



HAMILTON FIELD NATURALISTS CLUB



2014.....Meetings & Excursions.....2014

Meetings at H.I.R.L., 333 North Boundary Road, at 7.30 pm, on **THIRD THURSDAY** of the month, except Dec.

Any change to meeting dates, excursions or speakers will be noted in our Newsletter, Email network, or Hamilton Spectator.

Special Meetings – these are devoted to a guest speaker, except for short reports on nature sightings and a reminder about the forthcoming weekend excursion or working bee. We conclude with supper at about 9.30 pm for an informal chat.

Club Meetings – begin with ‘nature sightings’, some club business and then a 30-minute break for ‘nature show’ (photos from excursions, projects & other items) and supper. Other business is then dealt with and we finish before 10 pm.

Excursions – on the weekend after each meeting. We mostly start from **Hamilton Visitor Centre (HVC), Lonsdale St.**

Monthly Lake Hamilton ‘bird walk’ – start at 8 am at the beach, on a Thursday, a week after the monthly evening meeting.

Mth	Day	Event	Speaker & topic or detail of excursion, camp or working bee
Feb 2014	Thurs 20	Club meeting	Sightings, ‘nature show’, club business & environmental matters
	Sun 23	Excursion	Birds, Linlithgow area wetlands – 7.30 am, The Point, off Chatsworth Rd (RB)
March	Tues 18	Working bee	Nature Glenelg Trust sandbagging at Bradys Swamp – details TBA
	Thurs 20	Special mtg	Dave & Lyn Munro – Nature of New Zealand
	Sat 22	Excursion	Pt MacDonnell coast & birds – meet 8.30 am HVC (KG & RB)
April	Thurs 17	Club meeting	Sightings, ‘nature show’, club business & environmental matters
	Sat 19	Excursion	Bear SForest – remote cameras & nest boxes fauna study – meet 9 am HVC
May	Thurs 15	Special mtg	Ivor & Ruth Graney (PFNC) – Wildlife, flora and landscapes in Canada
	Sat 17	Excursion	Mt Napier SPark volcanic caves, craters & cones – meet 9.30 am HVC (JC/RB)
June	Tues 17	Fauna survey	Bear SF check remote cameras (date to be confirmed). Meet 9.30 am HVC
	Thurs 19	Club meeting	Sightings, ‘nature show’, club business & environmental matters
	Sun 22	Excursion	Grampians NP Yarram Gap hike – meet HVC 9.30 am (DM)
July	Thurs 17	Special mtg	Ben Church & Mary Johnson - Yarns on Farms (Gunditjmirring land managemt)
	Sat 19	Excursion	Cape Nelson coastal park, with PFNC – meet HVC 9 am (JC)
Aug	Thurs 21	Club meeting	Sightings, ‘nature show’, club business & environmental matters
	Sun 24	Excursion	Black Range SP wildflowers – meet 9.30 am HVC (JC)
Sept	Sat-Sun 13-14	Camp/WBee	Fulham Reserve – Cape Tulip control, wildflowers & birds – 10 am at river (RB)
	Thurs 18	Special mtg	Peter Hocking – Star-tracking for mapping (surveying arid Australia, mid-1900s)
	Sat 20	Working Bee	Fulham Res. Glenelg River – Cape Tulip & wildflowers – 10 am at river (RB)
	Sun 21	Working Bee	African Weed Orchid blitz at Nigretta Flora Res – meet HVC 9 am (RB)
Oct	Sat 04	Excursion	Doughboys Rd, Wilken – spring wildflower spectacular – meet 9 am HVC (YI)
	Sun 12	Working Bee	African Weed Orchids at Nigretta Falls – meet Nigretta Falls pool 9.30 am (RB)
	Thurs 16	Club meeting	Sightings, ‘nature show’, club business & environmental matters
	Sun 19	Excursion	Grampians NP Serra Range wildflowers – meet 9 am HVC (DM)
Nov	Sat 08	Working Bee	African Weed Orchids at Nigretta Falls – meet Nigretta Falls pool 9.30 am (RB)
	Thurs 20	Special mtg	Members present their best images of nature – fauna, flora, landscapes
	Sat 22	Excursion	Cobboboonee NP with PFNC – meet HVC 9 am (RB)
Dec	Tues 02	Fauna survey	Bear SF check fauna nest boxes (date to be confirmed). Meet 9 am HVC
	Thurs 11	AGM & Club	Short Annual GM then Club Meeting (sightings, ‘nature show’, business)
	Sun 14	Excursion	End-of-year party – afternoon (details TBA in Nov)
Feb 2015	Thurs 19	Club meeting	Sightings, ‘nature show’, club business & environmental matters
	Sun 22	Excursion	Birds, Linlithgow area wetlands – 7.30 am at The Point, off Chatsworth Rd (RB)

ENQUIRIES: P.O. Box 591, Hamilton, 3300 or hamiltonfnc@live.com.au or see hamilton-field-naturalists-club-victoria.org.au – ‘About us’, ‘Contact us’, ‘Activities’, ‘Background & Links’, ‘Publications/Information’ (fauna, flora, geology, local history, projects, submissions).

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Vice President & Publicity Officer....David Munro
Correspondence Secretary.....Rod Bird
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Treasurer.....Glenys Cayley

**New Members
Welcome**

**Visitors Welcome to all Meetings &
Excursions**