

Hello Everybody

HFNC Inc's activities and events in April 2026

General Meeting on Thurs 16 April at HIRL, 7.30 pm. We will deal with any correspondence and business matters arising since our last meeting.

- Agenda Club Meeting – see attached file
- Minutes previous Club Meeting – see attached file

Membership subscriptions for 2026 – another reminder that subs were due in January (\$25 for a single or \$35 for a family) and can be paid in cash at one of our meetings or through internet banking : BSB 633 000 and HFNC Inc's A/C 240950832.

Excursion to Cooks Lane, Mt Sturgeon area on Sunday 19 April – we leave Hamilton Visitor Centre at 9.30 am. We will assemble on the Victoria Valley Rd near Cooks Lane at about 10.00 am.

Report on excursion to the Grange Burn Fossil banks on Saturday 21 March – A group of 18 enjoyed a lovely morning walk on the picturesque Grange Burn at the McDonalds farm and at The Caves – see attached file.

Volunteer Activity – *Acacia paradoxa* control on the Wannon Flora Reserve Sunday 26 April – we will meet at 9.30 am on Powells Rd on the west side of the reserve and finish at around noon. This has been an on-going project to preserve the botanic integrity of this valuable reserve – and we need help! The large shrubs have mostly been eliminated and the aim now is to pull up the seedlings of this invasive, smothering, spiny species (some gloves will be available) and cut off at the base any larger shrubs (loppers will be supplied). New volunteers will be given information to identify the target plants, so as to avoid removing Sweet Bursaria or three other species with spikey foliage or spines that some might be unfamiliar with.

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