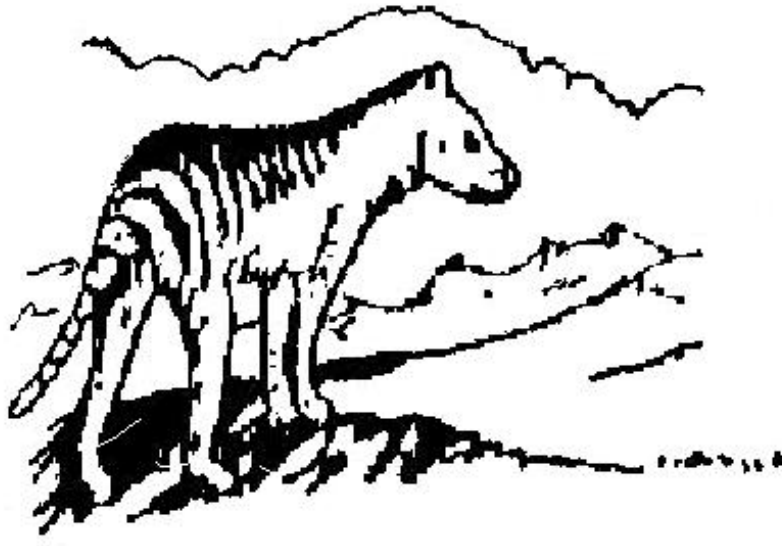


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PROGRAM

APRIL

**Friday 3 -
Sunday 5** **Federation Weekend - Cradle Mountain - hosted by
Burnie Field Naturalists Club**

Sunday 5 **Field Trip: Cradle Mountain with Michael Thrush -
*Cradle Mountain Geology***

Tuesday 7 **Speaker: Brendan McMahon - *Tasmanian Climate***

Sunday 19 **Skemp Day - Judging Photographic Competition**

MAY

Tuesday 5 **SKEMP MEMORIAL LECTURE
Speaker: Dr Lisa Gershwin - *Jellyfish***

Sunday 10 **Field Trip: to be advised**

**Saturday 16 -
Sunday 17** **Heritage Festival at Skemps - Water Monitoring**

JUNE

Tuesday 2 **Speaker: Ross Smith - *Lt. Gov. Paterson - Tasmanian
Naturalist***

Saturday 6 **Field Trip : to be advised**

Sunday 21 **Skemp Day**

Visit <http://www.lfnc.org.au/meetings.htm>

**for the full January to June 2009 program or to
check for a change in field trip venue or departure time
(updated following General Meeting)**

COMMITTEE & GENERAL MEETINGS

Skemp Report -

February: John Simmons reported that Conservation Volunteers Australia had put in 2 creek crossings on the Fern Gully Track. They had also cleared a new track from Fern Gully to Bottom Falls. Timber would be needed for creek crossings on this new track. A large tree has been cleared from the Top Falls track, the road verge near the boom gate had been tidied and a Tiger Snake (*Notechis ater*) was seen near the outside toilet. Blackberry rust: There are some signs of rust at some release sites but the plants are not badly affected yet.

March: Green Corps group have put in a new track from the southern boundary to the Bottom Falls and the new track along the creek.

Puggle -

February: John Simmons asked for the common name of *Anthochaera paradoxa*, a common bird seen at Skemps. Alison Green correctly identified the Yellow Wattle Bird.

March: Alison Green asked the meeting to identify an introduced echinoderm other than the North Pacific Seastar that was destroying kelp beds on the east coast. Peter Ralph and John Elliott correctly identified the Long-Spined Sea Urchin

Sightings -

February: Elizabeth Montgomery reported Waratahs (*Telopea truncata*) were still flowering at Quamby. Roy Skabo described finding Brown Guinea Flower (*Hibbertia rufa*), previously presumed extinct, near The Gardens north of St Helens. Lynne Mockridge had seen a large unidentified moth in a park near Kings Meadows. Margrit Korosi reported seeing a flock of 20 Pied Oystercatchers (*Haematopus longirostris*) at Redbill Point. Ken Box had photographed a Peregrine Falcon (*Falco peregrinus*) sitting on a rock at Underwood.

