

2016-07-HFNC-activities-events

Hello everyone

Time to remind you of what is on for HFNC this month.

Special Meeting Thursday 21 July at HIRL (133 Nth Boundary Rd) at 7.30 pm

Diane Luhrs and Rod Bird will be presenting a talk and showing images of wildlife and landscapes of Tanzania.

In August of 2015, Diane Luhrs and Rod Bird travelled to Nairobi in Kenya, to begin a month-long “Best of Tanzania” trip with Intrepid. Their tour took them to the major wildlife parks in Tanzania, including the jewels of Tanzania – Serengeti National Park and the Ngorongoro Conservation Area.

They travelled through the Usambara Mountains to Dar es Salaam and thence to the island of Zanzibar where they visited a coral reef, the Kizibani Agricultural Research Institute’s spice gardens and wandered through the historic Muslim port of Stonetown.

Their next destination was Saadani National Park, and then the 5 million ha Selous Game Reserve. Next stops were Mikumi and Tarangire National Parks. Returning to Kenya, they visited Amboseli National Park, with the imposing Mt Kilimanjaro nearby.

They saw about 190 species of birds and 35 species of mammals, including a leopard perched in a dead tree within 10 m of their vehicle. They returned with several thousand photographs, the highlights of which will be presented at HIRL on 21 July.

Excursion on Saturday 23 July to Kelly Swamp and beaches of Warrnambool – we leave from Hamilton Visitor Centre at 9.30 am. We will visit Logan’s beach first to check on Southern Right Whale presence. That will be at about 11 am, for anyone who wishes to catch up with us there.

Fauna Survey at Mt Napier – we checked the cameras on the 25 June so we will not be checking them again until late August. (Please ignore the date on our printed program).

Cheers

Rod Bird