

# WHANGANUI Summer Programme 2019

Discover & enjoy our natural  
heritage, culture & history  
4th ~ 31st January 2019



**Book now at the Whanganui i-SITE Visitor Centre, 31 Taupo Quay**

The Whanganui Summer Programme of bus trips, guided walks and talks is organised by the Whanganui Summer Programme Trust

## All you need to know

### YOU CAN CONTACT US:

- **Via our Booking Agent** - Whanganui i-Site Visitor Centre, 31 Taupo Quay, Whanganui. Open Mon-Sun 9am-5pm, Public Holidays 9am-3pm, closed on Christmas Day. Phone 06 349-0508 or 0800 926-426 during i-Site office hours.
- **By post** – Whanganui Summer Programme Trust, PO Box 402, Whanganui 4541.
- **By e-mail** – whanganuisummerprog@gmail.com – please provide your postal address and telephone number in all e-mail communications.
- **On the Internet** – access the programme pamphlet at [www.eventfinda.co.nz/whatson/events/wanganui](http://www.eventfinda.co.nz/whatson/events/wanganui)

### BOOKING & PAYING FOR TRIPS

Unless otherwise indicated, numbers on all trips are limited and bookings **MUST** be made through one of the methods indicated below.

Please note:

- **No bookings are confirmed until payment has been received.**
- Child fares apply to all who are still at school in 2019.
- The trip price includes all transport, entry fees or koha for museums, marae, churches, historic places, gardens or contributions to host organisations for food when provided as stated in the trip description.
- Payment can be made by cash, cheque, internet banking, EFTPOS or credit card.
- Tickets can be mailed out but book early to avoid postal delays over public holidays.

**Book in person or by telephone** at the Whanganui i-SITE Visitor Centre during office hours.

**Book by post** sending a cheque made out to the Whanganui i-SITE to PO Box 402, Whanganui 4541 to arrive at least 7 days before your trip. We recommend that you ring the i-SITE first (telephone details above), to ascertain whether there are still places available on the trip(s) of your choice. State clearly the trip and its number, the name of each participant, your address and contact telephone number. We will post your tickets to the address provided.

**Book by telephone** to pay by credit card.

### Book using e-mail and internet banking.

We recommend that you e-mail us first to ascertain whether there are still places available on the trip(s) of your choice. We will confirm your booking when we have verified that your payment has been made into our bank account. Payments should be sent the day you make the booking to our BNZ bank account, no. 02-0792-0041299-00. State clearly the trip and its number, the name of each participant, your address and contact telephone number. We will post your tickets to the address provided.

### WAITING LISTS

We operate a waiting list system for popular trips. No payment is required until such time as a place becomes available and we have contacted you and ascertained that you still wish to participate in that trip.

### TRIP CANCELLATIONS & REFUNDS

We reserve the right to cancel trips due to adverse weather or other factors beyond our control, although wet weather can usually be accommodated, so come prepared. **If we have to cancel a trip we will do our best to contact you by telephone before the departure time.** In all such cases a full refund will be provided.

**If you need to cancel your booking on a trip let us know as early as possible. All cancellations are subject to a 20% deduction from the trip price to cover our administrative expenses.** If you cancel less than 24 hours before a trip departs and we are not able to sell your seat to someone else, the maximum refund given will be 50% of the trip cost. There will be no refund at all if you do not show up for a trip.

**Any refunds will be processed at the CONCLUSION of the programme and lodged directly to your bank account.** Refunds are no longer made by cheque; please advise the i-SITE of your bank details when you cancel. **No refunds are paid at the Whanganui i-SITE Visitor Centre.** No refunds will be paid for trips costing less than \$10.

## Programme Partners

The Whanganui Summer Programme is coordinated by a Trust set up in 2008 to take on the role previously undertaken by the Department of Conservation. The trustees thank all the organisations involved with the 2019 programme, including the museums, societies, business and property owners who have enabled us to arrange such a varied programme. Many of the partner organisations who arrange and lead events have been involved for a number of years.

