

ENHG - Fujairah Field Trip Friday 4th March 2016

Please see email from David Edwards, Acting Chair of ENHG Fujairah. ENHG members are most welcome to join the field trip which he is organising. Those interested should RSVP David at dedwards@hct.ac.ae so that he knows to expect them. The number of vehicles will be limited to around 15.

Hello everyone,

I'd like to share with you the attached letter from Rosalind Buckton-Tucker, one of our guests attending our Inter-Emirates Weekend two weeks ago. Rosalind was the Chair of the ENHG Al Ain for 12 years and it was during her tenure that the IEW was begun by member and Field Trip Leader Mr. Nick Saines. Rosalind and her husband Lewis travelled from Kuwait to be with us, and they met with an unfortunate accident on the Friday while driving through Kalba. They were well shaken up, as you can imagine, but they were able to return to Kuwait on the Monday. They enjoyed their time with us, despite their ordeal (the flowers Rosalind mentions were sent by our Membership Secretary Christine Baldwin, by her own ever-thoughtful volition).

It seems our winter ended quite abruptly this year and the temperatures are beginning to climb. Please remember to use a robust sunscreen and to bring plenty of water with you on your excursions. Even with precautions, heat exhaustion can come on from water depletion or salt depletion. Know the [symptoms](#) and the [precautions](#).

There is a need to 'make hay' while the sun isn't shining so intensely. This Friday morning, I will run a field trip out to Wadi Helo where there is a lot to see. There are watch towers, both restored and not, and the site of the earliest known copper smelting endeavors in the region. There is also the as-yet unrestored house that contains some of the typical architectural conceits of the last couple of centuries.

From there, we will visit the Al Wahlah Fort – a place I've never been, though it's been on my bucket list for some time. From Fujairah, we'll be meeting at the Hilton Fujairah Resort at 8:00am (you must fuel your vehicles and your bellies beforehand). If you want to travel to Helo independently please let me know, and we'll meet up just after the turnoff near the brown Archaeological Site sign (**N 24 58 04.80 E 56 13 09.06**).

You may want to leave after Wadi Helo, and that's fine, or at Al Wahlah you may return to the Kalba Road E102 and head home. I'll be following the border road back to Kalba and then to Fujairah.

****Please note: the shoulders of the Kalba Road can be treacherous after the rains and can washout on either side under the tarmac's edge. Proceed with caution!**

Please bring plenty of water, a snack, your camera and your curiosity. 10 vehicle convoy from Fujairah is manageable; beyond that, others can meet us there.

Kindly **RSVP to this message**, so I can determine our numbers.

Thank you!

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