

2018-06-HFNC-activities-events

Hello everyone

Time again for an update on HFNC meetings and events for June 2018.

Business meeting on Thursday 21 June – HIRL 7.30 pm.

For those attending (and for those who cannot attend but wish to send me an email comment), I would like members to have a look at our website [hamilton-field-naturalists-club-victoria.org.au] before the meeting and comment on the following matter. We altered the layout and content of the 'Publications/Information' page to simplify the setup. I believe we should also remove the preamble that goes with most of the folders. The content of each folder is readily apparent without the preamble, which takes up space and could be distracting as well as restrictive (the preamble does not/cannot cover all of the file topics in the folder). Further, we have now installed a 'search facility' button (top left on the opening page) and that should assist in finding particular subjects. Please let me have your opinion before the meeting or at it.

Excursion to Elmores Cone and lava channel and Mt Napier on Sunday 24 June – Meet Hamilton Visitor Centre at 9.30 am. Some car-pooling would be helpful (good clearance is an advantage on rough tracks). A way to the site from the south end of Cole Track has been cleared of fallen trees. There will be an easy walk of 1 km along the East-West Stone wall track from Cole Track to Elmores Cone. Then a walk of 200 m through the bush to the cone, lava channel and natural bridge. Later (depending upon the weather), we may drive around to Menzels Pit and walk up the trail to the summit of Mt Napier. There may be a few leeches off the trail – long socks tucked high over bottom of jeans are needed (and don't linger at any one spot in the undergrowth!). Bring lunch.

Southern Grampians Shire Council meeting this Wednesday at 5.30 pm – the Harmans Valley lava landscape overlay recommendations from the Planning Panel will be addressed at the meeting. It would be good if some members could attend.

May 2018 Excursion to Beachport and Canunda National Park – see attached report

Regards

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