**The Whanganui i-SITE Visitor Centre provides our booking office and the Whanganui Regional Museum's Davis Theatre is the venue for the evening talks.**

We are most grateful for the continued support of the Whanganui Chronicle who distribute the programme leaflet with the newspaper and provide event updates during January.

We hope you enjoy the 2019 Whanganui Summer Programme. We welcome feedback, so please do contact us by letter or e-mail with your suggestions for future events.

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### COMING ON OUR TRIPS

We want people to enjoy themselves on the Whanganui Summer Programme and plan our events accordingly. Our bus trips allow for rest stops *en route*, especially where long journeys are involved. On some trips you will need to be prepared to spend much of the day outdoors, away from the bus.

**Transport Information.** All our bus trips depart from the bus stop at 29 Taupo Quay, in front of the Tram Shed next to the Whanganui i-SITE Visitor Centre. Some events such as talks and guided walks have different departure or meeting points as noted in the trip descriptions. Note there is plenty of free all-day parking in Rutland Street and around Moutoa Gardens/Pakaitore. The i-SITE has public toilets open during office hours; toilets are also available at Moutoa Gardens/Pakaitore, but not early in the morning.

Please make sure you **arrive at least 10 minutes before the departure time** for all events and report to the trip leader who will mark your name on the booking sheet or take your payment if no booking is necessary.

It may be possible to arrange for the bus to pick you up *en route*, e.g. just past the St John's Hill shops, at the junction of Turakina Valley Road and SH3 in Turakina, by the primary school on SH3 in Bulls, opposite the Z Service Station on SH3 in Sanson, at the Transit Depot on Calico Line in Marton, by the Museum on SH1 in Hunterville, at the railway station in Taihape, opposite the library on SH3 in Waverley or at the i-SITE in Hāwera depending on the trip destination. Please ask the i-SITE what arrangements can be made for your trip.

For most bus trips we use an air-conditioned bus on hire from Transit Coachlines. Transitz provide drivers for our bus trips.

We endeavour to return by the advertised time but delays are possible, so avoid making other commitments close to the return time. Please check you have all your belongings with you before you leave the bus. We do keep a lost property box at the i-SITE but only while the programme is in operation.

**What do I need to bring?** Remember that trips can be subject to rapidly changing weather conditions.

**For ALL trips you need to bring:**

- Food for the duration of the trip. For a full-day trip bring your lunch as well as morning and afternoon tea. If food is being provided as part of the event this will be noted in the trip description. Some trips allow for a snack stop on the way back, so you may want to bring money for ice creams or drinks.

### Whanganui i-SITE Visitor Centre



Visit the i-SITE at 31 Taupo Quay to book your Whanganui Summer Programme trips, arrange accommodation if you are coming from out-of-town and check out what else is going on in Whanganui.

The New Zealand Opera School has concerts in town during January and Whanganui Vintage Weekend will transport you to a bygone era from 19 - 21 January. Check out [visitwhanganui.nz](http://visitwhanganui.nz) for all your information about Whanganui.



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[visitwhanganui.nz](http://visitwhanganui.nz)



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### Friends of the Whanganui Summer Programme

This informal group was set up in 2008 by David Scoullar to organise a number of trips that would otherwise not have been included in the programme that year and has continued its involvement in 2019.



[wrm.org.nz](http://wrm.org.nz)



- Sun hat and sunscreen.
- Water and other drinks as required.
- Any medication you require including insect repellent.

**For trips where you will be venturing away from the bus for much of the day make sure you have:**

- Solid footwear (not jandals). We recommend you always wear sensible shoes.
- A warm, waterproof jacket.
- A small day pack to carry all your gear.
- A walking pole may be helpful.
- Binoculars if appropriate.

