

The Waterhouse Club Inc Founded 1987 An Association of the South Australian Museum

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EXPEDITIONS AND EVENTS Issued June 2016

Your Club recently launched its new website <u>www.waterhouseclub.com</u>. We encourage you to visit our website and tell us how easy you found it to use. We can now provide continuous updates on our program of expeditions and events; accept your completed Expression of Interest Forms; enable members to access invitations and expedition reports; and you can make general enquiries from the website.

Please note that we do not yet have the facility for you to make payments over the web but we are working on it. Your membership form and booking forms for events and expeditions are "download and print", fill in and post.

We will continue to provide paper communications to members who prefer to receive Club news that way.

EXPEDITIONS AND EVENTS CONFIRMED FOR 2016 AND BEYOND FOLLOW IN THIS UPDATE WE WILL LET YOU KNOW ABOUT NEW OFFERINGS WHEN PLANS ARE FINALISED

Friday 10 June to Sunday 31 July 2016 The Waterhouse Natural Science Art Prize

This highly valued and much loved Museum fixture has returned following a review which ensures its continued operation in future years and allows artists and audiences to explore natural science through a range of creative outlets.

Tuesday evening July 12 2016

Antics in Atlantis

Join us at King Neptune's Naughty Nightclub in the Foyer of the Museum. Take a deep breath and dive with us to the unfathomable depths of time and tide to unravel the mysteries of design and the origins of fun. Our menu will feature seaside delicacies of substantial proportions and premium wines and we will cater for all tastes. A rare galaxy of international stars - Dr Jim Gehling, Dr Mary Droser, Dr Diego Garcia-Bellido, Dr John Long, and Dr Ben Kear – will amuse and entertain you with interesting palaeo data. An event not to be missed! <u>Event Co-ordinator: Margie Heylen</u>

Tuesday evening 13 September 2016

The Waterhouse Club Annual General Meeting

You are invited to attend your Club's Annual General Meeting. Look out for the invitation in mid-August. Event Co-ordinator: Natalie Rollinson

29 August to 10 September 2016

Rock Fishing the Orkneys - searching for 350 million year old Devonian fossilised fish with Professor John Long

The expedition will commence in Edinburgh with a behind the scenes tour of the palaeontological collections at the Edinburgh Museum. We will visit sites around Inverness and Thurso before ferrying to the Orkneys. We will search beach sites for fossils and visit ancient Neolithic sites before ending our journey in Kirkwall. There is an opportunity for a share arrangement for one woman in a twin room with a woman who has confirmed her booking, and also for one man in a twin room with a man who has confirmed his booking. If you are interested, please call the Club's office as soon possible. Expedition Leaders: Tim & Jen Tolley

The Coorong Expedition Living with a Saline Environment February 2016

At Tauwitcherie Barrage with SA Water officer Bryce Buchanan





4 November to 6 November 2016

History of Mining and Cornish Immigration in Burra and Moonta

Take a stroll through history with us on this weekend expedition around the Burra and Moonta copper mining areas as Dr Ben Grguric, Head of Earth Sciences at the Museum explains the mineralogy of these fabulous deposits and the mining techniques used. We will also have the opportunity to discover more about the history of Cornish immigration and settlement in the areas we will be visiting. Expedition Leader: Don Heylen

30 November to 10 December 2016

Expedition to East Papua and New Guinea FULLY BOOKED

The sites we will visit are rarely accessed. The focus will be on marine science with snorkelling and scuba dives but leavened with fishing and sightseeing trips. On board with us will be two of the Museum's most evocative scientists.: Professors Steve Donnellan and Greg Rouse who will provide thought provoking commentary. We have chartered the petite luxury cruise ship "True North" and will lack for nothing.

Expedition Leader: Ant Simpson

4 December 2016

A One-day Expedition to the Museum's Maceration Facility at Bolivar

This is a rare opportunity to visit this slightly confronting facility where animal bones are prepared for study and display. The tour will be hosted by the Museum's Dr Cath Kemper, Curator of Mammals and David Stemmer, Collections Manager. <u>Expedition Leaders: Caroline and Mark Mussared</u>

IN GESTATON FOR LATE 2016 - more information to follow as planning progresses.

• Thursday evening 24 November 2016

A private viewing behind the scenes for Waterhouse Club members of the Museum's *Curious Beasts Exhibition* featuring beautiful and bizarre print imagery from the 15th to the early 19th centuries in the British Museum's collection.

• Date to be advised

A weekday visit to the South Australia Drill Core Reference Library at Tonsley with Dr Ben Grguric, Head of Earth Sciences at the Museum.

DIARISE DATES FOR THIS EXPEDITION IN 2017

25 May to 29 May 2017 (dates to be confirmed)

A 5-day Expedition to the Ediacara Fossil Fields at Nilpena Station and Flinders Ranges

Dr Jim Gehling of the SA Museum will be our lead scientist. Excursion plans include working in the fossil beds and exploring the geology of the adjacent Ranges. There will also be intriguing conversations of the place of the fossil creatures we see, in the evolution of all life on earth. Expedition Leaders: Trevor and Carol Ireland

Expedition to the Coonawarra Caves and Cabernet March 2016

Interpretation with Professor Rod Wells at Naracoorte Caves National Park



Cabernet Tasting in a Cave



As the Club's expeditions and events are frequently over-subscribed we offer you an opportunity to "express early interest" in any of our offerings. You can <u>express interest on line</u> – or contact the Club by email <u>waterhouseclub@samuseum.sa.gov.au</u>, or, by telephone 82073 9802. This will place your name on a priority list which will be held open for a few days following the mail out of invitations closer to the event. You will then be asked to confirm your registration by return mail. Registrations will be accepted in date order of receipt and a waiting list will be maintained if necessary.

Please Note: Dates and venues may change subject to confirmation of detailed planning.