

# HAMILTON FIELD NATURALISTS CLUB PROGRAM



2022.....Meetings & Excursions.....2022



Meetings are held at HIRL, 333 North Boundary Road, at 7.30 pm: Club Business Meetings are on **THIRD Thursday of the month and Special Meetings (Guest Speakers) on THIRD Thursday or Friday.**

**Special Meetings** – these are devoted to a guest speaker, except for short reports on nature sightings and reminders of other activities. We conclude with supper at about 9.30 pm for an informal chat, ending about 10 pm. Note that **some** Special Meetings are on a **Friday**, to suit the speaker. Due to Covid, numbers may be restricted & masks may be required.

**Club Business Meetings** – begin with ‘nature sightings’, followed by business matters, environmental reports and supper.

**Excursions** – on the weekend, usually after each meeting, mostly starting from **Hamilton Visitor Centre (HVC).**

**Activities** – these may occur on weekends between regular excursion weekends.

	Day	Event	Speaker & topic or detail of excursion, camp or project activity
<b>Feb 2022</b>	Thurs 17	Club meeting	Sightings, club business & environmental matters
	Sun 20	Excursion	Waterbirds, Linlithgow area wetlands – 8.0 am ‘The Point’, Chatsworth Rd [RB]
<b>March</b>	Thurs 17	Special mtg	<b>SPEAKER – Russell Robinson ‘Scuba diving &amp; underwater photography’</b>
	Fri 18-21	Excursion	Weekend campout (or day trips) Lower Glenelg NP (Moleside to Sapling CK)
	Fri 25-28	SEANA	Weekend activities with Portland FNC (for those who booked)
<b>April</b>	Thurs 21	Club meeting	Sightings, club business & environmental matters
	Sat 23		Cavendish Red Gum Festival
	Sun 24	Excursion	Cobboboonee NP – walks at Sury Ridge & other areas – leave HVC 9.0 am [RB]
<b>May</b>	Sun 01	Activity	<i>Acacia paradoxa</i> control Wannon Flora Res – 9.30 am at the reserve [RB]
	Fri 20	Special mtg	<b>SPEAKER – Andrew Levings ‘Marine life of the southern shore’</b>
	Sun 22	Excursion	Mullinger Swamp (giant Red Gums), near Kybybolite – leave HVC 9.0 am [GC]
	Sat 28	Activity	<i>Acacia paradoxa</i> control Wannon Flora Res – 9.30 am at the reserve [RB]
<b>June</b>	Thurs 16	Club meeting	Sightings, club business & environmental matters
	Sat 18	Excursion	Byaduk Caves & the Great Barrier – leave HVC 9.30 am [YI/IS]
	Sun 26	Activity	Planting/weeding trees Kanawalla Rail Flora Res – meet 9.30 am, Hensley Pk Rd [RB]
<b>July</b>	Thurs 21	Special mtg	<b>SPEAKER – Paul Callander ‘Volcanic geology and landscapes’</b>
	Sun 24	Excursion	Northern Gariwerd NP walks (Pohlner’s Tk or Peaks Trail) – leave HVC 9.30 am [RS]
	Sun 31	Activity	Planting/weeding trees Kanawalla Rail Flora Res – meet 9.30 am, Hensley Pk Rd
<b>Aug</b>	Thurs 18	Club meeting	Sightings, club business & environmental matters
	Sat 20	Excursion	Wild Mans Cave, Burruni (Black Range) – leave HVC 9.30 am [RZ/WM]
	Sun 28	Activity	<i>Acacia paradoxa</i> control Wannon Flora Res – 9.30 am at the reserve [RB]
<b>Sept</b>	Sat 10	Activity	Fulham Reserve – Cape Tulip/Sparaxis/Gladiolus wiping – 10.0 am at river [RB]
	Fri 16-18	Excursion	Campout at Lorne, forest walks & Anglesea Heath (for those who booked) [YI]
	Fri 23	Special mtg	<b>SPEAKER – Birgita Hansen ‘Ecology of Latham’s Snipe’ [7.30 pm at Blue Malt]</b>
	Sun 25	Activity	Fulham Reserve – Cape Tulip/Sparaxis/Gladiolus wiping – 10.0 am at river [RB]
<b>Oct</b>	Sat 08	Activity	Fulham Reserve – Cape Tulip/Sparaxis/Gladiolus wiping – 10 am at river [RB]
	Sun 16	Activity	African Weed Orchid wiping at Nigretta Flora Res – leave HVC 9.0 am [RB]
	Thurs 20	Club meeting	Sightings, club business & environmental matters
	Sun 23	Excursion	Southern sector of Dundas Range Scenic Res – leave HVC at 9.0 am [RB]
	Sat 29	Activity	African Weed Orchid wiping at Nigretta Flora Res – leave HVC at 9.0 am [RB]
<b>Nov</b>	Sun 13	Activity	African Weed Orchid wiping at Nigretta Flora Res – leave HVC at 9.0 am [RB]
	Fri 18	Special mtg	<b>SPEAKER – Tien Hynh ‘Native orchid restoration biology’</b>
	Sat 19	Excursion	Gariwerd NP Peaks Trail Mt Sturgeon circuit – leave HVC 9.0 am [RS]
	Sun 27	Activity	Bear Fauna Nest Box inspection/2 ha bird surveys – leave HVC at 9.0 am [RZ]
<b>Dec</b>	Thurs 08	AGM & Club	Short Annual GM then Club Meeting (sightings & business)
	Sun 11	Excursion	End-of-year get-together picnic, 5.0 pm ‘til dusk (venue tbd)
<b>Feb 2023</b>	Thurs 16	Club meeting	Sightings, club business & environmental matters
	Sun 19	Excursion	Birds, Linlithgow area wetlands – 8.0 am at LLIN’s ‘Point’, Chatsworth Rd [RB]

ENQUIRIES: P.O. Box 591, Hamilton, 3300 or [hamiltonfnc@live.com.au](mailto:hamiltonfnc@live.com.au) or HFNC Website: <https://www.hamilton-field-naturalists-club-victoria.org.au> – ‘Contact us’, ‘Publications/Information’ (fauna, flora, geology & landscapes, local natural history, environmental projects & submissions).

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Welcome**

**Visitors Welcome to all  
Meetings & Excursions**