



Forest and Bird 2017 North Island Gathering
Friday 27th October – Sunday 27th October, 2017
Tatum Park, Manakau, Horowhenua

PROGRAMME (draft)

Friday 27th October

4.30 p.m.	Registration opens
6.15 pm.	Welcome, Housekeeping
6.30 p.m.	<i>Dinner</i>
7.30 p.m.	Trip: Night Walk to Lake Papaitonga

Saturday 28th October

7.00 a.m.	<i>Breakfast</i>
8.00 a.m.	Registration opens
8.45 a.m.	Welcome
9.00 a.m.	Talk: “NZ Groundwater Ecosystems: undervalued & unprotected” Speaker: Annabeth Cohen, F&B Fresh Water Advocate
9.45 a.m.	Talk: “New Zealand’s Rivers: can we learn from history?” Speaker: Dr. Catherine Knight: Environmental Historian
10.30 a.m	<i>Morning Tea</i>
11.00 a.m	Talk: “The roles and functions of a Conservation Board and key conservation concerns for the Wellington region” Speaker: Jenny Rowan, Kapiti (Chairperson) Wellington Conservation Board
11.45 a.m.	Talk:” Measuring Biodiversity with Beetles” Speaker: Michael Dickison, Whanganui Regional Museum · Natural History
12.30 p.m.	<i>Lunch</i>
1.30 p.m	Trips: (1) A bird watching/beach Walk on Waikawa Beach (2) Lake Papaitonga: Papaitonga Scenic Reserve (3) Bush walk –Let’s run a MicroBioBlitz in a local Bush Reserve
4.30 – 6.30 p.m.	Free Time
6.30 p.m. -	<i>Dinner</i> After dinner Speaker: Paul Callister talking about “The Ngā Uruora Kāpiti Project- Challenges of the Future”
	Social Time

Sunday, 29th October

7.00 a.m.	<i>Breakfast</i>
8.45 a.m.	The Programme for Sunday morning is still being planned. It will include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Youth Forum • Presentations by N.I. Regional Managers • Presentations by Mark Hanger, President F&B Board and Kevin Hague, F&B Chief Executive.
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12.15 p.m.	Thank you and closing remarks
12.30 p.m.	<i>Lunch</i>
From 1.00 p.m.	Pack up