



Get up close to nature at your back door!

Winter Environmental Events 2016

South East South Australia and South West Victoria

June

What Fish are in the River?

Glenelg River Angler and Community Fishing Days

Glenelg Hopkins Catchment Management Authority

Saturday 4 June, Harrow at Johnny Mullagh Reserve

Sunday 5 June, Casterton at Casterton Angling Club Warrock Rd

10am til 1pm

See fish sampling using electro-fishing and other fish surveying techniques. The surveying will show how fish in the Glenelg River are coping with drought.

For more information contact Stephen Ryan 5571 2526 or visit www.ghcma.vic.gov.au

Narrawong Swamp Revegetation Working Bee

Nature Glenelg Trust & Narrawong District Primary School



Sunday 5th June, from 11am

Wetland at the end of East street (beach walking track), Narrawong, Vic

Join in and get your fingernails dirty in revegetation/maintenance at this valuable swamp restoration site.

Please bring gloves, weather-smart clothing, and sturdy shoes. BBQ provided afterwards.

Please register at lauren.kivisalu@ngt.org.au, ph: 0437 464 004 for catering purposes.

Talk - Flowers and Birds of the Mooralla area

Hamilton Society for Growing Australian Plants

Wednesday June 8

With Roger Edwards as speaker.

Contact Liz Cummins on (03) 5574 1223.

June

June long weekend birding camp - Barossa Valley

BirdLife South East SA

Friday June 10 til Monday June 13

Some of the places we will likely visit include Brookfield CP, Altona Landcare Reserve, Tanunda Sewage Ponds, maybe Sandy Creek CP and a few others.

Staying at the Barossa Tourist Park - Nuriootpa.

Contact: Bob Green at shriketit@bigpond.com or 0407 649 909

Carpenter Rocks CP working bee

Mount Gambier Area Friends of Parks

Saturday June 11, 9.30am

Meet at the Telstra tower on Pelican Pt Road

Help trim the final section of the re-established trail. Bring gloves, implements of your choice, chair, lunch, drinks and a jacket.

Contact Mark Jones: j.mark@iinet.net.au

Eaglehawk planting festival



Nature Glenelg Trust

Thursday June 16 to Saturday June 18, 10am

Eaglehawk Waterhole Restoration Reserve, near Frances

Come and plant new habitat at this conservation property near Bangham Conservation Park and the Little Desert National Park. BBQ lunch provided.

RSVP to Rose: rose.thompson@ngt.org.au or 0437 597 685

Port Fairy Green Drinks

Thursday 17th June at 7pm at Coffin Sally's

From bee farmers to bird watchers, canoeists to campers and gardeners to fish enthusiasts, if you have a passion for nature, come along!

We meet at 7pm on the third Tuesday or Thursday of every month. Days are alternated each month to allow everyone a chance to attend.

Search Facebook for Port Fairy Green Drinks, or contact lauren.veale@ngt.org.au

All events are FREE unless stated



This project is supported by the Department of Environment, Water and Natural Resources, Forestry SA, & various local community groups & organisations

June

Shorebird population monitoring

Friends of Shorebirds SE / Shorebirds 2020 project

June 18-19

Various sites along the lower SE coast and selected inland sites

Population monitoring of shorebirds in collaboration with the Shorebirds 2020 project.

If you would like to be involved please contact either Jeff Campbell sarah.jeffcampbell@bigpond.com or Maureen Christie twinpeppercorns@gmail.com

Barking owl surveys

Nature Glenelg Trust

In the region to the west of Penola

Get involved in this night-time search for the elusive Barking Owl through June.

Volunteers are welcome to help us visit properties and roadsides to the west of Penola to survey for owls and other night creatures. A keen ear and transport is all that's needed!

