

**KZN HERITAGE, CULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SOCIETIES
EVENTS DIARY FOR DECEMBER 2016 & JANUARY 2017**

Date & Time	Society & Venue	Speaker & Topic	Charge	Contact person
<i>Saturday</i> 03 Dec 2016 06h00	BIRDLIFE PORT NATAL Outing to Springside Reserve (Cheese + tomato sandwiches will be toasted and enjoyed at this Christmas outing)	Please confirm attendance, meeting time + place.	Silver collection for conservancy	Elena Russell Tel. 031 705 2902 Cell: 083 583 6824
<i>Saturday</i> 03 Dec 2016 13h00 for 13h30	SPEAK OUT SA - DURBAN BRANCH Glenwood Presbyterian Church Hall Esther Roberts Road, Glenwood, Durban	www.speakoutsa.jimdo.com Various speakers. Aspects of training in public speaking + communication skills.	Free for visitors	
<i>Sunday</i> 04 Dec 2016 07h00	PALMIET NATURE RESERVE TRAILS At end of Old New Germany Road off Jan Hofmeyr Rd opp. Westville Boys High	http://www.palmiet.za.net/ Mike Roseblade (Local bird expert): "It is a birding trail so the early bird....."	N/C Donations welcome	Warren Friedman Tel. 031 262 2935 sf1@saol.com
<i>Sunday</i> 04 Dec 2016 07h45 to 14h00	KRANTZKLOOF HONORARY OFFICERS Kloof Falls picnic site, 152 Kloof Falls Road, Kloof (<i>Strenuous walk for fit walkers only</i>)	www.facebook.com/Krantzkloof Guided Long Walk by Honorary Officer Bring water, snacks, hat + good walking shoes.	www.kknr.org.za R35 includes entry fee to the reserve	John Terblanche Cell: 082 456 3805 No booking required
<i>Sunday</i> 04 Dec 2016 10h00 to 15h00	PIETERMARITZBURG MODEL ENGINEERING SOCIETY 78 Rudling Road, Bisley, Pietermaritzburg	Model Steam Train Rides	www.pmes.co.za R5 entrance fee Train rides: R10	Martin Hampton Cell: 083 388 3149
<i>Sunday</i> 04 Dec 2016 12h30 for 13h00	DURBAN CALEDONIAN SOCIETY NMR Building, NMR Avenue, Durban (Entrance opp. Durban Country Club)	St Andrews + Christmas Lunch	R60 incl. lunch	Molly Gould Tel. 031 701 4148
<i>Tuesday</i> 06 Dec 2016 08h00 to 13h00	HILLCREST CONSERVANCY Springside Nature Reserve, Hillcrest (<i>Training to uplift your gardener's skills base</i>)	www.hillcrestconservancy.co.za Environmental Training Course for Garden Workers. Employers also welcome to attend.	R70	hillcrestconservancy@gmail.com Call or SMS 079 909 5458 ianvpatrick@gmail.com
<i>Wednesday</i> 07 Dec 2016 07h30	BIRDLIFE PORT NATAL Visit to Stainbank Nature Reserve	Bring chair, coffee/tea and eats for a picnic. Please confirm attendance.	Entrance fee: pay to Nature Reserve	Sandi du Preez Tel. 031 701 4839 Cell: 073 332 4431

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<i>Thursday</i> 08 Dec 2016 19h00 for 19h30	S A MILITARY HISTORY SOCIETY KZN Murray Lecture Theatre, Dept of Civil Eng. UKZN Howard College Campus, Durban	http://samilitaryhistory.org Ian Sutherland: "Another Aeroplane Crash in the Scottish Highlands"	Free for visitors	Ken Gillings Tel. 031 702 4828 ken.gillings@mweb.co.za
<i>Saturday</i> 10 Dec 2016 10h00	KLOOF CONSERVANCY/WESSA (HIGHWAY) Glenholme Nature Reserve/Kloof & Highway SPCA Village Road, Kloof	www.kloofconservancy.org.za Guides: Jean Senogles, Richard Hancox, Anne Metcalf. Nature + History Trail for all ages.	N/C Donations welcome	Paolo Candotti Cell: 083 626 8684
