

Tasmanian Field Naturalists Inc

The Secretary's Report – March 2009

1. 2008 Committee:

At the March 2008 AGM the following members were elected:

President:	Janet Fenton	Bulletin Ed:	Geoff Fenton
V.Pres:	Kevin Bonham	Naturalist Ed:	Mark Wapstra
Treasurer:	Anna McEldowney	Librarian:	Qug McKendrick-King
Secretary:	Robyn Kramer	Gen. Committee:	Neil Klaer
Prog. Officer:	Amanda Thomson		Michael Driessen
Auditor:	Peter Franklin		

Janet advised that she will approach David O'Brien re joining the Committee.

2. General meetings:

These were held on the first Thursday of each month with the exception of Jan. when no meeting was held. The excursions followed on the WE after the meeting. The average attendance at meetings during 2008 was 28. Two week-end camps were held at Weymouth and Liawenee.

Month	Speaker	Subject	Excursion
Mar	Janet Fenton	Charles Harrison	Fed WE, Liawenee
Apr	Kystryna Saunders	Sediment samples	Lake skinner
May	Bill Wakefield	Birds on Tas Islands	Pelagic Tour
Jun	K.Bonham/A.Throssel	Flora/Fauna, Sthn Isles of Japan	Botanical Gardens
Jul	Stewart Nichol	Life of Echidnas	TinderboxHills
Aug	Peter McQuillan	Insects on Native Plants	Forestry Insect Coll.
Sep	S.Lloyd/R.Nagorcka	Imitation & Language of Birds	Orielton Lagoon
Oct	H. &A. Wapstra	Orchids & Insects	East Risdon Reserve
Nov	Lynne Forster	Webs, Mandibles and Capsules	Pottery Rd
Dec	Members' Night		NeilKlaer's, Franklin
Feb	Paddy Dalton	Mosses, Liverworts, Hornworts	Bruny Island

3. Committee Meetings:

Six meetings saw an average of 8 members attending. The Club welcomed ___ new members.

4. Federation Meetings:

These were held at Liawenee in beautiful summery March weather and members were entertained by a presentation by Michael Driessen, "Things that Hop and Sing". The Oct meeting was held at Weymouth and the guest speaker was geologist, Henry Shannon.

5. Other Activities:

- Electronic system for paying subs was set up.
- Unveiling of the Photo of The Teapot in the Plant Science Tearoom
- 3 members awarded Life Membership Certificates: Julia Scott, Isa Hurburgh and Barbara Greenstreet
- Purchased an insect net
- Indexing of the Naturalist is underway

Robyn Kramer - Secretary