

Meetings of the HFNC are held at H.I.R.L., 333 North Boundary Road, at 8 pm on the third Thursday of each month, from February to November inclusive.

<u>Special meetings</u> are always advertised in the Hamilton Spectator on the preceding Saturday. The special meetings are entirely devoted to a guest speaker and conclude with supper at about 10.00 pm.

<u>General meetings</u> are usually held on alternate months and deal with conservation matters. Members may show a few slides or exhibits and talk informally about natural history.

Excursions are held on the Saturday or Sunday following either special or general meetings.

Month	Day	Event	Speakers topic and description of excursion
March	Thu 20	General meeting	Speakers- Ken and Janeen Grimes  "Kangaroo Island"
	Sat 22	Excursion (don't forget insect repellent!	Griffith Island, Port Fairy (Mutton birds) Meet 2.30 pm Tourist Office
April	Thu 17	Special meeting	Speaker-Raina Plowright "Research on crab-eater seals on the floes of Antartica"
	Sun 20	Excursion	Brim Springs, Grampians Rock art Meet 9.30 am Tourist Office
May	Thu 15	Special meeting	Speaker-Rod Bird Cradle Mountain of
	Sat 17	Excursion	Fern Cave (Lower Glenelg NP), permit pending (We'll get in touch with you if we don't get a permi)
June	Thu 19 Sun 22	General meeting Excursion	Grampians bushwalk meet T. Office 8.30 Hollow cave and Red cave, Buandik.
July	Thu 17	General meeting	Speaker- Bob Wolcott "Glenisla tetrapods"
	Sat 27- Sun 27	Excursion	Orange Bellied Parrot survey Discovery bay area
Aug	Thu 21 Fri 22-	General meeting	Hamah M.B.
	Sun 24	Excursion & camp-out	Hattah N.P.
Sep	Thu 18 Sun 20	Special meeting	Speakers Jerry Chin and Roger Thompson "Rafting the Franklin and other Tasmanian adventures"
		Excursion	Claude Austin Reserve
Oct	Thu 16	General meeting  Excursion	Speaker- Rod Bird "Western Simpson Desert" Tower Hill, Grampians
Nov	Thu 20 Sat 22- Sun 23	Special meeting Camp_out	Speaker: Eddie Meulman Grampians Canunda NP, Southend, S.A. Meet 9.00 am Tourist Office.
Feb	19 (1998) 21	Annual General Meeting Excursion	Lake linlithgow Meet 7.00 am at Lake

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