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WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT?

The Hills Forest is a project initiated by the Department of Conservation and Land Management (CALM). It offers visitors a range of outdoor recreation experiences to raise their awareness and understanding of the values and management of our forests. But above all, it's about having fun!

GENERAL INFORMATION

Don't forget to bring:

·a hat ·casual clothing *sun screen •water

•sturdy Footwear ·a camera

•a smile! •fly/mosquito repellent

Safety is always our concern, but your responsibility.

All activities will begin on time, so please arrive early to avoid disappointment!

On any half-day activity, please feel free to bring along a picnic lunch and drinks to enjoy your natural surroundings for longer.

Most recreational sites in The Hills Forest do not have bins so that recreational budgets are spent on facilities and activities rather than rubbish collection. Please bring a rubbish bag to take your litter with you when you leave.

Activities that include entry into national parks are for participants only. If you wish to use the park facilities before or after the activity, or bring the family, you will need to pay entry fees to the national park.

All fees collected stay with the programs and pay for the leaders, equipment, advertising or props—so your money is helping yourself and others to enjoy and learn more about our natural environment.

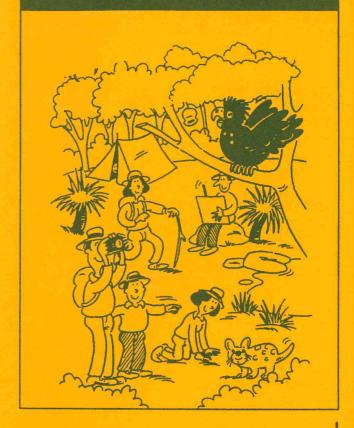
FOREST FUN CLUB

The Forest Fun Club has arrived! Many participants in our programs have requested further information and activities from us, so our new way of communicating with you and offering additional services. including early booking opportunities, is the Forest Fun Club.

For only \$10 a year, your whole family will receive:

- a current brochure outlining our activities by mail,
- advance notice of upcoming activities,
- early bird bookings.
- seasonal information on what is happening in the forest-what flora and fauna to expect at different times of the year,
- advance notice of competitions,
- lucky draw prizes exclusive to Forest Fun Club members.

Go Bush! in The Hills Forest



Fun Bush Activities for Everyone!

2 April-16 July 1997





DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT WEIR ROAD, MUNDARING, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, 6073, TEL (09) 295 2244 FAX (09) 295 3247

1. Marsupial Meanderings (Grade 1 Walk)

Explore the jarrah forest for signs of the animals that call the forest home. Afterwards, see these marsupials up close and find out how injured animals are rehabilitated by the Chidlow Marsupial Hospital.

When: 10.00am-4.00pm Sunday 13 April When: 10.00am-4.00pm Sunday 4 May

\$18 Adults, \$12 Children (3) 8+ HFAC Cost:

Limit:

2. Bush Creations and Basketry

Join Nelda Searles in a unique one-day workshop in the forest. Using bush sculpture and basketry techniques, transform native grasses, rushes, etc, into delightful forest momentos. BYO lunch and drinks.

When: 10.00am-4.00pm Saturday 12 April

10.00am-4.00pm Sunday 13 April

\$20 Adults, \$14 Children, \$65 Family (13) Cost:

HFAC

Limit:

3. A Chip off the Old Block

Learn to create simple bush carvings using old fashioned techniques and recycled timber. It's a hands-on activity, with no experience necessary and all equipment provided.

When: 10.00am-4.00pm Sunday 25 May

\$25 Adults, \$17 Children, \$80 Family (3) 13+ Cost:

HFAC

Limit:

4. Tunnel Vision (Grade 2 Walk)

Discover the heritage, history and mystery of WA's only railway tunnel. This interesting walk through scenic Jane Brook Valley in John Forrest National Park will give you a fantastic insight into the little known facts about the park, the disused railway and the 340m tunnel.

When: 1.00pm-3.30pm Saturday 19 April 1.00pm-3.30pm Saturday 31 May

1.00pm-3.30pm Saturday 12 July

Cost: \$7 Adults, \$5 Children (C) 6+ JFNP

Limit:



5. A Day with Clay (Grade 2 Walk)

While exploring local bush trails, discover how trees are affected by varying soil types, including clay. It is also a natural bush product used to create beautiful and unique sculptures. Join multi-media artist Alison Brown, and create your own clay work of art. No experience is necessary and all materials are supplied.

