



**HAMILTON FIELD NATURALISTS CLUB**  
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**MEETINGS AND EXCURSIONS 2004**

**Meetings** of the HFNC are held at HIRL, 333 North Boundary Road, Hamilton at 8:00 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month, from February to November inclusive.

**Special meetings** are entirely devoted to a guest speaker and conclude with supper around 10:00 p.m.

**General meetings** are usually held on alternate months and deal largely with conservation matters.

**Excursions** are held on the Saturday or Sunday following the meetings. Unless otherwise notified, we depart from outside the Visitor Information Centre, Lonsdale Street, Hamilton at the time stated. There may be late changes to the arrangements. These will be announced at the preceding meeting, so if you can't get to this, it is advisable to ring one of the committee members to check details.

*VISITORS WELCOME TO ALL MEETINGS AND EXCURSIONS – NO FORMALITY. PLEASE COME*

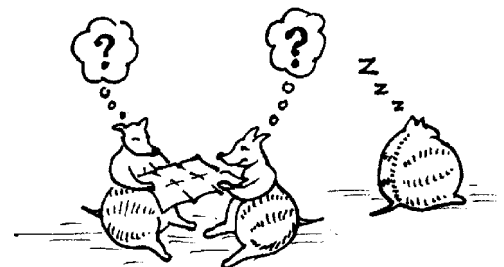
Month	Date	Event	Speaker's topic and description of excursion
March	Thu 18	Special Meeting	Members' photographic show: Bring a (small) selection of your best slides or prints.
	Sun 21	Excursion	Coast walk: Discovery Bay to Cape Bridgewater. Meet at Info Centre 9:00am.
April	Thu 15	General Meeting	-
	Sat 17	Excursion	Byaduk caves: Bring a light. Meet at Info Centre 9:00 a.m.
May	Thu 20	Special Meeting	Heather Buihth: "Meals on Eels" - Koori activity in the Mt. Eccles region.
	Sun 23	Excursion	Darlot Creek fish-traps (Condah). Meet at Info Centre 9:00 a.m.
June	<b>Friday</b> 18	Special Meeting	Teresa Lebel & Sharon Morley: "Australian Truffles & Lichens" NB: this is <b>Friday</b> evening, not Thursday.
	Sat 19 to Sun 20	Excursion	Ralf Illidge Sanctuary (Naringal East) and camp-out.. Truffles and (or in) Potoroos. Meet at Info Centre 9:30 am Saturday.
July	Thur 15	General Meeting	-
	Sat 24 to Sun 25	Excursion	Orange-Bellied Parrot survey & camp-out. Meet at Lake Mombeong campground (Discovery Bay) 3.00 pm Saturday.
August	Thu 19	Special Meeting	Rod Bird & Dianne Luhrs: Newhaven Reserve and the Davenport Ranges, Central Australia.
	Sat 21	Excursion	Mafeking (Grampians). Meet at Info Centre 9.00 am
Sept.	Thu 16	General Meeting	-
	Sat 18 to Sun 19	Excursion	Horsham area wetlands, with camp-out at Mt.Arapiles. Meet at Info Centre 9.00 am Sat
Oct.	Thu 21	Special Meeting	Zolinger/Ingeme/Grimes/Samuel: Caves and karst of north Australia.
	Sun 24	Excursion	Claud Austin Reserve (Rocklands). Meet at Info Centre 9.00 am
Nov.	Thu 18	General Meeting	-
	Sat 20	Excursion	Baileys Rocks (Dergholm): Meet at Info Centre 9.00 am
Dec	Thu 9	AGM and Christmas Outing	Brief AGM - present reports and elect officers for 2005. Preplanning for 2005 program.. Followed by our Christmas party. Location and time to be announced.
2005 Feb	Thu 17	General Meeting.	-
	Sat. 19	Excursion	Annual bird count. Meet at Lake Linlithgow, at the Cyprus trees at 7:00am.

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Slides of the late Lionel Elmore