**Fitness requirements.** Some trips do not involve long walks but others may involve walking uphill or through grassland or over rough ground. The trip description notes any special requirements but do check with the i-SITE if you are unsure whether your level of fitness will suit your preferred trip. We do not expect everyone to walk at the same pace and you will have time for rest stops, especially on walks where there are points of interest on the way.

**Safety.** Our guides and leaders are experienced at taking people on Summer Programme trips including bush walks and tramping expeditions. There are trained first aiders and first aid kits on each trip.

The leaders carry a cell phone although coverage cannot be guaranteed. A personal locator beacon is carried on remote trips. Please advise us in advance if you have any medical conditions, e.g. allergies to stings. During the course of the day, if you experience any difficulties, let the leader know so we can act quickly to ensure your safety and comfort.

**Feedback.** Feedback forms are available on request from trip leaders. Completed forms may be handed to the trip leader or left at the Whanganui i-SITE Visitor Centre.

### BECOME A FRIEND OF THE WHANGANUI SUMMER PROGRAMME

You can become a Friend and support the Whanganui Summer Programme by giving a minimum annual donation of \$10. In acknowledgement of your support, the Whanganui Summer Programme Trust will send you next year's programme at least a week in advance of publication so you can book early for the trip(s) of your choice. All donations are acknowledged with a receipt which enables you to claim a tax credit as the Trust is a registered charity. Ask for an application form at the i-SITE or on any Summer Programme event.



# WHANGANUI Summer Programme 2019

## 1. **Taranaki Wandering** *New!*

**Friday 4 January ~ Some walking.**  
**Sturdy footwear & rain gear. BYO lunch, snacks & drinks.**  
 Join us for another eclectic tour of Taranaki which will include Hāwera's King Edward Park, the Fun Ho! National Toy Museum in Inglewood and Pukeiti, the magnificent 360ha garden of international significance near New Plymouth. Visit the Cape Egmont lighthouse and museum while returning around the coast.  
**Depart 7.30am; return approx. 6pm. Adult \$45; Child \$26.**

## 2. **Castlecliff Rambling** *New!*

**Saturday 5 January ~ Reasonable fitness required.**  
**Sturdy footwear, warm clothing & rain gear.**  
**BYO snacks & drinks.**  
 A chance to explore some Castlecliff history and also see new developments at our seaside suburb. Jan Pavarno leads a ramble which takes in a WW2 bunker, the old tram terminal and the site of the Port Bowen disaster. Stroll along the beach and then back through the housing area to the revitalised Rangiora St, wander through a lovely cactus garden and see the dinosaur.  
**Depart 1pm; return approx. 4pm. Adult \$8; Child \$3.**

## 3. **Heritage trees of downtown Whanganui** *Favourite!*

**Sunday 6 January ~ 90-minute walk.**  
**Wear suitable walking gear. BYO snacks & drinks.**  
 Whanganui's heritage is about more than buildings. We can see a number of notable trees in the vicinity of the Old Town. Some are over 100 years old, including specimens listed as protected trees. Join botanist Colin Ogle for an easy 90-minute stroll with a short 'climb' to the top of Pukenui/Queen's Park.  
**Depart 2pm from outside the Courthouse, corner Market and Bates Streets; return approx. 3.30pm. Adult \$4; Child \$2.**  
**No booking necessary.**

## 4. **Up the Waitōtara Valley** *Favourite!*

**Monday 7 January ~ Short walks only.**  
**BYO lunch, snacks & drinks.**  
 Former Waitōtara Valley farmer Allan Anderson will once again describe the life and times, history and yarns associated with this interesting valley, drawing on his 42 years there. Stops will include Allan's old farm, the Ngāmatapouri Hall (lunch), St Hilda in the Wood Church and Larsen's at the top of the valley. We end with refreshments at the Waitōtara pub or store.  
**Depart 9am; return approx. 5.30pm. Adult \$25; Child \$15.**

