

OBJECTIVES: To stimulate interest in our natural environment and to preserve and protect Australian flora and fauna.

The Field Naturalists Club of Victoria (FNCV) is Victoria's oldest natural history group, established in 1880.

Today we have many special interest groups which focus on: **Bats, Botany, Fauna Survey, Fungi, Geology, Marine Research, Microscopy and Terrestrial Invertebrates.** We even have a group especially for the **Juniors!**

Members are welcome to attend activities of all of the various special interest groups. Visitors are welcome, but please note a \$5 fee will apply to non-members on excursions and \$2 for meetings (this is to cover costs and includes insurance).

Membership is open to any person interested in natural history and includes beginners as well as experienced naturalists.

Membership Benefits:

- ◆ significant discounts off a wide selection of natural history books through our bookshop.
- ◆ an opportunity to meet and exchange information and ideas with others who have a passion for our natural environment.
- ◆ monthly meetings with leading speakers in all areas of natural history
- ◆ regular excursions and field surveys
- ◆ training and workshops
- ◆ six issues of *The Victorian Naturalist*, our prestigious natural history journal (published since 1884)
- ◆ our monthly newsletter *Field Nats News*
- ◆ access to our extensive natural history library (*individual membership only*)
- ◆ discounts on our FNCV publications

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Please be considerate when contacting members by not calling too early or too late in the day.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS JUNE TO SEPTEMBER 2010



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Understanding Our Natural World

FNCV OFFICE & LIBRARY HOURS

Office: Mon and Tues 9am - 4pm
Please call for appointment

Library: Tuesday 11am - 2pm
(Open to Members Only)

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Visitors welcome to
all activities!

June



Tues 1st - Fauna Survey Group. Meeting - 'Wildlife of Eastern Bass Strait Islands'. Speaker: George Appleby. Contact: Ray White.



Sat. 5th - Fauna Survey Group. BBQ 4.30 pm, followed by guided spotlight walk at Little River Sanctuary. Cash payments - \$20 adults, \$10 under 17y.o., \$2 each for use of BBQ. BYO food. Contact: Ian Kitchen.**



Sun 6th - Fungi Group. Fungal Foray - 10.30am Greens Bush, Baldry Crossing (MEL 254 G6) Contact Virgil Hubregtse.



Mon 7th - Fungi Group. Meeting - See FNN for details. Contact Virgil Hubregtse.



Fri 11th - Mon 14th - Fauna Survey Group. NO camp.



Sun 13th - Fungi Group. Fungal Foray - See FNN for details. Contact Virgil Hubregtse.



Mon 14th - Marine Group. Meeting - See FNN for details.



Wed 16th - Terrestrial Invertebrates Group. Meeting.- An introduction to the lacewings (Neuroptera). Speaker: Professor Tim New, Department of Zoology, La Trobe University. 8 pm. Contact: Alan Yen.



Thurs 17th - Botany Group. Meeting - Propagation of Indigenous Plants. Speaker: Lorraine Norden, Manager Greenlink Community Nursery, Box Hill. Contact: Heather Eadon.



All meetings are 8pm, (Juniors 7.30 pm) at FNCV Hall, 1 Gardenia St Blackburn (unless stated otherwise).

FNCV policy: non-members families pay \$5 per excursion and \$2 per meeting to cover our insurance costs. Junior non-members families, \$2 per excursion only.

** Registration 7 days Prior Essential

(July Cont)



Tues 6th - Fauna Survey Group. Meeting - 'The Distribution and Diet of Sambar Deer in Victoria'. Speaker: Dave Forsyth, DSE. Contact: Ray White.



Sat 10th - Fauna Survey Group. Equipment day & social gathering. Meet and join FSG members to repair, label & sort equipment. All help appreciated. FNCV Hall 10.30am. BYO lunch. Contacts: John Harris or Ray Gibson.



Sun 11th - Fungi Group. Fungal Foray - 10.30am Upper Yarra Reservoir, Reefton (MEL 612 U2). First car park, Doctor's Creek Walking Track. Contact Virgil Hubregtse.



Mon 12th - Marine Group. Meeting - See FNN for details.



Thurs 15th - Botany Group. Meeting - Around the world in 80 Orchids. Speaker: Mike Duncan. Contact: Sue Bendel.



Sun 18th - All Members. Working bee & social gathering. Meet at 10.30am to help do some much needed maintenance and gardening. Everyone welcome, all help appreciated. BYO lunch. Contact: FNCV Office.



Wed 21st - Microscopy Group. Meeting - See FNN for details.

(August Cont)



Wed 18th - Bat Group. Grey-headed flying-fox count. Meet at Yarra Bend Golf Course carpark Mel 2D G7 at 5.30 pm. RSVP by email or phone Megan Davidson.**



Thurs 19th - Botany Group. Meeting - Aboriginal medicinal plants. Speaker: Dr Beth Gott. Contact: Michael Murray.



Tues 24th - Day Group. Meeting - See FNN for details.