March: Tom Treloggen had seen a Grey Goshawk (*Accipiter novaehollandiae*) at Pipers Brook Road. John Elliott reported seeing mating alate (winged form) Jackjumpers on St Valentines Peak on St Valentines Day. Alison Green reported 2 Bluejacket wasps in her garden. Peter Ralph had heard of a Redback Spider (*Latrodectus hasselti*) bite at Powranna. He had also seen a possible Stonefly, which had not been properly identified. Noel Manning and John Simmons discussed the Ghost Moth (*Abantiades sp.*) and Wattle Goat Moth (*Endoxyla encalypti*) seen at Skemps. Tom McGlynn displayed a photo of a green Ghost Moth. Patsy Campbell (guest speaker) showed the meeting a mounted shell of a Tasmanian Giant Freshwater Lobster (*Astacopsis gouldi*) from her property at Lebrina. Alison Green told the meeting about a small green spider, possibly a juvenile Shield Spider, that she had handled at Rubicon River.

Library Report -

Feral Animal flip book, CD report of the Northern Region Water Quality Results, *What's Happening in the North* and *Orchids of Tasmania* are new in the Library.

General -

Club has entered the Smart Communities Award and applied for a Caring for Country grant.

New Members -

We welcomed Jenny and Brian Haslem, and Sandra Snow in February and Paul Edwards, Peter and Prudence Warren in March.

VALE THE HONOURABLE ROSE TALBOT

It is with regret that Club members learned of the death of Hon. Rose Talbot at Malahide at Fingal at the age of 93 years. Her brother, Milo, Lord Talbot of Malahide, commissioned the production of 'The Endemic Flora of Tasmania, for which Club members collected much of the plant material required for painting by Margaret Stones at Kew in U.K. Lord Talbot was also the Club patron for a number of years.

When her brother died suddenly whilst leading a botanical expedition to the Middle East, Rose ensured the production of the last volume and presented a copy to a Club gathering at Malahide, thus completing the Club's set of volumes previously donated by her brother.

GENERAL MEETING 3 FEBRUARY - INTRODUCTION TO SHOREBIRDS OF TASMANIA

Our first speaker for the year was Dr. Eric Woehler of Birds Tasmania, a passionate advocate for our shorebirds. He was greatly concerned at the decline in numbers of the beach nesting birds being recorded from around the State and for their future survival.

Shorebird populations are declining worldwide and the main threats to their survival are increasing. These threats are many, a major one is loss of habitat, destruction of eggs and chicks through disturbance by humans with four-wheel drives, quad bikes; also predation by unrestrained dogs, roaming cats and foxes that can destroy the nests or eat the eggs and young chicks or frighten the birds away from the nesting sites permanently.

Eric stressed how important it is for us all to record all sightings as the information could be useful for future scientific records. Tasmania has some of the longest term bird counts in Australia. He mentioned the incredible distances some of the birds seen feeding on the tidal mud flats travel in their annual migration to Siberia and Alaska to breed and back to Australia to feed during the severe northern winters. Eric gave us details of five of the most common beach nesting species:

Hooded Plover, (not to be confused with the Masked Lapwing previously called a 'Plover') is a common resident of the sandy beaches and has been studied since 1982. There is great concern that its population has decreased by 20 % statewide. Its nest is a scrape in the sand above high water mark leaving it prone to damage or destruction.

Red-capped Plover does not migrate either, although it does move to different places. It is not confined to coastal areas but also nests inland and may be found near salt lakes, an example being the salt pans at Tunbridge. Its nest too is a scrape in the sand, its eggs easily damaged or nestlings killed.