When: 10.00am-4.00pm Saturday 3 May

\$20 Adults, \$14 Children, \$65 Family (C) 13+ Cost:

HFAC

Limit: 20

6. The Nyoongar Bush (Grade 1 Walk)

Come to the home of the Nyoongar people and find out about Aboriginal bush heritage, songs and dance, and traditional tools and implements. A great cultural experience.

When: 10.00am-2.00pm Thursday 17 April

\$22 Adults, \$18 Children 🔘 8+ 🚄 HFAC Cost:

Limit:

Nightshift (Grade 2 Walk)

Join national park rangers and CALM officers as they cast some light on the mysteries of the bush. Bring your torch on this 4km walk and experience the forest at night.

7a. John Forrest National Park

When: 7.00pm-9.00pm Wednesday 9 April

> 7.00pm-9.00pm Wednesday 23 April 7.00pm-9.00pm Wednesday 30 April*

7.00pm-9.00pm Wednesday 14 May

7.00pm-9.00pm Wednesday 28 May 7.00pm-9.00pm Wednesday 11 June

7.00pm-9.00pm Wednesday 25 June 7.00pm-9.00pm Wednesday 9 July

Cost: \$7 Adults, \$5 Children (3) 6+ **JFNP** Limit:

7b. State Forest - The Hills Forest Activity Centre

When: 7.00pm-9.00pm Wednesday 2 April

> 7.00pm-9.00pm Wednesday 16 April 7.00pm-9.00pm Wednesday 7 May 7.00pm-9.00pm Wednesday 21 May 7.00pm-9.00pm Wednesday 4 June 7.00pm-9.00pm Wednesday 18 June*

7.00pm-9.00pm Wednesday 2 July 7.00pm-9.00pm Wednesday 16 July

\$7 Adults, \$5 Children (C) 6+ HFAC Cost:

*Note: 30 April and 18 June are for Adults Only

Limit:

8. Close Encounters

Join staff from nearby Karakamia endangered animal sanctuary for a night walk through natural bushland. Bring your torch to search for possums, quendas, woulies and other animals that may cross your path.

When: 5.00pm-7.00pm Saturday 12 April 5.00pm-7.00pm Saturday 26 April

4.30pm-6.30pm Saturday 17 May 4.30pm-6.30pm Saturday 31 May

Cost: \$7 Adults, \$5 Children

Limit:

Limit:



9. What's Alive in our Forests? (Grade 1 Walk)

Eric McCrum is a renowned local naturalist with extensive knowledge of our forests. Let him lead you on a short stroll through the bush and captivate you with his bird calling and knowledge of plants and animals.

When: 10am-12 noon Sunday 13 April

10am-12 noon Sunday 18 May 10am-12 noon Saturday 14 June

10am-12 noon Sunday 13 July

\$7 Adults, \$5 Children (C) 6+ CHEAC Cost:

25



10. The Eagle has Landed

Experience the magnificent birds of prey from Raptor Retreat Rehabilitation Centre. Take a close look into their unique world and see the rehabilitation techniques used to release these birds back into the wild.

When: 10.00am-11.00am Monday 14 April

11.00am-12 noon Monday 7 July

\$7 Adults, \$5 Children 6+ HFAC Cost:

11. Incy Wincy Spider (Grade 1 Walk)

Come on a safe journey into the forest and see the wolf, trapdoor, orbweaving and leaf curling spiders, that are our alluring arachnids.

When: 10.00am -12 noon Tuesday 15 April

1.00pm-3.00pm Tuesday 15 April 10.00am-12 noon Tuesday 22 April 1.00pm -3.00pm Tuesday 22 April

10.00am-12 noon Tuesday 8 July 1.00pm -3.00pm Tuesday 8 July

\$7 Adults, \$5 Children 6+ HFAC Cost:

Limit: 25



12. Cold Blooded (Grade 2 Walk)

Ever wanted to touch a real live skink, snake or dragon lizard? Then this is your chance to see these primitive reptiles after you have tracked them down in the wild.

