban areas. Some variation in colour occurs at times. Several calls, one is a bell-like "tink" and is sometimes mistaken for that of a Bell Miner.

**Bird Size** - 30cm

**Food** - Seeds and berries

**Nest style** - Tree hollow.

**Material used** - Nil

**Nest Site** - A hollow in the limb or trunk of a tree at heights from a few metres to thirty metres off the ground. Occasionally an old fence post is used.

**Breeding Season & Details** - August to December, varying with rains in some areas of it's range. Three to six eggs are laid once a year.

**Habits** - In pairs or flocks, inhabiting more open forest types and straying into urban areas. Usually a bird of quiet habits with an undulating flight, though when in flocks a quarrelsome chattering is often heard.