Pied Oystercatcher does not migrate and may be found on sandy beaches, estuaries and mudflats. Its nest, also is a scrape in the sand. It feeds almost entirely in the intertidal zone.

Sooty Oystercatcher – an all black bird with orange-red beak, is a common resident in Tasmania, its nest a scrape in sandy soil amongst rocks, pigface or shells on the beach.

Fairy and Little Terns have experienced population decline since 1940's and there are only between 150 and 250 breeding pairs of Fairy Terns in Tasmania, with fewer than 10 pairs of Little Terns breeding here. The two species are hard to distinguish, different head markings separating them. They too nest in the sand and are subsequently subject to the same perils that beset the other beach nesting birds.

Eric told us that bird groups in Australasia are working with volunteers to run programmes over five years to count shorebirds and note population changes, noting key threats to their survival. He asked us all to be aware of the birds' presence and to always keep dogs on leads on ocean beaches during the late spring and summer nesting times. As well, to keep off the sand dunes and always walk close to the water's edge, preferably at low tide.

Marion Simmons

LFNC CLUB PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION - Conditions of entry

- **Print size:** from approximately 10 x 13 cm up to 21 x 30 cm (A4)
- **Print medium:** colour and monochrome (black and white)
- Must be simply mounted on cardboard at least.
- **Prints topics:** Subjects are to be related to Tasmanian flora and fauna, forests and Tasmanian landscapes. Prints of cultivars are not acceptable.

All entries to have been taken during the past 12 months. The competition is open to members only.

Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd places. A special prize will be awarded for a photograph taken on an excursion during the last 12 months.

Prints to be displayed and judged at the Sunday 19th April outing to Skemps.

FIELD TRIP 7 FEBRUARY - GEORGE TOWN WILDLIFE SANCTUARY

Eleven members departed Windmill Hill at the later time of 12 noon heading to George Town where we met up with Paul (a guest at the recent General Meeting) and while waiting for low tide, either had coffee and cake at the local cafe, or lunched at the park.

Heading to our final destination at 1.30 we caught up with the Simmons to look for shorebirds at the Reserve just five minutes from the town centre. The tide was low so we headed onto the rocky foreshore and sand flats to check out the groups of birds we could see on the rivers edge some distance from the shore.

The day was overcast but quite warm, not a day where you would think gumboots necessary, but members who didn't bring them got their feet wet crossing the sand flats which still had some water coverage and were quite squelchy.

We spent about two hours slowly transversing the rocky outcrops due to their slippery and uneven nature, trying to get close enough to identify the birds, but taking care not to get so close that we would disturb them unnecessarily. With the aid of the *Field Guide to Tasmanian Birds* by Dave Watts, we were able to confirm the identify of the birds seen. On one of the many sand flat we were met by hundreds of Soldier Crabs (*Mictyris platycheles*).

Back at our vehicles around 4 pm, we agreed that it had been an enjoyable and highly successful day. The following birds were identified:

Black Swan (*Cygnus atratus*)
Chestnut Teal (*Anas castanea*)
Little Pied Cormorant (*Phalacrocorax melanoleucos*)
Great Cormorant (*Phalacrocorax carbo*)
Australian Pelican (*Pelecanus conspicillatus*)
White-faced Heron (*Egretta novaehollandiae*)
Red-necked Stint (*Calidris ruficollis*)
Pied Oystercatcher (*Haematopus longirostris*)
Masked Lapwing (*Vanellus miles*)
Pacific Gull - immature and mature (*Larus pacificus*)
Silver Gull (*Larus novaehollandiae*)
Crested Tern (*Sterna bergii*)

CLUB EVENING MEAL - 16 FEBRUARY

The Club Evening Meal was held at the Steve's Grill in Riverside. Twenty six members attended the venue which overlooked the Tailrace park and boating area. It was difficult to make a choice from the extensive a la carte and grill menus. The meals were generous and the salad bar with its choices was very popular. An enjoyable evening filled with much chatter and laughter.

