

# Field Naturalists Society of South Australia



## FNSSA PROGRAM April – June 2021

... as We Return from COVID-19

**Please note:** Normal FNSSA programming is now underway but due to COVID-19 restrictions to inhibit any community spread of the virus, we have to remain aware of changes in how we do things:

- ◆ Registering attendance, even in field settings & observing any remaining social distancing needs
- ◆ Following hygiene measures including using own hand sanitiser, not coughing near others etc
  - ◆ Being prepared to stay at home/get tested if we have any symptoms that could be Covid virus
- ◆ Keeping ourselves updated through website/emails in case our Events have to be cancelled
- ◆ Understand if we have to restrict numbers at any event by attendees booking through event leaders

*Further Details overleaf – Look for updates on Website*

### GENERAL MEETING: April 14<sup>th</sup> 2021, Wed., 7.45 pm – Royal Society Room SAM



**Graham Medlin:** Hon. Research Assoc. SA Museum/FNSSA  
**Topic: Using Stick Nest Rat Nests to study potential Climate Change in the Flinders Ranges over the last 10, 000 years.**

Previous distribution of Stick-Nest Rat species spans many areas of SA. Historic nest sites are still identifiable in the Flinders Ranges, particularly in caves, where solidified urine (middens) in nests is proving useful in research into Climate Change.

*(Graham was recently honoured as SA's 2020 Unsung Hero of Science for "his enormous contribution to the field of palaeobiology in Australia").*



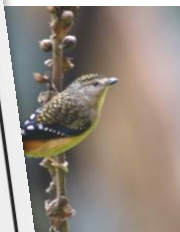
### GENERAL MEETING: May 12<sup>th</sup> 2021, Wed., 7.45 pm – Royal Society Room SAM



**Dr Mike Swinbourne:** Affiliate Researcher, Uni of Adelaide  
**Topic: Wombats of SA**

Mike has specialised in wombat research and for many years with a particular focus on the Southern Hairy-nosed Wombat *Lasiorhinus latifrons* and its distribution in SA. Now his attention is turning to the South-east of SA and the Bare-nosed Wombat *Vombatus ursinus* (formerly known as Common Wombat). Mike will speak on both species in SA, their conservation status, how populations have changed over time with reference to various influences such as settlement of SA and Climate Change and include some thoughts on the future of these species.

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## **FNSSA PROGRAM April-June 2021 continued**

**GENERAL MEETING: June 10<sup>th</sup> 2021, Wed., 7.45 pm – Royal Society Room SAM**

**Speaker to be Advised**

**Note: General Meetings are held in the Royal Society Lecture Room, Plane Tree Courtyard, entry off Kintore Avenue behind State Library**



**Mammal Club MEETINGS:** Conservation Centre 111 Franklin Street, Adelaide, 7.30 pm  
**2021 Meetings to be held Tuesdays:** 16<sup>th</sup> March, 20<sup>th</sup> April, 15<sup>th</sup> June, 21<sup>st</sup> Sept & 19<sup>th</sup> Oct.

**To advise attendance or enquiries:**

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## **Adelaide Fungal Studies Group MEETINGS & EXCURSIONS April-June 2021:**

**To advise attendance or enquiries:**

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**Meetings: Goodman Lecture Theatre,** next to State Herbarium, near State Wine Centre on Hackney Road. Sign in required by attendees at the meetings either on paper or with QR code.

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June, Fungi Workshop – Characters used for identification,** Pam Catchside & *Taking fungi photographs of fungi,* David Catchside.

**Fungal Forays:** Those interested in attending are required to register before event, (numbers restricted to 15-20 per event). At registration the details of foray location will be provided.

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> May, Mt Lofty Botanic Gardens - Leader Pam Catchside**

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> May, Para Wirra Conservation Park - Leaders Rose Dow/Shanelle Palmer**

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> June, Ironbank - Leader Jasmin Packer**

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> June, Kuitpo Forest - Leader Thelma Bridle**

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June, Junior Field Naturalists - Leader Julia Haska**

## **FNSSA GENERAL & BOTANY EXCURSIONS, CAMPOUTS 2021**

*Some events have already been held this year e.g. 2 General Excursions & Bakara Campout.*

**Details of FNSSA General Excursions, Botany Excursions, Mammal Club/SA Herpetology Group Surveys & Campouts will be advertised as arrangements confirmed.**

**All welcome! For All Enquiries Contact**

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