2017-09-HFNC-activities-events

Hi everyone

This note is to remind you of the activities/events on the schedule for September 2017.

Also, for those interested, I have attached 2 Excursion report pdfs that appear to have been missed from earlier in the year.

The report for August (our trip to Cape Otway) will be available later.

Working B for Saturday 09 September at Fulham – this is this year's start of work on Cape tulip, Sparaxis and Wild Gladiolus at Fulham Streamside Reserve. We aim to meet at the first bend in the Glenelg River at 10 am. The turnoff to that is about 200 m north of the sign-posted Old Railway Bridge track. <u>Please note that if it is raining on Saturday we will go on Sunday</u>, unless that, too is a wet day. For those who can help, please bring waterproof gloves and footwear. I will take all the equipment and materials for wiping the weeds. HFNC began this annual program of work on weeds at Fulham in 2006, so this is our 12th year trying to protect this heathland/woodland.

Special Meeting Thursday 21 September, 7.30 pm at HIRL – Rod will present HFNC's surveys:

- <u>birds at Lake Hamilton</u> (4 years of monthly counts of all birds on the lake)
- <u>mammal surveys at Mt Napier</u> using 10 cameras (2 years of monitoring). A summary of data will be presented, along with a host of photographs of the wildlife seen.

Excursion on Saturday 23 September to Deep Lead Flora Reserve – we leave Hamilton Visitor Centre at 9 am, travelling through Halls Gap. We hope to see many orchids at this reserve.

Working B for Saturday 30 September at Fulham – this is an important follow-up visit to Fulham to attack Cape Tulip, Sparaxis and Wild Gladiolus (note – this visit is not mentioned in the program). Same approach as on 9 September. There should be many orchids and other wildflowers blooming and we hope to have a good roll-up of helpers at this time. Please make a note of the date. As in 2016, we will be concentrating on the area west of the access track from the entrance.

Cheers

Rod Bird

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