<i>Saturday</i> 10 Dec 2016 14h00 to 16h00	GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTH AFRICA (DURBAN & COASTAL BRANCH) Family History Centre, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 144 Silvertown Rd, Berea, Durban	Regular monthly meeting on second Saturday of the month.	Donation towards refreshments	Rose 084 729 1974 Eleanor 083 776 5537
<i>Monday</i> 12 Dec 2016 18h00	BOTANICAL SOCIETY OF SA KZN COASTAL Durban Botanic Gardens Visitors Centre, John Zikhali Rd (formerly Sydenham), Durban	www.botsoc-kzn.org.za Prof Mike Watkeys: "Climate Change-just how hot (and cold) has it been in the past, and why?"	R60 Non-members R40 Members R30 Students	Tel. 031 201 5111 Cell: 071 869 3693 botsoc-kzn@mweb.co.za
<i>Tuesday</i> 13 Dec 2016 09h30 for 10h00	BIRDLIFE PORT NATAL Krantzkloof Interpretive Centre (Indoor meeting)	Brent Coverdale will be talking about Alien Birds (Tea and coffee will be served)	Entrance fee: R20	Tessa White tessadavid@telkomsa.net
<i>Tuesday</i> 13 Dec 2016 16h30 for 17h15	SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL SOCIETY KwaMuhle Museum, Braam Fisher Rd (Ordnance Road), Durban	http://sanationalsociety.co.za Jon Bates & Daniel Dolpire: South African Crane Foundation	R20 incl. refreshments	Hardy Wilson Cell: 071 746 1007
<i>Wednesday</i> 14 Dec 2016 07h30	HILLCREST CONSERVANCY Springside Nature Reserve, Hillcrest (Tea/Coffee served in Resource Centre after walk)	www.hillcrestconservancy.co.za Guided Birding & General Nature Walk with knowledgeable leaders to enjoy the flora + fauna	Donations welcome	hillcrestconservancy@gmail.com Sue Schönefeld Tel. 031 765 6809
<i>Fri, Sat, Sunday</i> 16,17,18 Dec 08h30 + 12h30	UMGENI STEAM RAILWAY Kloof Station, Old Main Road, Kloof. = departure times + 17h00 for Carols	www.umgenisteamrailway.co.za "Santa Specials" at 08h30 + 12h30 (Steam Loco) "Carols by Candlelight" at 17h00 (Steam Loco)	R200 adults R140child/pension	Bruce Bennett Cell: 082 353 6003 or Cell: 087 808 7715
<i>Saturday</i> 17 Dec 2016 08h00 to 13h00	NORTH DURBAN HONORARY OFFICERS Beachwood Mangroves Nature Reserve (Honorary Officers on hand to answer questions)	Open Morning. Braai + picnic spots available. Guided bird walk commences 08h00	N/C Donations welcome	Pam van Biljon Cell: 072 720 1959

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<i>Sunday</i> 18 Dec 2016 07h45 to 11h00	KRANTZKLOOF HONORARY OFFICERS Kloof Falls picnic site, 152 Kloof Falls Road, Kloof (Easy walk suitable for the whole family)	www.facebook.com/Krantzkloof Guided Short Walk by Honorary Officer Bring water, snacks, hat + good walking shoes.	www.kknr.org.za R35 includes entry fee to the reserve	John Terblanche Cell: 082 456 3805 No booking required
<i>Wednesday</i> 21 Dec 2016 17h00 for 17h30	RAILWAY SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN AFRICA (NATAL BRANCH) Musketeers German Club, 7 Barham Road, Westville	Monthly Meeting followed by Annual RSSA Branch Christmas Dinner	Adults R100 Under 12's R50	Ashley Peter Cell: 083 777 7728