## 5. **Kaimanawa Country** *Favourite!*

**Tuesday 8 January ~ Short walks only.**  
**Sturdy footwear, warm clothing & rain gear.**  
**BYO lunch, snacks & drinks.**  
 Join DOC on a trip through the Waiōuru Military Area, a rugged and beautiful landscape with stunning views. Learn about the rare plants, horses and the management challenges of the area.  
**Depart 7.30am; return approx. 7pm. Adult \$34; Child \$20.**

## 6. **Museum's Lunchtime Lectures: A New Look at Old Photographs** *New!*

**Tuesday 8 January ~ Steps to access venue, wheelchair access available on request. BYO lunch. Juice and water provided.**  
 Daguerreotypes, ambrotypes and tintypes! Sandi Black, Whanganui Regional Museum Archivist will talk about early photographic prints and the techniques required to create them. Learn about the photographers, their equipment and the people they photographed.  
**Time: Noon – 1pm. Venue: Davis Theatre, Whanganui Regional Museum, Watt St. Free entry; koha appreciated. No booking necessary although numbers are limited to 200 attendees.**

## 7. **Rangitikei Heritage Houses** *It's Back!*

**Wednesday 9 January ~ Short walks only.**  
**BYO lunch, snacks & drinks.**  
 Led by Jim Howard, we revisit some of our favourite aristocratic houses in the Rangitikei. Please note that we may not have access to the house interiors.  
**Depart 10.30am; return approx. 3.30pm. Adult \$60; Child \$25.**

## 8. **Museum's Lunchtime Lectures: Cranleigh Barton – A watercolourist in Whanganui** *New!*

**Wednesday 9 January ~ Steps to access venue, wheelchair access available on request. BYO lunch. Juice and water provided.**  
 Cranleigh Barton was the great-grandson of the Reverend Richard Taylor. He made his living as a painter, travelling all over the world. Libby Sharpe, Whanganui Regional Museum Senior Curator will show a range of his Whanganui paintings and talk about Barton and what drove him.  
**See Tuesday 8 January for time and venue.**

## 9. **Kauarapaoa Valley** *Favourite!*

**Thursday 10 January ~ Short walks only.**  
**Barbecue lunch provided by Friends of the Whanganui River.**  
**BYO snacks & drinks.**  
 Although quite close to Whanganui, the Kauarapaoa Valley seems a world away. We loop via Kai Iwi and up past Bushy Park, along the top of the watershed and return down the Valley, viewing some of our impressive back country *en route*. Sid Soulsby of Wairangi Station shares his stories of living in the Valley.  
**Depart 10am; return approx. 5.30pm. Adult \$26; Child \$18.**

## 10. **Museum's Lunchtime Lectures: Curiosity** *New!*

**Thursday 10 January ~ Steps to access venue, wheelchair access available on request. BYO lunch. Juice and water provided.**  
 The modern idea of a museum has its origins in the 18th century Wunderkammer, the Cabinet of Curiosity, filled with rare objects to astonish visitors and reflect its aristocratic owner's sophistication. Frank Stark, Whanganui Regional Museum Director asks: In a digital age, can museums still make a Wunderkammer?  
**See Tuesday 8 January for time and venue.**

## 11. **Pohangina Valley** *New!*

**Friday 11 January ~ Reasonable fitness required.**  
**Sturdy footwear, warm clothing & rain gear.**  
**BYO lunch, snacks & drinks.**  
 The Pohangina Valley is a picturesque rural area north of Palmerston North. We begin with a 6km downhill walk on the Branch Road Walkway. Lunch stop at Pohangina Village includes a café where a scone and coffee/tea are provided as part of the trip fare. Chance to buy local hand-crafted cheeses. Later we visit a 5ha wetland and a fascinating bottle museum.  
**Depart 8.30am; return approx. 5pm. Adult \$30; Child \$20.**