Contact: bryan.haywood@natureglenelg.org.au or 0427 001 853

Excursion to Wannon Four Posts & Hewitt Park reserves

Hamilton Field Naturalists Club

Sunday June 19, 10am

Meet at the Hamilton Visitor Centre

Head out on a flora ramble alongside the Wannon River, to visit populations of rare and not so rare flora, and a bit of opportunistic birdwatching too.

Contact: hamiltonfnc@live.com.au or visit hamilton-field-naturalists-club-victoria.org.au

Meet the Middle Island Maremmas

Middle Island Maremma Project

June 25 - July 24 (Vic and SA school holidays)

Flagstaff Hill Maritime Village

Come and meet the Maremma dogs during their off-season rest back on the mainland, and learn more about their very important job protecting the Middle Island penguins.

Signage is placed at the entrance to Flagstaff Hill when the dogs are onsite and talks are conducted to explain the dogs' role, behaviours and the success of the project.

Entry fees apply. Contact Flagstaff Hill on 1800 556 111 or visit flagstaffhill.com



June

Orange-bellied Parrot info session and field walk

Orange-bellied Parrot National Recovery Team

Sunday 26th June

West of Warrnambool, Vic. Venue and start time TBC

Hear about the progress of the Orange-bellied Parrot Recovery Program, the mainland winter searches and how you can be involved in the volunteer effort for one of our most threatened and iconic coastal birds. Talk followed by a walk and OBP search at a stunning local wetland.

RSVP to lauren.kivisalu@ngt.org.au or 0437 464 004

Carpenter Rocks CP trail celebration

Mount Gambier Area Friends of Parks

Sunday June 26

A short ceremony, then a walk highlighting some flora and fauna, followed by lunch.

Contact Mark Jones: j.mark@iinet.net.au

Glenelg River Wetlands for Ramsar - public submissions

The Glenelg Estuary and Discovery Bay Wetland Complex is proposed to be the next Victorian Ramsar site. Following the public forum, you can support these wetlands by means of a written submission by 4pm Thursday 30 June.

Contact: glenelgramsar@ghcma.vic.gov.au or phone (03) 5571 2526.

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Port Fairy birdwatching outing

BirdLife Warrnambool

Saturday July 2, 10am

Morning birdwatching followed by a pub meal. Meet at Griffiths Island carpark at 10.00am

July

Stringybark planting day

RTBC Recovery Team/ New Forests/ Glenburnie Primary School & Nature Glenelg Trust

Monday July 4, time TBA

Wattle Range area

Help to restore valuable habitat for red-tailed black cockatoos, owls and other local species, by extending a valuable patch of bushland in a blue-gum plantation region.

Contact: bryan.haywood@natureglenelg.org.au or 0427 001 853

Grampians talk

Wednesday July 13

WAMA garden - The Wildlife Art Museum of Australia

Halls Gap-Ararat Rd

Speaker Neil Marriott.

Contact Liz Cummins on (03) 5574 1223.

Excursion to Kelly Swamp & Logans Beach, Warrnambool

Hamilton Field Naturalists Club

Sunday July 23, 9.30am

Meet at the Hamilton Visitor Centre

Contact: hamiltonfnc@live.com.au or visit hamilton-field-naturalists-club-victoria.org.au

SWIFFT videoconference Threatened species - population enhancement

Statewide Integrated Flora & Fauna Teams (SWIFFT)

Thursday 28 July 2016, 9.45am-12pm

Various locations including Warrnambool, Hamilton and Heywood.

See <http://swiff.net.au> for more details and upcoming events.

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August

GPS skills for Environmental Volunteers' workshop

Natural Resources South East

Sunday August 21

Mount Gambier

A free workshop catering for all knowledge levels, focussing on skills for various environmental activities, including weed mapping and bird surveying. Lunch provided. Places are limited... register by calling NRSE on 8735 1177.