SKEMPS DAY - 22 FEBRUARY

The morning was cool and overcast for the February Skemp Day. The barrel fire in the main room was lit to take off the chill. Unfortunately the heat made the new paint on the barrel smoke which filled the Centre, setting off the fire detectors. A bat that had taken up residence in the Centre flew round and round the main room, obviously distressed by the sound and smell. All the windows and doors had to be opened, the ceiling fan turned on and after what seemed ages the smoke and smell was gone.

With the Centre aired, it was decided that we would take a walk and stretch our legs before lunch. We wandered up to the Federation Corridor to look at the growth and check which plants were with seed, as the discussion whilst waiting for the smoke to clear was about collecting seeds as an activity at a future Skemp Day.

During our walk around the Corridor we saw quite a bit of damage done to the plants either by possums or cockatoos, and many thistles were spotted and dealt with. Silver Banksia (*Banksia marginata*), Cheesewood (*Pittosporum bicolor*), Dollybush (*Cassinia aculeata*), Trigger-plant (*Stylidium graminifolium*), and Tasmanian Waratah (*Telopea truncata*) were some of the plants seen in the Corridor.

On returning to the Centre we were told about a dead bandicoot just outside the Centre fence line which we had not seen earlier as we had taken a detour to look at an area that had recently been cleared around a large fallen tree. We located the remains of the bandicoot, an Eastern Barred (*Perameles gunnii*) which is an endangered species in Tasmania and Victoria; there was no obvious sign as to why the bandicoot was dead.

At the gate of the Centre compound, two large moths were spotted, Tom Treloggen suggested (and later confirmed in *Wings* by Elizabeth Daley) one was a Wattle Goat Moth (*Endoxyla encalypti*) which measured 7.5cm approximately.



Photographs by Karl Manning



John Simmons forwarded a photograph of the larger moth to Peter McQuillan for formal identification who advised it was a female Ghost Moth (*Abantiades labyrinthicus*, but possibly *A. latipennis*, the females are similar but males are distinctive). This female was approximately 9 cms.

Following the BBQ lunch, we all walked to the Top Pond and up along the North Walk to look for the Heartberry (*Aristotelia peduncularis*) plants that had been seen with fruit recently. We were disappointed to find only one plant with a single fruit visible. We continued around the North Walk loop seeing a few *Engaeus* mounds, Soft Tree Ferns (*Dicksonia antarctica*), Mountain Peppers (*Tasmannia lanceolata*), Dogwoods (*Pomaderris apetala*), Native Currants (*Coprosma quadrifida*), Batswing (*Histiopteris incisa*) and Kangaroo Ferns (*Microsorium pustulatum*).

We all went our separate ways around 4.30 pm following an enjoyable day.

GENERAL MEETING 3 MARCH - CARING FOR ORPHANED WILDLIFE

Patsy Campbell was our guest speaker at the March meeting and her talk was on 'Caring for Orphaned Wildlife'. Patsy has been a volunteer with Native Animal Rescue for many years. Volunteers care for native animals and birds - rare and common - from tiny to mature - that have been orphaned or injured.

As Patsy was still working when she first became a carer she chose to take in only 'furred animals'. These animals were less demanding in regard to feeding, than non-furred baby animals which required a feed every two hours to survive.

Patsy talked about how she became involved in caring for orphaned and injured animals, the different types and sizes of accommodation required for particular animals, and the costs involved in providing food for the animals prior to them returning to their natural habitat. The costs are met by the individual carers. We were entertained with many interesting stories about her boarders, their antics 'at home' and

their attempts to 'return to the wild'. It took about 18 months for one of her animals.

Native Animal Rescue is involved with Veterinary Associations and other wildlife organisations, they provide an education program by visiting schools to talk about wildlife and have a network of contacts who can provide safe areas for these animals to be returned to the environment.