## 12. **Paloma Gardens** *It's Back!*

**Saturday 12 January ~ Reasonable fitness required.**  
**Sturdy footwear, warm clothing & rain gear.**  
**BYO snacks & drinks.**  
 Enjoy an afternoon at Paloma Gardens, Fordell, a "Garden of National Significance". An extraordinary experience, always changing. Exotic trees, sculptures, succulents and of course the "Garden of Death"...  
**Depart 1pm; return approx. 5pm. Adult \$20; Child \$10.**

## 13. **Matiu/Somes Island** *Favourite!*

**Sunday 13 January ~ Reasonable fitness required.**  
**Uphill walk from ferry. Sturdy footwear, warm clothing & rain gear; binoculars & walking pole helpful.**  
**BYO lunch, snacks & drinks.**  
 East by West Ferries put on a special early sailing for us to this historical island gem in Wellington Harbour, home to tuatara, sea and land birds and full of human history. Bring your Gold Card for the ferry, otherwise pay extra! Esther Williams from Forest and Bird guides us.  
**Depart 5.45am; return approx. 5.30pm. Adult: \$75; Adult with Gold Card \$50; Child \$45.**

## 14. **Hāwera Historical Tour** *New!*

**Monday 14 January ~ Some walking.**  
**Sturdy footwear, warm clothing & rain gear.**  
**BYO lunch, snacks & drinks.**  
 Last January the Pātea Historical Society opened a window on Waverley and it will do the same on Hāwera's rich military and social history. Attractions in Manaia include the WWI Memorial Band Rotunda, watch-tower, and blockhouses of the redoubt, erected by the armed constabulary in 1880–81 during the military advance on Parihaka. We also tour the Te Ngutu o te Manu battle site and the Turuturumōkai and Waihi redoubts with well-known archaeologist and president of Heritage Taranaki, Ivan Bruce.  
**Depart 9am; return approx. 5pm. Adult \$30; Child \$20.**

## 15. **Secrets of Bason** *New!*

**Tuesday 15 January ~ Some walking.**  
**Sturdy footwear & rain gear. BYO lunch, snacks & drinks.**  
 So you think you know all about the Bason Botanic Gardens? Learn more of the history of our 25ha "Garden of Significance" and explore some lesser-known and quirky gems with Phil Thomsen, responsible for the gardens as Horticultural Officer for the then-Wanganui City Council 1975-78 and on the Trust Board for nearly 30 years.  
**Depart 10am; return approx. 3pm. Adult \$8; Child \$4.**

Please read **All you need to know** overleaf for important information about how to book and what to bring, etc. You must book at the i-SITE for all events except for some guided walks and the evening talks. Most trips leave from the bus stop in front of the Tram Shed at 29 Taupo Quay next to the Whanganui i-SITE Visitor Centre, with *en route* pick-ups available for some bus trips.

## 16. **Mōwhānau to Castlecliff Beach Walk** *Favourite!*

**Wednesday 16 January ~ 12km walk.**  
**Sturdy footwear, warm clothing & rain gear.**  
**BYO lunch, snacks & drinks. Afternoon tea provided.**  
 Join coastal experts as we walk the beautiful coastline from Mōwhānau to Castlecliff Domain where the locals will put on afternoon tea.  
**Depart 10am; return approx. 3.30pm. Adult \$20; Child \$10.**

## 17. **River Road to Jerusalem** *Favourite!*

**Thursday 17 January ~ Short but steep walks to church and mill.**  
**BYO lunch, snacks & drinks.**  
 Travel with Jim Parnell up the Whanganui River Road, stopping at Koriniti, then on to our lunch stop at Jerusalem with its famous church and convent, taking in Kāwana Mill on the way back.  
**Depart 9am; return approx. 5pm. Adult \$25; Child \$18.**