Excursion to the Wannon River Rapids

Hamilton Field Naturalists Club

Sunday August 21, 9.30am

Meet at the Hamilton Visitor Centre

Contact: hamiltonfnc@live.com.au or visit hamilton-field-naturalists-club-victoria.org.au

Raising veggie seedlings

Permaculture Mount Gambier

Date and time TBD

Watch for an upcoming event, and join the FB Permaculture Mount Gambier group to keep informed!

Ongoing

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Permaculture Mount Gambier

Lots of events throughout the year

Anyone from SE SA and SW Vic welcome.

Contact Sharn: 0407 601 431 or join the Facebook network at Permaculture Mt Gambier.

Monthly outing

Port MacDonnell Landcare Group

Farm walks, working bees, nature outings, tree planting, beach clean ups & more.

For details follow Port MacDonnell Landcare on Facebook or contact Peter Feast 0427 388 070 or mimosa2@bigpond.com

Ongoing

Volunteering in Nature

Nature Glenelg Trust

Be part of on-ground environmental action in SE SA or SW Vic. Activities include seed collecting excursions, seed drying and processing, seed viability testing, propagation trials & general nursery maintenance.

Contact: 0407 776 164 or
yvonne.riley@natureglenelg.org.au

Shorebird Monitoring

Friends of Shorebirds SE

Population monitoring along the lower SE coast and inland. Catching to retrieve geolocators from turnstone or deploy satellite transmitters on Bar-tailed Godwit may be organised at short notice. Also, if you find evidence of breeding shorebirds or terns let us know!

Contact: Contact sarah.jeffcampbell@bigpond.com or twinpeppercorns@gmail.com

Monthly meeting

Port MacDonnell Landcare Group

2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm or 6:30pm for dinner,

Met at the Victoria Hotel, Port MacDonnell

ALL WELCOME! Follow Port MacDonnell Landcare on Facebook or contact Peter Feast 0427 388 070 or at mimosa2@bigpond.com

Weekly Shorebirds Outing

Friends of Shorebirds SE

Most Wednesdays

location on lower SE coastline

Call (08) 8738 0014 on the Tuesday evening to find out where and when. Many activities involving waders.

If you have a particular interest please put your hand up .. Everyone is always welcome!

Outdoor activities are weather dependant. Remember to wear appropriate footwear, clothing, hat, sunscreen and carry snacks, water and any required medication with you.

Every effort has been made to ensure dates and details in this brochure were true and correct at the time of printing. Nature Glenelg Trust strongly suggests that you contact the individual organisations/groups to confirm event details.

Compiled by Jonathan Tuck, Nature Glenelg Trust based on information provided by various sources-thank you to everyone who has contributed and supported these events and calendar.

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= family friendly event. Children must be supervised by their parent(s)/guardian at all times.
Please note more events may be family friendly - ask the appropriate contact for further details.

Ongoing

Botanic Gardens

2nd & 4th Sunday of the month, 2.30pm at Botanic Gardens (Main Gate), Cockman Street, Warrnambool

Guided 30min walk through the gardens .

'Contact: (03) 5564 7800 or
friends@wbgardens.com.au

Warrnambool Society for Growing Australian Plants meeting

4th Friday of each month (Feb to Nov)

Mozart Hall, Gilles St, Warrnambool

Visitors welcome to come along to hear speakers on a range of interesting plant-related topics. Tea/coffee & supper provided.

Contact: apswarrnambool@gmail.com

Whale Sightings

DELWP report weekly whale sightings via email and the DELWP Barwon South West Facebook page.

To join the mailing list or contribute whale sighting reports, contact Mandy Watson at mandy.watson@delwp.vic.gov.au

Does your group/organisation have an upcoming event over the Spring months (September, October, November) ?

Contact Jonathan Tuck, Nature Glenelg Trust on 0432 406 486, jonathan.tuck@natureglenelg.org.au prior to Friday 12 August for your event to be included in the next calendar.

For more details and events, go to the Nature Glenelg Trust website www.natureglenelg.org.au and subscribe to the blog