<i>Monday</i> 26 Dec 2016 12h30 + 17h00	UMGENI STEAM RAILWAY Kloof Station, Old Main Road, Kloof. = departure times	www.umgenisteamrailway.co.za Historic Diesel hauled Train Ride through Valley of Thousand Hills to Inchanga (50km Return Trip)	R200 adults R140child/pension	Bruce Bennett Cell: 082 353 6003 or Cell: 087 808 7715
<i>Tuesday</i> 27 Dec 2016 08h30 + 12h30	UMGENI STEAM RAILWAY Kloof Station, Old Main Road, Kloof. = departure times	www.umgenisteamrailway.co.za Historic Diesel hauled Train Ride through Valley of Thousand Hills to Inchanga (50km Return Trip)	R200 adults R140child/pension	Bruce Bennett Cell: 082 353 6003 or Cell: 087 808 7715
<i>Sunday</i> 01 Jan 2017 12h30 + 17h00	UMGENI STEAM RAILWAY Kloof Station, Old Main Road, Kloof. = departure times	www.umgenisteamrailway.co.za Historic Diesel hauled Train Ride through Valley of Thousand Hills to Inchanga (50km Return Trip)	R200 adults R140child/pension	Bruce Bennett Cell: 082 353 6003 or Cell: 087 808 7715
<i>Monday</i> 02 Jan 2017 08h30 + 12h30	UMGENI STEAM RAILWAY Kloof Station, Old Main Road, Kloof. = departure times	www.umgenisteamrailway.co.za Historic Diesel hauled Train Ride through Valley of Thousand Hills to Inchanga (50km Return Trip)	R200 adults R140child/pension	Bruce Bennett Cell: 082 353 6003 or Cell: 087 808 7715
<i>Saturday</i> 07 Jan 2017 07h00	BIRDLIFE PORT NATAL Outing to Bluff Nature Reserve	Bring chair, coffee/tea and eats for a picnic. Please confirm attendance.	Entrance fee: pay to Nature Reserve	Elena Russell Tel. 031 705 2902 Cell: 083 583 6824
<i>Sunday</i> 08 Jan 2017 08h30 + 12h30	UMGENI STEAM RAILWAY Kloof Station, Old Main Road, Kloof. = departure times	www.umgenisteamrailway.co.za Historic Diesel hauled Train Ride through Valley of Thousand Hills to Inchanga (50km Return Trip)	R200 adults R140child/pension	Bruce Bennett Cell: 082 353 6003 or Cell: 087 808 7715

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<i>Tuesday</i> 10 Jan 2017 16h30 for 17h15	SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL SOCIETY KwaMuhle Museum, Braam Fisher Rd (Ordnance Road), Durban	http://sanationalsociety.co.za Theunis W Eloff: 110th Anniversary of discovery of tomb 55 in Valley of Kings, Luxor in Egypt	R20 incl. refreshments	Hardy Wilson Cell: 071 746 1007
<i>Wednesday</i> 11 Jan 2017 19h00 for 19h30	ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN AFRICA (DURBAN CENTRE) St Henry Marist College, Berea, Durban (near Entabeni Hospital)	Guest speaker and topic to be advised.	Free for visitors	Peter Dormehl Cell: 084 402 1107 petergd@tiscali.co.za
<i>Wednesday</i> 11 Jan 2017 19h00	BIRDLIFE PORT NATAL Westville Methodist Church (Indoor meeting)	Details of speaker and topic to be advised.		Lesley Frescura Cell: 083 231 3408
<i>Sunday</i> 15 Jan 2017 07h45 to 11h00	KRANTZKLOOF HONORARY OFFICERS Kloof Falls picnic site, 152 Kloof Falls Road, Kloof (Easy walk suitable for the whole family)	www.facebook.com/Krantzkloof Guided Short Walk by Honorary Officer Bring water, snacks, hat + good walking shoes.	www.kknr.org.za R35 includes entry fee to the reserve	John Terblanche Cell: 082 456 3805 No booking required