## 18. **Bushy Park Night Spotting** *Favourite!*

**Friday 18 January ~ 1-hour bush walk.**  
**Walking shoes, warm clothing & a torch.**  
**Barbecue provided. BYO snacks & drinks.**  
 Discover and enjoy the special features of our local sanctuary: wetland, birds, invertebrates and mature forest. On arrival we divide into groups with our leaders. A barbecue meal follows. Before dusk we re-enter the forest.  
**Depart 5.15pm; return approx. 10.30pm. Adults \$20; Child \$10; Family \$40 (1-2 adults with 1-4 children).**

## 19. **Wanganui Collegiate School – Museum and Historic Buildings** *Favourite!*

**Sunday 20 January ~ 2-hour walk.**  
 WCS is one of NZ's oldest secondary schools and Whanganui's oldest business. 164 years of both the city's and the School's history is displayed and documented in the Museum - rated by Te Papa as NZ's best school museum. The fully-guided tour includes Big School and the Chapel, both filled with fascinating history.  
**Meet 2pm at Liverpool St main entrance. Allow up to 2 hours. Adult \$4; Child \$2. No booking necessary.**

## 20. **Evening Talk: Vladivostock to London Overland** *New!*

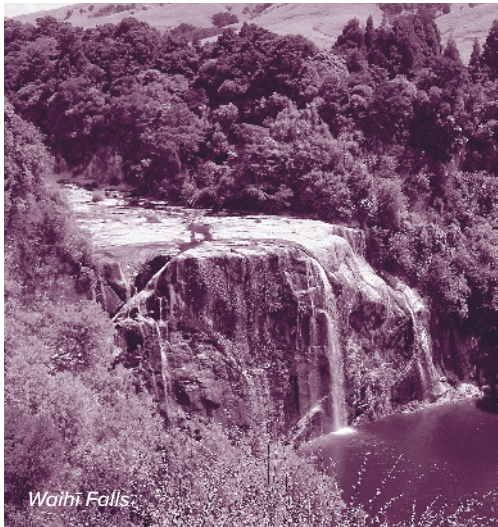
**Tuesday 22 January ~ Steps to access venue, wheelchair access available on request.**  
 Tonight Robin and Claire Brown give an illustrated talk on their epic 82-day trip through some of the remotest places on earth including Mongolia, Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan and the Ukraine. Travelling in a group of ten 4WD vehicles, they had numerous unusual and exciting experiences which they will share with us this evening.  
**Time: 7.30pm. Venue: Davis Theatre, Whanganui Regional Museum, Watt Street. Adult \$4; Child \$2. No booking necessary although numbers are limited to 200 attendees.**

## 21. **Te Āpiti Wind Farm and Brewery** *New!*

**Wednesday 23 January ~ Short walks only.**  
**Bring or wear covered shoes or gumboots. (No jandals or open sandals allowed in the brewery). ID required if you look under 25. BYO lunch, snacks & drinks. One beer at brewery included in trip price.**  
 Today we visit a wind farm in Manawātū where a Meridian Energy official will take us up close and talk about the wind turbines all around us. After lunch, we head to Mangatainoka via Woodville for a guided tour of the famous Tui brewery. Souvenirs and beer available to purchase. We return home via the Pahiatua Track.  
**Depart 10.30am; return approx. 7pm. Adults over 18 \$50.**

## 22. **What's up your back passage?** *New!*

**Thursday 24 January ~ 3-hour walk.**  
**Sturdy footwear & rain gear. BYO snacks & drinks.**  
 Take another look at an often-unseen side of Whanganui. Local historian Kyle Dalton leads a fascinating walking tour through the back lots, alleys and passages of the town centre. While the walk itself is relatively easy and will suit people of all ages, in places it is a bit of a tight squeeze.  
**Depart 1pm from i-SITE main entrance; return approx. 4pm. Adult \$4; Child \$2.**



