

SPRING PROGRAM 2018

There are always flowers for those who want to see them.





Welcome to the Bush Adventures Spring Program 2018.

For a long time the benefits of time spent in nature have been known to many but missed by the majority. Now the science is in and the evidence shows that if you're looking for ways to be healthier and happier the simple choice of spending more time in nature will do you a world of good.

This seasons Bush Adventures program once again gives you great opportunities to get outside and learn more about Hobart's Bushland Reserves as well as helping you to care for them. So please join us this spring whilst the bush is resplendent in colour and buzzing with pollinators dancing on the breeze. As always our Bushland Reserves are open for all to explore and enjoy.

Activities include:

- Guided Bird Walks
- Nature Play at Government House
- Bush Stories
- Flora the Explorer
- Nest box building workshops
- Go Wild Go Solo adventures
- Introductory sessions to the best outdoor apps
- and lots more

We look forward to seeing you out and about this spring.

Bookings are essential for all Bush Adventures. BOOK ONLINE at hobartcity.com.au/bushadventures



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JOIN A BUSH ADVENTURE AND GET OUTSIDE

All Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Dress for the conditions and bring a snack and water.

Look out for the Bush Adventures flag when arriving at any activity.



ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES

(Bookings are essential)

COST: \$5.50 per person

Family Fun Day at Government House

Sun 23 Sept, 10 am – 2 pm

You're invited to join in a family fun day on the lawns at Government House. There's fun and games for the children, as well as music, puppets and lots more to explore.

Optional GOLD COIN DONATION (Funds raised will go towards child health programs in Tasmania.)

Meet: Government House, 7 Lower Domain Rd, Queens Domain

Note: There is no parking on the grounds of Government House. Please park on Lower Domain Rd and walk in the main gates.

ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES (continued)

(Bookings are essential)

COST: \$5.50 per person

Where Our Wild Things Are

Fri 19 Oct, 7.30–9.30 pm

At night a whole other world of creatures come out to play in our bushland! Join us for a night walk, see and hear who's home and get some handy hints for spotting creatures at night.

Bring: A torch and warm clothes

Meet: Waterworks Reserve, just inside the gate on Waterworks Rd, Ridgeway (please park outside the gate)

Parrot Puppeteers

Sat 20 Oct, 12.30-2 pm

Who are these quirky, colourful characters hanging in the trees? Squawking, screeching, shouting, and doing as they please? Learn about these fascinating creatures with Parrot Puppeteers.

Meet: Waterworks Reserve, Site 9, Waterworks Rd, Ridgeway

Nest Box Workshop

Sat 3 Nov, 10–11.30am

Learn how you can help our furry and feathered friends find a home among the gum trees. Discover the importance of habitat and help build and paint a very special 'nest box'.

All materials will be provided and the nest boxes created will be installed throughout Hobart's Bushlands and further afield.

Please BYO paint smock/old clothes for children if they wish to paint.

Meet: Waterworks Reserve, Site 9, Waterworks Rd, Ridgeway

Bushcare, Trackcare and Cragcare Groups

all year

Get involved in bush regeneration, track development and maintenance, and be part of a vibrant and engaged community engagement. Contact our Program Officer - Bushcare for more details on 6238 2884.

Cost: FREE

BUSH KIDS

(Bookings are essential)

COST: \$5.50 per child

These sessions are designed for specific age groups and include a variety of engaging and educational nature-based activities.

2–5 YEARS

Flora the Explorer Penguin Party

Sat 27 Oct, 10-11.30am

Join Flora, to see some busy bees and learn all about these lovely creatures. Play a bee game and make a bee craft to bring home.

Meet: Long Beach South BBQ area, Beach Rd, Sandy Bay

Flora the Explorer Busy Bees

Fri 16 Nov, 10-11.30am

Take a stroll along the tracks and trails of Waterworks Reserve. Follow your nose, look out for tracks and scats, feel the rough bark of eucalypt trees and taste the crisp cool winter air as we discover the joys of walking in nature.

Meet: Waterworks Reserve, Site 9, Waterworks Rd, Ridgeway

Bush Stories

Various dates and locations

Come and sit amongst the gum trees, share in a story of wild creatures, amazing plants and other tales of our natural world. There are places to explore and creatures to find as we wander through the bush and take time to play.

Thu 4 Oct, 10–11 am **Meet:** Waterworks Reserve, Site 9, Waterworks Rd, Ridgeway

Thu 11 Oct, 10–11 am **Meet:** Mt Nelson Signal Station, Mt Nelson

Thu 18 Oct, 10–11 am **Meet:** Knocklofty Reserve, Carpark at the end of Forest Rd, West Hobart.

Wed 24 Oct, 10–11 am **Meet:** Waterworks Reserve, Site 9, Waterworks Rd, Ridgeway

Bush Stories (continued)

Wed 31 Oct, 10–11 am **Meet:** The Springs, Wellington Park, kunanyi/Mt Wellington

Wed 7 Nov, 10–11 am **Meet:** Myrtle Gully Track, Old Farm Rd, South Hobart

5–7 YEARS

Scavenger Hunt

Mon 1 Oct, 10–11.30 am

We all love a great scavenger hunt! Uncover some of nature's treasures and be amazed at what you find when you take the time to look.

