

HAMILTON FIELD NATURALISTS CLUB



2018.....Meetings & Excursions.....2018



Meetings at H.I.R.L., 333 North Boundary Road, at 7.30 pm, mostly on **THIRD THURSDAY** of the month. Any change to dates, excursions or speakers will be noted in our email network or Hamilton Spectator.

Special Meetings – these are devoted to a guest speaker, except for short reports on nature sightings and reminders of a weekend excursion or working B. We conclude with supper at about 9.30 pm for an informal chat, ending about 10 pm.

Club Meetings – begin with ‘nature sightings’, followed by club business matters, environmental reports and supper.

Excursions – on the weekend after each meeting, mostly starting from **Hamilton Visitor Centre (HVC)**, Lonsdale St.

Working Bees – these usually occur on weekends between regular excursion weekends.

	Day	Event	Speaker & topic or detail of excursion, camp or working bee
Feb 2018	Thurs 15	Club meeting	Sightings, club business & environmental matters
	Sun 18	Excursion	Birds, Linlithgow area wetlands – 8 am at LLIN's 'Point', Chatsworth Rd
March	Tues 6	Lecture	Prof. Ray Cas. 'Origin & history of Volcanic province of WVic'. HIRL 8 pm
	Thurs 15	Special mtg	SPEAKER – David Pitts 'Orchids of SW Victoria'
	Sat 17	Excursion	Casterton-Drajurk forest areas. Meet HVC 9 am [RB].
April	Thurs 19	Club meeting	Sightings, club business & environmental matters
	Sun 22	Excursion	Mt Shadwell olivine & adjacent wetlands – Meet 9 am HVC [YI]
May	Thurs 17	Special mtg	SPEAKER – Steve Clark 'Birds & other wildlife of Uganda'
	Fri 18-Sun 20	Excursion	Beachport SA coastal weekend away. Details TBA [GC & JG]
June	Thurs 21	Club meeting	Sightings, club business & environmental matters
	Sun 24	Excursion	Elmore's Cone & the mount, Mt Napier State Park. Meet 9.30 am HVC
July	Thurs 19	Special mtg	SPEAKER – Lachlan Farrington NGT 'Ecology of SW Vic wetlands'
	Sat 21	Excursion	Wetland excursion to Walkers Swamp with NGT Meet HVC 9.00 am [RB]
	Aug	Working B	Tree planting Kanawalla Rail Flora Res – 9.30 am, Hensley Pk Rd [RB]
Aug	Thurs 16	Club meeting	Sightings, club business & environmental matters
	Sun 19	Excursion	Harman's Valley volcanics – farm visit Old Crusher Rd. Meet HVC 9 am
	Sept	Sun 09	Working B
Thurs 20		Special mtg	SPEAKER – Diane Luhrs 'Landscape, culture & rock art of Arnhem Land'
Sat 22		Excursion	Ararat area flora reserves – Meet 9 am HVC, 10.30 am Ararat [Ararat]
Sun 23		Working B	Fulham Reserve – Cape Tulip wiping – 10 am at river [RB]
Oct	Sun 14	Working B	African Weed Orchid wiping at Nigretta Flora Res – meet HVC 9 am [RB]
	Thurs 18	Club meeting	Sightings, club business & environmental matters
	Sun 21	Excursion	Wildflowers of Grampians – Wartook Reservoir area 9 am HVC [DM]
	Sat 27	Working B	AWO wiping at Nigretta Flora Res – meet HVC 9 am [RB]
Nov	Fri 16	Special mtg	SPEAKER – Ross Cayley 'Update - formation of Grampians & Aust Alps'
	Sat 17	Excursion	Grampians Geology tour with Ross Cayley. Meet HVC 9 am [GC]
	Sun 18	Excursion	Bear SF Fauna Nest Box inspection. Meet HVC 9.30 am [RB]
	Sat 24	Working B	AWO pulling at Nigretta Flora Res – meet at Nigretta pool, 9.15 am [RB]
Dec	Thurs 13	AGM & Club	Short Annual GM then Club Meeting (sightings & business)
	Sun 16	Excursion	End-of-year get-together picnic, from 5 pm [venue TBA in Nov]
Feb 2019	Thurs 16	Club meeting	Sightings, club business & environmental matters
	Sun 19	Excursion	Birds, Linlithgow area wetlands – 8.00 am at LLIN's 'Point', Chatsworth Rd

ENQUIRIES: P.O. Box 591, Hamilton, 3300 or hamiltonfnc@live.com.au or HFNC Website:

hamilton-field-naturalists-club-victoria.org.au – ‘About us’, ‘Contact us’, ‘Activities’, ‘Background & Links’, ‘Publications/Information’ (fauna, flora, geology, local history, projects, submissions).

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**New Members
Welcome**

**Visitors Welcome to all Meetings
& Excursions**