FIELD TRIP - 8 MARCH - NARAWNTAPU NATIONAL PARK

A group of 10 members met at the Narawntapu National Park near the visitor centre today to hopefully see some of the wildlife that our recent guest speaker, Patsy Campbell had spoken of earlier in the week. Two members had seen a wombat and others had seen pademelons just after arrival, in the camping area. Following morning tea we headed along the walking track with the aim of having lunch on top of Archers Knob.

It was a pleasant walk; we visited the lagoon bird hide and were shocked to find that the lagoon was a dirt bowl. The usual boggy areas under the Coast Paperbark (*Melaleuca ericifolia*) along the walking tracks were also dry. We saw a couple of pademelons in this area and many birds. On Archers Knob we had fantastic views along the coastline and the thick coastal forest below. We could see the extent of the dry lagoon at the bird hide and the plain surrounding it also looked dry. With binoculars we observed 2 wombats and forester kangaroos on the plain and birds flying in the distance.

Following lunch we descended the Knob and headed back the way we came intending to wander out on the plain to take a closer look. Four members exited the bush onto the plain in an area that was thickly covered with waist high thistles, whose seeds were catching in the breeze and spreading. The plain was very dry and had little grass. The only wildlife we saw were three forester kangaroos that were relaxing behind clumps of rushes. As we got closer two of the kangaroos both males stood proudly for photos. The remains of a Wombat jaw, an eel and a Bennett's Wallaby carcass were seen during our walk back to the visitor centre.

We rejoined other members, had a drink and compared notes on what we had observed, before heading back to Launceston.

The following flora and fauna were seen during our field trip.

Plants - Silver Wattle (*Acacia dealbata*), Blackwood (*Acacia melanoxylon*), Redstem Wattle (*Acacia myrtifolia*), Coast Wattle (*Acacia longifolia subsp. sophorae*), Sweet Wattle (*Acacia suaveolens*), Sunshine Wattle (*Acacia terminalis*), Prickly Moses (*Acacia verticillata*), Black Sheoak (*Allocasuarina littoralis*), Silver Banksia (*Banksia marginata*), Prickly Box (*Bursaria spinosa*), Dodderlaurel (*Cassytha spp*), Small-leaf Clematis (*Clematis microphylla*), Common Heath (*Epacris impressa*), Autumn Orchid (*Eriochilus cucullatus*), Prickfoot (*Eryngium vesiculosum*), Hop Native-primrose (*Goodenia ovata*), Dagger Needlebush (*Hakea teretifolia subsp. hirsuta*), Tree Violet (*Hymenantha dentata var augustifolia*), Native Indigo (*Indigofera australis*), Slender Velvetbush (*Lasiopetalum baueri*), Smoky Teatree (*Leptospermum glaucescens*), Common Teatree (*Leptospermum scoparium*), Coast Beardheath (*Leucopogon parviflorus*), Sagg (*Lomandra longifolia*), Coast Paperbark (*Melaleuca ericifolia*), Hairy Dogwood (*Pomaderris pilifera*), Bracken Fern (*Pteridium sp*), Heartleaf Bushpea (*Pultenaea daphnoides var obcordata*), Climbing Saltbush (*Rhagodia nutans*), Native

Raspberry (*Rubus parvifolius*), Shiny Swampmat (*Selliera radicans*), Bower Spinach (*Tetragonia implexicoma*), Nettle (*Urtica sp*), Southern Grasstree (*Xanthorrhoea australis*).

