

## 2015-09-HFNC-activities-events

Hi everyone

Diane and I have arrived home today after a month in Tanzania, visiting National Parks, Game Reserves, villages and Zanzibar. Of course we now have thousands of photos to deal with (Leopards, Lions, Cheetahs, Elephants and gazelles, Impala, Wildebeest & Zebra by the hundreds, not to mention birds) – but perhaps more of that next year.

Now to the activities forthcoming (sorry about the late reminder):

**This Saturday (12 September)** – we have a working bee visit to Fulham Streamside Reserve (meet 10 am at the main pool on the river, near the road block on the River Track). We will be wiping herbicide on Cape Tulip, concentrating on the area south of the River Track that was poorly done last year. All materials and tools provided – this weed control approach is not arduous and does not involve carrying of heavy loads. Please try and attend, at least for a few hours morning or afternoon. If the weather is wet then we may look for wildflowers or birds instead!

**Thursday 17 September** – our guest speaker for the evening (start 7.30 pm at HIRL) will be Dr Jane Walker, whose topic will be ‘**Looking after country – experiences in NT & Vic**’ Jane has worked in the NT on projects with indigenous people and is now working with GHCMA, in projects involving *Gunditjmara* people of our region. This promises to be an informative and entertaining evening.

**Fri 18-Sun 20 September** – camp at Little Desert Nature Lodge on Fri afternoon and Saturday (exploring the western part of the little Desert) and a visit to Jilpanger Flora Reserve or bushland nearby (hopefully with Euan Moore) on Sunday on our way back to Hamilton. On Friday & Sat nights some of us will be staying in rooms at the lodge and others in the campground. On Sunday we will drive to Douglas, arriving at 10 am, to meet any members from Hamilton who can only come on that day for the Jilpanger visit.

**Sat 26 September** – our last working bee at Fulham Streamside Reserve; meet around 10 am at the southern bend of the river (vehicles at that site will be visible from the entry track). We will be continuing work on Cape Tulip and also Sparaxis and any African Weed Orchids encountered in this SW part of the reserve.

Cheers

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