

RINGWOOD FIELD NATURALISTS CLUB

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Organisation Subscriptions due and payable in September of each year.
Membership- **\$30.00**: Students- **\$15.00**

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

Monthly Meeting **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 2023 - October 2023

(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.

6th May
(Saturday)

FIELD CARE DAY: Planting Day
10am-12noon, at Evelyn Road Reserve, Ringwood North.
(Melways 49 G4)
Maroondah Council will dig the holes for us and provide plants. BYO gloves, kneeler and trowels.

Leaders; Hazel and Alan Veevers

10th May
(Wednesday evening)

GENERAL MEETING NO. 727.
Speaker: Max Campbell
“Biodiversity, Holobionts and Symbiosis.
Understanding or misunderstanding our natural world?”

13th May
(Saturday)

EXCURSION: Mt Rothwell - Creatures of the Night spotlight tour
NOTE: This will be an evening excursion
5 Mt Rothwell Rd, Little River
Approx times will be 4-30pm to 7-30pm (tbc) Cost \$45
We will have access to an area/kitchen to have a quick picnic tea. Bookings essential to Shirley by April meeting with payment. (Melways Page 11 C 10)

Leader – Shirley Smith

14th June
(Wednesday evening)

GENERAL MEETING NO. 728.
Members Night
Peter Rogers - “Local wildflowers in Maroondah”
Jack Airey - “Tips for identifying raptors”
Alison Rogers - “Merlo Homestead. Then and now”

17th June
(Saturday)

EXCURSION: Upper Yarra Dam

Meet at 10.30am at McVeigh's Water Wheel, Upper Yarra Dam. About 1.25 hours from Ringwood. After Warburton travel 30 kms to Reefton and turn off to Upper Yarra Dam.

NOTE: Full day excursion. Bring lunch and afternoon tea. Toilets at camping area, covered shelter if needed for lunch.
(Melways 612 U2)

Leaders – Lynn and Neal Smith

12th July
(Wednesday evening)

GENERAL MEETING NO. 729.

Speaker: Deakin University Powerful Owl Research Team

“Powerful Owls: ecology and tracking research”

16th July
(Sunday)

EXCURSION: Melbourne Museum

Meet before 1.00 pm in the foyer of the Museum at 11 Nicholson Street, Carlton.

We shall probably finish our visit at around 4.00 pm. Entry fee is \$15 (full), \$10 (Seniors), free (Concession card holders).

Leaders – Eleanor and Warwick Dilley

9th August
(Wednesday evening)

GENERAL MEETING NO. 730.

Speaker: Bill Aitchison

“The wonderful diversity of Wattles”

12th August
Saturday

EXCURSION: Yan Yean Reservoir and Ironbark Road Reserve

Meet at 10-30am. Enter Yan Yean from Recreation Road then turn left and park near the first toilets. After lunch we will drive to Ironbark Road.

NOTE: Full day excursion, bring lunch.
(Melways 391 D1)

Leaders – Hazel and Alan Veevers

13th September
(Wednesday evening)

AGM & GENERAL MEETING NO. 731.

Speaker: Jack Airey

President's Address – “Birding around Brisbane”

17th September
(Sunday)

EXCURSION: Warrandyte area

Meet at 9:15am at Langli Avenue, Warranwood (off Wonga Rd) for a short walk around Yanggai Barring wetland. Then head to Colman Park (Colman Rd) for a walk and lunch (toilets available). Afternoon walk at Tindals Wildflower Reserve (Tindals Rd).

Leader – Jack Airey

11th October
(Wednesday evening)

GENERAL MEETING NO. 732.

Member's Night

Topic – “Wandering with Nature in Australia”

Members are asked to nominate 5 images, or 5 mins of their choice. Time strictly adhered to. First 18 should register interest with Alison or Shirley. (No member's images tonight)

13/14/15th
October
(Friday/
Saturday/
Sunday)

RFNC SPRING CAMP-OUT:

To be held at Castlemaine. We will be based at the Big 4 Castlemaine Gardens Holiday Park
Further details at meetings

Leaders – Rogers & Inta Needham

20/21/22nd
October
(Friday/
Saturday/
Sunday)

SEANA WEEKEND AWAY

Yarram Spring Camp hosted jointly by Sale FNC & Latrobe Valley FNC at Yarram

Details from Eleanor Dilley or Peter Rogers

