

## Hibiscus Coast Forest & Bird - North Island Gathering 2016

### **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November**

- 4.30pm Registration opens
- 7.00pm Formal welcome by Anne Graham and Mark Hangar. Introduction to Kevin Hague and an outline of a future looking review initiated by the Board to ensure we have a vibrant and effective Society 20 years on!
- 7.30pm Guns, poos, sheep and wildlife. Shakespear Open Sanctuary, restoration or creation of a new normal? - Matt Maitland
- 8.00pm The 'Bright Lights of Auckland' torch light walk  
(*Torch light park walk taking in the glow worms and the lights of Auckland City*)

### **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November**

- 8.45am Welcome to the day - Hibiscus Coast Forest & Bird
- 9.00am Predator Free NZ – Kevin Hackwell
- 9.45am Government's plan for a predator free NZ - Hibiscus Coast and greater area – Mark Mitchell (MP)
- 10.30am *Morning Tea*
- 11.00am 'Wild About Auckland – the North-West Wildlink' as exemplified by Pest Free Peninsula (*Hibiscus Coast Branch key project*) – Nick Beveridge & Pauline Smith
- 11.45am Northland Forest Collapse – Dean Baigent-Mercer
- 12.30pm *Lunch*
- 1.30pm Health & Safety Act 2015 – impacts on branches and volunteers - Julie Watson & Susan James
- 2.30pm Walks (3 walks to suit different physical abilities and interests around the park)



- 5.00pm Get together at the Lodge and free time
- 6.30pm *Dinner*
- 7.30pm North Island F&B Branch Highlights (10 mins per branch)

## **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November**

- 8.45am Welcome to the day/housekeeping - Hibiscus Coast Forest & Bird
- 9.00am Why do we need more no-take zones? – Dr Roger Grace
- 9.45am Best Fish Guide & Hauraki Gulf Marine Spatial Plan – Katrina Goddard
- 10.30am *Morning tea*
- 11.00am Pest weeds – Richard Hursthouse
- 11.45am Effective Communication / Engaging Youth – Melissa Irace & Connor Wallace
- 12.15am Thank you and closing remarks – Anne Graham
- 12.30am *Lunch*
- 1.30pm Pack-up and housekeeping