Animals - Forester Kangaroo (*Eastern grey kangaroo*), Bennett's Wallaby (*Red-necked wallaby*), Tasmanian Pademelon (*Red-bellied pademelon*), Common Wombat (*Vombatus ursinus*)

Birds - Masked Lapwing (*Vanellus miles*), Forest Raven (*Corvus tasmanicus*), Grey Butcherbird (*Cracticus torquatus*), Grey Currawong (*Strepera versicolor*), Grey Shrikethrush (*Colluricincla harmonica*), Wedgetail Eagle (*Aquila audax*), Green Rosella (*Platycercus caledonicus*)

EXAMINER'S SMART COMMUNITIES AWARD PRESENTATION - 12 MARCH

Elizabeth and Bob Montgomery with Marion and John Simmons represented the LFNC at the third annual award presentation for the Examiner's Smart Communities Award held in the gardens at Woolmers in Longford. The Club was one of many groups to compete for the \$5000 prize, which was won by Furneaux Field and Game Association. Runners up were the Northern Suburbs Community Centre's Picnic and Play in the Park and Showcasing Glenara Lakes who both received \$1000 each.

SKEMPS DAY - 21 MARCH

16 members met at Skemps on a warm sunny day. As the Club is entering the Tasmanian Awards for Environmental Excellence, some members spent the morning looking over and addressing criteria for the application which has to be lodged late next week. While this was happening other members took advantage of the beautiful weather and went for walks. It was wonderful to learn that Platypus (*Ornithorhynchus anatinus*) were seen in both Bob's Bog and the Middle Pond.

Following lunch, members sat and chatted for sometime, catching up with Jeff and Glenys who had just returned from Stanthorpe and getting to know new member Peter. More walks were taken prior to members departing for the day.

FIELD TRIP - SUNDAY 5 APRIL - CRADLE MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK

Michael Thrush will be leading this field trip. Michael will meet members at the Iris River crossing just a short distance before the turn off to Cradle Mountain at 10.00 am. Members who wish to attend this field trip who are not already at Cradle Mountain attending the Federation weekend should contact a Committee Member by Thursday 2 April to indicate their attendance. Interested members will be put in contact with each other to organise a convenient meeting point/departure time to meet up with members at Iris River.

If you do not have an annual Parks pass, it will cost \$22 per car for a 24 hour vehicle pass. Depending on the traffic at the time, members may have to travel on the Cradle Shuttle Bus Service to Dove Lake: no charge for people with an annual pass, but \$7.50 per adult with 24 hour pass.

Members numbers attending from Launceston need to be known, to ensure that the field trip does not depart before those travelling to the meeting point arrive, in the event there is a delay in their arrival time.

TASMANIAN HERITAGE FESTIVAL - SKEMPS 16/17 MAY 2009

The LFNC will again be involved in the Tasmanian Heritage Festival which is being held Tasmania wide from 1 - 31 May 2009. The theme of the festival is "Water: Our Island's life force".

The John Skemp Field Centre and property will be open to the public from 11.00 am to 3.00 pm on both Saturday and Sunday. To keep with the water theme, members will provide demonstrations of water quality testing and macro-invertebrate monitoring on Skemp Creek, display photographs of the creek redevelopment to wetlands and escort visitors on bush walks on the property. Members are welcome to bring friends, lunch and enjoy the day. The BBQ will be lit at the appropriate time. There is no charge to visitors. If you would like to assist on the day with the 'meet and greet', provide refreshments or conduct bushwalks, please chat to a Committee Member.

There are about 100 events being held in May during the Festival. The statewide 2009 Tasmanian Heritage Festival program is available at http://www.nationaltrusttas.org.au/files/2009_heritage_festival_program.pdf

SINGERS FOR 60TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

If you are interested in singing at the above Celebration to be held in October, the entertainment organisers would like you to advise your interest by the next General Meeting on 7 April. This will provide time for the preparation of musical compositions and song arrangement. It is proposed that there will be a couple of practices for the group before the event. If unable to attend this meeting and you would like to participate, please contact Karen on 6344 2277 who will pass your name on.

CLUB CALENDAR

We will need 15 good quality images from members. 12 must be in landscape format (ie wider than they are high). 3 must be in portrait format (higher than they are wide). If you use the common 3:2 aspect ratio (long side/short side), your images won't need much cropping. Images with other ratios will need more cropping.