When: 10.00am-12 noon Wednesday 16 April

> 1.00pm-3.00pm Wednesday 16 April 10.00am-12 noon Wednesday 23 April 1.00pm-3.00pm Wednesday 23 April

10.00am-12 noon Wednesday 9 July 1.00pm-3.00pm Wednesday 9 July

\$7 Adults, \$5 Child (6+ A HFAC Cost:

Limit:

13. Microworld (Grade 1 Walk)

Have a hands-on experience going bush and looking for the signs of what, where and how this tiny world exists. There are beetles, bugs, spiders, ants, scorpions, moths, earwigs, mantis and caterpillars, to name just a few.

10.00am-12.00 noon Friday 18 April When:

> 1.00pm-3.00pm Friday 18 April 10.00am-12.00 noon Friday 11 July 1.00pm-3.00pm Friday 11 July

Cost: \$7 Adults, \$5 Children (3) 6+ C HFAC

Limit: 25

14. Papermaking

Learn to make your own recycled paper using natural bush products. It's a hands-on activity that's fun for the whole family.

When: 1.00pm-3.00pm Sunday 20 April. Make Mother's Day

cards and many simple gift ideas

1.00pm-3.00pm Sunday 11 May. Treat your Mum to a

special forest experience on Mother's Day

1.00pm.-3.00pm Sunday 8 June. Make floral paper

using WA's unique wildflowers

1.00pm-3.00pm Sunday 6 July. Make unique paper

using feather, fur and skin

\$10 Adults, \$6 Children, \$30 Family 36+ HFAC Cost:

Limit: 25

15. Bushland Bookbinding

Using bush materials and handmade recycled papers, join Mary Woodward and make a variety of unusual, personalised, soft-covered books and notepaper. BYO lunch and drinks

When: 10.00am-3.00pm Sunday 29 June

Cost: \$17 Adults, \$11 Children, \$52 Family (10+ HFAC

Limit: 20





Go Bush! Native Animal Encounters

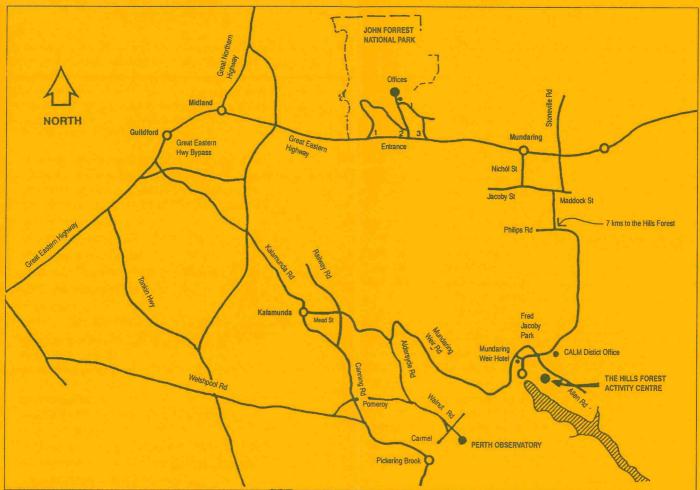
Put aside Sunday 1 June for this one-day special event at The Hills Forest Activity Centre in Mundaring. Come to look, listen and learn about Western Australia's native animals at this fun family day in The Hills Forest. Enjoy exciting encounters with a huge variety of native birds, reptiles, insects and mammals, including the rarely seen chuditch and numbat. Meet experienced wildlife carers at information points and get close to some of the animals that you may have heard about, but never seen. For more information 'phone the forest' on (09) 295 2244.

OVERNIGHT



If you wish to stay overnight to attend activities, there are a range of local options including the nearby Mundaring Youth Hostel. To book phone (09) 295 1809 or 015 081 639.





16. The Wisdom of Owls

Owls are legendary keepers of knowledge. Learn about these wise birds of the night and admire their unique and beautiful features up close.

10.00am-11.00am Monday 21 April

11.00am-12 noon Monday 14 July Cost: \$7 Adults, \$5 Children 🔘 6+ HFAC

17. Nimble Numbat Tracking

Western Australia's mammal emblem is making a comeback!! Join CALM Scientist Tony Friend as he radio tracks some recently released numbats in the forest.

