

RINGWOOD FIELD NATURALISTS CLUB

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OFFICE BEARERS 2024/2025



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Committee	Lynn Smith Inta Needham Eleanor Dilley Karen Martin	Alison Rogers David Hewitt Jennifer Grant
Organisation	Subscriptions due and payable in September of each year. Membership- \$30.00 : Students- \$15.00	
Accessories	Cloth Badges - \$10.00 Mugs - \$10.00	Lapel Badges - \$15.00 Car Stickers (Badge Type) - \$1.00
Monthly Meeting	7.30 p.m. on second Wednesday of 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 November 2024 - April 2025

(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.

13th November
(Wednesday evening)

GENERAL MEETING NO. 745.

Speaker: Richard Austin

“Native Orchids on Melbourne’s Fringe”

17th Nov
(Sunday)

EXCURSION: Jindivick and Labertouche

Meet at Jindivick Oval at 10am for morning tea.

(Melway X912 U6.)

Travel to Nangara Reserve for a short walk.

Travel to Forest Road/Lawsons Falls Picnic area for lunch.

Do walks from the Picnic area in the afternoon.

NOTE: This will be a full day excursion so bring M/T, lunch, wet weather gear, insect repellent, sunscreen.

Leaders – Roger and Inta Needham

11th December
(Wednesday evening)

GENERAL MEETING NO. 746.

Speakers:

Warwick Dilley-

"Breathtaking birds"

Nicky Zanen-

"Urimbirra – a little block in the desert"

This will be followed by supper, please bring something to share.

No excursion this month. Merry Christmas to all.

8th January
(Wednesday evening)

GENERAL MEETING NO. 747.
Outdoor Meeting Warriem Reserve
Zealandia Rd W, Croydon North
Meet at 6.00 pm in the car park for a picnic tea, followed by a short meeting, and then a stroll through the Reserve bushland paths.
(Melways 36 K10)
Leaders: Alison & Peter Rogers

11th January
(Saturday)

EXCURSION: Lillydale Lake
Meet at 10.00 am in the first or second car park on the left off Swansea Road. **(Melways 38 G7)**

There is a toilet block close to the car park. This will be a full day excursion so bring M/T, lunch, wet weather gear, insect repellent, sunscreen.

Leaders: Eleanor and Warwick Dilley

9th February
(Sunday)

EXCURSION: Coolart
Coolart Wetlands and Homestead, 40 Lord Somers Rd, Somers. Meet at the entrance to Coolart Wetlands and Homestead at 10am. Enter from Lord Somers Road.
(Melways 193 J8)

We'll have a morning walk around the wetlands followed by a picnic lunch. There will be a walk after lunch at another nearby location, weather permitting. This will be a full day excursion so bring M/T, lunch, wet weather gear, insect repellent, sunscreen.

Leader - Jack Airey

12th February
(Wednesday evening)

GENERAL MEETING NO. 748.
Speaker: Ross Field
"Butterflies of the Dandenong Ranges and eastern suburbs"

12th March
(Wednesday evening)

GENERAL MEETING NO. 749.
Speaker: Tony Robinson
"Worth two in the bush – local birds and how they use plants"

14th March
(Friday) to
16th March
(Sunday)

RFNC AUTUMN CAMP-OUT:
Based at Port Fairy
Leaders – Roger and Inta Needham
More details at meetings

No excursion this month due to weekend away

9th April
(Wednesday evening)

GENERAL MEETING NO. 750.
Speaker: Tom May
"Fungi of urban bushland: conserving, managing and recording"

12th April
Saturday

EXCURSION: Murrindindi
Meet at 10.30am at Suspension Bridge, day area car park on Murrindindi Road at Murrindindi Scenic Reserve.
(Travel on Melba Highway through Glenburn and turn right just before Devlin's Bridge onto Murrindindi Road.)
(Melways X910 Q/R10)
This will be a full day excursion so bring M/T, lunch, wet weather gear, insect repellent, sunscreen.
Leaders - Lynn and Neal Smith



President Shirley Smith presents David Hewitt with Life Membership

Photo: Jack Airey