Meet: Waterworks Reserve, Site 9, Waterworks Rd, Ridgeway

Waterbug Wonderland

Wed 10 Oct, 10–11.30 am

Take a look into the sparkling world of water; there are thousands of bugs out there! Catch some, test out your identification skills and explore what these little creatures might grow up to be. We finish by creating our own wonderful waterbug to take home.

Bring: Gumboots or old shoes and clothing that can get wet

Meet: Waterworks Reserve, Site 9, Waterworks Rd, Ridgeway

Nestorama

Sat 20 Oct, 10–11.30 am

Birds are nesting, eggs are hatching! Come and play 'spotto' with our winged wonders and see how many birds you can find in our bush. We'll also find out some of the tricks of the nest-building trade and make our own nests!

Meet: Waterworks Reserve, Site 2, Waterworks Rd, Ridgeway

7–10 YEARS

Wild Focus

Wed 3 Oct, 10–11.30 am

Learn the tricks of a bush detective, discover tracker secrets and become a guardian of the bush. You'll discover a world of wonder as we explore Knocklofty Reserve and look closely at the micro-world under our feet and reaching into the forest canopy.

Meet: Knocklofty Reserve, Carpark at end of Forest Rd, West Hobart

Shelter From The Storm

Mon 8 Oct, 10–11.30 am

Could you survive a night out in the bush? Every night rain, hail or shine our amazing wildlife does just this, from nesting hollows to woven grass dens come and see how they do it and learn how you can build a shelter from the storm.

Meet: Site 9, Waterworks Reserve, Ridgeway.

GO WILD, GO SOLO

COST: \$5.50 per child

Parental supervision is not required. For the safety of your child/teenager and the entire group please ensure your child/teenager is capable to undertake independent and physically challenging activities.

Knocklofty Explorers

Thu 4 Oct, 1–3.30 pm

Join us for an adventure as we explore the bush of Knocklofty Reserve and trace the tracks and scats of the animals who call this reserve home.

Bring: Weather appropriate clothing, including a wind/ rain jacket, sturdy closed shoes, small backpack, water bottle and healthy snack

Meet: Knocklofty Reserve, Carpark at end of Forest Rd, West Hobart

Wellington Falls Ride And Hike

Thu 11 Oct, 1-4.30 pm

Come and join us for a riding and walking adventure to the majestic Wellington Falls. We'll ride our bikes along the pipeline track then hike in.

Bring: Your own bicycle and helmet, weather appropriate clothing, including a wind/rain jacket, sturdy closed shoes, small backpack, water bottle and healthy snack

Meet: Carpark, Corner of Huon and Morphetts Rd, Neika

ACTIVITIES FOR ADULTS

(Bookings are essential)

COST: \$5.50 per person

Our 'Activities for Adults' program is designed to offer rewarding, engaging and relaxing social recreation for mature audiences.

Bird Walk and Talk with the Dynamic Duo – Don & Denis

Sat 27 Oct, 9–11.30 am

Join avid birders Don Knowler and Denis Abbott as they share a tale or two of their feathered friends. Don and Denis will lead a wander and chat through the Waterworks Reserve exploring all things avian.

Meet: Waterworks Reserve, just inside the gate on Waterworks Rd, Ridgeway (please park outside the gate)

Outdoor Apps

Thu 8 Nov, 6–7 pm

Join us for an evening presentation and discover some of the great smartphone based apps that can help enrich your enjoyment and appreciation of Hobarts Bushland Reserves and beyond.

Meet: Elizabeth Street Conference Room, Town Hall, Hobart

Bushcare Walking Book Club

Sun 7 Oct, 2-4.30pm

Feral, by George Monbiot

Meet: Sandy Bay Sailing Club car park, Long Point Road, Sandy Bay

For more dates please contact our Program Officer Bushcare for details on 6238 2884.

Cost: FREE

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Sun 23	Family Fun Day at Government House	
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Wed 3	Wild Focus	
Thu 4	Bush Stories Knocklofty Express	
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Mon 8	Shelter From The Storm	
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Thu 11	Bush Stories Wellington Falls Ride And Hike	
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Colour coding system for activities Bush Kids 2–5 years Bush Kids 5–7 years Bush Kids 7–10 years Go Wild, Go Solo 10–14 years For All Ages Just for Adults Bookings are essential for all Bush Adventures.

For enquiries and bookings please contact the City of Hobart on 6238 2886 (BH).

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ACTIVITIES MAY BE CANCELLED in the event of extreme weather conditions or unforeseen circumstances. All booked participants will be notified via text or email in the case of cancellation. A refund or credit will be given if this occurs.

FOR ALL ACTIVITIES please bring a drink of water and healthy snack. Always wear suitable clothing for the environment and conditions.

CHILDREN can only be booked into Bush Adventures programs suitable to their age. For our Bush Kids program, out-of-age siblings can attend under without charge. We ask parents/ guardians to be mindful of the enjoyment and engagement of others.

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