

RINGWOOD FIELD NATURALISTS CLUB

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OFFICE BEARERS 2016/2017



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Organisation Subscriptions due and payable in September of each year.
 One Member - **\$25.00** Additional Family Member & Students- **\$15.00**

Accessories Mugs - **\$10.00** Badges - **\$5.00** Car Stickers (Badge Type) - **\$1.00**

Regular Meetings **7.30 p.m.** on second Wednesday in each month in Room 4 at Maroondah Federation Estate, Greenwood Ave, Ringwood (Melways 49 H10)

Excursions Usually on weekends following general meetings

- (a) **No dogs on Field Excursions please.**
- (b) **Club Library. A free service to Members at Meeting.**
- (c) **Limit is six images/slides or three videos per member on Meeting Nights**
Please note: members are asked to limit discussion on images and videos to no more than 3 minutes

PROGRAMME For May 2017 - October 2017

(Subject to alteration by notification at General Meetings)

NOTE:

Meetings will be cancelled on any nights when **POWER RESTRICTIONS** in the area are in force.
 Field excursions will be cancelled on days of **TOTAL FIRE BANS** in the proposed excursion areas.

10th May
 (Wednesday evening)

GENERAL MEETING NO. 669.
Speaker: Bruce Fuhrer
 "Fungi - near and far"

13th May
 (Saturday)

EXCURSION: Upper Yarra Dam
 Meet at 10 am. Follow the Woods Point Rd from Warburton to Reefton, following the signs to Upper Yarra Reservoir Park. Meet at car park near Ranger's Office.
NOTE: This will be a full day excursion, so bring lunch.
(Melways X912 U2)
Leaders – Jack Airey & Bruce Fuhrer

14th June
 (Wednesday evening)

GENERAL MEETING NO. 670.
Members Night - 2 mini talks by members
 1. "A fruit salad of Birds and Botany over a few trips" by **Shirley Smith**
 2. "Intelligence in birds" by **Jennifer Grant**

18th June
 (Sunday)

EXCURSION: Mt St Leonard
 Meet at 10-30am in the Mt St Leonard carpark on Monda Rd off Myers Creek Rd. After visiting the lookout, we will move on to Wirrawilla, Tanglefoot picnic area and then go to the Kalatha Giant tree walk.
NOTE: This will be a full day excursion, so bring lunch.
(Melways 10 Q3)
Leaders – David & Eeva Hewitt

12th July
(Wednesday evening)

GENERAL MEETING NO. 671.
Speaker: Prof Robert King
"Seaweeds and Sea grasses"

16th July
(Sunday)

EXCURSION: Werribee Gorge State Park
Meet at 10.00am at the Quarry picnic area. Exit Western Fwy at Pentland Hills rd, then left into Myers rd.
NOTE: This will be a full day excursion, bring lunch.
(Vic Roads map 77 G4)
Leaders – Graeme & Helen Fernandes

30th July
(Sunday)

FIELD CARE DAY: National Tree Planting Day with the Osborne Peninsula Landcare Group at the Koornong Cres car park (**Melways 23 J7**) We will be working on the flat area at the picnic table riverside from **10am until noon**. Bring tools, leather gloves, wear long trousers, sturdy boots.

9th August
(Wednesday evening)

GENERAL MEETING NO. 672.
Speaker: Dr Kate Charlton Robb
"The Burranan Dolphin"

13th August
(Sunday)

EXCURSION: Sea Life Melbourne Aquarium Visit
Bookings essential (contact Alison) A cost will be involved. Special rate of \$19.25 for a 2-hour guided tour of the Aquarium - maybe behind the scenes (usually \$41.50 non-guided). Meet just before 9.30am at The Aquarium, Cnr King & Flinders St Melbourne.
Leader – Jason Caruso

9th September
(Saturday)

EXCURSION: Pound Bend & Tindals Reserve
Meet at 10am in the Pound Bend carpark near the toilets. Morning at Pound Bend, then short afternoon walk at Tindals Reserve.
NOTE: This will be a full day excursion so bring lunch.
(Melways 23 A11)
Leaders – Hazel & Alan Veevers

13th September
(Wednesday evening)

AGM & GENERAL MEETING NO. 673.
President's Address: Peter Rogers
"Fitzgerald River National Park, WA"

17th September
(Sunday)

EXCURSION: Labertouche
Meet at 10.30am at Lawsons Falls Picnic Ground, Forest Rd Labertouche. **NOTE:** Forest Road is shown on the map but the picnic ground is not. Follow Forest Rd into Bunyip State Forest and the picnic ground will be signposted.
NOTE: This will be a full day excursion so bring lunch.
(Vic Roads 96 E2)
Leaders – Roger & Inta Needham

11th October
(Wednesday evening)

GENERAL MEETING NO. 674.
Speaker: Ian Grant
"Backyard Astronomy"

13th - 16th
October
(Friday to Monday)

CLUB & SEANA WEEKEND AWAY:
Hosted by Ringwood Field Naturalist Club
To be held at the Little Desert Nature Lodge, Nhill.
Full and half day excursions will be provided. Evening meals will be in the Lodge restaurant with keynote speakers following the meal. Accommodation at Little Desert Nature Lodge. Registration for the weekend will be \$40.
Further details from Eleanor Dilley.
Leaders - RFNC sub committee



Alexandra Autumn Weekend Away - led by Roger & Inta Needham.

Photos: Peter Rogers