

HFNC Excursion 24-06-2012 – Mt Napier Crater Walk

Present: John and Glenys Cayley, Amanda and Craig, Ken Grimes, Janeen Samuel, Ross Simpson, David and Lyn Munro and Diane Luhrs

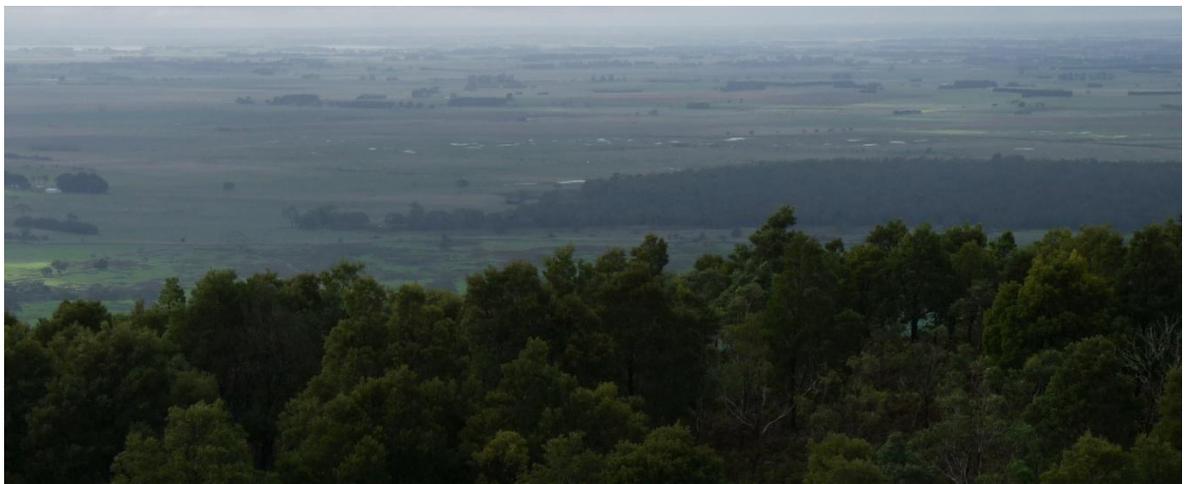
Most of the group met at the Hamilton Visitor Information Centre and travelled south on the Port Fairy Road before turning east towards the State Park - meeting up with David and Lyn at the car park of the old quarry. It was an overcast and very cool day but mostly calm and only a little rain.

We walked to the crater at the summit of Mt Napier along the marked track and enjoyed the many varieties of fungi that spouted from fallen logs, wet grass, tree trunks and on the path itself. Not many species of birds were seen but the most significant sighting was a pair of Wedge-tailed eagles that soared overhead at the summit. They appeared to be doing acrobatics in their swooping to and fro. Grey kangaroos were also disturbed from their grazing as we approached the top. And yes there were leeches and we were quick to remove them from our clothing - there was one leech attack which was dealt with by applying salt to the leech.

Brown thornbills, crimson rosellas, white-throated tree-creepers, magpies and red-necked wallabies were also seen on the day.

Views all around provided clear evidence of the rainfall during the year with extensive wetlands in all directions.







FUNGI LIST HFNC MT NAPIER.....24.June.2012 (37 53 40S, 142 03 11E)

| | Common Name | Fungimap? |
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| Gilled fungi | | |
| <i>Rhodcollybia butyracea</i> | Buttery Collybia | |
| <i>Oudemansiella radicata</i> | Rooting Shank | Yes |
| <i>Lepista nuda</i> | Wood Blewitt | Yes |
| <i>Mycena albidocapillaris</i> | White Crowned Mycena | |
| <i>Mycena vinacea</i> | | |
| <i>Mycena</i> sp. (small,white) | | |
| <i>Omphalotus nidiformis</i> | Ghost Fungus | Yes |
| <i>Amanita xanthocephela</i> | Pretty Grisette | Yes |
| <i>Rickenella fibula</i> | Little Pin | |
| <i>Lepiota</i> sp. | | |
| <i>Entoloma</i> sp. | | |
| <i>Gymnopilus ferruginosus</i> | | |
| <i>Tubaria</i> sp. | | |
| <i>Galerina hypnorum</i> | Moss Galerina | |
| <i>Marasmius</i> sp, (tiny white) | | |
| <i>Schizophyllum commune</i> | Split Gill | Yes |
| <i>Crepidotus</i> sp. | | |
| Coral fungi | | |
| <i>Ramaria cristata</i> | | |
| Puffballs | | |
| <i>Geastrum</i> sp. | Earthstar | |
| <i>Sclerodema</i> sp. | | |