



Hamilton Junior Naturalist Club

Term 1 Programme 2014

Meetings at 7 p.m. Hort Centre, Hamilton Gardens Gate 2
(Unless advised differently)

February	7	BBQ at Tony and Jane Lorimer's Place – more details and directions later.
	14	Gully restoration and predator control - Farmers/environmentalists Graham and Dianne McBride, Te Kowhai 6.30 p.m. start - more details and directions will follow.
	18	Compulsory swim training session for Junats attending Goat Island Marine Reserve (Leigh) – venue details, time etc to follow. Ring Dave 07 8464013.
	21	Second Compulsory swim training session for Junats attending Goat Island Marine Reserve (Leigh).
	25	Third Compulsory swim training session for Junats attending Goat Island Marine Reserve (Leigh).
	28	Fourth Compulsory swim training session for Junats attending Goat Island Marine Reserve (Leigh).
March	8 & 9	Snorkelling trip to Goat Island Marine Reserve led by Tony and Jane Lorimer.
	14	Honey bees and other really interesting stuff - Michelle Taylor, Scientist from Plant and Food (formerly part of Hort Research).
	21	What does a Fish and Game Ranger do? Come and learn about telemetry and other interesting stuff. David Klee, Fish and Game Council.
	22/23	WORKING BEE (remember, one of the conditions of membership of the Club is that you help out at our Te Kauri Lodge). Jobs to do will be advised and include cleaning, painting etc. Come and spend a few hours either Sat or Sun, or maybe stay overnight.
	28	Lighthouses in New Zealand and around the world - Neville Ritchie, Department of Conservation Archaeologist.
April	4	Sustainable energy and the generation of electricity – Ben Stanton from S4Solar. Learn about different ways of generating electricity and particularly solar energy.
	5 or 6	Karioi – We'll climb to the top of this 720 m. mountain near Raglan for spectacular views. Some Junats might like to do a traverse of the mountain. Directions, times, etc later. Good practice for the Big Thrust to TNP. Phone Dave 07 8464013.
	11	Sustainability, Earth Science and other interesting things – Jo Ferry, Tonkin Taylor, environmental and engineering consultants.
	18	EASTER FRIDAY – The Big Thrust down to Tongariro National Park. This year we explore the eastern side of Ruapehu. We will be staying at a lodge which is accessed off the Desert Road. More details later. Phone Dave 07 8464013.