Waihi Falls

## 23. **Ōhakune Coach Road** *It's Back!*

**Friday 25 January ~ Reasonable fitness required; 5-hour walk.**  
**Sturdy footwear, warm clothing & rain gear; walking pole may be helpful. BYO lunch, snacks & drinks.**  
 Coaches carried rail passengers from Ōhakune to Raurimu from 1906-8 during the completion of the Main Trunk Line. Errol Vincent leads a 12km walk over the Old Coach Road from Horopito to Ōhakune, including the "riveting" Hāpuawhenua Viaduct. Visit [www.ohakunecoachroad.co.nz](http://www.ohakunecoachroad.co.nz).  
**Depart 8am; return approx. 5.30pm. Adult \$35; Child \$20.**

## 24. **Hipango Park** *Favourite!*

**Saturday 26 January ~ Short steep walk from jetty.**  
**BYO lunch, snacks & drinks.**  
 Once again the Motor Vessel Wairua takes us on a pleasant day out on the Whanganui River to Hipango Park, a long-time popular destination for picnic outings. Tables are available for lunch; otherwise bring rugs to sit on and a jacket for the river trip.  
**Depart 10am from the MV Wairua pontoon opposite Moutoa Gardens; return 4-5pm. Adult \$49; Child \$16; under fives free.**  
**Passengers must report no later than 9:45am.**

## 25. **Mana Island** *Favourite!*

**Sunday 27 January ~ Fitness essential.**  
**Sturdy footwear, warm clothing & rain gear; binoculars & walking pole helpful. BYO lunch, snacks & plenty to drink.**  
 Island sanctuary for rare and endangered fauna; skinks, geckos, takahē, brown teal and fairy prion. A short launch trip takes us to walks along the beach and on the escarpment.  
**Depart 6am; return approx. 6pm. \$124 per person.**

## 26. **Whangamōmona** *Favourite!*

**Monday 28 January ~ Short walks only.**  
**Pub lunch included (buy your own drinks). BYO snacks & drinks.**  
 Back by popular demand, we return along the scenic Forgotten World Highway to a once-busy frontier town that has become a tourist destination. Lunch at the Whangamōmona Hotel with time to explore this historic village. Science teacher Keith Beutrais will keep us informed and amused on the bus journey.  
**Depart 10.30am; return approx. 7pm. Adult \$60; Child \$45.**

## 27. **Evening Talk: Secrets of Backroads Australia** *New!*

**Tuesday 29 January ~ Steps to access venue, wheelchair access available on request.**  
 Diane Harries has been out hunting for fascinating, little-known natural and historical sites in the south-eastern quarter of Australia. Be captivated by rocky and watery land forms, plants and critters, colonial buildings and steam engines. From Andamooka and Arkaroola, to Wilson's Promontory, the Coorong, Broken Hill and the Warrumbungles. Entrancing.  
**See Tuesday 22 January for time, venue and cost.**

## 28. **Road to Springvale** *It's Back!*

**Wednesday 30 January ~ Short walks only.**  
**BYO lunch, snacks & drinks.**  
 We travel the scenic Taihape/Napier Road via the historic village of Moawhango to the Springvale Suspension Bridge, returning to the 35,000-acre Erewhon Station for our picnic lunch and a chance to learn about farming in the high country. This is big, impressive terrain.  
**Depart 8am; return approx. 6pm. Adult \$50; Child \$25.**

## 29. **Waihi Falls and Wimbledon** *Favourite!*

**Thursday 31 January ~ Short walks only.**  
**Sturdy footwear, warm clothing & rain gear.**  
**BYO lunch, snacks & drinks.**  
 After last year's full bus, again we head east into Southern Hawkes Bay/Wairarapa visiting Waihi Falls before going to Wimbledon for lunch and seeing some interesting breeds of sheep on a local farm. Later we visit Herbertville on the Pacific coast where we get great views of Cape Turnagain. Grant Cooper from Horizons Regional Council is our guide.  
**Depart 8am; return approx. 7pm. Adult \$45; Child \$33.**



Mana Island



Beach walk