Wed 25th - Geology Group. Dinosaur Dreaming-The story continues - Speaker Dr David Pickering, Museum Victoria. Contact



Fri 27th - Juniors Group. Meeting - See FNN for details.

September



Sun 5th - Fungi Group. Fungal Foray - 10.30am Greens Bush, Baldry Crossing (MEL 254 G6) Contact Virgil Hubregtse.



Mon 6th - Fungi Group. Meeting - See FNN for details. Contact Virgil Hubregtse.



Tues 7th - Fauna Survey Group. Meeting - Finding elusive wildlife: the case of the Spot-tailed Quoll. Jenny Nelson, Arthur Rylah Institute. Contact: Ray White.



Thurs 9th - Wed 15th Fauna Survey Group Field Trip - North West Vic./ Mallee area. Contacts: Ray White/John Harris. **



(June Cont)



Sat 19th – Botany Group. Excursion – Greenlink Community Nursery, 41 Wimmera Street, Box Hill. Meet at 11.00 am – come and try your hand at propagating some of our wonderful indigenous plants. Contact: Heather Eadon.



Tues 22nd – Day Group. Meeting – The changing attitudes to native plants at the Melbourne Botanic Gardens. Speaker: Philippa MacMahon. Contact Gary Presland.



Wed 23rd – Geology Group. Yarra Riverkeepers. Speaker Rob Ingham This will be a different talk than the one given to the day group in February. Contact



Wed 23rd – Bat Group. Grey-headed flying-fox count. Meet at Yarra Bend Golf Course carpark Mel 2D G7 at 5.00 pm. RSVP by email or phone Megan Davidson.**



Fri 25th – Juniors Group. Meeting – See FNN for details.



Sun 27th – Fungi Group. Fungal Foray - 10.30am Bunyip State Park (Gembrook), Mortimer Reserve Picnic Ground, off the Gembrook-Tonimbuk Road (MEL key map 14). Contact Virgil Hubregtse.

July



Sun 4th – Fungi Group. Fungal Foray. 10.30am Blackwood (MEL 609 E11). Meet in the car park of Garden of St Erth in Simmons Reef Road. Contact Virgil Hubregtse.



Mon 5th – Fungi Group. Meeting - See FNN for details. Contact Virgil Hubregtse.

(July Cont)



Wed 21st – Bat Group. Grey-headed flying-fox count. Meet at Yarra Bend Golf Course carpark Mel 2D G7 at 5.15 pm. RSVP by email or phone Megan Davidson.**



Tues 27th – Day Group. Meeting – See FNN for details.



Wed 28th – Geology Group. Uplift of the Eastern Highlands. – Speaker Fons Vandenberg, Senior Geologist Geoscience Victoria. Contact



Fri 30th – Juniors Group. Meeting – See FNN for details.

August



Mon 2nd – Fungi Group. Meeting - See FNN for details. Contact Virgil Hubregtse.



Tues 3rd – Fauna Survey Group. Meeting – ‘The Effect of Revegetated Landscapes on Bird Species’. Speaker: Rohan Clarke. Contact: Ray White.



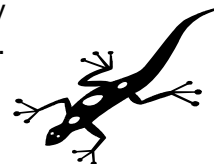
Mon 9th – Marine Group. Meeting – See FNN for details.



Sat 14th- Sun 15th Fauna Survey Group. Field trip. - Survey near Cape Liptrap, South Gippsland. Contact: Robin Drury**



Wed 18th – Terrestrial Invertebrates Group. Meeting - Discovery tour of Victorian mosquitoes and virus transmission. Speaker: Dr Kim Andrews, Department of Primary Industries. 8 pm. Contact: Alan Yen.



(September Cont)



Sat 11th – Sun 12th Biodiversity Symposium International Year of Biodiversity – come and join our Symposium. Details TBC. Contact: FNCV Office.



Sun 12th – Fungi Group. Fungal Foray - 10.30am Bunyip State Park (Gembrook), Mortimer Reserve Picnic Ground, off the Gembrook-Tonimbuk Road (MEL key map 14). Contact Virgil Hubregtse.



Mon 13th – Marine Group. Meeting – See FNN for details.



Wed 15th – Microscopy Group. Meeting – See FNN for details.



Thurs 16th – Botany Group. Meeting – Speaker: David Cheal, Fire Ecologist DSE. Contact: Michael Murray.



Wed 22nd - Geology Group Supermountains and what triggered the ‘Big Bang’ in animal evolution – Speaker Dr Rick Squires. Monash University. Contact



Wed 22nd – Bat Group. Grey-headed flying-fox count. Meet at Yarra Bend Golf Course carpark Mel 2D G7 at 5.45 pm. RSVP by email or phone Megan Davidson.**



Fri 24th – Juniors Group. Meeting – See FNN for details.



Tues 28th – Day Group. Excursion – Visit to Guilfoyle’s Volcano, Royal Botanic Gardens. Contact: Gary Presland.



