# HAMILTON FIELD NATURALISTS CLUB

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## PROGRAMME FEBRUARY - NOVEMBER 1983

"MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL FIELD NATURALISTS"

*	DENOTES	EVENING	MEETINGS
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\* FEBRUARY 17th - Thursday

Annual General Meeting. Also "Show and Tell Evening". People are invited to bring interesting slides, diaries or objects of which they can display or talk about.

FEBURARY 20th - Sunday

Murray Gunn will lead a bird watching excursion at Lake Linlithgow. Meet at Lake Linlithgow at 9 a.m.

\* MARCH 17th - Thursday Tom Stone will talk on Geology of the district.

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\* April 21st - Thursday A "Forum on Tourism and Conservation". A panel of speakers from interested groups and departments.

APRIL 23rd, 24th & 25th

Hamilton Field Naturalists Club's annual campout.

To be held at Mt. Eccles National Park. National
Park Ranger Mr. Allan Gould with assistants will
supervise a field study of the area and the viewing
of animals at night.

\* MAY 26th - Thursday Lionel Elmore will talk on his observations of Barred Bandicoots and other small mammals.

MAY 29th - Sunday

A day removing introduced vegetation from the Wannon 18 acre Flora Reserve. Bring gloves, axes, mattocks, saws. Depart Hamilton Tourist Office 11 a.m. Bring lunch.

\* Aug 18 - Thursday Gavin Jameson (Apiarist) will talk on Bee Keeping and Flora.

JUNE 19th - Sunday Graeme McGregor will lead an excursion to a hidden gorge near Mt. Abrupt. Depart Hamilton Tourist Office 11 a.m. or Dunkeld Hotel 11.30 a.m.

\* JULY 21st - Thursday Steve Gregory will present a slide talk on his trip to the South Cocos and the Christmas Islands.

JULY 24th - Sunday

Peter Milne will lead an excursion to Bailey's Rocks
near Dergholm. Depart Hamilton Tourist Office
10.30 a.m.

\* June 16 Thursday Keith Cumming will talk on his recent expendition down the Franklin River in S.W. Tasmania.

AUGUST 21st - Sunday

An excursion to Mt. Talbot in the Black Ranges.

Horsham F.N.C. will meet us there. Depart Hamilton
Tourist Office 11 a.m. or 12.30 p.m. at Mt. Talbot.

\* SEPTEMBER 15th - Thursday Mr. Neil Lawrence will talk on Dry Land Salting in Western Victoria and North America.

SEPTEMBER 17th - Saturday

Graeme McGregor will lead an excursion in the southern Serra Range to observe wildflowers. Depart Hamilton Tourist Office 10 a.m. or Dunkeld Hotel 10.30 a.m.

\* OCTOBER 21st - Thursday Mr. Richard Walter will present a slide talk on a recent trip to Nepal.

OCTOBER 23rd - Saturday

An Excursion to Wilkin near Casterton to observe wildflowers. The Portland F.N.C. and the Wannon Conservation Society will join us. Leave Tourist Office Hamilton 10 a.m. or Digby P.O. 11.00 a.m.

\* NOVEMBER 18th - Thursday Environmental Film Night, organised by Mr. Max Greiner. Final Meeting of the year.

NOVEMBER 21st - Sunday

Kevin Lakeman will lead an excursion to Deep Creek in the Grampians. Bring sandshoes, bathers and lunch. Leave Tourist Office Hamilton 11 a.m.

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The Hamilton Field Naturalist's Club welcomes anyone who wants to help study and protect our environment. Membership fees remain at Single - \$3.00 and Family \$5.00 per year.

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Evening meetings are held at the Special Services Centre, 46 Gray Street, at 8.00 p.m. The usual meeting night is the third Thursday of the month, but this can vary sometimes.

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### USUAL FORMAT OF MEETINGS:

8.00 p.m. Sharp - 8.30 p.m. - Short Business Meeting
8.30 p.m. - 8.45 p.m. - Opportunity for members to give brief excursion reports etc.

8.45 p.m. - Guest Speaker.

The Hamilton Field Naturalists Club donates its copies of <u>Habitat</u> and <u>The Victorian Naturalist</u> to the Glenelg Regional Library. These are available for any member of the public to borrow, just ask at the desk.

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IF YOU NEED FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THIS PROGRAMME PLEASE CONTACT ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

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