When: 10.00am-2.00pm Monday 21 April

\$20 Adults, \$15 Children 🙂 8+ HFAC Cost:

Limit:

18. Birdwalk (Grade 1 Walk)

Join leaders from the Royal Australian Ornithological Union and study our feathered friends as you quietly meander through the forest. Sip billy tea afterwards, 'chatter' and 'whistle' about your discoveries.

4.00pm-6.00pm Saturday 26 April

3.00pm-5.00pm Sunday 15 June

Cost: \$7 Adults, \$5 Children

Limit:

19. Bush Pastels

Let local artist Despina Maiolo help you express your feelings of the bush through lines, shapes and colour. No drawing skills are required and all materials are supplied.

When: 9.30am-11.30am Sunday 27 April

9.30am-11.30am Sunday 4 May

Cost: \$10 Adults, \$6 Children 😀 8+ 🚑 🔥 HFAC

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Limit:

20. Bushcraft (Grade 1 Walk)

Develop your skills and knowledge of the forest with master bushman Bob Hunter. Hands-on sessions will help you learn about local edible native plants, traditional fire lighting, string making and modern survival kits. BYO lunch and drinks.

10.00am-2.00pm Sunday 27 April wnen:

10.00am-2.00pm Sunday 22 June**

10.00am-2.00pm Sunday 6 July

Cost: \$14 Adults, \$9 Children, \$42 Family Limit: 30

**Note: Sunday 22 June is for Adults Only

21. Forest Under Canvas

Join an experienced bushwalker for a unique overnight backpacking and camping experience at our picturesque '5 million star campsite'. (BYO equipment, but a limited amount can be hired from CALM). Note: children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

21a. Beginners (Grade 1 Walk)

10.00am Saturday 3 May to 11.00am Sunday 4 May Cost: \$22 Adults, \$13 Children, \$65 Family 38+ HFAC

Limit: 15

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21b. Intermediate (Grade 2 Walk)

When: 10.00am Saturday 7 June to 11.00am Sunday 8 June \$22 Adults, \$13 Children, \$65 Family 😊 10+ HFAC Cost:

Limit:

22. Camera Captures

Frustrated by those times when you've missed the ultimate photograph? Let professional photographer Ted Roche help you discover some of the little things that will enable you to capture that magic moment in the forest, as the sun sets. Included in your fee is an overnight stay at the Mundaring Youth Hostel. Rise early to capture a beautiful dawn over the Mundaring Weir. Bring your own 35mm camera.

When:

2.30pm Saturday 3 May to 12 noon Sunday 4 May

Cost:

\$18 Adults, \$12 Children (12+ HFAC

Limit:



23. A Forest Discovery

Gather with your friends and family for a car rally-style adventure. Look for the clues as you drive along learning about the forest, then finish at a mystery location. This is not a race and prizes will be given to those who gather all the clues and are within times specified. Fun for all the family, especially if you bring along a BBQ lunch.

10.00am-1.30pm Sunday 18 May \$12 per car

Cost: Limit:

30 vehicles





24. Stepping Out

Grab your hiking boots for a unique and exciting bushwalking experience. Find out what's happening in our forest with the skills and guidance of a local CALM officer. BYO lunch and drinks for a bush picnic.

24a. Beginners (Grade 2 Walk)

When: 11am-2pm Sunday 25 May

\$7 Adults, \$5 Children 🔘 6+ HFAC Cost:

Limit:

24b. Intermediate (Grade 3 Walk)

When: 11am-3pm Sunday 22 June Cost:

\$9 Adults, \$6 Children 🙂 10+ 🚄

Limit:

25. Stepping Out with Llamas (Grade 3 Walk)

Try a whole new way of bushwalking and let the llamas carry your gear. These remarkable, gentle animals will enable you to relax and enjoy the bush free of the weight of carrying your lunch and day-pack. BYO lunch and drinks for a bush picnic.

When: 10.30am-3.00pm Sunday 8 June \$25 Adults AO HFAC Cost:

Limit:

26. Walk on Water (Grade 2 Walk)

Explore the path of water from the clouds to your tap. Go where few people have been with the Water Corporation's Rod Brooks. Roam through the renowned O'Connor Museum (entrance included in your fee).

1.00pm-4.00pm Sunday 25 May When:

Cost: \$7 Adults, \$5 Children 😮 6+ HFAC

Limit:

27. Forest Alive (Grade 1 Walk)

Fox-baiting has had an effect on our native animal populations. We know the numbers of our precious mammals (like bandicoots, chuditch, phascogales, dunnarts) are on the increase. See for yourself as you check the survey traps with CALM officers, and be part of 'Operation Foxglove'.