The images must show some aspect of Tasmanian natural history. For each image, you must also give a sentence or two explaining the important natural history in the image. For example, if it is a flower, you could give the common and scientific names, whether it is common or rare, and where it grows (eg wet sclerophyll forest, coastal heath, riverbanks and swamps). Landscapes might be a bit harder but something about the geology (eg Cradle Mt is mainly dolerite and has been shaped by glacial action) or general botany (eg The Ballroom is typical temperate rainforest with trees such as Myrtle Beech, Sassafras and King Billy Pine). It should not be hard to find out this sort of information. We are a field naturalists club after all, not a photographic society.

Images that score well in the Club competition could be used in the calendar but remember we will need most of the calendar images to be in landscape format and there must be a sentence or two on the important natural history.

Images must be submitted by 1 June.

The size of the calendar will be A5. It will cost about \$5 to produce and will sell for about \$8. Anyone who has a photo accepted will be expected to buy a calendar. So start photographing and researching. Any queries contact John Elliott on 6344 9303.

AUSTRALIAN PLANT SOCIETY MEETINGS

LFNC members are welcome to attend APS meetings held on a Tuesday at Max Fry Hall, Gorge Road Trevallyn at 7.30 pm. The next meetings will be on:

21 April - Club member presentations

19 May - TBA. See <http://www.apstasnorth.org/program-shell.htm> closer to this date.

PLANT SALE 18 and 19 April - The APS will hold their Autumn sale at 2 Killara Avenue, Lanena (Rosemary Verbeeten's home) from 10.00am to 4.00pm. LFNC members are welcome to attend and purchase some reasonably priced native plants for their garden.

BOOBYALLA RIVER DAM

Mike Douglas has written to say that the proposed Boobyalla dam, which would have flooded the area of the Eucalyptus ovata walk, has been rejected. The Forester River dam is unlikely to proceed in its present form but a smaller dam could still flood the scout hut/ Pearly Brook area.

SUGGESTED READING by club member Tom McGlynn

"Van Diemen's Land" by James Boyce Published by Black Inc., an imprint of Schwartz Pub. Pty Ltd, Level 5, 289 Flinders Lane Melbourne 3000. Pub. 2008. 388 pages, \$49.95 ISBN 9781863954136 (hbk)

"Step into History in Tasmanian Reserves" by David Leaman Published by 'Leaman Geophysics' Hobart, 2001 416 pages. No price on book. ISBN 0 58901 950 0 (pbk)

"Overloading Australia: How Governments and Media Dither and Deny on Population" by Mark O'Connor and William J Lines, Pub. Envirobook 2008. 241 pages, \$21.95 ISBN 9780858812246 (pbk)

"Charles Darwin in Hobart Town" pub. Royal Society of Tasmania 113 pages, QVM Shop were selling it for \$39.95 but 'Friends of the QV' get it for \$36. ISBN 978-0-646-50636-4 (pbk)

Additional Information

Club Outings:

1. All outings depart from Windmill Hill Hall Car Park at 9 am unless otherwise specified. Web-site updated regularly to reflect short notice changes.
2. You need to provide your own food and drinks for the outing unless otherwise specified. Morning tea is normally provided by the bus company on bus outings.
3. When travelling by car in convoy, each driver is responsible to ensure that the vehicle behind is in sight immediately after passing each cross road or fork in the road.
4. When car pooling, petrol costs should be shared between all the passengers, including family of the driver, and based on other clubs the committee suggested \$11 per 100 km. These were guidelines only.

Name Tags: Name tags are to be worn at meetings and on outings.

Tea/Coffee: A levy of 50c is currently charged for supper provided at meetings.

Field Centre: All members have access to the John Skemp Field Centre. Contact our booking manager, John Elliott on 6344 9303 regarding availability and keys.

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