<i>Wednesday</i> 18 Jan 2017 08h00	BIRDLIFE PORT NATAL iPhiti Nature Reserve	Meet in parking area and bring picnic tea for afterwards.	Donation will be appreciated.	Lesley Frescura Cell: 083 231 3408
<i>Wednesday</i> 18 Jan 2017 19h00 for 19h30	RAILWAY SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN AFRICA (NATAL BRANCH) Musketeers German Club, 7 Barham Road, Westville	Monthly Meeting with Annual Photo Competition Winners and winning photos shown	N/C Cash bar available	Ashley Peter Cell: 083 777 7728
<i>Saturday</i> 21 Jan 2017 08h00 to 13h00	NORTH DURBAN HONORARY OFFICERS Beachwood Mangroves Nature Reserve (Honorary Officers on hand to answer questions)	Open Morning. Braai + picnic spots available. Guided bird walk commences 08h00	N/C Donations welcome	Pam van Biljon Cell: 072 720 1959
<i>Saturday</i> 21 Jan 2017 14h00	ROYAL DOULTON COLLECTORS' CLUB OF SOUTH AFRICA Venue will be advised when booking.	Brian Moore: "Old Durban"	R30 non-members	Erna Vause Cell: 082 465 9820

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<i>Sunday</i> 22 Jan 2017 06h30	BIRDLIFE PORT NATAL Eston Ponds with Dave Rimmer (NB: Bring ID book)	Please confirm time and meeting place with Dave. Bring chair coffee/tea and eats for afterwards.		Dave Rimmer Cell: 082 453 7255
<i>Tuesday</i> 24 Jan 2017 17h00 for 17h30	WORLD SHIP SOCIETY PORT NATAL BRANCH Royal Natal Yacht Club, Yacht Mole, Durban Harbour (Meeting at The Foredeck)	Trevor Jones: Slide show of ships seen in European Ports, during his July 2016 visit there.	N/C All welcome	davidhughes@lantic.net David Hughes Tel. 031 304 9390
<i>Wednesday</i> 25 Jan 2017 19h00 for 19h30	RAILWAY HISTORY SOCIETY Musketeers German Club, 7 Barham Road, Westville	Quarterly Meeting	N/C Cash bar available	Hardy Wilson Cell: 071 746 1007
<i>Saturday</i> 28 Jan 2017 08h00	BIRDLIFE PORT NATAL Coordinated Waterbird Count (CWAC) <i>Meet at Umgeni Bird Park</i>	Spring low tide is at 10h45. This will be followed by lunch at 12h00 before the Bayhead count.		
<i>Sunday</i> 29 Jan 2017 08h30 + 12h30	UMGENI STEAM RAILWAY Kloof Station, Old Main Road, Kloof. = departure times	www.umgenisteamrailway.co.za Historic Steam Train Ride through Valley of a Thousand Hills to Inchangang (50km Return Trip)	R200 adults R140child/pension	Bruce Bennett Cell: 082 353 6003 or Cell: 087 808 7715
<i>Monday</i> 30 Jan 2017 18h00	BOTANICAL SOCIETY OF SA KZN COASTAL Durban Botanic Gardens Visitors Centre, John Zikhali Rd (formerly Sydenham), Durban	www.botsoc-kzn.org.za Dr Deborah V. Robertson-Andersson: "Microplas- tics in Durban's fish - Why should you know"	R60 Non-members R40 Members R30 Students	Tel. 031 201 5111 Cell: 071 869 3693 botsoc-kzn@mweb.co.za
Every Tuesday 18h30	DURBAN SWORD & SHIELD SOCIETY/BATTLE HERITAGE SOCIETY Camelot Castle, off Inanda Road, Hillcrest	Visitors welcome to come along and watch or take part.	N/C	Brian Topper Cell: 083 493 2680
Every Saturday 09h00 to 16h00	FRIENDS OF THE PORT NATAL MARITIME MUSEUM Maritime Boulevard (off Esplanade), Durban. Near the BAT Centre.	Regular meeting of the friends. All welcome.		Terry Hutson Tel. 031 466 1683