When: 9.00am-11.00am Saturday 7 June

9.00am-11.00am Sunday 8 June 9.00am-11.00am Saturday 5 July 9.00am-11.00am Sunday 6 July \$7 Adults, \$5 Children (C) 6+ HFAC

Limit:

Cost:

28. Bush Cooking

Recreate the atmosphere of the early pioneers by dressing up in your bush clothes and preparing a three-course meal using the art of campoven cooking. Enjoy a leisurely stroll in the beautiful forests overlooking Mundaring Weir while your lunch is cooking. Cost includes all ingredients and equipment.

When: 3.00pm-8.00pm Saturday 14 June

9.00am-2.00pm Sunday 15 June

Cost: \$20 Adults, \$12 Children, \$60 Family Limit:

(C) 6+ HFAC

29. Find the Forest Frogs (Grade 1 Walk)

Join in the search for forest frogs under the guidance of local experts. Bring along your rubber boots. Be prepared to get your hands dirty and have fun as you go 'knee deep' to locate these mysterious and beautiful amphibians!

When:

4.00pm-6.00pm Saturday 21 June 4.00pm-6.00pm Sunday 22 June 4.00pm-6.00pm Saturday 28 June 4.00pm-6.00pm Sunday 29 June 4.00pm-6.00pm Saturday 5 July 4.00pm-6.00pm Sunday 6 July 4.00pm-6.00pm Saturday 12 July 4.00pm-6.00pm Sunday 13 July

\$7 Adults, \$5 Children 🔘 6+ 🧥

Cost: Limit: 25



30. Bush Botany

Join WA Herbarium's Neville Marchant and add a new dimension to your enjoyment of plants. Have fun on a beginners' course learning to identify WA's beautiful wildflowers. After a short indoor session, Go Bush! to try out your new skills.

11.00am-3.00pm Sunday 13 July When: \$9 Adults, \$6 Children (10+ HFAC Cost: Limit:

31. Going Batty

Look into the fascinating world of bats with CALM research scientists. and learn about their role in forest ecology. After dinner, check the mist nets and, using ultrasound, see the bat 'echo locations' around you. BYO dinner and drinks.

When: 5.00pm-8.00pm Saturday 10 May

5.00pm-8.00pm Saturday 7 June

\$7 Adults, \$5 Children (C) 8+ Cost: Limit:

BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL

- Please book by phone on (09) 295 2244, between 8.30 am and 4.00 pm weekdays, or fax us on (09) 295 3247.
- You must confirm your booking within one week by Bankcard, Mastercard, Visa or cheque payable to the Go Bush! Registrar.
- Return your payment with this registration to:

Go Bush! Registrar CALM, The Hills Forest

Mundaring Weir Road

MUNDARING WA 6073

or fax credit card payments on (09) 295 3247

- Receipt of your registration form and payment, is confirmation of your booking.
- Please remember that places are limited, so book early.
- Written confirmations will no longer be issued unless extra information is required.
- We will only contact you if there are any problems with your booking application.
- This brochure contains all the information that you need, including a map showing how to find us. Please read the legend carefully to know what you need to bring. If you are in any doubt, please 'phone the forest' on (09) 295 2244.

CANCELLATIONS

Cancellations up to five working days before your chosen activity will entitle you to receive a credit voucher, which can be used towards any future activities run by The Hills Forest. In case of unfavourable weather, wildfire or unforeseen circumstances, activities may be cancelled. You will be notified and the activity will be rescheduled after consultation with activity leaders.

LEGEND 0 refers to age limits meet at The Hills Forest Activity Centre HFAC **JFNP** meet at John Forrest National Park 1 map or further information required wheel chair access adults only bring food and drinks bring cushion/blanket bring hand lens bring torch bring binoculars For everyone to have a great time, under 18s NOTE: must always be accompanied by an adult.

BUSH WALK GRADINGS

Please read before booking on walks:

Easy walk with minor slopes, 2 hours or less Grade 1:

Grade 2: Medium walk with hills, 4 hours or less

Medium to difficult walk with hills, 4 hours or longer Grade 3:

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