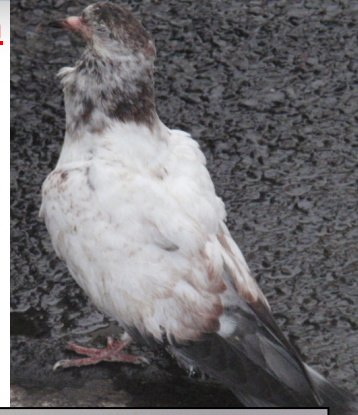


We investigate reports of sick & dead wildlife from free ranging populations in Victoria to understand baseline health, detect changes & identify risk factors. This is important because wildlife health can affect biodiversity conservation, biosecurity, & the health of people, domestic and wild animals, and ecosystems are interconnected (One Health.)

Following deaths of hobby & feral pigeons (*Columba livia*) in Victoria from avian paramyxovirus 1: Be alert to any signs of disease that are unusual or clusters of deaths in wild birds. Report to the DPI 136 186 during business hours or 1800 675 888 afterhours or weekends (see photo of sick pigeon)



Recent reports & investigations include:

Superb blue wren: skin nodules, possible pox virus (photo)

Southern brown bandicoots: car trauma, background health investigations (photo)

Summer health risks include: Botulism in water birds, blind kangaroos



If you see sick or dead wildlife from free ranging populations, please contact us.



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