



## Rooftop Bird Boxes

In August 2009 two bird boxes were added to the Yurrah rooftop backyard. One bird box was made specially for small parrots and the other for kookaburras. The boxes were made by *Hollow Log Homes*.

Almost as soon as they were installed a curious pair of Rosellas moved into the small parrot box, making a colourful addition to the space.

A pair of kookaburras moved into their home in early October 2009 and to our delight laid 3 eggs. We were able to carefully get close enough to photograph the chicks as they grew.



Rosella



Rosellas in their bird box



Kookaburra





Kookaburra eggs - 9 Oct



Newborn Kookaburras - 6 Nov



Baby Kookaburras - 10 Nov



Kookaburra's growing - 16 Nov



Kookaburras - 20 Nov



Only 2 kookaburras - 27 Nov



Last photos of the Kookaburras - 30 Nov



Kookaburra parents caring for their young

The kookaburra eggs hatched early in November and revealed three "naked" looking birds. Their parents brought them lizards and mice as food and over the month they grew, began to get feathers and practise laughing. In late November we discovered one of the birds was missing; unfortunately only two survived to adulthood. In early December the two kookaburras were grown up enough to leave the nest.

We hope to see them again in 2010 .

