



Hamilton Junior Naturalist Club

Term 2 Programme 2013

Meetings at 7pm, Hort Centre, Hamilton Gardens Gate 2

(unless advised differently)

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| May | 10 | Hamilton Observatory We meet with Hamilton Astronomical Society volunteers and Dave Owen at the observatory. There will be a small cost for this session, probably about \$5.00 per little Junat, might be a bit more for big Junats. We meet there regardless of the weather. If the sky is clear they'll fire up the big telescope. More details regarding venue, time and numbers will follow. |
| | 17 | Astronomy – All You Wanted to Know Les Cole, amateur astronomer and maker of telescopes tells us about one of his many interests. |
| | 24 | Long Tail Bats in the Waikato Gerry Kessels, Environmental Consultant, tells us about his work and interesting findings regarding this fascinating little creature – a good follow-up to our recent presenter who spoke about Short Tail Bats. |
| | 31 | Long Tail Bats in Hamilton City Gerry Kelly, Hamilton City Council and LTB enthusiast. Bring a torch and some warm clothing, and if the weather is suitable we'll go forth and find some bats. |
| June | 1/2 | Tramp up Karioi See some really interesting bush and a great view from 720 metres above the sea. This is a reasonably easy walk and a moderate level of fitness is required. More details later. We'll choose which day is best for the walk closer to that time. |
| | 7 | Queen's Birthday weekend – no meeting. |
| | 14 | Adrienne Grant , interesting DOC person, journalist, artist – Topic could be relating art and conservation – or it could be something else! |
| | 21 | Annual General Meeting McMeekan Centre, AgResearch Ruakura Campus 7.30pm. |
| | 28 | Chemical Eruptions Professor Bill Henderson, University of Waikato, shows us some fascinating stuff at his laboratory at the university. |
| | 29/30 | Working B at Te Kauri Lodge - details and job lists will follow. Remember, working b's at our lodge is one of the conditions of club membership. Some Junats will spend a day at the Lodge and some will be there for both the Saturday and the Sunday. |
| July | 5 | Organic Farming Peter Downard, organic grower and educator shows us the science behind organic food production and what amazing things are going on the soil. |
| | 21-26 | Winter Camp at Te Kauri Lodge. Details about programme etc will follow. |

For further information, contact Dave Matthews 07 846 4013, or visit www.junats.org.nz