

2016-11-HFNC-activities-events

Hi everyone

This note is a reminder for a couple of HFNC events as well as an opportunity before the hectic festive season to provide some other information. That includes an obituary for Ken Grimes, a valued member of HFNC who died in August. Some will not have known the full range of Ken's geological and speleological expertise and interests, and his contribution in other ways to the club over many years.

Working Bee on Saturday (26 Nov) – we aim to remove from the Nigretta Flora Reserve any African Weed Orchid missed earlier (we herbicide-wiped about 14,000 AWO on 2 trips). We will have access from the north, through private property because it is impossible at this time to cross the river from the Scenic Reserve.

We will leave from the Hamilton Visitor Centre at 9 am. We will be digging up the plants (a large screwdriver is a good tool) and removing the plant and tubers from the site. There will be a good flowering of species of the Lily family, and of Blue Pincushions, so it should be a pleasant experience.

Eulogy for Ken Grimes – please see the attachment which includes informative contributions from Ken's professional colleagues and members of HFNC.

Annual General Meeting (Thursday 15 Dec) – this will be at HIRL, 7.30 pm, and we will elect office-bearers for 2017

Bear fauna nest box monitoring – see attached report for 20 Nov.

Mt Napier fauna survey report for October – see attachment for the period Sep-Nov of camera monitoring of small arboreal mammals in the forest.

Fulham Reserve weed removal project – see attached report for spring 2016

Christmas (end-of-year) Party (Sunday 18 Dec) – this will be at Diane Luhrs home, corner of Wedge St and Digby Rd, starting around 4.30-5.00 pm. Please bring your own food (a bar-b-que will be available) and drinks and maybe a chair. This will be a very informal afternoon-evening, so feel free to come and go as you please.

Regards

Rod
Secretary, HFNC