Hamilton Field Naturalists Club activities & events in December 2019

Hello Members of HFNC

This is a reminder of what is on for HFNC in December 2019, together with 4 club reports and a notice that membership for 2020 is now due.

AGM & General Meeting on Thursday 12 Dec – 7.30 pm at HIRL. See attached agenda.

End-of-Year Picnic Get-together Sunday 15 Dec – 4 pm 'til dusk at Kanawalla Rail Flora Res. Please note that if the afternoon is wet Diane will host the get-together at her place (east corner of Wedge St and Digby Rd, Hamilton). Due to concerns about fire safety we will not be having barbque fires at Kanawalla, so please factor that into your picnic preparations.

The plan at Kanawalla is to enter the reserve from the McFarlanes Rd gate and drive through the 1.5 km reserve to view the restoration works over the last 14 years. Those who arrive at 4 pm or shortly thereafter (we will wait a while) will have a conducted tour with stops at various points along the track. Those who arrive later can also drive through. We will have our picnic near the trail about 150 m from the Hensley Park Rd gate.

Vehicles might best be parked in the area across the road from the Hensley Park Rd gate, rather than on the rail track, because some members may be leaving early and could find it difficult to pass other vehicles parked along the track.

Report of last Excursion to Beear State Forest on 23-24 November – see attached pdf

Report of Beear Fauna nest Box inspection Sat 23 Nov – see attached pdf

Report of weed control project at Nigretta Flora Reserve – see attached pdf

Report of tree planting and other works at Kanawalla in 2019 – see attached pdf

Membership subscriptions for 2020 are due - \$20 single or \$25 family (see attached form) For insurance and other purposes we are required now to provide Landcare Victoria with a current list of members early in the year, hence the need to get that sorted out early. (Please note that there is no need to post back the attached form if you have previously provided contact details).

For those who cannot make it on Sunday 15th, thank you for your support during the year and we look forward to another good year in 2020, with our SEANA conference weekend in April a highlight.

Rod Bird

Secretary Hamilton Field Naturalists Club