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TASMANIAN FIELD NATURALISTS' CLUB

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EASTER CAMP, 1958

AT SALTWATER RIVER, TASMAN PENINSULA

APRIL 3rd-8th

The Camp Committee has selected a site near Saltwater River, on Plunkett Point, for this year's camp. There are heath, light timber, lagoon, rocky shore and beach habitats within easy reach and the area is rich with historical associations of the coal mining and farming settlement of Port Arthur days. A very pleasant camp was held there in 1949.

Members are urged to make bookings as soon as possible with Mr H.F.Sargison at 21, Elizabeth Street, as this makes the task of the organisers so much easier for placing orders for stores, etc. Bookings should be accompanied by a deposit towards camp fees and transport.

Camp fees (payable in advance) are the same as last year:-

- ADULTS - £6.10.0
- SCHOOL CHILDREN (over 12 years) - £5.
- SCHOOL CHILDREN (under 12 years) - £3.10.0

Transport of baggage and costs of bus are included in the above.

The Club relies on a small team of willing workers to get the Camp ready, but would appreciate more workers in the advance party and therefore hopes other members this year may be able to accompany this party. Advance party members should see Mr Sargison regarding arrangements as soon as possible.

DATES AND TIMES

- Saturday, 29th March 8.00 a.m. at 33 Mortimer Avenue, New Town. Hands wanted to help load equipment on to lorry.
- Monday, 31st March Advance party leaves for Saltwater River.
- Thursday, 3rd April 7.00 p.m. Main party leaves by bus for Saltwater River (assemble at Franklin Square 15 minutes beforehand). Camp should be reached about 10.00 p.m.
- Tuesday, 8th April Camp ends. Depart for Hobart 2.30 p.m.(approx.)

Heavy baggage (suitcases, rucksacks, blankets, camp beds) must be delivered to 33 Mortimer Avenue NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, 28th MARCH, and NOT LATER THAN 5.00 P.M., as there will be nobody there to receive it. Of course it is not necessary to wait until the Friday! All parcels must be labelled with owner's name and marked FIELD NATURALISTS' CAMP. Please tie on strong labels (manila or wooden preferred) so that they will not tear off in transit. Light luggage (toilet gear, etc.) can be brought by bus on Thursday night.

DON'T FORGET THE DATES AND THE NECESSITY FOR EARLY BOOKING AT MR SARGISON'S SHOP.

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1st March, 1958.

KELSEY AVES,  
Hon. Secretary.

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PSALM OF PSALTWATER RIVER We quote from the Editorial of the "Convicts' Chronicle" which rolled out hot from the presses of Plunkett Point on Monday April 7th. "Field Naturalists are We - that's our slogan. In being field naturalists, we get a lot out of life, much knowledge from the things we study, much fun from the things we do. If we feel we don't know as much as we think we should there is the Club to help us learn more. Let us therefore all qualify to be field naturalists in the true sense.

This newspaper is in fact designed to help us know more - more about the funny things that go on in camp. Read them and learn the news that develops in this camp. The camp goes on every year. Old campers drop out, others become too busy to attend, others have family responsibilities, but still the camp goes on, and we hope it will go on for many years, and that the younger members now will be the camp organisers of the future.

"Field Nats. are We - and always will be"

It was a good camp and the weather was almost perfect throughout. Several "new species" were reported, including the sooty tern which also had a number of sub-species.... Sargies' rendering of the tragedy of his being ordered by his wife to pour 12 bottles of whisky down the sink was deeply moving.

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