5:50– 6:20 pm	Special lecture- <b>Stephen Murphy</b> , John Young, Rachel Barr and the Night Parrot Recovery Team <b>The emerging ecological picture of Night Parrots, and the conservation strategies to help save them.</b>	South 1
	The Night Parrot (NP) is an endangered, little-known bird that inhabits Australia's arid zone. Their rediscovery in 2013 in south-western Queensland coincided with a requirement to write and implement a research plan approved by the Commonwealth under an EPBC Condition. Broadly, the objectives of the research are to (i) refine detection methods (ii) understand habitats and threats and (iii) identify new populations. This presentation focuses on aspects of habitat use and ranging behaviour as revealed by radio-telemetry. A single NP was followed for approx. 21 days in April 2015, during which time it made nightly forays into non-Triodia habitats at distances of up to 7 km from its daytime roost. Plans for further telemetry using more sophisticated technology will be presented. Other aspects of NP biology will also be discussed that, when considered together, are starting to build an ecological picture of this most elusive bird. The strategy for long-term conservation efforts for the species will also be outlined.	

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