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Napier Branch Newsletter – February 2021

Greetings

February Monthly Meeting – AGM

Our first meeting for the year will be held at our regular venue, Tamatea Community Church, York Avenue on Thursday 25th at 7.30pm. A brief annual general meeting will take place followed by our guest speaker - Gabriel Hurford, the Waste Minimisation Officer from



Napier City Council's Waste Team. He will explain about the changes to the city's waste collection and recycling, what items should be put out for collection and mention ways of dealing with organic waste. Waste (commonly called rubbish) is a task that we all have to deal with and Gabriel will enlighten and educate us about this subject. There is sure to be a lot of questions for him to answer on this essential service.

Field Trip - Sunday 28th February – Waipawa to Waipukurau Walk

This walk is different to the Karamea/Red Island trip advertised in our 2021 programme as our recce team decided it would be too difficult and involved a lot more rock hopping than envisaged. The Waipawa to Waipukurau trip involves a flat 14km walk on the new part of the Tukituki Trail on the other side of the Tukituki river (from the previous visit some years ago) and across a swing bridge. It will end at Lindsay Bush Scenic Reserve. Marilyn Lorimer is the leader of the trip and says the scenery is lovely and the river looks sparkling and clear. The Treasures group will enjoy an alternative walk and be taken by bus to the scenic reserve. Please book a seat with Liz Carter by phoning 844-9358 on Friday 26th February before 12 noon or register at the monthly meeting. The bus will leave Wellesley Road at 8.00am and Taradale at 8.20am. Please bring sunhats, sunblock, plenty of drink, and sneakers are okay for walking.



Volunteers for a Youth Camp, Birds New Zealand

The Hawke's Bay Branch of Birds NZ is hosting a Youth Camp and would welcome any Forest & Bird members who are willing to assist with the catering. The camp is being held during the first week of the April school holidays from 19th to 22nd April. Volunteers would help organise breakfasts, packed lunches and dinners on those dates. If you love cooking and helping to feed our young birders please contact Lynne Anderson either on 027 241 8124 or autumntrees8@gmail.com for further information.



For a full list of events in our area during Seaweeek Including a **Big Beach Clean-up at Waitangi Regional Park** on Saturday 6th March from 9am to 11.30pm go to :

<https://www.seaweeek.org.nz> then click 'What's On', and 'Hawke's Bay'

The Hawke's Bay Branch of the Royal Society of NZ has an interesting lecture, click on 'Read More' for more information.

Wednesday 10 March 2021: eOceans – Mobile Technology for Ocean Monitoring (in Conjunction with Seaweeek 2021)

A lecture by Dr Laura Jordan-Smith, Marine Biologist, she is a co-founder of World Below the Waves.

Commencing at 6.00pm at the National Aquarium, Marine Parade, Napier. Doors open at 5.30pm. As space is limited and there are no reservations, first come, first seated. Admission by gold coin donation..



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