



## Wallaga Lake Heights community newsletter 33, 8 May 2024

### The fauna of Wallaga Lake – a revelation and an offer

The rain promised for Thursday 2 May held off and residents of Wallaga Lake Heights, Beauty Point and places even more distant were treated to an eye-opening tour of the other inhabitants of the Wallaga Lake foreshore. Local dedicated naturalist, Deb Turner gave the gathering two hours of knowledge with some fascinating insights:

- It seems that ticks have no natural predators which is a pity
- Wasps help control the spider population;
- There are no recorded cases of a red-bellied black snake killing anyone;
- Bees are a small fraction of the insects that pollinate plants – think moths.



May is a bit late in the year to examine insects in the wild – they can't handle the cold – so Deb illustrated her talk with an impressive array of photographs, most of which were taken by her in the immediate vicinity.

And, to give us a chance to put our new-found interest into practice, Deb has offered to join a few of our Land Care gatherings in the spring to take us for an invertebrate tour of the foreshore. We will let the community know when.

### About Wallaga Lake Heights Care

We are always on the look-out for new members. If you or anyone you know would like to join, have any comments or queries please contact us at [admin@heightscare.org.au](mailto:admin@heightscare.org.au).

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